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**What is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare.**

William Henry Davies

Vicar's Letter

Well here we are again adapting ourselves to being in local lockdown and the rule of six. I do appreciate the fact that you have all been considerate of one another when coming to worship at St Mary's. It is the great Christian tenet that we look after one another and think of others before ourselves.

It has been very difficult for those who are seeking to be married and for those who wish to have their children baptised as the numbers allowed are so low. We will have our first wedding this year in November. Daniel and Charlotte have been attending St Mary's on and off for over a year and have postponed their wedding a couple of times. They can't see an end to the restrictions for the next six months and have decided to go ahead in November with just 15 guests because it is more important to be married than to have a large gathering. It is a brave decision they have made and the right one for them but for others it is heart breaking to not have everyone they wish on their special day.

There are some very special services coming up in November and whilst they have always been extremely well attended I am sorry to say that things are very different this year.

On Sunday , 1st November it is All Saint's Day when we remember those saints in the life of the church but for most people it is **All Souls Day on the 2nd November** which remembers those we have loved and cannot see no more. This service will be held at **7.00pm in church and streamed via our facebook page.**

Unfortunately this year seats are limited to ensure we maintain our COVID secure building and so it is necessary that you contact Gail on gail@stmarywoodkirk.org or telephone number 07792 975814 to ensure we comply with all our safety measures. Only one bubble per family please and the bubble cannot be greater than six and all have to sanitise and wear a mask in church. If you want to watch this service via facebook and you would like the names of your loved ones read out in the service please also let Gail have their names.

Remembrance Sunday will be held on 8th November.

Unfortunately, the British Legion will not be in attendance this year, however, we will remember them in our 10.30am Service which also will be streamed. Again it won't be the same as previous years but we will do our best to honour those who laid down their lives so that we enjoy the freedoms of the future.

The clocks have gone back last weekend and so we see the start of the night's drawing in and the start of winter which is already a difficult time for many. Compound that with COVID and the 3 Tier System introduced by the Government to protect others and ourselves then it is no wonder people are struggling with loneliness, anxiety, fear and poverty. As a church we support our local foodbank and we have a good support system for those who are regular members of the congregation but I want you to think about last week's Gospel reading and the Golden Rule which states (this is Jesus speaking to the Pharisees), "Love your neighbour as yourself". Now is the time to know that God loves you and accepts you just as you are and because of that you can and should love yourself and be accepting of yourself. It is only then we can truly love our neighbours (whether we like them or not! – Jesus' definition not mine!). So please if you have elderly neighbours, young parents, or know anyone that is struggling, please reach out and knock on their windows and do what you can. Please feel free to put my telephone number through their letterbox and we as a church can both befriend and point them to the appropriate services or at least give them a sandwich or a listening ear.

We are one nation under God and it is only when we put God first are we able to put others before ourselves and understand that in these terrible times there is hope in the person of Jesus Christ – For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

I do appreciate the fact that you have all been considerate of one another when coming to worship at St Mary's. It is the great Christian tenet that we look after one another and think of others before ourselves.

Keep safe and well and you are all in my prayers.

Sharon

Prayerful thought November 2020

If music be ...

Did you know that this famous quote, which continues...'the food of love, play on...'is from Shakespeare's Twelfth Night? I didn't, I looked it up!

However, my focus is really only on the first three words, because it was music that inspired this month's prayerful thought.

A few weeks ago, before the weather turned Autumnal, and before the nights started drawing in, I was pootling somewhere in my car, with the radio on. It was Classic FM (excellent for calming potential road rage!) when the presenter referred to the ongoing pandemic and the fact that amongst its many effects on our daily lives, one of them was that our ability to travel had been more or less stopped.

The presenter then said that to help us with this, during his programme today he would take us to Italy, Spain and England.

Now unfortunately I cannot remember the exact pieces the presenter mentioned, although I imagine the Spanish one may have been Memories of the Alhambra, and England may possibly have been Vaughan Williams or Elgar, but it set me thinking.

I almost always have the radio on when I'm in the car, and quite often I listen to the radio during the daytime at home, and I can be transported to a different place, for example;

The guitar piece called Spanish Romance by an anonymous composer recalls a lovely evening out David and I enjoyed when we visited Puerto Pollensa in Majorca. We had enjoyed a lovely meal and a musician appeared and started playing it. The air was soft and warm, the sky clear, a lovely memory.

Then if a piece of sweeping Elgar is played I can visualise the wonderful Malvern Hills in Worcestershire where Elgar spent most of his life.

If they play 'O Sole Mio' by Capua/Capurro I think of Venice, I think that's more the influence of advertising in the 1980's when it was used to advertise ice cream...'Just one Cornetto...'

In Canteloube's 'Songs of the Auvergne' whilst I can't understand the words, I still find it evocative of the French countryside, and when I hear Butterworth's 'The Banks of Green Willow' I can close my eyes and be transported to a river bank in the height of summer with the river flowing by, and being partly sheltered by a big tree, the sunlight dappled through my eyelids.

Now I'm sure you can think of your own evocative pieces of music, and for some of you I'm sure they'll not be classical pieces, but whatever type of music you enjoy, we can all find something meaningful to us.

It is perhaps not surprising that numerous scientific and psychological studies have shown that music can lift our moods, combat depression, improve blood flow, lower levels of stress-related hormones such as cortisol, and ease pain.

We don't know when travel restrictions might be eased and some of us will be able to travel again.

We know that we are into Autumn with dark nights and cold days.

But with music perhaps we can escape just for a little while to some sweet memory or some beautiful part of the world that the pandemic and weather cannot spoil.

With love and lost in music!

Dawn

Jesus' mission

This is my thoughts on Jesus mission

I like to think that Jesus' mission was to bring motivation and inspiration. Was his mission always unwaveringly **liberation**. To His core, Jesus always knew exactly what this meant. As a result, He was calculating and relentless in His pursuit. Every word, every move, every step was an intentional move to free men from the prison of their minds and untangle the knots of the knowledge of good and evil.

Clearly Jesus defined freedom in a particular way and reading what He did can help us understand what he thought of freedom.

He took a group of men and travelled across the countryside teaching them how to change everything they encountered and touched. Think of it this way: He was showing twelve men and some women what it looked like and how to practice dominion over the creation.

"Fever go away," He would say, and then he would make sure that His followers caught what had happened.

"Peace be still," He would say to a storm, and then he would turn and be sure their eyes had been on Him.

Encountering a crowd of religious know-it-all's? He peered inside their hearts and told stories. "Once upon a time there was a man who owed a little bit of money..." and then He would steal a glance at His disciples. "Get it?" the gleam in His eye would say.

A scared insecure tax collector? A shame-filled near-death prostitute? A self-confident Pharisee? All of these fell under the sway of Jesus restoring God's blueprint to the cosmos.

Two things stand out to me about Jesus' strategy. **First**, He spent the bulk of His time teaching them how to be and what to do, not on rules and restrictions. **Second**, He taught them on the move.

Jesus was restoring God's intended design. He was showing men and women how Adam and Eve might have taken dominion over the creation. Contrary to our Christian mindset, He was not spending His time trying to get them to behave well. Jesus was showing them how to step into the role for which they were created. We were created to take dominion over the

planet. Over the kingdom of darkness. Over hopelessness. Over fear and insecurity. All of these things and more were designed to be subject to us. Jesus took His team on the road and showed them how to do this.

Any prohibitions He may have handed out were all in the context of teaching them how to be who they were made to be and do what they were made to do. He was not showing them what not to do. He was showing them who to be.

Secondly, His approach to this was to go and do, and teach on the way. People who are learning about something they are already doing have an entirely different learning process than those who are learning about something they may do someday.

We teach athletes their game out on the field, not in a classroom. Wilderness education takes place with hungry people in cold forests. They are very motivated to learn about how to eat and how to stay warm. If we want someone to grow and learn, take them right out in the middle of reality and then begin to show them how to be.

I think Jesus did not come to educate men about how to avoid bad behaviour, he came to help us get to know his father better.

Jesus did not come to motivate people to get up off their chairs and try harder.

Jesus came to liberate people from the prison of the world that has been wrapped around our minds.

He gives us encouragement to get out into the world and carry on what he had started with those twelve men and the women followers.

God bless
Gail

Revd Sharon's Amazing Walk

As you may know Sharon set herself the incredible challenge in September of walking 15 kilometres per day (that's just over 9 miles in old money). That's 15km per day every day for 30 days.

Anyone who has done any walking or any kind of physical activity will know that this is no small challenge and is the kind of activity which becomes progressively tougher as the month wears on. It's a minimum of 3 hours per day every day on the move.

Finally on the last day of September, Sharon came down the church path to finish at the Church door - only to realise she was 49 steps short of the target for the day and turned around and went back up the path once more to complete the full total.

Massive congratulations to Sharon for achieving 295 miles in a month. That is roughly equivalent to walking from here to the other side of Inverness. She was able to raise in total over £3,600 in sponsorship along the way which is also a great achievement by Sharon and all her sponsors.

I leave the last word to one of those many sponsors....

Walking: Definition.

The act of moving your feet up and down while moving forward in order to reach a specific destination or end up back where you started.

Commonly practised in the location known as 'the great outdoors'. Side effects include health, happiness and wisdom.

Congratulations on completing your challenge.

Nicola & Glynn Jennings.



Sharon at the end of the walk. Tired but happy.

How do I join an on-line Service?

If you are not so familiar with the on-line world but you would like to join one of the services, here's some good news! It's easy!

Go to: facebook.com/stmarywoodkirk

Then select 'Videos' from the side bar.

To join a 'Live' service look for the right time on the Diary page.

You can also view previous services from the same location.

Neal and Anne's daughter Verity seems to have got it sorted. Neal says she sits and watches glued to the screen - far more attentive than when she is in church!



Help available at the Numbers below...



House Collection Boxes

Hi there

You may have seen in the weekly news sheet that I have been asking for the return of any Children's Society Collection Boxes

You may be like me, and because of paying for a lot more things lately by card, not have much change in your box, but don't worry, it all adds up.

Some of you have returned your boxes, for which I thank you very much.

If you haven't there's still time.

If you are attending church, then you can bring your box there for me. If, however, you aren't able to get to church, if you contact me tel 07840 739239, or via email

dawn.@stmarywoodkirk.org

I can make arrangements with you to collect it safely.

If your change box is looking a little light, then you could always write a cheque for your donation this year (payable to 'The Children's Society') and pass that to me.

Thank you in anticipation of returning your boxes, and for continuing to support the Children's Society in it's vital work with young people.

Dawn Tattersfield



Afternoon Tea

(For Christian Aid)



Fancy a treat?

Fancy treating a loved one?

Well here's your opportunity.

On Saturday 5th December we will be producing afternoon teas for delivery (or collection) to raise money for Christian Aid.

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The cost is £6.00 per afternoon tea with all proceeds being sent to Christian Aid.

Teas must be ordered by Wednesday 2nd December.

To order your Afternoon Tea(s) please contact Dawn Tattersfield Tel 07840 739239 or email: dawn@stmarywoodkirk.org



Does the Holy Spirit Have Control of Your Life?

Is there's a difference between living a "good Christian life" and allowing the Spirit of God to transform us from the inside out?

Is the difference small or a drastic one?

As Galatians 5:22 suggests, this is difference between a life full of the fruits of the spirit (love, joy, peace, patience, etc.) and a life full of the fruits of the flesh (greed, resentment, bitterness, arguing and competition).

The Spirit can make us passionate about worship and prayer.

I'm quite passionate about prayer because I know I'm having a real conversation with a real God, who loves me and hears me, and the more I allow the Spirit to rule my life, the more satisfying that experience becomes.

This week, while I was praying, I could feel God nudging me to get hold of a friend of mine, who had been going through a difficult time with her husband and let her know we were thinking of her and God was still with her and hearing her prayers. She wrote me later to tell me how she had really been struggling — and wondering if God was hearing her. Sometimes she wondered if God even loved her.

When I was speaking to her later, she said, she thought: "How did you know that I really needed that phone call?" But the truth is I did not know.

God knew. And I feel that when we pray, worship and draw close to Him, His Spirit begins to lead us to where we are needed most.

The Spirit can make us hungry for the word of God.

The Bible is living and active, and it really does speak to us—like the phone call that seemed like such a perfect time for my friend, and though that she felt God was speaking right to her.

When the Spirit is alive and active in us, we can feel compelled by God's Word.

I feel that falling in love with the Scripture isn't about a passion or hunger for reading or even just learning. It's

about knowing God. John 1 describes Jesus as the living Word.

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who

came from the Father, full of grace and truth... No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known (John 1:14).

As we read the Bible, we find that words jump off the page and we know God is speaking to us directly from that passage.

If we say we are a believers in Jesus, filled with his Spirit, then we should be able to see it in our relationships. If we belong to him, we will love others with a deep and sincere love.

“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love” (1 John 4:7).

Do you wake up thinking about what others should do for you? That’s fleshly thinking. When the Spirit is motivating your thoughts, you will wake up wondering: How can I serve? How can I help? What gift do I have to offer?

When we all get that kind of attitude, God will bring a revival like we’ve never seen before.

How many of us want that—and want to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit so we can receive the Holy Spirit so we can be a witness in the world

Generosity really comes out of our trust in God. If we trust that God is the all-sufficient provider of all we need, we can submit to His rule and reign and love people around us knowing that he is going to take care of the rest.

“But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow” (Matthew 6:33).

When we are fully submitted to the Spirit of God, we give generously, to those around us who are in need.

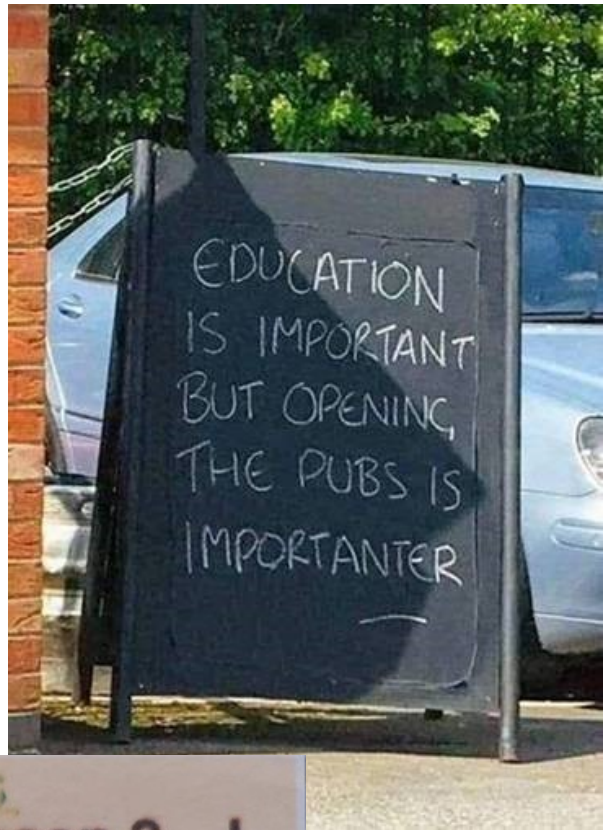
If the Jesus you have met has not changed your life, you have not met Jesus yet.

Gail

Trevor's Covid Watch

Had I known in March
that it was the last
time I would be in a
restaurant, I would
have ordered the
dessert





So for season 2... I mean the second wave... can we switch quarantine partners or are we stuck with the same ones from season 1? 🤔

Woe, woe and thrice woe! (Part 2)

In the last magazine I talked about a day when there were three things that caused senses of woe, the final one being the stoning of Stephen. I couldn't really include this event in my last article so as promised, this article tells the story of Stephen.

We first hear about Stephen in Acts chapter 6. The Hellenists amongst the disciples (those who spoke Greek as their first or possibly second language) felt that their widows were being neglected and they raise the matter. The outcome is that they are asked to appoint, from amongst their own, seven upstanding men full of the Spirit and of wisdom to undertake this task. The seven are named; Stephen (full of faith and the Holy Spirit), Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicolaus.

Whilst there is further reference to Stephen and Philip (chapter 8) we don't hear anything else about the other five but we can assume that they are efficient in undertaking their duties as we hear no more about the dispute over the distribution of food. So Stephen's story continues in Acts chapter 7.

We are told that he is full of grace and power and performs great signs and wonders. He's also an evangelist and, unlike the Apostles, travels outside the area of the Temple and Jerusalem. He goes out teaching and preaching in synagogues where the Jews are Greek speaking and speaks with a power and authority that cannot be denied.

The people of these synagogues take against Stephen accusing him of blasphemy. They take him before the Sanhedrin in Jerusalem and set up false witnesses who claim that Stephen has said that Jesus will destroy the temple and do away with the law of Moses.

Whilst we know that Jesus remained silent when charges were brought against him, Stephen does not. In contrast he launches into a long and powerful speech, not in his defence but accusing the people of Israel of idolatry and blasphemy.

I'm not including Stephen's speech here, as it goes on for 53 verses in Acts chapter 7, but if you have time, then do take a look. Stephen's speech, using the stories of Abraham, Jacob, Joseph and Moses, has the following themes:

*The people of Israel have **always** been disobedient to God.*

They have worshipped idols and built shrines to them.

*They have **not** kept the law of Moses.*

*They have always **rejected and persecuted** leaders and prophets who had been **chosen by God** to save his people.*

He finishes off by calling them stiff necked, inflexible people who have now done the same as their ancestors did and have killed the Messiah.

Now perhaps not surprisingly, the Sanhedrin and other listening officials were enraged at Stephen's inflammatory speech, but then he goes on and adds further insult to injury...he looks up and declares that he can see the heavens opened and Jesus, the Son of Man, standing at God's right hand.

This seems to be the final straw, they all cover their ears, and yelling and rushing towards him, they drag Stephen off, out of the city and stone him to death. A very cruel punishment, and a terrible way to die.

But even at this point Stephen does not stop, he prays, to Jesus. He commends his spirit to his Lord, "Father/Lord, into your hands I commend my spirit" and, remarkably, he forgives his tormenters "Lord, do not hold this sin against them, then he died.

While facing death, he was rewarded with a heavenly vision of Jesus himself.

Stephen was a bold evangelist who was not afraid to preach the gospel despite dangerous opposition. His courage came from the Holy Spirit.

We know that his influence, didn't end with his death, because his story refers to two other stories which are just beginning.

Firstly, all this triggers a fierce persecution of the followers of Jesus which results in arrests and imprisonment for many. It also sends the followers of Jesus out of Jerusalem as they scattered to some far off places where they preached and taught the good news wherever they went, so that the church begins to spread.

Secondly, you may have spotted that there's a young man called Saul who guards the coats of the people throwing stones and who approves of this execution.

As you may know, Saul becomes a particularly ferocious persecutor of Christians in the name of the Sanhedrin, until he travels along the road to Damascus (see Acts chapter 9). Following this experience He becomes Paul and takes the Gospel far and wide, preaching not just to Jews but also to Gentiles.

Perhaps it was Stephen, his assurance of faith, his words, his vision and his willingness to forgive his enemies, who sparked off in Saul the thought that maybe, just maybe Jesus was, in fact, the Way, the Truth and the Life.

I doubt that, even though he was 'full of grace and power'

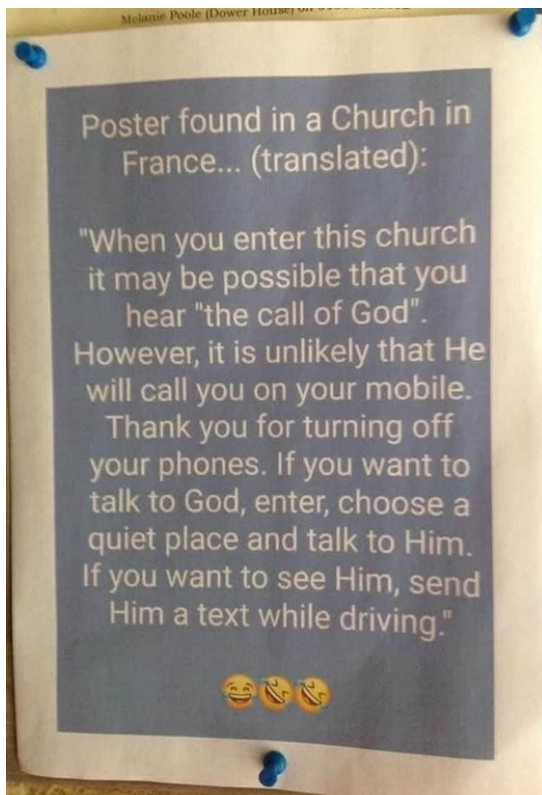
Stephen could ever have realised the impact his life, and death would have on Christianity.

I wanted to tell the story of Stephen to complete a set of 'three woes' and have learned about him and his tragic death at the hands of religious officials.

It is perhaps a fitting way to end my two part 'Woe, woe and thrice woe' story by recognising that whilst there was definitely woe within it, through the grace of God and the evangelism of Stephen, Christianity spread and enabled us to share in the knowledge, like Saul, that Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

With love and prayers

Dawn



AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE 'RHYTHM OF LIFE' VENTURE

Bishop Nick invites us to join in our own way...

Inspired by the work of religious communities and a Bible verse from the Gospel of Matthew, the initiative offers an opportunity for Christians to re-align and keep Christ at the centre of our daily lives, through practical commitments, opportunities for mutual support and recommended resources.

Speaking in support of the new discipleship venture, The Rt Revd Nick Baines, Bishop of Leeds said, “During the Covid 19 crisis, we’ve had to adjust to very different rhythms of life.”

“As Christians, we believe Jesus should be at the heart of our rhythms of life, whatever our circumstances. This will have a far-reaching impact on our own wellbeing and the good of others – on our loving, living and learning.

“I would like to invite you to join the diocesan ‘Rhythm of Life’ venture. This will involve individual commitments, accessing resources and mutual support. Some key areas will be given special attention: **praying, encouraging, sharing, reflecting, celebrating, resting and creating.**

“My prayer is that by taking these steps, we will experience more fully the ‘rhythms of grace’ promised by Jesus to all those who follow him.”

To get started, everyone is encouraged to read the [quick start guide](#) and [invitation leaflet](#).

It includes further details and a list of suggested resources for seven areas participants are encouraged to commit to in order to keep Jesus at the heart of their daily rhythms. These areas are: praying, encouraging, reflecting, resting, celebrating, sharing and creating.

The journey can be done alone or together, with resources available for schools, children, young people, households and churches. Easy-to-use [practical commitment cards](#), to help get you started, can also be downloaded.

The [Rhythm of Life DLP page](#) includes further details and lots of suggested resources for the seven areas participants can commit to, in order to keep Jesus at the heart of our daily rhythms.

On Wednesday, November 11 a Rhythm of Life 'get started' session will also be taking place. It will be hosted by the Bishop of Wakefield, the Rt Revd Tony Robinson, and offers the chance to find out more about the initiative and have your questions answered. To register your interest and to receive the Zoom meeting link, please email RoL@leeds.anglican.org



Trevor's Funny Bone

Revd Sharon walked into church and asks Dawn, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

Dawn said, 'I do, yes.'

Sharon said, 'Then stand over there against the wall.'

Then Revd Sharon asked Gail, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

'Certainly, I do,' she replied.

'Then stand over there against the wall,' said Sharon.

Then Revd Sharon walked up to Brian and asked, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

Brian said, 'No, I don't thanks.'

Sharon said, 'I don't believe this. You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?'

Brian said, 'Oh, when I die, yes. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now.'

.....

Dave was driving down the street in a sweat because he had an important meeting and couldn't find a parking place.

Looking up to heaven he said, 'Lord take pity on me.'

If you find me a parking place I will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of my life and give up alcohol!'

Miraculously, a parking place appeared.

Dave looked up again and said, 'Never mind, I found one.'

Trevor

Poetry Corner

My Dream of Jesus

I dreamed as I fell asleep,
That I took a time back leap,
To when God sent His only Son
Down to earth to be the one,
He came to teach us how to live
How to love, how to forgive.
I watched Him on the waters walk
And to multitudes did talk.
Miraculously the crowds He fed.
He raised living from the dead.
I loved Him so with all my heart,
When I awoke, I still felt part.
I loved Him more, for what I'd seen,
And I knew truly, how good he had been.
So now my faith is very strong
And will be, as life is long.

Gail



Albert's 'Missing Links' Quiz

Find the words which link the three words shown in the clues. For example the link for school, skull and size is cap. (school cap, skull cap, capsized).

1. Angel, Marble, Deacon.
2. Ball, Data, Camp.
3. Dawn, Line, Girl.
4. Sheep, Biscuit, Tired.
5. Solar, Nuclear, Saving.
6. Scarlet, Yellow, Hay.
7. Looking, Fibre, Hour.
8. Wolf, Grey, Blood.
9. Cast, Pig, Steam.
10. Tart, Traffic, Strawberry.
11. Door, Piano, Skeleton.
12. Day, House, Traffic.
13. Washing, Fruit, Gun.
14. Wing, Ginger, Dough.
15. Mail, Tall, Working.
16. Lost, Hot, Developer.
17. Deck, Back, Pounder.
18. Robin, Milk, Golf.
19. Shop, Air, Bar.
20. Tank, Hat, Lap.
21. Leeds, Nations, States.
22. Mail, Deep, Treble.
23. Wheel, Salt, Pistol.
24. Files, Ray, Factor.
25. New, Leap, Jubilee.
26. Hour, Gravity, Ground.

Albert

Answers on page 35

Church Mouse Tales

'Excuse me?' I asked in my mostest politest voice, 'do I know you?'

'Ha, ha', came the muffled reply, from behind the mask.

'We all have to wear these things you know', went on my friend Hubert, the Black Canon. His eyes and eyebrows were frowning.

'....even you.' He said pointedly.

'You can really do a very good accusing stare', I observed, '..with just your eyes and eyebrows...'

'Well you can't soft-soap me, Misha,' he continued unabated, 'now where is your mask?'

'There are just such a pain to wear,' I protested, 'anyway – aren't you in my bubble?'

'I am, yes – but you know the Abbott is due a visit anytime and we need to be ready.'

'Yes, OK', I sighed, 'but has the Abbott been tested?'

'No - he doesn't have any symptoms but that is no guarantee.'

'Well isn't he in our bubble too?'

'No.'

'Don't religious people have immunity?'

'No.'

'If he doesn't speak but only uses sign language....'

'Misha!'

'OK – just one more....do you think the virus transmits from a 300-year-old Monk to a rodent?'

'Mask!'

I tried.

Quiz Answers:-

1.Arch 2.Base 3.Chorus 4.Dog 5.Energy 6.Fever 7.Glass
8.Hound 9.Iron 10.Jam 11.Key 12.Light 13.Machine 14.Nut
15.Order 16.Property 17.Quarter 18.Round 19.Steward 20.Top
21.United 22.Voicwe 23.Water 24.X 25.Year 26.Zero
Albert

Diary for the coming weeks

All Services **ONLINE** at facebook.com/stmarywoodkirk
and **IN CHURCH** on **Sundays and Wednesdays**.

Morning Prayer is online at 9.00am every Monday & Friday plus:

November

1st Sun 10.30am Holy Communion. All Saints.

2nd Mon 7pm All Souls Service

3rd Tue 6pm Evening Prayer

4th Wed 10:00am Holy Communion

5th Thur 9pm Night Prayer

8th Sun 10:30am Holy Communion. Remembrance Service

9th Mon 8pm PCC Meeting Online

10th Tue 6pm Evening Prayer

11th Wed 10:00am Holy Communion

12th Thur 9pm Night Prayer

13th Fri 8pm Quiz Night Online

15th Sun 10.30am Holy Communion

17th Tue 6pm Evening Prayer

18th Wed 10:00am Holy Communion

19th Thur 9pm Night Prayer

22nd Sun 10.30am Holy Communion

2pm APCM on line

24th Tue 6pm Evening Prayer

25th Wed 10:00am Holy Communion

26th Thur 9pm Night Prayer

27th Fri 8pm Quiz Night Online

29th Sun 10.30am Holy Communion

December

1st Tue 6pm Evening Prayer

2nd Wed 10:00am Holy Communion

3rd Thur 9pm Night Prayer

6th Sun 10:30am Holy Communion

See also page 16 for details of how to join on-line.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISMS—We welcome into our Church family:—



DEATHS



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thanks for
the lives of all those who have died with-
in our Parish:

Geoffrie Collinson
Derek Whitehead

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especially:



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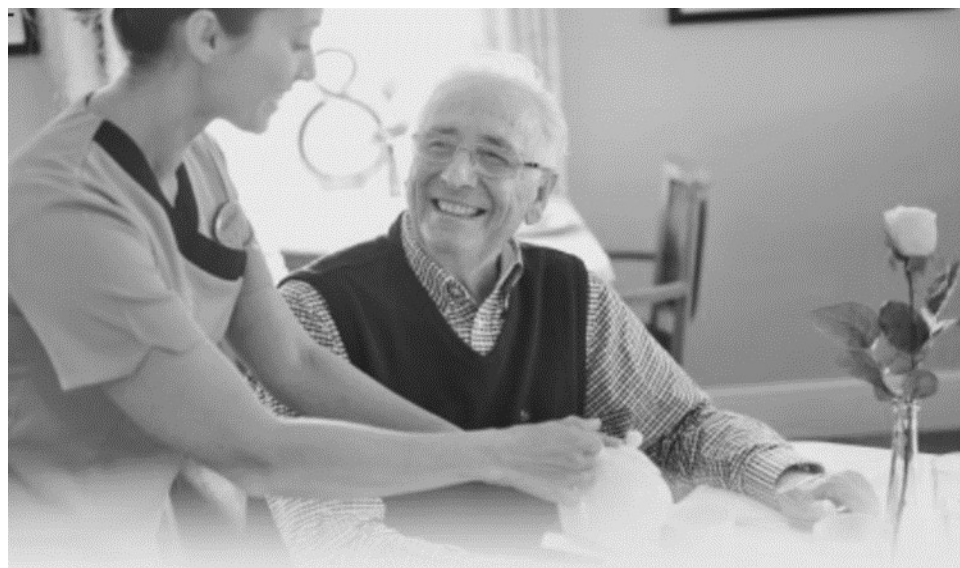
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10:30am in Church

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1st Sunday of the month:

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2nd Sunday of the month:

10:30am All Age Worship with Holy Communion

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3rd Sunday of the month

10:30am Holy Communion

4th Sunday of the month:

10:30am Holy Communion

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10:30am All Age Worship with Holy Communion

Wednesdays:

10:00am Holy Communion

3rd Thursday:

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