

*Parish of Pontefract
St Giles with St Mary*

*Ordinary?
Extraordinary?
Unprecedented?*

June 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

Ordinary Time...

After June 7th, the church's calendar moves into 'ordinary time'. We remain in 'ordinary time' for many months, in fact through to the end of October. Throughout that season the clergy wear 'green' stoles and chasubles.

The phrase 'ordinary time' has a resonance this year which is different from any other, because many of us both clergy and laity wonder what 'ordinary time' will look like in coming months as we seek to be a Christian community.

This year shortly before Mothering Sunday, the 'ordinary' round of our lives became filled with the 'extraordinary', and the 'unprecedented.' As the weeks went on the challenges have become how to sustain a rhythm of life and maintain a hope-filled spirit when life as we knew it became reshaped and confined within the COVID bubble of 'stay home, protect the NHS, save lives.' As I write, there are signs of 'lessening' the restrictions and we hope that it won't now be too long before we can worship as a Christian community in our buildings and not just our homes.

The themes of the Easter season have been particularly meaningful this year. We have been reminded that the Risen Christ speaking words of hope and peace does not leave us without his presence. The new life made tangible by his resurrection is still at work in our world. We have needed to trust in his promises in the face of the worrying and sobering realities of COVID causing fear and taking lives in such a cruel way. We have been humbled by the spirit of sacrifice and service shown by key-workers. We have been helped by the revival of community spirit as neighbours have sought to support each other.

Parish life has been anything other than 'ordinary'. We have needed to find

ways of being a Christian community worshipping 'virtually together' whilst separated in tangible ways.

Now in 'ordinary time', our lives are beginning slowly to take a more recognisable shape and yet there is the imprint left by a global pandemic. Our 'worlds' and the world at large are scarred by the unthinkable reality that this could ever have happened and indeed changed our customs and habits so swiftly.

So what spiritual themes from the season of 'ordinary time' will be there to help us?

We set off knowing that Christ is seated at the right hand of the Father (Ascension) interceding for us; his scarred hands and feet taking our humanity into the divine life of love and prayer that exists between Father, Son and Holy Spirit (the Holy Trinity). We too called to share in his intercession for our world.

We can know with confidence that the promised Holy Spirit celebrated at Pentecost will give us the grace and gifts we need as we journey in faith and endeavour to be Christ's body on earth serving others.

We journey steadily through the year's gospel (Matthew), seeing how Jesus encounters people and places and brings His Kingdom to them through word and deed, meeting them in the ordinary circumstances that each life entails. His promise is given to meet us also in the ordinariness of our days.

We note the liturgical 'green' of our vestments which remind us of the fecundity of God's creation; the growth and flourishing central to the summer season reminding us that we too are called to flourish and blossom in the soil in which we are planted. The mellow autumn, in due course, keeping before us that transience and 'death' are part of nature's rhythms, and not alien to it. Seeds falling into the ground are necessary for rebirth and new life. Without autumn there is no summer.

We celebrate the set Holy Days, which remind us of the themes that are present in the overarching liturgical cycle. Such days punctuate the ordinary round, and keep us alert to the history of salvation that holds us within the ordinary times. Reminders of Incarnation and Redemption are never far

from us in this season

And then we arrive at the Festival of Christ the King (late November), the end of the liturgical year, the bookend that reminds us that from the celebration of Christ's Ascension we have been held through our ordinary days by the one who reigns with the Father and 'holds the whole world in his scarred and wounded hands.'

This year we enter 'ordinary time' in ways that don't feel ordinary. But let us continue to be strengthened in faith, learning to live in new ways, knowing that faith, hope and love have carried the faithful through in times past and will do so again. The poem below reminds us to look for the signs of God's illuminating presence midst our ordinary lives.

The Bright Field by R S Thomas

I have seen the sun break through
to illuminate a small field
for a while, and gone my way
and forgotten it. But that was the pearl
of great price, the one field that had
treasure in it. I realise now
that I must give all that I have
to possess it. Life is not hurrying

on to a receding future, nor hankering after
an imagined past. It is the turning
aside like Moses to the miracle
of the lit bush, to a brightness
that seemed as transitory as your youth
once, but is the eternity that awaits you.

Every blessing

Canon June



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The Big Dolly Project

Wakefield and District City of Sanctuary have been given some lovely dollies to pass on to refugee children staying in the Wakefield Initial Accommodation Centre. But our dollies do need some new clothes. If you are nifty with a needle, swift on a sewing machine or happy to knit your way through your lockdown and could help with some smart outfits for our dolls, I would love to hear from you. Just ring me and we will arrange socially distant introductions and collection arrangements.



It has been an especially stressful time for families in the Wakefield Initial Accommodation Centre. In addition to coping with the memories of past trauma and not knowing where the Home Office will send them, they and their children have had to cope with an extended stay cooped up in small youth-hostel type rooms without the usual support of the City of Sanctuary drop-ins. We have been so grateful for the donations of toys, games and activities to pass on to our families. Hopefully with your help we could also provide some well-dressed dolls to bring a smile to some little faces (and give the parents support as well). Trauma Teddies also welcome!

Many thanks

Ann Harris

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The Ruined Maid

Thomas Hardy - 1840-1928

- "O 'Melia, my dear, this does everything crown!
Who could have supposed I should meet you in Town?
And whence such fair garments, such prosperi-ty?"--
"O didn't you know I'd been ruined?" said she.

--"You left us in tatters, without shoes or socks,
Tired of digging potatoes, and spudding up docks;
And now you've gay bracelets and bright feathers three!"--
"Yes: that's how we dress when we're ruined," said she.

--"At home in the barton you said 'thee' and 'thou,'
And 'thik oon,' and 'theäs oon,' and 't'other'; but now
Your talking quite fits 'ee for high compa-ny!"--
"Some polish is gained with one's ruin," said she.

--"Your hands were like paws then, your face blue and bleak
But now I'm bewitched by your delicate cheek,
And your little gloves fit as on any la-dy!"--
"We never do work when we're ruined," said she.

--"You used to call home-life a hag-ridden dream,
And you'd sigh, and you'd sock; but at present you seem
To know not of megrims or melancho-ly!"--
"True. One's pretty lively when ruined," said she.

--"I wish I had feathers, a fine sweeping gown,
And a delicate face, and could strut about Town!"--
"My dear--a raw country girl, such as you be,
Cannot quite expect that. You ain't ruined," said she.

What have you been doing during the Lockdown?

There's a piece on the television asking this question at the moment. As answers, we've heard a lot of gardening stories over the last few weeks. Perhaps Pontefract will give Chelsea a run for its money this year? Cupboard tidying, baking and taking our daily exercise have also featured.

Some of us have taken up our needles, knitting for the organisations we support. Parish knitters have been really productive as you can see from the photos displayed. Barbara Sessford has produced these fantastic footie scarves for the Children's Society, Mothers' Union and Wakefield City of Sanctuary. Joyce Bellamy has crafted these lovely nurse dolls to support



the work of St John Ambulance volunteers assisting NHS staff during the pandemic. Ann Harris has made baby blankets and Trauma Teddies for Wakefield City of Sanctuary's "Welcome to the World" packs for destitute refugee new mums arriving in Wakefield and glove puppets too.



We hope you enjoy these pictures and invite anyone who wishes to send the magazine Team photos or stories on the theme "What have you been doing during the Lockdown."

A Stitch in Time



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You have to smile

'Who wants to be a millionaire' during lockdown -



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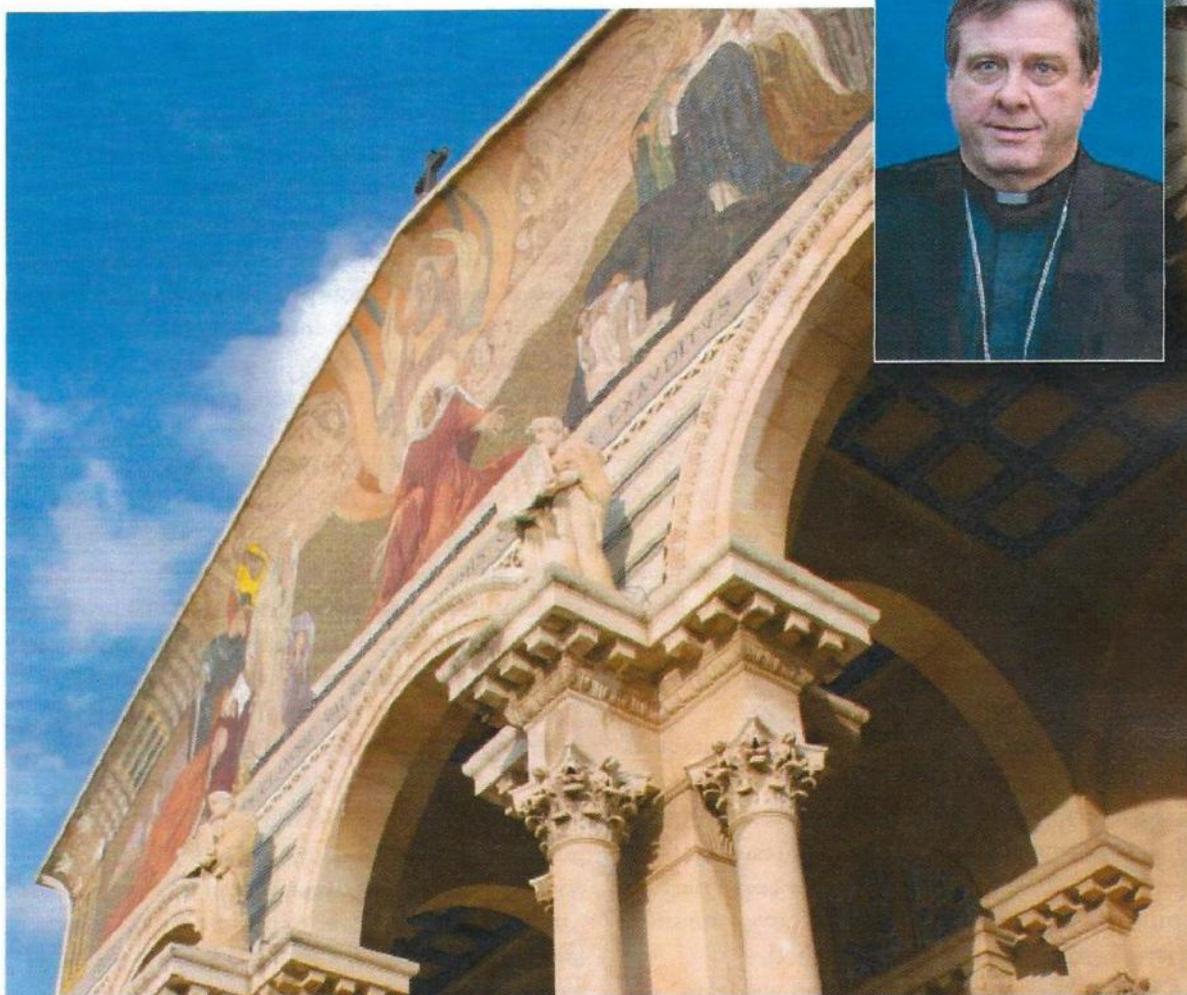
in case one or other is on holiday etc. **Last date** for items for July's magazine is **Sunday June 21st**.

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

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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.



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The Church Garden

I hope you are all keeping well. I asked Peter to take the attached photos, as many church members (including me!) have not been able to see the spring flower displays in the south border due to the lockdown and I thought you might appreciate seeing them.

I think the border looks well considering the total lack of attention throughout the lockdown period.

Bill Bradley





A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

By Tim Lambert

Her Early Life

Florence Nightingale was born in the city of Florence, Italy on 12 May 1820. She was the second daughter of wealthy parents (her elder sister was called Parthenope). Her mother wanted Florence to marry a rich man. However, Florence was a devout Christian and when she was 17 she felt God was calling her to serve him. At first, Florence was not sure how God wanted her to serve but by 1844 she was convinced she was to nurse the sick. Her parents, William and Frances, were horrified because at that time nursing was definitely not a respectable job!



Nurses were often drunk and conditions in hospitals were dreadful. Her family tried to talk Florence out of it but she was determined. A man named Richard Monckton Miles tried to persuade Florence to marry him but she refused even though she adored him. She was determined to sacrifice herself. Nevertheless, it was several years before she got any nursing experience. In 1851 she went to Kaiserwerth in Germany to learn. Then in 1853, she was given her first post reorganizing a small hospital in Harvey Street, London: The Institution for the Care of Sick Gentlewomen in Distressed Circumstances. Florence Nightingale did an excellent job of reorganizing the hospital.

The Crimean War

As a result of her work Sidney Herbert the Secretary of War invited her to go on a mission to soldiers wounded fighting the Russians. (At that time Britain, France and Turkey were fighting Russia.) Nightingale sailed with 38 nurses to Turkey on 21 October 1854. They arrived in November. Florence found military hospitals were dirty and bare and great numbers of soldiers were dying of diseases. She worked very long hours to bring order and cleanliness to the hospitals and she became a heroine to the British public.

They raised £45,000 (a huge sum in those days) to help her.

Florence Nightingale returned to Britain in 1856. She was commissioned to investigate the living conditions of British soldiers in peacetime. In 1858 she published her findings as Notes on Matters Affecting the Health, Efficiency and Hospital Administration of the British Army.

In 1860 Florence Nightingale opened the Nightingale Training School for Nurses at St Thomas Hospital. She greatly raised standards of nursing. Every probationer who entered the school was interviewed by Florence and supervised by her.

In old age Florence Nightingale suffered from ill health and she went blind. By the mid-1890s Florence was an invalid. However she was awarded the Order of Merit in 1907.

Florence Nightingale died on 13 August 1910.

St Giles' Websites

<http://www.stgilespontefract.org.uk/>

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Gavin Thorpe deals with any amendments, additions or changes to the above websites.

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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

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

What do you know about the world's religions?

Quiz (answers on next page)

1. Which book of the Bible is a collection of 150 songs and poems?
2. What is the name of the Hindu festival of lights?
3. Which religious leader's teaching consisted of four 'Noble Truths'?
4. Taoism is an ancient religion which originated in which country?
5. Which is the largest religion in the world in terms of the number of believers?
6. Which four-letter word beginning with 'H' is a term used for the yearly Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca?
7. What European city first heard Christian preaching?
8. Who is the current Archbishop of Canterbury?
9. Which is the holiest book of Judaism?
10. In which religion do men take the last name 'Singh' and women 'Kaur'?

Day 45 of lockdown I filled the dog with Helium.



Social Media

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

stgmsocialmedia@gmail.com.

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1. Psalms, 2. Diwali (or Deepavali), 3. Buddha, 4. China, 5. Christianity,
6. Hajj, 7. Phillippi, 8. Justin Welby, 9. The Torah, 10. Sikhism.

An Introduction to Eco Theology – Diocese of Leeds Learning



How is Christianity responding to the challenge of the Climate Crisis?
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Does the Bible help or hinder us when thinking about creation-care?
Is Salvation just for humans?

These are some of the questions addressed in the course **An Introduction to Eco-theology**. Using online material from the University of Exeter, we will have the chance to hear from experts in this area, followed by discussion in a local group.

Taking place on Zoom 7.30-9pm

Thursday 11th, 18th, 25th June, 2nd, 9th July

Thursday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th September, 1st October

Rev Ruth Newton Parish priest of St John's, Sharow and author of Greeningthelectionary.net. Ruth is studying for a Doctorate in eco-theology and mission. She is member of the Church of England General Synod and Area Environment Champion for Ripon Episcopal Area (South).

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*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
07/06/20 Trinity Sunday	10.00 am. Eucharist	<p>During the Covid 19 lockdown our Eucharist can be seen on Facebook at 10.00 a.m. every Sunday and a service sheet for the service can be downloaded on the Church website.</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/stgilespontefract/ http://www.stgilespontefract.org.uk/</p> <p>A said mass is also streamed on Wednesdays at 9.30 a.m.</p>				
14/06/20 Corpus Christi	10.00 am. Eucharist					
21/06/20 2nd Trinity	10.00 am. Eucharist					
28/06/20 3rd Trinity	10.00 am. Eucharist					
Date	Eucharistic Minister	Eucharistic Minister	Intercessor	Lector	Readings	
07/06/20 Trinity Sunday	<p>Here are the readings for the Sunday services in June</p>			2 Corinthians 13.11-end Matthew 28.16-30		
14/06/20 Corpus Christi				1 Corinthians 11.23-26 John 6.51-58		
21/06/20 2nd Trinity				Romans 6.1-11 Matthew 10.24-39		
28/06/20 3rd Trinity				Romans 6.12-end Matthew 10.40-end		

PLEASE NOTE

During the enforced closure due to Covid 19 restrictions, the service on Sunday morning is live on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/stgilespontefract/> where the service commences at 10:00 a.m. NOT 10:15.

THE BENEFICE OF PONTEFRACT

St. Giles with St. Mary

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Sunday Services

8.00am Said Mass at St Giles'. (First Sunday in the month only)
 9.00am St Mary's 1st & 3rd Week - Mass with hymns, 2nd & 4th - Morning Worship with hymns
 10.15am Parish Mass at St Giles'

Mass at St Giles' on weekdays - Wednesdays at 9.30am; Fridays at 12.00pm

Morning Prayers at St Giles': Tuesdays to Saturdays at 8.30am

Evensong 1st Sunday (Not August)

Baptisms, Weddings, Banns Call in at St Giles' Church on Saturdays from 10:30am—11:30am

Please check the calendar on St Giles' website or the Order of Service for any alterations.

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Some more photographs from Bruce to hopefully brighten our lives. (see over)



...and finally, for those of you missing Strictly.....

