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I have just been reading a story about an Easter Family Service that took place a few years ago in a small Yorkshire village.

A group of church members were portraying in mime the death of Jesus. A young man, Jonathan, was playing the part of Jesus. Blows were aimed at him as he was hoisted on to a platform at the front of the church. His arms were stretched out, and the make believe nails were hammered in. It was a most moving portrayal of the crucifixion. Everyone in the church were deeply impressed by it. But of course they knew the story; they knew what was happening.

From her stall, the vicar could see not only the drama but the rapt expression on the faces of the congregation. She thought we must do this more often as it is really holding their attention. Suddenly, an agonised scream rang through the quiet church followed by uncontrollable crying. It came from a very small person, only a year old, who had been watching wide-eyed from the safety of a comfortable pair of knees. She was only a baby; she didn't know the story and was far too young to understand. So why was she so distressed? Why was her pain so real? It was quite simple. Jonathan, who was playing the part of Jesus, was her daddy. All she knew was that Daddy was being hurt and she could do nothing to help him. She could only express her feelings in desperate crying and screaming.

It took a long time that morning before the little girl was pacified, but later, cradled in her father's arms, she allowed herself to be comforted, and knew that everything was all right again.

Perhaps that morning everyone in church learned something very important. People learned not by their heads, intellectually accepting the suffering and death of Jesus, but through the crying of a child responding to her father's pain; and through seeing too, the real anguish on that young father's face as he played out his part while his daughter cried. It wasn't just good acting, it was for real, for he could do nothing to relieve his child's distress until his part had been played out.

The death of Jesus is so familiar, that maybe we have lost something by its very familiarity. It took a child's scream and a young father's pained face to remind people what 'Good Friday' was really all about. It brought the congregation to look afresh at the cross and to see what Jesus did for us out of his total unconditional love.

The crucifixion of Jesus seemed like a moment of total defeat for his followers. The men and women who had invested their lives into following him had seemingly seen everything that they had hoped for die upon the cross.

Unlike the first followers of Jesus and the child in the story I shared with you earlier, we know that the story didn't end there – they didn't.

The resurrection of Jesus on Easter Day, the glimpse of the new kingdom where death and pain were defeated, was a moment of tremendous victory for those who loved him. God's kingdom had come. The death of Jesus was not the end but a new beginning.

That victory is here for us today. A moment where we glimpse God's future for us and for our loved ones. Let us rejoice and remember at Easter time his sovereign rule both in our own lives and in the world.

Every Blessing
Canon Dave

HE IS
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HE IS
RISEN
INDEED
ALLELUIA

FROM THE REGISTERS

ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR - FUNERAL SERVICE FOLLOWED BY CREMATION
19th March ~ Owen Archie Bonsall aged 85years

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EASTER FLOWERS AT ST. ANNE'S

If you would like to make a contribution towards Easter Flowers at St. Annes's Church, Beeley, please give your donation to Fiona Lichfield or Fiona Swain, by Palm Sunday, 5th April.



EASTER FLOWERS AT ST. PETER'S



If you would like to made a contribution towards Easter Flowers at St. Peter's Church, Edensor, please give your donation to Liz Bradshaw, David Jackson, Margaret Nelson or the Vicar by Palm Sunday, 5th April.



In light of the Government guidance around non-essential contact, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have issued advice that public worship is suspended until further notice.

Our churches will remain open for private prayer but with no public worship services taking place.



Dates for your Diary - April

- 14 **BEELEY WI Monthly Meeting - Chatsworth Gardens**
Another fantastic walk led by Steve Porter.
Meeting time to be fixed. Refreshments co-ordinated by Sarah
- 15 **CHATSWORTH WI Monthly Meeting**
7pm Baslow Church Rooms
'All Things Stampy' stamp workshop
- 21 **BEELEY HERITAGE GROUP Meeting - 7pm Beeley Village Hall**
Frank Robinson talking about Tracks around Beeley

As we can't be sure what will happen with Covid-19, the above dates may well change so please contact the organisations involved if you are planning to attend any of them.

Edensor Village Day & Open Gardens

The decision has been taken (unanimously and very sadly) to cancel this year's Edensor Day & Open Gardens in view of the Covid-19 situation.

Next year's Edensor Day - Saturday 19th June 2021

A Message from Pilsley Post Office & Village Shop

In these difficult times, especially with our maturing local residents having to self isolate, I am very happy to deliver any emergency grocery items/essentials to you in Pilsley and Edensor. We can arrange payment over the phone by card.

Let's show that the Pilsley and Edensor community can support each other!

Best wishes
Sarah Titterton



Dear All,

This is just a short note to acknowledge that in the days and weeks ahead a number of the people in our community will be self-isolating at home for their wellbeing and that of others. Whilst many will want to fend for themselves, there will be other perhaps elderly and vulnerable people who will need support in different ways from helping with their shopping and collecting medication to a chat over the phone.

We know that the majority are already very well supported by family and friends but if there is anyone who would welcome some help or anyone willing to offer some support please do let me know.

Also if you have any good ideas about how the community can help in these exceptional circumstances, these would be most welcome.

Best wishes to all
Nick

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Pilsley

Pilsley is a special village with a strong community spirit. With the uncertainty of 'the' virus around us, now is the time to use that community. I am sure you are checking your neighbours are ok or asking your neighbour if you need a loo roll, tin of tomatoes or a prescription fetching. However, if you need help, or wish to offer help to others, please let me know via email or ring me.

Baslow Village website has set up a great page of help at <https://baslowvillage.com/coronavirus/>

Between the villages we can support one another.

Sarah Porter, Pilsley Parish Clerk 01629 732365

Let's Celebrate ~ 150 years of St. Peter's

This year, 2020, celebrates 150 years of the present St. Peter's Church, when the final payments for the work of re-building were made.



**DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS
THE FOLLOWING EVENTS HAVE BEEN
POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

•Friday 1st May 7pm

Jane Collier: 'An audience with Mary, Queen of Scots'.

•Thursday 14 May 2:30pm

Margaret Nelson: 'N'Oasis' - a green approach to flower arranging.'

Friday 5th June 7.30pm

Janet Gough OBE, (Apsidal Heritage.) 'How to pick a favourite church.'

Monday 15th June 2:30pm

Christine Robinson: The history of Ice Cream.

We hope that the event below will still take place as planned. However, we will be following Government and NHS advice. Watch this space for further updates or check on our website:
www.stpetersedensor.org

Thursday 17th September 7pm

James Mackay: Acting Animals. A zoologist and former CEO of the UK's National Federation of Zoos, James trains animals for TV and films but how did he get involved in this? What are the 'dos and don'ts'? Find out through this lecture and live demonstration. Tickets £12:50

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 are still cold. Food - tins of meat, fish, soup and tomatoes; dried food such as pasta; biscuits and chocolate are always welcome and never more so than at the moment.

Items can be left at the back of the church at any time.

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

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

BAKEWELL & ASHFORD FILM SOCIETY

In view of the latest government advice, especially looking at our age profile, we have decided to suspend BASH Film Society for the foreseeable future.

Joy Thrower
BASH secretary

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY

TheGivingMachine is a unique registered charity that enables you to generate sales commissions with every online purchase. They convert these commissions into free donations for the schools, charities and other community organisations you choose. **St Anne's, Beeley** is one of the organisations you can support. The donation is calculated without going via another website so doesn't affect your shopping experience.

Please sign up at <https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk>



St. Peter's Church 100 Club February Draw 2020

1st prize £30 no. 100 Clive Robinson

2nd prize £20 no. 16 David Jackson

Funds to church this month - £50

Ann Hall

'SPICE' Sunday

Due to all public worship being suspended until further notice, 'SPICE' Sunday collections are postponed for this time.

Why do we paint Easter eggs?
Because it's easier
than trying to
wallpaper them!



Please continue to save
your 5pence pieces for
when this resumes.

Easter! Fun Things to Make and Do By Christina Goodings, £6.99 (Review)

Crammed with 50 crafts and creative ideas perfect for spring and Easter. Each craft is accompanied by simple step-by-step illustrated instructions. Make fun decorations, Easter baskets, chirpy chicks, creative cards, and more!



Dear Colleagues, our sisters and brothers in Christ.



We apologise that we cannot address this to you personally by name, but we want to acknowledge your individual faithful service, and assure you that we are holding you, your households and communities in our prayers.

We write to you in extraordinary times. The coronavirus outbreak is having an increasing significant effect, on both our economy and our day-to-day lives.

This is already starting to have an impact across every sector of the British life and we are feeling it acutely in the Church of England. In our own Diocese, as elsewhere, we are learning to be Church in a different way. Our buildings are open where possible, but we pray, learn, tell and serve in new ways.

Your welfare is paramount. Our primary concern is that you, and all those associated with the running of our parishes, congregations and projects follow public health guidelines and advice diligently. We will continue to keep you updated on the safest practices via the Diocesan website. Regular written guidance is difficult to circulate in hard copy, as advice is constantly being updated. We ensure we are always sharing the most up to date information through links on the Diocesan website: www.derby.anglican.org

Together we are learning to live out our call to be the Body of Christ: we are going to have to pull together and help each other over the coming months in circumstances we have never witnessed before. The care shown for each other through this season, although we have little physical contact with others, will be a witness to our faith as the consequences of this pandemic develop. Jesus promises to be with us, always, and we can trust His love never ends.

Thank you, most sincerely, for all that you do so well in serving our congregations and the communities in which we operate. We will provide more information as the situation progresses and remain available by phone and email for particular concerns that arise.

In the meantime, please prioritise your own safety and be assured you remain in our prayers.

Libby, Bishop of Derby

Mark Titterton, Chair of the DBF

Beeley in Bloom Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st June 2020.



Celebrating VE day, including the heritage living history group Spencer's Yard, Moored and the Derbyshire Local Defence Volunteers (Home Guard)

Between 14 -16 gardens are usually open in the village. The Chesterfield Art Club will be showing their work and scrumptious teas and cakes will be served in the Village Hall. There will be a number of stalls, including plants and the weekend will finish with the legendary Beeley Brook Duck Race. Over the past 5 years we have upgraded the hall. Renovations include a new roof and insulation (roof funded by Chatsworth Estates, insulation raised by Beeley in Bloom and other fund raising). Last year the proceeds paid for an electric upgrade and LED lighting. We are now raising funds to pay for new heating and our target is to raise the £15,000 required (charity number 506300).

Please support us on an enjoyable weekend. We look forward to giving you a warm welcome.

Cavendish Village Hall Committee

Dates for your Diary:-

September 19th and 20th Heritage Open Days. *More information to follow, but the Ragged Victorians are booked to come.*

Look on their website: <http://www.raggedvictorians.co.uk/> and facebook pages <https://en-gb.facebook.com/Ragged.Victorians/>

CLASSES AT ROWSLEY VILLAGE HALL

Mondays 9:30 – 11:00 am

Hatha Yoga with Jules Millward
Contact Jules on 07413 056364

Tuesdays 3.40 – 4:20pm

Children's Yoga with Jane Collins
Contact Jane on 07876 278192
For children aged 4 to 8

Wednesdays 9:30 – 10:30 am

Fitness & Conditioning with Jo Torr
Contact Jo on 07739 560196

DEFRA guidance for Derbyshire Dales households self-isolating due to COVID-19

To protect our bin crews and maintain waste collection services here in the Dales, please follow the guidance issued by Government if you are self-isolating or displaying symptoms of coronavirus:

DO: Double-bag any personal waste (eg used tissues and cleaning cloths) using bin liners or plastic bags, keeping this bag separate from other household waste. Tie securely and wait for at least 72 hours before putting it in your external general waste container (grey bin or black sack).

DO NOT: Put this waste into your recycling container.

If you use a communal refuse bin which is shared with neighbours, please ensure this guidance is also followed and you double bag your waste, leave it for 72 hours in the room you are self-isolating in and place in the grey general rubbish bin only. Do not put this waste in a blue recycling bin.

It's a good idea to clean frequently touched surfaces in your home with household products such as detergents and bleach, as these are effective at getting rid of the virus on surfaces

The big surprise lurking in your Granny's chicken soup

Granny always knew her chicken soup was good for you when you were poorly, but she did not realise quite *how* good.

Now research has found that the traditional hot broths used in many cultures to battle flu and fevers pack a bigger punch than even the cooks realised.

A range of soups, ranging from vegetable to beef and chicken, were

discovered to have the power to interrupt the life cycle of *Plasmodium falciparum*, which causes 99 per cent of deaths from malaria. Some of them were actually as effective as a leading antimalarial drug, dihydroartemisinin, in fighting malaria.

No one particular ingredient was found to be common to the broths, but there certainly seems to be “evidence that they contain antibiotic properties”, according to one doctor. The study was carried out at the Imperial College London and Great Ormond Street Hospital.

9th April - Maundy Thursday: time to wash feet

Maundy Thursday is famous for two things. The first is one of the final acts that Jesus did before his death: the washing of his own disciples' feet. (see John 13) Jesus washed his disciples' feet for a purpose: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." His disciples were to love through service, not domination, of one another.

In Latin, the opening phrase of this sentence is 'mandatum novum do vobis'. The word 'mundy' is thus a corruption of the Latin 'mandatum' (or command). The ceremony of the 'washing of the feet' of members of the congregation came to be an important part of the liturgy (regular worship) of the medieval

church, symbolising the humility of the clergy, in obedience to the example of Christ.

But Thursday was also important because it was on that night that Jesus first introduced the Lord's Supper, or what we nowadays call Holy Communion.

Jesus and his close friends had met in a secret upper room to share the Passover meal together - for the last time. And there Jesus transformed the Passover into the Lord's Supper, saying, 'this is my body' and 'this is my blood' as he, the Lamb of God, prepared to die for the sins of the whole world. John's gospel makes it clear that the Last Supper took place the evening **BEFORE** the regular Passover meal, and that later Jesus died at the same time that the Passover lambs were killed.

Easter Story

By Megan Carter

The thud of nails on open palms,
'Father forgive' was all He said,
'Finished' was His final cry,
As death approached God bowed
His head.

Born of a woman He entered our
world,

Fully man yet fully divine,
Such is the mystery beyond
comprehension
That One such as this should step
into time.

He came to die and rise again
The firstfruits of the Father's love,
That man should follow in His train
On wings of light to realms above.

10th April - GOOD FRIDAY: the day the Son of God died for you

Good Friday is the day on which Jesus died on the cross. He was crucified at 9am in the morning, and died six hours later, at 3pm. It is the most solemn day in the Christian year, and is widely marked by the removal of all decorations from churches.

In Lutheran churches, the day was marked by the reading of the passion narrative in a gospel, a practice which lies behind the 'passions' composed by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750).

Both the St Matthew Passion and the St John Passion have their origins in this observance of Good Friday.

The custom of observing a period of three hours' devotion from 12 midday to 3 pm on Good Friday goes back to the 18th century. The 'Three Hours of the Cross' often take the form of an extended meditation on the 'Seven Last Words from the Cross', with periods of silence, prayer, or hymn-singing.



Passionflower

Why is the passionflower called the passionflower? This beautiful climbing plant that grows in many of our gardens, was discovered in South America by Spanish missionaries centuries ago. Drawings were sent back to Europe and in 1609 an Italian priest interpreted the flower to represent the crucifixion, otherwise known as the Passion.

The five petals and five sepals represent the 10 disciples who remained steadfast (Judas and Peter both abandoned Jesus). The corona is the crown of thorns. The stigma is the cross or nails, and the five stamens are the number of wounds Jesus received.



12th April – EASTER: the most joyful day of the year

Easter is the most joyful day of the year for Christians. Christ has died for our sins. We are forgiven. Christ has risen! We are redeemed! We can look forward to an eternity in His joy! Hallelujah!

The Good News of Jesus Christ is a message so simple that you can explain it to someone in a few minutes. It is so profound that for the rest of their lives they will still be 'growing' in their Christian walk with God.

Why does the date move around so much? Because the date of Passover moves around, and according to the biblical account, Easter is tied to the Passover. Passover celebrates the Israelites' exodus from Egypt and it lasts for seven days, from the middle of the Hebrew month of Nisan, which equates to late March or early April.

Sir Isaac Newton was one of the first to use the Hebrew lunar calendar to come up with firm dates for Good Friday: Friday 7 April 30 AD or Friday 3 April, 33 AD, with Easter Day falling two days later. Modern scholars continue to think these the most likely.

Most people will tell you that Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first

full moon after the Spring Equinox, which is broadly true. But the precise calculations are complicated and involve something called an 'ecclesiastical full moon', which is not the same as the moon in the sky. The earliest possible date for Easter in the West is 22 March, which last fell in 1818. The latest is 25 April, which last happened in 1943.

Why the name, 'Easter'? In almost every European language, the festival's name comes from 'Pesach', the Hebrew word for Passover. The Germanic word 'Easter', however, seems to come from Eostre, a Saxon fertility goddess mentioned by the Venerable Bede. He thought that the Saxons worshipped her in 'Eostur month', but may have confused her with the classical dawn goddesses like Eos and Aurora, whose names mean 'shining in the east'. So, Easter might have meant simply 'beginning month' – a good time for starting up again after a long winter.

Finally, why Easter eggs? On one hand, they are an ancient symbol of birth in most European cultures. On the other hand, hens start laying regularly again each Spring. Since eggs were forbidden during Lent, it's easy to see how decorating and eating them became a practical way to celebrate Easter.



Who moved the stone?

By the Revd Tony Horsfall of *Charis Training*. More details at: www.Charistraining.co.uk.

'When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away.' Mark 16:4

Frank Morrison was an investigative journalist who was a sceptic when it came to religion. He decided to write a book to disprove the claims of Christ, specifically focussed on the last week of His life.

However, when he came to consider the evidence for himself, he was drawn reluctantly to a different outcome than he had imagined. He found that the evidence proved the story to be true, including the fact that Jesus not only died but rose again. In the end he wrote a different kind of book called 'Who Moved the Stone?' with the first chapter entitled, 'The book that refused to be written.'

The veracity of the Christian faith is grounded on historical fact. Not only was Jesus a real person, a figure of history, but His death was real, and so was His

resurrection. Examine the evidence for yourself. Read the gospel accounts openly and honestly and see what happens. The truth is there for anyone willing to consider the facts.

Easter reminds us that our faith rests on solid ground. It is why we celebrate Easter Sunday with such gusto. The Resurrection proves that Jesus was who He said He was (the Son of God) and that He did what He set out to do (save us from our sin). But more than that, it reminds us that He can deliver what He promised and help us today because He is alive for evermore.

Jesus is not a figure of history, locked away in the past. No, He is a risen Saviour who is alive today and who invites each of us to receive the gift of salvation, and to live a new life in fellowship with Him.



Giving and receiving

By the Revd Tony Horsfall of Charis Training.
More details at: www.Charistraining.co.uk.

'It is more blessed to give than to receive' (Acts 20:35).

This unique saying of Jesus, not recorded in the gospels, is quoted by the apostle Paul in the book of Acts. These few words contain a powerful truth about giving and receiving love.

Stage 1 – receiving love. As children we love to receive presents, whether for birthdays or Christmas. It is natural at a young age to think more about receiving than giving. This is self-love.

Stage 2 – giving and receiving love. As we grow older, we begin to consider others, not just ourselves. We learn not only to receive, but also to give. However, at this stage we tend mostly to give to those who give to us. This is reciprocal love.

Stage 3 – giving love without the need to receive love. This is the kind of love Jesus demonstrated during

His earthly ministry, and which the Spirit desires to produce in His followers. When we give freely in this way, we find great joy and experience the blessing of God in our lives. This is other-love.

However, we never grow out of our need to receive love (stage 1). The danger of giving without receiving is that we neglect our own need to be loved, supported and encouraged. This is why many active believers experience burnout and depression. We cannot give to others indefinitely without receiving for ourselves. It is not a sign of weakness, immaturity or failure to say, 'I need to receive'. There are times when we all need affirmation and appreciation, rest and recuperation.

That said, we must not get locked into stage 1 again (spiritual infancy with the focus always on me), but bravely move on to the more mature expressions of love, mutually supporting one another, but also reaching out to those who need our help but have nothing to offer in return.

Palm waving (Smile....)

It was Palm Sunday, but five-year-old Jamie stayed at home with mum because of a bad cold. When his father and sisters returned, they were carrying several palm fronds. His sister explained: "People held them over Jesus' head as He walked by."

"That's not fair!" Jamie protested. "The one Sunday I don't go, and He shows up!"



23rd April - St George and Hiccup and the dragon

Have you seen the film *How to Train your Dragon*? It's set in a Viking village under attack from dragons, who steal livestock and burn down houses.

Hiccup, the village Chief's son, invents a machine to capture dragons.

However, when he catches one of the most dangerous dragons, he cannot kill it, when he sees that the dragon is just as frightened as he is. Through this friendship, the people and dragons eventually live in harmony.

This month we celebrate St. George, the patron saint of England. He is famous for slaying a dragon, a tradition which became popular in the Middle Ages. Whether he killed an actual dragon is open to question! However, we do know that the original George was a Roman soldier at the time of Emperor Diocletian. He refused to renounce his faith, as commanded by the Emperor, resulting in his death on 23 April 303 AD.

The contrast is clear: St. George slayed the evil dragon, while Hiccup refused to kill one. However, they also have something important in common. Both acted according to their conscience, defying the popular understanding of those around them and not worrying about the personal cost to themselves. St. George was martyred for standing up for his faith in Jesus before a pagan emperor, while Hiccup risked rejection by his father and village because of his compassion.

Today, we are still called to stand for Christ against wrongs and injustice in daily life, whatever the personal cost. However, we also need to be ready to look our enemies in the eye and meet their hostility with love and compassion. This is why we also remember this month that Jesus died and rose again, so that we might have God's power to do this in our lives.

The Lord is my Shepherd (*Smile*)

A Sunday school teacher decided to have her young class memorise one of the most quoted passages in the Bible, Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the Psalm, but little Charles did not find it easy to memorise much of anything.

On the day that the children were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Charles stepped up to the microphone and began proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd...." He knew that much, but the rest of the Psalm suddenly deserted him. So he concluded bravely: "... and that's all I need to know."

Euros, koruna, yuan, or dollars in the collection plate

By David Pickup.

You would be surprised at how many different coins end up in church collection plates. Euros and obsolete pound coins can jostle alongside American dollars, Czech koruna and even pesos from Chile. It just shows where some people go on holiday!

In Bible times the Jewish people also had a collection, but it was not voluntary; they called it the Temple Tax. Jews had to pay the Temple Tax by using a coin called a half shekel. They could not just use the change they already had in their pockets, because foreign coins would be 'unclean', and anyway, pockets had not been invented. So instead the Temple Tax was paid in shekels, because they were made to a reliable quality of weight and fineness of silver metal.

This led to a roaring trade for the moneychangers, who would take the worshipper's coins and change them into shekels, less a handsome profit. The moneychangers would have shouted out their exchange rates, which would be distracting for people going there to pray. They were preventing the people from praying and worshipping by overcharging and squabbling for business. No wonder Jesus got angry with them!

Back to our peaceful collections in church, we should welcome the funny foreign coins. Lots of us have jars of coins from holidays abroad, and these could even be a way of raising money for the church. There are some companies which will take unwanted foreign coins for cash. Even junk coins have a small scrap value, as does broken silver or gold jewellery.

Rise in people living alone

The number of middle-aged 'bachelors' (aged 45–64) who live on their own is soaring.

They now make up 1.4million of the 8.2 million single households

in the county. Overall, there are 27.8 million homes in the UK, according to the Office for National Statistics' 2019 figures on families and households.

25th April – Mark: disciple, apostle, writer of the second gospel

Mark, whose home in Jerusalem became a place of rest for Jesus and His 12 apostles, is considered the traditional author of the second gospel. He is also usually identified as the young man, described in Mark 14:51, who followed Christ after his arrest and then escaped capture by leaving his clothes behind.

Papias, in 130, said that in later years Mark became Peter's interpreter. If so, then this close friendship would have been how Mark gathered so much information about Jesus' life. Peter referred to him affectionately as his 'son'.

Mark was also a companion to Paul on his journeys. When Paul was held captive at Rome, Mark was with him, helping him. Mark's Gospel, most likely written in Italy, perhaps in Rome, is the earliest account we have of the life of Jesus. Mark died about 74 AD.

Early in the 9th century Mark's body was brought to Venice, whose patron he became, and there it has remained to this day. The symbol of Mark as an evangelist, the lion, is much in evidence at Venice.

Are only children more selfish?

Are only children more narcissistic, with feelings of self-admiration and being more prone to rivalry (both of which are signs of being self-centred)?

According to recent research by psychologists at Winchester University, the answer is no.

A study into the personality differences between only children and those with siblings found that the sole difference in only children is

their higher motivation to achieve, and their greater ability to adapt to new conditions, compared with people with siblings.

It was also found that there is no difference in the mental health of people with or without siblings, with both groups having the same levels of anxiety, self-esteem and behavioural problems.

As one psychologist put it, "Only children seem to be doing absolutely fine, if not better, than those of us who have siblings."

When someone on the train is using bad language

David Pickup, a solicitor, considers what you can do about unacceptable language in public.

But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Colossians 3:8

Suppose you are on a train, enjoying the journey while you browse our latest parish magazine. You then hear a passenger nearby swearing at the top of their voice down their mobile phone. Further along the carriage a couple are having a conversation and every sentence seems to use the word 'God' and the Saviour's name, but not in a good way. What do you do? Get up and move to the quiet coach or sit back and hide yourself behind the magazine?

Attitudes to language have changed in the last few years. Words that were not acceptable at all are now commonplace on television and daily life. While it is not usually a crime to swear or use bad language in public, there is an exception: if it occurs on a train. There are Railway Byelaws which cover this.

One of these is: *6. Unacceptable behaviour (1) No person shall use any threatening, abusive, obscene or offensive language on the railway.* The

offender could even be fined by a court.

So, if someone's language is turning the carriage blue, and you have had enough, what do you do? A simple solution might be to politely ask the person to turn the language down a bit. They might not realise they are doing it, or that it is a problem. (Such as when there are children around.)

On the other hand, if that person is already angry, your reproof might be seen as a challenge to them, and the situation could quickly escalate.

If you really feel you need to take action, it may be best to speak to staff or call British Transport Police. They have a number you can text to report non-emergency incidents.

Section 5 of the Public Order Act 1986 makes it an offence for a person to use threatening, abusive or insulting words if the words are within the hearing or sight of a person likely to be caused harassment, alarm or distress thereby.

Of course, what is harassing, alarming or distressing will vary depending on the situation.

As always this is a light-hearted guide to a complex subject, and at least we can choose not to use bad language ourselves.

The Hubble Space Telescope

Tim Lenton on the telescope that lets us look into deep space.

The Hubble Space Telescope was launched 30 years ago, on 24th April 1990. It was named after Edwin Hubble, an outstanding expert on extragalactic astronomy in the 1920s and 1930s.

The launch, originally scheduled for 1983, had been delayed by technical and budget problems and by the Challenger disaster. Ironically the NASA error that caused the Challenger tragedy was similar to the one that led to the Hubble telescope being launched with a defective mirror – unwillingness to accept technical warnings when there was great pressure from above to go ahead.

In the case of the Hubble telescope, also built by NASA with help from the European Space Agency, a more basic machine revealed the problem with the mirror, but those in charge did not believe it because a newer, more complex machine had been given the go-ahead.

The problem was put right by astronauts in 1993 – the telescope was always designed to be serviced in orbit – and since then its position outside the Earth's atmosphere has enabled it to record many detailed visible light images that have enabled scientists a deep view into space, leading to new theories in astrophysics.

The telescope is estimated to remain in working order until 2030-2040.

It's hardly the London Marathon, but it could save your life

If you go for a run just once a week, it could be enough to cut the risk of your early death by up to a quarter. A recent analysis of nearly a quarter of a million people has found that those who head out regularly for a jog – no matter how fast or how far – had far lower death rates.

In fact, it seems that any amount of running can be linked to a 27 per

cent reduction in mortality from any cause. This includes a 30 per cent lower risk of heart death and a 23 per cent reduction in the chances of dying from cancer.

Even one run a week of less than 50 minutes is enough to have a significant impact. And there was no evidence to suggest that doing more than this confers any greater benefit.

The study was carried out at the Victoria University in Melbourne and published in the British Journal of Sports Medicine.

God in the Sciences

This series is written by Dr Ruth M. Bancewicz, who is Church Engagement Director at The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge. Ruth writes on the positive relationship between Science and Christian faith.

How Can a Christian be a Scientist?

I used to ask this question as a student. I wondered, who could make it in the world of science and still hold onto their faith? Soon enough I met a good number of successful scientists who were sincere Christians, some of whom were at my own university. So what do people like this make of the opportunities and challenges that a life in science holds for a Christian?

Science is an exercise in observing and measuring things in the world, and coming up with general principles about the way things are. Exploring the world is a great thing to do to express our gratitude to the Creator. There is a sense of awe and wonder that comes when we expand our minds and our horizons by discovering that things about the universe can feed into our worship.

Of course, there may be things in science that some Christians don't want to get involved in because of what they believe. But there should also be ethical issues that make them want to get stuck into new research

that will help people, protect creation, or tackle injustices. I am glad to see that many senior scientists do their best to find appropriate ways to make their own faith visible, so that people like my younger self can find role models and mentors.

Another helpful thing about science is that although our beliefs may at times affect what we notice about the world and how we interpret our data, they shouldn't affect the outcome of experiments themselves. This means that a scientist can be respected by her colleagues for doing good work, regardless of what she believes and what her colleagues think of that worldview.

In my work at The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, and my involvement with Christians in Science, I have the privilege of meeting a great number of scientists who are also Christians. One of the most famous living biologists is Francis Collins, who was Director of the project to decode the whole of human DNA. He wrote that it is “possible for the scientist-believer to be intellectually fulfilled and spiritually alive, both worshipping God and using the tools of science to uncover some of the awesome mysteries of His creation.” (Francis Collins, *The Language of God: A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief* (Simon and Schuster, 2007))

Gen Z

Peter Brierley sorts the Baby Boomers from the Gen X and now – the Gen Z. He can be contacted at www.brierleyconsultancy.com.

If there was a prize to be given for the number of key people you've influenced before you are 18, Greta Thunberg would probably win. She has had an extraordinary time of it, speaking at major conferences, going to key venues and meeting many important world leaders. Yet she is only 17. She is part of the 'Gen Z' generation.

Who are the 'Gen Z'? First, let's set them in context.

The large numbers of people born after the ending of the Second World War, especially in the UK, were 'baby boomers', which was then shortened to just 'boomer.'

Births in the second half of the 1960s and 1970s were fewer in number; they "stopped the boom" as it were. Then Douglas Coupland published his book *Gen X: Tales for an*

Accelerated Culture in 1991 and the phrase instantly stuck: they were "Gen X" (born 1964 to 1982) from then on.

The children of Gen X could naturally be called Gen Y, and they were, at first. But as they were born between 1983 and 2001, the term 'Millennials' was irresistible. Their children are all Gen Z, here taken as 2002 to 2020, that is, they are all 21st century!

They weren't born when 9/11 happened; only a few were born when Concorde was mothballed in 2003 and someone born in 2005 was only 11 when the Brexit Referendum took place!

To put Gen Z into a church context: in 2005 39% of the churches in England had *no-one* attending under the age of 11, and 49% had *no-one* between 11 and 14. So the number of Gen Z children in church is alarmingly few.

Environmentally friendly transport

While driving in the countryside, a family caught up to an old farmer and his horse-drawn cart. The farmer obviously had a sense of humour, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign: 'Ecologically efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. **Caution: Do not step in exhaust.**'

Baslow Health Centre – Church Lane, Baslow

www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

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 - now CAP (Community Access Point)

01332 564 900

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 8th April &

Wednesday 13th May & Wednesday

10th June

Easter Bank Holidays – the surgery will be closed on Good Friday the 10th of April and Bank Holiday Monday the 13th of April. Please call 111 if you require medical help when the surgery is closed

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 Tel: 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

2	9	8	7	5	3	4	1	6
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March
solution



April
Sudoku



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Archbishop of Canterbury pays tribute to the Archbishop of York

The Archbishop of Canterbury has paid tribute to the Archbishop of York in General Synod at what would have been his final Synod.

Archbishop Justin Welby praised the Archbishop of York who is currently travelling in the Pacific. He said: "He (John Sentamu) has gone to visit parts of the world which are suffering the effects of climate change right now. He has gone typically to be alongside those who are suffering; a pattern of his life throughout his ministry."

The Archbishop continued: "Speaking about Sentamu when

he's not here ... means we can show our gratitude, thanks and love for him without him being able to stop us."

Recalling the Archbishop of York's work on the Stephen Lawrence Inquiry, Archbishop Justin added that "he has said that he himself was stopped at least eight times by the police".

Reflecting on the Archbishop of York's impact nationally, the Archbishop of Canterbury said: "The Church of England will miss you Sentamu and the wider country will miss you. There aren't a lot of bishops who are so well known outside the church."

SERVICES & ROTAS FOR APRIL 2020

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY

FLOWERS & BRASSES

CLEANING

ALL CHURCH

5 Fiona Lichfield*
*Lent - Brasses only

2nd - 5th Rupert & Liz

BUILDING ARE

12 Liz Turner (Easter flowers)

19 " "

15th - 18th Fiona S

26 Fiona Swain

30th - 2nd Sarah

NOW CLOSED

UNTIL FURTHER

NOTICE,

ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR

SIDESMEN

THEREFORE THE

CLEANING

FLOWERS

CLEANING/

5 Mr & Mrs Jackson

No flowers - Lent

FLOWER ROTAS

12 Mr & Mrs Grimshaw

Easter Lilies

19 Mr & Mrs Wardle

Easter Lilies remain

ARE SUSPENDED

26 Mike Pindar & Jennie Ball

to be arranged

FOR THIS TIME.

READINGS

ST. PETER'S

ST. ANNE'S

5 Philippians 2: 5-11
The Passion Gospel
according to Matthew

Palm Sunday

12 Acts 10: 34-43
Matthew 28: 1-10

Easter Sunday

19 Acts 2: 14a, 22-32
John 20: 19-31

Easter Two

26 Acts 2: 14a, 36-41
Luke 24: 13-35

Easter Three

Even though there are no services in our two churches, you may wish to look at the readings for the Sundays in April.

Items for the **MAY** magazine should reach me **NO LATER THAN MONDAY**

13th APRIL; email to: liz.bradshaw@w3z.co.uk

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