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# The Bridge



BEELEY WITH EDENSOR

*Including CHATSWORTH, CALTON LEES & PILSLEY*

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November 2014

Many of you will know that I play in a band called 'Travelling People'. The three of us travel widely raising money for a number of worthwhile charities. Because it is the year when we commemorate the outbreak of the First World War, I have recently learnt a new song which I think is appropriate and deeply emotional. It is called 'The Summer before the war' and was written by Huw and Tony Williams, a folk duo from Wales. I sang it for the first time at the Diocesan Mother's Union Festival at the Winding Wheel Theatre in Chesterfield back in October. Here are the words:

*All on a Saturday, bright as a bell, early and just for the ride.*

*We took a trip cycling down by the sea, you and your lady and I.*

*And O what a summer, and O what a sun, bright to the blue sky it clung.*

***One day at Whitsun, the sea and the shore, the summer before the war.***

*Warm summer places where you could taste the country air, racing our shadows we'd fly.*

*Down through the narrow lanes, chasing the slow trains, the last of an age going by.*

*And we had a good time, we had some fun, there was time then when we all were young.*

***One day at Whitsun, the sea and the shore, the summer before the war.***

*Young hearts and young souls, young minds to unfold, knowing the untold somehow.*

***One day at Whitsun, the sea and the shore, the summer before the war.***

*We found a small cove by the sand and the water, the salt air brushing our skin.*

*With your hand in her hand there was nothing to say, just watching the sea rushing in.*

*And O what a moment, and O what a day, we held it and it never slipped away.*

***One day at Whitsun, the sea and the shore, the summer before the war.***

It is difficult for me to imagine how so many people went from a peaceful, tranquil scene this song evokes, to a life changing experience the same people encountered during the years of war. Men and women who at the season of Whitsuntide had no idea what was to come. Many of them never experienced the same things again.

On Sunday 9th November we remember those who lost their lives in two world wars. Let us never forget what they gave for the freedom we have today.

After the 10.50am Remembrance Service on Sunday 9th November at St. Peter's, Peter Day, who lives in Edensor village, will be presenting a talk and playing original recordings of people who entertained the troops in the Great War. This I know will be a very special and moving experience for all of us to be part of. See the notice in this magazine for details.

Every Blessing  
Canon Dave

**ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY, ST. PETER'S CHURCH, EDENSOR**  
2<sup>nd</sup> November ~ 10.45am

At this service we shall be celebrating All Saints' Sunday. During the service the names of loved ones departed will be read out and there will be the opportunity to light a candle in remembrance.

We do hope that you will come along to this service and give the names of loved ones to the sidespeople as you arrive, or let the vicar or churchwardens have the name or names beforehand.

**"Lena, Elsie, Harry and Jim:**

Entertaining the troops in the Great War. Extracts from memoirs of the entertainers themselves and original recordings from the period"

**9<sup>th</sup> November - St. Peter's Church**

Peter Day's talk will take place after the Remembrance Day Service and will be preceded by a Bring & Share Lunch.

Please do come and join us ~ everyone welcome

Telephone Numbers

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### Dates for your Diary - November

- 8 **Wedding** - St. Peter's 1pm *Andrew John Wilson & Faye Olivia Plaxton*
- 9 **"Lena, Elsie, Harry and Jim"** A talk by Peter Day in St. Peter's Church. This will take place after the morning service. There will be a Bring & Share lunch before the talk. Everyone welcome.
- 11 **BEELEY WI** Monthly Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall - AGM followed by 'Cooking for Victory' On Armistice evening we reflect on wars in times past and share memories of how people cooked and ate during war time. Tea & Raffle - Terri
- 19 **CHATSWORTH WI** Monthly Meeting 7pm Edensor Tea Cottage AGM. Speaker: Helen Chambers - Women in the English Civil War Competition: Decorated Cup Cake Teas: Mrs Read  
Vote of Thanks: The President
- 22 **'Mosaic'** Concert at St. Peter's Church 7.30pm
- 24 **BEELEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** 7.30pm Village Hall
- 29 Switching on of Edensor's Christmas Lights - 7pm (to be confirmed)
- 30 **ADVENT 'Service of Light' 6pm St. Peter's, Edensor**

### **Early Notice**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December** Johnny Coppin and his band - 'All on a Winter's Night' in concert at the Cavendish Hall, Edensor. 7.30pm. Proceeds to St. Peter's Church, Edensor. Tickets £17.50 from Dave Perkins 01246 386385; Liz Bradshaw 01246 582421; David Jackson 01246 583452 - bar available.

### **St. Peter's Church 100 Club**

### **September Draw 2014**

1st Prize £30 - no. 23 Lynne Clark  
2nd Prize £20 - no. 42 Christine Robinson

Funds to church this month - £50

Ann Hall

### **'SPICE' Sunday - St. Peter's**

'SPICE' Sunday on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October raised £40 for church funds. Many thanks for continuing to support us with the fundraising scheme.

### **FROM THE REGISTERS**

#### **ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR**

2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER ~ FUNERAL SERVICE FOLLOWED BY INTERMENT  
Deborah Vivien Cavendish DCVO 1920 - 2014

17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER ~ FUNERAL SERVICE FOLLOWED BY CREMATION  
Stella Christine Mellors aged 73 years

12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER ~ BAPTISM - Benjamin Joseph Taylor

**'MOSAIC'** in concert  
*with the theme*

**'A COMMEMORATION OF WORLD WAR ONE'**

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, EDENSOR**

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 7.30pm

Free Entry. Retiring Collection for Church Funds



THE GREAT WAR  
1914 - 1918



**ADVENT**

### ADVENT SERVICE OF LIGHT

ST. PETERS CHURCH ~ 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 6PM

A candlelit service to mark the beginning of the Christian year, this service will include anthems sung by a choir, Advent hymns, readings and prayers. Everyone welcome.

A Christmas Concert to prepare yourself for the festive season

### 'ALL ON A WINTER'S NIGHT'

*with Johnny Coppin, Paul Burgess and Dik Cadbury*

A feast of songs, carols, stories and folklore with material from three Christmas albums.

Johnny Coppin, one of England's finest singer/songwriters presents a fine mix of traditional carols and new songs together with stories, superstitions and folklore from all over the UK and beyond.

Johnny Coppin (*Guitar, Piano and vocals*)

Paul Burgess (*Piano, fiddle, recorders, vocals and stories*)

Dik Cadbury (*Guitars and vocals*)

Cavendish Hall, Edensor, *on the* Chatsworth Estate

Saturday 6th December 7.30pm

Tickets £17.50 ~ *available from:*

Canon Dave Perkins, Churchwardens (Liz Bradshaw 01246 582421;  
David Jackson 01246 583452) and Edensor Tea Rooms.

## St. Peter's Harvest Service

Thank you to everyone who contributed fruit, vegetables, packets and tins of food etc. for our Harvest service, which were then taken to the Padley Centre for the Homeless in Derby. Their thank you letter is below. It was a lovely event and we enjoyed a positive feast afterwards at the Bring & Share lunch.

*Dear members of St Peter's Church,*

### HARVEST 2014

*On behalf of everyone at Padley, I would like to thank you for your kind Harvest gift donation.*

*The donations we receive of food, money and toiletries are invaluable in enabling us to continue delivering the services we do at the Homeless Centre. Our homeless clients particularly appreciate the good, nutritious food we are able to serve throughout the year from the very generous donations we receive from you and other churches and schools of Derby and the surrounding areas.*

*Without your kind generosity our services, particularly to the homeless would be sadly depleted.*

*With kind regards and many thanks,*

Kerry Collyer  
**Administrator**



## CHRISTMAS GREETINGS via 'The Bridge' Donations to Church Funds



If you would like to send Christmas Greetings to friends, family and other readers of this magazine, please put your name on the list which will be at the back of church (in St. Peter's) during the next few Sundays, or telephone or email Liz Bradshaw **before Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November.**

All you need to do then is place your donation in an envelope marked 'Christmas Greetings' and place it on the collection plate on any Sunday during Advent.

## Chesterfield Women's Refuge

This month we are collecting items with Christmas in mind, so selection boxes, chocolate treats i.e. tubes of sweets, chocolate santa's etc. would be very welcome.

The refuge will always accept items of clothing, bedding, household utensils, furniture and electrical goods (they will test them) - in fact anything that would help these distressed families set up a new home.

Thank you for your continued generosity over these past months.

### Put together a Memory Book

Do you have grandchildren? Then this winter, during those long dark days, why not spend some time putting together a sort of scrapbook of memories to pass on to them? Things you might include could be: where you lived when you were a child; what your school was like, what games you most enjoyed,

who your best friends were, what pets you had, what your first job was, and how you met your partner. What was your first car, and where was your first home as an adult? Add a selection of photographs that you have from the past. Websites like [www.blurb.co.uk](http://www.blurb.co.uk) has lots of ideas to help you create your memory book.

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### **Ordinary Mum – extraordinary mission – sharing God's love in everyday life**

*By Anna France-Williams & Joy French,  
IVP, £8.99*

'I wanted to change the world, but I couldn't find a babysitter.' School runs, packed lunches, play-dates, date night, nappy changes, homework, football, deadlines, bedtime stories, supermarket runs, peace-keeping, juice and biscuits, park trips, the runs, toddler groups, coffee drinking, mum's

taxi, potty training, kiss-it-better. These are the lives of modern mothers!

Perhaps you had big dreams of how you'd make a difference to the world, how you'd change it for the better. But now all you can think about is the next feed. Or perhaps you think mission is only for 'special Christians' who are extra holy and know their Bible backwards - and you feel that just ticking off each day on the calendar is an achievement. By sharing real stories, this book explores what mission looks like for a normal mum, and how fulfilling it can be.



Sales last month  
totalled £397  
helped by £101 at  
the All Saints'

Church sale and £40 at the Methodist  
Church Coffee Morning.

Christmas is drawing near and sales of  
Traidcraft items are gathering pace.  
Staff at the warehouse in Gateshead are  
very good and deliveries are always  
prompt which means that Christmas  
orders can, in theory, be left quite late.  
The problem is that items do go out of  
stock sometimes, so, to be sure of  
avoiding disappointment, it is wise to  
order early. To help you with this there  
will be a second Sale and Coffee  
Morning in the Newark Room at All  
Saints' Church in Bakewell on Saturday  
Nov 8th from 10.30 - 12noon. The full

range of Christmas cards will be  
available to view and order. There will  
also be a similar sale in the Village Hall  
at Great Longstone in the morning of  
Nov 12th when the same will apply.

In particular don't forget the Real  
Advent Calendars - the only one of the  
many millions sold in the UK to actually  
tell you what Christmas is all about.  
You might like to know they are made  
in Chesterfield so, not only are you  
helping people overseas when you  
make your purchases, you are also  
helping people locally.

Please contact me if there is anything  
more you would like to know.

Peter Bird  
(01629 813087 – [pabird@gmail.com](mailto:pabird@gmail.com))

## Oxfam Pre-Christmas Sale

November 10<sup>th</sup> Bakewell Town Hall  
9:30 – 12:30

Oxfam Cards, Christmas Stall, Toys, Home Produce, Books, Bric-a-  
brac, Second-hand Jewellery, Tombola, Traidcraft,  
Mulled Wine & other Refreshments.

Entry 50p

## BAKEWELL & ASHFORD FILM SOCIETY

November 9<sup>th</sup>

The Railway Man (2013, UK) Cert. 13, 116 minutes. Biography, drama.

A former British Army Officer, who was tormented as a prisoner of war at a  
Japanese labour camp during World War II, discovers that the man  
responsible for much of his treatment is still alive and sets out to confront  
him.



## Books For A Bus

Book End Bookshop is a unique project in a unique location. Hidden away in a small courtyard, this independent second hand bookshop stands on the banks of the River Wye in Bakewell, adjacent to the 700 year old bridge. Book End second hand bookshop was recently acquired by Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport (BECT). Although Community Transport and a bookshop appear to be at odds, BECT's hope is that the bookshop will generate enough profits to buy a much needed adapted bus to add to their fleet.

The project has the community at its heart. The books are donated by the community and volunteers run the bookshop, selling and maintaining the books on a day to day basis. The volunteers also work with BECT to develop a vision for the future of Book End. Margaret Wood, Manager said: 'I love working here, they're a great team of volunteers, we have a good laugh and all enjoy discussing the books. I think it's an ambitious aim to raise enough money to buy a new bus for BECT but we're all determined'.

The donated books cover a wide range of genres and authors. There is a vast array of fiction, from romance to crime, history to mystery. Including local authors such as Stephen Booth and Wendy Holden. If you are looking for cookery books Book End covers all tastes and styles; while shelves of history books range across the periods including several on the 2 world wars. There are many autobiographies to

choose from and lots of children's books to keep little ones occupied while you browse. The bookshop also sells cards by local artists, Penguin classics mugs and gift wrap.

If you love books, like people or feel you would like to give something back to the community, why not get involved in the Books for a Bus project with Book End as a volunteer? Just a few hours a week could make a real difference - not only helping the Bookshop reaching its target and therefore making a difference to many people locally who rely on BECT. Books for a Bus helps all sorts of people who might otherwise feel isolated but who themselves can be involved in the community.

So Books for a Bus isn't such a strange link after all!

Why not visit the bookshop, buy a book or donate, it all goes back into the community.

At the moment the shop is open 10 -5 Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. If there were more volunteers the Bookshop could extend its opening hours.

For more information on volunteering and the project contact Margaret Wood, Manager on 07740 535743, 01629 814994. Email [info@bookendbookshop.co.uk](mailto:info@bookendbookshop.co.uk)

To find out more about BECT go to their website ([bect.org.uk](http://bect.org.uk)) and see if you could use their services for your expedition.

Community reporter Philip Barron considers how to prevent the pain everyone dreads...

### **Mind your back!**

Lots of everyday activities can take a toll on your back, even if you don't notice it at the time. Here are a few tips that will help you to avoid back problems:

Firstly, while standing to perform ordinary tasks like ironing or folding laundry, keep one foot on a small step-stool. Then, when bending from the waist, always use your hands to support yourself. Don't sit or stand in the same position for too long.

Stretch, shift your position and walk about a bit when you can. When sitting, keep your knees a bit higher than your hips and bend them at a 90-degree angle. Your feet should be comfortably on the floor (if they don't reach the floor, put a book or a small stool under them). Finally, remember that even using a vacuum cleaner can take a toll on your back. So tackle a large room in chunks, spending no more than five or ten minutes at a time on this task. Simple tips like these will pay dividends.

### **'Leaf' some green stuff in the garden**

The clocks have gone back, and we are putting our gardens to sleep for the winter. But this autumn, when you tidy up, do not tidy away too much. Many insects and wild creatures will be relying on some ground cover or hideaway to call 'home' for the winter. Several piles of twigs or prunings, left around your

garden in discreet places, will provide great winter 'snugs' for toads, grass snakes and other small garden inhabitants. 'Spent' seed heads provide cover and food for birds over the winter. Above all, before you light any bonfires on 5<sup>th</sup> November, take care there are no hibernating hedgehogs inside!



### **Help our woodlands**

If you've been admiring the glories of autumn, and have any time to spare, why not consider how you might volunteer some time to help the Woodland Trust, the UK's leading woodland conservation charity? The Trust looks after more than 1,000 woods and groups of woods that altogether cover 190 square kilometres (73 sq. mi.) Nearly 350 of

the Trust's sites contain ancient woodland, of which 70 per cent is semi-natural – i.e. has been under tree cover since at least 1600.

The Woodland Trust also campaigns to protect and save more ancient woodland from destructive development. It always needs volunteers to help in a wide variety of ways. For details, visit: [www.woodlandtrust.org.uk](http://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk)

*David Winter writes following the Scottish vote on 18th September.....*

## **30<sup>th</sup> November - Andrew and the Referendum: BETTER TOGETHER?**

Scotland seems to have been a very busy place these last couple of months. The amazing exuberance of the devolution referendum and its consequences have kept the spotlight firmly north of the border and now, at the end of this month, the Scots will be celebrating once again, this time to honour their patron saint, Andrew.

The referendum campaign earned universal respect for its enthusiasm, mass participation and generous spirit. It was good to be reminded that it is possible to disagree agreeably, to hold passionate convictions oneself and yet respect the equally passionate convictions of others. In the end 'Better Together' just beat 'Let's Separate', but there was little bitterness at the end of a fiercely fought but fair exercise in democracy.

And now it is time for St Andrew to be honoured - the disciple who is noted for the way in which he longed to share with others the good thing he had discovered. It was not enough for him simply to decide for himself to recognise Jesus as the Messiah of Israel and follow him. He went straight off and introduced his brother Peter to the Saviour, and followed that up by bringing Nathanael/Bartholomew to Jesus. 'Better Together' seems to have been his slogan, too! 'We have found the Messiah!', he told them, unable to keep the good news to himself.

Andrew's connection with Scotland dates back to the claimed translation of his remains from Patras in Achaia to

Scotland in the eighth century. The church in Fife where these remains were buried became a place of pilgrimage during the tenth century. All of this may be no more than pious legend, of course, but that St Andrew was highly regarded in Scotland and became its patron saint is beyond doubt.

Perhaps in the new spirit of togetherness engendered in these islands by the referendum result we might take a fresh look at our four patron saints. Patrick and David are secure, genuinely historical and undoubtedly linked to the lands that now honour them. Andrew has little proven connection with Scotland but presents an admirable historical example of faith and commitment to the good of others. St George, by contrast, has not the remotest connection with England (and indeed may never have existed). Might this be the time to look again at England's patron saint and even (dare one say it?) replace him with a more credible candidate - St Alban, the first English martyr, might fill the role admirably?

Meanwhile, this month Scotland remembers one of the very first disciples of Jesus, a man more honoured for those he brought into the kingdom of heaven than for his own mighty miracles or deeds of faith. Perhaps with him, and the saintly Patrick and David, we can all learn to march 'better together' into what one hopes will be a generous and bright future for these islands? And I suspect that George, the Turkish soldier-martyr, would enjoy the journey too!

*25 years ago this November, the Berlin Wall came down... Tim Lenton looks back. Many people will remember where they were when they heard the news. Do any of our readers have a memory of a visit to the Berlin Wall?*

## **Remembering the fall of the Berlin Wall - 25 years ago**

The Berlin Wall, which had symbolised Communist oppression in Europe since its erection in 1981, was torn down 25 years ago this month, following pressure from inside and outside East Germany.

The border with West Germany was opened on 9th November 1989, allowing people to pass freely through the checkpoints. Workers began demolishing the 28-year-old wall the next day. The former long-time leader of East Germany, Erich Honecker, had predicted a few months earlier that the wall could stand for 50 or 100 more years.

Many Christians – and others – felt that a prayer meeting held exactly one month earlier made the fall of the Wall inevitable, when many thousands of people, ignoring death threats and huge banks of armed police, gathered at St Nicholas

Church in the East German city of Leipzig to pray and march for peace.

It was the culmination of seven years of weekly Prayers for Peace meetings organised by Christian Führer, the pastor of St Nicholas, despite strong opposition from the authorities.

Protest demonstrations were breaking out all over East Germany, and on 9th November Günter Schabowski, the party boss in East Berlin, had the task of announcing the opening of borders the following day. However, he had been badly briefed and when questioned by journalists said this would take effect immediately. The border guards had not been informed, but refused to fire on those who took Schabowski at his word.

In July 1988, singer Bruce Springsteen and the E-Street Band played a live concert inside East Berlin, which was attended by 300,000 and broadcast on television. Springsteen spoke to the crowd in German, saying: "I'm not here for or against any government. I've come to play rock 'n' roll for you in the hope that one day all the barriers will be torn down."

**Smile.....**

**Helicopter**

**Sometimes people think of church as being like a giant helicopter. They don't want to get too close in case they get sucked into the rotas. -**

**Milton Jones**

## **Remembrance: of those who die – and those who survive**

'Madam. I regret to have to inform you that a report has been received that Sapper A Jenkins Royal Engineers has been admitted to 2nd General (Australian) Hospital, Boulogne on the 23rd day of April, 1918. The nature of the wound is Gas Poisoning (mild). I am to express to you the sympathy and regret of the Army Council. Yours faithfully....'

Thanks to those Australian doctors and nurses, my grandfather made a complete recovery. After the war, he returned to his wife Emily Rose, brought up four girls and two boys, including my father, and died just short of his 85th birthday. He had served in France, Italy and Germany.

Sadly, many others, serving all over the world down the years, have not been as fortunate.

I remember my grandfather. I know he vowed never to go abroad again. Through research and his medals and paperwork (quoted above), I know some of what he went through. I never heard him speak about it.

Through Remembrance, we not only remember those who die in war but also those who return and what they live with. We remember what they gave. We remember those who supported them. We remember those they left behind. We remember the

respect we owe so many ordinary people who gave so much and we remember what war is truly like.

In August 1914, the war in Europe began, and went on to resonate around the world. At 11.00am on 11th November, 1918, the Armistice was signed, giving peace another chance.

Memories fade and peace becomes taken for granted. It was only 20 years after my grandfather returned from the army that the world descended into the hell of war once more. My father was young enough to 'miss out'. His older brother served throughout as a pilot.

Again, others were less fortunate. Again, others were left behind. Is there any sacrifice greater than giving your life for your fellow human beings? Every time we share in Holy Communion, we remember Jesus' willing sacrifice for all of us. He laid down his life so that we might live.

On Remembrance Sunday, at memorials and cenotaphs and in our churches, we remember the sacrifice that so many have made in war. We remember the horror of war that so many have been through. But we also reflect on the peace that can hopefully follow. Remembrance teaches us that we should never take peace for granted. Lest we forget.

*By Steve Jenkins, formerly of Church House Communications, Westminster*

## Lest We Forget

*The Rev Paul Hardingham meditates on what Peace might look like...*

One of the most amazing sights in London this year has been the art installation 'Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red' at the Tower of London. The dry moat has been filled with 888,246 ceramic poppies, each representing a British or Colonial soldier killed in the First World War and commemorated in this centenary year.

*'In Flanders fields, the poppies grow  
between the crosses, row on row, that  
mark our places; and in the sky the  
larks, still bravely singing, fly scarce  
heard amongst the guns below.'*

This is the first stanza of John McCrae's poem, first published in Punch magazine in 1915. Within months, it came to symbolise the sacrifices of all who were fighting in the First World War. Today, the poppy remains a tangible symbol of all those who have sacrificed their lives in war. But why do we remember?

*'They will beat their swords into  
ploughshares and their spears into  
pruning hooks. Nation will not take up  
sword against nation, nor will they train  
for war anymore.'* (Micah 4:3). Writing  
about 700 years before Christ,  
Micah's words have to be seen  
against a background of violence with  
the fall of Samaria and the instability  
created by the aggression of Assyria.

However, he prophesied a future of hope, a world where nations come together in peace instead of war. His vision saw a time when the arms of war would be turned into farming tools and people would live in peaceful community.

Our understanding of peace is more than the avoidance of war or the absence of conflict. It's about building relationships between people, communities and nations, which positively creates a love and care for others founded on justice for all. As we remember the sacrifice of those who died in the First World War, our response must be to look practically at how we can build relationships of peace and justice in our world, starting with our own families, colleagues and neighbourhoods. As Micah says, *'we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.'* (4:5). We always need God's presence and power to change us into the people who have a passion for peace and justice, and compassion for everyone.

*'They shall grow not old as we that are  
left grow old: Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn. At the going  
down of the sun and in the morning we  
will remember them.'*





THE GREAT WAR  
1914 - 1918

## **THE WAR TO END ALL WARS: Part: I I WWI: THE GREAT WAR: ARMISTICE**

*by David Winter*

1918 was a miserable year for the countries involved in the Great War. Nothing much seemed to happen, in the sense of the conflict coming to any conclusion. Casualties continued to mount, so that all over Europe there were bereaved families - indeed whole villages where most of the young men had been killed or were grievously wounded.

In Britain, the advantage of being an island may have kept us from the invading German army, but now it began to make us vulnerable to a new and deadly foe, the marauding U-boats, which stalked the seas in order to torpedo ships bringing food and goods to these shores. Suddenly there were shortages and the need for a new naval strategy to deal with their menace. Zeppelin, and then aircraft raids on London and other British cities brought home the truth that this war was not simply being fought out on foreign fields.

The truth was, however, that bad as things were in Britain and France, they were far worse in Germany. Casualties were so great that teenage boys were being recruited into the

army, food was scarce, and by early 1918 the resources to continue fighting the war were at breaking point. If they could not win the war in the next six months, the generals told the Kaiser, it would be lost. Soldiers were drafted back from the far-flung battle grounds of Asia and Africa to shore up the dwindling ranks at home.

By contrast, in June 1917 the first American troops had joined the war, though they were inexperienced in battle terms and relatively few in number. But by the Spring of 1918 their numbers had swollen, and the encouragement that gave to the hard-pressed Allies was considerable. During the summer of that year the balance of the war began to tip crucially towards the Allies, so that as Autumn approached the German generals were moving towards accepting the need for some kind of negotiated cease-fire. The Allies were at the German borders, the Americans had brought not just men but equipment and, more importantly, hope. Perhaps, after all, this war could be won.

That was the atmosphere in which the warring powers agreed to formal talks about what they called an 'armistice' - a word derived from Latin, simply meaning 'end of armed combat'. The Germans at first hoped it would give them a chance to recover, and perhaps eventually pursue the conflict with renewed

strength. The Allies, however, from a position of strength, were determined to ensure that Germany would be left in no condition to wage war or swiftly to recover economically.

With those as the negotiating positions, the generals met in a

railway carriage at Versailles, near Paris. An armistice agreement was eventually hammered out and the guns of this terrible war were silenced at the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

### **The Way I See It :**

How do we 'Remember' what we've never known?

*Canon David Winter considers war and peace....*

This has been a year of 'remembering'. Up and down the land, local events and national commemorations have reminded us again and again of the Great War which cast such a dark shadow over Europe a hundred years ago - a shadow which spawned a second and equally destructive conflict barely twenty years later.

The problem with remembering is that in the end we can't. What I mean is, we can't remember what we've never experienced, whether that's a song, a person or a place. Nor can we, in a literal sense, 'remember' events which happened before we were born. And that, in a nutshell, is the problem of having a Remembrance Sunday (as we do this and every year) or being urged to 'remember' those who died on the battlefield of Flanders and the Somme a century ago. I can, personally, remember my father, who was there, but I can't possibly remember what

he went through fourteen years before I was born.

Yet oddly enough every Sunday millions of people all over the world go to church specifically to 'remember' an event that took place not a hundred but nearly two thousand years ago, the death of Jesus Christ on the cross. 'Do this', he had said, 'in remembrance of me'. And in his memory bread is broken and wine shared, exactly as he commanded, in order to evoke and represent the profound significance of what he did. We 'remember' not because we were there and saw it happen, but because (like the dark shadow of war) the event itself still matters, still changes things, still touches our lives.

That kind of 'remembering' demands a response. We should not simply remember the horrors of two world wars as phenomena of the past, but as challenges to us to change the future. To remember and do nothing is not really to remember at all. True remembering changes us, and in changing us it may, please God, eventually change the world.



## 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 TEN WEEPERS

When Isabella of Bourbon, the wife of Charles, Duke of Burgundy, died in 1465, she was laid to rest in St Michael's Abbey, Antwerp, in an imposing tomb surrounded originally by 24 bronze figures. They were lost in the iconoclasm of the 16th century, and then ten of them reappeared in Amsterdam in 1691. Today they are in the Rijksmuseum: attributed to Renier van Thienen in 1476, they are known as the Ten Weepers. They are arrayed in different costumes of the Burgundian court, but the death of a loved one has united them into a group of mourners who represent the sorrow and sense of loss of all who are bereaved.

In this month of November we remember the departed at All Souls, and in this anniversary year of the First World War, we remember particularly those who gave their lives in that conflict. Many who enlisted in August 1914 imagined they would be home by Christmas, and their families were no doubt proud to see them depart for the war front. But pride turned to sorrow as the conflict went on

for four long years, changing the face of Europe, claiming the lives of over 9 million combatants, and bringing sadness and loss to families on both sides of the war. Memorials in villages and towns mark out these deaths and the impact they made on their communities. These ten figures gathered around Isabella's tomb to weep and mourn stand for those grieving families, just as they stand for all of us when we are bereaved. Death unites us because we each have a story to tell of loved ones - parents, partners, children, friends - taken from us by death.

There is an ancient story of a young woman who gave birth to a baby boy. The child grew sick and died, and the mother went mad with sorrow. She went from house to house begging for a medicine that would bring her dead baby back to life. Eventually someone sent her to a holy monk nearby. 'Yes,' he told the mother. 'I know of a medicine. It is the ordinary mustard seed.' Her heart leapt when she heard of the remedy. But the monk continued, 'You must get it from a house where no son or daughter or parent or slave has ever died.'

The mother set out to find such a seed. But wherever she went, she could find no house free from death. Silently and sadly she went into the forest and buried her child. When she returned to the monk, he

asked, 'Have you found the mustard seed?' The mother replied, 'No, master, but I have found the medicine. I have buried my sorrow in the forest and now I am ready to live in peace.'

Sadness and sorrow are part of the human lot. The Ten Weepers in the Rijksmuseum tell us that, just as war memorials and family graves do. The mother in that story felt alone in her sorrow, but as she travelled from house to house, she drew comfort from the well of

sympathy offered by those who opened their doors to her. For in death we can lean on each other for support and strength that will help us to see that death is part of the human pilgrimage. In the company of ten weepers or a hundred, we can find peace and hope as we realise the human pilgrimage here reaches out into the arms of our heavenly Father, whose love and life are eternal.

### **Mary Jones World opens by Lake Bala**

Mary Jones World, a new state-of-the-art visitor and education centre, created by Bible Society on the edge of Lake Bala, was officially opened on Sunday 5 October, the bicentenary of the Rev Thomas Charles's death.

The centre will give people the opportunity to discover the story of Mary Jones and Thomas Charles and learn about the impact of the world's best-selling book. From November to March, the centre will be open to school visits and group bookings only. The centre re-opens to the public in April 2015.

It all began in 1800, when a 15 year-old girl called Mary Jones walked 26 miles from

Llanfihangel-y-Pennant to Bala to purchase a Bible from the Rev Thomas Charles. Mary had saved for six years to pay for the Bible and Thomas Charles was so moved by her determination that he helped establish Bible Society four years later. He is one of a number of notable figures buried in the churchyard at Llanycil.

The new centre will tell the story of Mary Jones and Thomas Charles and give visitors the chance to learn about the Bible's impact in Wales and the rest of the world through engaging and interactive materials.

It is based at St Beuno's Church, which has been a place of Christian worship for more than 1,500 years.



## THE FLYING SCOTSMAN

*Canon David Winter ponders the history of a famous locomotive...do any of our readers have memories of it? Would you like to share them with our other readers?*

Eighty years ago this month, on 30th November 1934, to be precise, a scheduled express train, pulled by a locomotive called the 'Flying Scotsman', broke a notable rail-speed record. On its journey northwards from London Kings Cross to Edinburgh Waverley it touched 100 miles per hour. I was a bit too young to see that journey, but a few years later, perched after school on a wooden fence just north of Wood Green station, I would often watch spellbound with my friends as the same train sped past, a mere matter of yards away from us, belching steam and deafening us with the roar of its wheels and engine. Sometimes the driver or the fireman would wave to us, but the privileged ones in the dining car, already addressing their late cooked breakfast, were oblivious of our envy. It was a highlight of our Saturdays and an unforgettable memory.

To us boys, it was all about noise and power and speed, a magnificent piece of engineering but above all something that had never been done before. These new streamlined locomotives were built for speed, and speed was what they offered. A century earlier people wondered whether it was truly safe to carry passengers in the first steam trains at 60mph. Could the human frame survive at such speeds? It could,

though a few who were not seated safely did blow off the uncovered carriages in the slipstream! Now we could see that 100mph was perfectly possible on land (it had already been done in the air) - and who could imagine what speeds human beings might be able to travel at in the future? The great race for speed, to knock minutes or hours off journey times, had begun.

It has, of course, gone on. We can now travel vast distances by air, getting from London to New York in not much longer than the 'Flying Scotsman' took to get to Edinburgh. We move heaven and earth to save five minutes (and often pay a small fortune for it, as well) and then wonder what to do with the time we've 'saved'. Since those exciting days back in the thirties, I wonder what our obsession with speed has truly added to the sum total of human happiness? Yet I have to admit that there was something special about that great clanging monster, just as there was about the elegant sight of Concorde on its supersonic way across the Atlantic - and I must also admit I would never choose a slower train for a journey.

I suppose it's not so much 'saving time' that matters, as what we do with it when we've saved it. Now there's a thought for the 80th anniversary of a land-speed record!

*By David Winter, former Head of Religious Broadcasting, BBC*

**Baslow Health Centre –  
Church Lane, Baslow**  
[www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk](http://www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk)

**New Patients Welcome**

**Flu Vaccination:** Are you over 65 or have an illness, such as Asthma, Diabetes or Heart condition? Book in for your FLU vaccination. Pregnant ladies are encouraged to have a flu vaccination. Contact the Practice to book and check your eligibility.

**GP Appointments:** can be booked up to 2 weeks in advance via the Internet and 1 week in advance via telephone/reception. **Nurse appointments** can be booked up to 3 months in advance, via telephone/reception.

**Telephone Numbers:**

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

**Normal Surgery Opening Times**

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 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. & 21<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2015

**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](mailto: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.

**Test Results** – 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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## £25 prize for Dales recycling champions

Residents across the Derbyshire Dales are getting a £25 surprise - thanks to their recycling efforts.

Already 15 Dales householders, including Mrs Pat Edmonstone from Ashford-in-the-Water, have been presented with £25 by Derbyshire Dales District Council in a project that encourages local people to recycle more.

Latest official recycling figures from the Rural Services Network show that the Dales is one of the best recycling districts in the whole of England - and recycling and composting rates have rocketed to 56% of all household waste since Serco took over the District Council's household collection contract two years ago.

Every week a Dales household - selected at random - wins £25 if their recycling and food containers are being properly used.

Winners so far have included Ann Edge, Darley Dale; Andrea Harrison, Alport; Patrick Repton, Wirksworth; Georgia Wilson, Ashbourne; Paul Brown, Youlgrave; Sandra Underwood,

Wirksworth; Linda Newton, Over Haddon; Richard Fraser-Smith, Two Dales; David Hoyle, Tideswell; Jennifer Holmes, Matlock; Pat Edmonstone, Ashford in the Water; Charles Hallows, Calver; Jean Dicken, Flaggy; Peter Stocks, Curbar and Alison Hall, Bakewell.

To fund the new project, the District Council is providing cash to match the £3,600 a year contribution made by Serco as part of the waste and recycling contract, which runs until 2020. It means £7,200 is up for grabs every year for local residents and community groups.

In addition to the weekly household reward, £6,000 is available every year in a new Community Grant Fund, with applications welcome from Derbyshire Dales community groups. A maximum of £1,000 will be awarded to each applicant to help fund environmental and recycling projects. Apply for the Community Fund online at [www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/grants](http://www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/grants) Chairman of the District Council's Environment Committee, Councillor Steve Bull said: "It's really pleasing that the recycling message is hitting home across the Derbyshire Dales. We think it's important to make recycling a priority for the 33,000 households we collect from weekly."

# SERVICES & ROTAS FOR NOVEMBER 2014

<u>ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY</u>			<u>FLOWERS</u>	<u>CLEANING</u>
2	9.30am	Holy Communion	Mrs Mather	Sarah & Claire 29 <sup>th</sup> - 1 <sup>st</sup>
9	9.30am	Holy Communion	" "	Judith & Fiona 12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup>
	3pm	<b>Service of Remembrance</b>		
16	9.30am	Holy Communion	Mrs M Fearn	
23	9.30am	Holy Communion	" "	Rupert & Liz 26 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup>
30	9.30am	Holy Communion	No flowers - Advent	
<u>ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR</u>			<u>SIDESMEN</u>	
2	10.45am	Holy Communion All Saints' Sunday	J Bowns/M Pindar	
9	10.15am	Service of Remembrance Pilsley School Yard		
	10.50am	<b>Service of Remembrance</b>	Mrs Thomas + I	
16	10.45am	Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Gordon	
23	10.45am	Holy Communion	J Clarke & M Jackson	
30	10.45am	Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Machin	
<u>COFFEE</u>		<u>CLEANING</u>	<u>FLOWERS</u>	
2	M Douglas/Diana Maskery	Mr & Mrs Carter	Margaret Nelson	
9	Judy & Freddie Harding	M Pindar/J Bowns	Poppies	
16	Mr & Mrs Carter	Mr & Mrs Nelson	Margaret Nelson	
23	Clive & Joy Thrower	Mrs Day/Mrs Walters	Mrs Penrose	
30	Mr & Mrs Bosett	Mr & Mrs Jackson	No flowers - Advent	
7 Dec	Mr & Mrs Sherwood	Mr & Mrs Grimshaw	" "	
<u>READINGS</u>		<u>ST. PETER'S</u>	<u>ST. ANNE'S &amp; SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>	
2	<b>Revelation 7: 9-17</b> <b>Matthew 5: 1-12</b>	Molly Marshall <i>All Saints' Sunday</i>	Anna-Dora Swain <i>Children in service</i>	
9	<b>Amos 5: 18-24</b> <b>Matthew 25: 1-13</b> <b>Wisdom 3: 1-9</b>	Michael Douglas <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	Fiona Swain S.S. Sarah Porter	
16	<b>1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11</b> <b>Matthew 25: 14-30</b>	Diana Walters <i>Second Sunday Before Advent</i>	Sarah Porter S.S. Claire Cadogan	
23	<b>Ephesians 1: 15-23</b>  <b>Matthew 25: 31-46</b>	Margaret Thomas  <i>Feast of Christ the King</i>	Rupert Turner/ Lynda Hinxman-Allegri S.S Fiona Swain	
30	<b>Isaiah 64: 1-9</b> <b>Mark 13: 24-37</b>	Molly Marshall <b>Advent Sunday</b>	Claire Cadogan S.S. Sarah Porter	

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