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Dear Friends

With signs of new life emerging, as Christians we can look forward to Easter and the promise of the new and eternal life offered by Jesus.

But before we get to Easter, we have the season of Lent to get through, summed up by the phrase often used when people experience difficulties, 'Cheer up, there's light at the end of the tunnel.' Yet, even in the darkest tunnel, we may encourage ourselves with the knowledge that difficulties will eventually end, because of the knowledge that Jesus is the true light that darkness cannot overcome. The true light that gives light to everyone.

Today as we journey through the dark tunnel of Lent with our own worries – and the world's concerns – we can be assured of a momentous light awaiting us in Jesus the light of the world.

So whatever dark tunnels we may be in this Lent, whenever the light of God's presence seems to grow dim, may we hold onto the promise Jesus made to all those who trust in Him; '*Remember, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.*' So let us pray that His light will be a light on our path to direct our steps through Lent, into the light of Easter.

Peter Pickthall

Churchwarden - St Cuthbert's Great Salkeld

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH 2026

1 st	Big Breakfast, Langwathby Village Hall	10.30am
2 nd	Culgaith Parish Council, Blencarn Village Hall	7.30pm
4 th	Langwathby & Edenhall WI, Hunsonby Community Centre	7.30pm
5 th	"Oasis", Langwathby Methodist Chapel	10.30am
5 th	The Vic Community Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm
10 th	Soup Lunch, Skirwith Village Hall	12.00pm
12 th	The Vic Community Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm
13 th	K Shoes Spring Concert, Langwathby Village Hall	7.30pm
14 th	Hunsonby Fitness Fundraiser, Hunsonby Community Centre	9.00am onwards
17 th	Lent Lunch, Gamblesby Church	12.00pm
17 th	Melmerby & District Gardening Club, Melmerby Village Hall	7.30pm
18 th	Avoiding Fraud and Scams, Langwathby Methodist Chapel	2.00pm
18 th	Wonder Women!, Skirwith Village Hall	7.30pm
19 th	Meeting Point, Langwathby Methodist Chapel	10.15am
19 th	"Red Nose Day" The Vic Community Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm
19 th	Langwathby Parish Council, Langwathby Village Hall	7.30pm
20 th	Quiz Night & Pie and Pea Supper, Langwathby Village Hall	7.00pm
24 th	Lent Lunch, The Chapel, Hunsonby	12.00pm
24 th	Hunsonby Parish Council, Hunsonby Community Centre	7.30pm
25 th	Easter Afternoon Tea, Ousby Community Centre	12.00pm
26 th	The Vic Community Café, Victoria Institute, Culgaith	2.00pm
29 th	Film Night, Skirwith Village Hall	5.00pm

ALL LENT DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS DETAILED ON PAGE 2

Cover Artist

We'd like to thank Peter Brown for kindly producing this month's cover drawing.

MEMO SHORTS

{ Many thanks to those who came, donated and helped in any way to make the recent Local History Weekend in Hunsonby a great success. We raised £920 for the Community Funds }

Culgaith Village Hall (aka The Victoria Institute)

100 club winners

1st prize £50 - No:100 Jane Soulsby
 2nd prize £20 - No: 77 Elaine Ellar
 3rd prize £10 - No: 45 Glynne Ward





LENT AND HOLY WEEK 2026

East of Eden Mission Community

29 th March	10.30am	Kirkoswald Chapel	EEMC joint service; walk with Donkey to St Oswald's
30 th March	7.00pm	Langwathby, St Peter's	Compline
31 st March	7.00pm	Gamblesby Chapel	Evening Worship
1 st April	10.30am	Kirkoswald, Chapel	Faces of Easter (Godly play for all ages)
1 st April	7.00pm	Lazonby, St Nicholas	Celtic Evening Worship
2 nd April	7.00pm	Skirwith, St John	Holy Communion, stripping of the sanctuary and tenebrae
3 rd April	Open all day	Langwathby Chapel	"Quiet Space" with silence, music, prayer and short readings
	10.00-11.00am	Langwathby Chapel	
	12.00-1.00pm	Langwathby Chapel	
3 rd April	12.00- 2.00pm	Addingham, St Michael	Time of quiet
	2.00pm	Addingham, St Michael	Service of Reflection
3 rd April	7.00pm	St Cuthbert's, Great Salkeld	Evening Reflection

Refresh

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starting on the 4th Sunday of every month at 4pm from 22nd March

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LENT LUNCHES 2026

East of Eden Mission Community

Simple food – soup, roll and tea/coffee

12pm – 2pm at the following dates and locations:

17th March - **Gamblesby Chapel** - *No booking required*

24th March - **The Chapel, Hunsonby** (Home of Lydia & Bryan Gray) at 12 noon
 No need to book, but helpful for numbers if you contact Lydia on 01768 889078 or by email lydiachapel@gmail.com)

All your donations for lunch will go towards supporting charities such as Christian Aid & Carlisle and North Lakeland Hospice at Home

Packhorses

The late Miss Mary Powley (buried 1882, aged 71 in the South Churchyard of Langwathby) was a prominent active vocal local historian. She was the one who got Langwathby's old spelling back. The Victorians disliked local dialects and had standardised it to Longwathby. She also remembered and described the long lines of packhorses, led by one with a bell crossing the fells and coming into Langwathby, the main local means of transit of goods. They used fell-paths and tracks, e.g. the Pony Track up and over Cross Fell (east of the main summit). On the track from Kirkland to Garrigill, where the path from Crowdundle Head to Cross Fell Summit and so north to the Garrigill track joins there, is the Yad Stone. A yad is the local word for a workhorse that's seen better days but it still going. These were packhorses using this route or routes. The Grey Yauds near Cumrew were a stone circle recycled as stone walls in the mid-19th century. Yauds is another form of Yads. The Yad Stone does not look like a horse; it merely recalls them, now, but in the packhorse days, it was their guide-stone home.

Thank you, as always, to Jeremy Godwin

Langwathby Parish Council

Thursday 22nd January 2026 at 7.30 pm in Langwathby Village Hall
Present – 8 Councillors. No members of the public attended.

The following key issues were discussed: -

- **Finance**
- **Grass Cutting Contract 2026**
- **Edenhall Roadside Flooding** by Sports Field Entrance – Problem still not completely resolved. Working with Highways on issue.
- **Langwathby Traffic and Parking Issues**
 - Double Yellow Lines – Culgaith Road – Safety visibility issue.
 - Salkeld Road – Speeding Traffic issue.
 - In hand with Highways.
- **Langwathby- Salkeld Road** – Jetting of Concrete Slit Drain.
- **Langwathby Bridge** – Repair and upkeep issues.
- **Briggle Beck –Buildup of spoil/gravel under the Bridge.** Reported neither the Environmental Agency nor Highways would take responsibility.
- **Recycling Centre Relocation** – Matter still unresolved.
- **A Children’s Learning Garden** – School interest in project
- **Flooding - Langwathby Back Lane.** – Reported to Highways
- **Potholes** – Langwathby Back Lane Storey Bank junction. Reported to Highways
- **Parish Council Website** – www.langwathby-pc.gov.uk . Now live.
- **Rural Housing Needs Survey.** - A report is imminent.
- **Road Flooding** – Bus Shelter Langwathby. Reported to Highways.
- **Pavement Grass Growth** – Langwathby. Reported to Highways
- **Planning**
 - 2025/2389/HOU White House Langwathby, Erection of a single storey timber Summerhouse. Supported
 - 2025/2404/HOU 13 Low Farm Langwathby Rear kitchen extension and pergola Supported

Date of Next meeting
Thursday 19th March 2026
John Fleming – Parish Clerk.

A full set of minutes are available on www.langwathby-pc.gov.uk

Langwathby Parish Council

Please note new website and email addresses.

New Website address: - www.langwathby-pc.gov.uk

New E mail address: - clerk@langwathby-pc.gov.uk

Culgaith Parish Council

**Monday 12th January 2026 at 7.30pm at Skirwith Village Hall
Present – 8 Councillors, 1 WAFC Councillor. There was no public present.**

The following key issues were discussed: -

- **Skirwith Road Sign by Junction** – Finger to Culgaith missing – Replaced
- **Cast Iron Road Sign – Black Swan Junction** – Refurbishment request made.
- **Pedestrian Hazard - Black Swan Corner** – In hand with highways.
- **Skirwith, Church St. – Concrete Post and Rail Fence** - Repaired
- **Drainage issue - The Pea to A6412 Junction** – Work done – To monitor
- **Culgaith 20 mph Request** - To be progressed during 2026/27.
- **Near Beck Mill Junction – Potholes** - In hand with Highway’s Contractors
- **Skirwith Hedgehog Warning Signs - Wildlife Survey** - In hand.
- **Beech Tree - Village Green by Skirwith Junction** – Interim trim done – Ongoing.
- **Footway Lighting** – Transfer agreement back to WAFC signed.
- **Worn Parish Junction Road Markings** – In hand with Highways.
- **Bridge Parapet over Briggie Beck Skirwith** – In hand with Highways.
- **Pavement Uneven Culgaith – By Rose Walk** – In hand with Highways.
- **Generator Funding for Community Facilities** – In hand with E NW.
- **Culgaith Black Swan Junction** – Stop Sign request – With Highways
- **Kirkland to Skirwith – Ditch Requires Cleaning** – With Highways
- **‘Place’ Action Group – Activities**
Rural Housing Survey – Report due at end of January, Electric Car Club Feasibility Survey, Fellside Food Banks, Community Energy Schemes, Internet – ‘Full Fibre to Property’ (FTTP) issues.
- **‘FTTP’ in respect of Blencarn and Kirkland.**
- **Parish Council IT Policy.**
- **Defibrillator Issues in Culgaith**
- **Culgaith – Back Lane – Potholes** – Drove Road Corner
- **Blencarn – Potholes and Poor Road Surface** – Reported to Highways.
- **Skirwith, Church Street** – Potholes Reported to Highways.
- **Skirwith by Old Vicarage – Fallen Tree, Culvert Parapet/Wall Damage**
Safety Hazard - Reported to Highways.

Date and Venue of Next Meeting

2nd March at 7.30pm in Blencarn Village Hall

PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW WEBSITE AND EMAIL ADDRESS BELOW:

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At Langwathby Methodist Chapel this month:

“Oasis”

Come for coffee, a short reflection and light lunch
From 10.30am, Thursday 5th March



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Speaker from Newcastle Building Society
2.00pm, Wednesday 18th March
Visitors welcome

“Meeting Point”

Gathering for Coffee & Conversation!

From 10.15am, Thursday 19th March



Culgaith Village Hall (aka The Victoria Institute)

If you want to get in touch please drop an email to culgaithhallbookings@gmail.com or telephone Val 01768 216995.

The hall is also available for private bookings.

Upcoming events:

Final two film nights of the season. Enjoy a big screen experience in the company of others, sitting around a table, with a cushion making the seat nice and comfortable.

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Sat 28th Feb: "Up" FILM STARTS 5pm

"Up" is a family film but many adults love it.

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Sat 28th Mar: "The Full Monty" FILM STARTS 7pm.

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Other events

Sun 1st Mar, 10.30am: Church Cafe. Come along for an informal, all age Cafe style worship. Includes light refreshments. All are welcome.

Mon 31st Mar, 10am - 11am: Children's Dance Party. Open to all ages who fancy bouncing around to the likes of hokey-cokey and baby shark. Bring your own drink and snacks.

Hunsonby Fitness Fundraiser

Join Kate Stannard for a fun, feel-good charity fitness morning raising money for Addingham Church at Hunsonby Community Centre.

saturday 14th March 2026

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Hunsonby Parish Council

January Meeting

- Full report received from Mary Robinson regarding WFC
- Trees at Swimming Pool to be cut back on 24.03 - electricity will be off, letters to be sent to affected properties.
- Loan Defib has been placed in cabinet at Swimming Pool
- Parish precept has been maintained at same amount - all agreed.

Next Meeting - 24th March 2026, 7.30pm

LANGWATHBY & EDENHALL WI

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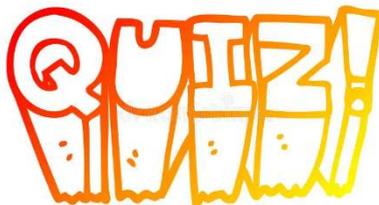
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13th March

10th April

15th May

12th June

10th July

14th August

11th September

9th October

13th November

CHURCH SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES AND CHAPELS FOR MARCH 2026

Sunday 1st March

Culgaith	10.30am	Village Hall, Café Church	Local Team
Edenhall	11.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Fiona Jenkins
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	11.00am		Local Arrangement
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	5.00pm	Taizé	Taizé Team
Skirwith	9.30am	Holy Communion	Revd Becky Richards

Lent 2

Sunday 8th March

Addingham	11.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Fiona Jenkins
Kirkland	9.30am	Holy Communion	Revd Becky Richards
Langwathby St Peter's	11.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Becky Richards

Lent 3

Sunday 15th March

Culgaith	9.30am	Holy Communion	Revd Becky Richards
Gamblesby	10.00am	Little Acorns/ Mothering Sunday	Local Team
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	11.00am	Mothering Sunday	Carolyn Dickinson
Melmerby	11.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Becky Richards

Lent 4 Mothering Sunday

Sunday 22nd March

Langwathby, St Peter's	11.00am	Morning Prayer	John Doidge-Harrison
Ousby	10.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Fiona Jenkins

Lent 5

Saturday 28th March

Kirkland	4.00pm	Benefice Family Communion	Revd Becky Richards
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Sunday 29th March

Kirkoswald Chapel	10.30am	Walk with Donkey to Kirkoswald St Oswalds'	
Gamblesby	10.00am	Little Acorns	Local Team

Palm Sunday East of Eden Mission Community Joint Service

Monday 30th March

Langwathby, St Peter's	7.00pm	Compline	John Doidge-Harrison
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Holy Week Monday

Tuesday 31st March

Gamblesby	7.00pm	Evening Worship	Jan Blackshaw
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Holy Week Tuesday

