

What's On

Samlesbury Parish Church (Contact Grace 01772 877076) Sun. 13th Nov. Service of Remembrance: 11.00.am.

Sat. 19th Nov. Festive Afternoon Tea: War Memorial Hall. 2.00.pm-4.30.pm. Sun.18th Dec. Carol Service, followed by mince pies & mulled wine: 6.30.pm.

Cuerdale Cross:

Fri: 11th Nov: Wreath laying ceremony: 10.30.am.

St. Mary's RC Chapel

Christmas Eve: Mass 8.00.pm..(Contact: 01772 253709)

Samlesbury Higher Hall: 01254 812010;
www.samlesburyhall.co.uk Sun. 27th Nov. Christmas Fair: 10.00.am.–4.00.pm.

Sun.4th, Tues.6th, Wed.7th, Thurs.8th Dec: Making Christmas wreaths:

10.30am.–1.00.pm: Ticket only .

Mon/Tues. 12th/13th December: *A Christmas Carol*. Booking essential.

Tues. 22nd Nov.– Fri. 23rd Dec: Christmas Menu in the Heritage Café. Thurs. 19th Jan: Wedding Open Evening: 6.00.pm-8.00.pm.

Samlesbury War Memorial Hall (Contact: Clare 07739585860).

Fri. 11th Nov: Wreath laying ceremony: 11.00.am.

Sat. 19th Nov: Quiz night:

“ 10th Dec: “ “ “

Sat. 21st Jan: Burns Night Ceilidh.

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 24th November 2022 at 7:30 pm

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SAMLESBURY AND CUERDALE PARISH COUNCIL November 2022

Notes from the Chairman

- On the 8th September an event occurred, which though inevitable, still came as a shock to the Nation – the passing away of our monarch, Queen Elizabeth II. Most of the population will not even remember the way life was before such an inspirational lady presided over our Nation. She was a level-headed constant amongst the world's issues, and it led to a feeling of comfort for the country.

On behalf of our parish, a letter of condolence and thanks was sent by the Parish Council to the Royal family, expressing gratitude for all the Queen's service, and wishing our new monarch, Charles III a long and fulfilling reign. God Save the King.

- I would like to thank all the Parish Council for their hard work and time devoted in response to the Cuerdale Garden Village proposal. It is likely to take until early 2023 for the outline planning application to go before the Planning Committee, as most of the Consultees have asked for a longer time to formulate a response. Therefore, if anyone has still not responded to the application, they can still object by letter, email, or go to the Planning Portal.

- The current Council work very hard behind the scenes, and currently appear to have the ear South Ribble Borough Council.

- Members are meeting with the manager of Thwaites in order to find a resolution to the Nab's Head, and re-open the venue.

- Parish Councillors find that the Council is not always a popular place to be, but an election is due to take place in May next year, when anyone on the electoral roll who has a proposer and seconder will be able to stand.

- The extraction of gravel at the Lower Hall is still in a state of flux. All the required surveys are now becoming out of date and still no application has been received. We hope that the level of feeling towards both of these proposals, along with all the planning obstacles, will make it hard to take the applications forwards.

- The Windmill is looking more dilapidated by the day. James Hall Spar Ltd. have now taken the option of going to appeal about the site, to see if they can overturn the SRBC's Department's decision to refuse consent for a filling station and shop. This will be the second time that it has gone before an inspector, and hopefully the application will be refused again. A fighting fund has been set up by the Parish Council, using a link through our website www.samlesburyandcuerdaleparishcouncil. Monies donated will be used to pay for expertise to help us at the public inquiry on 13th December. Our consultants specialise in highways and this type of planning application. It would be nice to see a large group of people showing solidarity at the entrance in the SRBC Offices on the day.

- SRBC has listened to the concern of residents and put up advisory speed limit signs. We will also work with the police to help make our roads and lanes safer. The road markings and surfaces have also been improved in a bid to keep us safe. The police have already been notified about the drivers of large vehicles who are ignoring the new double yellow lines on Spring Lane.

- Will people who need extra items to keep warm this winter, please contact any member of the Parish Council.

Report from School

Wow! What an incredible start we have had to the new school year. It was fantastic to welcome back our amazing children in September, plus a full reception class and their families. Miss April Myerscough has joined the staff team as Teaching Assistant to our infant class. She is a fully qualified coaching assistant, and has literally hit the ground running, offering lots of new sporting clubs which the children are loving. We have also had an exciting change to our leadership

team for the coming year, as Mrs. Sutton and Mrs. Quayle are now Co-Headteachers, both working three days a week.

The start of the year is also a busy time for the children, who have elected new representatives for our school council, ethos council and eco council, and we are very much looking forward to working with them, alongside our newly appointed Head Boy and Head Girl: Frankie and Madeline, and our Sports Captains: Emily and Ellis.

In September, Years 5 and 6 spent five days at Tower Wood Outdoor Education Centre, situated on the shores of Windermere, where they took part in a great range of activities, from caving to canoeing to climbing Gummer's How. A fantastic time was had by all, and we were incredibly blessed with amazing weather, enabling us to really appreciate and enjoy God's creation.

So, as you can see, life at Samlesbury is incredibly busy, but fun-filled! Our memory verse for this half-term helps us to know that amongst all the exciting times, as well as the more challenging times, our faith will keep us strong as we

'Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting rock.' Isaiah 26:4 .

Looking Back

An extract from the obituary of Mrs. H.E. Iddon, née Kitty Miller Crook, the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs T.Miller Crook of Stanley Grange, who died 12th March 1927:-

'Prior to her marriage in 1921, Miss Kitty Crook (as she was then widely known), was an untiring worker for war and other charities, and in her many activities received every encouragement and assistance from her mother and sister. As the outcome of efforts originating at Stanley Grange, several thousands of pounds were raised for various objects and of that sum about £1,000 was realised from the sale of articles entirely of her own manufacture. For charitable objects she also wrote and produced plays that were staged in the theatre at Stanley Grange, and to parties of disabled soldiers who were entertained weekly at her home, she gave instruction in the making of fancy articles. It is computed that in association with her aunt, Mrs. J. Hodson, she had collected 48,000 eggs for the military hospital, and over £300 raised by one of the sales of work at Stanley Grange was spent on eggs to be sent to the soldiers abroad. Considerable sums were raised by the doll shows

she and her sister, Mrs. L.F. Iddon (of Preston Junction), held in Blackburn, and several other centres. In this exhibition 350 figures, all cleverly dressed by herself, were employed in a series of interesting tableaux.

She also identified herself with the devoted band of local ladies who, throughout the war years, rendered splendid service in connection with the Soldiers' and Sailors' Buffet on Preston Station. Although she had been seriously ill for nearly two years, her beneficent work claimed her constant attention until completely incapacitated a few weeks ago. So recently as December a sale of work at *Roselyn* [her home in Leyland], made a substantial contribution to the Samlesbury War Memorial fund.

She was a keen horticulturist and motorist, and at the early age of 13 was a successful competitor in one of the Lancashire Automobile Club's gymkhanas held at Stanley Grange.

A public tribute of esteem was paid on Wednesday, when the interment took place in the family vault at Samlesbury Church. There was a full congregation at the Service, at which the officiating clergy were the Rev. G.W. Clarke, vicar of Samlesbury, and the Rev. A. Evington, vicar of St. Ambrose, Leyland.

Between 60 and 70 wreaths were sent, including floral tokens from the committee of the Samlesbury War Memorial Hall, the bellringers of Samlesbury Church, the Brindle Band, teachers and scholars of the Samlesbury Church of England School, church-wardens of Samlesbury Church, and the employees of Messrs. Iddon Bros.