

BEELEY WITH EDENSOR INCLUDING CHATSWORTH, CALTON LEES & PILSLEY PARISH MAGAZINE

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One thing guaranteed to draw the crowds in London is a royal procession. For a prince's wedding or the state opening of Parliament, people turn out in droves. But at the very top of the list, for monarchists, patriots and tourists alike, is a coronation procession. Then the streets are thronged with people, waving flags and cheering themselves hoarse. "That's the one," parents tell their children, pointing. "The one you've seen on television and in all the papers. The new king! (or the new queen!) Look and cheer!"

On 13th April we celebrate Palm Sunday. On this day we remember that Jesus didn't ride into Jerusalem in a state coach on the way to his coronation. This king came to his people, humble, and mounted on a donkey. The crowds still turned out. "That's him," parents told their children. "The one they have all been talking about. The new king. Look at him and cheer!"

Excitement rapidly gave way to disappointment during that first Holy Week. The champion of Israel caused a scene in the Temple and the so called king ended up on a charge of blasphemy. On Good Friday, the crowds flocked to see Jesus again: nailed to a cross, his only crown made of thorns. "That's him. He thinks he is the king of the Jews. Look at him and jeer!" From cheers to jeers in five days. Is it surprising that people failed to recognise the convicted criminal as king, that the inscription on the cross – "This is the King of the Jews" – moved them to scorn, rather than reverence? It was as if the crowds outside Westminster Abbey had seen a tramp descend from the carriage. It's all too easy for us to condemn the people of Jerusalem for their change of heart between Palm Sunday and Good Friday. We know what happened next...they didn't. We know about Easter Sunday. We know about the Resurrection. We know that the cross was not the end, and that

Jesus truly is King.

As another Holy Week approaches, let us remember that God is full of surprises. Let us recall how the first disciples of Jesus were present at The Last Supper on Maundy Thursday and how the day after saw him die on the cross. For them their world had come to an end. But then came the surprise.

Jesus rose from the dead, the tomb was empty, and eventually he met with them again. As we celebrate Easter we are invited to meet with the risen Jesus.

In this magazine you will find all the details of services during Holy Week and Easter. Everyone is invited to make the dramatic journey from Palm Sunday to Easter Day recalling the events that took place.

Every Blessing Canon Dave



From the Registers

St. Leter's, Edensor 17^h March -Funeral Service followed by cremation Gladys Mary Anderson aged 92 years

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Dates for your Diary - APRIL

8 BEELEY WI Monthly Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Stone Circles and Standing Stones - Understanding the what, why and how of these ancient phenomenona - Suzanne Fraser-Martin, Archaeologist

Tea & raffle: Joyce

12 Visiting Bellringers from York at St. Peter's 4.15 - 5pm

16 CHATSWORTH WI Monthly Meeting 7pm Edensor Tea Cottage Speaker: Wiltshire Farm Foods (samples to taste) Competition: Handmade Easter Card

Teas: Mrs Rose Vote of Thanks: Mrs Watts

19 Wedding St. Peter's 1pm- Karl Simon Murray & Charlotte Amy Wheat

Bakewell Church Roof Appeal Coffee Morning 10.30-12.30 Bakewell Town Hall - home made cakes & preserves etc.



EASTER LILIES AT ST. ANNE'S

If you would like to make a donation towards Easter Lilies for St. Anne's, contact Pauline Mather or Gladys Hopkins.

EASTER LILIES AT ST. PETER'S

Once again we shall be having Easter Lilies in Church. Members of the congregation, and anyone else, are invited to 'buy' a lily by donating £4 (or more) per lily and to complete a card in memory of a loved one. The cards will then be displayed in Church over the Easter period.



Cards need to be filled in and returned by Palm Sunday - April 13th
For more information or to order a lily contact:

Liz Bradshaw 01246 582421 or Mrs Penrose 01246 583197



ST. PETER'S CHURCH, EDENSOR ANNUAL SHEEP SERVICE

Sunday 6th April 2014 10.45am

You are invited to come and share with us in celebrating the birth of the lambs and the care and work of shepherds and farmers.

SPECIAL SERVICES DURING HOLY WEEK

As well as our usual Easter Day Communion services - 9.30am St. Anne's and 10.45am at St. Peter's there will be the following special services during Holy Week.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday - 14th, 15th, 16th April

St. Peter's, Edensor - Compline 7.30pm

Thursday 17th April - St. Anne's, Beeley - Maundy Thursday

7pm - Eucharist of the Last Supper

Friday 18th April - St. Peter's, Edensor

2pm - Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday 19th April - St. Peter's, Edensor - Easter Vigil

7.30pm - Holy Saturday Lighting of the Pascal Candle & renewal of Baptismal Vows

St. Peter's Church 100 Club February Draw 2014

Ist Prize £30 - vacant number 2nd Prize £20 - no. 88 Joe Clark Funds to church this month - £50

We still have 6 vacant numbers for 2014. If you would like to join please contact Ann Hall.

'SPICE' Sunday

The next 'SPICE' Sunday will be on 13th April. Please remember to bring your 5 pence pieces and remind your friends if they collect them for you. Thank you.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

St. Peter's Church, Edensor

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners to elect two churchwardens and an assistant churchwarden will be held on **Sunday, April 27**th following the morning service. All residents of the ecclesiastical parish of Edensor and on the local government electoral roll or those on the new church electoral roll are entitled to vote. (Check with Christine Robinson that you appear on the new church electoral roll.)

The Annual Parochial Church meeting will follow this meeting and only those on the new church electoral roll may vote at this meeting. However, it is open to anyone else to attend.

There are nomination forms at the back of the church for the positions of three councillors and three Deanery Synod representatives on the PCC. The PCC meets approximately four times a year so please consider putting yourself forward or nominating someone for this rewarding work.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

St. Anne's Church, Beeley

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners to elect two churchwardens and an assistant churchwarden will be held on **Tuesday April 29**th **at 7.30pm.** All residents of the ecclesiastical parish of Beeley and on the local government electoral roll or those on the new church electoral roll are entitled to vote. (Check with Judith Fraser-Martin that you appear on the new church electoral roll.)

The Annual Parochial Church meeting will follow this meeting and only those on the new church electoral roll may vote at this meeting. However, it is open to anyone else to attend.

Noise Smile.....

One night, a minister stumbled into the police station with a black eye. He explained he had heard a noise in his churchyard and gone to investigate. The next thing he knew, he'd been hit in the eye and knocked out cold. An officer was sent to investigate and he returned some time later, also with a black eye. "Did you get hit by the same person?" his Inspector asked him. "No," he said. "But I stepped on the same rake."

St. Peter's Church, Edensor

Market Stall

On Monday 26th May we have managed to rent the Charity stall on Bakewell Market to raise money for church funds. We realise that because this is a Bank Holiday many of you may be away or have family commitments. HOWEVER, even if you are unable to help on the stall on the day, we would be delighted if you were able to support us by donating unwanted gifts, bric-a-brac, jewellery, books, home made cakes and produce etc.

We will be manning the stall between 8.30am - 4.30pm, so if you are able to give an hour or two during those times please contact Liz Bradshaw, Christine Robinson, Margaret Nelson or Mike Pindar and your name will be added to the rota.

Breast Cancer Care Chatsworth and Derbyshire Pink Ribbonwalk Saturday 21st June 2014

The Chatsworth and Derbyshire Pink Ribbonwalk is new to the Pink Ribbonwalk series for 2014. The 2013 series of Pink Ribbonwalks was a huge success, with over £700,000 raised through the 5 events. This money continues to make a huge difference in providing and developing services for those whose lives are affected by breast cancer. We utilise public access footpaths and bridleways wherever possible, anywhere that we use a permitted path on private land we have been in contact directly with the landowner. We contact the local councils and police to ensure that they are aware and approve of our plans. We have a route manager working on the event co-ordinating rest stop teams, marshals and guides on foot and on bikes plus roving medics to ensure all goes smoothly on the day. All road junctions will also be signed with warning signs for both traffic and walkers and will be marshalled.

Visit www.breastcancercare.org.uk if you would like to participate.

LIVE BELOW THE LINE

From April 28th to May2nd, Sue Wyatt, a member of the Bakewell Oxfam Supporters Group, will be taking part in a global poverty awareness campaign called 'Live below the Line'. She will be joining some 25,000 people across the world **choosing** to eat and drink on just £1a day. Right now, 1.2 billion people around the world live below this line, lacking the basic choices and opportunities that most of us take for granted.

That figure, 1.2 billion, is nearly twenty times the population of the UK! And for those people, that £1 has to cover far more than food and drink. It includes everything - health, housing, transport, clothes, fuel, education.....It is impossible to imagine, but that is the reality for an incredible number of people.

Sue says "few of us feel and see the injustice of extreme poverty, since where we live we are cushioned from its impact. I want to try to eat and drink on just £1 a day to get more of an understanding of the challenges faced by those people. I know it will be hard. But at least I have only to eat and drink on that £1 a day, and it is only for five days, so I am very lucky!

At the same time I shall be raising funds for Oxfam, through sponsorship. Ghandi said that "Poverty is the worst form of violence". If you want to help in the fight against extreme poverty and would like to support Sue in her efforts, please donate on line through

https://www.livebelowtheline.com/me/ siwyatt or by cheque made payable to Oxfam, c/o Sue Wyatt, 4 Folds Head, Calver, S32 3XI. Very many thanks!



Sales last month Traidcraft picked up to £551, helped by £44 at the

Methodist Coffee Morning, £42 at Eyam School Fairtrade afternoon and a record £190 at the Baslow Hunger lunch.

Nuts about Traidcraft - or rather Traidcraft about nuts. The latest catalogue contains details of the new oven-baked savoury nut range - salted cashews with peanuts and peanuts, cashews and roasted corn with a spicy blend of salt, chilli and lime. Both are produced by Liberation Foods with handpicked nuts from Malawi, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Peru and El Salvador, and these will replace the previous savoury nuts - the raw nuts,

cashews, brazils and walnuts will continue.

Liberation Foods, which also makes peanut butter, was set up in 2007 and purchases all of its nuts on Fairtrade terms from small co-operatives which between them own 44% of the company. It is this ownership, playing an active role in the governance of the company, which gives the farmers a secure future providing for their own families. As well as receiving a fair price for their products they also receive a share of the profits and the Fairtrade premiums are invested in community and agricultural projects. Do give the nuts a try and give the producers a fair deal and a secure future.

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Most people have heard of rural deans, archdeacons and bishops.... but how many people have a clear idea of what these clergy actually DO? In the second of a three part series, Steve Jenkins explains....

So, what is an Archdeacon, you ask?

The bishop's eye (oculus episcopi in Latin) is how archdeacons have long been described. The metaphor still stands, though times change and even archdeacons evolve.

Bishops are responsible for hundreds of churches and cannot keep up with all of them on their own.

Archdeacons help; but they do it in their own right, not because it has been delegated to them by the bishop. They fulfill a lot of important administrative functions that keep the Church in good order.

Churchgoers are most likely to come across their archdeacon when their parish has a new vicar. Under Canon Law, archdeacons 'induct' new parish priests, who have been chosen and agreed by the parish and the bishop, at the new vicar's first service in the parish.

Churchwardens and members of PCCs (Parochial Church Councils), on the other hand, get to know their archdeacons better, as they are deeply involved in any changes to church buildings.

Every five years, churches have to be inspected by an architect.

Archdeacons are responsible for making sure that happens. They, or a deputy, must also survey the church and tell churchwardens of any defects in the walls and fabric of the building, or the ornaments and furniture, they need to correct. They can order that items of architectural, artistic, historic or archaeological value that are at risk be removed to a place of safety.

Every year, archdeacons must hold visitations, and legally admit the churchwardens elected at annual parish meetings.

To make changes to church buildings usually means the vicar and churchwardens getting a faculty, the Church version of planning permission, from the Chancellor, the senior legal officer of the diocese. Archdeacons are important: they can explain the likely attitude to what the vicar and churchwardens want to do: they can order the removal of objects added without a faculty; they can even issue faculties themselves where there is no real change to how the church or churchyard looks. Where a church wants to try a change in their building, the archdeacon can grant a fifteen-month licence. When it runs out, the church must apply for a faculty or put things back as they were. When it's a minor change, the archdeacon can give permission under what's called the

"de minimis" rule, without the need for a faculty, as long as it's on the Chancellor's list of what counts as minor.

Archdeacons spot when parish boundaries may need to change and negotiate with all the interested parties when such a pastoral reorganisation is necessary. Bishops can ask them to check on parishes where the relationship between, say, priest and people has broken down and take steps to improve relations or recommend a formal inquiry.

They can, if need be, call extraordinary meetings of PCCs. Archdeacons look after the rules and regulations that maintain the Church's theology of order, resolve differences of interpretation, avoid disputes and facilitate the work of the Gospel. You might see them as a cross between planning officer, family counsellor and community police officer.

Do you believe in miracles?

More than half the British population still believes that 'spiritual forces' affect our lives here on earth, even if they have turned their back on formal religion.

One in six of us are even convinced that either we, personally, or someone known to us, has experienced a miracle. Angels and 'spirits' are also widely believed in, whether or not we have any religious affiliation.

A recent study for the television production company CTVC and the religious thinktank Theos has found that almost 8 out of 10 people surveyed agree that "there are things in life that we simply cannot explain through science or

any other means". Six out of ten non-religious people also agreed with that statement.

A majority of people (59 per cent) said they believed in the existence of some kind of 'spiritual being', and a quarter said they actively believe in angels. Almost a quarter of those polled had turned to tarot card readings and one in 20 had had their 'aura' read or attempted healing with crystals.

Yet traditional approaches remain strong: two in five of us believe that prayer can heal people, and just over half of us turn to prayer at times. The report concluded: "Spiritual beliefs are clearly not the preserve of the 'religious', but are to be found across religious and non-religious groups."

Vibrant Dales firms win expansion funding

Two vibrant local firms are expanding thanks to funding from the Sheffield City Region and free business advice from Derbyshire Dales District Council.

Peak Ales, a thriving microbrewery based on the outskirts of the Chatsworth estate, and Holdsworth Chocolates of Bakewell have been offered funding from the Sheffield City Region Unlocking Business Investment Regional Growth Fund Programme.

The two firms are celebrating after sharing more than £100,000 funding – and both have benefited from free guidance from the District Council's Derbyshire Dales Business Advice service to help them with their expansion plans and grant applications.

Peak Ales supply cask and bottled ales to pubs, hotels and retail outlets. With demand now exceeding production capacity at the company's existing premises, they can now invest in additional premises, plant and equipment on a new site at Ashford in the Water.

Peak Ales' growth plans will create up to five new jobs and the funding will be used to invest in a 20-barrel brewing facility, along with the associated costs of adaptation and modification to the new premises.

Robert Evans of Peak Ales said: "I have no hesitation in acknowledging the tremendous help from Heather Bradford of Derbyshire Dales Business Advice. She was my business adviser when I made a successful application to DEFRA to help set up of the brewery and her support, pragmatism and positivity have contributed greatly to our further development.

"The brewery is now approaching another significant phase in its development and it is only with Heather's guidance that I was able to meet the funding application deadline. She appreciates small businesses often need financial help to grow and does everything she can to ensure that they have access to funding."

Holdsworth Chocolates – makers of hand-made chocolates – are moving to a new factory unit at Deepdale in Bakewell. The funding will assist with new machinery, equipment and adaptations to the new premises. The business already supplies well known high end outlets, and, with increased production, Holdsworth hope to ultimately increase their workforce with up to five new staff.

Holdsworth's David Sharples said: "Our business has grown steadily

over recent years and, although we had secured part funding for this, we needed a further cash injection to finish the project – this is where the Regional Growth Fund grant came in.

"However, without the accomplished advice and directive from the business team at Derbyshire Dales District Council, in particular the enthusiastic, down-to-earth encouragement and expert guidance of Heather, we would now be looking at a significant gap in our finances.

"On behalf of everybody at Holdsworth Chocolates, I want to thank the District Council's business team for helping us achieve our goal."

Heather Bradford said: "It is a pleasure to help small businesses that are often put off by the application process for grants.

While these people are experts in their own field, they sometimes need help with the paperwork involved in putting together a bid." "This new funding is great news for two local businesses that have worked tremendously hard to expand. Both businesses should be congratulated on a successful outcome to their applications."

Cllr Lewis Rose OBE, Leader of Derbyshire Dales District Council said: "Small businesses are the lifeblood of the Derbyshire Dales and it is important they have support and access to funding streams that meet their requirements."

For more information about Derbyshire Dales Business Advice and to book an appointment, go online to

www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/businessadvice

The great move to the kitchen

When you invite people for a meal, where do you eat? The kitchen or the dining room? A recent report on the changing face of households has found that although two thirds of homes still have a separate dining room, six out of ten of us now prefer to entertain guests more informally in our kitchen. Indeed, the kitchen has become the most valuable room in our homes, packed with the most expensive gadgets and furniture. The report was commissioned by Lloyds Bank Home Insurance. But don't worry if your kitchen is not impressive: 'Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a fattened ox and hatred with it.' (Proverbs 15:17)

GOD IN THE ARTS

The Rev Michael Burgess surveys works of sacred art that can be found in the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam.... you can see the image by googling the title of the painting and the artist.

'He gave us eyes to see them':

'The Incredulity of St Thomas' by Hendrick Ter Brugghen

The Easter Gospel we celebrate this month is all about resurrection and recognition. Mary Magdalene in the garden, the travellers to Emmaus, the disciples fishing – none of them recognise the risen Lord immediately. On that first Easter day the disciples were huddled behind locked doors: they were fearful and confused. When Jesus stood among them and showed them his hands and side. only then did joy break into their hearts and lives. And so it is easy to sympathise with the doubt and hesitancy of Thomas gathered with the disciples a week later.

Earlier in St John's Gospel, Thomas had exhorted the other disciples to go with Jesus and die with him. Later he is not so sure, as he asks Jesus about that way and where he is going. In chapter 20 Thomas asks for a sign - a sign that the Jesus he followed is not just the way, but the truth and the life: the Lord of Easter. The very thing denied throughout our Lord's ministry is granted to Thomas. Jesus meets the strength of

his disbelief with the invitation to reach out and touch the signs of his crucifixion.

St John does not tell us if Thomas did accept this invitation. But that revelatory moment of touching is there in this month's painting from the Rijksmuseum: 'The Incredulity of St Thomas' by the Dutch artist, Hendrick Ter Brugghen. When he was fifteen, Ter Brugghen went to Italy and was fascinated by the paintings of Caravaggio – the use of light and darkness, the drama of the subject matter, and the ordinariness of the models. They are all there in this painting of 1622. The eyes of Thomas and Jesus are focussed on the index finger reaching into the wounded side. Two disciples are close by, but strangely distant: one has his eyes closed, the other younger one looks up to heaven. The old man on the right with the weathered face and rough hands has glasses on to see more clearly this drama of recognition.

The moment is frozen on the canvas, and it is startlingly physical in its realism. It is a prelude to Thomas' affirmation, 'My Lord and my God.' We can sense how Thomas draws in his breath as disbelief turns to insight. And we draw in our breath as we hear our Lord say to us that the final beatitude is not to Thomas seeking

a sign, but to us who have not seen and yet have come to believe.

St Peter in his first letter wrote to such Christians and said: 'Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy.' Thomas loved and believed and rejoiced as he reached out to his risen Lord. Let us pray this Easter that the risen Lord will reach out to us, and touch us with those gifts of love, faith and joy.

Why we should be like donkeys

Lester Amann considers the little donkey...

Are you a pet-lover? Many people own a dog, a cat or a budgie, but most of us don't own a donkey! Yet in Bible times, donkeys were essential to daily life. They did everything from helping to grind corn, to ploughing, to carrying people, to transporting their belongings. Despite their small frame, donkeys are surprisingly tough. They are content with poor fodder like thistles, and can travel an average of 20 miles a day.

There are two occasions in the Christian calendar where donkeys walk into the picture. At Christmas, Mary travelled the 100 miles from Nazareth to Bethlehem on a donkey. And although a donkey doesn't get a specific mention in the manger story, that same one that transported her was probably there; where else would it have been?

On Palm Sunday Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey. Jesus deliberately chose this animal rather than a horse. Why? In Bible times, the horse was associated with war, conquest and worldly might. But the donkey was a symbol of peace and humility. Jesus used this animal to show that he had come with the dignity of the king of peace. His entry into the Holy City also fulfilled Zechariah's prophecy concerning the Messiah.

Donkeys are hardworking and undemanding. They wait for their master to put them to the work he has chosen for them. And, remarkably, each one bears the mark of the Cross on their backs!

Perhaps that is something we should learn—to wait for Jesus our Master, to be always obedient to him, to serve him with all our hearts, and to bear the mark of his grace in our lives.

Looking back on the Hillsborough Disaster – 25 years on

The Ven John Barton, a former archdeacon of Aston, looks back on that harrowing day...

Everyone has forgotten the score, because the game was abandoned after six minutes. It was the FA Cup semi-final between Liverpool and Nottingham Forest, played on a neutral ground in Sheffield on 15th April, 25 years ago. 96 people died that day at the Hillsborough Stadium and hundreds were injured, crushed against a restraining barrier.

We call it the Hillsborough Disaster. Harrowing pictures were shown of lifeless young bodies on the pitch and the faces of terrorstruck fans pressed against the wire netting which imprisoned them.

After numerous enquiries, some of which are still going on, the index finger of blame is pointed at the police for having mishandled the crowds. Other emergency services were too slow and the ground was not equipped to cope with that size of crowd. Whatever the final verdict, nothing can change the searing grief felt by their families that night when husband, child, mother or father failed to come home.

Although there is universal agreement that the tragedy was caused by human error, which no insurance policy could have called an Act of God, there is a lingering question in the minds of many. It is asked every time there is an unexpected death. Why? Why did it happen? Was there some underlying meaning? Could it have been the consequence of some cosmic scheme of rewards and punishments?

Something like that was put to Jesus when 18 workers were killed in a building accident in Jerusalem. Why did it happen? Were the builders being handed their just deserts? He gave the enquirers this barbed answer: "...do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish." There was no further explanation.

The families who were bereaved at Hillsborough formed a support group and will be holding a 25th commemorative memorial service at Liverpool's Anfield Stadium. You can be sure the crowd will sing Liverpool's adopted song, "You'll never walk alone". And they will do what is natural, when questions are too big for us to answer. They will pray.

The Way I See It: THE SILVER LINING

by David Winter

We're quite familiar with the scene nowadays. There has been some potentially tragic event, a child is missing or a vulnerable person is in danger. It happened in the small Welsh town of Machynlleth last year, when April Jones disappeared, and again earlier this year when three year old Mikaeela Kular was reported missing in Edinburgh.

Within minutes, it seems, hundreds of volunteers appeared - old and young, mothers with buggies, teenagers and senior citizens - desperate to help to find them. Many of them didn't know the missing children or have any personal link to their circumstances. What brought them out to help was a mysterious and I believe God-given sense of compassion, a 'kindness' that enables humans to see in the suffering of others an echo of a profound truth about ourselves and who we are.

When a cat is stranded up a tree, we don't see hordes of cats turning up to encourage the anxious feline or even summon the fire brigade. When we find a tiny hedgehog in the garden, obviously distressed and lost, we don't see a supportive prickle of hedgehogs searching the fields for the missing one. The lost sheep in the

parable would have stayed lost if it had been left to the other sheep.

I don't write this to criticise cats, hedgehogs or sheep. For one thing, they don't have mobile phones or news bulletins, and I know that a ewe can get very distressed about a missing lamb. But so far as I can see the other sheep couldn't care less. It's the fellow-feeling, the imaginative identification with another's distress even someone we don't know - that is so impressive in this very human response to need.

It may be fanciful (though I don't think so) to identify this feeling with a deeply human recognition of our own status as children of God. There's a lovely Hebrew word in the Old Testament. It occurs over and over again in Psalms. It's: chesedh, which the King James Version beautifully translated as 'lovingkindness'. Modern texts render it as 'faithful love'. What it expresses is God's 'feeling' for his creatures, a gentle, forgiving, inclusive love, that is evoked primarily by our need. And that, surely, is what the people of Machynlleth and that Edinburgh suburb demonstrated in their response to the plight of two helpless young children. We are at heart one people. We are made in our Creator's image. We have one heavenly Father.



THE WAR TO END ALL WARS: Part: 4 THE HOME FRONT AND THE LONG HAUL

THE GREAT WAR 1914 - 1918

by David Winter

The euphoric triumphalism of the Summer of 1914 - 'over by Christmas' - didn't last long. August saw the German army storming across Belgium and advancing to the outskirts of Paris itself. Because at this stage the Allied forces involved were mostly French, the true gravity of the situation was not generally appreciated in Britain, but in France there was widespread fear of a swift German victory.

However, the Allies - who had disagreed over tactics - managed to sort themselves out. A few generals were dismissed. Lord Kitchener fired off some urgent messages from Whitehall, and in the face of apparently imminent disaster a brilliant counter-attack was planned and launched. Its aim was to drive the Germans back from the river Marne, north of Paris, and inflict a heavy defeat on them by outflanking their forces to the east of the capital. Crucial to this plan, for the first time in warfare, reconnaissance aircraft were used to spot movement on the ground and relay the information to the military commanders.

The Battle of the Marne in September 1914 was the Allies first and greatest victory of the entire War. They pushed the Germans back some forty miles, until they managed to halt the Allied advance.

Both sides, having suffered heavy casualties - half a million men were killed or wounded, most of them French and German - then decided to dig in, literally. The trenches which they created following the Battle of the Marne remained more or less in place for the next four years. Finally the generals, the troops on the ground and eventually the public at home accepted that this was now a war of attrition. Over by Christmas? Three more Christmases would pass before this appalling conflict came to an end

Slowly the British public abandoned the jingoistic fervour of the summer of 1914. The newspapers began to report the casualty figures, and as these rose inexorably during the following months and years the mood of the nation slowly changed. Kitchener called for more men, and hundreds of thousands responded to the call. Women too found themselves involved in new ways: as nurses and ambulance drivers just behind the front lines; as workers in munitions factories, satisfying the artillery's voracious appetite for more shells, and in taking over jobs previously done by men. My own

mother, then in her teens, left her Norfolk village to come to London and work for the rest of the war as a telephonist.

It was a long while, however, before the full horror of what was happening across the Channel became generally recognised. The poet Laurence Binyon could speak at the end of 1914 of those mud and blood-stained young soldiers in triumphant terms: 'they went with songs to the battle, straight of limb,

true of eye, steady and aglow'. Even in 1916 the war correspondents were still sending back dispatches describing our gallant young men bayonet-charging the enemy lines, putting terror into the hearts of the frightened Hun. But slowly the truth filtered through: this war, uniquely, would involve the whole nation and touch every single family in it. It would be long and difficult. It would demand resilience and courage. And it would not be glorious.

'Nice Things' to do this April

This year thousands of Christians are doing Lent differently. The challenge is to 'Do1NiceThing' every day between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday – 40 acts of kindness and generosity to make our communities nicer places to be. Ideas for this Lent focus are at www.do1nicething.org.uk and www.40acts.org.uk

Easter faith

Three years after the Russian Revolution of 1917, a great anti-God rally was arranged in Kiev. The powerful orator Bukharin was sent from Moscow, and for an hour he demolished the Christian faith with argument, abuse and ridicule. At the end there was silence. Then a man rose and asked to speak. He was a priest of the Russian Orthodox Church. He went and stood next to Bukharin. Facing the people, he raised his arms and spoke just three triumphant words: 'Christ is risen!'

At once the entire assembly rose to their feet and gave the joyful response, "He is risen indeed!" It was a devastating moment for an atheist politician, who had no answer to give to this ancient Easter liturgy. He had not realised he was simply too late: how can you convince people who have already experienced God, that he does not

exist?

Baslow Health Centre – Church Lane, Baslow

www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

New Patients Welcome

Appointments: As a result from our PPG appointment survey, the Practice has updated its appointment system, and has now incorporated more Internet and Book in advance appointments.

Telephone Numbers:

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

- I.00pm and 2.00pm - 3.00pm)

Normal Surgery Opening

<u>Times</u> Monday (07:30 until 19:30) Tuesday to Friday 08:00 to 18:30 (closed Bank Holidays)

Please note the above times as we receive a lot of phone calls, just asking what time we are open to!

Surgery Closure – Our next half day closure for training is Wednesday afternoon 9th Apr and 21st May 2014.

Email- Please contact the reception and give us your email address if you would like to have the option of being contactable via email and receive the Practice and the Patient Participation Group newsletter.

Patient Participation Group (**PPG**) – If you want to be kept up to date and have the opportunity to express your views please consider joining Baslow's PPG. Contact Keith

Maslen on kmaslen@aol.com
01246 582274 Virtual members welcome.

Ordering Repeat Medication

All requests for repeat prescriptions must be:-

- In writing or with our on-line 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

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

<u>Test Results</u> – As we do not receive test results from hospital until lunchtime, please ring for these after 2pm.

For Urgent Calls: - 01246 582216 or 111

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8	4	6	5	3	1	9	7	2
5	7	9	2	4	8	3	1	6
7	5	4	6	9	2	8	3	1
6	8	3	7	1	5	2	9	4
9	1	2	4	8	3	6	5	7
4	6	8	1	7	9	5	2	3
2	9	7	3	5	6	1	4	8
1	3	5	8	2	4	7	6	9

March solution

April Sudoku ©

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How long was your 'courtship'?

How long did it take you to fall in love? Modern couples are managing it on a combination of 224 tweets, 163 text messages, 70 Facebook messages, 37 emails and 30 phone calls... or say, in all, about a month. Twitter is now the most common way to flirt with a potential partner. The study was by the e-commerce site PIXmania. The lover in Song of Solomon (3:4) knew the feeling: 'I found him whom my soul loves. I held

Brings it all back...

him, and would not let him go...?

Do you know what 'cascading reminiscence bumps' are? You will have experienced them, almost certainly. They are that rush of vivid memories that you get when you hear music that you associate with your childhood, teens and early twenties being played – the songs that open the door on so many events in your past.

Because such memories stretch back to childhood, even the music your parents used to listen to when you were a child will be bound up in this. As a study on the phenomenon at Cornell University puts it: "Music transmitted from generation to generation shapes autobiographical memories, preferences and emotional responses." It confirms other research which found that the music you encounter when you were young will have the greatest impact on your life. The Psalmist knew this: 'Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised... one generation shall commend your works to another.' (Ps 145:3,4)

SERVICES & ROTAS FOR APRIL 2014

St. Anne's, Beeley			FLOWERS	<u>Cleaning</u>				
6	9.30am	Holy Communio	n Lent - no flowers	Rupert & Liz				
13	9.30am	Holy Communio						
17	7pm	Eucharist of the Last Supper						
20	9.30am	Holy Communion for Easter Day						
			Easter Lilies	Fiona & Jane				
27	9.30am	Holy Communio	n Easter Lilies remai	n " "				
ST.	PETER'S,EC	DENSOR		<u>Sidesmen</u>				
6	10.45am	Annual Sheep Ser	vice	Mr & Mrs Machin				
13	10.45am	Holy Communio	n for Palm Sunday	Mr & Mrs Wardle				
	•	m Compline						
18	2pm	Good Friday Litu						
19	7.30pm	Easter Vigil - Lighting of the Pascal Candle & Renewal of Baptismal Vows						
20	10.45am	Holy Communio	•	S Sherwood/Diana Walters				
27	10.45am	Holy Communio	n (followed byAPCM)	J Bowns/M Pindar				
	<u>Coffi</u>	EE	Cleaning	FLOWERS				
6	Mr & I	Mrs Sherwood	Mrs Boyd/Mrs Rol	oinson Lent - no flowers				
13		glas/Diana Maskery	Mr & Mrs Nelson	" "				
20		Mrs Harding	Mr & Mrs Harding					
27	Mr & Mrs Carter		Mrs Day/Mrs Walt	ers				
4 M	ay Clive 8	& Joy Thrower	Mr & Mrs Jackson	to be arranged				
	Read	<u>ings</u>	ST. PETER'S	St. Anne's &				
				SUNDAY SCHOOL				
6			The Head Shepherd					
		3: 6-11 (St. Anne's)		Harry Cadogan				
	John 8: 46	-end " "	Fifth Sunday of Lent	SS children in service				
13	Phillipians	2: 5-11	Michael Douglas	Sarah Porter				
The Passion Gospel according to St. Matthew (St. Peter's)								
	Matthew 1	2: I-II (St. Anne's)	Palm Sunday	No Sunday School				
20	Acts 10: 3	4-43	Diana Walters Rupert	Turner/Lynda Hinxman-Allegri				
	Matthew 2	28: 1-10	Easter Day	No Sunday School				
27	Acts 2: 14	a, 22-32	Margaret Thomas	Claire Cadogan				
	John 20: I		Second Sunday of Easter					

Items for the MAY magazine should reach me NO LATER THAN MONDAY

14 APRIL. Mail to: liz.bradshaw@w3z.co.uk

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