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Dear fellow parishioners,

How do we use the authority that is given us whether banker, politician, journalist or parent etc? And not least our authority over the animal kingdom?

The last Sovereign to wash the feet of the poor as a symbol of service was James the Second. By the time of Queen Victoria the ceremony had been replaced by the giving of Maundy money. Humility was not one of Victoria's virtues. When she was dying one of the household remarked to her son Edward the Prince of Wales 'I wonder if she will be happy in heaven?' The Prince said 'I don't know, she will have to walk behind the angels and she won't like that!'

Jesus didn't abolish hierarchy or authority. What He did was to make a claim on how we exercise it. Not by humiliating people subject to our control, but by using whatever power we have as the opportunity for service. 'What He did was to show the full extent of His love'. John 13v1

Recently the Queen unveiled a memorial to the Bomber Brigade of World War II. 55,000 were killed in action. One of the veterans told of pilots remaining at the helm when their plane was shot down so that the crew could escape. Thus losing their lives for their fellow human beings.

Before He gave His life for us on the Cross Jesus washed His disciples' feet at the Last Supper.

Jesus smiled.

'You call me Lord,' He said. 'So I am. That is why I wash your feet, So should you too serve one another.

*The master is not greater than his servant,
But the servant is not greater than his master...*

*Only by serving others can we help ourselves,
Only by kneeling do we grow taller...'*

As usual His paradox bewildered them, and produced an embarrassed silence.

Let us break the silence and cease to be embarrassed, by the ways we reach out to each other in service and friendliness and love. After all, and at the end of all our days, we are going to spend all eternity with each other. It would be as well to make a start on it now.

David Garnett

Keeping in touch

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - AUGUST

- Saturday 18 Chatsworth Horticultural & Produce Show
Cavendish Hall, Edensor - Doors open at 2pm
- Sunday 26 Secret Gardens of Bakewell - Oxfam Supporter Group
2pm - 6pm A charge of £4 gives access to all gardens

WEDDINGS IN AUGUST - ST. PETER'S

- 3 August 1pm (Friday) Mark Jon Taylor & Anna Elizabeth Davie
- 10 August 1pm (Friday) Adam John Austen & Evonne McKenzie Hill
- 11 August 2.30pm (Saturday) John Anthony Holah & Katharine Lucy Grimshaw
- 18 August 2.30pm (Saturday) Christopher Daniel Mulry & Wing-Yee Wong
- 23 August 2.30pm (Thursday) Steven Briddon & Fey Leslie

Early Notice - Future Events

- 21 September Professor John Tarn will give a lecture on the architecture of
(Friday) St. Peter's Church and Edensor village at 7pm in St. Peter's
- 12 November St. Peter's Church Edensor, Social Event 7pm for 7.30pm
(Monday) Fish & Chip Supper at The White Lion, Great Longstone
The cost of the meal will be £9.50 per head
(contact Liz Bradshaw if you are interested in joining us)
- 11 December Christmas Flower Demonstration by Jonathan Moseley
(Tuesday) 2pm St. Peter's Church, Edensor.
Tickets £10 available from Christine Robinson
(More information to follow)
- 5 December A Twilight Evening at Chatsworth
(Wednesday) (More details and ticket price to follow)

Thank You!

Stan Liddicot has very generously bought us an extra boiler for the tea/coffee area at St. Peter's. This proved invaluable when serving the teas on Edensor Day.

St. Peter's Church 100 Club - June Draw 2012

1st Prize £30 - no. 35 Stan Liddicot
2nd Prize £20 no. 3 Laura Stephens
Funds to church this month - £50

'SPICE' Sunday

'SPICE' Sunday on 15 July netted £30 for the Restoration Fund. Apologies to those who weren't aware of the date, it was mistakenly left out the July magazine. The next 'SPICE' Sunday will be on 14 October - make a note on the calendar!

FROM THE REGISTERS

ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR -

WEDDINGS

- 16th June William Robert Cook & Linda Jane Williams
Peter Henry Croft & Mary Rebecca Franklin
- 6th July Daniel Hull & Zoe Darraugh

MEMORIAL SERVICE

- 3rd July A Service of Celebration for the Life of
Michael Arthur Pass died 20th June aged 75 years

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY

FUNERAL SERVICE FOLLOWED BY CREMATION

- 18th July A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of
Diana Christine Homer aged 74 years



CHATSWORTH HORTICULTURAL & PRODUCE SHOW

Saturday 18 August 2012

Doors open at 2.00pm

Trophies to be presented by
Ian Webster
at 3pm

followed immediately by an auction of produce

- **PLANT IT**
- **GROW IT**
- **CREATE IT**

Schedules and entry forms
available from Sandra Elliott
01629 732114
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Edensor Fete & Open Gardens

This year's Fete & Open Gardens was a hugely enjoyable and successful event. The weather, so often uncertain this summer, was reasonably kind to us until the end of the afternoon and the cream teas in church certainly benefitted from the earlier showers of rain.

It was good to see so many people enjoying the open gardens and buying from the many stalls on the green.

The amount raised after expenses will be around £8,500 and the proceeds will go to St. Peter's Church, Pilsley CofE School and the East Midlands Air Ambulance Service.

Thank you to everyone who made the day such a success - it takes a lot of hard work beforehand, on the day and afterwards. Thanks also to those of you who came to support us and donated items for the stalls etc.



Traidcraft

Sales this month totalled £560, helped by £37 at the Pilsley School Summer Fayre and £62 at the Methodist Church Coffee Morning.

Celia began keeping bees in 1999 and now has 25 hives. She is a member of Apicoop, the Chilean co-operative that supplies Traidcraft with honey, which Angela and I visited about 18 months ago. This has totally changed Celia's life. She was elected to the board of Apicoop which stimulated her to finish high school. She received university training through Apicoop and now works in the co-op's laboratory two days a week.

'Before keeping bees,' she says, 'I had no thoughts that any of this was possible. I could not even have dreamt of it.' Her dream is for her 5 children also to finish high school and study further. The money she earns will help to make this possible.

Celia is just one of about 700 beekeepers who belong to Apicoop. They talk freely of the huge difference fair trade benefits have made to their lives. Why not try some of their honey?

Peter Bird (01629 813087)

Baslow Health Centre – Church Lane, Baslow New Patients Welcome
www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

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Reception: 01246 582216
District Nursing Team: 01246 584903
Surgery Fax: 01246 583867
Health Visitor: 01246 583270
Dispensary: 01246 582366
(The Dispensary line is open 12noon – 1.00pm and 2.00pm – 3.00pm)

Normal Surgery Opening Times

Monday 7.30am - 7.30pm

Tuesday - Friday 8am to 6.30 pm

Bank Holiday Closure The surgery will be closed on Monday 27th Aug 2012.

Closed for Training – The Surgery will be closed for training on the afternoon of Wednesday 12th Sep 2012.

Appointments Access To effectively meet the demand for appointments we have two types of appointments:

- There are a number of pre-bookable appointments where the Doctors can be booked up to 6 weeks in advance and the Nurses up to 3 months in advance – please do ask us about these when booking.
- We also save a number of appointments for same-day booking to ensure that appointments are available for those with more immediate needs; these are released from 8.00am every morning.
- If you have access to a computer you can now register with 'EMIS Access' and book an appointment with a doctor or order your prescription on-line. Please speak to one of the receptionists about registering.

Ordering Repeat Medication All requests for repeat prescriptions must be:-

- In writing or with 'EMIS Access'
- Return form to surgery by Post/ Fax/Box on Dispensary Reception
- Allow two working days before collection

! To ease the parking congestion, please collect your prescription between 12:00 – 16:00

Important Notice: During the period of Mon 13th Aug - Tues 28th Aug

In order to improve our current patient computerised record system, the surgery is having a new system installed and transferring all of the current records over to the new system. All of the existing data has to be transferred by taking a copy of the current system data and transfer it. While this is being done, the current system becomes a 'Read Only' system, and any patient data will have to be written down and re-entered onto the new system.

In order to facilitate the migration of systems and patient safety, it is imperative that we minimise our hand written notes. The surgery will be reducing its Doctors and Nurses appointments to "Essential" only.

From Monday 13th Aug - Friday 17th Aug appointments will be for "Essential" requirement only. You will not be able to book routine and follow up appointments during this week. From Monday 20th Aug - Tuesday 28th Aug, there will be reduced appointments as the Doctors and Nurses will have longer consultation slots to help them get used the new computer system. We apologise for any inconvenience that this will cause, however it is essential to upgrade our system and maintain patient safety.

Payments – please note that should you be paying for your prescriptions or any other services, we are now able to accept most Credit and Debit cards. (We do still accept payments by cheque and cash).

Samples – if you need to leave a sample with us please ensure it is labelled with your name and date of birth and in the sealed bag.

Test Results- As we do not receive test results from hospital until lunchtimes, please ring for these after 2pm. **Urgent Calls: - 01246 582216 or 111**

The Rev Paul Hardingham considers the peace of August...

Holy days?

This month sees the height of the holiday season, when many enjoy a change of routine. Let's not miss the link between holidays and holy days, time set apart for celebration and refreshment. It's challenging to think of our holidays as times to set time aside and reflect on our priorities amid the busyness of our lives.

As C. S. Lewis noted: *'We are half-hearted creatures, fooling about with drink and sex and ambition when infinite joy is offered us, like an ignorant child who wants to go on making mud pies in a slum because he cannot imagine what is meant by the offer of a holiday at the sea. We are far too easily pleased.'* (*The Weight of Glory*).

Our problem is that we too easily forget the big picture, that life is more than simply enjoying the here and now. As the Bible states, 'He has also set eternity in the human heart' (Ecclesiastes 3:11). This recognises that God has placed in us a profound sense that the true meaning of life can only be grasped when we acknowledge that life is more than the 'stuff' we surround ourselves with. As

Steve Jobs, the founder of Apple, has commented, *'Being the richest man in the cemetery doesn't matter to me. Going to bed at night saying we've done something wonderful, that's what matters to me.'*

Jesus told the story of a man who is rich, successful and ambitious. He spends his time ensuring that he can *'take life easy; eat, drink and be merry'* (Luke 12:19). However, his life is demanded by God, and that night he dies. Jesus concludes the story with these words: *'This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich towards God.'* (21). Holidays can give us space to think about what it means to be 'rich towards God', as we reflect on the priorities that drive our lives.

What does this say about where we invest our time and energy? It begins with looking at how we give our heart and devotion to growing our relationship with God. In what ways can we give greater priority to reading the Bible and prayer, as well as giving time to quiet and solitude? Or how are we investing in people, through our witness, encouragement or love, in a way that can change their lives for eternity. So why not ensure that your holidays this year are also holy days?

Hobby - It seems that those who have hobbies rarely go crazy. But what about those of us who have to live with those of them who have hobbies?

Young at heart. Slightly older in other places. Anon

HAPPY 350TH BIRTHDAY, BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER!

2012 sees the 350th anniversary of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer, made mandatory by the Act of Uniformity enforced on St Bartholomew's Day, 24th August 1662. The Prayer Book was controversial from the start, with nearly a thousand Presbyterian and non-conformist ministers refusing to use the book, revised by a group of Anglican Bishops and Presbyterian Bishops by order of Charles II, saying it was "too close to Rome".

Sadly, those men lost their livings but the 1662 Book of Common Prayer remained largely unchanged for three and a half centuries, only being replaced as the national liturgy in the 1970s, dismissed as it was by modernisers as "irrelevant" in language and theology.

However, the uniformity of the 1662 Prayer Book meant that any churchgoer, whatever his station in life, could join in a communal act of worship with Matins and Evensong giving shape to the national day. A Prayer book that everyone had in common, that was read out loud at least once a week also offered equality to the illiterate.

And the Prayer Book is still an important part of England's spiritual and secular life, providing as it does a daily script for worship in the country's Cathedrals, a weekly service in many parish churches and still resonant words for rites of passage like birth, marriage and death.

Writing about the Prayer Book marriage service, Dairmaid MacCulloch states: "At the heart of it are ancient words which had always been spoken in English since the early middle-ages, for they are the words by which the couple pledge themselves to each other. These are possibly the oldest phrases regularly to be used by modern English speakers".

The 1662 Prayer Book is very close to Thomas Cranmer's original text, written and published in 1549 and while we don't know exactly which texts Cranmer used to create his liturgical masterpiece, we do know that Cranmer was the first married Archbishop of Canterbury.

Consistent and communal the centuries-old pattern of Prayer Book worship has left its mark in literatures, music, art and memoirs.

As George Herbert wrote:

“Though private prayer be a brave
designe,
Yet publick hath more promises,
more love:
And love’s a weight to hearts,
to eies a signe.
We all are but cold suitors;

Let us move
Where it is warmest.
Leave thy six and seven:
Pray with the most: for where Most
pray, is heaven.”

Church Representation Rules - online for first time

The 2011 edition of the Church Representation Rules - a vital tool for clergy, churchwardens and PCC, deanery and diocesan synod members - is now available free on the Church of England website at <http://www.churchofengland.org>

The free online version of the Rules - which govern matters such as the preparation of the church electoral roll, the membership and election of parochial church councils - mirrors the 2011 edition of the book - published in print and Kindle e-book format by Church House Publishing.

Do you sound like your mother?

This summer, as you talk to your children, you may well find yourself repeating phrases that your mother first used on you as a child. Look out for phrases like: ‘because I said so’; ‘it’ll end in tears’; ‘no pudding unless you finish your dinner’; ‘if someone asked you to jump off a cliff, would you?’; ‘if I’ve told you once, I’ve told you a thousand times’; ‘ask your father’; ‘wait and see’; ‘there’s no such word as can’t’; ‘do as I say, not as I do’, and the rather mysterious ‘who is she? The cat’s mother?’ or ‘there is always something to keep the rabbit’s tail short.’

A recent survey has found that more than half of us are shocked when we realise we are behaving like our parents. But we admit that we use odd and old-fashioned sayings - just to baffle our children into doing as they are told. Many of us now sympathise with the job our own mother had in raising us... Mothercare carried out the survey.

If you have a really unusual/funny phrase that has been handed down in your family, we would love to hear from you. We would like to compile a list of all the phrases that the parents in our community use on their children... please send your entry to the editor at: liz.bradshaw@w3z.co.uk

GOD IN THE ARTS

The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with a look at the 'Walking Madonna' by Elizabeth Frink.

TREASURES OLD AND TREASURES NEW: THE WALKING MADONNA

The history of Salisbury is the story of how an Iron Age fort became a Roman settlement and then a medieval town boasting a stately cathedral, familiar to many through the paintings of Constable. The cathedral is a building of light and grace, very different from the solidity of Norman buildings like Durham. The medieval glass was removed in the 16th century, but the Early English splendour still shines out, focussed in the lofty spire that is 404 feet tall.

Inside, the cathedral is home to a great variety of modern works: the Angel Heads of Emily Wilson, William Pye's spectacular font of 2008 celebrating the water of eternal life, and a sculpture by Mary Spencer Watson of 1995 showing Jesus resting in his mother's arms. Outside in a niche of the west front, there is a statue carved by Jason Battle of Canon Ezra Lawiri, a priest and scholar killed in Sudan in 1991. Our eyes look out from the building to the great expanse of lawn created in the 18th century and alight on another statue – a woman striding purposefully away from the

cathedral. It is the 'Walking Madonna' of Elizabeth Frink.

She lived from 1930 to 1983 and was a member of the Geometry of Fear School that formed after the horrors of the Second World War and amid the unease of the Cold War. Elizabeth Frink was preoccupied with the male form and horses, and this is one of the few female images she created. Sculpted in 1981, we see the artist's own face on Mary. She is a figure of purpose and strength, and as such is a great contrast to other portrayals of the Blessed Virgin.

In this month of August many in the Church worldwide celebrate our Lady's Assumption, or Dormition, as Mary shares in the resurrection glory of eternal life. Often in painting and sculpture, Mary is the passive Madonna: receiving the angel's news at the Annunciation, receiving her son from the cross in numerous Pietas, and receiving heavenly joy on 15 August. Elizabeth Frink's sculpture is a very different Mary. Not the teenage virgin or a mother newly delivered of her son, but an older and more determined woman. Taller and thinner than we might imagine, she has been steeled by the experiences of life and death. This is no passive figure. Away from the shelter of a cathedral niche or chapel, she is 'walking with purposeful compassion as a

member of the community of the risen Christ, to bring love where love is absent.'

This summer we might visit Salisbury or other cathedrals. As we leave these great and glorious buildings, or as we leave our own churches after Sunday worship, we

might ask ourselves, 'Will we go out into the world with that same purpose and mission and faith that we see in this sculpture of the 'Walking Madonna'?'

For copyright reasons, we do not show her here, but you can easily view her by googling images of it.

Smile...

What I meant to say...

A new business was opening and one of the owner's friends wanted to send him flowers for the occasion. When the flowers arrived at the new business site, the owner read the card in horror: "Rest In Peace."

The owner rang the florist to report the obvious mistake, and added how angry he was. The florist replied calmly: 'Sir, am really sorry for this mistake, but rather than getting angry you should imagine this: somewhere there is a funeral taking place today and they have flowers with a note saying "Congratulations on your new location" '



Good camping advice

Going camping this month? Take along a tuba or a drum and carefully place it beside your tent. It will keep the spaces on either side of your tent well and truly vacant.

Why every man needs his shed at the bottom of the garden

It seems to be a law of life that men seek sanctuary in their garden sheds. What do they do down there? Evidence suggests that they enjoy potting plants, repairing lawnmowers, and perhaps getting away from 'her indoors' for a bit.

Now a health expert claims that letting men escape to their

sanctuaries can even help them live longer. A study at Leeds Metropolitan University has found that men's health is improved when they are able to do things which give them a sense of achievement – such as setting themselves tasks they enjoy, and carrying them out. The study concludes that relaxing in a shed can lower a man's blood pressure and even increase his self esteem.

Diamond Jubilee: Elizabeth pt 7. The ‘Troubles’ and a Tragedy

The dark cloud over the sixties for the Queen, as we saw last month, was Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe). During the seventies and eighties it was rather nearer home, over Northern Ireland.

The ‘Troubles’, as they were disarmingly called, began in 1969 when so-called ‘Loyalists’ set fire to the houses of their Republican neighbours in Belfast. British soldiers were sent to protect the victims, but very soon the ‘victims’ turned on the soldiers, seeing them as agents of a colonial power (Britain). Mayhem ensued, and lasted for more than twenty years, until the wonderfully named ‘Good Friday Agreement’ and the efforts of Tony Blair and others on both ‘sides’ brought about what was called ‘power sharing’. Since then, despite the efforts of various splinter groups of trouble-makers, the Province has enjoyed both relative peace and prosperity.

The Troubles brought many individual and family tragedies to people in Northern Ireland, of course. But they also brought a moment of dark tragedy to the Queen’s family. Earl Mountbatten, Prince Philip’s uncle, was assassinated by the Provisional IRA in 1979 in a bomb attack on the boat in which he was fishing off the

Co. Sligo coast. That bomb ended an astonishing career of military and public service. Mountbatten had led the military campaign in Burma during the War, before becoming both the last Viceroy of India and then the first Governor-General of the newly independent Commonwealth country, subsequently the Republic of India. After that he was appointed First Sea Lord, and then Chief of the Defence Staff. Prince Charles has often referred to the profound influence which Lord Mountbatten had on his life - he was very much part of the royal family circle.

That assassination is yet another example of the way in which the Queen’s life has been touched by the events that have shaped the lives of all of us. Like her parents when Buckingham Palace was bombed, she could relate to the sufferings of many bereaved people in Northern Ireland. But her involvement went beyond that. Last year, in a magnificent gesture of reconciliation, the President of the Republic, Mary McAleese, invited her to make a State visit to Ireland - a totally unprecedented event. There she was received warmly, a vivid sign of the sea-change in the relationship between the two nations. The visit required political courage on the part of the President, and I dare say physical courage on the part of the Queen. Neither was lacking.

Archbishop's Pause for Thought message on the Diamond Jubilee

In his recent contribution to BBC Radio 2's Pause For Thought programme, the Archbishop of Canterbury expressed his hopes about the Queen's Diamond Jubilee this year. Here is the full transcript of what he said:

“When you talk to people who remember the Coronation, one of the things they often recall is their first sight of a television set – a little object in the corner, taking ages to warm up, and so small and grey you could hardly see a thing. No wall-sized plasma screens in the fifties!

“If you wanted to watch in those days, you had to work pretty hard. And I think one of the really big differences that's happened in these sixty years is how television has become a background to everything, so that you don't notice a lot of the time what's actually on. Almost as though the screens were getting too big to see. But the Jubilee is an opportunity for once to stop and focus on that background we take for granted and don't really notice. The Queen's part of that background – part of what makes us a stable

society, a society that takes pride in its history without being crippled by it, that values fairness and trustworthiness.

“So maybe it's helpful to ask whether we should try a bit more regularly to give ourselves time to think about the background of our lives, the things that are too big for us to notice most of the time. It's surprising how many people will still want to find somewhere to be quiet – all those millions of folk who visit cathedrals every year, for a start. Just as with the Jubilee – they want a chance to get in touch with the background of their lives, the big context, the things that make this the sort of world it is and give us the sort of values we have. To get in touch and maybe say a word of thanks.

“I hope the Jubilee prompts us to see what we can do to get back in touch with the big background picture. Like the monarchy – it's still there, and it still means something, and dropping into a church or a cathedral is a good way of connecting with it, and perhaps saying thanks – for the Queen and the Jubilee and for lots more besides.”

Take – and receive

Take, Lord, and receive all my freedom, my memory, my intelligence and my will – all that I have and possess. You, Lord, have given those things to me. I now give them back to you, Lord. All belongs to you. Dispose of these gifts according to your will. I ask only for your love and your grace, for they are enough for me.
A prayer of Ignatius of Loyala (1491 – 1556) founder of the Society of Jesus.

GOD IN MUSIC

The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series looking at great works of music.

'IN SWEET MUSIC IS SUCH ART': BRASSED OFF

In the second volume of Luke - Acts, St Luke rejoices to describe the growth of the early Christian Church as hundreds and thousands of people were added each day. It sounds like the world of numbers and statistics and is a great contrast to the first volume where Jesus is concerned above all else with individuals and their worth and value in God's kingdom. He says in chapter 12 v6, 'Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight. But even the hairs of your head are all counted. Do not be afraid: you are of more value than many sparrows.' This world of statistics versus individuals, of human worth versus cogs in the machine is the theme of this month's film, 'Brassed Off.'

It centres on the lives and fortunes of a colliery brass band and its members, and was directed by Mike Herman in 1996. Grimley Colliery faces closure, and that casts a long shadow over the miners and their families. However, the band under its conductor (played by Pete Postlethwaite) is focussed on the national brass band finals at the

Albert Hall. But we sense the despondency and concern about the future as we see Phil burdened by loan sharks, Harry hardly speaking to his wife, and Danny facing a spell in hospital with pneumoconiosis.

Gloria enters this drama convinced that her feasibility study will keep the pit open, and she brings new life to the band. We know that she is only a pawn in the bigger game played out by the pit owners, but her tenacity wins through. She funds the costs of going to London, and the band gains the trophy. It seems there is a future after all as we hear Elgar's stirring 'Land of Hope and Glory' which ends the film.

I remember as a little boy hearing a brass band for the first time when I sat on a hay bale at Yarm Fair. It was playing 'Abide with me,' and listening to the golden, mellifluous sound of that band was a special moment. That same unique sound and quality are there in the film with the playing of the real life Grimethorpe Colliery Band. We hear the slow movement of Rodrigo's Guitar Concerto with Gloria playing the flügelhorn, the haunting melody of 'Danny Boy' played outside the hospital, and the brilliance and rhythmic life of Rossini's 'William Tell' overture at the Albert Hall. That energy and vitality cut across the low spirits

and worry over the future. As we hear Elgar's music at the end, we sense that amid all the comedy and tragedy, it is people, not power or profit, that matter. Individuals have a place and a worth that is enhanced and transfigured as they share in a common endeavour. Danny's victory speech at the finals gives voice to those realities.

Earlier in the film Phil points to a crucifix and out of his misery asks, 'What is he playing at?' When we

turn to St Luke's Gospel we see an answer in the ministry of our Lord where his offering and sacrifice bring new life to the individuals he meets. Just as in 'Brassed Off' we see the musicians, individuals with their own unique stories, pooling their gifts and talents for that precious moment of victory, and affirming that human beings do in fact matter in a world where they so easily become just names and numbers.

Lost the car keys?

Next time you lose the car keys or your wallet, call for them – out loud. Seriously. Not that THEY will hear you, but it seems that when you hear yourself saying the word, it will help you remember where you put them.

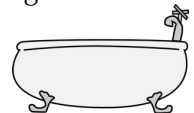
That is at least the idea offered by researchers in the Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology. It observes that: "Speaking the name of the target immediately prior to the search makes the search significantly faster and more accurate." Hope you find them!

Fewer baths – that's what is wrong with our leaders

About 10 years ago an article in a leadership magazine moaned about the loss of strategic thinking by managers, and rather bizarrely attributed this in part to the fact that showers were becoming much more popular, and that "long soaks" were on their way out.

A recent study on behalf of Oxfam has confirmed this trend. Many household baths are now unused

or used only occasionally (the study said only 5 times a month, half what it was in 2000), not primarily for environmental reasons of using less water but for time reasons because showers are quicker. 11% of households have had their baths actually taken out, usually to be replaced by a walk-in shower. Hopefully, Christian leaders are still taking baths rather than showers!



Canon David Winter, a former Head of Religious Broadcasting at the BBC, continues his series presenting a point of view...

The Way I See It: Holidays and Holy days

August: holidays, traffic jams, queues at airports, fractious children, fish and chips on the promenade or paella around the pool. That's how we think of this month when the nation goes off duty - all except the people, of course, who look after us while we're enjoying ourselves.

The tradition of holidays in August arose from the date of the harvest (everyone would be free to help the farmers gather in the crops 'ere the winter storms begin'). Thus the school holidays were fixed to meet the same need, and the university terms, and finally GCSE's and A levels. We are now trapped in a system that commits us to taking our holidays when the best weather (June) is over, the days are getting shorter and wet weather is always hovering just ahead.

But never mind. With dauntless grit we Brits set off determined to enjoy a week or fortnight away, preferably being waited on. In the sixties the foreign holiday became almost the norm - *viva Espana!* One had to return home with a tan, a large sombrero and a few bottles of cheap Spanish wine. The real attraction, of course, was the certainty of

sunshine. Above all else, we like to be warm on our holidays. This year, with the Jubilee and the Olympics, it may be that holidays in the UK will take precedence - or even, given the recession, holidays at home. No guarantee of sunshine, but at least it's cheap.

I remember holidays as a child. We'd usually go to a boarding house (as they were called), breakfast and evening meal but you had to be 'out' in between. That was lovely on warm and sunny days, but painful when you were dragging your bucket and spade around the town trying to find somewhere to get out of the rain. Yet my memories of those distant holidays are good - my two brothers and me, mum and dad, ice creams, the end of the pier show, the pictures on a wet afternoon ... and of course no lessons.

In the pressure and anxieties of daily life, we all need holidays - times to relax, enjoy time with those we love, smell the air and hear the sea-gulls. I like to think of them as the Sabbaths of the year, just as Saturday (or Sunday) is the Sabbath of the week. Making our holidays holy-days (the original meaning of the word) doesn't mean being miserably pious, but making space in our lives for the 'still small voice of calm' to speak to us. As an adult, one little pleasure for me on holiday is to go to a church as unlike my usual one as possible. After all, holidays are meant to be different!

30 August - John Bunyan

After the Bible, John Bunyan's wonderful Christian allegory, the *Pilgrim's Progress*, is one of the most celebrated and widely-read books in the English language. It has been translated into more than one hundred languages around the world and keeps its place as a Christian classic.

Names of people and places from its pages have been commonplace wherever English is spoken. We need only recall Mr Great-Heart, Mr Valiant-for-Truth, Giant Despair, Madame Bubble, the Slough of Despond, Vanity Fair, the Delectable Mountains, the Hill Difficulty and the Celestial City.

Bunyan was born on 28 November 1628, at Elstow, near Bedford, England, of a poor family. He had little formal education and his father taught him to be a metal worker. His first wife died young. His second wife, Elizabeth, helped him considerably with his blossoming literary career. His conversion was the result of reading the Bible, and the witness of local Christians. From that time the Bible became the great inspiration of his life. He wrote more than fifty books on Christianity. A Baptist by conviction, he had little time for the Established Church.

Bunyan became a popular preacher,

but because of his opposition to the Established Church and because he did not have a Church of England preaching licence, he was imprisoned in 1661. It was in prison that he wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*. It was not only Bunyan's greatest book but was destined to become one of the most popular Christian books in the world.

Pilgrim's Progress is an allegory, using the names of people and places from the Bible to teach spiritual lessons. The vivid and unforgettable imagery in the *Pilgrim's Progress* covers the whole Christian gospel from sin and condemnation all the way through faith, repentance, grace, justification, sanctification, and perseverance to heaven itself.

Bunyan died on 31 August 1688. His portrayal of the death of Mr Valiant For Truth is Bunyan at his allegorical best. This brave old soldier of Jesus Christ has received his summons to 'go home.' Calling his friends together he says, 'My sword I give to him who shall succeed me in my pilgrimage ... My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me, that I have fought His battles, Who will now be my rewarder.' ... So he passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side

SERVICES & ROTAS FOR AUGUST 2012

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY

			<u>FLOWERS</u>
5	9.30am	Holy Communion	Mrs Turner
12	9.30am	Holy Communion 6pm Evensong	Mrs M Fearn
19	9.30am	Holy Communion	“ “
26	9.30am	Holy Communion	Mrs Hopkins
2	9.30am	Holy Communion	“ “

ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR

SIDESMEN

1	10am	Mid-week Communion	
5	10.45am	Holy Communion	John Bowns/Michael Pindar
12	10.45am	Holy Communion	Mrs Thomas/Susanne Garnett
19	10.45am	Matins	Mr & Mrs Gordon
26	10.45am	Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Jackson

COFFEE

CLEANING

FLOWERS

5	Michael Douglas/ Diana Maskery	Mrs Machin/Mrs Thomas/ Michael Pindar	Wedding flowers
12	Mr & Mrs Carter	Mr & Mrs Jackson	Wedding flowers
19	Mr & Mrs Dempsey	Mr & Mrs Wardle	Wedding flowers
26	Clive & Joy Thrower	Bob & Julie Carter	Wedding Flowers

N.B. We have had 2 couples add their names to the cleaning rota, which means we now have 9 couples, so we will try the weekly cleaning idea. Anyone else wishing to help just get in touch with David Garnett, the wardens or anyone else on the rota!
There appears to be some confusion over when the cleaning is done, so for example the week beginning Sunday 5th would mean that the cleaning should be done at the end of that week e.g. 9th or 10th, whichever is most convenient.

READINGS

ST. PETER'S

ST. ANNE'S
& SUNDAY SCHOOL

5	1 John 3: 1-3 Mark 9: 2-7 Sunday School	Margaret Thomas <i>The Transfiguration of Our Lord</i>	To be arranged Fiona Swain
12	1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 Luke 19: 41-47a Sunday School	Molly Marshall <i>A House of Prayer - Trinity 10</i>	Judith Fraser-Martin Lynda Hinxman-Allegri
19	1 Kings 3: 1-15 Luke 18: 9-14 Sunday School	Susanne Garnett <i>Humility - Trinity 11</i>	Rupert Turner/ Lynda Hinxman-Allegri
26	2 Corinthians 3: 4-9 Mark 7: 31-37 Sunday School	Mavis Cunningham <i>EPHATHA: Be Open - Trinity 12</i>	Sarah Porter Sarah Porter Fiona Swain

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