





# **March Church Services**

#### St. Peter's Church

Church normally open every day for private devotion, access to books, food bank and spectacle collection point

Sun 3rd 3pm HOLY COMMUNION, with The Venerable Stewart Fyfe

Sun 10th 11am UNITED SERVICE for Mothering Sunday, with Rev.David Wood

Sun 17th 3pm **EVENING PRAYER** with Rev.Andrew Burrell, followed by the Annual

Parish Church Meeting (see page 4)

#### **HOLY WEEK**

Sun 24th 11am MORNING PRAYER for Palm Sunday, with Pat Bevan

Fri 29th. 2pm SERVICE OF REFLECTION for Good Friday, with Pat & John Bevan

Sun 31st 11am HOLY COMMUNION by extension, on Easter Day, with Pat & John Bevan

#### **Asby Baptist Chapel**

Sun 3rd 11am HOLY COMMUNION. Wesley Brewer

Sun 10th 11am Donald Marston

Sun 17th 11am Tony and Patricia Higton

Sun 24th 11am Charlie Preece

Thurs 28th 7.30pm UNITED HOLY COMMUNION for Maundy Thursday

Sun 24th 11am PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

Sun 31st 11am EASTER DAY SERVICE. Nicholas Watson

#### **Other Church / Chapel Events**

Wed 6th 7.30pm ASBY FELLOWSHIP. With Fran Parkinson. The Hollies

Wed 6th. 7.30pm PRAYER MEETING. Asby Baptist Chapel

Wed 13th 7.30pm PRAYER MEETING. Asby Baptist Chapel

Wed 20th 7.30pm ASBY FELLOWSHIP. With John Bevan. The Hollies

# What's happening in March?

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Mon 4th KNIT AND NATTER. With Denise at Sunnygarth, Little Asby. 2-4pm	10
Wed 6th HISTORY GROUP. John Robinson of Appleby. Village Hall, 8.00pm	7
Wed 6th EDEN ANIMAL RESCUE. Quiz night. Crown & Cushion, Appleby. 7.30pm	11
Thurs 7th BOOK CLUB. The Marriage Portrait. With Gina at 6 Burneybeck. 8.00pm	6
Wed 13th APPLEBY ARTS SOCIETY. Golden Road to Samarkand. Market Hall, 11am	8
Thurs 14th. PARISH COUNCIL MEETING. Village Hall. 7pm	7
Thurs 14h ASBY DINERS. The Three Greyhounds, 12 noon.	7
Sat 16th CINEMA NIGHT. The Blues Brothers. Village Hall,7.30pm	6
Sun 17th ANNUAL PARISH CHURCH MEETING. St.Peter's Church, 4.15 pm	4
Mon18th KNIT AND NATTER. With Lou Reeve at High Plains, Drybeck. 2-4pm	10
Tues19th MOTHERS UNION. 7.30pm	8
Sat 23rd "THE THREE 'C'S". St.Peter's Church. 10-30am-12noon	3
Sat 23rd BAND NIGHT. The Ride. Three Greyhounds, 8-10pm	5
Thurs 28th <b>FUN QUIZ NIGHT.</b> The Three Greyhounds, 8.30pm	5
Every Wed TABLE TENNIS. Village Hall.11am-12noon.	8
Every Wed PIZZA NIGHT. The Three Greyhounds. 5-8 pm.	5
Every Fri RENEW WELL-BEING CAFÉ. Appleby Cricket Club. 9.30 am-2 pm	3

#### "THE THREE 'C'S"

'Back, by popular request, we have our monthly church coffee mornings, re-starting in March. So, if you've been missing that slice of beautiful, yummy, homemade cake -

The Three 'C's - in Church - on Saturday 23rd March, from 10.30am until 12.30pm

is the place to be for Coffee, Cake and Chat. ....see what we did there?!

These are community building events and not fundraisers, so there will be no charge, although a donations pot will be available.

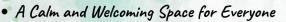
Come along to join the chatter and friendship. We hope to see you there.'

NB. Changes to the church interior may take a little time - but they **will** happen!

# Renew Wellbeing Cafe

it's okay not to be okay!





- Games, Crafts and Refreshments
- Soup and Sandwich Lunch
- Optional time of Prayer and Reflection



When?

Every Friday 09:30 - 14:00

Where?

Appleby Cricket Club CA16 6QR



Feel free to drop by and come and go as you please.

We would love to see you!

Any queries, contact Kristy Pattimore at kristy@pattimore.com or 07480 935119

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#### ST PETER'S CHURCH

## **MOTHERING SUNDAY**

You are invited to join us for this special service on Sunday 10th March at 11am. in St Peter's. Rev David Wood will be leading and posies will be presented to all ladies in celebration of mothers past, present and future. Do bring the whole family along to this traditional service!

**MOTHERING SUNDAY** has been celebrated on the fourth Sunday of Lent since medieval times. There is a record of 'going Mothering' as far back as 1644. This referred to people going back to their 'mother church' where they had been baptised, or to their local parish church.

In later times Mothering Sunday became a day when domestic servants were given the day off to visit their 'mother church' together with their own mothers and family members.

They took with them 'mothering buns' - which were iced buns with hundreds and thousands sprinkled on them - or a Simnel cake. Posies were often gathered for mothers on the way too.

**MOTHER'S DAY** is a secular celebration, quite unrelated to Mothering Sunday, other than for the fact that, in the UK, it falls on the same day.

Mother's Day began in the US in 1870 when a proclamation was made urging mothers to spend one day a year promoting peace.

It formally became a states-wide holiday in 1914 and is now celebrated in over 40 countries. In the 1920s Hallmark Cards produced the first Mother's Day cards upsetting the supporters of the 'Mother's Day for Peace'. Over-commercialisation since has led to the original idea behind the day being completely forgotten, but mothers are now celebrated for what they have done, and still do.

Pat Bevan

#### ANNUAL PARISH CHURCH MEETING

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support and ideas to help us move forwards at St Peters.

If you'd like to hear more about where we're up to, please do join us for our Annual Parochial Church Meeting to be held in church on **17th March**, **after the service**, **at 4.15pm**.

Everyone is welcome even if you can't make it to the service, or you're just curious (although only those on the church electoral roll will be able to vote)

Jif you would like to be on the church electoral roll, contact **Pat Bevan** on 53433 or pat.thebevans@btinternet.com and she will provide you with an application form.

For more details about the meeting, please contact either **Peter Mille**r: PCC Chair: 07939 103508 pmiller863@gmail.com or **Karen Royle**: PCC Secretary: 07966 371044 karen\_royle@hotmail.com

#### St Peters – The Future: Growing a Church Community

You will no doubt be aware that we held various consultations last year to explore ideas to grow and develop our church community. In January, we had a meeting to feedback a summary of what has come out of this consultation and how we feel we now need to move forwards. It will be a steady, emerging process but the analysis and discussions have shown our priorities for action lie in four areas:

Open up flexible space within the Church; ie. create a space that can be used in different ways for meetings, social events, music, informal worship and fellowship. There are formal steps we need to take to make this happen, as it is likely to involve moving a few pews, so it won't happen immediately, but the necessary steps are being taken. As we make these changes, you will start to see new, creative ideas popping up, so watch this space.

Have a regular 'pop up' café where folk can meet and share; this will be one of the ways we will use the new space we create. You can read more about the first of these, elsewhere in this edition. This will be promoted as a warm welcome space, with a morning of coffee, cake and chat - The Three 'C's.

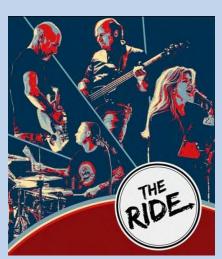
Hold concerts, drama, and other musical events; a whole host of lovely ideas come into this topic. We've already had an African Choir, and in the next few months you will also be able to enjoy an organ recital and a ukulele band. ... And this is just the beginning!!

Provide more variety in the style and times of services; we've already had an lona service, and on one occasion Fran brought us an interactive service based around a '10 second sermon'. We will continue to have Songs of Praises and outdoor services, as we've had in previous years. In addition, we're also looking to also offer more relaxed forms of worship such as through café or breakfast church, prayer walks and fun activities where we can share thoughts and reflections together.

So, all in all, there is a lot to look forward to. We're focused on building your ideas and turning them into a reality. And through the process of all this, we hope to grow a wider group of Friends and encourage the community to become involved in the life of St Peter's in different many ways, not necessarily just by by attendance at regular services.

We're on a journey and we look forward to welcoming you on that journey with us.

#### **BAND NIGHT**



#### "THE RIDE"

A 4-piece Indie/Classic rock and pop band based in the South Lakes, covering songs from the 60s to now!

Saturday 23rd March, 8-10pm.





**FUN QUIZ NIGHT** 

Thurs 28th.March, 8.30pm

#### **PIZZA NIGHTS**



#### WINTER OPENING HOURS

Monday-Tuesday - closed

# Great Asby Remote Cinema presents

# THE BLUES BROTHERS



Jake Blues (John Belushi) rejoins with his brother Elwood (Dan Aykroya) after being released from prison, but the duo has just days to reunite their old R&B band and save the Catholic home where the two were raised, outrunning the police as they tear through Chicago "One of the great American cult comedy films... It's just a joy to watch even forty three years on." This classic cult movie also stars Carrie Fisher, James Brown, Ray Charles and Aretha Franklin.

#### Saturday 16th March - Asby Village Hall - 7.30pm

Doors open at 7 pm Admission: £5.00 (card payment preferred)

Tickets available online

Why not collect a takeaway pizza from the pub to bring with you? Orders with the 3Gs by Friday evening please ...and do bring a bottle of your favourite tipple!

# **ASBY BOOK CLUB**

Thursday 7th March at 6 Burneybeck, led by Gina

Maggie O'Farrell

#### THE MARRIAGE PORTRAIT

- Shortlisted for the womens' prize for fiction
- A Sunday Times and New York Times bestseller
- A Guardian book of the year

(Originally scheduled for last month, now re-arranged)

All welcome - come and discuss the book,

or just listen if you haven't read it!

# PENRITH AND DISTRICT RED SQUIRREL GROUP

Your native red squirrels need you!
Become a member of Penrith and
District Red Squirrel Group for £20
a year. If you see a grey or sickly red
please ring Gary Murphy on
07974788434
Visit our website at
www.penrithredsquirrels.org.uk

to donate.

#### **ASBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The Council holds meetings every two months in Great Asby Village Hall. When necessary, extra sessions may be held to discuss planning matters.

The next Ordinary Meeting is on Thursday 14th March, starting at 7pm, in the Village Hall.

Agendas and minutes of the current year's meetings can be downloaded from the parish website <a href="https://asbyparish.org.uk/asby-parish-council/pc-meetings/">https://asbyparish.org.uk/asby-parish-council/pc-meetings/</a> (when available). Only business contained on the agenda can be considered at the meeting. Please forward any items for the agenda to the Clerk (see page 12,) at least two weeks before the meeting.

Can I speak at a Meeting? Residents are encouraged and welcome to attend all meetings. The Chair will invite any questions, comments, or suggestions on any subject from the public attending. However, these are not public meetings so there will generally be no further opportunity for members of the public to speak once this agenda item is closed. Of course, residents don't have to wait until a meeting to raise issues, and may contact any of the Councillors or the Clerk whenever they wish.

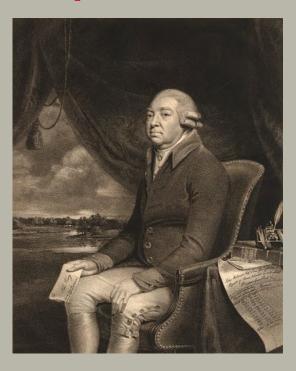
# **Asby History Group**

Wednesday 6th March at 8pm in the Village Hall

# "THE APPLEBY BOY WHO RAN THE COUNTRY" JOHN ROBINSON (1727-1802)

#### **Presented by Andy Connell**

The remarkable story of an Appleby-born lawyer and accountant, cousin of William Wordsworth's father, who became Secretary to the Treasury and a renowned speedy political "fixer" in London - hence the phrase "before you can say Jack Robinson".



# "ASBY DINERS"

Thursday 7th March at 12 noon in The Three Greyhounds

Main course & tea or coffee £7.50 plus dessert £2.50

"Last month we enjoyed a most convivial meal sitting around Phil's roaring log fire - do come and join us this month!"

Please book on <a href="mailto:the-the-end-of-the-end-o



## THE GOLDEN ROAD TO SAMARKAND

# an illustrated lecture by Chris Aslan APPLEBY MARKET HALL 14th March, 11am

coffee 10.15 -10.45, entrance: £9.00 (members free)

A unique perspective on the artistic and cultural tapestry of Uzbekistan, a land where glittering mosques and Soviet-era remnants coexist. This lecture promises to be an enriching journey through time and art. We'll delve into the country's art scene, which includes the second largest collection of Russian Avant Garde Art, carefully amassed during a time when these artistic styles were banned. We'll also explore the revival of handicrafts, the exquisite world of ceramics, silk, and velvet, and the rekindling of Islamic miniature painting, all of which contribute to the vibrant and dynamic landscape of modern Uzbekistan.



# **Asby Table Tennis**

**EVERY WEDNESDAY** 

11am-12 noon, Asby Village Hall All welcome!

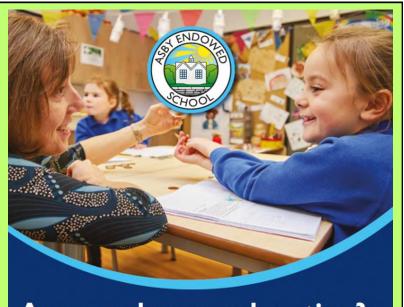
Not played for years? Fearful that you won't meet the standard? Well fear not. Our sessions are simply designed to provide some gentle exercise, with a few laughs thrown in, for anyone who has the time.(Other times can be arranged!)

#### **ASBY MOTHERS UNION**

We are a small but active branch and regularly welcome visitors and non-members of all denominations from across the local area and beyond. You don't have to be a mother to be a member, you can be single, married, a parent, a grandparent or a young adult.

Meeting this month: 66th Anniversary Dinner at The Tufton Arms, Appleby, Tues 19th, 6.30pm

Contacts: Chair - Sheila Braithwaite 017683 51624 Secretary - Wendy Fairey 017683 53609 Programme Planners - Denise Frisby 015396 23542 and Carole Cozens 01539 623112



## Are you home educating?

Would your child benefit from flexi-schooling with part of their curriculum being taught in a small, rural school?

Asby Endowed School offers:

Personalised learning • Nurturing environment Specialist sport • Outdoor learning • Specialist music and languages • After school activities • Ofsted Good

For more information call **017683 51154** or email **head@asby.cumbria.sch.uk** 

Asby Endowed School are looking for members of the local community to come in and talk to the children about your jobs/businesses and life experiences.

So if you have an unusual job, own a business or are even an ex-pupil of Asby Endowed School and you would like to come into school and inspire the next generation of young minds, then please get in touch with Michelle Clark, Headteacher.

head@asby.cumbria.sch.uk

## **Asby Endowed School**



# GREEN TREES SCHOOL GOLD AWARD

We are delighted to celebrate all the hard work the children at Asby Endowed School have put into achieving our Green Trees School Gold Award. The children have worked incredibly hard, giving up their own time to gain the award during after-school club sessions. The after-school club is very well attended and all the children in the school have attended these sessions, working towards achieving this award.

The children from Reception to Year Six have worked hard completing a range of activities including woodland art, wellbeing activities and learning about woodland in Shakespeare. They have enjoyed their work so much they are keen to take on the challenge of achieving the platinum award, which we feel is no easy feat!

The award has helped the school environment by being more mindful about our recycling and carbon footprint. As a school we are dedicated to educating children about how to look after our environment and learning about the benefits of nature. We are lucky to have a beautiful setting in the countryside and we need to look after our surroundings so it can be preserved for future generations. *Michelle Clark, Head Teacher* 





#### "Letter to the Editor"

#### "Asby Matters? It certainly does!"

Dear Editor,

Many thanks to the complete "Asby Matters" production team. This truly is a valued community asset, informative and attractive. I especially appreciate the availability of printed copies. Always there, attached to the fridge without the click of a single button, mouse or screen, even in times of power cuts and too frequent, internet outages!

After the worst of COVID was over, I checked if, like me, neighbours would prefer to go back to receiving paper copies of "Asby Matters" or were they happy to continue with an electronic version. The result was about even. So now, ten times a year I get to enjoy delivering them to those who chose paper.

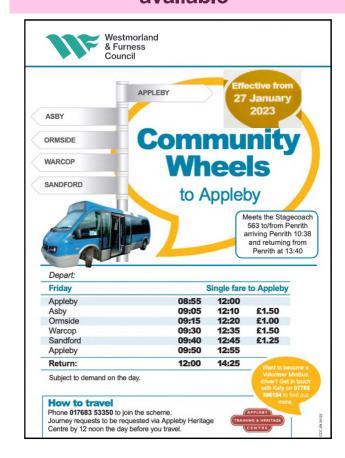
It's definitely not hard work and gets to be quite the family activity when the grandchildren are around. I also like the way this gives us the opportunity to catch up with those slightly further away neighbours we don't get to see very often. This month, my husband helped out and was greeted at a door by a local farmer. Handing over the latest edition with the words "Asby Matters", the immediate response came back, "It certainly does Andrew, it certainly does!" So, happily, I'm not the only one who thinks highly of this magazine and the community it serves. Long may it continue!

# **Knit & Natter**

March meetings
Monday 4th, 2-4pm, with Denise
Frisby at Sunnygarth, Little Asby
Monday 18th 2-4 pm, with Louise
Reeve at High Plains, Drybeck

"We are just as happy if you don't knit or crochet and just want to natter!"

All welcome, tea & coffee available





#### **ASBY POST OFFICE**

Thursday afternoons 3.00 to 4.30pm in the Village Hall

A wide range of PO services are available, including:

Mail & Parcels
Everyday personal & business banking (except The Cumberland)
Bill payments
Travel services \*
Driving Licence and Passports \*

\* Pre-order by calling the Appleby branch (017683 51594)

# **Asby Buddy Group**

A group of residents of Asby / Little & Great have formed a self help group called the Asby Buddy Group to assist and support in medical emergencies locally, before the relevant professional services arrive. In the event of a medical emergency calling 999 is the first step and following the instructions the operator gives you.

You should have received through your letter box a yellow postcard explaining how to contact the Buddy Group and get additional help and support during this emergency. If you have not received this please contact Ian Hutchings 01768 351132 to get one.

The card is reproduced here to explain further what the group does.

#### **The Asby Buddy Group**

n the event of a medical emergency a village-wide group of individuals are happy to give help and support. Your first step is to call 999 and request professional medical support and to follow the instructions the operator gives you. Using any means possible, alert one of the names listed on the reverse of this card. They will activate a call system to bring members of the buddy group to support you. The buddy group members have received training in using the defibrillators located in Great and Little Asby and can give CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) until professional medical help arrives.

The Asby Buddy Group members:

Elaine Barnes: 07802 427759 CENTRAL VILLAGE

**Gareth Cozens:** 07443 479170 LITTLE ASBY lan Hutchings: 07999 556892 GOODLIE HILL

Sue Leather: 07789 867711 CENTRAL VILLAGE

**Steve Lucas:** 07968 836289 TOWN HEAD

Graham Parkin: 07768 936068 CENTRAL VILLAGE

#### **HELPLINES**

The Farm Community Network: 03000 111 999

Child Line: Counselling: freephone: 0800 1111

The Clergy: see page 7
Samaritans:

freephone: 116 12 email: jo@smmaritans.org

Child Concerns? - contact
Children's Services Westmorland and Furness
Safeguarding Hub (24 hrs) 0333
240 1727

The 'Silver Line' helpline links the elderly with local services, help if abused or neglected, befriending if lonely.

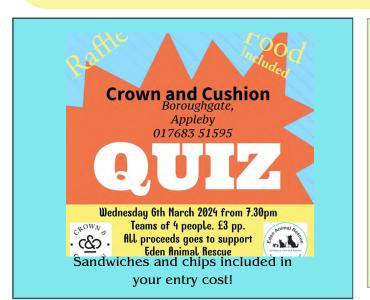
0800 470 8090 (24 hrs.)

**Defibrillator** is available outside the village hall

Police NON emergency: 101

National Suicide Prevention
Helpline UK: 0800 689 5652 from
6.00pm - midnight daily

Shout 85258 is a free and confidential text support service for moments when you may be dealing with suicidal thoughts and need help.



# Easter Day 6:45 am Sonrise Service

Once again the local churches between Shap, Tebay, Orton, Ravenstonedale and Appleby are sharing in a short open-air service to greet the risen Lord Jesus on Easter Sunday morning.

So set your alarm! Easter Day is **Sunday 31st. March**, the service is at **6.45 a.m**. and the sun will rise over Cumbria at 6.44 a.m!

Wrap up warm, and came out to Raise Howe on the east side of Orton Scar just above the cattle grid on the B6260, on the way down to Appleby. And pass the word around to Christians in all the churches.

Appleby Town Band will be there to accompany the hymns; the speaker will be an Anglican, the Rev. Ken Boullier, who is a retired priest who recently moved to Appleby; and the service is to be led by a Methodist, he Rev\_Stephen Radford.

# Asby Parish Clergy and Church Contacts

The Rector

Rev Fran Parkinson and Rev Andrew Burrell - reverend@heartofeden.org.uk

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**Stephen Tudway** 

stephen@northwestmorlandchurches.org.uk

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Peter Miller, Town Head House

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**Carole Cozens** 

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**Asby PCC Secretary:** 

**Karen Royle** 

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St. Peter's Church Warden:

Vacant

**Methodist Minister:** 

**Rev. Andrew Sterling** 

(017683) 51244

**Roman Catholic Parish Priest** 

Fr. John Winstanley

(01768) 862 273

#### **Parish Amenities**

Paper/Cans/Bottles and Plastics, kerb side collection (bags & box):

Thurs. 8th, Thurs. 22nd Feb 2024

Recycling at St Peters: Charitable donations of spectacles can be left in the church.

**Upper Eden Food Bank** collection point in St Peter's Church.

#### **Green Waste Skip opposite Village**

**Hall:** Only household garden waste, emptied monthly. Please ensure the surrounding areas are left tidy.

#### Wheelchair available on temporary

**Ioan:** contact John Bevan, The Hollies, (017683) 53433 or any PCC member.

#### **Asby Parish Council - Your Parish Councillors**

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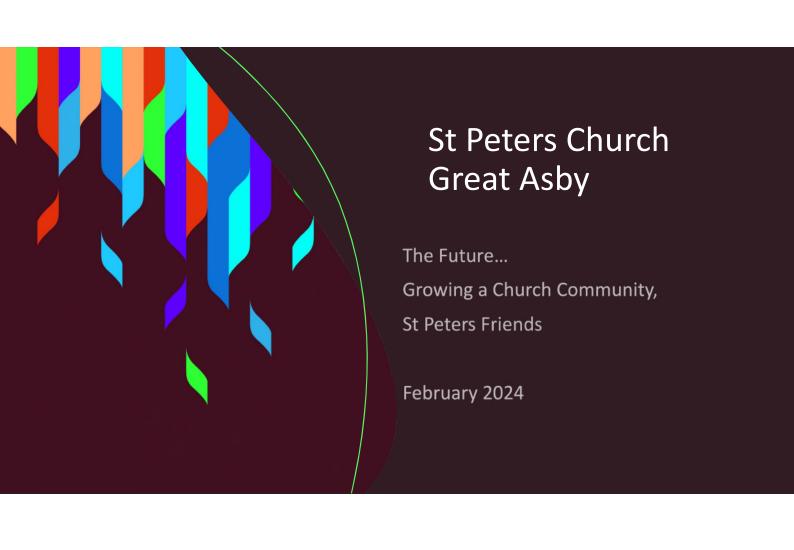
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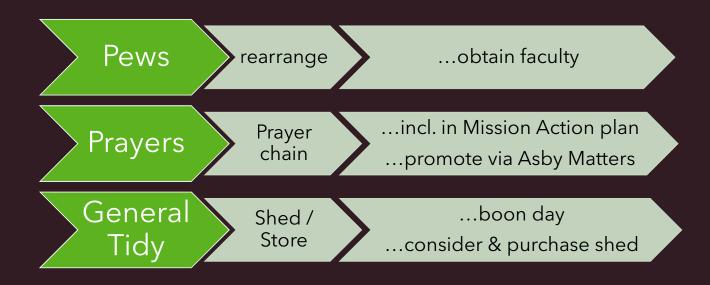
co-ordinator: Karen Royle; designer: Chris Hollett

Tell us what's going to happen Review what has already happened ... ...

Please send full full details of events for April 2024, with photos if applicable, for inclusion in the next edition of Asby Matters, **by the 15th of this month.** If you would like to discuss any previous events or occasions in the village, or if you would like to air your views on any aspect of village life past or present, please "write to the editor", and we will include it in the next issue (with the usual editorial reservations). Please send all correspondence to **karen\_royle@hotmail.com** 



## 1. SPACE:



### 2. COFFEE MORNINGS:

Warm welcome space

The 3 'C's

Mothers Union to Organise
- Donations bowl

Discussion & Table talk
...pictures to stimulate
thinking
...farmer talk

Music ...piano ...community 'choir' Possible link with school (after school club?)

...hot chocolate ...story time & cake ...link with World Book Day

# 3. SERVICE STYLE:

#### Worship with a Difference

(monthly / quarterly)

#### Alternative Style

- \* Iona / Taize
- \* Breakfast / Café church
- \* Community speaker
- \* Young people to run a service
- \* Discussion, table talk
- \* Interfaith

https://www.interfaithweek.orc

#### Lively

- \* Songs of praise
- \* New hymns
- \* Words on screen

#### Locations

- \* Barn, wood, lychgate
- \* Prayer walk
- \* Quarry
- \* Village Hall

# 4. COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Community Choir

Crafts

(could link with coffee mornings, breakfast church, fairs) Book Fair Exhibitions

Concerts, Drama, Music, Poetry Eat Together - Stick Together
...Safari supper
...BBQ (St Peters Day?)