

*Parish of Pontefract  
St Giles with St Mary*

*Prayer  
Faith  
Love  
Hope*

*May 2020*

## Please Note

Obviously the actual occurrence of any event outlined in the magazine this month is completely out of our control. This e-magazine is simply produced in the hope that its pages promise a return to normality as soon as possible.

God bless and keep you all safe.

The Editorial team

A heartfelt thanks to all the people who have contributed to this month's magazine. With everything cancelled it looked as if it was going to be a very thin read but the response to the request for content has certainly brought out some stars. Thank you so much.

The Editorial team

# PARISH OF PONTEFRACT

## St Giles' with St Mary

### Notes from a Reader

As I write these notes we are about to enter into our fourth week of self-isolation due to the Coronavirus. In the first few days of isolation it felt like we were on holiday, sitting around and taking it easy, but then we began to realize that we needed to keep ourselves occupied. So we started to find things to do to keep boredom at bay: spring cleaning, gardening, reading, watching television, listening to the radio, playing board games and doing jigsaws etc., just to keep ourselves occupied. But there is only so much cleaning, gardening, reading etc. that we can do, and as the news came through with its daily tally of those who had been affected by, or worse had died from this deadly virus, our thoughts and prayers went out to them and all who were suffering and to the doctors, nurses, hospital staff and carers who were caring for them. The more we thought about this pandemic, the more we realized that the self-isolation that was becoming a trial, was for us the right move; we also realized that we needed something more in our lives to help us to deal with the situation that this dreadful catastrophe has brought about. It wasn't just affecting our lives but the lives of millions of people around the world.

At times like these our thoughts naturally turn to God. In these times we need him the most and we need our churches the most, yet they have been closed by order of the government in order to slow down the spread of the disease. As our isolation grew and we had limited intercourse with our family and friends we felt that we had been left to our own devices. But we are not alone, for God is with us, sharing our sorrow and our fears. He is with the families that are suffering with the virus; He is there supporting and guiding the NHS front line staff and Care home staff as they look after those affected by this disease. At times like these we need our times of worship and devotion, but even though we cannot go to church the on-line service

that Canon June and many others have provided has been a big help to those of us who can go on-line through our computers, tablets of mobile phones. It has drawn us closer to God. For those who do not have computers the only way they could feel close to God and find the help they need is through the Bible. I don't know about you, but I find great consolation, help and inspiration when reading my Bible and I find that I gain strength from my daily readings. A few days ago I was reading the opening verses of St Paul letter to the Colossians (1.3-5), and there were four words that stuck out like a sore thumb: PRAYER, FAITH, LOVE and HOPE. In these trying times I believe that in these four words we will find the strength we need to come through this pandemic.

Definitely PRAYER plays an important part in the way we deal with our isolation and our pressing need to do something other than sit around while there are people who need our help and support. It is through prayer that we place into God's hands our cares and our worries, our hopes and our joys. It is through prayer that we support the NHS front line staff and carers by holding them up to God in prayer. It is through prayer that we offer comfort and support to the victims and their families affected by the virus. When we pray in faith we know that God will answer our prayer that he will help and support all who we pray for, that he will also strengthen us to be able to face whatever lies before us.

We offer our prayers to God in faith and having FAITH in God is important. We only have to look at the lives of the Old Testament Prophets or the lives of the Disciples or to read St Paul's letters know how important it is. When you read his letters you can see the emphasis he puts on Faith. He concentrates on this time and time again. For St Paul, faith in Jesus is the mortar that holds everything together. A few years ago in the Church Times there was an article entitled 'Faith as a luxury?' Our faith is not a luxury; it is essential. Our faith is precious: it is the pearl of great price that will help us through this pandemic. If we want our faith to grow, we have to be prepared to share it with our fellow human beings. We must be prepared to share the love, the joy, the peace and the sense of purpose we have, with those who are suffering .and the many who do not have any faith at all

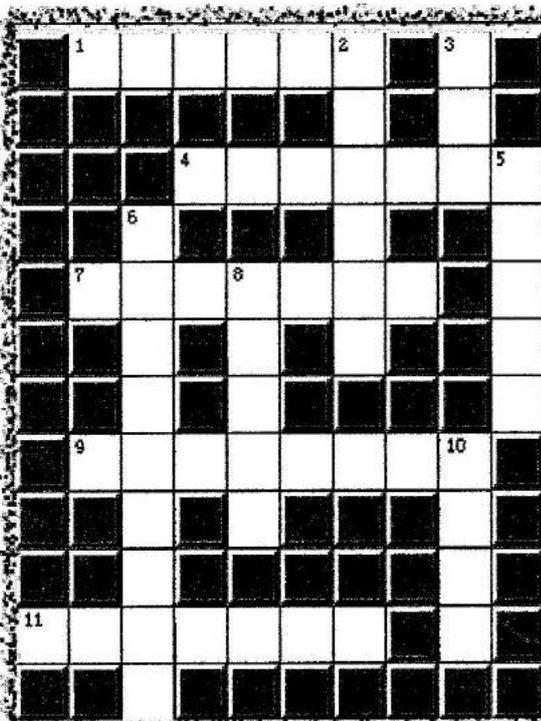
It is through faith that we offer up our prayers to God for all who are suffering: prayers that are infused with the LOVE we have for them. It opens up for them the pathway to God, to Jesus and to salvation. This love is unselfish in the way it responds to the needs of others. This is the key to Christian love. It is not just loving God; it is in loving your neighbour as yourself. Christian Love is unselfish love, because it is used for the good of the person being loved not for the person doing the loving. It is real love; it is love for a stranger; it is love of an enemy; it is love for the unlovable. Love for the unlovable is the real test of love. Behind the love that we possess and share with each other is the love of Jesus and of God. It is in this love that we pray daily for all who affected by this virus. It is in this love that God has shown through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus that we are able to pray for the victims of this deadly virus, and that gives us HOPE for the future.

‘HOPE springs eternal in the human breast.’ according to Alexander Pope, but this may not always true in these trying times. Some people can and do lose hope, but for a Christian, hope is not something that is easily lost. To us, hope is revolutionising and transforming the present, it is preparing us for our future life with Jesus. If we did not believe this then we would truly be without hope. It is because of hope that our life is not one that writes off the present, and concentrates on a ‘pie-in-the-sky-when-you-die’ lifestyle. On the contrary, it is a life that is full of confidence, full of optimism, full of fun. It is through hope that we can take happiness, pain and sorrow in our stride; it is in this hope that we know that we will eventually overcome this deadly virus. Because of God’s promises to us through Jesus Christ, we now live a life of PRAYER, FAITH, LOVE and HOPE.

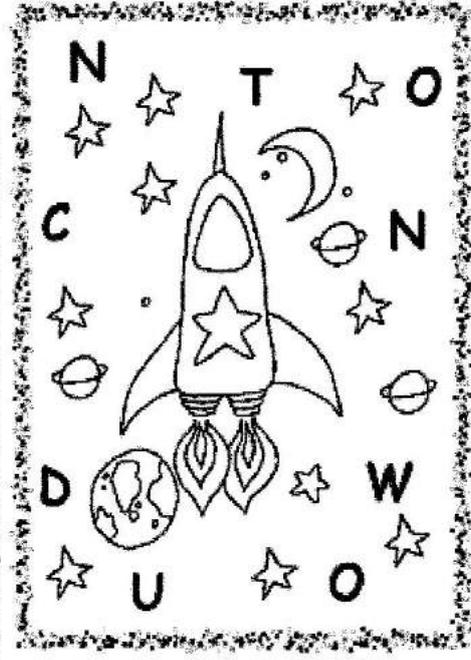
Your Brother in Christ

David

# OUTERSPACE PUZZLE PAGE



- ACROSS**
- Seventh planet from the sun
  - Eighth planet from the sun
  - Closest planet to the sun
  - What meteors are called before they visit Earth
  - Fifth planet from the sun
- DOWN**
- Planet with many rings
  - The closest star to Earth
  - Third planet from the sun
  - Tool used to look at planets and stars close-up
  - Sometimes shows a pretty tail
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ side of the moon is cooler than the other side



**Blast Off for some fun!**  
Games on this page are related to outerspace & our solar system.

## SPACEY WORD SEARCH

Hunt for the words shown on the list below, then circle them as you find them!

E P O C S E L E T J P M R T M	
Q L S M E R C U R Y O P E F O	mercury
P S S A E B E N Y O C S T A P	venus
N P E E T G W M N B M T I R K	mars
J N E P T U N E X C S A P C E	jupiter
V E N U S X R L I K R R U E T	saturn
R Z O W R U X N D C A D J C U	uranus
J M A R S P N Q D O T U P A H	neptune
Z X S Q B R K O V T S S H P U	telescope
M D I U H I M T U V B T S S S	stars
W L D S I E T R Q M G G E B V	moon
L M U B T K A S T E R O I D S	sun
A K C E P N F R S O L U N G W	orbit
S N O T U O A F N P L A N E T	planet
R R P S P X L X C O M E T S D	stardust
	meteor
	comets
	asteroids
	spacecraft

Using just the letters in the word below, can you make at least 12 new words? **RULES:** You may only use a letter as many times as it is shown in the key word. Each word must be at least 4 letters long. **GOOD LUCK!**

## ASTEROID

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See the letters around the rocket at the top of the page? Try to rearrange them to fill in the blanks:

**WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE LIFT-OFF**

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# Priory Gardens

Nestled in the popular town of Pontefract in West Yorkshire, Priory Gardens is a lovely, purpose-built care home offering residential, nursing and residential memory care for those living with dementia.

Our welcoming care home offers a home-from-home where older people receive the care they need and the support they want to continue to live their life with dignity and choice.

- Comfortable day rooms
- 9.6 carehome.co.uk user rating
- Beauty salon
- Little break – Short term care
- Home from home – Long term care
- Overall 'Good' CQC rating

To find out more information on the care that both homes can offer you, or your loved one, please visit our website or contact our Home Manager, Tamsin Ryan.



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West Yorkshire, WF8 1JQ

# Poetry

I remember learning these two poems for a verse-speaking competition at King's School in, or around, 1949/50.

*Derek*

## **The height of the ridiculous**

I wrote some lines once on a time  
In wondrous merry mood,  
And thought, as usual, men would say  
They were exceeding good.

They were so queer, so very queer,  
I laughed as I would die;  
Albeit, in the general way,  
A sober man am I.

I called my servant, and he came;  
How kind it was of him  
To mind a slender man like me,  
He of the mighty limb.

"These to the printer," I exclaimed,  
And, in my humorous way,  
I added (as a trifling jest,)  
"There'll be the devil to pay."

He took the paper, and I watched,  
And saw him peep within;  
At the first line he read, his face  
Was all upon the grin.

He read the next; the grin grew broad,  
And shot from ear to ear;  
He read the third; a chuckling noise  
I now began to hear.

The fourth; he broke into a roar;  
The fifth; his waistband split;  
The sixth; he burst five buttons off,  
And tumbled in a fit.

Ten days and nights, with sleepless eye,  
I watched that wretched man,  
And since, I never dare to write  
As funny as I can.

Oliver Wendell Holmes (1809-1894)

### **Mrs Reece Laughs**

Laughter, with us, is no great undertaking,  
A sudden wave that breaks and dies in breaking.  
Laughter with Mrs. Reece is much less simple:  
It germinates, it spreads, dimple by dimple,  
From small beginnings, things of easy girth,  
To formidable redundancies of mirth.  
Clusters of subterranean chuckles rise  
And presently the circles of her eyes  
Close into slits and all the woman heaves  
As a great elm with all its mounds of leaves  
Wallows before the storm. From hidden sources  
A mustering of blind volcanic forces  
Takes her and shakes her till she sobs and gapes.  
Then all that load of bottled mirth escapes  
In one wild crow, a lifting of huge hands,  
And creaking stays, a visage that expands  
In scarlet ridge and furrow. Thence collapse,  
A hanging head, a feeble hand that flaps  
An apron-end to stir an air and waft  
A steaming face. And Mrs. Reece has laughed.

Martin Armstrong 1882 -1974

## The silver lining

It's hard to comprehend the time that has passed since we all last saw each other. Whilst in lockdown it has seemed that time has merged completely and hearing the date or time itself is a shock. However, with this seeming infinite span of time I have been trying to embrace it with a cheerful disposition and see how best I can spend my time as one can only sleep, eat and watch copious amounts of television for so long.

I think what has stuck me most about this experience is the joy and connection human touch can bring; those moments where we exchange peace during the service or where we hug and greet loved ones have become so precious to me. When you can only see family and friends through windows or computer screens you can never realise how much you miss seeing and being with them. Despite this I am perhaps going to venture into letter writing to bridge the gap and it would be a great reminder of the times of lockdown! I think it is lucky that we have been able to experience this deprivation of touch as I will never take it for granted again. Another 'novelty' I have discovered is the joy of nature. When I step out of the house for my daily hour of exercise, I feel simply ecstatic! It is as though I have never seen blossom on the trees before or heard the joyful melody of the robin red breast or black bird. My eyes have been open to the beauty of God's great earth and I can never be more thankful. To take a step back at life and simply find joy and happiness in the sun shining and the flowers blooming is something I can treasure dearly, and I thank God for that every day. Who knew Purston park was so beautiful! As a resident of Featherstone my whole 17 years of life I have never appreciated it more and I think even after lockdown I will visit often.

Having to do work from home has been challenging. It's amazing how you can get so enthralled with menial tasks when there's a 1000-word essay due. Despite the procrastination, I have been thoroughly shocked at my ability to complete work independently and have found I have often been more productive than when I attended college! Another great skill I have

taken up is exercise, the Joe Wicks' work out has been a new daily instalment in my life! Whether I am glad of it or not I am yet to tell as the daily muscle ache has been less than fun but I'm sure I will benefit in the long run and I'm pretty sure this is the healthiest I've ever been! Throughout quarantine I have been able to go back to hobbies which I have always loved but often during the busy everyday life haven't been able to enjoy. I have read so many amazing novels and listened to endless hours of music and without lockdown I wouldn't have been able to do that and it has reignited in me a new spark and passion that I perhaps i wouldn't have found.

Ultimately, during this whole situation I have tried to outweigh the negatives with all the new and fantastic experiences I have been so lucky to endeavour in. I am so appreciative for this time and although I miss my family and friends dearly, I know we will meet again.

I hope everyone will stay happy and healthy and I look forward to the future!

Niamh Corney.

# Unprecedented Times

By Josie Harrison – St Mary's Church Chequerfield

These are 'unprecedented times,' once words we'd hardly hear,  
Now they ring out across our land, bringing uncertainty and fear.  
'Social distancing' and 'lockdown,' two phrases we'd never use,  
Now turn on every radio and they've become our daily news.

And so we live in such a time unsettled by this virus,  
It may seem that only gloom prevails with no joy or hope to inspire us.  
And yet each day I wake anew to stories of love and pride,  
Our NHS bolsters spirits and it's clear that faith abides.

Neighbours leaving shopping bags on doorsteps of those in need,  
A display of our humanity, it's not just food that feeds.  
On Thursdays we show gratitude banging pots and pans to cheer,  
Our NHS, they are the best, fighting for those we hold dear.

Retired docs and nursing staff have again picked up their kit,  
While care workers isolate in homes to protect our elders and do their bit.  
Across the land, the love is seen with signs in all windows,  
An array of colour, a spark of hope spreading from each rainbow.

In sitting rooms families gather, while Grandmas and Grandads huddle,  
Getting to grips with technology to send a virtual cuddle.  
Since roads and streets are quieter, with the traffic mostly gone,  
Mother Nature is out flourishing and skies are graced with bird song.

It would be easy to think in such 'unprecedented times'  
That life is somewhat frightening and what's the point of rhymes?  
Well, if my words have spread some cheer, they've done what they intended,  
And just as the rainbows promise us, there's a bright future when this has ended.

## Missions Committee

This year we had to cancel the annual Chocolate Tombola due to the coronavirus.

As members of the congregation had already given items for the stall, the committee decided that these should be donated to the Food Bank. Sheila contacted Denise Pallett and she gratefully accepted the chocolate to pass on to families who are experiencing difficulties at this time.

Despite this year's tombola stall being cancelled, the Missions Committee would still like to pass on its thanks to all who donated and we are looking forward to the 2021 Chocolate Tombola event being held as usual.



If you have a contribution for the Parish Magazine, whether it be a photograph, a notice, a report or a reminisce, please just write it down and hand it to Stuart or Bruce, or email it to **both**

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in case one or other is on holiday etc. **Last date** for items for June's magazine is **Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup>**.

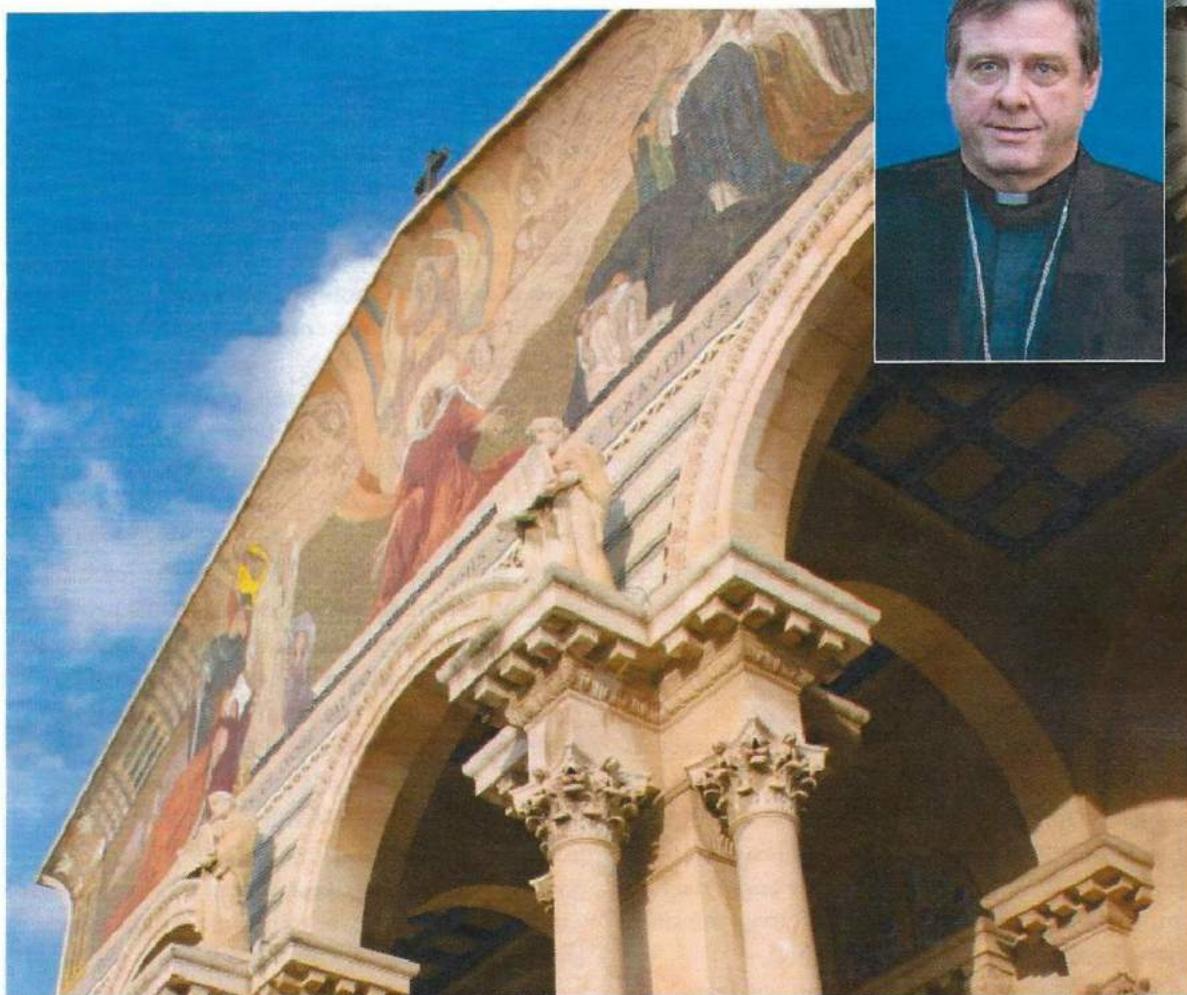
This is a strict deadline for all submissions. Anything received after this date will appear in July's magazine.

A Pilgrimage to the

# HOLY LAND

Led by Bishop Tony Robinson

Monday 16th – Monday 23rd November 2020



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# Carleton Theatre Group

If anyone wishes to join us, with a view to considering acting or helping backstage, etc, please phone

Ruth Connor on 01977 792100, or  
Brenda Smith (01977 700052).

## Locked down - Look Up and Out!

Time dragging? Counting the days until the next government review of the lockdown? Feeling the walls closing on you? Running out of spring-cleaning tasks? Here's an idea from one St Mary's member to help see us through the lockdown, making use of the slower pace of life some of us have had to adapt to. It's based on a Brownie scrap-making badge her daughter enjoyed many years ago.

Putting it simply, it involves just looking at the world you can see from your windows, inside your home or, if you have one, in your garden for signs of God's good gifts in His Creation.

Thank you for such a simple idea to help us stay positive and together as a parish.

Readers - let us know what you have seen if you have "looked up and out" and we will publish next time.

# Christian Aid Week

May 10th - 16th May, 2020



This year's Christian Aid Week has needed to adapt to the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on all our lives. So this May there will be no red and white banner above the south door of St Giles' and no poster displays in Church or appeals for help with fund-raising activities.

It's hard not to feel sad about this year's break in our local churches' tradition of organising publicity and activities for Christian Aid Week. Fundraising for Christian Aid Week in Pontefract has been organised for about 30 years with St Giles' members playing a major part in this. However, Christian Aid is only one of many charities adversely affected by the coronavirus pandemic, including local and church activities. It is important to be hopeful for the future and thankful for all the gifts of time and donations made in this period. Most importantly, a huge thank you must be expressed for all the support given during last year's Christian Aid Week. A magnificent £613.73 was sent from Pontefract in addition to individual online donations.

At a national level, Christian Aid has also adapted its approach to Christian Aid Week this year to ensure supporters remain compliant with social distancing requirements but at the same are encouraged to support the week in whatever way they can. Take a look at the website and see for yourself: there will be daily acts of worship during Christian Aid Week, prayers, information about the challenges facing partner agencies battling coronavirus, the support which Christian Aid through its supporters is giving, a facility to make an online donation to the work, an online debt petition and more.

What is less obvious from the website and which we learned during an autumn Christian Aid event last year is the careful way in which Christian Aid targets its resources. We were privileged to hear a presentation by Christian Cambridge academic who set out for us the clear and honest approach Christian Aid takes to choosing its projects and to the process of evaluating how successful the projects have been to lift people out of poverty. Put simply, projects have to be acceptable to the community to which they are offered and delivered by local partner organisations, precisely

target poverty and demonstrate their success according to specific criteria. We left the event with confidence that local fund-raising in Pontefract has, is and will make a difference. Please contact us if you would like more information about this presentation.

Returning to the present, we would like to pay a special tribute to Allan and Margaret Turner for all the encouragement and practical help they gave locally to Christian Aid. They were always “at the front of the queue” asking how they could help Christian Aid fund-raising Pontefract. We remember Alan asking us in 2014 as the Ebola epidemic was unfolding “What are we (local churches) going to do about this”. Their support is greatly missed.

To close, we invite you to take consider the following snippets of information about Christian Aid’s recent and current work, both locally and nationally:

Did you know:

An amazing 57,000 people in UK churches gave their time to take part in Christian Aid Week 2019.

In this period, Christian Aid supporters raised an incredible £8 million to help poor communities. Beneficiaries of 2019 Christian Aid Week fund-raising include community midwives and maternity clinics in Sierra Leone. The funds allocated to the much-needed development of Sierra Leone maternity services will help more mums and babies survive childbirth.

Past custom for the Christian Aid Week House-to-House Collections has been for supporters to deliver collection envelopes to addresses and then return at a later date to collect donations. Recently, successful trials including in Pateley Bridge have involved the delivery of collection envelopes to individual addresses with an invitation for people wishing to make a donation to return their envelope to a trusted, well-known collection point such as a church or local business. This was successfully tried in Pontefract last year. Larks Hill Hairdressers, opposite Larks Hill School kindly received envelopes containing donations which were collected later at the close of Christian Aid Week.

There is a new Christian Aid Emergency Appeal: the Coronavirus Emergency Appeal. Many people displaced by war or conflict and living in extreme

poverty are likely to have poor health and nutrition and live in overcrowded communities which lack even the basic facilities of clean water and sanitation. They are likely to be extremely vulnerable to Covid 19. Further details including how to make an online donation are available on the website [www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)

The virus arrived in the Bangladesh camps for Rohingya refugees in March. Funds generated by the emergency appeal are supporting the distribution of hygiene kits and family education programmes for the 150 000 Rohingya refugees who fled from Myanmar 3 years ago. 80% of the families in the camps report they have at least one member with a serious illness requiring medical treatment but only 67% report having soap. £50 of donations, for example, could fund a much-needed community toilet and handwashing block; £100 of donations could set up a clean water point.

This work in the camps is a good illustration of one fundamental principle of Christian Aid. It is help provided by the efforts of local Christian Churches in the UK but which, in keeping with Gospel values, is given to people of all faiths and none. Rohingya people are Muslims.

Please contact us if you would like more information about Christian Aid or if you could offer help with local fund-raising.

With thanks to all local supporters

Paul and Ann Harris 01977 707056

# An Apology!

In these trying times we are all experiencing something different. Staying in, limited exercise. Mind you my exercise has always been limited.

What the current situation has made me do and that's sorting out Facebook. Access to this social platform is necessary to enjoy the services provided by Canon June.

I've had a sort of profile which was set up by my son Richard, but I've been very reluctant to use it.

You may be wondering , "What on earth is he talking about?"

Well, it's an apology. An apology for not reacting to some of the posts. Very rude of me.

My technology skills are poor, to say the least, so you will have to bear with me.

Somebody has suggested I join the WhatsApp group. Come on its taken me 10 years plus to start using Facebook.

The roads are quiet, the air is cleaner. Is this a warning to make us respect the planet that God has provided for our home?

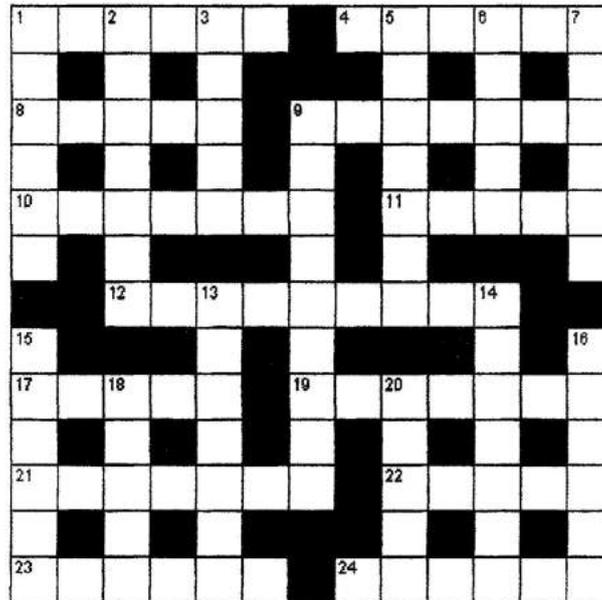
I pray that you will all stay safe and well and I look forward to the time when we can be together in church.

God Bless you all.

Fr Michael

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## Daily Quick Crossword



### Across

- 1 Scarcity (6)
- 4 Go aboard (6)
- 8 Muscular strength (5)
- 9 Expressed in speech (7)
- 10 Brought about (7)
- 11 Worth (5)
- 12 US state (3,6)
- 17 Out of condition (5)
- 19 Non-religious (7)
- 21 Tormented (7)
- 22 Damp (5)
- 23 Detective (6)
- 24 Branches (6)

### Down

- 1 Brides (anag) (6)
- 2 Forsake (7)
- 3 Pick-me-up (5)
- 5 Reasons for action (7)
- 6 Spring month (5)
- 7 Chaffed, teased (6)
- 9 Disrobed (9)
- 13 Garment worn by divers (7)
- 14 Shouting (7)
- 15 Commotion (6)
- 16 Free of charge (6)
- 18 Distress signal (5)
- 20 Small jazz band or dance band (5)

Answer on Page 39

## **St Giles legalities during COVID-19**

The Diocese of Leeds has been in close contact with clergy and parishes, providing guidance on all matters as this unprecedented situation unfolded very rapidly before our eyes. The Bishops of the Church of England meet weekly online in order to assess the situation.

### **APCM and Appointment of Church Officers**

Bishop Nick has used a legal instrument to modify the rules governing the latest time for an APCM and the provision for church officers (Wardens/ PCC members/ Deanery synod members) to **remain** in post until **October 31st** at the latest. The Bishop can 'admit' wardens up until 31st January 2021. We were ready to go with our APCM: notices out and the booklet prepared, but it shall now have to wait.

If the PCC needs to have a decision on any matter, the new Church Representation Rules allow this to be done by email correspondence (CRR M29). Virtual means such as Skype or Zoom can be used, provided all members can see and hear each other and that no member is excluded from the PCC's deliberations and decision making.

Following a virtual meeting, decisions such as the authorising of expenditure, entering into contracts or those that require a formal resolution of the PCC are to be put in written form and circulated for formal approval under the correspondence procedure in rule M29 (which under Rule 76 can be conducted by email).

The Standing Committee of the PCC may transact the PCC's business between meetings, subject to the statutory limitations and any directions of the PCC. (See CRRs Model Rule M31). The comments above relating to video-conference meetings apply similarly to the Standing Committee.

### **Care of the Building**

A substantive communication has been received from the diocese regarding 'Caring for your building during the COVID19 pandemic'. We were well ahead with what is deemed good practice and ensured that the document was looked through and advice heeded. Following the advice given

concerning limited entry to the building, Peter Lavine was designated as the person who will check weekly that the building remains safe and secure. We of course have the CCTV system which designated wardens monitor for unusual entry, along with a roof alarm to protect the lead.

Ecclesiastical Insurance, also give advice about insurance cover for unoccupied church properties during COVID19 and David Leigh has taken responsibility to check that our insurance is appropriate. Ecclesiastical have provided temporary cover enhancements to insurance policies.

## **Finance**

The temporary loss of income from room lettings, Occasional Office (funerals, baptisms) collections and cash given via the weekly plate will have an impact on parish finances. David Leigh has written a paragraph for the weekly news sheet which asks cash-givers (who use the envelope scheme) to consider taking out a standing order if personal finances allow. The parish should benefit from the government scheme which contributes 80% of the salary for employees who have been put on furlough during this period.

## **Communications**

The Website, Facebook accounts and Twitter are regularly updated with any information. The notice-sheet is currently posted weekly, and an online version of the magazine has been produced.

A number of resources have been posted online to help people 'Worship at Home' including the weekly service booklets and homilies. A large amount of online material was provided over Holy Week and all services were live streamed. **The Live streaming of Sunday's service (10.00am) and the Wednesday Mass (9.30am) will continue using the Facebook platform. Occasional Night Prayer will continue to be live streamed also.** Material has also been provided about national resources in terms of religious broadcasting.

An Easter card, Palm Cross and letter was sent via Royal Mail to everyone on the Electoral Roll.

Our administrator has been collating addresses and other contact details in order to produce a parish database. The offer is placed on every weekly sheet for people to have the sheet sent by email if they can provide her with details.

## **Pastoral Care**

We have asked leaders of various groups to try and ensure that they keep in touch with members via phone and to pass on any concerns if that is appropriate. Canon June is doing her best to ring people as time allows. The Facebook page, live streaming and email is also helping to keep people in touch.

**Funerals** can no longer take place in church; this was a national directive. The Church of England has provided some resources for families to light a candle online, and prayers for relatives to use at home when they can't attend a service. It is immensely sad when families wanting a church funeral are unable to have a service provided for them.

Blessings to you all, Canon June

## Pro wardens Rota

**2020**

May 3rd	Hilary Plumbley	Nov 1st	John Tevorrow
June 7th	David Leigh	Dec 6th	Anne Webb
July 5th	John Trevorrow		
Aug 2nd	Anne Webb		
Sept 6th	Hilary Plumbley		
Oct 4th	David Leigh		

# Junior Church

So, what do we do upstairs while you are all worshipping downstairs?

One of the first things we do is to say our opening prayer. This is a prayer written by our Junior Church children quite a few years ago. Niamh, Verity, Theo and Samuel are all very grown up now but they not only wrote our Junior Church prayer they also made up the actions to go with it! This joyful start to our worship sets the tone for our children's learning and their own way of worshipping God.

Over the years that Steph, Jane and I have been leading Junior Church we have experimented with many different ways of encouraging our children to learn about this wonderful faith that we share. Initially we followed a series of books called Living Stones but because of the limited time we have this was not ideal. As a teacher of Religious Studies, I was used to working with themes and so we decided to try this approach and found it much more suitable to our children's needs and our time constraints. I'm sure you will remember the times that we brought down long collages telling the stories of Noah or Joseph or Moses. We celebrated a Passover meal with them to help them to understand the importance of this festival to Jesus and his disciples. We rewrote the Lords prayer by looking at each of the requests we were making of God and putting them into the children's own words so that they could understand what we were both thanking God for and also asking of him.

Our latest and I think most exciting way of learning is through Godly play. It is based on the Montessori method which allows children to 'do this by myself'. The focus of their learning is usually a bible story, for example Jesus baptism. While telling the story, using a set of wooden figures we have made to represent different people, we do not make eye contact with the children allowing them to get lost in the story. All of the wiggles disappeared, there is not a sound in the room, and no one interrupts. As the story ended, the wondering can begin, as we ask, "I wonder what part of the story you liked best?" "I wonder what part of the story is most important?". By asking these questions we are encouraging our children to explore their thoughts, ideas

and feelings about the story. They then express these thoughts and ideas that we have shared using arts and crafts.

It is a really fascinating way to teach. We have made wooden figures to represent the real people in the Bible narrative and any stories taught by Jesus are made out of laminated cardboard to differentiate between the two. One of my jobs before we locked down was to paint and try to think of some way of making armour for our wooden Roman soldiers!

The children are very excited to come down to tell you all about what they have been learning and that is a credit to our wonderful church family. Many adult's knees might knock at the thought of talking to such a large group of people but the encouragement that you give them, fills them with the confidence they need to talk to you all. (The excitement of talking into a microphone also has a large part to play).

So, while you are busy downstairs praising our Lord, we are doing the same upstairs. It goes without saying you are very welcome to come and join us whenever you like and experience a child's view of our faith.

Lynne, Steph and Jane

## Social Media

I've created a new email address specifically for people to send things to be posted on the social media. It is

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## NOTES FROM THE PCC MEETING

### HELD ON TUESDAY 20TH JANUARY 2020

Canon June Lawson chaired the meeting with 19 members present and 3 apologies.

David Leigh and Peter Lavine attended the seminar on the '**Parish Giving**' scheme. It was agreed to continue as we are for now and to encourage more members to attend further seminars throughout the diocese.

At the meeting in November a request to display the **Burma Star** flag was discussed. Following advice from the Archdeacon, a faculty was submitted to hang the flag. This was a joint faculty with the Union Jack, as this has not previously been granted a faculty. Once the faculty for the Burma Star has been granted, a date will be required for the laying up of the flag, potentially in May. The Faculty for the Union Jack allows for it to be displayed around the Remembrance period.

Safeguarding: All DBS checked volunteers and employees will now be required to complete an annual self-declaration form.

Minutes of the last meeting of the **St Giles' Centre Management Committee**, the **Standing Committee** and the **Missions Committee** were submitted. No Minutes for **St. Mary's** were submitted.

The **Missions Committee** has been working hard throughout the year. The committee has decided, for this year, to cut down to 3 overseas charities to be supported. A question was raised about removing the Lenten retiring collection, but this decision is not irreversible for future years. It was also noted that it is becoming more difficult to get the charities to provide boxes to fill during Lent. The Lenten speaker this year will come from the Children's Society.

**Terms of Reference** were agreed and accepted by the PCC for the St Giles' Centre.

The **Treasurer's Report** included a Summary of Receipts for 2019, which

showed a drop in direct giving. Funeral fees were also down this year, whilst other income was slightly over budget. Just over £16K was spent on emergency work on the bell tower, which had not been included in the budget. This was paid from funds in the bank. A new electricity contract has been taken out with British Gas who offered the same rate as the last 3 years for the next 3 years. The Parish Share was paid in full. The overall deficit for the year was £10K. The 2019 Accounts were accepted and approved.

As the flower stall will no longer be taking place, thought needs to be given to alternative fundraising.

The 2020 Budget was presented showing an expected £10K deficit this year. £10K will need to be drawn down from reserves to balance the budget. A VAT refund of £3K is due. The Parish Share for 2020 has increased by 2.83%. The 2020 budget was approved.

The **Fabric, Health & Safety Committee**, which had previously approved work to the bells, advised that this work will now go ahead. Three quotes have been received and the work will cost in the region of £13K. Although this should be looked at as a capital budget and not identified in the Fabric budget, it is hoped to secure a grant towards the cost.

Repair work to the South Aisle roof has also been identified and again three quotes have been received, with two in the region of £35K. One was accepted. It may be possible to obtain a grant towards the work and again, VAT can be reclaimed.

The new Diocesan Board of Finance & local PCC fees for 2020 were circulated.

A report on the **External Lighting Scheme** was submitted, which had previously been raised and suspended due to the expense of the original proposal. The PCC agreed to put the lighting of the tower to one side until the work on the South Aisle roof is complete. The possibility of having solar panels installed is to be investigated further. This was accepted. It was proposed to accept the quotation from Contrac Lighting to light the East window and this was accepted.

Two goals from the **PCC Away Morning** had been identified at the last meeting ('Nurturing Lay Discipleship' and 'Growing Young people as Christians'), and these have moved forward: an Advent course took place and a Confirmation course will be taking place in March culminating with a confirmation service at Wakefield Cathedral on Sunday, 3 May; an evening Lent course was also identified, together with the possibility of running this through the daytime as well; a Deanery quiet day is to take place on 14 March; Diocesan learning/nurture events will continue to be promoted; a number of school visits took place during the Christmas period and booklets have been produced for use by Early Years, Key Stage I and Key Stage II children; Links with schools will continue to be built; a meeting with children's group leaders is to take place later in February.

**Chair's Notes** — Canon June Lawson paid tribute to priest and friend, Fr. Roland Taylor, who died in December; it was advised that the Parish Mission returns have been sent; a speaker from the Children's Society Mission will come on 15 March in Lent; The Venerable John Hawley will be the preacher at Candlemas; Rev'd Christopher Johnson is coming to preach in Holy Week and will also be the preacher at the Ash Wednesday evening service; the Pontefract Community Showcase is taking place on Saturday 28 March and volunteers will be needed to staff the stall; a proposal was made to come together as a benefice three times in the year, one at each location and this was agreed and the first service will take place at St Giles' on Pentecost Sunday; a potential visit to St. Giles' has been identified in May 2020 from the West Yorkshire Lieutenancy Office. The exact date is yet to be confirmed.

**Any Other Business** identified that the Church Representation Rules have been revised for 2020. The APCM can now take place up until the end of May. The Electoral Roll, when published, will just be people's names, due to GDPR regulations, although addresses will be held on the database. The next meeting is the APCM (29 March), which will take place after church. It was agreed to hold an additional PCC meeting on Tuesday, 31 March to elect officers along with any other business.

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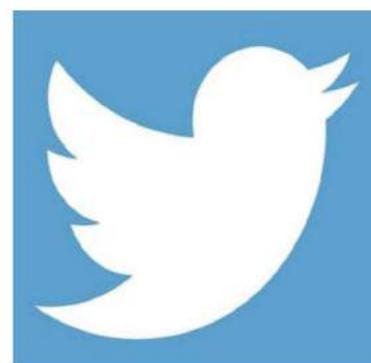


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We look forward to hearing from you soon!

# Andrea and Andrew Young

Link Letter no. 11 | April 2020

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*The call in action*

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. Proverbs 3:5-6**

Dear Friends,

We began writing our prayer letter 16 days ago. Since that time our situation has changed dramatically. We had been keeping a watchful eye on the development of coronavirus throughout the world and were aware that it would at some point affect us in Nepal. The government statistics at that time showed only one confirmed case; however, UMN looking forward recommended that all expat mission partners over 60 years old consider returning to their home countries. We were thinking of preparing for an early home assignment in the UK and were making plans for this. Suddenly events moved rapidly, and overnight our plans had to change. Coronavirus was beginning to impact Nepal and to add to this stressful situation, Andrew was diagnosed with a tumour in a salivary gland which needs further investigation. We now find ourselves in the UK in our ninth day of quarantine along with the rest of the UK in lockdown and social distancing.

**Pray for us as we discover new ways of caring pastorally for those in UMN in Nepal who are also in lockdown.**

Nepal is beginning to see the first cases of coronavirus and is ill-equipped to respond to such an epidemic. The government in Nepal are beginning to make some preparations, however, as a developing country this will be a great challenge and many people will suffer.

**Pray for the people of Nepal and good leadership in the government.**

UMN are putting on hold all their community projects. The leadership is looking at ways to respond to this new humanitarian crisis. They are making the two UMN hospitals a priority and asking for volunteers among expat UMN staff to help with the anticipated increased workload.

**Pray for the leadership of UMN as they seek to find new ways of serving the poor in this time of crisis.**

When we returned in August last year it was clear that government restrictions were going to prevent Andrea going into the office or being involved in any counselling work. In December we began to explore other possibilities to solve Andrea's visa problem and to our amazement several doors of opportunity flew open! Andrea is now a student on the Master's in Counselling Psychology programme at Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu. There was an entrance exam to pass which she took on Christmas Day(!), followed by her interview on New Year's Eve. It has been good getting to know the Nepali students who have been so welcoming to me. Anitaa and Lakshmi travel two hours each way to get to class which starts at 6.30am. It is good to know that many of these trainee counsellors have a desire to work with children and young people.

*Continued over the page*



**Name:** Andrea and Andrew Young

**Location:** Nepal

**Our call:** We are called back to Nepal, where we worked in the early 1990s, to use our skills and experience to support the mission community.

**Our role:** Providing vital pastoral care to United Mission to Nepal (UMN) in Kathmandu, Tansen and Okhaldunga.



*Anita, Andrea, Lakshmi and Binod, our psychology lecturer*

**We give thanks for the students. Please pray for them as their studies have been disrupted.**

Andrea has recently started a group for Nepali counsellors to learn play therapy skills for working with children. Jamila, who we have often mentioned before, is one of this group. She is thriving and beginning to work with children therapeutically. Sajeena and Ajay have volunteered their counselling skills to respond to the needs of people who are suffering from anxiety through the coronavirus crisis.

**Please pray for Sajeena, Ajay and Jamila as they respond to people's mental health needs.**

Andrea's studies have meant that our working arrangements have changed somewhat. We are still responding to the pastoral needs in Kathmandu together, however Andrew travelled to Tansen alone to visit the hospital team. He was about to travel to Okhaldhunga to meet with the three expats based at Okhaldhunga hospital when we had to leave Nepal.

**Pray for the health and morale of staff at Tansen and Okhaldhunga hospitals**

The prayer space is increasingly being used by the local UMN Kathmandu community. People are using the space regularly, every Monday evening for a craft group and Tuesday morning for prayer and breakfast together. Christmas was a very special time with 10 of us gathering on Christmas Eve for breakfast and prayer and then we cooked dinner for 11 people on Christmas Day. It was an international celebration with people from New Zealand, Australia, Northern Ireland, China, USA, Brazil and Nepal. New Year's Eve was spent playing board games and we saw the New Year in on our rooftop together, looking out across the Kathmandu Valley. It was a very busy time which prevented homesickness when away from our family in the UK.

We have recently set up prayer stations for Lent and we met together on the first Sunday of the month to have a quiet afternoon. Word is getting around and other groups are requesting to use the space during the Lent season.

Trusting God at this time of uncertainty and turmoil can be a challenge for us all. I remember as a child enjoying being carried from the car into the house after a long journey pretending to be asleep. The feeling of being held and safe in my dad's arms still stays with me. My children enjoyed the same game and we would go along with this for many years, carrying them even when they got older and heavier! This memory has caused me to reflect on the image of God as a parent carrying his children in times of difficulty, especially when we feel helpless.

All we can do is allow ourselves to be carried by him who will not let us go.

Our love and prayers to you all

Andrea & Andrew



*Chai time with the students; Christmas Eve breakfast; Lent prayer space; the beautiful Himalayas*

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**On 8th May in our church calendar we remember  
Julian of Norwich, spiritual writer c.1417,  
Gill Butterworth, a Companion of Julian of Norwich writes:**

**An Icon ‘for such a time as this’**

Once again, Julian of Norwich is relevant ‘for such a time as this’. (Esther 4.14) and, as a Companion of Julian of Norwich, I find she is a great comfort. Mother Julian lived through three waves of the Black Death, in 14th century Norwich. She knew people who died. She may have lost some people very close to her and mourned them - perhaps at a distance, unable to attend their funeral.

The coronavirus pandemic has caused many people to self-isolate. Julian knew, by vocation, obedience and choice, what it is like to live isolated from others. She may have had access to a small enclosed garden, but we don’t really know. Those of us with gardens can get some fresh air and see nature growing, but that is less easy if you live in an apartment or high-rise flat. The solitary, limited, enclosed life has become a reality for many this year, with no choice in the matter.

Today we can keep in touch via e-mails, texts, Facebook, What’s App, Skype, FaceTime, phone calls, post, etc. Julian had none of these in the 14th century. Her social contact was limited by her vocation as an anchoress. However, she had limited contact with her priest, spiritual director, servants and with the many people who came to her for spiritual counsel. But she didn’t see this last group – there would probably have been a heavy curtain at her open window when she listened to them and talked to them.

Julian could hear the Daily Offices and Mass through the window of her anchor-hold which opened into the church. But she was not physically in the church with others. We may be limited in our attendance at church but have opportunities to join with others on-line via prayer and worship websites. Some churches offer their own services via Facebook. Julian may not have physically taken the consecrated elements at Mass very often and it would have been ‘in one kind only’, the consecrated bread. Often she would have heard Mass by watching through her window and made a ‘spiritual communion’, just as many of us are learning to do.

For many Christians the contemplative life is a reality – a response to the call of God. Whether that is as a solitary or in the more social context of living with a partner, in a family or with a friend, we know our need of God, we respond to the call to prayer and intercession. This is surely a call to all of us at this time.

Julian would have eaten a simple diet, and lived without most of the luxuries we take for granted: I expect mediaeval toilet paper was non-existent! Like her, we can appreciate what we do have, live more simply and with gratitude. The Black Death spread differently from Covid-19, and we now know much more about hygiene and infection control, medical and scientific research, epidemiological mapping and vaccines. But we seem to be as susceptible to panic, fear, despair, selfishness and believing misinformation and ‘fake news’ as our mediaeval sisters and brothers were. The media is two-edged - a good way to disseminate helpful advice and information but also capable of whipping things out of proportion and worrying people. We are also seeing the best being brought out in people in wonderful instances of love, care and self-sacrifice and community awareness. We should all follow the official advice we are given to stay as safe as we can. But perhaps we can follow Julian by filling time with thoughts of the love of God rather than being lead off-track by the media circus.

All that Julian experienced led her to write her wonderful Revelations of Divine Love, so full of insight and reflection. The God she shows us in the suffering and compassionate Jesus is the same God for us. “He did not say, ‘You shall not be tempest-tossed, you shall not be work-weary, you shall not be discomforted.’ But he said ‘You shall not be overcome’. God wants us to heed these words so that we shall always be strong in trust, both in sorrow and in joy.” (RDL Ch 68)

Mother Julian of Norwich – pray for us.

Gill Butterworth CJN, 2020



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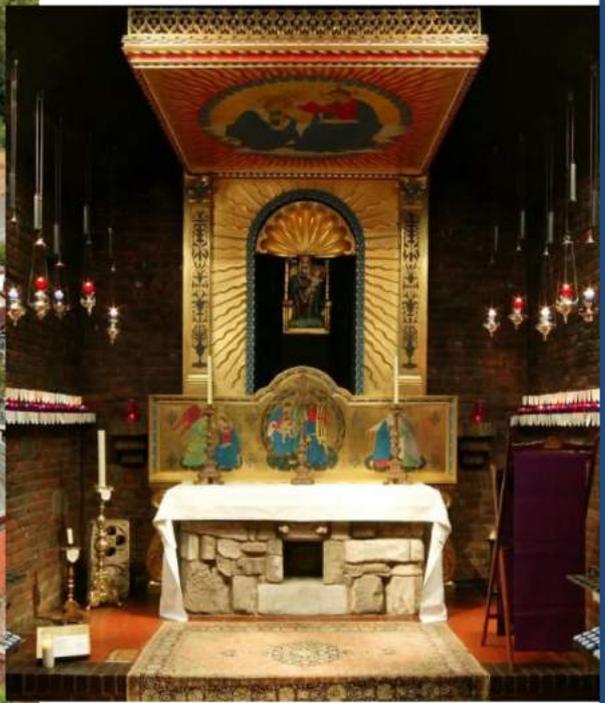
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**Year's mind.** We give thanks for the lives of :- **May 1** Stella Vine, Hazel Janet Pope, **4** Doris Helen Guest, **7** Ernest Dean, Thomas Walsh, **10** Matthew Cookson, **13** Andrew Savage Beveridge, **18** Harold Guest, **20** Sylvia Webb, **23** Gladys Ackling, **25** Isabella May Burgess, **28** Dorothy Trevorrow, **29** James Thomas Hayward, Alma Beatrice Kaye, **30** Albert Hester, **31** Thomas Hemingway.

*Commemorations begin on the Sunday **before** the date given or on the date if this is a Sunday. If you would like to add a name to the Years' Mind List please write it in the diary in Reception or e-mail to Vivienne using -*

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### Rota of Sidespersons

	Warden					
1	Barbara Sessford	Janet Colvill	Margaret Hopwood	Maureen Milnes	Betty Carter	
2	Peter Lavine	Bill Bradley	Peter Spurr	Geoff Walsh	Linda Atkins	Barbara Lavine
3	Jill Clapham	Ian Knox	Barbara Chessman	Ian Wood	Margaret Coverdale	
4	Pam Mercer	Ann Grice	Sandra Barker	John Barber	Vicki Chappell	Gavin Thorpe

Date	Service	Warden	Crucifer	Acolyte	Acolyte	Thurifer
03/05/20 4th Easter	10.15 am. Eucharist	1	Warwick Sumpter	Gavin Thorpe	Claire Turner	
10/05/20 5th Easter	10.15 am. Eucharist	2	Claire Turner	Tony Williams	Diane Williams	
17/05/20 6th Easter	10.15 am. Eucharist	3	Gavin Thorpe	Ewan MacDonald	Angela Sibbit	
21/05/20 Ascension Day	7.00 pm. Eucharist		Warwick Sumpter	Jill Clapham	Diane Williams	Tony Wil- liams
24/05/20 7th Easter	10.15 am. Eucharist	4	Tony Williams	Angela Sibbit	Claire Turner	
31/05/20 Pentecost	10.15 am. Eucharist	2	Gavin Thorpe	Ewan MacDonald	Angela Sibbit	Warwick Sumpter
Date	Eucharistic Minister	Eucharistic Minister	Intercessor	Lector	Readings	
03/05/20 4th Easter	Jill Clapham	Tony Williams	David Brooks	Fiona Edwards	Acts 2.42-end John 10.1-10	
10/05/20 5th Easter	David Brooks	Angela Sibbit	Junior Church	Anne Webb	Acts 7.55-end John 14.1-14	
17/05/20 6th Easter	Kath Heseltine	John Barber	Kath Heseltine	David Leigh	Acts 17.22-31 John 14.15-21	
21/05/20 Ascension Day	John Barber	Angela Sibbit	Theo Biddle	Derek Hodgson	Acts 11.1-11 Luke 24.44-end	
24/05/20 7th Easter	David Brooks	Angela Sibbit	Junior Church	Ruth Carter	Acts 1.6-14 John 17.1-11	
31/05/20 Pentecost	Warwick Sumpter	Jill Clapham	Tony Williams	Marjorie Sanderson	Acts 2.1-21 John 20.19-23	

## PLEASE NOTE

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 10.15am Parish Mass at St Giles'

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