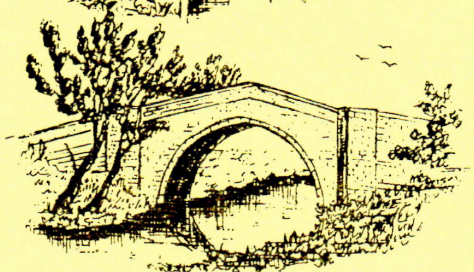
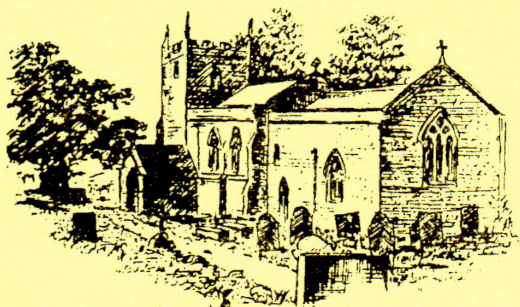


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September 2015

Jackie had reached the age of fifty without being able to swim. She always said it would be good to learn but whenever people offered to teach her, she found reasons not to take up their offers. One day her husband asked, "Do you really want to learn?" At first, Jackie was annoyed at the question. Of course, she'd love to swim, but over the next few days she began to think again. If she was going to learn, it would involve a lot of effort. She would have to get in the pool with complete strangers and risk being laughed at. She'd have to put her head in the water and the thought of that made her stomach turn! She would also have to give up her time – time she could spend relaxing in front of the telly. And then, worst of all, she would be in public in her swimming costume! Jackie had to admit that, if she was honest, she didn't really want to learn to swim. She was quite happy as she was.

In the fifth chapter of St. John's Gospel, Jesus asks a similar question to a paralysed man: "Do you really want to be healed?" In the city of Jerusalem there is a pool called Bethzatha. Feeding that pool was a stream that, on occasion, caused water to bubble up to the surface. Legend had it that this stirring of waters was the result of angelic activity and that the first person to enter the pool after it happened would be healed. The paralysed man had been waiting beside the pool for thirty-eight years without ever finding anyone to help him get into the water in time. In the light of this, Jesus' question is startling. "Do you want to be made well?" he asked the man. We would assume that after thirty-eight years of suffering, he would, of course, wish for healing! Yet there are reasons why he may not have fully wanted it. Once healed, he would no longer be able to beg for a living. He would be forced to provide for himself and that would be a struggle. He would face a very different life and it would be hard to adjust. On the other hand, Jesus may have asked the question because, after so many disappointments, this man had sunk into a state of despondency and no longer believed he could be healed. Perhaps his hope died because it depended upon flawed things: people to help him into the pool and folk tales about healing waters? Whatever the reason behind the question, one thing is clear: Jesus did not want to

force his healing upon this man, but to act in cooperation with him. In this story, it shows that Jesus wanted to establish whether the man was willing to be healed before helping him.

We too, are also given a choice by God as to whether we want his help or not. God has given us all free will, which means that we can choose to follow God or choose to go it alone and reject him. We need to choose to cooperate with God if we wish to see healing and wholeness in our lives; God will not force change upon us. The story about the paralysed man shows us that cooperation with God may involve us taking action: the man was told to stand. We, too, may need to act if we are serious about changing and that can be tough. If we really want healing from an emotional trauma, we may need to seek counselling. If we really want to get to the bottom of a particular problem, we may need to make an appointment to speak with the vicar even if it is going to be embarrassing. Remember, God treats us as his beloved children, not his slaves. We can choose to work with him or choose not to, the choice is ours.

Every Blessing
Canon Dave

St. Peter's Churchyard

A local historian, Prof. Brian Edwards, is writing a book on the social history of the churchyard at St. Peter's. Professor Edwards is asking for anyone who has family buried at St. Peter's and who would like to contribute to his book by giving a brief family history, to put their notes in the red book which can be found on the large table at the back of the church.

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<u>St. Peter's</u>	Treasurer:-	<i>to be confirmed</i>	
	Wardens:-	Elizabeth Bradshaw	01246 582421
		David Jackson	01246 583452
	Treasurer:-	Mark Titterton	01246 582245
		e-mail: mtitterton@btinternet.com	



FROM THE REGISTERS
ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR
WEDDINGS



18th July ~ Aidan Philip Grice Jewell & Alexandra Winnie Luk

1st August ~ Joshua Alan Teece & Beverley Michelle Wong

22nd August ~ Mark Vernon Ole's & Gemma Anne Johnson

BURIAL

6th August ~ Anne Coombe aged 96years

This was a private family service, a memorial service to celebrate Anne Coombe's life will be held on Friday 20th November

RIP



BAPTISM

15th August ~ Willow Georgia Dobinson



PILSLEY VILLAGE FAIR & WELL DRESSING

A huge thank you to everyone who helped to make this year's event such a great success, with special thanks to Jonathan Moseley who officially opened the Fair, crowned the Village Queen and even managed to have a look round the stalls and make some purchases.

The money raised on the day was around £2,700 - an increase on last year's amount.

Thanks to those who helped with the Well Dressing and the gathering of the flowers, seeds etc. used in it. The money raised from the main well was £252, which will be divided between a water related charity and a local charity.

It was a lovely village event and clearly locals and visitors alike had a highly enjoyable time.

Dates for your Diary -September

- 7 **Coffee Morning** - Bakewell Town Hall 10am - 12noon 'Peter's Wells for Africa' Stalls & Refreshments available (see p.10)
- 8 **BEELEY WI Monthly Meeting** - Peak Ales Brewery tour and tasting of some of our local ales.
Nibbles & raffle: Janet

St. Anne's, Beeley

Sunday 13th September ~ 3.30pm

Pet Service & Dedication and Blessing of the new lavatory

- 14 **BEELEY Parish Council Meeting** - 7.30pm Beeley Village Hall
- 16 **CHATSWORTH WI Monthly Meeting**
7pm Edensor Tea Cottage
Speaker: Pat Hall - Life can be funny
Competition: Little Bell Vote of Thanks: Pat Brown
- 18 **St. Peter's Church** - Visiting Bellringers from Crediton, Devon 3-3.45pm

St. Peter's, Edensor

Sunday 20th September 6pm

Choral Evensong with Musicwork Choir

A truly wonderful group of singers and a traditional Evensong Service

Be sure to put this date in your diary and come along!

St. Anne's church needs more people to go on their flower arranging list, so if you enjoy arranging flowers and would like to put your name on the rota please contact the churchwardens at St. Anne's, Canon Dave, Gladys Hopkins or Liz Bradshaw (editor of 'The Bridge').

Early Notice

17th October in the Painted Hall, Chatsworth - Steeton Male Voice Choir (See page 8 for details)

St. Peter's Church 100 Club July Draw 2015

1st Prize £30 - no. 20 Margaret Nelson

2nd Prize £20 - no. 47 Kathy Twelves

Funds to church this month - £47

We still need another 3 members for this year.

If you are interested please ring 01246 583856.

Thank you, Ann Hall

High Peak Women's Refuge

This month we are going to be collecting for:

'Back to School' - e.g.

notebooks, pencils,

crayons,

plimsols, socks,

school wear,

school bags etc.



The Chatsworth Festival- Art Out Loud

18-20 September 2015

A new addition to the arts scene – the first literary festival dedicated to art, featuring speakers who make, curate and write about art – ***The Chatsworth Festival - Art Out Loud*** is taking place this September at Chatsworth, Derbyshire, home of the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire.

The Festival is offering a stellar line-up of over 20 speakers, from Grayson Perry and Jonathan Yeo to the Duke of Devonshire and Tim Marlow (Royal Academy of Arts and curator of the major forthcoming Ai Weiwei exhibition), with Hannah Rothschild (*Improbability of Love*) and Esther Freud (*Mr Mac and Me*).

Talks will take place on the private South Lawn of Chatsworth and in its charming 19th century Theatre. Meanwhile, in the wonderful garden (designed by Lancelot “Capability” Brown and Joseph Paxton), you can see Sotheby’s exhibition of monumental sculpture, *Beyond Limits*, celebrating its 10th

Anniversary. Throughout the House the hugely successful *Make Yourself Comfortable* exhibition of contemporary designer seating will continue to fascinate visitors.

Tickets cost £12.50 per talk and include **free entry to the garden** (including *Beyond Limits*) and discounted entry to the House. More information about the programme of talks – and about buying tickets – can be found online www.chatsworth.org/chatsworth-festival.

HOUSE | GARDEN | FARMYARD | PARK

The Chatsworth Festival - Art Out Loud

18 - 20 September 2015

Talks by art's makers, curators and writers

Book now

Art Out Loud - a new literary festival with a difference; all the speakers have a connection with the art world.

Over 20 speakers, including Grayson Perry, Will Gompertz, Esther Freud, Hannah Rothschild and The Duke of Devonshire.

All tickets are £12.50 and include entry to Chatsworth Garden and Sotheby's *Beyond Limits* sculpture exhibition on the day.

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Saturday 12th September - Sponsored Ride & Stride

St. Peter's Church will be open on Saturday 12th September to welcome Riders and Striders. On this day people from across Derbyshire set out on foot or bicycle to visit as many churches as possible to raise money for the Derbyshire Churches and Chapels Preservation Trust. St. Peter's Edensor has received financial support from the Trust in the past. If you would like to join in to raise money in this way, or to sponsor someone else, information on open churches and sponsorship forms are available at:

www.derbyshirehistoricbuildings.org.uk/bikeride.php



1915 FOR 100 YEARS 2015

Women's Institute turns 100

100 years ago this month, on the 16th of September 1915, a small group of women met in Anglesey, and the Women's Institute was born.

With the First World War raging, they had priorities: to encourage women to keep the rural communities going, and to produce food.

As the years have gone by, the WI has acted like social jam across the UK – sweetening and enriching the life of rural communities. It has acted like social eggs and flour, combining together women of good intent to produce some excellent community efforts of substance.

Nowadays the WI still excels in excellent food – but also offers classes on everything from floral arrangements to astronomy, dancing to earthquakes. As the largest voluntary women's organisation in the UK, with 212,000 members in around 6,600 local WIs, it has a lot to celebrate. See more at: www.thewi.org.uk

Local Groups

Our own WI groups at Beeley and Chatsworth always welcome new members. For more information contact:

Beeley Group - Sarah Porter 01629 732365

Chatsworth Group - Anne Hayes 01246 221 898

Peak Cycle Shuttle gives riders a lift

A new cycle shuttle service has been launched, designed to promote the benefits of cycling by offering a safe and comfortable link between two of the Peak District's largest towns and its miles of traffic-free cycle routes.

The Peak Cycle Shuttle will collect passengers, including local residents and visitors, from railway stations at Matlock and Buxton. The vehicle is equipped to carry passengers and bikes, with a driver on hand to assist with loading.

Avoiding the need to cycle on roads, the service will offer at least four hours to explore some of the most beautiful routes in the UK:

- **High Peak Trail:** a 17-mile route between Cromford and Dowlow, offering big skies and expansive views across to the Staffordshire moorlands. Use the shuttle to travel from Matlock to Middleton Top, or from Buxton to Parsley Hay to access the High Peak Trail
- **Monsal Trail:** 8.5-mile route between Bakewell and Wyedale, once part of the Derby to Manchester Railway, passing through six railway tunnels. A great option for families, the shuttle can connect from Matlock to Bakewell, or from Buxton to Wyedale, to access this trail
- **Tissington Trail:** 13-mile route from Parsley Hay to Ashbourne that once formed the Ashbourne branch of the High Peak Railway. It passes through the estate village of Tissington and ends in Ashbourne, home of the famous Shrovetide football match. Take the shuttle from Matlock or Buxton to Parsley Hay

For people arriving by train, the service is designed to connect with train arrival and departure times. Operating Wednesday to Sunday, tickets start from £7 return per adult or £3.50 per child under 14.

For those without their own bikes, the Peak Cycle Shuttle also takes passengers from Matlock and Buxton to cycle hire centres at Parsley Hay, close to the High Peak or Tissington trails, or Fairholmes in the Upper Derwent Valley, near to the trails that run alongside the Ladybower, Derwent and Howden reservoirs. Cycle hire prices start from £13 per adult or £9 per child. Passengers arriving on the shuttle will enjoy a 10% discount at the hire centres, which stock a range of cycles, tandems and accessories such as child buggies and baby seats.

The service, operated by Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport with support from the Peak District National Park Authority, will run until the end of October 2015. To book, visit <https://peakdistrict.cinolla.com/cycleshuttle>. Further information is at www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/cycleshuttle

AUTUMN CONCERT
IN THE
PAINTED HALL AT CHATSWORTH
STEETON MALE VOICE CHOIR
SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER AT 7.30PM

There will be a concert in the Painted Hall at Chatsworth on Saturday 17th October at 7.30pm by the renowned Steeton Male Voice Choir, which is a 75-strong choir based in North Yorkshire, and of which the Duchess of Devonshire is the Patron. Tickets are limited, and are priced at £25 each, to include a glass of wine or juice. Money raised will go towards the upkeep of St Peter's Church, Edensor, here on the Chatsworth Estate.

This promises to be a magical evening, and tickets are available from:

Christine Robinson 01246 582938 chris.robinson@w3z.co.uk;

Liz Bradshaw 01246 582421 or David Jackson 01246 583452





Sales in
the last
two
months

totalled £1,132 helped by £33 at the Methodist Church Coffee Morning, £119 at the Baslow Senior Citizens meeting, and £16 at the Bakewell Choral Society Concert.

The new Autumn/Winter catalogue is now available so please ask me for a copy if you haven't already got one. The full Christmas range is available including cards and Real Advent Calendars. In the grocery section there are a few new products including many cafédirect coffees (P74) and some new organic herbal teas (P76). There are very few price changes and they are in both directions for different items.

Look out especially for the Christmas candles and decorations on P14/15, the nativity sets on P18/19 and the

specialist foods on P25-27. There are some beautiful duvet sets (P41,43,45) and many and varied scarves and shawls; and don't forget the bamboo socks (P56,59) which are very popular indeed.

The theme for the catalogue is 'Show you care'. It matters that we put our considerable spending power to good use to help those in the greatest need. Not only does Traidcraft sell the best of fairtrade products, it also lobbies on behalf of the world's most under privileged people and runs many life changing projects in the world's poorest countries. None of this would be possible without you.

Dates for your diaries - Oct 17th and Nov 14th, Sales in the Newark Room, All Saints' Church, Bakewell.

Peter Bird (01629 813087 –
pabird@gmail.com)

Here is a little limerick based on a favourite Sunday School story – that of Balaam and his talking donkey. You can find it in Numbers 22.

by Nigel Beeton

Balaam's Donkey

A prophet called Balaam one day
Took his donkey away from its hay.
When Balaam said "Go!"
The donkey said "No!"
"There's an Angel of God in the way!"

BAKEWELL & ASHFORD FILM SOCIETY

September 13th 2015

The Grand Budapest Hotel (2014, USA, Germany, UK) Cert. 15. 99 minutes
Adventure, Comedy, Drama

The adventures of Gustave H, a legendary concierge at a famous hotel from the fictional Republic of Zubrowka between the first and second World Wars, and Zero Moustafa, the lobby boy who becomes his most trusted friend.

WATER FOR AFRICA

Peter's Wells For Africa is a charitable venture providing clean water to schools and villages in Africa. Started by Bakewell residents Peter and Debra Stone in 2012 the project seeks to ensure that African communities never have to walk miles to collect dirty and infected water again. Peter spent time working in East Africa ten years ago and saw, at first hand, the difference that clean water makes to whole communities.

Peter's Wells For Africa has already installed rainwater harvesting systems at four schools in East Africa and has helped fund a solar powered borehole which supplies water to Ikonge - a town of 6,000 people in Kenya.

Peter's Wells For Africa is currently raising funds to install a further rainwater system at Takitech School in the Western Rift Valley of Kenya and, as part of this fundraising there will be a coffee morning in Bakewell Town Hall on **Monday 7 September from 10.00 to 12.00**. Please come along and support this vital local venture.

Jeff Marsh



Jobs and hope to the British Countryside

The Prince's Countryside Fund has confirmed that Germinate Enterprise is one of 15 projects it is supporting in its latest round of funding.

Developed by The Arthur Rank Centre, it is a practical business start-up course designed to be run by any rural community group or place of worship.

The programme aims to help participants decide whether to start

a business or become self-employed, what the right business is for them, and whether their idea is viable; whilst creating a short business plan.

Germinate Enterprise aims to tackle hidden rural poverty, retain working age and young people in our villages, assist in farm diversification and take advantage of high speed rural broadband as this becomes available. Further details: <http://arthurrankcentre.org.uk/communities-and-farming/germinate-enterprise>

The Feeding of the 5000

Paul Hardingham

This month sees the start a new series on Scripture Union's Top Ten Must Know Stories. These were voted by parents and teachers as the most important Bible stories to share with the next generation. We begin with the feeding of the 5000, a story found in all four gospels and telling us important truths about Jesus and our relationship with Him.

Jesus and His disciples were confronted with a huge crowd (at least 10,000 including the women and children) in a lonely place with no food! When the disciples suggested that He send them away, Jesus challenged them: 'you give them something to eat' (Matthew 14:16). When we see the spiritual needs of own community, Jesus challenges us with the same words! So how do we respond?

Look with compassion: 'When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, He had compassion on them' (14). Do we see people in the same way, those in all kinds of need, often lacking meaning and

purpose in their lives? Unless we feel the needs as Jesus did, we cannot respond to those we meet at work, school, or in our community.

Respond in obedience: The disciples simply offered what they had to Jesus: 'Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, He gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then He gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.' (19).

When meeting the needs of others we simply offer to Jesus what we have, however insignificant it may seem, for Him to multiply to feed the crowd. He will use our plans, skills, time and energy. However, it is often only when we come to the end of ourselves, that God's power can be released through us.



Home, warm home?

Do you wear a thick jumper at home, now that the days are cooler and the nights are drawing in? Probably not. It seems that we are keeping our homes an average of 4°C warmer than we did in the 1970s. A recent government study has found that nowadays we prefer our homes at 63.8°F (17.7°C), compared with 56.6°F (13.7°C) in 1970. It seems that people back in 1970 had "very different expectations of thermal comfort."

THE WAY I SEE IT:

What is Beauty?

Canon David Winter wonders how to describe beauty....

When we look at a landscape, mountains or lakes and describe the scene as 'beautiful', what do we actually mean? That it is pleasing to the eye? That it speaks to some inner sense of order, tranquility and peace? That it arouses in us feelings of admiration or joy? That it evokes a sense of awe?

What makes something beautiful is a very difficult question to answer, because we apply it to so many different things: a human face, a flower, a piece of music, a painting or sculpture, a sunset and even a cover-drive at cricket. Beauty is something we recognize, but can't really define. Not everything beautiful is 'pretty' (think of some of Picasso's paintings!). 'Beauty is in the eye of the beholder', we say – a matter of individual taste. In that case, it's surprising that almost everyone would agree with the most common assertions of beauty, whether scenes of nature or works of art.

My own suspicion is that beauty is linked to awe. 'Awe' is the recognition of something beyond our normal experience. The dictionary defines 'awe' in terms of 'respect', and that perhaps begins to capture how we feel when we encounter beauty.

This is 'beyond' us, something which we can enjoy with others without being able to analyse it. It shares something with religious or mystical experiences.

The poet John Keats attempted a definition: 'Beauty is truth, truth beauty'. There is undoubtedly a sense in which beauty speaks of truth, because surely beauty exists when great concepts of light and shade, form and contour, colour and context - truths of our human experience - work perfectly together.

The opposite of truth is falsehood, and there is nothing false about a thing of beauty. The Bible speaks of the 'beauty of holiness'. Could it be that there is also a 'holiness of beauty'? For those who believe in a Creator God, there is something truly awesome about the fact that the created world is so indescribably beautiful.

Is a snow-flake an evolutionary accident? Or a starry night? Or an open rose in the garden? Why does God bother making things beautiful? It's an intriguing question! Perhaps, like us, He simply enjoys it.

Christenings – a positive choice

Each week there are more than 2,200 Church of England christenings across the country, attended by an estimated quarter of a million people.

Research for the Archbishops' Council has shown what makes parents decide to have a christening - 89% said that it was an essential foundation for life, giving their child a good start in life and seeking God's blessing. Being surrounded by family and friends is also really important – and godparents are some of the most important people involved, with 91% of families saying they are an influence on the decision to have their child christened.

Respondents to the survey talked about how it was important to have godparents to lead their children down the right path in life. One said: "A godparent is someone who is actively involved in a child's life and is there for them. To us, choosing a godparent was someone who would be there for our children, who are responsible, sensible and supportive individuals who would want the best for them."

Canon Dr Sandra Millar, who heads up the work said: "Having a

baby baptised at a christening is the start of an amazing journey of faith. Helping children to grow up well is a big task, and knowing that they are surrounded by family, friends, godparents and the local church family to support and pray for them is something many families find special and helpful.

"Our research showed parents have serious spiritual reasons for wanting a child baptised, and whilst they may not always use church language to express that, the longing for support, blessing and a foundation of faith provide a great place to start a life-long journey of discovery."

The Rev Kate Bottley who is part of the baptisms project for the Church of England said: "I talk to mums and dads about why they're bringing babies to be baptised and they're deeply serious about giving their children the best start in life. They're looking for God's blessing, they're looking for protection and they're looking for the best start in the Christian faith."



For more details: <https://churchofenglandchristenings.org>

PATRIOTISM IS NOT ENOUGH – a tribute to Edith Cavell

Canon David Winter looks back on a most courageous nurse of WWI...

In September 1915, at the height of the battles in Belgium and Flanders, a British nurse working in a Belgian hospital was arrested by the Germans and charged with treason.

Edith Cavell had resided and worked in Belgium for seven years after training at the London Hospital in Whitechapel (now the 'Royal London') and working in several hospitals in England. Now, as the brutal conflict raged around her and the German army occupied most of Belgium, she determined to do all she could to save the lives of those caught up in the fighting, whatever their nationality.

She provided shelter and medical care for Germans, Belgians, French and British troops. In the latter two cases she also – and this was the core of her offence – assisted them in escaping from areas occupied by the German forces and making their way back to their homelands.

Her motivation for this was entirely Christian. The daughter of a vicar, she had enthusiastically embraced the faith for herself, and now saw that the time had come to put the principles of the gospel to practical effect. Her own home became a secret staging post for escapees, but she did this not to 'take sides' but out of concern for the young men involved. She took a high

view of her vocation as a nurse, seeing it as a calling that transcended racial and national barriers. For her, healing and rescue were simply part of the calling to be a good neighbour.

Those arguments didn't, of course, carry much weight with the German occupying power. As a Belgian resident, she was charged with treason, an offence which carried a death penalty. Her trial was widely reported, and there were many diplomatic moves made on her behalf, especially by the Americans (then neutrals in the conflict), but they fell on deaf ears.

She was found guilty and sentenced to death. On 12th October 1915, at the age of 49, she was executed by a firing squad, to world-wide condemnation. Nor was Edith Cavell's death to be forgotten. After the War her body was brought back to Britain and a service of commemoration held in Westminster Abbey. Her body was reburied in the grounds of Norwich cathedral, near the village of her birth.

A statue which stands in St Martin's Place, Trafalgar Square, London commemorates the life of this woman who gave herself totally to her calling – a pioneer of modern nursing methods as well as an heroic war-time figure. The statue records her most famous saying, words which capture the heart of her commitment: 'Patriotism is not enough. I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone.'

**Edith Cavell is commemorated in the Anglican Church Calendar on December 12th.*

Get ready for the Rugby World Cup!

Stuart Weir looks forward to the major tournament...

The eighth Rugby Union World Cup takes place in England (and Wales) this September and October. The tournament starts with England taking on Fiji at Twickenham on Friday 18th September and concludes with the final, also at Twickenham, on Saturday 31st October.

Twenty teams from around the world including England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, will play in four pools of five teams with the top two progressing to the quarter finals and potentially the semi-finals and final. Only in 2003 when Jonny Wilkinson's drop-goal gave England victory, has a British team been World Cup winners.

One man who knows what the feeling of winning the World Cup is South Africa and Ulster scrum half, Ruan Pienaar: "That is the thing every player dreams off, to play for your country and then to win the World Cup. It was just an amazing, amazing experience. It was a great honour and privilege to be part of a great squad that managed to lift the trophy."

Pienaar has a strong Christian faith, which, he feels, gives him perspective: "It gives me a real

sense of freedom to know that Jesus died on the cross for me and to know that I am free. Sometimes you get so caught up in the worldly things and what people think about you but at the end of the day, it is not what people think about you but what God thinks about you that matters".

Another Christian to look out for is Billy Vunipola, who was born in Australia of Tongan parents but is now very much part of the England Rugby set-up. The Saracens' back-row player has lived in the UK since he was six.

He says: "Knowing that Jesus is with me makes me a stronger person, a more confident person. Not arrogant, but just knowing that whatever I do, try or attempt to do, even if it doesn't come off, I'll always have God to lean back on, and I know if it didn't go my way there must be a reason."

The quotations from Billy Vunipola are from an interview with David Stretton-Downes on behalf of Engage 2015, a cross-denominational campaign set up to help UK churches engage in mission during and after Rugby World Cup 2015. Follow @Engage2015 or visit www.engagemediahub.com to watch the full interview.

So you think you're so smart...

What makes you feel smarter than you really are? Simple - browsing the internet, where you have the world's knowledge at your fingertips.

A study at Yale University has found that browsing the internet for information gives people a 'wildly inaccurate' view of their own intelligence – which could well lead them into trouble, because they think they know more about a subject that they really do. (On the other hand,

reading a book on a subject tends to leave us with a more realistic idea of just how much we know.)

Meanwhile, the growing use of smartphones only increases the illusion that you are all-knowing.

“With the internet, the line becomes blurry between what you know, and what you think you know,” said one scientist. This could be dangerous for people who are making decisions which will have a big impact on their lives.

Operation Christmas Child launches search for everyone who has ever packed a Shoebox

As part of this year's Operation Christmas Child campaign, the charity Samaritan's Purse is launching a nation-wide search for anyone who has ever packed a shoebox with them. It wants to hear from them.

Samaritan's Purse UK Executive Director Simon Barrington explains: “Where and when did they pack it,? What they included, was there something particularly special they remember about their experience? We want to hear their stories of the impact it's had on them and why they got involved.”

In the two decades since Operation Christmas Child began, 124 million children have received shoebox gifts in Jesus' name. “It's a great way for all of us to make a difference in a child's

life, to share God's love, to let them know they are not forgotten.”

Samaritan's Purse plans to capture and share stories and photographs of everyone who's ever been involved, and to bring to life online and through social media, what Operation Christmas Child has meant to so many people.

There is also encouragement for everyone who has ever done a shoebox to get involved in this year's campaign: “Last year we were able to distribute more than 10 million shoebox gifts to children all over the world, some of whom live in the darkest of places. This year we want to reach a million more precious children with a simple shoebox gift. With your help and prayers, we will.”

Tell us your story and help us to find everyone who has ever packed a shoebox! Go to www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/yourshoeboxstory

What goes into the box is fun, what comes out is eternal...

Murder most popular

Here is a short tribute to Agatha Christie

It is curious that a woman who spent years thinking up ingenious ways to kill people should be so loved by us, even 125 years after her birth.

Yet Agatha Christie's crime/mystery stories made her the best-selling writer of all time. Born into a wealthy middle-class family in Devon on 15th September, 1890, Agatha Christie's first published novel in 1920 introduced Hercule Poirot to the world. Soon Miss

Marple joined him, and the rest is history. Christie's 66 detective novels and 14 short story collections have sold two billion copies, just behind the Bible and Shakespeare. Her play, the Mousetrap, was the world's longest-running play.

Why does murder and detection appeal to so many millions of us at the end of a busy day, as we slump over our meal in front of the TV? Perhaps it is our anticipation that no matter how bad things are, that in the end, evil will not beat goodness, but instead truth will triumph. Sounds like an echo of the Christian message.

Smile...

And the congregation replied...

Down in the southern United States, there are many churches known as 'answer back' churches. When the preacher says something, the congregation naturally replies.

One Sunday, a preacher was speaking on what it would take for the church to become better. He said: "If this church is to become better, it must take up its bed, and walk." The congregation intoned: "Let it walk, Preacher, let it walk."

Encouraged by their response, he went further. "If this church is going to become better, it will have to throw aside its hindrances and run!" The congregation chanted: "Let it run, preacher, let it run!"

Now really into his message, he declared: "If this church really wants to become great, it will have to take up its wings and fly!" "Let it fly, Preacher, let it fly!" the congregation shouted.

The Preacher then bellowed: "If this church is going to fly, it will cost money!"

Whereupon the congregation murmured softly: "Let it walk, Preacher, let it walk."

GOD AND THE ARTS

Michael Burgess continues his look at great works of Christian art. You can see the image described by googling 'Vase of Flowers' by Jan Davidsz de Heem.

'HE GAVE US EYES TO SEE THEM': 'VASE OF FLOWERS' BY JAN DAVIDSZ DE HEEM.

In this month of September we give thanks for God's blessings in all that the earth yields us. Those blessings are focused in this wonderful painting of Jan Davidsz de Heem. He was born in Utrecht in Holland in 1606 and studied art under his father's guidance. De Heem then moved to Antwerp, where for the rest of his life he created paintings of such beauty and depth that one of them – a portrait of Prince William III surrounded by blossoms and fruits - received the highest price ever paid for a painting at that time.

In the 'Vase of Flowers' de Heem has gathered together a bouquet of variegated flowers and plants for our delight. Time stands still in his painting in two ways. First, these thirty-one blooms could never have flowered at the same time, but through the magical touch of the artist, they do for us. Caught on canvas, they are as fresh and vibrant as the day they were painted in 1645.

But there are signs that the gifts of nature do wither and die as we look closely and see on the marble slab a snail. Nearby is a salamander eyeing

his next meal as a spider hangs on a thread from one of the flowers. In the centre another snail looks at his food, the beautiful and rare red and white tulips. Yet we look again and see also signs of new life: the reeds of wheat are symbols of the Eucharistic bread; the caterpillar and butterfly on the striking white poppy at the top are signs of resurrection; and the peas in their pod and the blackberries mark out the fruitfulness of creation.

The artist shows us a glorious range of flowers – some well-known, others more exotic and brought back to Holland through the colonial expansion of the 16th century. Tulips and poppies dominate, but to the left are small scented roses. Each is a testimony to the beauty and goodness of the world we live in.

One hundred years later, Christopher Smart wrote in 'Jubilate Agno': 'For the flowers are great blessings...For the flower glorifies God...For the flowers are peculiarly the poetry of Christ.'

And 200 years later Gerard Manley Hopkins wrote: 'I do not think I have ever seen anything more beautiful than the bluebell I have been looking at. I know the beauty of our Lord by it.'

And we, in our own century, can echo poet and painter as we praise God, the author of such flowers and plants that make up a world of 'all things bright and beautiful.'



Credit Unions - community banking for all

This event is aimed at people living or working in High Peak and Derbyshire Dales who want to know more about Credit Unions.

Run by Derby Diocese in partnership with colleagues from Financial Action and Advice Derbyshire, and with the support of Derby University. Chaired by Steve Fisher, Churches Together in Buxton.

Beginning with short presentations from colleagues from Manchester and Erewash (Derbyshire Community Bank) Credit Unions at 1pm followed by a buffet lunch.

There will also be displays and information stands.

Wednesday 30 September 2015 at 12.45pm

In the University Dome, Buxton, Derbyshire, SK17 6RY

Book by 23 September 2015. Go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/credit-unions-community-banking-for-all-tickets-17585393385?utm> or tel Rita Brierley on 01332 388684.

This event is free of charge.

Get ready for money meltdown

The last week in September could well be the worst week in your year for financial worries. That is the time when children have just returned to school, universities are opening, and suddenly Christmas spending looms.

Retrospectively, the cost of the summer bill for child-care and that

holiday (where you spent too much) are coming in, as well as the recent outlay you had to make on school uniforms or settling your offspring into life at Uni. Then, for commuters, there is the increased use of transport, plus rising fuel costs as the cooler weather sets in. All in all, beware a money meltdown, warns Prof Geoff Beattie, of Manchester University, who has done a study to identify times of financial stress.

Baslow Health Centre – Church Lane, Baslow

www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

New Patients Welcome

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.

Clinical Practitioner: Alison Ward our Clinical Practitioner, can assess your health care needs using her highly developed clinical knowledge and skills, make a diagnosis, discuss and plan treatment options with you and she can also prescribe any necessary medication.

Alison is trained and experienced in managing Patients Chronic conditions, such as Heart, Respiratory conditions and can manage patients with multiple conditions, and will be working as part of our Practice Team, with the aim of providing you with a greater choice of which health professional you wish to see about your health needs.

The next time you need to make an appointment, why not ask the receptionist if the Clinical Practitioner can help you! Alison will work full days on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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 – 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 half day closures for training are Wednesday afternoons 14th Oct & 11th Nov.

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 T.01246 582274 Virtual members welcome. Meetings: 14th July, 8th September and 10th November 2015

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 when we are closed call 111

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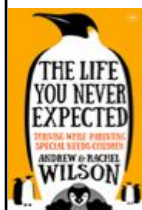
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Book Review



The Life You Never Expected: thriving while parenting special needs children

*By Andrew and Rachel
Wilson, IVP, £8.99*

Sometimes you end up living the life you never expected. When Andrew and Rachel found out that one, and then both, of their children had severe autism, their world was turned on its head.

This is a book about surviving, and thriving, when something goes horribly wrong. It is a mixture of

their story and God's story, and the way in which His has shaped theirs.

With clarity and biblical insight, they share their experience of grief and worship, struggle and hope. As well as reflecting on the specific challenges of raising children with special needs, they speak to broader questions as well: the problem of suffering, building a marriage under pressure, fighting for joy and trusting in the goodness of God.

This is not just a book for families and friends of special needs children, but for all who have been thrown a curve ball in life, and need to know how to lament, worship, pray and hope.

If you would like to advertise your business in this magazine please contact the editor: Liz Bradshaw for details of prices etc.

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SERVICES & ROTAS FOR SEPTEMBER 2015

<u>ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY</u>		<u>FLOWERS</u>	<u>CLEANING</u>
6	9.30am Holy Communion	Mrs Swain	9 th -12 th Fiona S & Claire
13	9.30am Holy Communion	“ “	
	3.30pm Pet Service & Dedication and Blessing of new lavatory		
20	9.30am Holy Communion	Mrs Mather	23 rd -26 th Rupert & Liz
27	9.30am Holy Communion	“ “	
<u>ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR</u>		<u>SIDESMEN</u>	
6	10.45am Holy Communion	Mrs Thomas plus one	
13	10.45am Matins	Mr & Mrs Gordon	
20	10.45am Holy Communion & Baptism	Mrs Clarke & Mrs Jackson	
	6pm Choral Evensong		
27	10.45am Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Machin	
	<u>COFFEE</u>	<u>CLEANING</u>	<u>FLOWERS</u>
6	Roy & Pat Bosett	Mrs Day/Mrs Walters	Wilma Day
13	Mr & Mrs Sherwood	Mr & Mrs Jackson	Cynthia Gordon
20	Clive & Joy Thrower	Mr & Mrs Grimshaw	Mrs Penrose
27	M Douglas/D Maskery	Mr & Mrs Wardle	Christine Robinson
	<u>READINGS</u>	<u>ST. PETER'S</u>	<u>ST. ANNE'S & SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>
6	Isaiah 35: 4-7a Mark 7: 24-37	Diana Walters <i>Trinity Fourteen</i>	Evie Berkley-Smith <i>Children in Service</i>
13	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Mark 8: 27-38	Margaret Thomas <i>Trinity Fifteen</i>	Sarah Porter <i>SS Claire Cadogan</i>
20	Jeremiah 11: 18-20 Mark 9: 30-37	Molly Marshall <i>Trinity Sixteen</i>	Rupert Turner <i>SS Sarah Porter</i>
27	James 5: 13-20 Mark 9: 38-50	Christine Robinson <i>Trinity Seventeen</i>	Fiona Lichfield <i>SS Claire Cadogan</i>

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