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A story is told of a heartless man who spent his whole life robbing and blackmailing people. As a result he built up a huge fortune. On his deathbed, the vicar turned up and urged him to repent of his evil ways, but the robber just smiled.

“Don't worry about me, vicar,” he wheezed. “Everybody has his price. I will do a deal with St. Peter and I am certain he will let me through those pearly gates.”

The vicar went away feeling very sad, and the robber died. At the gates of heaven, St. Peter held up his hand. “You can't come in here,” he said. The robber sniggered, “Look down there. It's all yours if you open the gate.”

Down in the robber's garden, a huge mountain of gold bars gleamed in the sunshine. St. Peter shook his head, puzzled. “What would I want,” he asked, with a load of paving slabs?”

In St. Luke's Gospel we are told that heaven's values are very different from earth's. We may chuckle at the idea that the streets of the heavenly city are literally paved with gold, but the image is a vivid one. The truth is that all the material possessions that people spend their lives accumulating are absolutely worthless when the time comes to part with them. And so Jesus urges his followers to set their hearts instead on treasure that will last for ever, and never lose its value.

The love of God, his promises to us, our forgiveness and our salvation, are priceless. Eternal life cannot be bought by us, nor can we pay to get into heaven. The Kingdom, Jesus reassures us, is God's free gift; it is the Father's good pleasure to give it to us. He has prepared a place for those who put their trust in him, and it is this faith which will open the door of heaven for us – not our money or earthly possessions.

Money of course can be used to do good. Jesus urged people to sell their possessions and give to the poor. He wasn't saying that we should render

ourselves destitute and then be in need ourselves. What Jesus is calling for is a just distribution of wealth, so that all may eat, all may have shelter, all may have access to health care and education and to employment which gives a sense of dignity and human worth.

We are on the wrong track then if we depend on money instead of the love of God. Like the robber who tried to buy his way into heaven, we are destined for disappointment on a cosmic scale if we put our trust in money, rather than in God's justice and mercy.

And so is all this something we can safely put off until tomorrow? It is very easy to tell ourselves that there is plenty of time, that we'll get round to it eventually: one day we'll make that decision to put God and his values at the centre of our lives, but not just yet. Jesus advises us to think again. We never know when we will be called to account, for the Lord may come again in glory tomorrow!

“You must be ready”, Jesus tells us all. The choice is ours, but we must make it now, to let God rule in our hearts. Then whatever is given to us in this world (our money, our time, our talents) will not be treasured for its own sake, but used for the good of others. Only then can we show that our trust is in God alone, who has promised us unfailing treasure in heaven and eternal life in his loving presence.

Every Blessing
Canon Dave

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Canon Dave and Margaret Perkins are leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 9th to 19th November 2020.

Please ring 01246 386385 for details.

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Dates for your Diary - October

- 2 **St. Peter's PCC Meeting 7.30pm at the Vicarage**
5 **Visiting Bellringers St. Peter's 10.30 - 11.15am**
8 **BEELEY WI Monthly Meeting - 7.30pm Beeley Village Hall**
Time Capsule - What to remember in 100 years...
Tea & raffle: Jane and Heather Competition: Bring your contributions
15 **BEELEY HERITAGE GROUP - 7pm Beeley Village Hall**
Sandra Struggles talking about the Gunpowder Plot - **Visitors Welcome**
16 **CHATSWORTH WI Monthly Meeting - 7pm Baslow Church Rooms**
Crafts - Heather Vickers - Half-circle Christmas Tree
Competition: A homemade autumnal decoration or display
Teas: Irene and Irene Vote of Thanks: Ann Flowers: Mary
19 **Visiting Bellringers St. Peter's 2 - 2.45pm**
26 **Wedding - St. Peter's 12.30pm Andrew Hogg and Amanda Fry**

Early Notice.....

'The Travelling People'
will be giving a performance at
The Cavendish Hall, Edensor
on
Saturday 2nd November 7.30pm
Tickets £12.50*

Proceeds to St. Peter's Church, Edensor
Bring your own drinks & glasses
Raffle (fantastic prizes!)

Filled rolls will be on sale during the interval

*tickets available from the Wardens or the Vicar

FROM THE REGISTERS - ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR

WEDDINGS

24th August - Richard Woods & Katharine Bramson

20th September - Gregory Francis Geoffrey Houghton &
Stephanie Jane Barraclough

BAPTISM ~ 18th August - Bobby Cooper Brookes

INTERMENT OF ASHES ~ 9th September - Gordon Allan Bowering

The 'Young Ones'

This time of the year brings many changes, not least to the lives of our young people, who may have started a new school, moved on to higher education at a college or university or have finished full-time education and begun their chosen career or a new job. Congratulations to everyone who has successfully completed exams this summer and those moving on to new beginnings, we send them all very best wishes for their future.

GCSE -

Abigail Molyneaux - 6 now doing Childcare and Education at Chesterfield College

James Gratton - 9 now in Lady Manners 6th form studying for 'A' Levels

Alfie Rhodes - 7 - now doing Childhood Studies at Chesterfield College

Anna Dora Swain - 10 - now in Lady Manners 6th form studying for 'A' Levels

'A' Level

Matthew Greaves - 4 'A' Levels - now at Sheffield Hallam University studying Sports Journalism

Holly Newbould - 3 'A' Levels - now at Sheffield Hallam University studying Primary Education

Degree - Katie Hill - gained a 2:1 in History from Queen Mary, University of London and is now studying for an M.A in Heritage Management at Queen Mary.

The Countess and Earl of Devonshire **[Edensor & Chatsworth] Charity**

Young persons between school leaving age and under 25 years of age who are resident in the Parishes of Edensor & Chatsworth may apply for financial assistance towards the cost of preparing for entry into a profession, trade or calling. This may include provision for further education.

Applications are invited with immediate effect. The closing date for applications is **31st October 2019**.

All grants are at the discretion of the trustees and Application Forms for grants can be obtained from the clerk:

Mr I T Else, Estate Office, Edensor.

Tel: 01246 565300/email: ian.else@chatsworth.org

Parish Giving Scheme

Following the launch of the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) earlier this year, we now have 18 members signed up to the scheme, therefore making this our primary source of collecting donations for the work of St Peters. Thank you to those members who have signed up.

We would like to encourage more members to sign up to the scheme as it significantly helps our cash flow and provides the PCC with Gift Aid on a monthly basis which improves the way the PCC can budget for outgoing costs.

If you would like more information on the PGS and how it simplifies giving, please do speak to either David Jackson or Liz Bradshaw.

On a separate note, if you do still give via the NatWest bank account, this account will close at the end of the year – therefore an excellent time to transfer to PGS.

Once again, many thanks

Mark Titterton
Treasurer

Revd Canon Dr Elizabeth Thomson named Acting Dean

Bishop Libby is pleased to announce that the Revd Canon Dr Elizabeth Thomson will be Acting Dean of Derby from 30 September 2019. Canon Elizabeth has been at Derby Cathedral since 2014 as Canon Missioner, and was appointed sub-dean by the outgoing dean, the Very Revd Dr Stephen Hance.

On making the announcement, Bishop Libby said: “We are very

thankful that Elizabeth is willing to take on this crucial role during the vacancy. Elizabeth has a proven track record of leadership and creative ministry in the cathedral. I am confident she will not only love and support the cathedral through this time of transition, but bring her gifts and experience to enabling the Cathedral to flourish and grow during this time.”



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, warm socks, gloves, hats, scarves etc. these are always much appreciated. Warm sleeping bags are also very welcome as the nights become colder. 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)

October 13th 2019

The Girl in the Spider's Web

2018, Germany/Sweden, Cert. 15, 115 minutes. Action, Crime, Drama

Young computer hacker Lisbeth Salander and journalist Mikael Blomkvist find themselves caught in a web of spies, cybercriminals and corrupt government officials.

Introduction by Ken Watson

Celebrating Girton – one of the first colleges for women

It was 150 years ago, on 16th October 1869, that Girton College was established as one of England's first residential colleges for women. It became part of Cambridge University in 1948, and co-educational in 1976.

Girton is one of the biggest of the 31 Cambridge colleges, situated next to Girton village about two miles from the city centre. It was established by Emily Davies, Barbara Bodichon and Lady Stanley of Alderley as the 'College for Women at Benslow House' – originally in Hitchin, before moving to its current site (and new name) in 1873.

Among Girton's notable alumni are Queen Margrethe II of Denmark, HuffPost co-founder Arianna Huffington and the comedian Sandi Toksvig. Christians may be equally familiar with Malcolm Guite – chaplain, poet and rock musician.

Girton is known for the richness and diversity of its musical life. But it did not have a chapel until 1902, as one of the founders opposed spending money on it. The college however, did, from very early times have services in the form of family prayers, and it was reported that "from 1881 Mr Cooke of King's College had come out to take services on Sunday evenings, which were said to have greatly improved the tone of the college".

Active social life may help cut risk of dementia

If you can continue a healthy social life during middle age and onwards, you might be able to prevent the onset of dementia.

It has been found that people of 60 or over who see family and friends almost every day have a 12 per cent lower risk of developing the disease. According to the research done at University College London (UCL), frequent

social contact builds cognitive reserve, or greater brain resilience, against the damage that occurs in neuro-degeneration.

As one scientist explains, "Dementia is a major global health challenge, with one million people expected to have the condition in the UK by 2021. But we also know that one in three cases are potentially preventable."

10th October: Thomas Traherne - lover of nature

Thomas Traherne (1636 - 1674) is a good saint for anyone who loves our planet, and who wants to preserve Creation. This 17th century poet and clergyman wrote extensively about his love for nature, seeing in it a reflection of the glory of God.

Traherne was not of a literary family, for his father was either a shoemaker or innkeeper in Hereford. But Traherne did well at the Hereford Cathedral School and went on to Brasenose College Oxford. From there he became rector of Credenhill near Hereford in 1657, and ten years later was appointed to be the private chaplain to Sir Orlando Bridgement, the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal to King Charles II, who lived at Teddington.

Throughout his years at Credenhill and then Teddington, Traherne led a simple and devout life, and his friendliness drew people to him. He was described as “one of the most pious, ingenious men that ever I was acquainted with”, and being of “cheerful and sprightly Temper”, ready to do “all good Offices to his Friends, and Charitable to the Poor almost beyond his ability”. Aside from his beloved books, he seems to have possessed very little.

Instead, he poured his energy into his writings, which had an intense, mystical, metaphysical spirituality. His poems and prose frequently mention the glory of Creation, and his intimate relationship with God, for whom he had an ardent, childlike love. Traherne has been compared to later poets such as William Blake, Walt Whitman and Gerard Manley Hopkins, and his love for nature has been seen as very similar to the Romantic movement, though he lived two centuries earlier.

He is best known for his *Centuries of Meditations*, which has been described as “one of the finest prose-poems in our language.” Lost for many years, and then finally first published in 1908, it was a favourite of the Trappist monk Thomas Merton, the Christian humanist Dorothy Sayers, and the writer C.S. Lewis, among others. C.S. Lewis considered *Centuries of Meditations* “almost the most beautiful book in English.”

Traherne died in 1674, and is buried in St Mary's Teddington, under the church's reading desk. Today he is counted as one of the leading 17th-century devotional poets.

Medicine for the heart

by David Winter

Over 80 years ago I sat next to my mother at a pantomime – ‘Cinderella’, I think. It was alright, if a bit too full of dancing for my taste. But suddenly we were in a kitchen where the royal supper was being prepared. And wonderfully and gloriously, everything went wrong. Food took to the air, custard pies ended up on heads and faces. Apparently, I laughed so much that I fell off my seat. I had encountered the magic of comedy; the sheer joy of laughter. What we call a ‘sense of humour’ is a priceless and unique gift of our creator to the human race.

The Bible tells us to ‘weep with those who weep’, true – but also to laugh with those who laugh. In modern times that has often meant an experience shared with millions of others on radio or TV.

This month marks the 50th anniversary of the first broadcast of Monty Python’s ‘Flying Circus’, which was a landmark event in broadcasting comedy. It wasn’t situation comedy like ‘Dad’s Army’ or ‘Are You Being Served.’ Monty Python was a true child of the 1960s, a confident, cheeky reflection of contemporary society. No, it wasn’t ‘Dad’s Army’ but it was just as funny in its own way.

Like all of God’s gifts, a sense of humour can be misused. Satire can be cruel and negative. Just as the laughter of seven-year-olds in the playground teasing a boy they claim has got, say, big ears.

Humour should be about or with, but never *at* people.

Our bankrupt young

The number of young people who go bankrupt has soared, increasing tenfold in just three years. People from ‘Generation Z’ (aged 18 to 25) now make up one in 15 of all personal insolvencies. Back in 2016 only one in 100 insolvencies involved a young person.

relatively easy access to credit, young people without financial experience may be more susceptible to the temptations of easy money.” The rise of the gig economy and zero-hours contracts have also played a big role, for without a regular income, young people find it much more difficult to budget.

As one accountant explained: “In this climate of low interest rates and

God in the Sciences

by Dr Ruth Bancewicz. Ruth is based at The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge, and writes on the positive relationship between Science and Christian faith.

Continuing the Celebration!

On 13-20th October this year many people around the world will be celebrating the Jewish festival of Tabernacles, or Sukkot. They will celebrate the Harvest, and also remember God bringing the Israelites out of Egypt and through 40 years in the desert.

The biblical book of Deuteronomy contains a description of what Tabernacles should have been like back then. "Celebrate... for seven days. Be joyful... you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, and the Levites, the foreigners, the fatherless and the widows who live in your towns."

These festivals were not just a celebration, but also an expression of gratitude to God: "celebrate the festival to the Lord your God... For the Lord your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete." Tabernacles was a proper holiday, with two whole days off normal work and seven days of feasting.

Farming looks very different today. Very few of us have had to sweat long hours over crops, so we're not as ready for (or deserving of) a rest and a party as our ancestors were at this time of year. That might be even more the case in future, as the agri-tech revolution unfolds. For example, small autonomous tractors are already becoming available that do less damage to the soil and make better use of steep or oddly shaped fields.

Many arable farms already hire contractors to do the routine work with large specialist GPS-equipped machinery. In future years those people might find themselves using very different kinds of high-tech kit, acting more as land-management advisors, helping farmers to gather data and to find ways of improving soil quality, biodiversity and the water cycle.

I'm very grateful for the food that arrives on my shelves. Instead of worrying about whether or not we earned it, our modern-day Tabernacles or Harvest celebration could include ways of encouraging those involved in agriculture and developing new agricultural technologies, as well as enjoying how we can learn about and benefit from God's creation through Science.

So, after you celebrate Harvest at
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church, why not follow it up with a trip to a local farm this month? Why not learn from the ancient Israelites, and follow it up with a meal together? It stands to reason that those of us who live in countries

where food is plentiful and cheap could do with being proportionately more generous in our gratitude and giving. Should we throw better parties? Probably!

22nd October: Donatus - and the danger of exploring an unfamiliar church

When you are out and about on the road far from home, ever feel tempted to pop in and explore an unfamiliar church? If so, think of Donatus as your patron saint – and beware. You don't know what you may be letting yourself in for....

In 829 Donatus, an Irish monk, had completed a prayerful pilgrimage to Rome, and thought his adventures were over. Now there only remained the long road home to Ireland. He had got as far as the beautiful little town of Fiesole, which sits high above Florence in Tuscany, when he saw a lot of people milling about the cathedral. Curious, he decided to look in.... as he entered the cathedral, the bells rang, the lamps were lit and wham! Without any

diocesan paperwork at all, he was acclaimed to be the new bishop the people had been praying for.

Donatus was very surprised, but accepted that this turn of events must be God's will for his life. So he became bishop, in a time when bishops did even more dangerous things than they do nowadays. Instead of verbal forays into the national press, Donatus was given the job of leading Pope Louis the Pious' troops against the Saracens. Safely back in Fiesole, Donatus settled down as a scholar and teacher of his new flock. But he never forgot his native Ireland, and so did the 9th century equivalent of 'twinning' his diocese, for he opened a little hospice where any Irish pilgrims passing through Tuscany could stay in safety. He died in 876, and 12 centuries later, his relics lie in the present cathedral of Fiesole.

REMEMBER! Sunday, 27th October 2019,
2am clocks are turned backward 1 hour.



In memory of Doris Lessing

Doris Lessing, the novelist, playwright and poet, was born 100 years ago, on 22nd October 1919. In 2007 she won the Nobel Prize in Literature. She died in 2013.

Lessing was born Doris May Tayler in Persia (now Iran). Both parents were British: her father, badly injured in the war, was a bank clerk. In 1925, hoping to get rich through farming, the family moved to Southern Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe).

The wealth did not materialise. Doris was sent to an uncongenial convent school, and then to a high school at Salisbury (now Harare). At 19, she married and had two children. But she left her family and

joined the Left Book Club, a group of Communists, marrying one of its members, Gottfried Lessing. They divorced in 1949, and she moved to London.

Doris Lessing wrote in many genres and did not like being pigeon-holed, especially as a feminist, feeling that feminists wanted her to 'bear witness' in religious style. She also became disillusioned by Marxism because it ignored spiritual matters.

She was strongly attracted to Sufism, which she described as a "main current" in her life. This was given expression most markedly in her Canopus in Argos novels, about an interstellar society's efforts to influence other worlds, including Earth.

Housework

Who does most of the housework in your family? Probably the woman, if you are like most families. That is the finding of a recent analysis of who does household chores, carried out by University College London (UCL).

The study found that even among couples where the woman is more qualified and has a more demanding job, she is still likely to do around half the housework. However, where the man is better qualified and has a

better-paid job, he is likely to leave the majority of housework to his partner.

Therefore, it seems that despite the steady erosion of gender discrimination at work, traditional opinions tend to carry on at home.

The study, published in *Work, Employment and Society*, found that fewer than seven per cent of couples share the housework equally.

26th October: Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons

Can you think of a politician who deserves to be called a saint? If no one currently living politician comes to mind, never mind – there is always King Alfred of Wessex (871-99).

This remarkable and best known of all the Anglo-Saxon rulers may have dozed off and let some cakes burn while a peasant woman was hiding him from the Vikings, but he did so much else which was of lasting good for the Anglo-Saxon people.

It was a desperate time for the Anglo-Saxons – the kingdoms of Northumbria, East Anglia and Mercia had fallen to the Vikings. Only Alfred's province remained free. Through some inspired military manoeuvring, Alfred managed to keep them at bay. As a Christian, he became the defender of all Christian

Anglo-Saxons against the pagan Vikings. (His son and grandsons went on to conquer the Vikings, and thus ensured the future unity of England.)

Alfred was also a scholar, and admired certain writings which had laid down models of ideal Christian kingship. He tried to put these principles into practise, such as producing a law-code. Alfred believed strongly that anyone in authority should have to study in order to learn how to govern. Not such a bad idea for leaders today!

Alfred was never canonised by the Church, but his translation of Consolation of Philosophy by Boethius is often thought to be a fitting epitaph: I desired to live worthily as long as I lived, and to leave after my life, to the men who should come after me, the memory of me in good works.

Good food for you

Eating plenty of fruit and vegetables slashes your risk of developing Type 2 diabetes by nearly a quarter, a recent study has found.

And adding whole grains, legumes and nuts also protects against diabetes, as they improve sensitivity to insulin (the hormone that controls blood sugar) and reduce weight gain.

A senior nutritionist at the Harvard T H Chan School said: "Overall the data highlighted the importance of adhering to plant-based diets to achieve or maintain good health."

The findings were published in the journal JAMA Internal Medicine. They support evidence that diet is crucial in tackling diabetes, which now affects about four million in the UK.

All things come from You, and of Your own do we ... not give back much!

As Harvest approaches, here the Ven John Barton reflects on just what we do give to God...

following on from last month's magazine...

Jesus taught a great deal about money and its dangers. Most of His parables concerned money in one form or another. He used the word 'Mammon' to describe a false financial god, saying "You can't serve God and Mammon."

So, a right attitude to money is essential for Christians.

Until we are released from the straitjacket of putting money before God, that blocked soul-artery will impede our way to God.

Once we are liberated from the control money has over us, we can be lavish in our giving – with a sense of exuberance. St Paul puts it like this: "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

St Paul spent ten years raising funds for the impoverished Church in Jerusalem where there was a serious

famine. The little and very poor Church in Macedonia gave way beyond their comfort zone. The relatively wealthy Church in Corinth gave little by comparison. Paul contrasts them. Miserable Corinthians; joyful Macedonians.

Giving is fun.

Christian giving becomes something that we share privately with Jesus. In Matthew Jesus taught that when we give, we should not let even our left hand know what our right hand is doing.

God is generous to us, so when we are generous, we share a secret with Him. "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich."

So - giving money away makes you happy!

Giving to God is giving back what He has already given to us. It's not the quantity, it's the percentage of what we have. A right attitude to money is vital for Christians.

Dropping a line

David Winter remembers the arrival of postcodes....

Like many older readers I can remember being taught how to write a letter. Address, date, recipient, signature, and then we had to address the envelope, buy a stamp (two pence at that time!) and post it.

The first change to that routine came exactly 60 years ago this month, with the introduction in the UK of the postcode – a combination of seven or eight letters or numbers which precisely located our address. It took 14 years to enlist the entire country, but eventually virtually the whole world took on the ingenious postcode. We were now part of a world network of communication.

It was the first big change to our postal system in a century, but we happily took it on board. More recent changes have been more revolutionary: fax, e-mail, texting and their many refinements. Letter-writing or 'snail mail' as it is referred to now, is rapidly dying out. I would guess many under thirties have never written a personal letter or received one. Paper, envelopes, stamps are too complicated.

I think that it is sad, but probably unavoidable. I don't think many people will be preserving their love-texts for posterity. Products of a moment can be forgotten in a moment.

It was also 60 years ago, on 7th Oct 1959, that the Soviet space probe, Luna 3, sent back the first images of the far side of the Moon.

Humans had no idea what the far side of the Moon looked like until October 1959, when Luna 3 transmitted the first grainy images.

During the next five decades, the quality of lunar images has vastly improved, especially because of NASA's Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter (LRO), a spacecraft which has been orbiting the Moon collecting data since 2009. Today, we

have detailed maps of the Moon's topography, including of the once mysterious far side.

The Moon does not radiate its own light, but its surface reflects the Sun's rays. Half of the Moon's surface is always illuminated, and during the course of a lunar month, most areas of the surface have about 14-15 days of sunlight. On the far side, the Moon phases are exactly opposite from the ones we see from Earth, on the near side. When we see the Moon fully illuminated at Full Moon, the far side is in darkness. When it is New Moon here, it is Full Moon on the far side.

Together we fall

Canon David Winter on the great Wall Street Crash of 1929

I was born a few weeks after the Wall Street Crash, 90 years ago this month. The American economy, so dominant in world trade, seemed to collapse overnight. Banks went bust, and then many businesses. Unemployment followed, and so did genuine poverty in American cities.

Needless to say, I was totally unaware of all of this at the time, but by the time I was eight or nine I had become aware that what happened in New York affected us all. My mother took me to see the 'hunger marches' from Jarrow, coming to London to plead for help for starving British

families. It was an early lesson I have never forgotten, and very relevant now. Like it or not, we have a worldwide economy. If one suffers, eventually we all do.

Strangely enough the 'hungry thirties' were replaced by the war-time forties. The US and UK economies were revived by the demands of war and rationing, at least, ensuring that what food there was would be shared fairly.

But the lesson remains: if one suffers, all suffer. We are, like it or not, a worldwide family.

The rise of self-employment

Those aged over 50 now make up nearly half of all self-employed workers. That is about 2.27 million people, up from 1.45 million a decade ago. And almost one in five of the self-employed work-force is over 60.

There's good reason why older people turn to self-employment. With a rising state pension age and a longer life expectancy, they need the money. But companies tend to discriminate against older people who have had to take time out of

their careers, perhaps to look after grandchildren or an elderly relative. So many older people have no choice but to venture into the world of self-employment, to make ends meet.

But it is not all bad news. As one researcher points out: "Self-employment can offer opportunities for flexible, fulfilling and rewarding work."

The study was done by Rest Less, a jobs and advice site catering for older people.

All Hallows Eve – or Holy Evening

Modern Halloween celebrations have their roots with the Celtic peoples of pre-Christian times.

In those long-ago days, on the last night of October, the Celts celebrated the Festival of Samhain, or ‘Summer’s End’. The priests, or Druids, performed ceremonies to thank and honour the sun. For there was a very dark side to all this: Samhain also signalled the onset of winter, a time when it was feared that unfriendly ghosts, nature-spirits, and witches roamed the earth, creating mischief. So the Druid priests lit great bonfires and performed magic rites to ward off or appease these dark supernatural powers.

Then the Romans arrived, and brought their Harvest Festival which honoured the Goddess Pomona with gifts of apples and nuts. The two festivals slowly merged.

When Christianity arrived still later, it began to replace the Roman and Druid religions. 1st November - All Saints’ Day - was dedicated to all Christian Martyrs

and Saints who had died. It was called ‘All Hallows’ Day’. The evening before became an evening of prayer and preparation and was called ‘All Hallows’ Eve’, The Holy Evening, later shortened to ‘Halloween’.

For many centuries, however, fear of the supernatural remained strong. During the Middle Ages, animal costumes and frightening masks were worn to ward off the evil spirits of darkness on Halloween. Magic words and charms were used to keep away bad luck, and everybody believed that witches rode about on broomsticks. Fortune telling was popular, and predicting the future by the use of nuts and apples was so popular that Halloween is still sometimes known as Nutcrack Night or Snap-Apple Night.

Today, Christians have learned to turn to prayer instead of charms to overcome the powers of darkness. And the deeper, true meaning of All Hallows’ Eve, should not be forgotten. As Christians, we all draw closer to Christ when we remember and give thanks for our loved ones and for others who have gone before us through the gates of death.

Alarming

David Pickup, a solicitor, considers those alarms that go off when you leave a store.

You go to your favourite supermarket on a Saturday to buy your big shop. As you enter the shop the alarm goes off. The alarm continues to sound several times when you are shopping. After you have paid for the shopping and are leaving the alarm goes off. A security guard asks you to go back in the store. What do you do?

You can ask what the problem is and point out you have paid for the shopping and show them the receipt. You could point out the alarm has sounded several times and politely say you are leaving. The security guard cannot stop you going or look in your bags unless you agree.

On the other hand, a security guard has the same rights as any other member of the public to arrest people. They can make a citizen's

arrest. However they must be able to show there were reasonable grounds for suspecting an offence had been committed and that it was necessary to arrest you.

If you are confident that you do not have anything you have not paid for, then you will probably want to leave. If you do decide to go to the store and they accuse you of theft, then insist that the police are called before you are searched. You could also make a telephone call asking a friend to come and be witness.

If they arrest you or detain you and cannot justify it, then they could face a claim for compensation for false arrest. The store detectives should not randomly stop or try to search people based on their appearance.

As always this is a light-hearted guide to a very complex area and if in doubt, get advice from a professional.

Asthma danger for children

Children are up to four times more likely to have an asthma attack when they return to school.

A recent study from Public Health England has cited a combination of stress, changes in the weather, air pollution and an increase in circulating viruses as the reason why many schoolchildren develop

respiratory problems as the term gets underway.

One doctor stressed: "Some children find the start of the new school term an anxious time, which could set off an attack. So, it is crucial that schools are aware of the pupils who have asthma, and that there are adequate steps in place to support them."

The Beatitudes:

‘Blessed are the peacemakers’

‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.’ (Matthew 5:9).

H.G.Wells wrote of Mr Polly, ‘he was not so much a human being as a civil war.’ A lack of peace in our lives reflects the lack of peace in our families, community and nation.

In this beatitude, Jesus calls us to be *peacemakers* by overcoming conflict and bringing unity to relationships. This is very different from being a *peacelover*! It calls for hard work, patience and a willingness to understand the disagreement. We also risk misunderstanding and rejection by those we’re trying to help. This brings a much-needed perspective to the current Brexit debate!

What perspective does a follower of Jesus bring to peacemaking? Jesus says we will ‘*be called children of God*’, because we demonstrate the family likeness of the ultimate peacemaker.

On the cross Jesus has enabled us to have peace with God (Romans 5:1) and broken down the walls of hostility between people (Ephesians 2:14). To be a peacemaker starts by recognising that God ‘*has reconciled us to Himself through Christ*’ (2 Corinthians 5:8).

Our mission is to implore people to ‘*be reconciled to God*.’ (2 Corinthians 5:20). This is the only true path to inner peace, as it is rooted in the reality of peace with God.

We are also called to bring peace between people, especially in the local church. It’s easy to avoid doing anything because we want a peaceful life! It means confronting situations where relationships have broken down and bringing people together in unity of heart and mind. The role of peacemaking is never easy; it cost Jesus His life and will undoubtedly change us: ‘*reconciliation takes place when two opposing forces clash and somebody gets crushed in between.*’

Hotter with tattoos

Thermal image technology has found that heavily tattooed skin heats up more than normal skin in direct sunlight. Images of tattoo artists in Shoreditch, taken on a Cat S61 smartphone, showed higher temperatures on sections of skin that were heavily inked – with the black of the tattoo retaining the most heat.

Best way to enjoy the Bible? Be like a dog with a bone!

By the Rev Tony Horsfall.

Sarah brought her beautiful dog Bobby to a Quiet Morning at church. He was very well behaved and loved all the attention he received. As we began our time together Sarah gave him a bone to chew on, and he settled down contentedly, enjoying his own experience of 'heaven'!

The expression came into my mind, 'like a dog with a bone', and watching Bobby at work further confirmed my thinking. Here before us was a wonderful example of what it means to meditate on Scripture – to slowly and patiently chew things over in our mind until we begin to grasp internally what God is saying to us.

The Bible encourages us to meditate in this way. Think of Psalm 1, where we read about the godly person

'whose delight is in the law of the Lord and who meditates on His law, day and night (v2).' Think also of Joshua who was told, 'Keep this book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it (Joshua 1:8). Mary did this as well, when at the birth of Jesus she 'treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart (Luke 2:19).'

Perhaps sometimes we don't spend enough time with Scripture, letting its truth soak into our minds and pondering its meaning and application to our lives. The spiritual discipline of Bible meditation helps us to do just that. Why not take a verse of Scripture that has caught your attention recently, and chew it over as you go through the day, looking at it this way and that way until you feel you have received the goodness it contains?

You may love him, but....!

Young women are less and less likely to share their finances with their 'significant other'. A recent survey has found that nearly half of women aged below 34 prefer financial independence.

As one accountant explained: 'With women increasingly entering marriage later in life, after years of

earning their own income and controlling their own finances, it's unsurprising that many are turning their back on a 'what's mine is yours' approach.

Meanwhile, as women tend to outlive men, more than 60 per cent of the UK's wealth is expected to be in the hands of women by 2025.

The study was carried out by Netwealth.

Nietzsche – the man for whom ‘God is dead’

The German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche was born 175 years ago, on 15th October 1844, near Leipzig, where his father was a Lutheran minister. His father died five years later, but young Friedrich had a brilliant school and university career.

He is perhaps known best for his paradoxical statement that “God is dead”, and his suggestion that traditional Christian belief and its attendant ideas of morality were “unbelievable”. One of his arguments was that the “brimstone, hellfire, and damnation diatribe” in Christian letters and sermons was incompatible with a religion of love and forgiveness.

His writing was not so much logical as aphoristic – even poetic. He said: “I

approach deep problems like cold baths: quickly into them and quickly out again.”

His novel *Thus Spoke Zarathustra* was used by Richard Strauss to create a tone poem of the same name, the fanfare of which was employed to stunning effect in the 1968 film *2001: A Space Odyssey*.

Nietzsche’s health was poor, and he moved frequently in later years. He had intense headaches, nausea and trouble with his eyesight, suggesting that he may have suffered from a slow-growing tumour on the brain. He developed dementia and became totally silent, dying eventually of a stroke in 1900.

God’s Spies – the Stasi’s Cold War espionage campaign inside the Church (Book Review)

By Elisabeth Braw, Lion Hudson, £8.99

When the Berlin Wall came down, the files of the East German secret police, the much-dreaded Stasi, were opened and read. And among the shocking stories revealed was that of the Stasi’s infiltration of the Church. Almost 10% of the Lutheran Church’s workforce were, it

appears, busy involved in spying on each other, and on the Church’s congregations. The Lutheran Church was the only semi-free space in East Germany, where those who rebelled against the regime could find a way of living at least a little out of the government’s iron grip. Even the organisations that smuggled Bibles were infiltrated.



Nigel Beeton writes: *'Some people can be inconsiderate, especially when behind the wheel of a car, but we know that when in trouble we often see the very best of our fellow human beings. Yet sometimes we can be with angels and completely fail to recognise them. So if you feel God prompting you to help someone, best to respond. You may be walking the path of an angel...'*

Heaven's Messengers of Love

*Do we know them when we see them?
Heaven's messengers of love?
Who are there just when we need them,
Sent to help by God above.
Those who help us just by staying,
Those who sit and hold our hand,
Those who hold us up by praying,
Those who simply understand.*

*When the seas of life are storming
When we're overwhelmed by pain
We don't notice them transforming
We don't feel their love sustain.
When we feel our woes confounding
When we're stifled by the strain
We don't see our friends surrounding
Standing by us in the rain.*

*Yet, despite our bitter blindness
God is there, and always sends
Human angels, who with kindness
Are our true and faithful friends,
Till the time when, sunshine glowing
Come the rainbow and the dove
And the afterlight is showing
Heaven's messengers of love.*

By Nigel Beeton

One third of young children have never been to the butcher's or greengrocer's

That is the finding of a survey by Nationwide Building Society, who also found that one in four youngsters of primary school age do not even know what a high street is. More than half have never visited a laundromat, and nearly half have never been to a florist or key-cutter.

The survey comes amidst concerns that the future of Britain's high street is bleak. A recent report by Retail Economics predicts that half of UK retail transactions will be online

within a decade, as opposed to a fifth of all transactions at present.

In the past ten years, a number of big chains have disappeared, including Woolworths, BHS, and Toys R Us. Meanwhile Homebase and Marks & Spencer are closing many shops, and profits have dropped at John Lewis.

And little wonder: the survey found that 75 per cent of children said that their parents mostly shopped at a supermarket, and 40 per cent had parents who shopped mostly online. Meanwhile, MPs are urging towns to develop a unique selling point, in order to attract shoppers.

Baslow Health Centre – Church Lane, Baslow

www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

Flu Vaccination: Flu clinic appointments are available from the 30th of September onwards, please contact the surgery to check your eligibility and book an appointment.

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.

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
Surgery Fax: 01246 583867
Dispensary: 01246 582366
District Nursing Team: 01629 593050
Health Visitor: 01629 816633

(The Dispensary line is open 12noon – 1.00pm and 2.00pm – 3.00pm)

Normal Surgery Opening Times

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 8am - 6.30pm; **Wednesdays** 7.30am - 6.30pm

(closed Bank Holidays)

(Phones 8am – 6.30pm Mon - Fri).

Surgery Closure for training -

Afternoons of Wednesday

9th October & 13th Nov

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 your repeat request form to surgery by Post/Fax/ Box on Dispensary Reception
 - **Please allow two working days before collection**
- ! To ease the parking congestion, please collect your prescription between 12noon – 4pm

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 a bag if provided.

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

For Urgent Calls when we are closed call 111

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October Sudoku ☞

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St. Peter's Church 100 Club August Draw 2019

1st prize £30 no. 93 Mavis Cunningham
2nd prize £20 no. 74 Pauline Mather
Funds to church this month - £50

Thank you,
Ann Hall

Thank You to Margaret Finney, who, after cleaning the brasses at St. Peter's for over 20 years, has decided to hand over to daughter Jane.

'SPICE' Sunday

The next 'SPICE' Sunday at St. Peter's will be on 13th October. Please remember to bring your 5pence pieces and remind anyone who collects them for you to give them to you in good time.

Thank you for your continuing support.

Bugs everywhere you touch

This is the kind of story which makes you want to put gloves on. It seems that 'disturbing' levels of antibiotic-resistant superbugs have been found on cash machines and escalator rails, not to mention ticket machines, soap dispensers, door handles, armrests and lavatory seats. There were other infected surfaces in Tube stations, shopping centres, hospitals, and public washrooms.

Researchers from the University of East London found that of the many surfaces which they swabbed, nearly half had bacteria which showed resistance to two or more antibiotics, including penicillin and erythromycin. As one researcher said, it was "disturbing" that such general public areas can be in fact "reservoirs for multi-drug-resistant bacteria."

The findings were published in the journal *Scientific Reports*.

SERVICES & ROTAS FOR OCTOBER 2019

<u>ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY</u>		<u>FLOWERS & BRASSES</u>	<u>CLEANING</u>
6	9.30am Holy Communion	Liz Turner	3 rd -6 th Fiona L
13	Joint Service at St. Peter's	Fiona Lichfield	
20	9.30am Holy Communion	“ “	17 th -20 th Sarah
27	9.30am Holy Communion	Sarah Porter	
<u>ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR</u>		<u>SIDESMEN</u>	
6	10.45am Holy Communion	Mrs Jackson/Mrs Bradshaw	
13	10.45am Holy Communion (<i>Joint Service</i>)	Mr & Mrs Wardle	
20	10.45am Matins	R S Sherwood/Diana Walters	
27	10.45am Holy Communion	John Bowns/Mike Pindar	
<u>COFFEE</u>		<u>CLEANING</u>	<u>FLOWERS</u>
6	Mr & Mrs Sherwood	Mr & Mrs Nelson	Cynthia Gordon
13	Mr & Mrs Harding	Mrs Day/Mrs Walters	Janet Cosgrove
20	Ann & Tony Hubbuck	Mr & Mrs Jackson	Christine Robinson
27	Mr & Mrs Carter	Mr & Mrs Grimshaw	Wedding flowers
<u>READINGS</u>		<u>ST. PETER'S</u>	<u>ST. ANNE'S & SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>
6	Psalm 122 John 2: 13-22	John Bowns Dedication Festival	Sophia Lichfield <i>Children in service</i>
13	2 Timothy 2: 8-15 Luke 17: 11-19	Mike Woodcock Trinity Seventeen	<i>No Service at St. Anne's</i>
20	Genesis 32: 22-31 Luke 18: 1-8	Tom Cornell Trinity Eighteen	Fiona Swain <i>No Sunday School</i>
27	Jeremiah 14: 7-10, 19-22 Luke 18: 9-14	Duke of Devonshire Last Sunday after Trinity	Rupert Turner <i>No Sunday School</i>

Warning (*Smile...*)

A little girl was watching her parents dress for a party. When she saw her father donning his dinner jacket, she objected. "Oh Daddy, you shouldn't wear that suit." Bemused, her father asked why not. The little girl explained: "Because you know that it always gives you a headache the next morning."

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