

ST. MARY'S CHURCH WREAY



July & August 2026

Sponsored by Stacy & Michael

July Services

5th July	11.00am	Holy Communion
12th July	11.00am	Morning Worship
19th July	11.00am	Holy Communion
26th July	11.00am	Morning Worship

August Services

2nd August	11.00am	Holy Communion
9th August	11.00am	Morning Worship
16th August	11.00am	Holy Communion
23rd August	11.00am	Morning Worship
30th August	11.00am	Informal Service

Dear Friends,

We recently enjoyed a pleasant early summer day in the South Lakes. Sandwiched between a good pub lunch and an ice cream on the promenade at Grange over Sands we visited Cartmel priory. It is an interesting and inspiring space, with an intriguing use of the skull and crossbones.

Just inside the main door of the priory there is a small but carefully stocked bookshop. Some of the books on display have helped shape my understanding of how to hold an ancient faith in the twentieth and twenty first centuries.

Other books on the display were unfamiliar but of interest to me and I tried to resist buying because I have several recent purchases that sit in a pile (or in a kindle folder). One series of books caught my eye because of the artwork on the cover. I might have resisted but the topic was so relevant to my current interests.

It was a little while before I found the time and place where I could enjoy my new book. Reading the introduction confirmed my decision to buy was a good one. The very first sentence resonated and after a short read I was introduced to a Tanzanian woman. She had an interesting perspective on books. She always carried a bible with her and when asked why she explained "you can always read books, only the bible reads you."

Derek

14th July:

Stoneraise, Wreay & District WI

The July meeting will take place at 2pm on Tuesday 14th July in Wreay Village Hall when the talk will be about the history of Thurnams - the long-standing printing, stationery and office equipment supplier.

The competition will be a stationery item.

11th August:

Stoneraise, Wreay & District WI

The August meeting will be a walk and quiz through Dalston followed by a picnic or in the Methodist Chapel if wet.

The competition is a teddy bear.

18th September: Holmlands

Adventure Film Festival

Holmlands Adventure Film Festival Comes to Wreay. Wreay Village Hall will host a special screening of selected films from Holmlands Adventure Film Festival on Friday 18th September.



Following the festival's headline event in London, the audience in Wreay will have the opportunity to enjoy a carefully curated selection of new independent films celebrating adventure, exploration, wildlife, and the natural world.

Expect remarkable journeys, wild places, inspiring characters, and powerful stories that capture the spirit of adventure in all its forms.

The evening will take place at Wreay Village Hall, with doors opening at 6.30pm and films commencing at 7.00pm.

Tickets are priced at £10 plus booking fee and advance booking is recommended, and can be purchased at www.holmlands.co.uk/events. For any queries please contact info@holmlands.co.uk or call 020 8244 3992.

25th September: Friends AGM

The AGM of the Friends of St Mary's Church, Wreay, will take place on Friday 25th September at 7pm in the Sarah Losh Heritage Centre.

All are welcome to attend, whether a paid up Friend or not, to hear about the exploits of the Society throughout the year and the ideas for future events.

Rev. Sheryl Haw



Congratulations to Sheryl who was ordained as a priest on 27th June in Carlisle Cathedral.

As well as her role as hospital chaplain she plays a vital part within our benefice particularly at this time of interregnum.

Well done Sheryl!

UK Summer Travels Crossword

The answers to this crossword are mostly cryptic and are all UK towns and cities. The map might help a little! Hidden city - the letters in the coloured squares can be rearranged to form another city.

Cryptic clues roughly fall into these categories:

Synonyms: a different word with similar meaning.

eg. Grey matter comes before wood = Braintree

Anagrams: letters rearranged to form new words prompted by a word such as change.

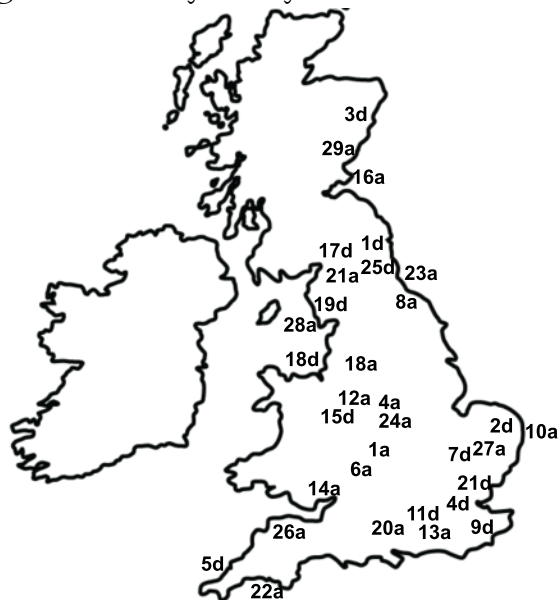
eg. Harming IBM is changing = Birmingham

Sounds like: same sound but different meaning prompted by a word such as hear.

eg. Woollen bobbles I hear = Pilling

In plain sight: answer is hidden in the text

eg. It's in the dryer = Rye



ACROSS

1. I hear they haven't had a bite (8)
4. Race hat (5)
6. Saucy city (9)
8. Like a Ferrari (6)
10. Sunbeam reflected before an entrance (8)
12. Airline staff announced (5)
13. Peter Pan's nemesis (4)
14. Modern fortified wine (7)
16. At the heart of belief (4)
18. Conceal out loud (4)
20. As the cockney bank robber said ' _ the money.'
21. Back it's said at home (5)
22. I hear it's a convenience (4)
23. My hot tune rearranged (9)
24. Ashby de _ Zouch (2)
26. Westward _ ! (2)
27. Sea and sand (10)
28. Barrow _ Furness (2)
29. _ Andrews (2)

DOWN

1. Recent fortification (9)
2. Starts Northampton, ends Sandwich (7)
3. Bare Eden redressed (8)
4. Move quickly before river outlet (9)
5. Colourful Old Testament Book (7)
7. Ends nicely (3)
9. Deciduous tree (Fraxinus) at river crossing (7)
11. Native of Gretna (5)
15. French female group before small lake (9)
17. This place is not short (8)
18. Ah Ely, ok - all change (7)
19. Green tom arrangement (8)
21. Clever humour comes before bad acting (6)
25. Heddon on _ Wall (3)

