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There was once a famous evangelist with an international ministry. He was known to be a wise, godly and humble man, but he had not always been that way, and often told his life-changing story. Once, this evangelist had had a dream of his arrival at the pearly gates of heaven. He had been welcomed by St. Peter, and had entered through the gates. He came before a brilliant white light, a light so bright that he felt he could not spend eternity in that presence. He felt utterly unworthy and unclean, even though he had led, he thought, a good life on earth. But, as he turned to leave, Jesus appeared beside him, and took his hand, saying that in this evangelist's life, and in his ministry, he refocussed all that he did and said onto the life and presence of God.

The disciples who were sent out by Jesus into the world as evangelists and missionaries had lived alongside God's Son during his mission and ministry in the world. There would of course be so much more to learn, and we, with hindsight, know how they were to fail and succeed, misunderstand and be transformed, as the Church came to birth in the world.

Jesus knew what they would face, knew what his hands and feet in the world might bring. So Jesus asks God to protect these disciples, these new leaders and transform them with truth and holiness. He does not ask for them to be shielded from the world, but to be able to trust that, whatever the circumstances, they belong to God. As they stand up for Jesus and witness to him, they will know that Jesus is always defending them too.

We live within a call of God on our lives. God has a purpose to work out in his world, a purpose of bringing his creation back to himself. As we look back over our lives, it is good to remember, and thank God, for those people and times when we have been drawn to God, recognised God's presence, and learnt something new of him. Teachers, friends, family members or public figures have said or done something that has drawn us to understand life and ourselves afresh in some way. Moments of peace, or joy, or insight have touched us, and helped us, or even encouraged us, to grow and change. We

have caught a momentary glimpse of God's presence. For all of these people and moments, we thank God.

But we must not stop with these experiences and memories, but allow ourselves to be "sent out" as Jesus' people to the world. Seeing and knowing God ourselves, let us pray that others might see and know him through us and the work of his Church in the world.

Every Blessing,
Canon Dave

FROM THE REGISTERS

ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR

WEDDINGS

THURSDAY 2ND AUGUST ~ Josh Lee Shillito & Chloe Anne Smith

SATURDAY 11TH AUGUST ~ Joby Alan Sikes-Sheard &
Emily Mary Warren-Stone

FRIDAY 17TH AUGUST ~ Andrew John Sharp & Rachel Helen Davie

SATURDAY 18TH AUGUST ~ Benjamin Frank Postance &
Rosie Eliza Edwards

FUNERAL ~ TUESDAY 31ST JULY ~ A service of Celebration &
Thanksgiving for the Life of Dorothy Winifred Cooper aged 89years

BAPTISM ~ SUNDAY 22ND JULY ~ Raya Elizabeth Perkins

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY

FUNERAL ~ SATURDAY 4TH AUGUST ~ A Service of Thanksgiving for
the Life of Marjorie Jessica Towndrow (née Burdeken) aged 97years

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Dates for your Diary - September

- 8 **St. Peter's, Edensor** - Peak District Ringers 3 - 4pm
- 11 **BEELEY WI Monthly Meeting** - 7.30pm Village Hall
Small flower arrangements - Margaret Nelson
Bring your own flowers and see how they can be arranged
Tea & raffle: Janet, Amanda and Sheila
- 17 **BEELEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - 7.30pm Village Hall
- 18 **BEELEY HERITAGE GROUP** - 7pm Village Hall
Jane Middleton-Smith speaking on 'John Smedley -
Over 230 years of Production
- 19 **CHATSWORTH WI Monthly Meeting** - 7pm Baslow Church Rooms
Quiz Night
Competition: a little teapot Teas: Jo and Maureen
- 21 - 23 **Art Out Loud, Chatsworth**
for more information/to book tickets: chatsworth.org/aol



Chatsworth Horticultural & Produce Society 55th Annual Show Cavendish Hall, Edensor

Saturday, 15th September 2018

Doors open 2.00pm ~ trophies to be presented at 3.00pm

by The Duchess of Devonshire

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SHOW!

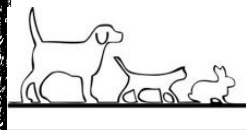
Schedules and entry forms available from

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Early Notice

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, BEELEY
PET SERVICE

Sunday 14th October 3pm
Everyone Welcome!



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Do come to this very special service and bring your pet or pets along with you. In the past we have had everything from hamsters to a horse as well as the usual cats and dogs.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH PRESENTS

WHO KILLED THE VICAR?

A MURDER MYSTERY BY CHRIS MARTIN



SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2018 - 7PM FOR 7.30PM
CAVENDISH HALL, EDENSOR DE4 1PJ

TABLES OF 10 PERSONS £100 PER TABLE
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BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC, WINE & GLASS

RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE
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ST. PETER'S COFFEE ROTA WE STILL NEED HELP!



We really need more people to help with serving coffee/tea after the service on a Sunday morning. Recently, three people have asked to be taken off the rota; after many years of sterling service they now feel the time has come to hang up their rubber gloves, washing up sponges and tea towels. We thank them for all the drinks they've made and all the washing up they've done.

Ideally it needs two people, so if you and a friend feel able to help please contact the wardens. The fellowship that these after service refreshments create is all part of the mission of St. Peter's and without more people on the rota it will be a struggle to keep it going.



If you enjoy staying for coffee why not consider being on the rota? Remember, the more people we have the less often your turn comes round!

ST. PETER'S CLEANING ROTA WE STILL NEED HELP!

We also need more couples to go on the cleaning rota. Two of our long standing cleaners have decided it's time for them to come off the rota and we send our thanks to them for the time and effort they have put in over the years. However, we now need another couple to replace them. Ideally, we would like more people to help keep the church clean and tidy for visitors. The more people we have, the less often your turn will come around.

If you have some time to spare and are able to help with the cleaning, then please contact Liz Bradshaw or David Jackson.



Cavendish Village Hall
Beeley

28th June 2018

I'd like to thank you on behalf of the Cavendish Village Hall committee for helping us with Beeley in Bloom this year.

We had 315 visitors who spent £8.31 on average with gross takings of £2,619 (£2504 after expenses). These numbers were all little higher than last year in spite of the World Cup!

The money raised by Beeley In Bloom will help towards planned electrical works including energy efficient LED lighting and storage heaters.

We'd be very grateful if you could open your garden or lend a hand again in 2019 when Beeley In Bloom will be on Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd June.

Suggestions for garden themes, stalls, sideshows and tradespeople would be very welcome and more gardens and volunteers would be fantastic too. Please drop me a note with any feedback or ideas for next year.

Thanks again!

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The hot heckler

Tony Benn, who used a hearing aid, recalled a meeting in a church hall on a terribly hot day. 'There was a heckler who kept interrupting. Eventually I tackled him and said: "If you want a separate meeting of your own, fine, go away and have it. Stop trying to wreck ours." When he intervened a fourth time, I caught what he was actually saying, which was "Could somebody *please* open a window?"'

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 including waterproofs; even though the weather has been hot, warm socks, gloves, hats, scarves etc. would still be appreciated as it cools down at night and for this reason warm sleeping bags are also very welcome. Food - tins of meat, fish, soup and tomatoes; dried food such as pasta; biscuits and chocolate are always welcome.

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.

NB The Centre is unable to accept bedding e.g. sheets, blankets, duvets, pillows.

BAKEWELL & ASHFORD FILM SOCIETY

THE MEDWAY CENTRE, NEW STREET, BAKEWELL
7.30pm 2nd Sunday of every month (except July & August)

September 9th 2018

3 Billboards Outside Ebbing Missouri

2017 USA, Cert. 15, 115 minutes. Crime, Drama

A mother personally challenges the local authorities to solve her daughter's murder when they fail to catch the culprit.

Introduction by Janet Byrne



Laurence Pusey Exhibition

Eyam Parish Church, Derbyshire S32 5QH

Fri Aug 24 – Sun 9 Sept 2018

Open 9.30am – last entry 5.00pm

laurencepusey.co.uk

Laurence Pusey Studied at Southampton and Leicester Colleges of Art specialising in painting, book illustration with print making. He taught art and craft at a boys' school in Reading before turning semi-professional. His inspiration has always been drawn from nature and most frequently using oil as a painting medium.

The Frankenstein Festival: 27th October – 4th November 2018

*Big Monsters in Little Switzerland –
The Return of Frankenstein*

The Frankenstein Festival Short Story Competition

Matlock Bath Development Association is pleased to announce the launch of this competition. On this 200th Anniversary of the publication of her iconic book, why not follow in the footsteps of Mary Shelley and write a short story inspired by 'The Wondrous Cave'. History tells us that Mary was on holiday in Switzerland with her husband Percy, Lord Byron and their physician. Confined to their hotel by alpine storms, they decided to have a competition writing a 'gothic tale' and it is here that Mary conceived the idea of 'Frankenstein' The wondrous cave mentioned in the book is believed to be The Great Masson Cave at the Heights of

Abraham here in Matlock Bath. Mary had visited the village some time before.

Your story should be continued from a given start taken from the book and must be no more than 500 words. All the rules of the competition including age groups, closing date and how to enter are to be found on our website www.TheFrankensteinFestival.co.uk

The Chair of the judging panel is Matthew Parris, writer and journalist with Andrew Smith, Professor of English Literature at Sheffield University and Tony Jones, retired Head of English at Highfields School Matlock. Winners will be announced on 4th November, the last day of the nine-day festival, in Great Masson Cavern when the winning stories will be read. There will be prizes in all categories — details to be announced shortly.

Good luck and get creating.



Views sought on waste and recycling

Residents across the Derbyshire Dales are being asked to give their views on the collection of waste and recycling in the district to help shape the future collection service.

Since 2012 the waste collection service has been delivered by Serco on behalf of the district council. However, this contract ends in 2020 and the council is beginning the process of tendering for a new contract to commence in August 2020. This process involves the district council investigating a range of potential service options.

Now the district council has launched a survey that asks local residents how they use their waste and recycling service and how they would like to see it develop in the future.

A district council spokesperson said: "This survey is asking local people their views on potential changes to how we deliver the waste service. At this stage, it is important to stress that no decisions have been taken on which service option might be implemented"

"The current waste collection contract costs Derbyshire Dales

District Council approximately £1.9 million per year but we know this could rise significantly. The Council is therefore looking at how it could change the service to make it more affordable, while still meeting residents' needs and increasing recycling performance. Waste prevention and recycling helps to cut the costs of managing waste produced in the Derbyshire Dales, while also reducing our impact on the environment. We currently achieve a 57% recycling rate, but the UK has a legislative target to meet 65% recycling in the future. We need to consider what further measures we could take to increase our recycling performance further."

Proposals being considered by the district council include charging for garden waste collections in line with many other councils in the UK and reducing general household waste collections from fortnightly to every three or four weeks which has been proven in other areas to increase recycling rates and make the waste service more affordable. However no decisions have yet been taken on which service option might be implemented.

Residents are being urged to have their say in an online consultation which closes on 23rd September and is available now at www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/wastesconsultation

The Rev Reuben Ezemadu of Nigeria recently spoke at the 2018 Lausanne Researcher's Conference. He urged the pastors to encourage their congregations not to be discouraged by how little any single one of them could do...

Start with what you have, and don't worry about what you don't have

When Jesus fed the 5,000, He did not produce the food from thin air. Instead, He asked the disciples how many loaves of bread they *already had* (Mark 6:38).

When they produced the five loaves and two fish, it seemed laughable. Everyone knew that wasn't enough. No one thought that what they had was, in the hands of God, more than sufficient.

Moses had the same problem. He was told to go to Pharaoh and ask him to release the Israelites out of Egypt. He asked a very natural question, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me?" God asked him, "What is that in your hand?" It was his staff which, to his utter amazement, became a snake in front of him. That staff in the hand of Moses became the staff of God. It parted the Red Sea, it made the waters close over again, when it was used to strike a rock out came water and when in time Aaron took it, it sprouted, budded, blossomed and

produced almonds. In the hands of God, more than sufficient.

A desperate widow appealed to Elisha the prophet. Her two children were about to be taken as slaves to make good a debt. 'What do you have?' asked Elisha. 'Nothing, but a flask of oil,' she replied. 'Go and borrow jars and containers from all your neighbours, as many as you can,' he ordered, 'then fill them from your flask.' She went inside her house with her two sons and filled every jar. 'Then the oil stopped flowing' (2 Kings 4:6). 'Sell the oil, pay off your creditor, and live on the remainder,' said Elisha. In the hands of God, a flask of oil was more than sufficient.

What do you have now? A couple of spare hours a week? Some clothes that you no longer need? A willingness to visit someone who is lonely? An opportunity to help a neighbour or colleague? A talent for DIY? For sewing? For sharing your faith? What actually do you have? In the Bible, people who used what they had in the service of God found that, however seemingly insignificant, it was more than sufficient with God's blessing on it.

What is the key that opens the divine grace? Obedience. It was *obedience* in using what they already had that engendered the miracle. May it be so for you also.

Historic churches 'threatened' by funding cuts and climate change

A big increase in the number of historic churches and chapels seeking funding for urgent repair, maintenance and development projects has been reported by the National Churches Trust in its Annual Review for 2017 – 2018.

It received 480 applications for grants in 2017, an increase of 26% on 2016.

The increase is partly due to the worsening funding landscape for

church buildings following cuts to the Heritage Lottery Fund's grant programmes in 2017, and the end of the government funded Listed Places of Worship Roof Repair Fund in 2016.

In 2017, the National Churches Trust awarded £1.7 million to help pay for 230 repair, maintenance and development projects at churches and chapels. In 2017, funding from the Trust also helped to remove 29 churches from the Historic England 'Heritage at Risk' register.

As you did it to the least of these....

The early Celts were keenly aware of Christ's command to love our neighbours. This is from 'Celtic Fire'

Remember the poor when you look out on fields you own,
on your plump cows grazing.

Remember the poor when you look into your barn
at the abundance of your harvest.

Remember the poor when the wind howls and the rain falls,
as you sit warm in your dry house...

The poor have no food except what you feed them

No shelter except your house when you welcome them,

No warmth except your glowing fire.

Ancient Celtic Prayer

23rd Sept When the sun goes edgewise – and daytime equals night

23rd September is the autumnal equinox (if you live in the northern hemisphere) or the vernal (Spring)

equinox (if you live in the southern hemisphere) The equinoxes occur in March and September, when the Sun is 'edgewise' to the Earth's axis of rotation, so that everywhere on earth has twelve hours of daylight and twelve hours of darkness.

Time for a change of national anthem?

Canon David Winter argues for something more Welsh...

During the World Cup in July we were serenaded with 26 assorted National Anthems – songs intended to infuse players and fans with patriotic fervour. Most of them were predictable. Even if you didn't know the language, you could guess the message: 'our country's better than your country'. A few sounded downright aggressive, but without Australia and the USA there seemed to be none that captured any vision of peace, harmony or freedom.

And then there was 'God save the Queen'. It's not a bad tune and not quite the crash-bang- thump-thump of most of the others. But what do we think about the words? Yes, we love our magnificent Queen. But surely a national anthem should be about the nation, not just its titular ruler? 'Jerusalem', which is sung as

England's cricket teams take the field is a good example, but it's just England, and we are several nations. I recognise that if you raised the question whether we should have a new national anthem in a group discussion, most people would probably vote to keep 'God save the Queen'. But I wonder if, when a younger generation provides our royal rulers, it might be felt the time had come for a new one.

If and when we do, I hope we'll take as an example of an exemplary National Anthem that of Wales – 'Land of my Fathers'. No militarism or bragging, a tribute to the nation's culture of song and poetry, a quick picture of hills, coasts and bays and a hope that their ancient language may flourish. Not a bad model? Of course, I'm prejudiced. I hope to be singing it with thousands of others in the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff in November – in Welsh, of course.

Girl Guides to learn about money

Girl Guides are to learn how to look after money, after the introduction of a new 'saver' badge. Girlguiding UK has created the badge with the aim of improving financial literacy among teenagers.

The girls, aged 10 to 14, must prove that they can manage cash efficiently,

budget effectively and put aside money for the future, in order to win the badge.

The badge has been created in cooperation with the insurer Legal & General, and was felt to be important as money management is a skill they will need all their adult lives.

27th September

Vincent de Paul – patron of all charitable societies

Very few people stand out as being incredibly good, but Vincent de Paul was one of them. His life touched thousands of people, who were helped and inspired by his love and kindness.

Vincent de Paul was born in 1581 to a Gascon peasant family at Ranquine. Educated by the Franciscans and then at Toulouse University, he was ordained a priest very young, at only 19. He became a court chaplain, and then tutor to the children of the Gondi family. In 1617 he was made parish priest of Chatillon-les-Dombes.

From here, Vincent de Paul ministered both to the rich and fashionable, and also to the poor and oppressed. He helped prisoners in the galleys, and even convicts at Bordeaux.

In 1625 Vincent de Paul founded a congregation of priests who renounced all church preferment and instead devoted themselves to the faithful in smaller towns and villages.

In 1633 they were given the Paris priory church of Saint-Lazare, and that same year Vincent founded the Sisters of Charity, the first congregation of ‘unenclosed’ women, whose lives were entirely devoted to the poor and sick, and even providing some hospital care. Rich women helped by raising funds for various projects, which were an immense success.

Even in his lifetime, Vincent became a legend. Clergy and laity, rich and poor, outcasts and convicts all were warmed and enriched by his charisma and selfless devotion. Vincent was simply consumed by the love of God and of his neighbour. His good works seemed innumerable – ranging from helping war-victims in Lorraine, and sending missionaries to Poland, Ireland and Scotland, to advising Anne of Austria at Court during the regency.

No wonder that after his death at nearly 80, the Pope named him as patron of all charitable societies. Even today, the Vincent de Paul Society is working with the poor and oppressed.

Call anytime (Smile.....)

A minister assured his congregation that they should feel free to call him anytime they had a problem. That night the minister's phone rang at 3 a.m. On the other end was a dear elderly lady who said, ‘I can't sleep.’

‘I'm so sorry to hear that,’ he comforted her. ‘But what can I do about it?’

She sweetly replied, ‘Preach to me a while, pastor.’

THE WAY I SEE IT: - What is 'health'?

Canon David Winter considers what it is to be healthy.

This summer we've been celebrating the 70th anniversary of the National Health Service. I can recall, years ago, my GP pointing out that it was the National Health Service, not the National Illness Service. This was when our local practice changed its name from 'Medical Centre' to 'Health Centre'. It seems a pedantic point, but in fact it touches on a huge issue. What is 'health'?

In the Gospels the healing miracles of Jesus are sometimes called 'cures' and sometimes 'making well or whole'. These are attempts by the translators to convey a difference in the nature of what had happened. People who had 'conditions' (blind, lame, infirm) were 'cured'. Those with serious illness were often said to be 'made whole'. When Jesus was faced with

ten people with leprosy, nine were described as 'cured' and one – the Samaritan who came back in gratitude, was 'made whole' (Luke 17:19). So was the woman with a long-term haemorrhage, who touched the hem of the Lord's garment: 'your faith has made you whole (well)' (Luke 8:45).

This suggests that 'health' is more than being free of sickness. Indeed, it seems to imply that health relates to our whole life experience – to be truly healthy, we are 'well' mentally, physically and spiritually. I think I would go further: I have ministered to people who were desperately ill but in the deepest sense of the word radiantly 'healthy'. That may sound odd, but just as 'peace' is not simply the absence of war, so 'health' is not just the absence of illness. I suspect many of those working in the NHS know the truth of that.

Keep your brain healthy

Here's an excellent reason to get regular exercise: women who are fit at 50 are five times less likely to get dementia.

A Swedish study found that middle age is the key time for people to take steps to promote their brain health. And boosting

your exercise does not have to mean major exertion – just try a brief jog, or a brisk walk with friends. Doctors suggested that the best way to maintain good brain health was to 'eat a balanced diet, maintain a healthy weight, not smoke, and keep blood pressure and cholesterol in check.'

Bishop's Bill calls on MPs to add mothers to marriage certificates

The House of Lords has passed a bill from the Bishop of St Albans to end the historic inequality of excluding mothers' names from marriage certificates.

The Registration of Marriage Bill, which would also introduce electronic marriage registers, now moves to the House of Commons to be considered by MPs.

It is the first time a Bishop's Private Member's Bill has proceeded to the House of Commons in more than 20 years.

Speaking after the Lords passed the Bill, the Bishop of St Albans, Dr Alan Smith, said: "As someone who has performed hundreds of marriages, it has always seemed shocking to me

that mothers are systematically overlooked.

This injustice dates to 1837 when children were viewed as a father's property and little consideration was given to women. In this centenary year of women's suffrage it is time to make this long overdue change.

I am pleased to have had the backing not only of Peers and many in the Church, but a huge number of others, including tens of thousands who have signed public petitions, campaigners for women's equality, and even genealogists.

MPs from all parties support the aims of this Bill. I hope and expect the Government to treat it as a legislative priority when it comes to the Commons this autumn, and urge MPs to give it their approval."

Confiding in mum and dad?

Girls are talking to their fathers more. Recent figures from the Office for National Statistics (ONS) show that last year 45 per cent of girls aged 10 to 15 talked to their fathers about things that mattered to them more than once a week. That compared with 35 per cent in 2009.

Experts believe that it could be because modern fathers are increasingly involved in their children's early upbringing, which leads to a closer relationship as the child grows up.

The proportion of youngsters who said they confided in their mothers is fairly static: about 70 per cent of girls and about 60 per cent of boys.

29th September - Enter all the angels, led by Michael

What is an angel? Easy, people think: a shining figure with glorious wings, who appears from time to time to do some mighty work for God or bring a very special message from him.

Well, that's right in one sense (apart from the wings, which owe more to stained glass windows than the Bible). But the fact that not all 'angels' in the Bible are 'glorious' or 'shining' should make us hesitate to categorise them in this spectacular way. After all, the three apparently ordinary men who visited Abraham and Sarah to tell them that she would have a son even though she was long past child-bearing age had none of those outward embellishments. Nevertheless, Abraham recognised them as divine messengers.

The Bible is full of angels, from the early chapters of Genesis to the last chapter of Revelation, and often they had a key role in crucial events. It seems, from just two instances, that Michael was their leader, an 'archangel'. In many stained glass windows he's seen with a sword, because in a vision in Revelation he led the angelic host who fought and defeated Satan and his army. In the Gospels, an angel of the Lord appeared to Zechariah in the

Temple, to tell him that his elderly wife was to have a son, the forerunner of the Messiah, John the Baptist. An angel - Gabriel - appeared to Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of the Messiah, the Son of God. An angel appeared 'in a dream' to Joseph, the village carpenter in Nazareth, to tell him to go ahead and marry his fiancée, Mary, and later - also in a dream - warned him not to go back to Bethlehem. A 'young man', whom we take to have been an angel, was sitting in the empty tomb on Easter morning, waiting to tell the startled women that Jesus wasn't there - He had risen (Mark 16:5).

Without going into every biblical reference to angels, those should be sufficient to show that the word covers an enormous diversity of experience. So the Letter to the Hebrews speaks of those who practice hospitality as sometimes 'entertaining angels unawares'. Sometimes people recognised angels for who they were, and sometimes they didn't. Angels, quite simply, are God's agents or emissaries, messengers and ministers of His will. Sometimes they are human; sometimes they seem to be spiritual beings.

Perhaps we could even say that anyone, in any situation, who is at that moment God's 'messenger' to us, or serves us graciously, is an 'angel'.



THE GREAT WAR
1914 - 1918

Diary of a Momentous Year:

Surviving - and
singing - in the
trenches

*by Canon David
Winter*

Modern people, distraught if deprived of 'all mod cons', must be baffled how men survived year after year of living much of the time in the trenches of the Western Front. For month after month everything was ankle deep in mud. These were their living quarters, complete with primitive toilet arrangements, permanent damp, rats and trench foot – and that's before one mentions the enemy's constant shelling.

There were, of course, moments of respite at rest centres behind the lines – and there was always the coveted hope of a 'blighty', a wound that was not too serious but would mean treatment back in the UK. 'Blighty' was an Urdu word passed on by soldiers who had served in India – it means 'European', or in this case 'home'.

Some men, it's true, succumbed to what was called 'shell shock' - traumatic stress syndrome. But the amazing fact is that most not only survived the trench conditions and the ever-present danger, but even looked back on it as a significant

experience to be proud of. How on earth did they do it?

My answer, largely based on things I heard from my father and his war-time colleagues, centred on two experiences: songs, and camaraderie. When they marched and sang 'Pack up your troubles in your old kit bag' and called on each other to 'smile, boys, smile', they were celebrating being part of a strange and exhilarating brotherhood. Humour was rife in the trenches, much of it about the sheer awfulness of their situation. The 'Wiper's Times', a newspaper produced by soldiers in Ypres, can still make us laugh, as its recent revival on stage has proved.

It was the camaraderie - the sense of belonging to an exclusive 'club' - which made the humour possible and authenticated the songs. It was a profound feeling of belonging which made the impossible bearable. There was, one must add, a third element in trench survival: the chaplains and the Salvation Army. I never heard a single veteran discount their value, right there in the heart of things, offering a prayer, yes, but also tea and cakes and understanding. Of course the soldiers hated the war, the loss of comrades, the relentless months of deadly danger. But their songs and memories also told another story, which we should not forget.

REMEMBRANCE 100: Silence – a gift book for Remembrance

A commemorative booklet called Silence has been produced for churches to give away at Remembrance events this November. Silence includes many of the familiar Remembrance epitaphs, poems and exhortations and aims to help all those attending Remembrance services to engage with God in the two minutes silence.

On Sunday, 11th November 2018, people around the Commonwealth will observe Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day to mark the centenary of the end of World War I.

Roy Crowne, HOPE's executive director, says: 'As well as reflecting on loss, this year also gives us the chance to look forward as we mark

the end of World War I and pray for peace. We have set up Remembrance 100 in partnership with others, to help churches bring communities together to mark this significant point in our history.'

Many organisations are working together to provide Remembrance 100 resources for local churches and communities. These include the Armed Forces Christian Union, Bible Society, Christian Vision for Men, Church of England, Churches Together in England, Deo Gloria Trust, HOPE, Lifewords, the Methodist Church in Britain, the Peace Alliance, the United Reformed Church, Scripture Union, Sports Chaplaincy UK, and the World Prayer Centre. For more information visit www.hopetogether.org.uk/remembrance or www.remembrance100.co.uk

Book Review.....



The Hum of Angels - Listening for the Messengers of God Around Us

*By Scot McKnight,
Monarch, £9.99*

The Bible tells us that angels are sent from God, and thus at work in this world. From the Garden of Eden to the book of Revelation, Scripture includes references to them.

This book explores what the Bible says about these majestic beings. They express God's love, confirm His presence, and even lead humans in redemptive worship. The book urges us not just to believe in angels, but to learn how to recognise these messengers of God. It urges us to discover how God might be using them to affect our lives.

'He gave us eyes to see them' - Church of the Multiplication

Rev Michael Burgess

All the saints have their special symbols. When we see a saint in a window or painting carrying loaves of bread, we know it is St Philip. It was Philip who wondered how the multitude gathered around Jesus could be fed in John 6. Our Lord met their hunger with just five loaves and two fish.

Bread has always been a staple food in the Holy Land, and in July the media reported that the oldest bread had been found in the remains of a Jordanian fire from 14,000 years ago. Today all kinds of bread are sold in our bakeries and supermarkets. Each country has its own way of producing bread, but at heart it is the same procedure combining the four ancient elements of life: earth, air, water and fire - earth producing the grain for flour, air to transform the dough, water added to the mix, and fire to bake the bread.

Bishop Geoffrey Rowell tells the story of sharing a picnic with some

Lebanese Christians. Fragments of the bread were scattered on the ground, and he idly cracked them with his feet. The reaction was immediate. 'Don't do that' one said. 'It is bread. It is life.' John tells us in chapter 6 how bread is a sign of life for the people, and a sign that points to Jesus whose life is generously shared with others.

A church was built on the site of that miracle at Tabgha by the north-west shore of the Sea of Galilee. It is called the Church of the Multiplication. On the floor in front of the altar is a 5th century mosaic depicting the loaves and fish – beautiful and immediate in its simplicity.

We enter our own churches and see bread offered on the altar at every eucharist, and rejoice that Jesus is our host as He was by the Sea of Galilee. He comes to us with the same invitations: 'Take and eat. See and believe.' He offers us the bread of life. But more than that: He offers us the bread of eternal life.



What an apple might do for you

Here's some good news: an apple a day could help keep diabetes at bay, according to new health guidelines.

Yoghurt, cheese and regular cups of tea or coffee are among other food and drinks that could also help ward

off the condition. But keep an eye on the meat and potatoes – they may actually increase your likelihood of diagnosis.

The dietary advice comes from Oxford University and Diabetes UK. It also suggests eating more wholegrains and fruit and vegetables.

What did we do before Google?

Tim Lenton looks back on the start of Google

Google, the internet search company, was founded 20 years ago this month, on 4th September 1998, by Larry Page and Sergey Brin, both students at Stanford University in California. The company was initially based in a friend's garage. The friend – Susan Wojcicki – is now CEO of YouTube.

The company developed from an idea for an innovative search engine originally called Backrub, which outshone early competitors. Eventually its use became so ubiquitous that the word “google” is now often used to mean search on a computer.

From the outset Google has included “Don’t be evil” in its code

of conduct, and this has been reiterated as recently as this year. The company says: ‘We believe strongly that in the long term, we will be better served – as shareholders and in all other ways – by a company that does good things for the world even if we forgo some short-term gains.’

The name Google is a play on the mathematical expression for the number 1 followed by 100 zeros. It reflects the founders’ mission ‘to organise the world’s information and make it universally accessible and useful.’

The company’s huge campus, Googleplex is a tourist destination in the San Francisco Bay Area. It is regarded as an ideal employee-friendly workplace. The company employs over 60,000 people.

Best way to clean your house

The most efficient way to clean your house is to tackle it chore by chore, not room by room.

Dusting, vacuuming, and tidying room by room wastes time, according to the Good Housekeeping Institute (GHI). Instead, once the duster is out, go

over the whole house with it. Follow the same procedure with the vacuum cleaner, mop, dustpan and brush, window cleaning gear and other cleaners.

Other good tips: keep a running list of ‘groceries to get’; put a damp sock on your hand to wipe the dust off of blinds; add dishwasher rinse to water to clean windows and leave them streak free.

Peace for our time?

Chamberlain's hope of 'peace for our time'. By Tim Lenton.

Eighty years ago this month, on 30th September 1938, British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain returned to England in triumph after signing the Munich Agreement with Hitler, declaring there would be "peace for our time".

This is often misquoted as "peace in our time" (as in the Book of Common Prayer) and in that form was used by others such as US Presidents Kennedy and Obama. As used by Chamberlain it was part of his policy of appeasement leading up to the Second World War. The agreement with Hitler, described as "peace with honour", was in fact far from that. It effectively sacrificed

Czechoslovakia in the vain hope of avoiding war – and made the loss of that war more likely, because Hitler was spurred on by Britain's perceived weakness.

But Chamberlain acted on expert advice, which was that Britain could not survive a war with Germany in 1938.

Winston Churchill strongly opposed the Munich agreement, saying "there could never be friendship between the British democracy and the Nazi power ... which spurns Christian ethics". But when Chamberlain died in 1940 of colon cancer, Churchill was generous in his praise, noting his 'physical and moral toughness of fibre, precision of mind and firmness of spirit'.

C of E may back away from fossil fuel investments

Christian Aid has praised the 'prophetic vision' of the Church of England's General Synod after it voted to sell its holdings in fossil fuel companies by 2023 if they have not aligned their business plans with the targets of the Paris Agreement.

Christian Aid's Head of UK Advocacy, Tom Viita, said: that the vote by the Church of England Synod 'shows the bell is tolling for

the fossil fuel era.... climate change is the great existential threat of our times... This vote puts the oil majors on notice, and strengthens the arm of those pushing the companies to move more quickly to a low carbon future...

'Despite having known about climate change for decades, none of the oil and gas companies has a business plan that aligns with the goal of 2 degrees, or the Paris Agreement's more urgent goal of 1.5 degrees.'

New fashions for the season ahead

London Fashion Week takes place 14th to 18th September. Hundreds of buyers, journalists, bloggers, fashionistas and photographers will all be in attendance as the top fashion houses showcase their new prints, fabrics, cuts and shapes for the spring and summer of 2019.

LFW is far more than pretty models strutting up and down a catwalk. For the industry, it is about creating a platform to showcase the latest trends and talent. Each of the fashion houses hope to become part of the identity of the style-conscious members of the public.

For many people, what they wear symbolises who they are, or who they want to be. They see their clothes as an extension of themselves. They believe that wearing expensive clothes somehow makes them 'worth more' as people.

But we don't need to spend a fortune on our clothes in order to make us 'worth' something. Each one of us was created by God, in His image, and He knows and loves each one of us. When we look to Him to find our true worth, we will find peace and true security in a daily relationship, not in what we wear.

If you are ever in or near to Dorchester, visit Max Gate. This is a beautiful old house that was built for, and lived in by, the poet and novelist Thomas Hardy (1840-1928), who renamed Dorchester as Casterbridge in his Wessex tales.

I was struck by the sad story of his marriage to his first wife Emma Gifford (1871-1912); in a nutshell they became estranged even while living in the same house (she moved into her own suite of rooms at the top of the house), but he was nevertheless devastated when she died in 1912. Though he married again, he never really got over his lost love. I could not help but feel that their love had foundered on the rocks of indifference and neglect, a lesson for us all:

Don't let Love Fade by Nigel Beeton

High hopes of love and gladness
As wedding vows were made
Faint faded in the sadness
Of each forlorn decade.

Love's lost neglected traces
Indifferently quenched
Turned smiles to stress-torn faces;
Saw fists with fury clenched.

O Stranger, if you're grasping
To come and learn from me,
The lover's hand you're clasping –
Grip with fidelity!

Sit not in tome-filled study
Spend not your time apart,
While breath's within your body
Give freely of your heart.

Bigger in America

We all know about the American preference for bigger cars and houses. But Americans even like their churches to be bigger. More than half of American churchgoers attend one of the 1,600 megachurches (each with at least 2,000 in attendance).

The five largest American churches are beyond imagining in a UK context:

- Lakewood Church, Houston, Texas. Pastor: Joel Steen with 43,500 weekly.
- North Point Community Church, Alpharetta, Georgia. Pastor: Andy Stanley with 30,700 weekly.
- Life Church, Edmond, Oklahoma. Pastor: Craig Groeschel with 30,000 weekly.

•Gateway Church, Southlake, Texas. Pastor: Robert Morris with 28,000 weekly.

•Willow Creek Community Church, South Barrington, Illinois. Pastors: Steve Carter and Heather Larson with 25,750 weekly.

However, the pastors feel that while existing megachurches will continue the trend now is for simpler, more traditional expressions of worship with smaller congregations.

Source: Hartford Institute for Religion Research, quoted in Christianity, May 2018, Page 36.

Better than your average young swimmer!

Tim Lenton considers an extraordinary achievement.

The youngest person to swim the English Channel was a British boy, Tom Gregory, who was 11 years and 336 days old when he did it 30 years ago this month, on 6th September 1988.

Tom was trained for the event by the legendary John Buller, who ran the local pool in Eltham, south-east London. Tom, who now has a senior job in the City, describes him as someone who changed people's lives. Tragically he died shortly after Tom's success.

The Eltham club focused on Channel swimming and organised relays and other record attempts. Another club

member, 12-year-old Marcus Hooper, had been the youngest successful Channel swimmer before Tom. Under-16s have since been banned from attempting it.

Tom said that cold was the biggest danger for swimmers; so part of his training was avoiding hot baths or showers for months and sleeping under a single sheet with the window open.

From Cap Gris Nez in France to Dover is 20 miles, but Tom's route was nearer 30 because of the tides. When he reached the shore he was required to take three steps unaided: he succeeded on the third attempt. His time was 11 hours and 54 minutes – exactly 11.9 hours for someone who was 11.9 years old.

Baslow Health Centre – Church Lane, Baslow

www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

New Patients Welcome

Appointment Times: Clinicians will endeavour to keep to time; however, they also need to afford the patient the appropriate consultation time, which may lead to them overrunning. Therefore, it is imperative that patients arrive on time for their appointments as it will have a rolling knock on effect if you are late. Patients, who miss their appointment by 10 minutes or more, will be marked as failed to attend and have to rebook. If you are later than 2 minutes you may have to wait to be seen.

Patient Online: Have you registered to use the online service, allowing you to book and cancel appointments on line and order your repeat medications? You can also request access to your Summary Care Record, and Detailed Coded Data contained within your medical records. You can also look at your test results*.

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 (7:30 - 19:00) Tues - Fri 08:00 - 18:30 (closed Bank Holidays), (Phones 08:00 – 18:30 Mon - Fri). Please note the above times as we receive a lot of phone calls, just asking what time we are open to!

Surgery Closure for training -

Wednesday afternoons -

12th September from 1.00pm &

10th October from 12.30pm

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.

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. Or better still –why not register for the online service and view them for yourself!

For Urgent Calls when we are closed call I I I

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August
solution
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September
Sudoku ☞

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St. Peter's Church 100 Club July Draw 2017

1st prize £30 no. 15 Liz Bradshaw

2nd prize £20 no. 68 Julia Hubbard

Funds to church this month - £50

Thank you for your continued
support.

Ann Hall

The next time you feel like
complaining**remember:**
Your rubbish bin probably has
better food in it than 30 percent
of the people in this world have.

Children seldom misquote you.
In fact, they usually repeat word
for word what you shouldn't
have said.

A great-aunt of mine looked up
from the correspondence columns
of her newspaper and enquired:
'Who is this tiresome man Cantuar
who is always interfering in religious
matters?' - Arthur Harrison Letters
to The Times, 23 Feb 1987

Pilsley C of E Primary School

3 - 11 years

Our new and exciting Foundation
Stage unit is now running all day
Tuesday, Wednesday and
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The unit is led by a fully qualified
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Visits to our lovely school are
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Please contact Emma Bond,
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Everyone Welcome

£2 for a parent and 1 child -
50p each for additional children

SERVICES & ROTAS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

<u>ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY</u>			<u>FLOWERS & BRASSES</u>	<u>CLEANING</u>
2	9.30am	Holy Communion	Fiona Swain	5 th - 8 th Jane Hornsby
9	9.30am	Holy Communion	" "	
16	9.30am	Holy Communion	Sarah Porter	19 th -22 nd Rupert & Liz
23	9.30am	Holy Communion	" "	
	3pm	Harvest Thanksgiving Service		
30	9.30am	Holy Communion	Liz Turner	
<u>ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR</u>			<u>SIDESMEN</u>	
2	10.45am	Holy Communion	J Bowns/M Pindar	
9	10.45am	Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Gordon	
16	10.45am	Matins	Mrs Jackson/Mrs Bradshaw	
23	10.45am	Holy Communion	Harvest Thanksgiving	Mr & Mrs Wardle + help
30	10.45am	Holy Communion	R S Sherwood/Diana Walters	
<u>COFFEE</u>		<u>CLEANING</u>	<u>FLOWERS</u>	
2	Mr & Mrs Harding	M Pindar & Jennie Ball	Christine Robinson	
9	Mr & Mrs Carter	Mr & Mrs Nelson	" "	
16	Clive & Joy Thrower	Mrs Day/Mrs Walters	to be arranged	
23	John & Jill Caws	Mr & Mrs Jackson	Harvest Decorations*	
30	Mr & Mrs Sherwood	Mr & Mrs Grimshaw	to be arranged	
*If you would like to help with decorating the church for Harvest come along on Saturday 15 th for 10am. Gifts of fruit, vegetables, tins & packets of food will be very welcome.				
<u>READINGS</u>		<u>ST. PETER'S</u>	<u>ST. ANNE'S & SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>	
2	Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9 Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23	John Bowns <i>Trinity Fourteen</i>	Matilda Cadogan <i>Family Service</i>	
9	Isaiah 35: 4-7a Mark 7: 24-37	Bob Carter <i>Trinity Fifteen</i>	Sarah Porter <i>SS Claire Cadogan</i>	
16	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Mark 8: 27-38	Roger Wardle <i>Trinity Sixteen</i>	Rupert Turner <i>No Sunday School</i>	
23	Joel 2: 21-27 Matthew 6: 25-33	Pilsley School Child HARVEST THANKSGIVING	Fiona Lichfield <i>SS Sarah Porter</i>	
30	James 5: 13-20 Mark 9: 38-50	Trevor Grimshaw <i>Trinity Eighteen</i>	Claire Cadogan <i>No Sunday School</i>	

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