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Dear Friends, Gardens and Gardeners

Welcome to May! The wonderful time of year when many of our gardens, hedgerows and fields are bursting with an abundance of fresh new colour, growth and life. A time when there is more birdsong and insect life. All in all May is a lovely time of year.

Gardening is a hobby that many of us enjoy. Whether your garden is large or small, full of shrubs, flowers and vegetables or perhaps just a few pots; each requires an amount of care and nurture, of pruning and protecting. And that effort is repaid as you sit back and enjoy the fruits of your labours, be it from the vegetables and fruits or the colours that our gardens produce.

In our churches we celebrated Easter on 20th April and in the reading from John's gospel we read that Mary Magdalene, through her tears, mistakenly identifies the risen Christ as the gardener. However, in many ways she was right, he not only was, but is the gardener who tends, nurtures and, if necessary, prunes our lives.

During the Sundays of May we will hear Bible stories which affirm that Jesus is alive as he appears to his disciples and others and the effect this has on their lives as they witness and grow the early Christian church. That witness is continued by us, nourished by our faith and relationship with God.

For me, the natural world is a source of inspiration. The new life and colour that the season of May brings a reminder that life and love spring up all around us, even from those areas and gardens that had only a while ago seemed bare and lifeless.

Julie Barrett
Lay Reader

EAST OF EDEN MISSION COMMUNITY CONTACT DETAILS

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

APRIL 2025

23rd	Whist Drive, Kirkland & Blencarn Village Hall	7:00pm
23rd	Culgaith Defibrillator Training, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	7.30pm
24th	The Vic Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm-4.00pm
24th	Prepare to be Puzzled, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	6:30pm
26th	Culgaith Wild Planting, Culgaith Tarn	10:00am
26th	Coffee Morning, Kirkland & Blencarn Village Hall	10:30am
26th	Gamblesby Art Exhibition, Gamblesby Community Centre	11:00am
27th	Gamblesby Art Exhibition, Gamblesby Community Centre	11:00am
28th	Curry Night, Shepherds Inn, Langwathby	5pm-close

MAY 2025

1st	"Oasis", Langwathby Methodist Chapel	10.30am
1st	The Vic café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm-4.00pm
6th	Crafting Group Meeting, Culgaith Village Hall	10.00am-4.00pm
7th	The Yellow Earl, Langwathby & Edenhall WI, Langwathby VH	7.30pm
8th	The Vic Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm-4.00pm
13th	Soup & Cake Lunch, Skirwith Village Hall	noon-1.30pm
14th	Red Squirrel Talk, Culgaith Village Hall	6.30pm
15th	"Meeting Point", Langwathby Methodist Chapel	10.15am
15th	The Vic Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm-4.00pm
16th	Quiz and Pie & Pea Supper, Culgaith Village Hall	7.00pm-9.30pm
17th	Culgaith Plantfest, Culgaith Tarn	10.00am-noon
17th	Langwathby May Day, Langwathby Village Green	1:00pm
17th	Langwathby May Day Plant Stall, Langwathby Village Green	1.00pm onward
20th	Evening Garden Visit to Holehird Gdns, Melmerby & D Gdning Club	6.00pm
22nd	The Vic Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm-4.00pm
22nd	Langwathby Parish Council AGM & May Meeting, Lanwathby VH	7.30pm
23rd	Canine First Aid Training Course, Culgaith Village Hall	10'00am-3.30pm
24th	May Spring Fair, Kirkland & Blencarn Village Hall	2.00pm
29th	Make a Drum Lampshade, Langwathby Village Hall	9.30am-12.30pm
29th	The VIC café: Eden Animal Rescue special cafe & stalls	2.00pm-4.00pm

JUNE 2025

5th	Make a Scatter Cushion, Langwathby Village Hall	9.30am-12.30pm
5th	"Oasis", Langwathby Methodist Chapel	10.30am
14th	Fellside Fibres Sale & Demo Day, Hunsonby Community Cen	10am-4pm
26th	Make Your Own Lined Curtains, Langwathby Village Hall	9.30am-3.30pm

JULY 2025

10th	Make Your Own Roman Blind, Langwathby Village Hall	9.30am-3.30pm
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AUGUST 2025

16th	Culgaith Show & Sports Day, Culgaith Recreation Ground	
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Cover Artist

We'd like to thank **Nigel Faulkner** for kindly producing the cover art this month.



Fellside Fibres

Exhibition, Sale and Demo Day

Hunsonby Community Centre

Saturday 14th June 10am – 4pm

Free Entry

Refreshments & Raffle

In aid of

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April Winners

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3rd Abigail Ridley	4th Alan Stones
5th Bill & Cherry Hames	



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crafts, gifts and cards and of course a raffle!



SOME ACCOUNT OF OUSBY

This is the title of a pamphlet I was going to write but never did in the 1980's.

Ousby's first known spelling dates from 1195, when it was a going concern called Ulvesbi: "Ulf's farm village". Ulf was a Norseman (peaceable!) who first settled here and got it cleared for farming, removing the woods etc. "Ulf" may have described him very appropriately, as it means "Wolf", a forceful character who knew what he wanted.

By 1292 a broad clearing had been made at Bradley (which means "flat"), and by 1387 there were more animal pens in the yard, giving it its name, Crewgarth (its meaning). Baron Side (first mentioned in the 1230's) has nothing to do with the nobility, but is from a word meaning "Summer Grazing" with a burial mound on it. Townhead began as Thornhead (1278), ie "Headland of Thorns" ("Thornheved"). Rayson Hall was called that by 1704, after Mr Rayson who lived there.

Ousby's first known Rector (1245) was Roger Peytenin, who was in those days a person of "illegitimate birth". He was rector for 49 years, then resigned in 1304. There are two best known rectors. One was Rev Thomas Robinson B.A. (b.1671 d 1719). [See MidEden Memo from May 2024 for more details about him,] The other was his successor, the Rt Rev Sir George Fleming, who became Bishop of Carlisle, and owner of Coniston, Rydal and the fell above Kirkland. He became Bishop in 1735, and resigned Ousby then.

From the pen of Jeremy Godwin



You can find an interesting list of English words of Old Norse origin (eg egg, knife) in this Wikipedia article:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_English_words_of_Old_Norse_origin

KIRKLAND

Kirkland's name means what it says, "Land belonging to the church on it," though by 1140 its parish was bigger as it also had Blencarn, Culgaith and Skirwith. The church was for all of them and was much larger than today's. In 1768 it needed a total rebuild and was made smaller. In 1880 it was rebuilt again and is the one we see today.

Originally, Kirkland had fourteen farms but by 1770 there were only seven so some must have merged. The Living* was worth £40 in 1296 (the year they began) but by 1315 it was only £8, a vast drop. (About £600 in today's terms.) The list of priests begins in 1294 and its register starts in 1690.

An old tradition tells of a funeral party coming from Garrigill to Kirkland who, before they met the vicar, called at the village's seven alehouses. The pony got tired of waiting and went home again, taking the corpse with it! This is a good story but Garrigill had its own churchyard (it claimed to be older than Alston) and—unless the deceased was a Kirkland man—it's likely that he was from Cashwell leadmines on the parish boundary.** The Parish Register is silent on this! Also, did Kirkland ever have seven pubs at once?

The Bishop of Carlisle used to choose Kirkland's next rector but in the time of Henry VI this right was given to Carlisle Priory, and the Dean and Chapter (its successors) then received it.

In 1794 farms were mostly in grass, much helped by liming. The soil was deep and fertile. Fuel was local coal or peat. There were 4000 sheep on the fell. Cattle were considered "not remarkable except for endurance". In the 1781 blizzard they stood the 24 days on their feet and some of the sheep survived 50 days buried in snow. Blind when they emerged, they soon recovered and sold well. They were "of the short Scots breed."

Many thanks to Jeremy Godwin for his research.

A **benefice or **living** is a reward received in exchange for services rendered and as a retainer for future services Its use was adopted by the Western Church as a benefit bestowed by the crown or church officials.*

*****Cashwell** is a dispersed mining landscape in the Black Gut and Cash Well spring area on the north-east side of Cross Fell.*

CULGAITH VILLAGE HALL
(AKA THE VICTORIA INSTITUTE)

Keep an eye open for the new notice board in Otters Holt. Details of Village Hall events will be displayed there, as well as on the notice board outside the hall.

You can find out more about any of the events below or book a private / village function or tell us your ideas about anything hall related by dropping us an email to culgaithhallbookings@gmail.com or telephone Val 01768 216995. If you live in Culgaith Village, then you can also let us know if you would like any assistance in attending - e.g. a lift or someone to walk with.

UPCOMING EVENTS (OPEN TO EVERYONE)

Tuesday 6th May, 10am - 4pm — Calling all Crafters. Crafting group meeting for 3rd time before taking a break. Come along and Sew (bring your own machines), Knit, Crochet or Craft with like-minded crafty folk to work on your own projects, chat and exchange ideas. Tea and coffee on tap. £2 - £5 (depending how long you stay). Everyone welcome and any level of experience.

Wednesday 14th May, 6.30pm — Red Squirrel Talk. Learn the difference between reds and greys, causes of the reduction in population and what's being done to help (including what you can do). Donations will go towards the work of Penrith and District Red Squirrel Group.

Friday 16th May, 7pm - 9.30pm — Quiz, Pie and Peas. Start with a Pie (meat, vegetarian and vegan options) and Pea Supper then stay for a fun Quiz. There will be multiple rounds, including general knowledge and music, so something for everyone. Cash Prize for the winners. £8 per person. Maximum team size: 6 people. Closing date for entry: 5th May.

Friday 23rd May, 10 - 3.30pm — Canine First Aid Level 2 (VTQ) Training Course.

£60 includes student pack, First Aid Manual and Certificate

CULGAITH VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

March Winners

1st (32) £50 E Wilson

2nd (88) £20 S Logan

3rd (33) £10 P Werfel



Culgaith Village Tarn's PLANTFEST IS BACK!

Saturday 17th May,
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For more information, please do not hesitate to contact:
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Mobile: 07542 102226 Email: paulsaager225@btinternet.com

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*Meetings are usually at
Langwathby Chapel
at 2pm
on the third Wednesday of each month.*



NEXT MEETING: 21ST MAY

ANNUAL MEETING & TEA

Langwathby & Edenhall WI

We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in
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MELMERBY AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Saturday 17 May Langwathby May Day Plant Stall

We will be selling plants from 1.00 pm on Langwathby Village Green
*Please bring donations of plants to the stall on the day or contact
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Tuesday 20 May Evening garden visit to Holehird Gardens

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Meet 6pm at Holehird car park. Bring a picnic. £5 cash donation to LHS

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Any queries contact Lorna Egan (Secretary)

l.m.egan@btinternet.com or 07742 444580

Jennifer Baker (Treasurer) tonybakerdevelopments@gmail.com or
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"OASIS"

Thursday, 1st May, from 10.30am

Coffee, a short reflection and light lunch

"MEETING POINT"

Thursday, 15th May, from 10.15am

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***"Oasis" is monthly on the first Thursday and
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*Mr & Mrs Burne, Winburn, Langwathby,
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Tom Smith and the staff of the local shop for
their help and kindness during
Gladys's illness.
Thank you again.
Gladys & Neil*



Langwathby Parish Council

Thursday 20th March 2025 at 7.30 pm in Langwathby Village Hall
Present – 5 Councillors, WAFC Cllr M Hanley, and 1 member of the public,

The following key issues were discussed: -

- **Report Presented by WAFC Councillor - M Hanley**
- **Finance**
- **Langwathby Traffic and Parking Issues**
 - One – Way System – Implementation is imminent.
 - Salkeld Road – Speeding Traffic issue
 - Road markings by Langwathby Shop and Coxen Lane Junction
 - Parking Issues in Langwathby
- **Edenhall Roadside Flooding** by Sports Field Entrance
- **Langwathby Bridge Damage**
- **‘Place Action Group’ – Alston and Fellside** – Key issues involved in.
- **Edenhall and Langwathby Playground RoSPA Inspection Reports**
- **Street Lighting – Langwathby** – Lighting at night issues.
- **Repair of Langwathby Notice Board** – Damaged door replaced
- **Information Kiosk** – Damaged door reported.
- **New Bench Overlooking Langwathby Playground** - Donated by ‘PLAY’
- **Langwathby Layby** – Replace post on corner to protect Village Green
- **Eden Funding Fair**
- **WAFC Integrated Transport Project**
- **Devolution - Government Consultation**
- **East of Eden Nature Recovery Project**
- **Planning**
 - 2025/0224/HOU. Eden View Salkeld Road Langwathby. Proposed erection of sunroom and garage. Supported
 - 2025/0226/HOU. Meadoway Edenhall. Open green oak extension to existing porch and single storey rear kitchen extension. Supported.
 - 2025/0396/HOU. Ardale Langwathby Proposal Erection of single storey side extension to form granny annex with glazed roof terrace over. Supported.

Date of Next meeting
Thursday 22nd May 2025 – AGM and May meeting.
John Fleming – Parish Clerk.
A full set of minutes are available on www.langwathby.org

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Sunday 4th May

Addingham	9.30am	Holy Communion	Fiona Jenkins
Culgaith	11.00am	Morning Worship Methodist Led	Dean Lawson
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	11.00am	Anniversary	Richard Teal
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	5.00pm	Taizé	Taizé Team

Sunday 11th May

Gamblesby	10.00am	Pet Service	Jan Blackshaw
Langwathby, St Peter's	11.00am	Holy Communion by Extension	Julie Barrett
Skirwith	9.30am	Holy Communion	Fiona Jenkins

Sunday 18th May

Culgaith	9.30am	Holy Communion	Fiona Jenkins
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	11.00am	Morning Worship	Tim Cooke

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