

**St. PETER'S CHURCH, ASKHAM**

**MAY SERVICES**

Sunday May 1st 3rd Sunday of Easter Lay Led Service John & Sarah Banks.

Sunday May 8th 4th Sunday of Easter. **Joint Holy Communion Clifton Church.**

**Bishop James Bell.**

Sunday May 15th 5th Sunday of Easter Morning Worship . Rev. Sandy Pearl .

Sunday May 22nd 6th Sunday of Easter. Holy Communion. Rev. Sheila Clark.

**THURSDAY** May 26th. **ECUMENICAL ASCENSION DAY.**

**KINGS MEABURN CHAPEL. (Watch this space.)**

Sunday May 29th. Sunday after Ascension Day. Rev. Sheila Clark .

Joint Holy Communion Service.

**CROSBY RAVENSWORTH 11 AM.**

Do feel free to come and join us at any of our Serves

We always have refreshments & a chat after the Service .

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**ASKHAM and DISTRICT COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Refurbishment works on the village hall are now complete and everyone who has seen it agrees that it is looking splendid! There are new chairs and we can comfortably accommodate 120 people seated at tables. The Annual General Meeting of the Trustees was held on 20th April and Mike Slee who has been Chair for a number of years resigned as Chair and as a trustee of ADCC. We must extend our thanks and gratitude to Mike for his hard work over the years in raising funds through grant aid and fund raising activities to complete the extensive improvement works. There are three rooms of varying sizes plus the kitchen all available to hire. The incoming Chair is John Banks of Glebe House and Lynn Cole will remain as Secretary. Other Trustees are June Bratton, Laura Harker. Alex Wilkinson and Graham Inkersole.

Our next meeting will be on 18th May at 6 p.m. when we will be reviewing our next steps in development and activities. Unfortunately, it will be necessary to review hire costs which have remained unrealistically low for some time. If you have any ideas for future activities or events please speak to a member of the trustee group. We are currently looking into an online booking system but until this is established Mike has agreed to continue to handle bookings.

**ASKHAM SWIMMING POOL**

The pool opens on Saturday 7th May from 12 noon to 6 p.m. and Sunday 8th May from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The following Monday to Friday opening is 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. If you are a season ticket holder then all sessions (except Pauline's Aquafit sessions) are free. Otherwise a one and a half hour session costs £4.

The pool can also be hired privately for parties etc. See the Facebook Page (Askham Outdoor Swimming Pool) for all details. You can book sessions, hire the pool and pay for a season ticket on [ticketsource.co.uk](https://www.ticketsource.co.uk) and search "Askham Swimming Pool". This gives all costs and you can book sessions here.

**GARDENING CLUB**

Meets at 2pm on the first Wednesday of each month to view a garden, chat and ask questions about gardening, swop plants and have a cup of tea.

The summer programme dates are:-

June 1st - Widewath Mill Cottage, Heltondale – hosted by Linda Collison

July 6th - Outing to Winderwath Gardens (details to be confirmed)

August 3rd – The Glebe House, Askham – hosted by John and Sarah Banks

September 7th – Curlew Cottage, Askham – hosted by Helen Dunham

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Alex Wilkinson, Scar View 01931712367 email to [AHNewsletter@mail.uk](mailto:AHNewsletter@mail.uk)

**Askham and Helton Annual Parish Meeting  
Askham and District Community Centre  
Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022 at 7.00pm**

**All parishioners are invited to attend**

The Parish Meeting is an opportunity for parishioners on the Electoral Roll for Askham and Helton to raise any matters of concern to them that relates to their local community. It would be helpful to have written notice of any matters to be raised but not essential. Matters can be raised at the meeting without prior notice. For any queries, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council, Sandie Watson, email: lakesclerk@icloud.com

**Askham and Helton Parish Council**

Tenders are invited for Grass Cutting for this season 2022

Please apply to Sandie Watson, Clerk, Askham and Helton Parish Council

by Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022

lakesclerk@icloud.com

**ASKHAM and HELTON FITNESS CLASSES**

Monday 10.30 - 11.30am - 'Move It or Lose It' for the Older Adult.

Monday 6.30 - 7.30pm Strength training with light dumbbells and bands

Tuesday 6 -7pm - Beginners to Exercise

Thursday 6.30 -7.30pm - Core, Balance & Stretch class

Every Saturday - starting from 21st May - Aqua Fit - Askham Pool - 10.15a.m. to 11 a.m .

If you'd like to book in for any of the above classes email paulineireland291@yahoo.com

Tel 07788979640

**Lowther and Askham History and Archaeology Society**

The May event will be on Tuesday 10th May

**Benjamin Franklin in Borrowdale: The Lake District in the Enlightenment**

presented by Chris Donaldson

Contact Jane Penman for more details janepenman48@gmail.com

**ASKHAM COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF UKRAINE APPEAL**

On Saturday 30th April Barbara Clarke organised a Coffee Morning in the village hall.

Barbara is a regular helper at the Tuesday Coffee Shop and the coffee shop team along with many other members of the community stepped up to help with this event.

As well as delicious refreshments (with home baking) there were also very impressive plant and bric-a-brac stalls and an excellent raffle. All items were donated and the event was very well attended and was extremely successful both as a fund raising event and also to bring together the community to help this cause and to view the refurbished hall.

In total, £1700 was raised in just two hours and this amount will be matched by the government Ukraine appeal giving an impressive total of £3400.

**News from The Askham Collection**

We were pleased to have been recently chosen as a finalist in the 2022 Cumbria Tourism Awards in a total of 4 categories:

'Taste of Cumbria', 'Small Hotel of the Year' and 'Wedding Venue of the Year' for Askham Hall and 'Pub of the Year' for the George and Dragon Clifton. This is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the whole team.

Have a look at our 'Late Availability offers' at [www.askhamhall.co.uk](http://www.askhamhall.co.uk) for some fantastic last minute accommodation deals, including a 3 night package with breakfasts and 2 dinners discounted to £250 per couple per night.

With regards to accommodation, we are also offering a special 'Jubilee weekend' 2 night foodie break, details of which can be found under 'Short Breaks' on the website.

Finally a reminder that 'Light Bites' are currently served at the Queen's Head Askham on Fridays and Saturdays, walk-ins only. See [www.queensheadaskham.co.uk](http://www.queensheadaskham.co.uk) for further details including a sample menu. The bar is also open for drinks and bar snacks from 3pm Wednesdays to Fridays and from 1pm at weekends. This is an addition to evening meals (from Wednesday to Sunday) and Sunday lunches, for which pre-booking is required.