

LINK

ISSUE FOR APRIL 2023

THE LINK NEEDS A NEW EDITOR

As you may be aware I have been editor of The Link for nearly 30 years now. In that time I have taken The Link from 4 pages to 8. I have seen it through the tough times of Covid.

I think the time has come for me to hand over the reins to someone new, younger and enthusiastic to maybe take The Link in a different direction or consolidate what we have at present.

If anyone would be interested in taking on the role please either give me a call on 01524 771551 or e-mail me and we can have a chat about what the job entails. Anne Jackson.

PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk:- Gill Mason - 07882 949110. E-mail - catonparishcouncil@gmail.com

CATON BOWLING GREEN - The Parish Council has contacted Planning Enforcement at Lancaster City Council over the change of use of the bowling green at the Station Hotel.

ELECTIONS - If you would like to stand as a parish councillor, there are elections in May. Full details of how to stand are now available on the Lancaster City Council website, or contact the Parish Clerk for an information pack..

PLAY PARK - Pennine Playgrounds, who built the Play Park, will be doing a site visit shortly to decide what work needs to be done to bring the Play Park up to standard, and to provide a price for the work. We hope it can be carried out soon!.

HIGHWAYS - The speed limit on Quernmore Road in the village is currently 30mph; the Parish Council is taking advice on how to get this reduced to 20mph. We will also press again for action to provide a safe crossing on the A683 at Holme Lane/Bull Beck. Separately, we are asking Lancashire Highways if anything can be done to improve access to Beckside, especially at the bridge end, where vehicles often drive over the kerb and the grass.

OAK TREE AT THE FISH STONES - The removal of the stump will happen soon we hope. Caton Primary School has agreed that the unusable parts of the trunk may be left in their grounds to return to nature gently.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 11th April, 7pm, in the Victoria Institute. Residents are welcome to attend the whole meeting, and may raise matters of local concern in the Open Forum at the start of the meeting.

MARKING THE CORONATION

We'd suggested marking the Coronation on the Bank Holiday Monday by holding an event in tune with the theme suggested by Buckingham Palace - "The Big Help Out". There was little enthusiasm from local organisations and residents for this idea, so we have dropped it.

The flag at the War Memorial will be flown throughout the weekend.

THE EDWARD & ALICE COTTAM TRUSTS

The Trustees would like to invite local residents to make applications for grants from the trust funds held on the trusts of the Wills of the Edward Cottam and his sister Alice.

The Trustees are required to use the trust income for the benefit of:

'poor and deserving persons aged 50 years or over who have resided within the parish of Caton with Littledale in the County of Lancaster for at least five years and are still resident at the date of the application'.

These charities are open all year round and the Trustees welcome applications for funds at any time from anyone who considers that they fulfil the above criteria (taken from the wording in the Wills of the late Edward and Alice Cottam) and also any organisations where the majority of its members fulfil the criteria.

The Trustees also make an appeal for applications once a year in order to distribute what income they have accumulated.

During the charities' last financial year (which ended 11th September 2022) the distributions to various individuals amounted to £10,400 and for organisations in Caton and Brookhouse amounted to £5,500.

This year, application forms will once again be available from the Brookhouse Post Office during the month of April and the postmaster has kindly agreed that completed forms can be left at the Post Office for us to collect. Alternatively, you can post them directly to Emma Edwards at BSG Solicitors LLP of 3 & 4 Aalborg Square, Lancaster LA1 1BJ telephone: 01524 386500. All applications will be welcomed and treated with strict confidentiality. It is hoped that the distributions of trust money will be made before the end of May.

PAINTING GROUP

The Painting group will meet on Thursday 6th & 20th April at Lune Valley Methodist Hub from 1.30 - 3.30pm. Everyone is welcome no matter what level of skill you have.

We ask for a donation of £2 to cover costs. Tea/coffee provided.

For more information contact Ruth 01524 770605.

LOCAL NEWS OF CATON & BROOKHOUSE

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 Linking Caton and Brookhouse
www.facebook.com/catonbrookhouse

Baptist Church Artlebeck Bridge

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*Morning Service and
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6.30 pm: *Evening Service*

Lune Valley Methodist Hub

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and 7p.m.
See BMC news for this
month's dates

Caton Methodist Brookhouse Road

10.30 am:
*Morning Service and Junior
Church*

Catholic Church Station Yard

*Holy Mass
Saturday Evening 6.00pm
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Mass on eve of Holyday at
6.00pm*

St Paul's C of E Brookhouse

*Sunday Communion
Service 10.00am
All Age Worship, read and led
by children - 1st Sunday of
the month
Sunday Club in the Church
Hall, all term time
Sundays except 1st Sunday of
month
1st Wednesday of the month.
Holy Communion 10.00am*

Brookhouse Community Church held @ Victoria Institute

10.45 am
*Morning Service & Junior
Church*

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 The referendum on our Neighbourhood Plan will take place at the same time as local government elections, Thursday 4th May 2023. There should be a supplement inserted into this copy of The Link to tell you more about it. There's a drop-in meeting on **Monday 17th April** where you can chat to people involved in preparing the plan or to parish councillors. Victoria Institute, Victoria Room, 6-7pm.

CATON GALA 2023
 Only seven weeks until Caton Gala 2023. It will take place on the 20th May 2023 at Elm Grove Field, Caton. The theme will be "Kings and Queens".

We have now completed the judging for the Picture Competition, Queen, Attendants and Page Boy.
 The Results are: Picture Competition:-
 Age 4-5; Finley Mellor – Caton Primary -5; Age 6-7; Olive Eccleston – Caton St Pauls - 6; Age 8-9; Rosie Ward – Caton Primary - 9; Age 10-11; Ava Gardner – Caton St Pauls - 10

Overall:- Finley Mellor - Caton Primary
Gala Queen:- Hannah Richardson (8) Caton St Pauls; **Attendants:-** Ava Gardner (10) Caton St Pauls. Rose Beauchamp (7) Caton Primary; **Page Boy:-** Harrison Brookes (Age 9) Caton Primary School.

The winning drawing will appear on the front cover of the Gala Programme.
 If you would like to have a stall at the Gala, please e mail the Gala inbox to request an application form.
 If anyone would wish to kindly donate a prize for the tombola, these can be left either at the Caton branch of Bay Vets or at Station Garage.

The next meeting will take place at **8:00 PM on Monday the 27th of March 2023** at the Station Hotel, Caton. All are welcome to attend. A further meeting is provisionally booked for the 17th April.

CATON & BROOKHOUSE FRIENDSHIP CLUB
 Members got together for an enjoyable coffee morning at the Station Hotel on the 16th February, the table quizzes were great fun and caused some head scratching, There will be a report on our March visit to Helmsley and Ripon in the next issue. On the 20th April we will be visiting Boundary Mill and Skipton, leaving Caton at 9.00 and Brookhouse at 9.10 and on May 4th we will get together for a buffet lunch at the Station Hotel at 12 noon. Visits cost £15 for members and £18 for none members. Further information /booking Ally Whitfield 01524 770827 / 07738912923

CATON LEISURE CLUB
 Everyone is invited to join our group for talks (see below) on a variety of interesting topics
 Included in the cost for members of £2.00, non- members £4.00, members attending other classes £1.00, is the talk tea/coffee and biscuits, and of course friendship. (Annual Membership is just £5.00)
 We meet at the Victoria Institute Caton for a 1030 start and usually finish at about 1215

For a warm-up! And to maintain flexibility why not join Norma`s Chair Based exercise group !0.00-1200 each Monday. Do please come along, we are only just down the road. You will be most welcome
April Talks -3rd - Pam Bateson. Encaustic Art from the Egyptian tombs: 10th - Easter Bank Holiday Monday. 17th - Barbara Broadbent. Serendipity - Sri Lanka: 24th - Annual Trip - Coniston.

Bowling will now be at Hornby Bowling Green, until resumption in Autumn of Indoor Bowling at the Institute Due to unforeseen circumstances on some occasions the speaker may change at short notice
 Chair Based Exercise continue throughout the year every Monday 09.00-10.00
 Bowling continues either outdoor or indoor Please contact David for further information Tel 01524 812342

CATON WI
 Due to unforeseen circumstances, our speaker for our March meeting had to cancel at the last minute so following the business matters, our President, Ruth Gibbons, gave us her autobiographical talk "The Road from Wigan Pier" – a road which has led her onto every continent except the Arctic and the Antarctic and she says that she is not keen on going to either – they are too cold!

At our next meeting on April 6 th at 7.30pm in the Victoria Institute, our speaker will be Louise Stevens who will show us the art of Macrame – a craft which is currently having a resurgence in popularity. Guests are welcome.


CATON AND BROOKHOUSE GARDENING CLUB
 It was very unfortunate that the weather derailed our speaker evening in March. Ellie Parker and her talk on Ingleborough rewilding has now been rescheduled for October.

We therefore now look forward to our AGM on April 13th in St Pauls church hall at 7pm. As it is the AGM this is a members only event and there will be no charge. Do come along to hear how the society is doing and our plans for next year. Have your say in what we should be doing. And of course no one will be press ganged on to the committee, although we are all volunteers and any help would be much appreciated. As usual the event is not all business. Wine and nibbles will be provided as well as the usual tea/coffee and top notch biscuits. Call Graham on 770919 if you want a lift.

SPRING AND BUY AT ST PAUL'S
 There will be a Spring and Buy sale at St Paul's on the morning of **Saturday the 22 nd of April** from 10.30 to 12.30.

There will be light refreshments available and there will be no charge for admission.
 The main purpose is to raise funds for further development of the Church Hall. Small, donated items in good condition would also be appreciated.
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If you would like to donate, our bank details are:-

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Donations can also be made at the VI during the Library opening hours or by contacting the Community Centre Manager

WARM WELCOME – Keep warm and socialise You are welcome to come to the Victoria Institute and use the Cottam Room and the Library/IT Room during the Library opening hours. Refreshments can be purchased.

CATON COMMUNITY LIBRARY & IT ROOM

Opening Days and Times - Monday & Wednesday 10:00am to 12:00 noon & 1:00 to 3:00pm: Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am to 12:00 noon. The IT 'Drop In' facility, offers 4 computers, all with Internet access and Microsoft Office software.

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BUSINESSES, TRADES & SERVICES - The Victoria Institute has a display board for businesses, trades and services to promote themselves. Please leave your poster, business cards etc. with Peter at the Institute.

FREE TO ADVERTISE 'FOR SALE' BOARD - Sell items for free on the noticeboard in the Victoria Institute. Collect a form from Peter in the Library/IT Room to advertise your items.

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT FLOODING? - Floodsax are available for sale from the Victoria Institute. The cost is £30.00 for a pack of five. Please contact Peter for more information.

EMERGENCY CENTRE - The Victoria Institute is our village's Emergency Centre. If there are problems such as flooding, long periods without mains water, or power cuts, the Victoria Institute will be staffed and you'll be able to get practical help and information.

GET IN TOUCH - For all queries, including hiring the Victoria Institute please contact: -

Peter Collins the Community Centre Manager at the Institute on 01524 771733

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SATURDAY LITTER PICK

A group of residents get together on the first Saturday of every month to pick up litter and tidy the villages. The meeting place is outside the Victoria Institute at 10.00 am, weather permitting. You decide how much time and where abouts in the village needs some attention. Half an hour or an hour can – and does – make such a difference. If you have borrowed one of our litter pickers and are not able to use it either on these Saturdays or in between, please do get in touch so we can arrange to collect it from you.

Bags and litter pickers are provided, and it is a good idea to bring your own gloves.

If you have seen an area which would benefit from a tidy up, please contact Judy Powell on 771154 for all queries and requests about litter picking in the villages.

Next session: **Saturday 1st April**

VILLAGE WEBSITE

The village website has a Directory, which lists local organisations and businesses. It needs regular checking and updating.

Do have a look at it and let the web editor know if there is material to be corrected or new entries needed. Use the contact option on the website.

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YOUTH CLUB

Brookhouse Community Church are running a youth club on a Thursday evening at the Victoria Institute. It runs weekly in term time and is open to primary aged children between Years 2 and 6. Come along to enjoy the fun and games.

For further details please message Rebekah Preece on 07468 410485 or email brookhousecommunitychurch@gmail.com

LITTLE STARS TOTS GROUP

Little Stars Tots Group meets at St Peter's, Quernmore on Wednesday mornings in term time, at any time from 8.45 -11.00.

Because of the school holidays, Little Stars will only meet on 19th and 26th April. All welcome.

CRAFTY TOTS

Crafty Tots is a fortnightly toddler group held in Caton Baptist Church. Sessions start at 9-30am until 10-30am and are open to pre school children from the age of 18 months +. Come and join us for crafts, stories and singing with a brew for the mums (and dads). For more information or to book your child's place please email catoncraftytots@gmail.com

The cost is £2-50 per session. The date for April is the 28th

TIDDLEYWINKS' TODDLER GROUP

On Thurs. 30th March, after hot cross buns and palm crosses (got the course of events wrong way round there!) we'll have a little break while Jim-the-helper delivers a few lambs down on the farm. So, NO 'Tiddleywinks' on 6th and 13th April.

Then we'll all meet up again on Thurs, 20th April, 10am at Brookhouse Church Hall. £2 per family. Happy Easter one and all! from Elaine, Jim and Mary

SPORTSREACH SOCCER AND NETBALL SCHOOL

SportsReach, in conjunction with the local churches, will be hosting a soccer and netball school at Caton St Paul's School field/church hall from Wednesday 31 May to Saturday 3 June. From 10am to 4pm. Football is open to children aged 7 to 14 and netball to children aged 9 to 13.

The cost is £50 per child, additional siblings £45.

For further details or an application form please contact Rebekah Preece on 01524 771682.

CATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have had a very active couple of months in school with many competitive and non competitive sporting activities for the children to enjoy, including gymnastics, tennis, table tennis, netball, multi skills, dodgeball, football and swimming. The children have also grasped the opportunities we provide for them to shine in the performing arts. Our school band now includes children as young as five and our Young Voices Choir had a wonderful day performing at the Manchester Arena as part of a huge choir of 8700 children!

We continue to embrace every opportunity to promote our children's mental health. The whole school has enjoyed mindfulness training and our wellbeing lunchtime Lego club is proving to be very popular. Reception and Key Stage 1 children love to embrace nature and learn each week in our fabulous forest and Key Stage 2 have had the opportunity to work with the Lune River Trust, identifying trees in the local area and then planting their own fruit trees in the school grounds.

In March, the whole school completed a sponsored obstacle course and 'beat the teacher' races to raise a notable £1200 for the Turkey earthquake appeal. Thank you to everyone who supported them.

It was a real pleasure to attend the institution of the Reverend Helen Scamman at St Paul's Church and to welcome Helen into our school to work with our Year 1 and 2 children on their RE topic. Our pupils always thoroughly enjoy Debbie Green's lively assemblies and her latest one was no exception, in which an amazing remote control robot taught them how to become better people.

At Caton Primary School, we LOVE reading and we certainly demonstrated this by celebrating World Book Day in style. Adults and children all dressed up as characters from Roald Dahl and Julia Donaldson books. As families arrived in the playground, Grandpa Joe and Grandma Josephine certainly created a stir as they greeted the children from their bed! Reception found a Gruffalo in the forest; Class 2 wrote dreams and made 'froboscottle', inspired by the BFG; Class 3 enjoyed a feast in honour of Fantastic Mr Fox; and Class 4 brewed some bewitching potions and created some excellent floating recipes, inspired by George's Marvellous Medicine. In the afternoon, it was wonderful to welcome parents into school to share the children's work and to enjoy reading a good book together.

Our PTA Ceilidh in January was great fun and we were treated to a brilliant address to the haggis by one of our very own parents. The PTA is now collecting items for its Bags 2 School fundraising event which will take place on 24th April. If you fancy a clear out, and would like to help us raise some money for school, why not bag up any of the following items and deliver to school any time from 20th April. Alternatively, we would be very happy to collect items if you call the office to arrange this.

Items to donate include: clothing; paired shoes; handbags; hats; socks; scarves and ties; jewellery; lingerie; belts; soft toys; curtains; towels, bedding. Thank you in advance!

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EVENTS DURING APRIL

Dominoes Evenings will be held on alternate Saturdays on the ground floor of The Institute, beginning at 7 p.m. Those evenings being on APRIL 1st 15th and 29th.

No previous experience of the game is needed and everyone is welcome.

Hornby Pensioners Talk - This month's talk will take place on Tuesday April 11th at 2.30 p.m. It will be given by one of our Hornby residents. None other than our very own- Jane Tarleton, who will be giving us a first-hand account of her life spent in Africa.

We hope that as many people as possible will come along, both members and guests. This should be an enjoyable event, offering you the chance to hear from Jane, of experiences that most of us can only dream of. We will be able to enjoy this in good company and in a warm and friendly atmosphere.

LVCS HORNBY SWIMMING POOL- COFFEE MORNING APRIL 22ND

The Lune Valley Community Pool in Hornby gets a great deal of support from local schools, families and friends, and the recent very successful Swimathon organised by Georgia and Scott proved yet again the value of this community support. Well done to everyone who took part, full results are available on our website.

The re-opening of the pool is great local community success story and we are holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday April 22nd at 10.30 in the Hornby Institute, Enjoy cake and coffee, tea and have a chat with the team and join in the inevitable raffle! We are constantly reviewing the pool timetable to suit demand and would welcome any ideas and suggestions for the future. The Coffee morning will be followed by an AGM at 12.00 which you may also wish to attend, It's optional! There will be an open forum but any specific questions for the Trustees should be submitted prior to the meeting..

Further details are all on our website.

For all Hornby Pool general enquiries please contact Georgia or Scott on 01524805666. Website- www.lunevalleypool.com; Facebook - lune valley swimming pool.

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LUNESDALE PROBUS CLUB- HORNBY

The April programme will consist of two very interesting and diverse sessions - 'bells and whistles' perhaps? Our first guest speaker on 3rd April will be Georgina Somerville of Green Rose/LEAP (local energy advice programme) speaking on taking control of domestic energy and she will also give personal advice and techniques.

The speaker for 17th April is Enrique Linares on the origins of Morris dancing in England. Enrique is well known as an expert and practitioner on the history of Morris Dances.

Lunesdale Probus Club meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month.

Guests, friends and visitors are always welcome to join us at the Hornby Village Institute at 10.30 hrs for coffee and chat before each meeting. No obligation to join - just come along and enjoy a nice social break from routine.

For further details or any information on this or other Lunesdale Probus Club matters please contact - Roger Carter. Hon.Secretary; Lunesdale Probus Club. 015242 22283

JAZZ IN HORNBY

Hats off to Neil, not only for hosting Gaz & Co, but also for doing all the pre-gig publicity: going round & putting up the posters, 'posting' the gig on social media etc

And thanks to everyone who came last night, as for me I've now got the c.d.

Looking ahead: the TIM Kliphuis Trio will be here on Friday 26th May, and Chris Coull has just confirmed Friday 11th August for annual reunion of the Sextet. Finally for 2023 :Saturday 18th November, the Steve Andrews Quartet. Looking forward to seeing you in May, Sam

TRIP TO LIVERPOOL -TUESDAY APRIL 18TH 2023

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Non members very welcome.. £15.00.

WRAY FLOOD - MEMORIES AND IMPACTS

There will be an exhibition in Holy Trinity Church Wray during the Scarecrow Festival Saturday 22nd April to Monday 1st May marking the Wray Flood of August 1967.

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We meet in the Victoria Institute every Sunday Morning at 10.45am. There is always a very warm welcome for anyone who joins us. Junior Church is available each week for the children. The service is always followed by refreshments and a chat.

Meet 2 Eat :- There will be no Meet 2 Eat on 7th April as it is Good Friday.

Next one will be 21st April at 12-30.

Coffee & Cakes :- Wednesday 12th April 10am - 11-30am.

Friday Friends:- Friday 28th April 11-30am -- 1-30pm.

Happy Easter!

Join us for our Easter Service. Sunday, 9th April at 10.45am, at the Victoria Institute.

The Easter message with coffee and cake.

If you would like to get in touch with someone from the church please contact Jim Hutchinson at pottyheads@gmail.com.

ST PAUL'S CHURCH BROOKHOUSE COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning will be at the Parish Hall on the **5th of April 2022 at 10.30**. The April Coffee Morning is in support of the NW Air Ambulance. The NW Air Ambulance is funded by voluntary contributions and will greatly appreciate the money we are able to raise to support this worthy cause. As usual there will be a raffle and a quiz. There will also be a cake stall as well as other stalls selling a range of produce. It will give people the opportunity to meet friends and neighbours for a chat. You are most welcome to join us for coffee, tea or cold drink and biscuits.

The March Coffee morning raised £91.80 for Univida. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this event, the proceeds from which helps to support the street children of Brazil.

WARM WELCOMES

Several village organisations are offering places where residents can come to keep warm and socialise if they wish.

Caton Baptist Church every Tuesday 2-4pm with hot drinks provided.

Lune Valley Methodist Hub every Wednesday 2-4.30pm, with tea and toast.

And you are welcome to come into the Victoria Institute and use the Cottam Room and the Library/IT Room when it is staffed - usually Monday 10-12 and 1-3, Tuesday 10-12, Wednesday 10-12 and 1-3, Thursday 10-12.

WARM SPACE

Every Tuesday afternoon from 2 - 4pm Caton Baptist Church will be open as a warm space for you to come and enjoy a cuppa and informal chat.

Please come and stay the whole time or come and go as you please but you are very welcome.

VOLUNTEERING IN THE VILLAGE CHURCHYARD

Please! The churchyard at St Paul's is an area for the whole village, for villagers from all churches, and none.

The mowing and maintenance is covered by a rota of very willing volunteers and we all very much appreciate their contribution to village life. Thank you!

However we would welcome another couple of names to go onto the rota; all tools and protective equipment are provided. As with all jobs, the bigger the team the smaller the role for each individual. We are particularly looking for someone to do some regular strimming – could that be you?

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CATON ST PAUL'S

Palm Sunday, April 2nd, 10am: Come along for our All Age service with a Palm Sunday procession from the Church Hall – bring shakers and things to make a noise with!

Wednesday, April 5th, 10 am: Holy Communion at 10 am

Maundy Thursday, April 6th 7.30 pm: Holy Communion at 7.30 pm

Good Friday April 8th, 3 pm A Quiet Hour at the foot of the cross in the church

Easter Day April 9th, 10 am – Join us for a family friendly communion service with an Easter egg hunt in the church grounds afterwards.

Sundays 16th, 23rd, 30th April Communion Service at 10 am with Sunday Club for children on 23rd and 30th April.

Please do get in touch to find out more: Rev Helen Scamman vicar@stpaulscaton.org.uk or 01524770300.

CATON METHODIST CHAPEL

Weekly Sunday Service: 10:30am We will worship at Caton apart from Sunday 2nd April, when we will be at Brookhouse. Everyone very Welcome

Saturday Soup: Saturday 8th April. 12:30pm. Meet up with friends for soup & homemade cakes. £3.00 per person

Crafts @ Caton: Thursday 27th April between 10-12pm. Bring your craft items and have a chat over coffee

Bible Study Live and via Zoom. Fortnightly 7pm is held at The Lune Valley Methodist Hub with Rev Emma. 12th and 26th April (2nd and 4th Wednesday) And also by zoom

If you would like to contact Rev Emma Holroyd - Emma.holroyd@methodist.org.uk

LUNE VALLEY METHODIST HUB - Brookhouse

Sunday Service 2nd April - Rev Emma Holroyd 10:30am – Sunday Service finishing with refreshments

Free Tea and Toast - Wednesdays 5th and 12th between 10am - 12pm (Easter holidays)

Wednesdays 19th and 26th between 2 - 4:30pm 'Creating a Warm Space'.

Children's/Easy Crafts - Wednesday 5th April 10am – 12pm Come along and enjoy lots of craft activities for all ages with Tea and Toast.

Book and Jigsaw Exchange - Saturday 15th April 10am-12pm With Coffee and biscuits choose a book or jigsaw, any donations will go to Ovarian Cancer Charity.

Bible Study Live and via Zoom -Wednesday 12th and 26th April 7-8pm with Rev Emma and also via zoom

'Caton and Friends for Ukraine' continue to meet each 1st and 3rd Saturday afternoons between 2-4pm, For coffee, Cake, English lessons and children's activities.

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CATON BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Alan Wandsworth - Tel 01524 771371

Church Website - catonbaptist.org More details on our website and Facebook page.

We continue to meet for worship on Sundays at 10.30am and 6.30pm. Sunday School during the morning service. We also have crèche facilities available during the morning service.

On **Sunday 9th April at 6:30pm** Youth Service. Please come along and join us with the usual doughnuts and hot chocolate at the close.

Please also remember if you would like to know more about becoming a Christian and finding new hope in Jesus, or if you have any concerns and worries and would like prayer or a chat you can contact Alan on the above number.

Ladies Fellowship - We are a friendly group of ladies who meet once a fortnight on a Wednesday afternoon at 2pm. Our speakers always bring a devotional message and we enjoy a cup of tea and biscuits afterwards. All ladies from the village and further afield are welcome to join us and transport can be arranged if you need a lift. The dates for April are -

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EASTER IN CATON AND BROOKHOUSE

Caton Baptist -

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Easter Saturday 8th April - Caton Baptist Church invite you to join with us on our family walk. Leaving the church car park at 10am. Bring a packed lunch and suitable footwear Arriving back in Caton mid afternoon.

St Paul's -

Maundy Thursday, April 6th - 7.30 pm: Holy Communion at 7.30 pm

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Easter Day, April 9th - 10 am – Join us for a family friendly communion service with an Easter egg hunt in the church grounds afterwards.

Easter Family Fun -

Easter Saturday, 8th April, from 2pm. Marquee on Fell View.

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Churches Together

Walk of Christian Witness on Good Friday commencing at the Catholic Church at 9:45am and calling at each of the village churches along the way for a hymn and prayer, finishing at Caton St Paul's Church for a short service of reflection.

Brookhouse Community Church

Happy Easter!

Join us for our Easter Service.Sunday, 9th April at 10.45am, at the Victoria Institute.

The Easter message with coffee and cake.

Easter Sunday morning

A sun rise communion service to be held at the Wind Turbines on Caton Moor. Meeting at 6:15 am for the service.

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