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The Message of Easter

Will you imagine in your mind's eye a question mark. I mean a really huge question mark as big as you can imagine. Set it up on some horizon against a black, empty and forbidding sky. Can you see it? That is how I see the Cross; that is how I see it if the story ends there. If it did it is the greatest, unmitigated tragedy in the whole history of mankind. There is no more rhyme or reason left to me in the world. Establish that the life of Jesus went out in darkness and we may as well conclude that behind the Universe there is no God. As Thomas Hardy said in "Tess of the d'Urbervilles" as Tess was on gallows, "The President of the Immortals had finished his sport with Jesus of Nazareth."

Have you ever stopped to think what follows if the event of Easter Day never happened? If we are even remotely Christian we had better face the awful consequences. Consider this: Evil and not good has ultimately triumphed. Why are we all so bothered about justice? There wasn't any. As for Christian Faith, forget it, it's just an irrelevant pack of lies. Your faith is founded on a pointless myth. As for "hereafter", forget it, there isn't one. What else does it mean? It means that at worst Jesus was suffering from delusions of grandeur and at best mistaken. Why? Because an integral part of his teaching was that he would conquer death and rise again. He said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life." If the Resurrection never happened then we still wallow in our sins because the Christian message is that Christ died for our sins. A dead Saviour cannot save you. If the Cross was the end, his mission on earth failed. We had better grunt and sweat our way through this world knowing that it will all fizzle out into meaninglessness and nothing in the end. Life? Well, it's just a little game because life was just an accident of evolution. It means that man did his damndest and snuffed out the life of the Stainless One, this One True Light for ever. They scourged him and then pegged him up on a Cross. The biggest disaster in history. Matthew, in his gospel records "Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour." As well there might be! Now do you see that huge question mark against the backdrop of a black sky? Evil has triumphed. His disciples were behind locked doors scared witless lest they suffer the same fate.

On the first day of the week the women went to the tomb to anoint the body; they found the stone rolled away and the tomb empty. Two men were there saying "Why are you looking for the living among the dead? He is not here,

He is risen." The Lord was risen indeed! Over a period of forty days the Risen Lord appeared to his disciples: in the Upper Room, on the shore of Lake Galilee, to Mary Magdalen as she wept outside the empty tomb, "to 500 brethren at once," to Paul on the Damascus Road, on the road to Emmaus (do read Luke's gospel ch. 24: 13-49)

I see the Resurrection as a great light shining forward across the pages of history but also shining back, illuminating the Cross - don't you see, it invests the Cross with an entirely new meaning, it validates his redeeming work on the Cross - the story did not end there! He now ever lives to be our Saviour, and lives in the lives of all of us who receive him into his heart.

You can take down that huge question mark of mire against that black sky. I've got the answer! A brilliant new day has dawned. The Lord is risen, he is risen indeed, alleluia!

Derek Hall

Morning prayer

God to enfold me,
God to surround me,
God in my speaking,
God in my thinking.

God in my sleeping,
God in my waking,
God in my watching,
God in my hoping.

God in my life,
God in my lips,
God in my soul,
God in my heart.

God in my sufficing,
God in my slumber,
God in mine ever-living soul,
God in mine eternity.

Church Tower - project timetable



Wednesday, 14th March marked a turning point in the fortunes of the tower of St Oswald's Church. Some 5 years after the century-old cement pebbledash render started falling down, contracts were signed between Grasmere PCC and conservation specialists, UK Restorations Ltd. Remedial work can now begin.

At the beginning of April, scaffolding will be erected around the tower walls and by May, work will begin on removing all the old render and mortar. There is urgent work needed to repair the pinnacles to prevent further water damage. Once the crumbling stonework has been repaired, new coats of smooth, lime render will be applied to protect the building from our harsh Cumbrian weather and returning St Oswald's tower to its historical condition. The timetable is as follows:

April – scaffolding goes up and site prepared

May / June - old render removed

July – re-roofing and repairs

August / September - re-rendering and lime-washing

October – scaffolding removed

The work is expected to take about 30 weeks from start to finish. During this time, the tower roof and parapets will be repaired, leadwork and gutters replaced, the clock dials re-gilded and an automatic clock-winding mechanism installed.

Understandably, there will be inconvenience: parts of the churchyard and Rectory car park will be fenced off and boarded up, noise will come from contractors' power tools and plant, scaffolding and sheeting will look unpleasant. But, all buildings need maintaining and St Oswald's Church is no exception. Most of us will admit that the current exterior looks tired. When finished though, and the intention is that the rest of the church will receive similar treatment, we will have a St Oswald's to be proud of.

The PCC has pledged over £100,000 and grants have been applied for. Already, we have raised £10,000 and we plan a series of fund-raising activities. We need to set up a fundraising group and are looking for help with social media (a blog reporting on progress would raise interest) and making the most of our Just Giving website. Anyone who has the necessary skills please step forward!

This is a major project that when completed will make a very positive difference to the village. Your church would be grateful for your support in any way and please let the PCC know if you feel you might like to help.

Richard Beskeen, Chair, Buildings Committee, Grasmere PCC

Rydal Hall Vacancies

A series of vacancies is being advertised at Rydal Hall, the Diocese's Retreat and Conference Centre.

These include: Tea Shop Supervisors, Duty Managers and General Assistants, working in the kitchen/dining room, tea shop and housekeeping teams.

For all roles some weekend working is required and for Duty Managers and General Assistants evening shifts are also included.

All vacancies can be full or part-time and live-out or live-in as part of our Christian Community.

Further details and an application form can be found at:
<http://www.rydalhall.org/about/current-jobs-and-opportunities/>

If you have any queries please email: administrator@rydalhall.org or telephone 32050.

WI NEWS

The bags collected for the Air Ambulance at our February Gather Day nearly filled a huge van, and raised £1110! The record total of £804.80 raised on the day at Church came from refreshments, tombola, cakes, collection tins and donations, as well as the “name the Ted” competition won by Jill Morrison for Basil. Together with speakers’ donated fees, our own cake stall and the country market, the overall total now stands at £2055.40! Well done Grasmere WI, and a huge thank you to everyone who has contributed to this fantastic total by supporting us in any way.

At the March meeting, Janet Smith of Ulverston gave a talk entitled “The Cavendish Ladies of Holker”. Janet knows everything there is to know about Holker Hall (sometimes referred to as “Hooker Hall” – both pronunciations are correct!) and the people who have lived there. Without a single note for reference, she related from Viking times to the present day the potted history of the estate, which covers the South Lakes / Furness region. Focusing particularly on the women of the Cavendish family, Janet explained how the Holker estate evolved and grew through inheritance and marriage, and its links with the extended Cavendish family: the Dukes of Devonshire at Chatsworth House. Lucy Cavendish, current Chair of the Holker Group, is a keen supporter of St Mary’s Hospice, who receive a donation for Janet’s speaking engagements.

On 23rd March, eight ladies are attending a luxurious Pamper Day at Kendal College, where they will enjoy a massage, facial, manicure and pedicure as well as a slap-up 3 course lunch, all for just £50. The students are very proficient and it’s a great fun day out for a bargain price. Anyone can book in at the College’s beauty salon or restaurant – if you haven’t been there you’re missing a treat.

Paul Laidlaw is a familiar face on many TV antiques programmes. The ebullient Scot is the guest speaker at the WI Cumbria Federation lunch at the Villa on 6th April. We’re looking forward to another treat!

Food is the subject of our next meeting at 2pm on 13th April in the Tithe Barn. Morag Hopkins of Haverigg Prison Smokery will talk about the training programmes and work undertaken by inmates at this open prison as part of their rehabilitation. Morag will also bring along lots of produce to sample and buy for your Easter weekend – yet another treat! Make sure you put the date

in your diary, you don't want to miss this meeting. Visitors and non-members are always welcome, £3 including a raffle and delicious tea.

Myra McCraith

Knit and Nat

Our April meetings will be on Friday the 14th (Good Friday) and Tuesday the 25th in the Reading Room starting at 2pm and finishing by 4pm. Everyone is welcome to join us for the afternoon or any part of it, to knit, crochet, chat, to work on any other crafty project you are working on or just enjoy a tea or coffee.

Our collection of Twizzle muffs have now been distributed to three locations: Keswick, Grange and Kendal, with each nursing home and dementia group being very grateful to receive them.

Due to the hard work of some of our members, several lovely knitted and crocheted toys have been given to the Mother and Baby group who have written to us to express their gratitude.

Since the last edition of the magazine, as a result of an appeal by Preston Hospital, we have knitted some octopus toys for premature babies in incubators. I read an interesting article explaining the research behind the project where the babies have become more settled when holding onto tentacles and the theory behind this is that the tentacles remind the babies of the umbilical cord so creating a secure, settled environment for the babies. There is also less likelihood of the babies holding onto and pulling out the tubes that attach them to their lifesaving equipment. Carrie was able to confirm these theories with her experiences of her grandson and the time he spent in an incubator following his early arrival.

Christine Batey

*A link to the article Christine mentions can be found at:
<http://tinyurl.com/crocheted-octopuses>*

April Events at the Wordsworth Trust

As the warmer weather is springing into Grasmere, the month of April at the Wordsworth Trust will feature many events surrounding the newly blooming gardens and flowers around the Lake District.

On Wednesday 5th April, Sally Hall, our Head Gardener, will give a guided tour of Dove Cottage Garden to provide her insight into the past and present flowers of Wordsworth.

Sunday 9th April will see the close of our series of workshops with Lucy Crispin. This last session of Making the world go round: an exploration of passions, pains, and poetry will focus on the love expressed in Wordsworth public poetry and private letters. Reflect on who you love and how you express your love while discussing love poetry from the last five centuries.

Walk in the footsteps of William and Dorothy, and join us for A Host of Golden Daffodils—a walk around Ullswater on Saturday 15th April. See the daffodils in full bloom and ponder on their impact on William's writing as you enjoy the surrounding beauty of the lake.

Join us on Saturday 22nd April for 'Of glory in the flower,' a series of talks given by Michael Thompson, Jessica Fry, and Brandon Chao-Chi Yen—who some of you will know from his recent talk to the history group. These series of talks will provide you with a deeper understanding of Wordsworth's connection to his garden and give insight into the personal meaning of specific flowers.

After learning all about Wordsworth's gardens throughout the month, come to Mindfulness in Wordsworth Landscape by Steve Johnson on Saturday 29th April. This event will reflect on Wordsworth's approach to mindfulness and contemplation while experiencing the beauty and peace found in the Wordsworth garden.

As always, please visit our website or contact us on 015394 35544 for more information about any event or activities.

Corrine Bird

Grasmere Book Group

The March meeting embraced some Americana as we read Carson McCullers' **The Heart is a Lonely Hunter (1940)**, a novel of the American south. McCullers was only 23 when the novel was published and the New York Times, reviewing the novel, noted that 'she is squeamish neither of word nor incident'. The group largely felt this to be true, with many commenting on the distanced impartial narrator.

Some felt this also left the book without drive, especially when combined with a lack of central plot or focus. The novel evolves through a series of sketches of events that happen in a small town in Georgia. Many of the characters develop friendships with Singer, a welcoming deaf-mute character, but as the action moves from an impoverished boarding house to an all-night diner and then a touring fairground the truths of these friendships are tested. The reader gradually experiences a year and then, in a separate compressed section, a day in the life of some of its inhabitants. One member suggested these lonesome sketches reminded them of the paintings of Edward Hopper, and comparisons were also drawn to the writing of Tennessee Williams.

February marked McCullers's centenary, so the Grasmere book group, as usual, has its finger on the pulse. Whilst some loved the book, some found *Lonely Hunter* less than immersive, and others were minded to consider looking at her subsequent work, or at least to look up the 1968 film-adaptation of *Lonely Hunter*.

Next month the group will be discussing a collection of observations on modern life written by Raymond Briggs entitled **Notes from the Sofa (2015)**. All readers are welcome to join us on **April 13th at 8pm in the Dale Lodge Residents' Lounge** for what we hope will be a needed dose of humour. If you're considering reading further ahead, May's book group tackles a modern Canadian classic, Margaret Laurence's novel **The Stone Angel (1964)**.

For interested parties, Polly will be holding a party to celebrate the release of her first full-length poetry collection, **Basic Nest Architecture** (available in all good bookshops). There will be music and poetry with a guest performer from Canada. If this sounds like your thing, put the evening of May 20th in your diary.

Will and Polly

Grasmere History Group

11th April 7.30pm at the Jerwood Centre. Fiona Martin 'Unique Everyday Folk. The Dixons of Grasmere and Hawkshead'. Fiona Martin is descendant of Mary Dixon, first custodian of Dove Cottage, appointed in 1891

9th May 7pm. A visit to the Jerwood Centre by members of the Duddon Valley History Society. The Society has been exploring Wordsworth's links to their valley, and are working with an artist to stage an exhibition in the Wordsworth Museum (opening 8th April). Grasmere residents are invited to come along to meet them and hear about their work.

Looking ahead, on **Tuesday 13th June** at 7:30pm, Jane Macauliffe will be talking William Baldry. Details to follow.

Jeff Cowton

AMBLESIDE NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Ancient Woodlands of Cumbria

Edward Mills, Chartered Forester and Environmentalist, will talk about the wide variety of ancient woodlands in Cumbria, the incredible diversity within them and some of the current issues affecting them.

Thursday, April 6th at 7.30pm at the Percival Lecture Theatre, Ambleside University Campus, Rydal Road, Ambleside.

University of Cumbria Open Lecture

On Thin Ice: Business Ethics and Climbing Ethics

Mick Fowler, award winning author, lecturer and climber, will be exploring ethics and ethical choices in the field of climbing and parallels in the workplace.

Tuesday 25th April 5.30 - 7pm Percival Lecture Theatre, Ambleside Campus, LA229BB.

Music Notes

A reminder of the concert in **St. Oswald's Church** on **Sunday 2nd April** at 4.00 p.m. There will be an opportunity to purchase copies of the CD 'Organs of the Lake District' from the church bookstall, by courtesy of Tonia Wainright. Price £10, with all profits donated to church funds.

The programme will focus upon themes of thanksgiving and Passiontide, as well as including some items from the recording. Admission to the concert will be by programme, price £5.00 at the door, and refreshments will be served in church afterwards.

The church choir is making good progress in preparing for Passiontide and Easter, and I would be pleased to hear from anyone else who feels a calling to sing with us.

Choosing the hymns is an interesting task, which involves an awareness of the seasons of the church's calendar, and any other themes which the visiting clergy may select. If anyone would like to suggest any hymns, please let me know, either in person, by phone or email.

On Saturday 6th May 7.30 p.m., Keswick Choral Society will be giving their Spring Concert in St John's Church, Keswick, and details will be available shortly. And on Sunday 11th June at 4.00 p.m. there will be a Choral Evensong here at St Oswald's sung by the Carlisle Cathedral Carliol Choir (formerly the voluntary choir).

Ian Hare

AMBLESIDE AND DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

Coffee Morning to be held at Lucy's, Church Road, Ambleside

Wednesday 12th April 10am -1pm

Tickets available in advance from choir members £2 or on the door £2.50

Coffee, cakes, cake stall, raffle, Easter themed stalls and children's activities.

Concert in St Mary's Church Ambleside

Saturday 6th May 7.30pm

The programme will include Vivaldi Glorias and other vocal and instrumental works by Vivaldi and Zelenka.

Tickets £12 on the door to include a glass of wine. Under 12 s free.

Grasmere Village Society

The AGM on 27th April

We are determined that this shall be a cheerful social event which people will enjoy, having the opportunity to chat to each other and to find out more about some of the changes happening in the village. There won't be any long speeches but plenty of opportunity to concentrate on what **you** think is relevant to you. If you wish, there will also be an opportunity for you to influence what is happening.

The stalwart trustees of the Hall are putting out the massive millennium poster boards so there will be lots of displays helping people to see what is being proposed. For instance if you are interested in the plans for Broadgate meadow, pictures will show the types of activity equipment for adults which have been put up in parks in Kendal, Keswick and Grange. At the moment GVS is working with SLDC officers on ideas for what would be best for Grasmere. As well as seeing what has been done elsewhere you could chat to the officers about your own ideas.

You may be more interested in being able to enjoy inside exercise or amusements, and in the plans to solve the age old problem of getting the Hall warm enough to take advantage of what should be a wonderful asset to the village. You'll be able to see displays about the modern technology which solves a problem which has puzzled the trustees since the Hall was built in 1904/5.

We hope to have other displays as well, for instance the Wordsworth Trust will be putting up a display on their Reimagining Wordsworth project. They have not yet made the final decisions about how they are using their Lottery grant, so there may be the opportunity to contribute ideas. Also there will be displays on the Grasmere Emergency Plan and on the proposed housing estate at Smithy Bridge (between Benfield and the Swan). If there are any other displays you would like please let me know as soon as possible and I will organise them. Where possible it would be useful for someone responsible for carrying through these changes to be present so anyone interested could talk informally to them. They will not be making speeches, but will just stand up to identify themselves and the issue they represent. It is then up to people to seek out those they want to engage in chat.

We will finish the evening with tea, coffee and some light refreshments so people can go on chatting as they wish.

Do let us know if you or someone you know would like a lift or some help in getting to and from the Hall. I know that there are some people who rarely go out at night, but GVS does want to keep people informed about what's going on and also would like to help the community to socialise with each other.

You will see I have put an invitation to all in the form of an Open meeting. The AGM business will be as brief as possible e.g. instead of having the minutes of the previous AGM and the chairman's report read out there will be printed copies for people to read. The election of the committee and the approval of the accounts will be dealt with as swiftly as is decent.

Above all, we want everyone to feel it has been a useful, interesting and enjoyable evening keeping them up to date with what's happening in the village and, even more important, with each other. We'd love to have some new members on the committee, so please let us have their names, if possible before the meeting.

Annual Dinner, 9th March

This was a very sociable and lively event. The vice chairman yet again set a wonderfully brain teasing quiz and the depths of knowledge possessed by at least some members of our society were truly astonishing. The Daffodil did us proud, with an excellent dinner and the donation of an afternoon tea for two for the individual winner of the raffle plus a box of chocolates for the members of their table, who'd provided helpful hints.

There was, however a reduction in numbers again and we are wondering whether we should change the format of this traditional annual event. Would a lunch be better for members? Please send us any suggestions you have for changes.

Last meeting of old committee 18th April

First meeting of new committee 16th May

Vivienne Rees

Grasmere Village Society

invites you all to

AN OPEN MEETING

Do you want to know what's going on in the village?

What's happening in Broadgate Meadow?

What's happening in the Hall to stop you freezing?

See the exhibits, drink a welcoming glass; chat to your friends and to those organising the proposed changes; taste some scrumptious eats!

27th April at 7.30pm in Grasmere Hall

Don't miss out!

Coffee Morning organised by
The Buffs and Grasmere Women's Insitute

Tuesday 18th April 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

This is a joint event by the Buffs and W.I. taking place in the Buff Club. Tea, coffee, cakes, biscuits and tombola. Come along and support this village community effort. All welcome.

Jennifer Hardisty

NatWest Mobile Branch Banking Service

A reminder that this operates weekly and has facilities for deposits, cash withdrawals and bill payments. The vehicle also has an on-board customer phone for contacting central areas to enquire about products and services.

Thursdays 11:30 - 12:00 in front of the Village Hall

Use it or lose it!

Weather Report

We are very sorry that there is no Weather Report from Peter Bailey this month. He has produced the weather page faithfully for over 20 years. He deserves a big Thankyou for all he has done for the magazine and the village.

Mollie Stokes sent us this letter of appreciation:

Let's hear it for our Weatherman!

Informative and often fascinating reports on our weather appear every month without fail in our parish mag.

For me they are its highlight and our Grasmere meteorologist, yes, Peter, as well as taking all the weather readings, compiles them into a reliable report for us.

From his vast knowledge he describes phenomena such as supermoons and polar vortexes and enriches his articles with lots of relevant detail.

Thank you Peter. We do not take you for granted.

Mollie Stokes

Ian Ferriday sends thanks to **Mr. Will Hattiefield** for offering to help with winding the Church Clock. It is very much appreciated.

Lakes Collectibles

We run antique and vintage fairs and we will be holding events in the village throughout the year at the Village Hall and Tithe Barn. Please see the Calendar pages for dates in April and May.

Further information at www.lakescollectables.co.uk

Sue Hearn 07841 145692

Hawkshead Travel Tales

Hawkshead Parish Church is organising a series of talks on 'Tales from Travels Far and Near' to raise money for their Tower repairs.

Venue: **Hawkshead Lower Market Hall**. Entry £5 per person

Mon 3 April at 7.30: Tom Macan will speak on "An ambassador's travels in the Baltic States"

CALENDAR

April 2017

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| 1 Sat | 10:00 | Village Hall | Lakes Collectibles - to Sun 2nd |
| 2 Sun | 11:00 | St Oswald's | Passion Sunday - Holy Communion |
| 2 Sun | 16:00 | St Oswald's | Organ Recital |
| 4 Tue | | St Oswald's | Photographic Exhibition (to 7th) |
| 5 Wed | 11:00 | Dove Cottage | Meet the Gardener |
| 6 Thu | 19:30 | Ambleside Campus | Ambleside Nat Hist Soc |
| 9 Sun | 11:00 | St Oswald's | Palm Sunday - Holy Communion |
| 9 Sun | 14:00 | Foyle Room | Making the world go round |
| 11 Tue | 19:30 | Jerwood Centre | The Dixons of Grasmere |
| 12 Wed | 10:00 | Lucy's Ambleside | Ambleside Choral Soc Coffee Morning |
| 13 Thu | 14:00 | Tithe Barn | WI |
| 13 Thu | 20:00 | Dale Lodge Hotel | Book Group |
| 14 Fri | 14:00 | Reading Rooms | Knit & Nat |
| 15 Sat | 9:40 | Glenridding | Ullswater walk |
| 16 Sun | 11:00 | St Oswald's | Easter Sunday - Holy Communion |
| 18 Tue | | | GVS Committee meeting |
| 18 Tue | 10:00 | Bufs | Bufs and WI Coffee Morning |
| 22 Sat | 14:00 | Jerwood Centre | Of glory in the flower |
| 23 Sun | 11:00 | St Oswald's | Easter 2 - Holy Communion |
| 25 Tue | 14:00 | Reading Rooms | Knit & Nat |
| 25 Tue | 17:30 | Ambleside Campus | On Thin Ice |
| 27 Thu | 19:30 | Village Hall | GVS AGM |
| 29 Sat | 10:00 | Jerwood Centre | Mindfulness in Wordsworth Landscape |
| 29 Sat | 10:00 | Village Hall | Lakes Collectibles - to Mon 1st |
| 30 Sun | 11:00 | St Oswald's | Easter 3 - Mattins |

May 2017

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| 7 Sun | 11:00 | St Oswald's | Easter 4 - Holy Communion |
| 9 Tue | 19:00 | Jerwood Centre | Duddon Valley History Society |
| 16 Tue | | | GVS Committee |

ROTAS FOR ST.OSWALD'S CHURCH

| | Sidesmen / women | <i>Coffee</i> |
|----------|------------------------------------|---|
| Apr 2nd | Ann Fawthrop Pat Taylor | <i>Rosalind de Wesselow</i> |
| Apr 9th | June Maddison Bob Allen | <i>Ann Jackman</i> |
| Apr 16th | Rosalind de Wesselow Kay Adkins | <i>Helen Bunfield June Maddison</i> |
| Apr 23rd | Trevor Eastes John Rickman | <i>Shirley Hill</i> |
| Apr 30th | Sonia Rickman Ella Footit | <i>Tonia Wainwright</i> |
| May 7th | Ann Fawthrop Pat Taylor | <i>Kay Adkins</i> |

Church Cleaning will be on the third Tuesday of each month at 9.30am.

4th - 7th April in St. Oswald's - an exhibition of photographs by walker Julian Hyde. The photographs were taken during a decade of exploring the Lakes.

Thank you to everyone for taking care of the Curch while we were away.
Sonia & John



Problems with a mobile phone contract

I recently signed a two year phone contract with a new network provider but the reception in my home is terrible. Can I cancel the contract?

Poor signal doesn't give you a right to cancel, but you can take action. If you bought your mobile online or over the phone within the last 14 days, simply cancel the contract. If you bought it in store or have had it for longer, explain the problem to the company. They may give you a device which can boost your signal.

If this doesn't work, ask to terminate the contract. They will usually ask you to pay an exit fee, which can cost as much as the contract. If you don't want to pay then use their complaints procedure. If you haven't got a resolution after 8 weeks, ask an Alternative Dispute Resolution Service to make a decision on releasing you from the contract.

For further help, call the consumer service helpline on 03454 040506 or contact South Lakes Citizens Advice on 03444 111444.

Free, confidential advice and help is available from South Lakes Citizens Advice Bureau on debt, consumer, benefits, housing, employment and many other problems. We have outlets across South Lakeland and can also give advice over the phone – telephone 03444 111444 for help - please note new number for new enquiries.

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Home Visiting and Communions

For requests for visits to residents in short or long term need please telephone 015394 35326

Please contact the appropriate Church and member of the clergy or minister in case of need and at times of sickness for Home Communion. Any of the churches would be happy to pray for any individual, please simply let any of us know the name of the person to be prayed for and that they are agreeable to being prayed for in public.



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