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#### **All Souls**

There will be a service of worship, in Church, on

#### **Sunday 1st November at 6pm**

This service will include an opportunity to remember those we have lost. (no booking required)

There will also be two further services of memorial on the Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm

For further information or to book a place please contact Sue in the Church Office 07787 980961

#### Remembrance

#### From the curate

As I write this, Chesterfield and North East Derbyshire have just been moved into tier 2 of the governments COVID alert system, 'high' alert. Cases of COVID-19 are rising faster, and Derbyshire's Director of Public Health Dean Wallace has said "I know it's difficult but I'm asking everyone to summon their famous Derbyshire spirit and play their part to keep themselves, their family, friends and colleagues safe."

Services in places of public worship continue to be allowed, as long as all COVID-secure measures are in place, and, behind the scenes here at Newbold Parish Church there are a body of people reading and digesting each new piece of guidance to ensure this.

However, this year, the act of Remembrance at the Littlemoor war memorial on Remembrance Sunday will not be taking place. In consultation with a local councillor and the churchwarden it was felt that the logistics of stewarding people to maintain physical distancing in the small space the memorial is located would not be feasible.

Instead, we are hoping to include a short act of Remembrance as part of our 10am service on Remembrance Sunday, the 8th November, and are hoping to have this videoed to put on YouTube.

Derby Diocese has made a number of further suggestions for the week of Remembrance (8th to 14th November), which I offer to you for use if you wish:

- take a poppy to the war memorial sometime in the week of Remembrance, ensuring physical distancing
- put some poppies in your window
- light a candle to observe the 2 minutes silence at 11am on the
   11th November

- watch the online service from the Church of England led by military chaplains which pays tribute to all those who have served and continue to serve in the Armed Forces
- watch the government-led service at the Cenotaph in London on the BBC, which is going ahead as a closed ceremony.

# The poppy prayer from Rev Canon Sandra Miller

"Look at your poppy.
Poppies are bright and cheerful flowers: give thanks to God for the lives of those who have died in war, remembering all the joy they brought to families and friends, and all the good things they did for their home and their country.

Then look at the red petals: red reminds us of danger and harm.



Ask God to be close to those who are still facing danger each day, to give courage to the armed forces, and compassion to all who help others.

Place your whole hand over the poppy: poppies are also fragile and need to be handled gently. God cares for those who are hurting and those who are sad. Ask God to comfort all who are grieving the loss of someone they love.

Finally place a finger on the centre of the poppy: ask God to help you play your part in working for peace in the world."

#### Reflections

#### From Richard Peet

After a wonderful evening with my daughter Diane, I decided to take time to reflect upon the last seven and a half months as I write this article.

We can ask ourselves and each other, what have we made of the time since Covid19 came into our lives?

Have we taken time to think about what we have said and done, which now appears in the light of day to have been pointless, irrelevant, meaningless or of no importance due to what we have been through, and are still going through?

What have we learnt about ourselves and each other too, which we will never forget?

Have we become more compassionate, helping family, friends, neighbours, people we did not know previously, and members of our congregation?

As a congregation I believe we have become stronger, we may appreciate more what we do, what we have missed, what hasn't taken place in our lives, and what we hope to do in the future. Our families, which have always been important in our lives, have become more so and more precious to us.

Love is a vital component of our life and has become even more so since March.

Maybe we will never take anything for granted again.

We may have a new zest for life.

I was watching the final of Britain's Got Talent last month and got quite emotional about missing live theatre and musicals. There was a segment with songs from Mary Poppins, The Phantom of the Opera, and Les Miserables.

Last month my final outing was cancelled when the pantomime in Chesterfield was postponed until next year. We have all had so much cancelled, postponed, or rearranged this year. We have all sacrificed a lot during this year with maybe more to come, but may we all look after each other, love each other, laugh with each other and appreciate each other.

I had the privilege to be nominated for the Bishop's Badge, and will hopefully receive it on Sunday 25th October. This year receiving the badge is particularly poignant as it is for work in the church relating to Covid 19.

I wish to thank Ben from the bottom of my heart for nominating me and will wear the badge with pride.

I wish to thank the congregation for their support during the last year and look forward to serving you once again.

We give thanks for Ben, Clare, and family and look forward to having Ben back with us in the future.

We pray for Rhoda and her ministry, for Chris our reader, and all who use their gifts and talents for the good of our church.

So let us hope we are able to look forward to 2021, that a vaccine is found which works and that enough can be produced to be given to all those who need it throughout the world.

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#### The Children's Society

Notice for box holders from Ena Johnson.

The Children's Society recently sent out information about restarting the opening of house box under very stringent conditions for collection and handling of the boxes. Unfortunately Tier 2 restrictions now mean that I cannot comply with the requirement to have two people count the money together.

I will be in touch with individual box holders in the near future. Meanwhile, plans are being made for a national celebration of Christingle on Sunday 13th December.

Currently the society is highlighting the plight of young people in poverty who are constantly on the move from house to house seeking more affordable accommodation.

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#### **Church School News**

From Emily Brown, office apprentice.

Since the return to school on 3rd September 2020, we've had a lot of things happening, but by far the most exciting thing is the building of our brand-new nursery! Plans

to build the nursery on the grass to the front of the school were officially given the go ahead late in August and the work started during the second week in September.



First the foundations were built, this took around 3 days...



By the start of October, the nursery had a roof, which helped shelter the workmen from the rainy Autumn weather!





Throughout this journey so far, we'd been posting updates of the nursery on our social media accounts, with lots of positive feedback. We wanted to include our school community in some way during the building of the nursery so we asked our parents and pupils to come up with a name for our nursery. We had some very creative ideas making it very hard to choose, but we have selected a name that was suggested by one of our parents. We are very pleased to say that the name we have picked is fantastic and matches our ethos and love of all things natural! Stay tuned on our Facebook and Twitter pages for an announcement of the new name!

So far we are on track for the nursery to be completed by the end of November and to be open to pupils by January 2021. To see all of the progress photos so far, go to our website and follow these tabs, 'About us' - 'EYFS' - 'Nursery' or follow our Facebook and Twitter pages.



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#### **Not the Walking Group**

#### From Evelyn Lowe

I was pleased to be invited by a friend, to walk a route beginning at the Steeple Grange Light Railway in Wirksworth. We set off along the High Peak Trail which gave us a wonderful panoramic view of trees just starting to turn from summer green to the deep russets of autumn.

In the distance stood Riber Castle, the Grade II, 19th century home built by John Smedley as his private home. After the death of his wife the building was used as a private boys' school and eventually, in the 1960s, was home to a wildlife park.

Planning permission to turn the shell into apartments was passed in March 2006, with work still ongoing.

Below this building we could see another castle, nestling among the trees, this being Willesley Castle, also a Grade 11 listed property, for sale at 4million pounds. During both wars this was used as an auxiliary hospital but in later years run as a 30-bed hotel with a mews block housing a swimming pool and 14 more bedrooms.

After admiring this wonderful scene in the sunshine, we continued our walk, passing a small pond and surprisingly seeing nine, small goldfish swimming lazily in the water. We passed the Sheep Pasture Engine House, built in 1828. Here wagons were hauled up and down the incline originally by chains and later by cables until the Cromford and High Peak Railway closed in 1967.

We carried on down a steep-sided track, where halfway down stood a stone-built hut complete with a fireplace! This, apparently, was where a railway worker would stand to check the progress of the trucks. Our walk took us to the bottom of the incline to High Peak Junction, where we inspected the winding wheel and the cable.

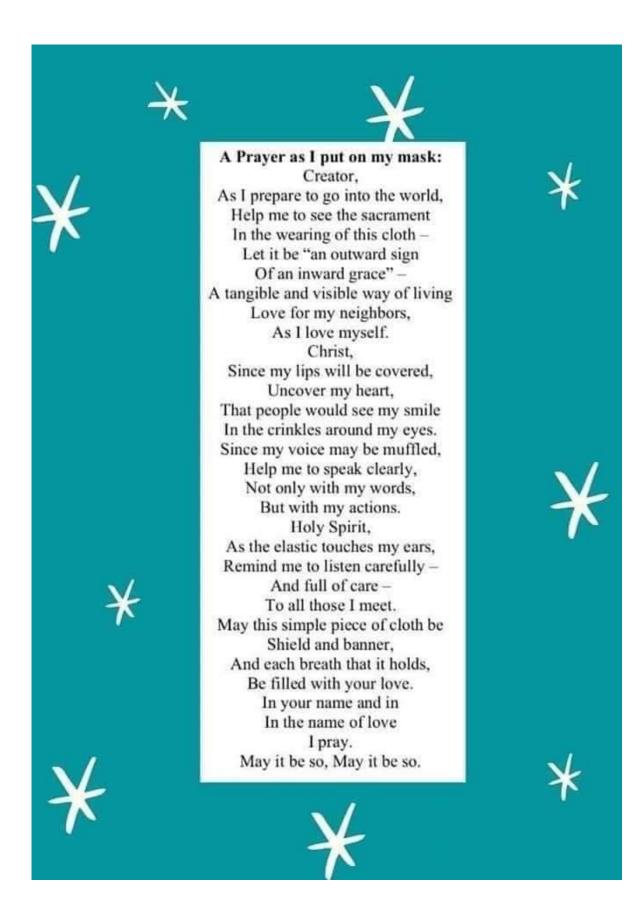
We crossed the canal to the other side, to view the partially renovated Aqueduct Cottage. A year earlier, St. Andrew's Walking Group had passed this building where a dozen members of Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, in hard hats and high viz jackets were hard at work rebuilding this former cottage. We were told then that it would be repurposed with information boards showing the history of the cottage and of nearby Lea Wood. It was built in 1802 as a lock-keeper's cottage by Peter Nightingale. Apparently, there had been a dispute over the water supply to developing industries at Lea Bridge and Lea Wharf. Florence Nightingale, who had lived at Lea Hurst in Holloway had visited the cottage several times to visit her friends who lived there.

It was abandoned in 1970 and fell into disrepair. The Trust had managed to get a reasonable amount of donations for this project and work was going well until this year when sadly, it had to be put on hold due to the pandemic.

Further on into our walk Leawood Pump House loomed before us, built in 1847 to pump water from the river to the canal.

On reaching Cromford Mill, we ate our sandwiches at a picnic table, just as the rain began. A dozen female walkers were tucking into take-away fish and chips, the smell of which was tantalising as we passed by.

Back in Cromford town we were faced with a very long and steep pavement climb back to our starting point, so deciding to 'pretend to be elderly' we fished out our bus passes and waited for the number 61. This was considerably warmer than walking in the rain and gave a satisfying end to a very enjoyable walk.



#### A Derbyshire Pilgrimage

#### From Chris Barnes

In September, I went on a pilgrimage. I didn't go far, only to the top of Mam Tor. It was the first time I had been on the top of Mam Tor for 53 years. I went because the last time I climbed the hill, I had a meeting which changed the rest of my life.

This is what happened. It was the summer of 1967 and I was 17. I was thinking about applying to university and I went for a walk with a friend who was a year older and who had just been accepted into Oxford. We caught the train from Manchester to Hope station and then climbed Lose Hill. We walked along the ridge from there to Mam Tor and stopped to admire the magnificent view.

We were joined by a fellow walker, who came along the ridge path we had just followed, although neither of us had spotted him before. He seemed to have appeared out of nowhere. We started talking, as walkers do. He asked us what we were doing with our lives and I said I was thinking of studying Town Planning at university and was just about to fill in my UCCA form (university application form). The stranger asked if I had thought about applying to Sheffield University because a new professor had been appointed who was previously the Chief Planner at the Ministry of Housing and Local Government, as it then was.

I said I didn't know this and thanked him for the information. In truth, I hadn't been thinking of Sheffield. There were very few university courses in Town Planning in those days. The Sheffield course was recently founded and I had been thinking of applying to the more established courses such as Manchester or Newcastle. The trouble was that Manchester

would have meant having to live at home and Newcastle was difficult to get to by train – my family could not afford a car.

After this, we said goodbye to this stranger and decided on the spur of the moment to climb down from Mam Tor to visit the Blue John mine. Which we did; 400+feet down the hill plus another 350 steps down the mine and back up again to summit, negotiating the traffic on the still intact A625 on the way. We then carried on with our planned walk along Rushup Edge to the station at Chapel-en-le-Frith and a train back to Manchester. Oh for the stamina and the fitness to do that kind of walk these days!

After the chance meeting, I realised that Sheffield would be a very convenient university; easy to get to and yet far enough away from home. And there was a university lacrosse team, so I could carry on playing a game that I loved. So I put Sheffield as my first choice on my UCCA form. It was a good job I did because the department only interviewed those applicants who had done so.

I had a wonderful time at uni, getting a reasonable degree with the minimum of effort whilst enjoying myself to the full. My degree led relatively easily on to an interesting career, although I switched from town planning to economic development within 10 years of graduating.

It is interesting to note the differences that had taken place at Mam Tor between my two visits. Both visits took place during the school term time and on a weekday. On my previous visit, my friend and I and the stranger had the mountain top to ourselves. The few other walkers we saw were, like ourselves, wearing the then standard hiking gear of old clothes or one of those grey-green anoraks with the big breast pocket for your map. Many of us carried A-frame rucksacks, the sort which dug into your back, and used 1 inch to the mile maps. This year, the summit of Mam Tor was packed with walkers dressed in a wide range of specialist and multi-coloured

walking gear. The surface of the summit has been paved and the National Trust has had to provide paved footpaths up to it to prevent wear and tear on the former rough trails. Only the magnificent views remain more or less the same.

It was only looking back several decades afterwards that I realised that everything good in my life stemmed from that meeting. It was at Sheffield that I met Hilary, and it was through Hilary that I came to faith. She and I went our separate ways after university with different spouses, although the miracle of how we got together as a couple is a story best left for another time.

I never saw the stranger on the hilltop again. I genuinely think I met an angel of God that day, deliberately steering my life, even though I had no faith whatsoever. I had gone to an independent church until I left for university, but it had such a narrow theology I could not accept it. Despite that, God did keep sending me reminders of His existence, sometimes in very unexpected places such as ship returning from Iceland, a beach in Greece and even when I was dead heading some roses in my front garden in Dronfield Woodhouse. Despite all the ups and downs inevitable in any life, I think I've always had that feeling that God was looking out for me and that He still does.



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#### Welcome to The Table

#### From Steph Parkes

COVID-19 has upended our lives in many ways—the 'landscape' we now inhabit is often strange and unfamiliar.

I am so grateful, though, to be able to come back to the Eucharist on Sundays, but even that has been, of necessity, pared down to the basics. We all miss being able to sing, greet one another and have fellowship—that human touch.

This has set me thinking of all the different celebrations of the Eucharist I've attended during my lifetime.

Beginning with coming to St John's, Newbold as a child and teenager in the days of Fr. Moore, when the Eucharist was celebrated with a large choir, full vestments, cross and four acolytes. A very grand affair!

I've also attended Eucharist in my student days with friends gathered around a coffee table with a bread roll and a shared glass of wine, informally led by the priest in jeans and t-shirt.

When I lived in Tobago, we had a large choir, robed in green (it was the parish of St. Patrick), with tambourines decorated with ribbons and a portable electric organ. Sundays were always a very lively affair with much moving of the Spirit, and folk calling out encouragement to the preacher! I also attended a Moravian Love Feast on few occasions \* see below.

I've worshipped at Walsingham with clergy in yards of lace and clouds of incense and I've met with Jesus in the bread and wine at Southwark Youth Festivals, with guitars and choruses. Some of these moments of worship have been the most moving in my life, some have been eye-opening (or even eyepopping!) and some have left me bemused, but all of them, at their very heart have had that meeting with Jesus.

What stands out for me the most in these privileged moments, has been the generosity of God, who shares himself with us in the feast of bread and wine and in the people we share it with.

I have a favourite film called 'Babette's Feast'. It's a Danish film about a refugee Catholic French woman working for two elderly Lutheran women, as housekeeper and cook. Babette wins a large sum of money and decides to share it all in a lavish feast which she prepares and cooks for the two women and their very strict, dour Lutheran friends.

As the meal progresses we see the faces of all at the table begin to open up. They stop being formal and prim and are transformed into smiling, loving, caring, joyous people. I love this film because it's a mirror of what I understand is the transforming nature of God for us in the Eucharist—the heavenly banquet!

I've just finished reading "The Table" by Paul Bayes, Bishop of Liverpool. In it he describes the church as a table "a simple table, made by a carpenter. He's a poor man, but generous. He offers a place at the table to anyone who wants to sit and eat. This is a table that started in one place but now it can stretch down every street, and it can go into every home, if people want to sit there.

It's a table for meeting, for talking around, a table for laughing. Most of all it's a table for eating and a place where we look each other in the eye as we sit beside the poor man who made it.

It's not a high table, you don't have to qualify to sit there. It's for anyone. Sometimes it's a table for thumping, sometimes it's for signing treaties and for making peace. Always the poor man sits beside you. Most of all it's a table for eating. You

can't sit alone at this table. You can't buy a meal (it's freely given), you can't buy a ticket to sit here. Anyone can sit here.

It's like a table at a wedding, you sit with people you don't know and they become your friends. The table is spread with a beautiful cloth and if you come here, they will clothe you in the most beautiful clothes and they will make you welcome."

'The Table', Paul Bayes, page 2 abridged.

#### \*Moravian Love Feast

The Moravian Church was the first to preach to the slaves on the British Caribbean islands—sadly not the C. of E!

They brought with them the tradition of the Love Feast.

At the Love Feast each person is given a cup of fruit juice and a small fruit loaf (a bit like a hot cross bun). During the singing of choruses everyone moves around the church sharing the fruit loaf with others. You never eat your own loaf but break off pieces from others until everyone has shared what was theirs with everyone else.

I went several times with Beth, a member of the Moravian Church and the wife of our curate, Phil. It was always a joyfilled occasion with lots of singing and laughter and graciousgiving!

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#### **Stop Press**

The Reverend Sarah Colver has been appointed as the new priest in charge at Loundsley Green as well as vicar of Old Brampton, and Great Barlow. The starting date is yet to be confirmed.

#### How to worry less

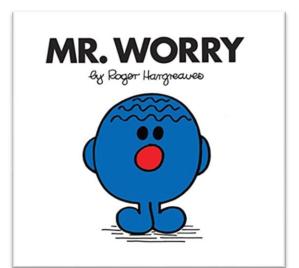
#### From Revd Rhoda

Mr. Worry is a character in the Mr Men series of books written by Roger Hargreaves, He has a furrowed brow from all his worry because Mr Worry worries about everything.

If it rains, he worries that his roof will leak, if there's no rain, he worries that all of his plants will die.

He worries that Mr Bump will hurt himself, and that Mr Greedy will eat too much and be sick.

Eventually after many pages of worrying about all sorts of things, he meets a wizard who promises that if he makes a list of all his worries the wizard will make sure none of them happen. He makes a very long list.



When there is nothing to worry about, Mr. Worry is happy for a week, but then he becomes worried about not having anything to worry about!

What can we do about worry?

There is certainly plenty to be worried about.

If we look at the state of the

world, there's the coronavirus pandemic, the climate change emergency, mass migration out of lots of countries because of ongoing conflicts. . . and that's before we get to our own family worries about health, jobs and money, education, and so on.

Would it actually help if there was a wizard, like in the Mr Worry story, who could promise that everything you were worried about wouldn't happen?

The truth is that life is more complicated than that—what you wish would never happen might be the opposite of what somebody else wishes would happen, so somebody would be disappointed. For example, I hope it doesn't snow much this winter, but some people will be hoping it does snow.

#### What does God offer us?

In the reading set for Harvest Festival this year from Luke's gospel (12, especially 22-30) we see that God is creative and good, and that although life includes difficult and uncomfortable times, if we seek God's priorities of love for God and neighbour, everything else has a habit of falling into place.

So what are we to do in the meantime, in the midst of our trials and sufferings?

Jesus says that we shouldn't worry. He argues that worry itself doesn't achieve anything. He encourages us to see the bigger picture. A world where God is ultimately in control, despite all appearances.

But, does Jesus know that we live in times that are – frankly – worrying?! Yes, he does, you have to remember that Jesus was born part of a marginalised people in an occupied territory, and there was plenty of political trouble and unrest then, leading to mob justice and summary executions, and many people lived a hand-to-mouth existence then, not sure where their next meal was coming from.

So, Jesus isn't asking us to trust God only in those times when there's nothing to worry about. The proof that we are living this out actually comes when there is plenty to worry about.

When there is plenty to worry about, Jesus encourages us to live as those that have no worries. He uses plants and birds as examples. They just get on living and don't have the capacity to worry.

So, what keys does Jesus give us to help us worry less.

Jesus encourages us to actively live in the present, in the now. He doesn't want us wasting the present by unproductive worry about the future.

And Jesus says focus on God's kingdom. In God's kingdom, the priorities are to love God and to love our neighbour as ourselves.

All three of these things are in the current lists of five steps to mental wellbeing:

- 1. being attentive to the present moment,
- 2. making connections with others,
- 3. having opportunities for kindness.

The two others in the current list are 4. being physically active and 5. learning a new skill.



This year, Bishop
Libby's harvest appeal
is about peace of mind.
She recognises that,
particularly at this time
with the coronavirus,
peace of mind is more
difficult to come by. She
highlights the five steps
and says that Jesus
embodied these
principles in his life.

As well as raising funds for the charity Derbyshire mind, Bishop Libby is inviting people to access a number of free resources to help with peace of mind.

If you have the internet, you might like to have a look on the Derby diocese website to see what is on offer.

As we thank God for harvest time, we remember that Jesus wanted us to have fullness of life, and that this wasn't about worrying whether we had enough, it was about being attentive to the present and looking out for others as well as ourselves.

#### Let's pray

Father God, we have so many things we could worry about. Help us to live in the present. Give us opportunities this week to be loving, kind and compassionate to others and to ourselves. Amen.

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#### A New Rhythm

#### By Richard Peet

This virus has been with us for seven months as I write, we must soldier on and not give up the fight.

At this time things often look tough; these periods of lockdown have been very rough.

As a church we have hope and we pray, that the future may be better one new day.

The world as a whole is a difficult place, can we conquer this virus face to face?

But we do have all those who we love, and also Our Lord who is in heaven above.

We must remember that we have one another, look after each other like a sister and brother.

As we are now in the month of November, we should take the time to always remember,

All those who fought in the battle of war, and not forget what their sacrifice was for.

#### My journey to becoming the Church Treasurer

#### From David Priestly

I spent all my young life in Newbold on Keswick Drive. My parents moved from Newbold to Hasland when I was a teenager. I was so disappointed as I had spent all my life in Newbold and loved the area as all my close friends were there.

I met Annette at work in 1972 at a local firm of accountants where I was an articled clerk. We were married in St Paul's Church Hasland in 1978. On looking for our first home we happened to find a semi-detached in Newbold only 100 metres or so from where our current home is now.

There were often conversations about going to church and so, when Billy Graham came to Sheffield in 1985, we went to hear him preach at Sheffield United Football ground on Bramall Lane. There were thousands there and at the end he invited all those who wanted to commit to Christ to walk into the centre of the pitch where there were representatives from various churches. Here we met Margaret Andrews who took us under her wing and gave us information about St John's.

Shortly after starting to attend St John's there was an introduction evening in the parish room with Father Ross. There was Margaret there, Joyce Hale and a few others. Our journey had begun!

Of course, Father Ross wanted the low down on us both. What we did for a living etc. There were no stones unturned!

When he realized I was working in accounts he soon found a position for me as the treasurer for the Littlemoor charity at the Eagle Club. That was in 1987. I held this position for four years at which point I was approached by Father Ross and asked if I would take up the role of Church Treasurer, which I accepted. That was in 1991. Father Ross had the knack of having a conversation with you and you would come out of the conversation with a job!

Over the years I must have attended many meetings. I have seen the church progress and its finances remain stable even during some difficult times. But time stands still for no man and it was my time to retire (who would have thought it would be during a global pandemic). I started this position as a fairly young man and finished it as one not so young. The time has flown but I have enjoyed the last twenty-nine years "doing my bit" for St John's.

The future now is not for cash books but for computerisation and modern technology which I am quite happy to pass over!! Annette and I will hopefully still be attending the services at St John's for many years to come.

With sincere best wishes for the future.

David

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**Ruth Cable** is desperate for 1lb jam jars, or smaller, for her home-made jams and chutneys.

Please bring to church or contact her on 450797. She can arrange to collect them from you if necessary.

#### **Bible Readings and Collects**

#### **Sunday 1st November All Saints**

Revelation 7.9-17 Psalm 34.1-10 1 John 3.1-3 Matthew 5.1-12

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and

godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Sunday 8th November Remembrance Sunday

Wisdom of Solomon 6.12-20 Pslam70 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18 Matthew 25.1-13

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Sunday 15th November Second before Advent

Zephaniah 1.7,12-18 Psalm 90.1-8[9-11]12

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11 Matthew 25.14-30

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great Glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November Christ the King

Isaiah 64.1-9; Psalm 80.1-8,18-20; 1 Corinthians 1.3-9; Mark 13.24-end

Almighty and eternal God, you have kindled the flame of love in the hearts of the saints: grant to us the same faith and power of love, that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may be sustained by their example and fellowship; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

God of glory, touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit, that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### Sunday 29th November First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2.1-5 Psalm 122 Romans 13.11-14 Matthew 24.36-44

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life. in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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### From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

11 October Mia Gill

May all things belonging to the Spirit live and grow in her



Churchyard [burial or interment of ashes]

23 October Joyce Pashley

May she rest in peace and rise in glory

## Diary for November 2020

Sunday 1st November All Saints

10am Mass

All Souls

6pm

Sunday 8 November Remembrance Sunday 10am Mass

Sunday 15 November Second before Advent 10am Mass

Sunday 22 November Christ the King

10am Mass

Sunday 29 November First Sunday of Advent 10am Mass

**Memorial Services** on **Sunday 8th and 15th November** at 6pm (Booking essential via Church Administrator see back cover)

#### **Virtual Events for October**

Wednesday 4 November Virtual Women's Group 7pm

Saturday 7 November Virtual Coffee Morning 10.30am-12

Saturday 21 November Virtual Men's Group

Tuesdays in October Virtual Morning prayer 9:50am-10:50am

Virtual Quiz Night and Raffle - Date to be confirmed

These events will all be on Zoom, a video-conferencing platform. Zoom is free for you to participate in. You can join a Zoom meeting from a computer, a tablet, a smartphone, etc. and you can even join via a landline (when you can hear everyone, but not see them, and you may get charged a standard call rate).

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#### Answers to the Quiz in the October Edition

- 1 Margaret Thatcher 2 Buddy Holly 3 Alan Titchmarsh
- 4 Michael Fish 5 Martin Freeman 6 Edwina Currie
- 7 John Wayne 8 Charles Windsor 9 Clint Eastwood
- 10 Florence Nightingale 11 Monty Don 12 Jools Holland
- 13 Sir David Attenborough 14 Joe Swift 15 Bobby Seagull
- 16 Jenny Éclair 17 Chris Packham 18 Sandi Toksvig



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## More time to Zoom with friend's-PART 2 From Hilary Barnes

Last month I introduced you to three friends of mine. From almost the beginning of lockdown, Sue, Liz, Mary and I have met regularly on "Zoom" to chat, pray and support each other. It has been a transformative and encouraging experience for us all; there exists an unspoken trust that long-standing, shared Christian faith brings and we look forward to the time spent together.

At our very first meeting we were discussing the current COVID situation, and the need for "doing things in a different way." Mention was made of the story of David conquering the Philistines (2 Samuel 5:17-25, if you want to read it) and in particular the importance in the story of not attacking the enemy "straight on," but by skirting around in a circuitous manner to attack from behind – in other words, doing things in an unexpected way. When you hear the "sound of marching in the tops of the Balsam trees, then you will know that is a signal that the Lord is moving ahead of you to strike down the Philistine army." (Enemy)

I parked this idea for a while until one morning during quiet time, when studying "Testing Times" from the book of Numbers, I felt compelled to read the Samuel passage. The trouble was that I knew it was in one of the books of Samuel, but I couldn't remember which one, or the chapter and verse. So, I grabbed my Bible and opened it randomly, only to find it was at exactly the right spot! How mind-boggling is that! I shrieked at Chris that this was it, when I read the phrase, "The Lord bursts through." I really do believe that the Lord is moving ahead of us and leading us forward here in Newbold. He will come in power when we turn to him and follow his leading, which might not be in the way we expect!

I thought the "sound of marching in the Balsam trees" might work well as a song – so here is my song version of the passage. It is to the tune of "Mine eyes have seen the glory." (Battle Hymn)

#### The Lord is bursting through!

King David was a mighty king, whose faith in God was true. He turned to him and asked again "What is it I should do?" The Lord replied, "Just go ahead; the victory comes to you – The Philistines are through"

Chorus

Glory, glory, the Lord did it!

Glory, glory, the Lord did it!

Glory, glory, the Lord did it!

The Lord is bursting through!

We hear the sound of marching in the tops of Balsam trees, and we know it is a sign from God that He has heard our pleas.

The Lord will move ahead of us to slay our enemies.

The Lord is bursting through!

Glory, glory, the Lord did it!

Glory, glory, the Lord did it!

Glory, glory, the Lord id it!

The Lord is bursting through!

The Lord bursts through with power when we call on Him today,

For He leads us to express our faith in new and varied ways.

So, listen to that voice behind, don't worry what to say,

The Lord is bursting through!

Glory, glory, The Lord did it!

Glory, glory, the Lord did it!

Glory, glory, the Lord did it!

The Lord is bursting through!

#### World Mental Health Day 10th October 2020

This story was published by the **Children's Society** to mark **World Mental Health Day** and written by one of the children helped by the society.

'It has been hard.

I went through a really dark place.

I wouldn't eat, I thought I was fat.

I didn't like the way I looked.

I hated myself.

This was 'cause of something traumatic happened to me.

I had family trouble and my grandma got diagnosed with pancreatic cancer stage 3.

She got told she only had a couple of months to live.

Sadly, she passed away on the 27 September 2018.

That destroyed me.

I was so lost, I just wanted to be with her. She was my best friend, I looked up to her so much.

But I'm honestly so much better now. I'm worth it. I'm stronger than ever.

I just want to say to anyone who suffers with mental health, you ain't alone.

You're worth it.

It will be hard but it's better to talk than keep it bottled up.

Let your voice be heard.

Everything does get better, even if it takes months, years. You won't feel better straight away.

Take it one day at a time.

You shouldn't care what others think. I don't. I've learned to love myself and embrace myself.

But always remember, every scar tells a different story.

Just keep being you.

You ain't alone.'

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#### **Newbold Women's Group**

Trish Law, Committee Member

Our first meetings since lockdown commenced were resumed in September and October, having been conducted online via Zoom, thanks especially to Rhoda for hosting on both occasions. For the September meeting 16 members attended virtually and Rhoda gave us an interesting talk on her working life and her journey to the priesthood, which prompted lots of questions and was very well received. Plenty of catching up chat preceded this and also at the conclusion.

In October the meeting had 14 participants, again with plenty of chat, and a short quiz was held, presented by Trish, which resulted in triumph for Christine Wieloch, who answered all twenty questions correctly.

It was agreed to hold another Zoom meeting on 4th November, with the Link being sent in advance as a reminder.

The possibility of having some form of service in church on 2nd December was discussed, as this would usually be our Carol Service and Christmas Party evening. There could be more readings than usual and some Christmas music to be included, as no singing is allowed at present. The committee will meet to discuss what can be done, dependent on Covid-19 restrictions, and more information should be available in November.

We look forward to seeing or hearing as many members as possible on 4th November. Please contact me if you have any queries. Trish Tel: 450407

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. (Psalm 56:3)



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#### Time to Relax

#### From Julie and Stephen

As most of you will know I work for the NHS as a Community Nursery Nurse. I have worked throughout the last 6 months mainly from home. I was redeployed for 12 weeks supporting District Nurses in the North East area of the county.

When I returned to my role as a Community Nursery Nurse, I was faced with having to complete all my visit/contacts from a computer using video calls, when it connects, telephone if not. No face to face visits with a family, which is how I am used to working. All the work from March to August that had been put on hold still had to be done plus the work that is due to be completed now, the last few months have been very hectic.

We, like so many of you this year, have had to cancel holidays due to COVID-19. We thought it would be good to share with you our recent holiday at the end of September. Due to being so busy and the extensive number of changes to my work life I had been looking forward to our holiday enabling us to get away from computers and telephones.

We booked a cottage in the village of Blockley in the Cotswolds. I hear you ask, where is Blockley? It is 3 miles from Chipping Camden and 3 miles North West of Morton-in-Marsh. Blockley has two pubs a community shop and café.

On the way to the cottage we stopped at Hidcote Manor, a National Trust house and garden. Many of the NT houses are closed or have limited access but the gardens and grounds are open. We pre-booked a timed slot before setting off from home to visit the garden, the house is not open. There was a one-way system in place through the property, the gardens are set out with different themed areas/rooms. I liked the one-way system as it does mean you don't miss anything. At the

edges of the garden views opened up of the surrounding area. As garden lovers we are always looking for new ideas we can use.

During our stay we also visited Snowshill Manor and garden. The ground floor of the Manor was open, we peered at part of the collection put together by Charles Wade, an eccentric who liked to collect just about anything. In the garden there was a model village. In one of the buildings one of each of the apples from the orchard was displayed with its name.

The first two days were hot and sunny which allowed us to use the sunny small back garden/patio which was level with the roof at the back of the cottage leading up the hillside.

We had taken our walking boots and picked up some walking books to enable us to explore the area away from the tourist parts. Wednesday was wet but this did not deter us, we had taken macs and over trousers, we started from the cottage walking up out of the village (well nearly every route out of the village is up hill) going through woods and across fields to Broad Campden and onto the Monarch's Way and onto the Northwick Estate.

Over the week we walked to Chipping Camden and onto Ebrington crossing fields and railway lines. During our walks we snacked on the abundance of blackberries still on the brambles in the hedgerows.

We visited Bourton-on-the-Water and made this the start of a 5-mile walk. Within 5 minutes we were away from the bustle of the village and walking along side ponds that had previously been gravel pits and are now home to fish. We walked paths, fields and crossed the river Windrush. We extended the walk to visit Clapton-on-the-hill, a lovely quiet village. Once back in Bourton it was very busy and most of the time seemed to be spent trying to stay 2 metres apart from the other tourists.

We did book our evening meals rather than just turning up. We tried somewhere different every night, even having a Mediterranean meal one night which reminded us of the fact we should have been in Greece had the holiday not been cancelled. I can recommend the Sunday lunch we had at the Ebrington Arms, Steve's meal not only had a slice of beef sirloin but a large Yorkshire pudding filled with pulled brisket in gravy.

Many of the private gardens we wanted to visit were not open, I think we will have to go again for a holiday.

We like to look around local churches when we go away, this holiday we found church doors locked. Blockley church advertised their varied services outside the church. Over the month of September they had communion,



matins, compline and a Zoom harvest festival.

We were sad to leave our restful holiday cottage and pack the car up. It is surprising how much you can pack into the boot of my little fiesta.

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all. (2 Thessalonians 3:16)

## Harvest Festival

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First you answer the scripture-based questions to determine the numbers for each clue and place them in the squares mentioned. Then proceed as normal, placing number 1 to 9 in each row, each column and each of nine 3 x 3 areas within the puzzle grid.

#### For 13, A4

"Let us not therefore judge.....another any more." (Romans 14:13)

#### For I6, D3, A5, B9, C2

How many chapters are in the book of Habakkuk?

#### For E1, G5, D8

Of the lots cast for temple duty, what number lot fell to Mattaniah? (1 Chronicles 25:16)

#### For F7, I4, B5, H8, C3, G2, D1

How many hundred years did Lamech live after he had Noah? (Genesis 5:30)

#### For C1, F3, H4, E9

How many measures of barley did Boaz give Ruth? (Ruth 3:15)

#### For B7, H1, G4

In John 1:35-37, how many disciples of John the Baptist went and followed Jesus?

#### For D2, A7

How many faces did each of the living creatures have? (Ezekiel 1:5-6)

#### For B1, E2, C5

At how many days old was a boy child circumcised? (Genesis 17:12)

#### For D4, F9, C7

Which verse of Philippians 4 says that the peace of God passes all understanding?

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Chunter (To complain, mumble)
Do ya want owt? (do you want anything?)
Gerrert (I don't believe you)
Gret (big)
Is it worth oat? (Is it worth anything)
It's a bit black o'er Bill's mother's (There'll be a
massive downpour any minute)
Is sen (himself)
Jitty (a passage between terraced houses)
Kecks (underwear)
Now then mate (hello)
Alrate me oad! (Hello my friend)
Pack up (packed lunch)
Rorrin (crying)
Smashed (drunk)
sound mate ta! (I am very well thank you)
Shin tin (she isn't in)
Snap (food)
Summat (something)
Taitered (Worn out)
What's up wi yer? (what is wrong?)
Wittling (worrying)
Woz (were)
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#### **Home Schooling?**

During 'lock down' most children were home schooled but many of the older generation were also home schooled ... in a way......

My mother taught me religion.

'You better pray that will come out of the carpet.'

My father taught me about time travel.

'If you don't behave, I will knock you into the middle of next week.'

My mother taught me foresight.

'Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident.'

My mother taught me about the science of osmosis.

'Shut your mouth and eat your dinner.'

My father taught me irony.

'Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about.'

My mother taught me about hypocrisy.

'If I told you once, I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate!'

My father taught me the circle of life.

'I brought you into this world and I can take you out.'

My mother taught me about stamina.

'You'll sit there until all that dinner is gone.'

My mother taught me about contortionism.

'Just you look at that dirt on the back of your neck.'

My mother taught me to appreciate a job well done.

'If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I've just finished cleaning.'

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#### **200 CLUB**

The Club winners for September 2020 were as follows:-

First prize (£32) John Drake (Number 55)

Second prize (£16) David Such (Number 63)

Third prize (£6) R Lowe (Number 85)

New members are always welcome. Please contact either Richard Peet (Tel. 520697) or Stephen Hewitt (Tel. 275225) for more information.

This month's draw will be held on Sunday 29th November 2020

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)

**BIBLE QUIZ** The answers will appear in the next edition of The Evangelist, but you will find them even more quickly by looking up the references given with most of the questions.

- 1 How many psalms are in the book of Psalms in the bible?
- 2 Who was the first murder victim in the bible? (Genesis 4:8)
- Who was the only woman to be a judge in ancient Israel? (Judges 4)
- 4 What type of snake is mentioned in Psalm 58?
- 5 In which place did Jacob dream of a ladder? (Genesis 28:19)
- 6 What is the other name for the Ten Commandments?
- 7 What were the feeble carried on in 2 Chronicles 28:15?
- 8 Which chapter of Acts describes Stephen's death?
- 9 Which Psalm begins with the words Jesus spoke from the cross?
- 10 Which apostle was NOT chosen to take the place of Judas in Acts 1?
- 11 Which chapter of Daniel in the Old Testament tells of the writing on the wall?
- 12 What was the name of King David's grandfather? (Ruth 4)
- 13 Which type of bird is mentioned in Psalm 102?
- 14 In Revelation 4, four living creatures were around the throne. The first was like which animal?
- 15 In which town did Cornelius the centurion live? (Acts 1)

  Answers in next month's editions

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From Revd Ben

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