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Bob Geldof was a singer in a rock band. Then one evening in 1984 he saw a TV news broadcast showing victims of famine in Ethiopia. Immediately he knew he had to do something. Bob Geldof would never have accepted comparison with Old Testament prophets like Isaiah but in fact it is a very fair comparison, for here was a man suddenly called by tragic events to stand before the world's leaders and tell them to act more justly towards poorer nations.

What happened next?

The task snowballed and it is no exaggeration to say that, for a few years, aid to the developing world took over the rock singer's life – to a degree that he could never have imagined possible. If he had known the consequences to his private life and personal ambitions, would he have volunteered in the first place? You may assume he would have: all that notoriety, all that kudos, an honorary knighthood, and so forth? But remember one thing: this wasn't his chosen path. Geldof was first and foremost a musician. He has admitted in interviews that it often saddens him how he will be remembered for organising gigantic fund-raising concerts with the help of fellow pop stars, when he really would like to be remembered as a musician.

I wonder what hopes and dreams some of the first disciples had for their lives? We know Simon was married and probably looking forward to growing old in tranquillity with his wife, children and grandchildren. We know Zebedee already had hired hands working for him. James and John had great ambitions to help their father's fishing business grow into a large commercial enterprise that would ease unemployment in the villages around the Sea of Galilee. In whatever way these men pictured the future, it wasn't to be. All bets were off once Jesus walked along the seashore and called them to follow him. We are told in the Gospels that "they immediately left their nets and followed him." They left their families, they left their family business, they left everything that had contributed to making them the people they were. That is how it must have been for Bob Geldof. That film report on the TV in 1984 from Ethiopia was the voice of a call he couldn't ignore, and immediately his whole life was changed for ever.

In two world wars ordinary people heard the call to fight for freedom and for their homeland. Many others since then have joined the armed forces and answered the call to battle. Amateur or professional, part-time or extensively trained for a career in the services, the call, when it comes, is still intensely personal, highly charged and leading to a new life.

All Christians live the life of the called. We are in service, never sure what the future holds, always ready to hear the call – to help a neighbour, to love our enemy, to leave our nets and step onto a different shore. For many whom we will remember on Sunday 12th November (Remembrance Sunday), that new life was indeed on another shore, hidden from our eyes but never far removed from our prayers, our sorrow and our gratitude.

Every Blessing
Canon Dave

FROM THE REGISTERS



ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR

BAPTISMS

24th September ~ Oliver Frank Mahajan

20th September ~ Lily Sylvia Murray

1st October ~ Henry Arthur O'Donnell

WEDDING

14th October ~ Thomas Edward Johnson & Natalie Jade Bailey

INTERMENT OF ASHES

25th September ~ Iola Symonds

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY

MARRIAGE BLESSINGS

30th September ~ Bryan Jex & Joanne Lesley Tester

21st October ~ Nicholas Paul Sims & Victoria Sarah Pooley

FUNERAL SERVICE FOLLOWED BY BURIAL

10th October ~ Bernard Goodwin aged 85years



Dates for your Diary - November

- 4 Wedding - St. Peter's 2pm** Stephen Davies & Tracey Fidler
- 14 BEELEY WI Monthly Meeting - 7.30pm** Beeley Village Hall
Flower Arranging - you can make that beautiful display - Margaret Nelson
Tea & Raffle: Edna and Sheila
- 15 CHATSWORTH WI Monthly Meeting - 7pm** Edensor Tea Cottage
Speaker: Heather Vickers - Christmas hands-on
Competition: Best made item
Vote of thanks: Sue Smith Teas: Irene Morris & Anne Hayes
- 16* PILSLEY CofE School Christmas Fair in School 4.30 - 6.30pm**
- 20 BEELEY PARISH COUNCIL Meeting - 7.30pm** Beeley Village Hall
- 21 BEELEY HERITAGE GROUP - 7.30pm** Beeley Village Hall
Talk on 'My Life as a Funeral Director' by Russell Davidson



Pilsley CofE School

Christmas Fair

16th November in School



Refreshments; tombola; crafts; games; Phoenix cards; and much, much
more, come along and see for yourself! Free entry!

Early Notices

St. Peter's Church, Edensor

Saturday 9th December 7.30pm

Hallamshire Military Concert Band

'Music for Christmas'

Tickets £10

&

St. Peter's Carol Service

20th December 7.30pm

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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 13th November.**

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

ADVENT SERVICE OF LIGHT
ST. PETER'S CHURCH ~ 3RD DECEMBER 6PM

A candlelit service to mark the beginning of the Christian year, this service will include anthems sung by the Derbyshire Singers, Advent hymns, readings and prayers.



EVERYONE WELCOME



ADVENT CANDLES

Candles in memory of loved ones, a special anniversary or event, will be lit at Church Services during Advent.

If you would like to buy a candle they cost £5 each. For more information or to order a candle please contact Margaret Nelson or Margaret Jackson.

Careful! There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. 'Is there anything breakable in here?' asked the postal clerk.

The lady thought for a moment, and replied: 'Only the Ten Commandments.'

Edensor Village Day

On Wednesday 10th October, at Edensor Tea Cottage, Diane Naylor welcomed village residents and those who had helped with Edensor Day and introduced Jade Hearsum from Weston Park Hospital and Peter Corbett



Peter Corbett from the Air Ambulance with Geoff Allen

from Derbyshire, Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance, who were the recipients of this year's donations. Geoff Allen presented a cheque for £2,350 to Peter Corbett (Air Ambulance) in memory of Jackie Allen and Maud Fearn and Sue Shafie presented a cheque for £1,175 to Jade Hearsum (Weston Park) in memory of Monam Shafie.



Jade Hearsum, Weston Park Hospital with Sue Shafie

MIDWINTER

A CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC, OLD AND NEW

Thursday 21st December 7.30pm
at St Peter's, Edensor

Jonathan Francis, the occasional organist at Edensor and Beeley, returns to St Peter's following the successful 'Hear My Song' concert in July.

With soloists from his critically acclaimed company, Theatre & Beyond, the Young People's choir, and all female Rose Choir from Chesterfield Studios, this festive concert brings together traditional carols with modern Christmas music.

Piano: Katy Strudwick, Helen Wallace

Conductor: Jonathan Francis

Tickets £10 each. Available on the door, or in advance from:

chesterfieldstudios.co.uk

Box Office 01246 271540

'SPICE' Sunday at St. Peter's on 8th October raised £15 for Church funds. Thank you to everyone who remembered to bring their 5pence pieces. The next 'SPICE' Sunday will be 14th January 2018.

St. Peter's Church 100 Club September Draw 2017

1st prize £30 no. 51 Margaret Rhodes

2nd prize £20 no. 17 Nigel Madin
Davies

Funds to church this month - £50

Ann Hall

Easy Fundraising

If you already SHOP ONLINE, or if you haven't yet done so, then why not use Easy Fundraising and help raise money for St. Peter's Church? There is no extra cost to you and a percentage from your purchase will come back to the church.

To Register

- Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk
- Click on **Register**
- Choose **Saint Peter's Church - Chatsworth Park** as your charity and fill in the rest of the form

To Shop

- Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk
- Search for your store in the alphabetical list
- Go ahead and shop

Choose from over 2000 of the UK's best-known retailers including names such as Amazon, M&S, Argos, John Lewis and HMV and when you shop using the links on the easyfundraising site up to 15% from every purchase you make is donated to St. Peter's Church.

The Padley Centre

We are collecting: All types of clothing for adults - warmer clothing now that the weather is turning chilly including warm socks, gloves, scarves etc.; warm sleeping bags are very welcome. Food - tins of meat, fish, soup and tomatoes; dried food such as pasta; biscuits and chocolate are always welcome. These items can be brought to Sunday services or left at the back of the church at any time.

These donations of food and clothing are always very much appreciated at the centre.

After the Harvest Thanksgiving Services at St. Anne's and St. Peter's all the food donated was taken to the Padley Centre, where it was gratefully received.

Exam help *Smile....*

In an examination paper, the professor wanted candidates to sign a form stating that they had not received any outside assistance. Unsure of whether he should sign the form, a student stated that he had prayed for the assistance of God. The professor carefully studied the answer page and then said, 'You can sign it with a clear conscience. God certainly did not assist you.'

Bakewell Town Hall Events

Klezmer-ish - 3rd November

Klezmer-ish is what happens when four classically trained musicians let down their hair, explore a wide range of music from travelling people across the world and fuse it all together with their own unique sound. Join four members of the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra on a musical journey! Klezmer, Tangos, Gypsy Jazz, Irish Fiddle Music.....

7.30pm (doors open at 7pm) Tickets £12 / £10 www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/367302

Mawkin: 17 November

Channelling Bellowhead and Fairport

In 2015 Mawkin delivered their self-produced and critically acclaimed album 'The Ties That Bind'. Their 'unapologetically energetic' approach and DIY ethic surprised critics, fans and welcomed new audience members describing them as a 'modern day Fairport'. With a host of rebel rousing folk songs and instrumentals the band modernise traditional folk material with their own touch and have since excited audiences with their artillery of loud, boisterous, foot stomping live sets. Critics of the album suggested that Mawkin might fill the 'Bellowhead shaped hole' so it seemed only natural to support them on their farewell tour of 2016 among a flurry of key festivals and UK tour dates.

The band members have a wealth of other musical experience between them, with brothers David and James's involvement with Eliza Carthy and Norma Waterson, Jim Moray, Topette!, and the two providing stand-in support for members of Bellowhead. Nick Cooke is Kate Rusby and False Lights' melodeon player, is a professional mastering engineer and has worked with some of the most iconic producers in our lifetime. Lee Richardson, whose former background was in dance music, is an award winning producer of TV, advertising and trailer music.

7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm) Tickets £15 www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/305693

BAKEWELL & ASHFORD FILM SOCIETY

12th November 2017

Denial

2017 USA/UK, Certificate 12A, 109minutes

Biography, Drama

Acclaimed writer and historian Deborah E. Lipstadt must battle for historical truth to prove the Holocaust actually occurred when David Irving, a renowned denier, sues her for libel.

Introduction by David Webb

Brief Notes from St. Peter's PCC Meeting held on 18th October

10 members of the PCC were present and there were no apologies.

After welcoming Sarah Porter, Safeguarding Officer, to the meeting Canon Dave opened the meeting with prayers and the Minutes of the previous meeting, held on 2nd August were agreed and signed as a true record.

•Matters Arising: The existing external socket has now been replaced by a waterproof socket. The PCC wished to thank Clive Robinson for providing this.

The Memorial plaque to the Chatsworth Rifles is now in position.

•Safeguarding: Sarah Porter, the Safeguarding Officer for St. Peter's and St. Anne's explained to the PCC the new procedures we have to put in place to fulfill our duties for safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. A chart explaining what to do in the event of any concerns about safeguarding will be displayed in both porches and in the vestry.

•Report from the chair: Canon Dave reported that weddings at St. Peter's are still on the increase and following on from this, couples who were married at St. Peter's are, in due course, bringing their babies for baptism.

He reported that after good harvest services the food items brought along had been taken to the Padley Centre, where they were well received.

He said what positive comments and emails he had received after the service on Sunday, 15th October, for the unveiling of the Memorial Plaque to the Chatsworth Rifles (Sherwood Foresters).

The September talks had been a success and £2,960 had been raised before costs.

Canon Dave thanked Cynthia and Duncan Gordon for steam cleaning the church floor.

Canon Dave said that last Thursday Pilsley School had their Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) and he was delighted to tell us that the report had come back as 'outstanding'.

Advent Carol Service - Sunday 3rd December at 6pm; Service of Lessons & Carols - Wednesday 20th December at 7.30pm.

Financial Report: The accounts had been sent to the PCC prior to the meeting and these were discussed. The Sunday coffee money for this year will go to the Derbyshire, Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance (£800) and Toilet Twinning, an overseas charity that provides desperately poor communities/households with the materials to build toilets/sanitation areas (£200).

Parish Giving: This is a giving scheme adopted by the Diocese which encourages people to give to their church by direct debit. Canon Dave, the wardens and the treasurer had attended presentations showing how this scheme worked and recommended it to the PCC. Members took copies of the scheme home with them to read through.

Gutters: Specifications for the work have been sent out to tender by the architect.

Update on Grants: We need the cost of the work before grants can be applied for.

Fundraising: 9th December - Hallamshire Military Concert Band 7.30pm in church; the Murder Mystery Evening will be sometime in the spring; possible talks next year by Nicholas Hobbs, who makes furniture for churches etc. and by Matthew Parris.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 14th December at 7.30pm, Edensor Vicarage.

The Meeting closed with the Grace.

The story behind the Hymn – ‘I vow to thee my country’

*I vow to thee, my country, all earthly
things above
entire and whole and perfect, the service
of my love;
the love that asks no question, the love
that stands the test,
that lays upon the altar the dearest and
the best;
the love that never falters, the love that
pays the price,
the love that makes undaunted the final
sacrifice.*

*And there's another country, I've heard of
long ago
most dear to them that love her, most
great to them that know;
we may not count her armies, we may
not see her King;
her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is
suffering;
and soul by soul and silently her shining
bounds increase,
and her ways are ways of gentleness, and
all her paths are peace.*

By Sir Cecil Spring-Rice (1859 – 1918)

This well-loved poem/hymn was written nearly 100 years ago, by the then serving British ambassador to the United States of America, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice.

Sir Cecil had served his government abroad for many years, and was preparing to leave Washington on 12th January 1918. The words of his hymn reflect on being a citizen of two countries; his own native land and

also the heavenly kingdom. (Phil 3:20)

Some six or seven years earlier, when Minister to Sweden, Sir Cecil had first composed a poem entitled *Urbs Dei* (city of God), in two stanzas. It had expressed a belligerent type of patriotism, glorifying and glamorising war, as well as a vision of that ‘other country’, a vision of gentleness and peace.

But then The Great War had come, and by 1918 Sir Cecil had come to see that the only patriotism worth celebrating was the spirit of self-sacrificing love, as expressed in the cross of Christ. In a speech at Ottawa, shortly before he left North America, he said that the Cross was a sign of patience under suffering, but not patience under wrong. The Cross is the banner under which we fight. We are all subjects of the Prince of Peace, who fought the greatest fight ever fought upon this earth, who won the greatest victory, and won it by his blood.

The poem/hymn was the last thing Sir Cecil ever wrote, as he died suddenly, on 14th February 1918. The tune to the hymn is Thaxted, an adaptation of Gustav Holst (1874 – 1934) from the movement ‘Jupiter’ in his orchestral suite ‘The Planets’, written at Thaxted, Essex, in 1917.

William Temple: Archbishop of Canterbury

During the Second World War, Winston Churchill was Britain's Prime Minister. At the same time, William Temple was Archbishop of Canterbury. While Churchill led the country against Germany, Temple encouraged the British people to trust the Lord for their deliverance and strength. Like Churchill, Temple was a great leader, a gifted orator and a prolific writer. He was also a theologian and social activist.

Temple was born on 15th October 1881 in Exeter, Devon. He was educated at Rugby School and Balliol College, Oxford, from 1900 to 1904. He loved the music of Bach; the poetry of Browning and Shelley, and Shakespeare. He was an avid reader and possessed a near-photographic memory.

He became president of the Oxford Union and after graduation, was a lecturer in philosophy at Queen's College, Oxford. He was a member of the debating society and was a skilled and balanced debater. Following his ordination in 1909, and priesting in 1910, Temple was headmaster of Repton School for four years. He married Frances Anson in 1916. They were childless.

From 1921-29 Temple was Bishop of Manchester. During this time he was seen as a pioneer of the Ecumenical Movement and gradually became a national figure. In 1926 he urged the

British government to seek a negotiated agreement to the General Strike.

Temple excelled as a moderator; a teacher and a preacher and his appointment as Archbishop of York (1929-40) was a popular one. His influence also led to the formation of the British Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches. During the 2nd World War he jointly founded the Council of Christians and Jews to combat anti-Semitism and other forms of prejudice in Britain.

As Archbishop of Canterbury (1942-44) Temple became an outspoken advocate of social reform and became involved in the campaign against unemployment, poverty and poor housing. He believed in the rights of all people, whether rich or poor, and was a leading force for social justice. He was grounded in the problems of the working man and in his book *Christianity and Social Order* (1942) he shared his vision for all to have access to healthcare, education and decent housing. His radical thinking and activism played a foundational role in the formation of the British Welfare State.

Temple died aged 63 at Westgate-on-Sea, Kent on 26th October 1944. He was the first Primate of All England to be cremated and his ashes were buried in the cloister garden of Canterbury Cathedral. He is the last Archbishop of Canterbury to have died while in office.

Remembering: looking back and looking forward

The Ven John Barton considers WW2 in the light of contemporary terrorism

In World War 2 the civilian population in Britain knew what to do when an air raid was imminent. A piercing alarm would sound across the housetops and that was a signal to head for shelter. Underground stations in London, basements and reinforced rooms, makeshift bunkers in gardens: all provided temporary refuge. One could usually reach them in time because of the warning.

Today's enemies are less predictable. We call them terrorists because they strike terror at any time, anywhere and without notice. Holidaymakers in Nice, sightseers in Barcelona, concertgoers in Manchester, are fair game to the perpetrators. This is war, though we are not sure why. All we know is that they are idealists, believing they are serving a higher cause, with a vision of a different world which can be established only through violence. They strike without warning.

Idealistic terrorists are willing, even eager, to give their own lives for the

cause, so no punishment is likely to deter them. It is a sobering thought that democracy, freedom of choice, a welfare state and whatever passes for today's Western ideals, have been dismissed by terrorists. They reckon they are on to something better.

Terrorists aren't new. In NT times the Sicarii were a splinter group of Jewish terrorists, fiercely opposed to the Roman overlords. They hid small daggers (called *sicae*) in their cloaks and stabbed both the Romans and Jewish sympathisers with them. Some have conjectured that Judas Iscariot may have been one of them. Another disciple, Simon the Zealot, could have belonged to another extreme group. Yet it became evident to them that Christ's message of God's Kingdom surpassed everything else.

Today's terrorists must be shown something far superior to the self-centred, materialistic goals of secularism. Nothing less than Christ's revolutionary Kingdom will do it. And that's a challenge to all of us.

Did you know?

It was 150 years ago, on 7th November 1867, that Marie Curie, the Polish-born French physicist and chemist, was born. She was joint winner of the 1903 Nobel Prize for Physics, and winner of the 1911 Nobel Prize for Chemistry for her work on radioactivity.

Nordic Walking

You could be excused for thinking that the point of walking with two sticks is to have extra support. But the two sticks used in Nordic walking instead enable people to work the upper body at the same time as the legs.

It's said to burn 46% more calories than ordinary walking, and to exercise 90% of your muscles, increasing strength in your legs, arms, shoulders, chest and back. It can also increase your heart rate by up to 13%, meaning you receive greater benefit through less effort.

Nordic walking was invented in the 1930s in Finland, when super fit

cross-country skiers began using poles in their off-season training when there was no snow on the ground, and found that it gave them a competitive edge.

Nordic Walking enthusiasts also find that because it is such a sociable activity, the sport can help combat isolation. As one pointed out: 'The benefits of spending time with others exercising outdoors are huge.' More details at: <https://britishnordicwalking.org.uk/>



True charity towards children 'in need'

Canon David Winter looks forward to an annual event of kindness...

November not only sees 'mists and mellow fruitfulness' but also 'Children in Need'. We take it for granted now – the show-biz glamour, the clips of ingenious fund-raising enterprises, the cheering audience and, of course, the regular announcement to loud applause of the growing total already donated to the cause.

When the BBC first proposed it, there were some misgivings. Was this really an appropriate use of entertainment? Would it deflect money from the established charities?

Would it simply become a vehicle for celebrities to show off?

Well, it's been around now for 37 years, and raised over £600 million pounds for disabled and disadvantaged children around the world. It has, of course, had its celebrities – who could forget Terry Wogan's years as its mischievous chief presenter? But there has been no evidence that it has diminished the role of major charities. In fact, it has probably introduced millions of people to the experience of giving to charity.

I was at the BBC when it began and recall all those misgivings. One year at

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Enniskillen - the bomb that changed history

Canon David Winter, former Head of Religious Broadcasting for the BBC, looks back 30 years to a dreadful day...and the Christian whose forgiveness made world headlines...

I remember vividly the IRA bomb at a Remembrance Day service in Enniskillen in November 1987 that killed eleven people and injured another 63. Actually, what I remember, as with so many such events, is the reporting of it, and especially an interview with Gordon Wilson, whose daughter died beside him.

Her last words, telling her dad she loved him, were heart-rending, and so was his own response then, and subsequently. In the midst of the carnage, he spoke words of deep Christian faith and hope. Later he expressed forgiveness for those who had planted the bomb. In the context of Ulster at that time, this was courageous talk. I was a regular visitor to the Province in the 1970s, and they were scary times.

Over the following weeks and months, Gordon Wilson became a familiar voice, and it was clear that he spoke for many people in Northern Ireland. The Sinn Fein leaders condemned the bomb attack and Republican sympathy for the terrorists dwindled. Out of that dreadful event, the Good Friday Agreement eventually emerged and (whatever happens now) the situation in Northern Ireland was transformed.

I love the fact that it was the 'Good Friday' agreement, made on the day when we recall a death that changed the world. I truly believe that the eleven who died, and perhaps especially Gordon Wilson's daughter, were the martyrs whose deaths saved the Province from endless violence and even civil war.



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a management meeting someone asked why we didn't have 'Old People in Need'? The answer was that the plight of children more readily touched people's hearts, but that once they had experienced the joy of giving all those other causes would benefit. And so it has proved.

There is a prayer in Common Worship that speaks of our world 'torn apart by the ravages of sin'. In my head I always add, 'and held together by the gifts of grace'. I honestly think 'Children in Need' is one of those.

Two Minutes Silence

Paul Hardingham considers the value of being silent

In the month when we think about those who have given their lives in war, the two minutes silence is a familiar act of remembrance. We can use the silence to reflect on those who have suffered in war or on what it means to work for a peaceful world. Or do we end up thinking about lunch or panic that we haven't switched our phone off?

Victor Frankl, a victim of Auschwitz, suggested that the most intolerable of all human conditions is not imprisonment or hunger, but lack of meaning. The two minutes silence enables us to connect with Jesus' message, which offers true meaning to our lives and world. He spoke of giving ourselves in love for each other and the world, 'Love your enemies and pray for those that persecute you' (Matthew 5:44). He also demonstrated such love in

sacrificing His own life, 'Greater love has no-one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends' (John 15:13). In observing the silence, let's use it to reflect on this sacrificial love, as we remember all those who have experienced pain and conflict.

Of course, we should be serious about silence and stillness in the whole of our lives, not just for two minutes at an act of Remembrance. In busy lives, where so much is clamouring for our attention, silence enables us to reassess our priorities and rediscover true meaning in our lives. Jesus made a habit of withdrawing to experience silence. He did this before choosing his disciples, after He heard of John's beheading, after feeding the 5000, after healing a leper, at the Transfiguration and to prepare for His death. 'The seeking out of solitary places was a regular practice for Jesus. So it should be for us.' (Richard Foster).

Are grandparents and parents a kind of social super-glue?

Ever wonder why the command to 'honour your father and your mother' is immediately followed by: 'that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you'? (Exodus 20:12). Some commentators say it's because our relationship with our earthly parents illustrates our relationship with our

Heavenly Father. But that doesn't explain the promise of the long life.

Could the real reason be that parents and grandparents, with their maturity and wisdom, are the glue that holds society together - which in turn leads to a kinder society and longer lives? Many agree, including the Royal Voluntary Society (formerly the WRVS).

WHEN ELIZABETH MARRIED PHILIP – 70 YEARS AGO

Princess Elizabeth (now Queen Elizabeth II) married Philip Duke of Edinburgh at Westminster Abbey 70 years ago, on 20th November 1947. They have reached their Platinum Anniversary.

Elizabeth and Philip of Greece, who were third cousins, met in 1939, when the future Queen was only 13 and Philip 18. The match was promoted by Philip's uncle, Earl Mountbatten, whose name Philip took before the marriage. Philip also converted from Greek Orthodoxy to Anglicanism and was given British citizenship.

The wedding took place in front of 2,000 invited guests and was broadcast on radio to 200 million listeners worldwide. The wedding dress was designed by Norman Hartnell, Princess Elizabeth using

ration coupons to obtain the material. More than 2,500 wedding presents and 10,000 telegrams of congratulations were received. Most of the honeymoon was spent at Birkhall on the Balmoral Estate.

Sir William Neil McKie, an Australian organist who was the Master of the Choristers at the abbey, was the director of music, a role he filled again at Elizabeth's coronation in 1953. He wrote a song, "We Wait For Thy Loving Kindness, O God", especially for the wedding.

Elizabeth and Philip had got engaged secretly in 1946, but their engagement was not announced officially until July 9th, 1947.



Grants to help an older person

Every winter we read that many elderly people have to choose between heating their homes or buying food to eat. And for some, it can be a struggle to make ends meet throughout the year. The charity, Friends of the Elderly, makes grants to older people as part of its mission to support them, especially those in need due to isolation or poverty.

Applications are made by referring organisations working in local communities, and a quick call on 0330 332 1110 confirmed that churches could apply. The monies are to go towards utility bills, household repairs and adaptations, mobility aids and essential items that support daily living, and the cost of equipment such as tablets and broadband to help people stay connected. More details at <http://www.fote.org.uk/>

Nigel Beeton recalls a brave but sad story from World War Two.

'Seventy-five years ago, on 30th October 1942, U Boat U559 was spotted in the Eastern Mediterranean, and was badly damaged by depth charges and 'pom-poms' from various ships, including a P-class destroyer, HMS Petard.

'Three members of Petard's crew, Lt Tony Fasson, Able Seaman Colin Grazier, and Canteen Assistant Tommy Brown managed to board U559 in the dark, and were able to get hold of the Enigma code books, although the Enigma machine itself went down with the submarine. Tragically, so too did Fasson and Grazier. Only Brown was able to escape, only to die in 1945 attempting to rescue his infant sister from a house fire.

'So this poem remembers the enormous number of sailors from the merchant marine and the Royal Navy lost during the war, and also marks the brilliance and dogged persistence of those like Alan Turing who worked tirelessly to discover the secrets of the German code machines.'

Enigma

Our green and sceptered Isle
Was sore afflicted
Grave losses for a while
On ships inflicted.
Our seamen, young and brave
Claimed by an ocean grave
Who would our nation save?
Oh, cruel enigma!

The U-boats used a code
None could discover
Dread harm by them bestowed
Beneath its cover.
A U-boat, foundering
The waves were thundering
Three seamen, plundering
The code 'Enigma'!

So came to Bletchley Park
The secret packet
They worked through light and dark
To try to crack it.
These people, smart and wise
Through dogged enterprise
They won the golden prize
They solved Enigma!

By Nigel Beeton

Hear, hear *smile.....*

A very deaf, elderly man was finally fitted out with a hearing aid that really worked. A month later his doctor called him in for a check-up. 'Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again.'

The gentleman replied, 'Oh, I haven't told my family yet. I just sit around and listen to the conversations. And so far, I've changed my will three times!'

25 Years after Dibley

David Winter looks back to momentous days for women in the C of E

In 1984 the Church of England had decided that women could be ordained as deacons. They'd been 'deaconesses', but now they could be part of the clergy, be called 'reverend', wear a clerical collar and take services – but not, crucially, preside at Holy Communion. That awaited a further and hotly disputed decision by the Church's General Synod.

I was ordained deacon in 1987, with the very first women deacons – actually, 70 of them in St Paul's Cathedral, alongside rather fewer men. I had trained at theological college with some of them, but whereas I, in a year's time, would be ordained priest, they would not. It hurt then, and it still hurts now.

However, eventually the Synod vote came in 1992, and (requiring a two-thirds majority) it narrowly approved the ordination of women to the

priesthood in the Church of England. My wife and I watched the vote on television, and both of us were tearful at the end – tears of joy and relief.

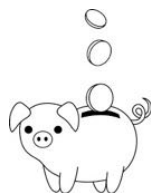
25 years later, one really wonders what all the fuss was about. While Dawn French's lady 'Vicar of Dibley' charmed a multi-million audience, ordinary people as well as church congregations slowly became entirely used to the presence and everyday ministry of rather less exotic women vicars – and now bishops. St Paul wrote that 'in Christ there is neither male nor female', but it took nearly 2,000 years for our bit of the Church to apply it in practice (and there is a huge part of the world-wide Church, of course, which still doesn't see it that way).

I may be biased (my daughter is a vicar), but I believe women have helped to transform the Church's ministry in the last 25 years, as part of a gender-balanced team. Better together!

Thanks to grandparents

It seems that the Bank of Grandma and Grandad is the go-to one, these days. Recent research by the bank Santander found that 8% of first time house buyers are helped with their deposit by their grandparents.

And more than half (63%) of older house-owners would accept a fall in prices over the next two years if it would help young people buy a home, according to the National Housing Federation.



Women and the priesthood – 25 years on

Steve Jenkins, formerly of the C of E press office, remembers that fateful debate.

11th November 1992: Church House, Westminster: The General Synod of the Church of England. After 20 years of debate, another chance for the Synod to allow women in the priesthood. The BBC were there to broadcast the debate to the nation. One of the tabloids sent a reporter to sneak in. We invited him up to the press gallery overflow, and gave him a seat.

There were crowds outside: plenty supporting the legislation, plenty opposing. During one debate, a small procession had borne a black coffin into Dean's Yard proclaiming the death of the Church of England, should it ordain women as priests.

Chairing the Synod, the Archbishop of York, Dr John Habgood, invited the Bishop of Guildford, the Rt Revd Michael Adie, to propose the motion. The Ven David Silk, Archdeacon of Leicester, stood to oppose the motion, only to be interrupted by a fire alarm.

The Archdeacon started again and the debate continued, one speech for, one against - for five hours. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, in the chair for the

afternoon, acknowledged that all who wanted to should speak but asked members to consider drawing the debate to a close. Synod sat in silent prayer before casting their votes.

As the result was announced, I sat surrounded by reporters, writing down the figures and adding a tick where the required two-thirds majority was reached: House of Bishops 39 'for', 13 'against' (tick), House of Clergy 176 'for', 74 'against' (tick), House of Laity 169 'for' 82 'against' (close, but another tick – two votes the other way would have halted the legislation).

Many have claimed that the only sound to break the silence with which General Synod traditionally receives a vote came from a supporter in the gallery. Personally, the only sound I heard was from an agency reporter rushing out, desperate to be first to file the story, as I completed my third tick.

On 12th March 1994, at Bristol Cathedral, the first women were ordained into the Church of England's priesthood. Many reports sought to name the 'first woman priest' but none were accurate. Most chose the first name alphabetically but actually all the candidates are ordained simultaneously, so there were, in fact, 32 'first women priests'.

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But it wasn't that simple. Parliament had insisted the Church of England make provision for those opposed: 1000 clergy had threatened to leave. The Act of Synod, passed in 1993, allowed parishes not to accept ordained women and to seek oversight from a Provincial Episcopal Visitor (flying bishop) if their own bishop ordained women. The legality of ordaining women was even challenged in civil courts.

5,690, are women. Of 7,790 stipendiary (paid) clergy, 2,160 are women. Of 544 future clergy beginning training this autumn, 274 are women. And, in November 2014, 22 years after that historic vote, the Synod voted for women as bishops. The Rt Revd Libby Lane, Bishop of Stockport, was the first to be consecrated. Canon Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, as the first Bishop of Loughborough, will be the eleventh.

Today, of 19,550 clergy in the Church of England, more than a quarter,

Book Review

Grace of Waiting: *learning patience and embracing its gifts*

by Margeret Whipp, Canterbury Press, £10.99

This wise and beautiful book draws on the experience of unchosen waiting - in sickness, in old age, and in the struggles and frustrations of everyday life - to explore the challenges of waiting and the skills it demands.

A lifeline for anyone who finds themselves in a time of waiting, chosen or unchosen, or accompanying others through such times, it shows how the paradoxical gifts of patience point to the God who kindly waits for us.

Beginning with an introduction exploring practices for spiritual formation as we wait, it explores four vivid metaphors for life's waiting times:

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Winter - the practices of resilience and rootedness; the gift of renewal

Winepress - the practices of constancy and compassion; the gift of consolation

Womb - the practices of nurture and noticing; the gift of newness and naming

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Test Results – As we do not receive test results from hospital until lunchtime, please ring for these after 2pm. Or better still –why not register for the online service and view them for yourself!

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SERVICES & ROTAS FOR NOVEMBER 2017

<u>ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY</u>		<u>FLOWERS & BRASSES</u>	<u>CLEANING</u>
5	9.30am Holy Communion	Mrs Mather	1 st -4 th Claire
12	3pm* Service of Remembrance	Mrs Hopkins	15 th -18 th Fiona S
19	9.30am Holy Communion	“ “	
26	9.30am Holy Communion	Barbara Hawsworth	29 th -2 nd Jane Hornsby
* No 9.30am service at Beeley			
<u>ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR</u>		<u>SIDESMEN</u>	
5	10.45am Holy Communion	J Bowns/M Pindar	
12	10.15am Service of Remembrance	Pilsley School Yard	
	10.50am Service of Remembrance	Mrs Thomas & Others	
19	10.45am Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Gordon	
26	10.45am Holy Communion	Mrs Jackson/Liz Bradshaw	
<u>COFFEE</u>		<u>CLEANING</u>	<u>FLOWERS</u>
5	Clive & Joy Thrower	Mr & Mrs Wardle	Wedding flowers
12	John & Jill Caws	Mr & Mrs Carter	Christine Robinson
19	Pat & Roy Bosett	Michael Pindar/Jennie Ball	to be arranged
26	Mr & Mrs Sherwood	Mr & Mrs Nelson	Advent - no flowers
<u>READINGS</u>		<u>ST. PETER'S</u>	<u>ST. ANNE'S & SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>
5	Revelation 7: 9-17 Matthew 5: 1-12	Gloria Sherwood <i>All Saints Sunday</i>	Sophia Lichfield <i>Family Service</i>
12	Wisdom 3: 1-9	John Caws <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	<i>To be arranged</i> <i>No Sunday School</i>
19	1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 Matthew 25: 14-30	Michael Douglas <i>2nd Sunday before Advent</i>	Claire Cadogan <i>SS Sarah Porter</i>
26	Ephesians 1: 15-23 Matthew 25: 31-46	Diana Walters <i>Christ the King</i>	Fiona Swain <i>No Sunday School</i>

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