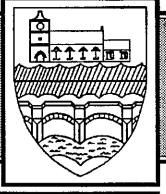
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Thursday	11.30-1.30	•	7.30-12.00
Friday	11.30-1.30	4.30-6.00	7.30-12.00
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# FROM THE EDITOR.

**Dear Friends** 

December full of Wintry showers,
Brings forth snow white flowers.
Snow white roses in full bloom,
Brighten up the wintry gloom.

Christian Church Bells ring out glad tidings of joy, To celebrate the birth of a Baby Boy, Who brought a message of peace, hope and such love. So that the Human Race could evermore, Share that hope and love from homes secure. And so find a way to celebrate, By the giving and receiving of gifts, we create A festival based on love, that gives happiness to young and old.

Dear Friends, A very Happy Christmas. May your New Year bring peace, hope, prosperity and good health into your lives.

Each Christmas gathering

recalling memories of past

years, when amazing stories

Marion Howard.

are retold.

## BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY 1: HAYDON BRIDGE

The subscriptions to the British Red Cross Society in Haydon Bridge, amounted to £296.13p. Mrs Nicholl would like to thank all those who contributed so generously.

## SERVICES AT THE PARISH CHURCH

December & New Year.

Sunday 10th December, Advent 2, 10.00 am Parish Eucharist.

Sunday 17th December Advent 3, 8.00 am Holy Communion, 10.00 Parish Eucharist.

Sunday 24th December Advent 4 Christmas Eve, 10.00 am Parish Eucharist, 4.00 pm Children's Crib Service, 11.30 pm, Midnight Eucharist.

Monday 25th December Christmas Day, 10.00 am Parish Eucharist.

Sunday 31st December Sunday after Christmas, 10.00 am Parish Eucharist. Saturday 6th January epiphany, 10.00 am Holy Communion.

Sunday 7th Epiphany 1, 8.00 am Holy Communion, 10.00 am Family Eucharist. Sunday 14th January Epiphany 2, 10.00 am Parish Eucharist. Sunday 21st January Epiphany 3, 8.00 am Holy Communion, 10.00 am Parish Eucharist.

Sunday School is at 10.00 am each Sunday morning.

Morning & Evening prayer is usually said in the church everyday and people are welcome to join in whenever they wish. Details of the times are on the church notice board.

Holy Communion is celebrated on all Holy Days, details of which are also on the church Notice board.

The vicar is now in the new vicarage in the Station Yard. The telephone number is 684307.

## A NEW MINISTRY IN THE PARISH.

I am pleased to announce that Dr Lindsay Gray of Kirkstead House in Church Street, has been accepted by the Diocese for training as a Reader in the Church of England. She is now beginning to take up some of the duties of the Reader of the Parish church as well as having begun the academic side of her training.

While training for this work, Lindsay will have the authority to perform, under supervision, all the duties of a reader. Training lasts for 3 years and is partly academic and partly practical.

The duties of a Reader include taking Morning and Evening Prayer, preaching, and helping to administer the Eucharist. Apart from duties within worship a Reader has a valuable role in the pastoral and teaching ministries of the Church.

Lindsay moved to Haydon Bridge two years ago and works as a Research Scientist at Newcastle University. She is Married to Christopher who works in Carlisle as a Quantity Surveyor.

We look forward to the special skills and insight Lindsay will bring to the Church's work in Haydon Bridge.
Keith Fletcher.

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# A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE.

From Rev. Thomas Power, St. John's R.C. Church, Haydon Bridge.

Nowadays even the mention of family life can set us thinking about difficulties and crisis. So much of what we hear and read about family is to do with supposed weakening of the bond of family life. It is good to remind ourselves every so often that there are lots of good families around. I come across them daily, Many strong families who can cope with many of the difficulties in their path and survive as loving and lovable people.

There are families who provide a really healthy place where children can grow and mature. There are many families who have hidden resources of strength to cope with upsets and in this way give their children an education for life, which is second to none. We all know of such families.

Recently a survey was carried out, seeking an answer to the question, 'What makes a family strong?'. Their answer was a list of qualities which they found again and again in the families they spoke to. I give you a list, just for you to think about between now and Christmas, and perhaps you might like to use it as a sort of check-list when you reflect on your family life.

- 1) APPRECIATION. Family members gave one another compliments. They tried to make all members of the family feel appreciated and good about themselves.
- 2) SPENDING TIME TOGETH-ER. Families ensure that they

spent time together at meals, work and relaxation. It was very often the time 'wasted' together that brought them closer together.

- 3) COMMUNICATION. Families spent time talking to each other. More importantly, they were willing to take time to listen.
- 4) ABILITY TO COPE WITH CRISIS. They tried to deal with family upsets, which no family escapes, in a positive way, and looked for ways of growing closer to God and one another, even in difficult and hard times.
- 5) RELIGION. Although not all families interviewed were churchgoers, they all described themselves as religious people. The strength of their family life was enhanced by realising that the family itself was a great blessing and gift from God.

My wish and prayer for you and your families this Christmas, is the prayer of St. Paul to the Ephesians (3: 14 19)

" This, then is what I pray, Kneeling before the Father, from whom every family whether spiritual or natural, takes its name: Out of His infinite Glory, may He give you then power through His Spirit for your hidden self to grow strong, so that Christ may lie in your hearts through faith, and then planted in love and built on love, you will with all saints, have the strength to grasp the breadth and the length, the height and the depth, until knowing the love of Christ which is beyond all knowledge, you are filled with utter fulness of God".

MAY YOU HAVE A HOLY, HAP-PY AND PEACEFUL CHRIST-MAS.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT St. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Sunday 24th December, 9.30 am Haydon Bridge. Sung Mass. 11.00 am Haltwhistle, Sung Mass. 7.0 pm Haltwhistle, Sung Christmas Vigil Mass. 12.00 Midnight Sung Mass at Haydon Bridge. Carol Service before this Mass.

Monday 25th December, 9.30 am Haydon Bridge, Mass. 11.00 Haltwhiste, Mass.

You are cordially invited to any of the above mentioned Services.
God Bless
T Power.

## HAYDON BRIDGE POPPY APPEAL 1989

In the recent Poppy Appeal in Haydon Bridge District, £619.73 was collected and has been sent to The British Legion Poppy Appeal. I should like to thank everyone who contributed and gave time to this very worthy cause. Audrey Carey Hon. Organiser.

## LOCAL HISTORY

For my local history GCSE, I am hoping to do a study of Shafto Trust School. If it is possible I would like to make a tape recording as 'oral Evidence'.

If anyone who attended Shafto Trust School between 1915 and 1945 (approx.), and think they would like to share their memories as an interview, please contact me, Tracy Youngman 684701

# A CHRISTMAS THOUGHT.

It is a remarkable that story of a baby born in a stable should still be told almost 2000 years after the event. There must have been millions of babies born in places of poverty over the years since then. There are bables born today who enter the world in conditions of deprivation and danger. What is remarkable is that this one birth in a stable in the Middle East, all those centuries ago, has never been forgotten. Every year we are reminded of this birth because this baby is remarkable. In this baby, God reveals Himself and identifies Himself with the human race.

In the world today, where wealth and power are idols for so many people, the Christmas Story gives us a timely reminder that the ultimate value of human life cannot be measured by economic data or worldly standards. God Himself comes to us, not in power and might but in poverty and vulnerability.

The Power of God is quite the opposite of our ideas of power. The Power of God is the power of perfect love. A power that appears to be weakness to those who have their hearts set on material and selfish values.

When we look at Jesus Christ, the Christmas baby, we see what both God and goodness are really like. Again, when we look at the Man Jesus, crucified, broken and dying on a wooden cross, we see the nature of God whose undying and perfect love compels Him to be involved with humanity in its weakness and vulnerability.

The Christmas message tells us that God is with us and God is love. If we would find Him we need to look for Him amongst the vulnerable and weak. If we would know Him we need to meet him at the point of our own weakness and vulnerability.

A very happy Christmas to you all and may the message of God's love in Jesus Christ fill you all with new Hope and Joy.

# Keith Fletcher. CHRISTMAS SHORT QUIZ.

- 1) How soon after Mary and Joseph arrived in Bethlehem was Jesus born?
- 2) What was the weather like the night Jesus was born?
- 3) What animals were gathered around the manger?
- 4) Where did Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem from?
- 5) How many wise men visited the stable and can you remember their names?
- 6) How soon after Jesus was born did the wise men arrive at the stable?
- 7) Where does the name 'Carol' come from?
- 8) What was a Christmas Piece?
- 9) Why was the Christmas Tree decorated on 24th December in Germany?

10) Who was St. Lucia, and what connection has this Italian saint with Christmas?

Answers next issue.

### DAY CENTRE.

Have we any Ladies or gentlemen in the village who can spare 2 1/2 hours once a month. Morning or afternoon to help run the Day Centre in Haydon Bridge.

I am very grateful to the ladies who already help. Most of them have been with me for 10 years. We are getting a little older and do need more help.

I am losing 3 more helpers this next session and would be very grateful for any volunteers.

In a morning the helpers make tea and coffee for the members of the group who come. The group activities include knitting and sewing (we call this work) and have a good gossip.

At lunch time we help to serve the meal and wash the dishes. That is the Morning duty.

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If you've never heard of chiropractic you'll be surprised to hear that it's the third largest health care profession in the world after medicine and dentistry. Practitioners are as yet few and far between in this country, especially here in the North, but numbers are increasing rapidly and there is mounting pressure on the government to introduce state registration. Worldwide, over 90% of doctors of chiropractic are already state registered.

Meanwhile, although chiropractic treatment in Britain remains outside NHS coverage it is now available, for those who seek it, at the health Centre where a private, independent chiropractic clinic opens once a week.

For anyone who wishes to know more, leaflets and other information are available either from the receptionist each Thursday afternoon or by phoning 091 2813711 any weekday.

Peter J. Lomax
Doctor of Chiropractic.

## ALMSHOUSE VACANCY.

Following the death of Mrs Bertha Nattras, there is a vacancy for a new resident at No 23 Shafto Terrace.

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John Richardson.

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