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Dear Friends,

As I look out of the window it is raining and two bedraggled walkers are passing along Jap Lane. There is though the promise of brighter and warmer weather ahead, as everyone starts to look to the summer and for many the chance to get away. Schools will break up and holiday season will be upon us.

August always has that feeling of being a quieter time - traditionally the time for a seaside break but even today a time when there are fewer meetings and less pressures. The world continues albeit at a slower pace.

One of the things that we talk about today is well being and the need to lead a balanced life, as lives have become busier, and as we are all connected through our phones it can sometimes feel that the pressures of life are only getting greater. Balance is often best achieved through the rhythms of life and working with them.

That is why August is a good time, if we can, to take a pause and to find refreshment, the natural rhythms of the world around us give us the opportunity for a different pace.

The need for balance and finding a rhythm is seen in the creation narrative in Genesis where God having created, rests on the seventh day - it is a story that we don't take literally but the principle behind it of work and rest is one that has divine blessing. The rhythm is established, and we hold to it.

Jesus, too, is seen in the gospels as being on the move and often in the

midst of the crowds, but sometimes the disciples are looking for him and can't find him. When they do track him down, he is often on his own finding quiet and space - sometimes the disciples find that difficult. With so much to do, they want him to be at the heart of things, but Jesus sees the need for balance, taking his moment before going back into the world.

God wants us to live balanced lives and to know that well being is divinely inspired. So in our lives we find rhythm and refreshment - that may be in the month ahead or it may be at another time, but what is most important is that God rested on the seventh day and saw that it was good.

Happy holidays

Mark

FROM THE REGISTERS

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St. Peter's Church 100 Club June Draw 2024

1st Prize £25 - no. 40 John Caws

2nd prize £15 - no. 95 Margaret Jackson

Funds to church this month - £50

Ann Hall

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June
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Apologies! There was a mix up with the Sudoku puzzles in last month's magazine - here is the July grid and the solution is next to the August grid.

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BEELEY IN BLOOM

A huge thank you to all the volunteers and those that opened their gardens on the weekend of June 22nd 23rd for Beeley in Bloom. We had the best open gardens yet and funds raised for works for the Cavendish Village Hall totalled £5,786.28.

The Church joined in the Beeley in Bloom fun with a book sale and the culmination of their summer raffle. The donations over the weekend for the books totalled £109.47 and the summer raffle made £464, these funds are for St Anne's Church, Beeley.

Beeley was very pleased to welcome Reverend Mark Griffin, he enjoyed his first Beeley in Bloom and supporting the Village Hall Committee.

We look forward to next year's Beeley in Bloom which will be on 21st and 22nd June and by popular demand will welcome the Ragged Victorians again.

Siobhan Spencer

Dates for your Diary - August 2024

10 **Wedding - St. Peter's Edensor 2pm** ~ Joseph Shafai & Alice Elsey

24 **Wedding - St. Anne's Beeley 2pm** ~ Lisa Jarvis & Matthew Thomson

There will be no Chatty Crafts meeting in August. We will meet again on Thursday 26th September - 10am - 12. Do come and join us for a cuppa, a chat and possibly some craftwork!

September 8th Chatsworth Horticultural Show, Cavendish Hall, Edensor

For more information contact Iona Garstang : Iona.Garstang@chatsworth.org

New rules on keeping birds

Do you keep poultry? New rules are being introduced to help protect the poultry industry from bird flu.

Defra (Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) has confirmed that the threshold for mandatory registration on the GB Poultry Register will be reduced from 50 birds to one, and all poultry keepers will need to review their entry every year. The deadline is 1 Oct 2024.



Chatsworth WI
invites you for
Coffee in the Garden
on Saturday August 10th
10.30am - 3pm at
Mary's Garden, Edensor

Refreshments, sandwiches, cakes, tombola

Free Admission ~ All Welcome ~ Cash Only

COME AND MEET THE POTTY PLOTTERS!

Are you a keen gardener?...a fair weather potterer?...in need of a really good laugh?

Come and meet Elaine and Julia! This knowledgeable and highly entertaining duo 'reside' in 'The Naughty Corner' of their Derby allotment, have a regular slot on Radio Derby and have commentated on The Chelsea Flower Show.

Firmly committed to recycling and repurposing, they are constantly trying out new ways and varieties of seeds and plants. Brimming with ideas and infectiously comical, Elaine and Julia will ensure a memorable fun evening.

Here's what others think:

"A huge thank you for such a lively and entertaining evening. I can honestly say that it was the best evening I've had in the 2 years that I've been a member. I will advocate that we have you both back for another tremendous evening of entertainment."

"Thank you so much for giving us such a giggle as well as passing on some useful gardening hints and tips. You did us all a power of good - nothing like a good laugh and chuckle to send us on our way."

"Everyone was so interested in your "doings" and we all thoroughly enjoyed the morning. It's always good to have tips about gardening etc. but much better with a lot of laughs on the way, which we certainly had. So thank you both for your great presentation."

Elaine and Julia will also be bringing some produce from their allotment for raffle prizes. You really do not want to miss this event!

Friday 13th September, 7:00pm, St Peter's Church. Tickets: £12:50 available from church members, on the door or phone 07767 652624.



The Padley Centre

We continue to collect food and clothing for the Padley Centre. Nadine Harrington makes regular trips to the Centre to deliver these donations through their booking system for dropping goods off.

Always needed: clothing for adults - waterproofs, warm socks, gloves, hats and scarves, unworn underwear etc. and sleeping bags; toiletries including toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, razors, shower gel and men's and women's hygiene products. The centre **URGENTLY NEED Food in date and unopened** - tins of meat, fish, soup, vegetables, beans and tomatoes; dried pasta; rice; flour; sauces; long life milk; tea; coffee; fruit squash; biscuits, chocolate and any other 'treats'.

Donations can be brought to a Sunday service, *or you can drop them off in church. The Padley Centre now accepts: Bric-a-brac and books, which they sell in their shop. Blankets – any size since if not used in the centre they can sell them in the shop. Bedding – sheets and pillow cases but not **duvets or pillows due to health and safety reasons.***

Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Drinking coffee is great for your microbes

Your morning cup of coffee not only perks you up, it also helps your gut bacteria to flourish.

This is because coffee contains several compounds that act as a prebiotic, which means they provide your gut bacteria with nutrients.

These are some of the findings of a growing number of studies into the effects of coffee on our gut flora. A 2023 study, published in the journal *Nutrients*, found good links between caffeine, coffee consumption and the

colonic microbiome. The richness of the microbiome was found to be higher in regular coffee drinkers.

Coffee also contains plant compounds known as polyphenols, which act as an anti-inflammatory antioxidant, which reduces the risk of cancer by neutralising harmful free radicals.

As for the best way to drink coffee? Experts tend towards black coffee being most beneficial, as milk may impede the absorption of polyphenols.



Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport is a local charity, offering a variety of transport services covering the northern Derbyshire Dales and Hope Valley. From our base in Great Longstone, we offer a varied programme of trips, available to everyone, using our easily accessible vehicles. The programme includes shopping trips, visits to garden centres and lunch outings to a range of venues. These are door to door journeys allowing those who do not have access to, or cannot use public transport, to remain independent and active. The dates are regularly published in the Peak Advertiser and on our Facebook page.

Our volunteer car scheme provides individual tailor-made journeys to medical appointments for those who would otherwise struggle to access essential healthcare services, including

hospital appointments, opticians, dentists and clinics.

We also offer affordable and flexible group transport which is available to local community groups and clubs.

All our services are heavily reliant on volunteers who generously offer their time in a variety of different ways – from car scheme drivers who use their own vehicles, to minibus drivers, passenger assistants and volunteers running our second-hand book shop, Book End, in Bakewell. We would be very pleased to hear from you if you are interested in joining our friendly team – all our volunteering opportunities are very flexible, with no regular commitment required – just a few spare hours can make a BIG difference to someone else.

For further information please see our website www.bect.org.uk telephone: 01629 641920 or e-mail: info@bect.org.uk

It was 125 years ago, on 13th August 1899, that Alfred Hitchcock was born. This British-born American film director, producer and screenwriter was known as the Master of Suspense. Known for his films *The 39 Steps*, *Dial M for Murder*, *Rear Window*, *Vertigo*, *Psycho*, *The Birds*, and many more.

The discovery of oxygen

Tim Lenton considers the man who discovered what it is we need to breathe

It was 250 years ago, on 1st August 1774, that oxygen was discovered by British chemist Joseph Priestley. He was the first scientist to publish his findings on the discovery.

Born in Yorkshire, Priestley was the eldest son of a strongly Calvinist textile maker, but after his mother's early death he spent much of his time living with his aunt Sarah, where he came into contact with Presbyterian clergy, whose doctrines he preferred. He eventually became strongly Unitarian, denying the Trinity.

His theology created difficulties for him: he was barred from the top universities and after being offered the position of science adviser on explorer Captain James Cook's second voyage, he was 'cancelled' after pressure from Anglicans. However, he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1766, and in 1773 the Earl of Shelburne gave him employment at his estate, Bowood House in Wiltshire. This

gave him time for research and access to people of influence.

Until late in the 18th century, air had been regarded as a single entity, rather than a combination of gases. Priestley discovered what he called 'dephlogisticated air' – which he found supported combustion.

Swedish apothecary Carl Wilhelm Scheele made a similar discovery, published later, but called it 'fire air'. It was eventually identified as a separate gas, and Antoine Lavoisier coined the word 'oxygen' from the Greek word for acid-maker.

Priestley's tests revealed that oxygen made a flame burn intensely – and kept a mouse alive about four times as long as a similar quantity of ordinary air.

Priestley's beliefs and his support for French revolutionists provoked some to violence, and he and his family were forced to flee to America, where he befriended Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson, and eventually built a famous house and laboratory in a small town in Pennsylvania.

Getting along with your neighbours

Summertime outdoor living reminds us just how close we live to our neighbours. How well you live beside them can make a huge impact on your life.

If you are happy with your neighbours, it is hugely beneficial. One behavioural psychologist says: "Even just sharing a kind smile and eye contact with a neighbour is a strong connection." But, if you do NOT get along with them, it can badly affect every day of your life.

So – here are some tips to consider, concerning those people next door.

Noise - Out of sight does not mean out of sound. Hedges and fences may give you visual privacy, but laughter and loud talking will be heard. Your wide open bi-fold doors may even let your private INDOOR conversations OUT of doors!

Barbecues - These are great fun, when they are in your garden. But other people's barbecues can make your life a smoke-filled misery – tainting laundry on the clothesline and ruining a peaceful afternoon. Barbecues situated far from boundary fences are always best.

Music - If you want to play music at an event, warn your neighbours in advance, say what time you will turn the music off, and stick to it. On the night, don't deafen the entire neighbourhood, and remember that the general rule for ALL noise is to be quiet between 11pm and 7am.

Noisy dogs and children - We love dogs and children and are ferocious in defending them - unless they belong to other people, and are driving us crazy! If you need to talk to your neighbours about problems with either, choose a time when you are both calm and controlled, and try to remain objective. (Eg: Don't say YOUR dog, say THE dog – it sounds less accusatory.)

Becoming best friends - No matter how much you like your new neighbours, take it slowly as you get to know them. Keep some boundaries, and be careful at the outset, as it is hard to rein in, if they become too attached to you. There is a fine line between being social, and losing all your privacy - you probably don't want them moving in with you!

Parking - No one has the right to 'claim' and protect the space right outside their house, if it is on a public road. No one has the right to block your access to your own parking space, or make it difficult for you to get in.

Hedges and boundaries - There are quite specific laws on what is and what is not allowed – Citizens Advice can help you with the details.

Ever need help? Head for the Citizens Advice website (<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk>). It has advice on all types of neighbours and their disputes. Also, consult your local police force's website, and [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk). If you are ever physically threatened, ring the police on 999. If you are harassed because of your religion, ethnicity, or sexuality, call the police on 101.

6th August - The Transfiguration, a glimpse of Jesus' future glory

The story is told in Matthew (17:1-9), Mark (9:1-9) and Luke (9:28-36). It was a time when Jesus' ministry was popular, when people were seeking Him out.

But on this day, He made time to take Peter, James and John, His closest disciples, up a high mountain. In the fourth century, Cyrillic of Jerusalem identified it as Mount Tabor (and there is a great church up there today), but others believe it more likely to have been one of the three spurs of Mount Hermon, which rise to about 9,000 feet, and overlook Caesarea Philippi.

High up on the mountain, Jesus was suddenly transfigured before His friends. His face began to shine as the sun, His garments became white and dazzling. Elijah and Moses, of all people, suddenly appeared, and talked with Him. A bright cloud overshadowed the disciples.

Peter was staggered, but, enthusiast that he was - immediately suggested building three tabernacles on that holy place, one for Jesus, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. But God's 'tabernacling', God's dwelling with mankind, does not any longer depend upon building a shrine. It depends on the presence of Jesus, instead. And so, a cloud covered them, and a Voice spoke out of the cloud, saying that Jesus was His beloved Son, whom the

disciples should 'hear'. God's dwelling with mankind depends upon our listening to Jesus.

Then, just as suddenly, it is all over. What did it mean? Why Moses and Elijah? Well, these two men represent the Law and the Prophets of the Old Covenant, or Old Testament. But now they are handing on the baton, if you like: for both the Law and the Prophets found their true and final fulfilment in Jesus, the Messiah.

Why on top of a mountain? In Exodus we read that Moses went up Mount Sinai to receive the sacred covenant from Yahweh in the form of the Ten Commandments. Now Jesus goes up and is told about the 'sealing' of the New Covenant, or New Testament of God with man, which will be accomplished by His coming death in Jerusalem.

That day made a lifelong impact on the disciples. Peter mentions it in his second letter, 2 Peter 1:16-19, invariably the reading for this day.

The Eastern Churches have long held the Transfiguration as a feast as important as Christmas, Epiphany, Ascension and Pentecost. But it took a long time for the West to observe the Transfiguration. The feast starts appearing from the 11th and 12th centuries, and the Prayer Book included it among the calendar dates, but there was no liturgical provision for it until the 19th century.

Explorer 6 – sending the first images of earth from space

Tim Lenton considers a ground-breaking achievement

Sixty-five years ago, on 7th August 1959, the USA launched the Explorer 6 satellite, which sent back the first images of the Earth from space.

The history-making achievement was not impressive at first sight. Described as “crude at best” and a “blocky, blurry mess”, the original picture was in black and white and unclear. But it did show a cloud-covered image of the north central Pacific Ocean from roughly 17,000 miles above Mexico.

The data, transmitted to an earth ground station in Hawaii, was described as limited and of extremely poor quality. But it inspired the imagination of many people who were looking to space as the final frontier – one that could be explored.

The satellite, small and round, was designed to study trapped

radiation of various energies and cosmic rays, among other things. But it was the scanning device designed for taking pictures of the Earth’s cloud cover that got people interested. It was a forerunner of the TV camera systems carried on later, more advanced satellites.

At the time, the feat itself was hugely impressive. The craft was travelling at more than 20,000 mph and operating with 63 per cent power because only three of its solar cells were working.

Since then, astronauts have been able to look down and wonder at the earth, seen clearly as small and fragile but extraordinarily beautiful. It has frequently changed their lives. Their photos are among the most widely reproduced of all time.

A continuous, real-time view of the Earth from the International Space Station can now be viewed online.

50 years ago, on 8th August 1974, US President Richard Nixon announced his resignation, effective from noon the following day. He was facing impeachment over the Watergate scandal.

What gardening can do for your brain

People who spend time gardening may have better brain function in later life than those who do not.

Such are the findings of a recent study at the University of Edinburgh.

The authors of the study observe that gardening involves: “not only physical exertion but creativity and planning. Engaging in gardening projects, learning about plants, and general garden upkeep, involve complex cognitive processes such as memory and executive function.

“Consistent with the ‘use it or lose it’ framework of cognitive function, more engagement in gardening may be directly associated with a lower risk of cognitive decline.”

As one doctor said: “People often don’t realise the wide range of benefits that gardening can bring. For example, digging, planting and pulling weeds will increase hand strength, which research has shown can also boost brain health.

“Growing your own food can help you eat a healthier diet; another key factor. And staying connected to other people is beneficial for brain health, so community allotments are a great place to socialise, reducing loneliness and isolation.”

The researchers want more study into the possible benefits of gardening, hoping it might help against cognitive decline.

National Allotments Week – 12th to 18th August

We like allotments. In fact, as a nation, more than 250,000 of us have one, and reckon that it enriches our lives.

This year the theme of National Allotments Week (NAW) is biodiversity. The NAW will encourage allotment holders with tips of how to increase pollinators and wildlife, how to do ecofriendly pest control,

companion planting, soil health and much more!

Allotments stem originally from the General Enclosure Act of 1845. Traditionally, they were popular among older, retired men, but in recent years that profile has changed. Now fewer than half of all plot-holders are retired, and many, many more are being run by women, who share the plot with their partners.

If you are interested in allotments, you might like to visit:
www.nsalg.org.uk



Illuminations are back from 7th September

Matlock Bath Illuminations return for a seven-week season from 7th September.

One of the region's top autumn events will run every Saturday and Sunday until 27th October – 127 years since the Illuminations were first staged to celebrate Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee.

Derbyshire Dales District Council, which took over the running of the event in 1984, launched early bird tickets this week at 2023 prices, including free entry for accompanied under 16s.

The early bird prices are being held until the first night of the 2024 Illuminations.

A family of two adults and two or more under 16s can enjoy a Saturday night out at Matlock Bath Illuminations for just £15 - including a fireworks finale - if they buy in advance now at www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/illuminations

Entry charges recognise the different levels of entertainment provided on each night.

Advance sales give the District Council improved monitoring of likely crowds and give it the option to designate certain nights "all ticket" if necessary. On-the-night tickets are not guaranteed and will not be available if the event sells out in advance.

Derwent Gardens and Lovers' Walks will be bedecked with colourful lights and the famous parade of decorated and illuminated boats will take to the river every weekend throughout the season.

The boats are created painstakingly with thousands of LED lights by members of the Matlock Bath Venetian Boat Builders' Association.

Fireworks finales will take place at 8.30pm every Saturday in October and also on the final night, Sunday 27th October. Every Illuminations night will once again be themed for younger visitors.

District Council Leader Councillor Steve Flitter said: "The Illuminations continue to be one of this region's most popular autumn events, playing a crucial role for local businesses in extending the tourist season here in the Derbyshire Dales.

"The District Council is proud to organise this annual spectacle, which draws around 100,000 people into the district every year."

Reflecting Faith:

The Revd Dr Jo White considers the highest part of our churches...

Last month I wrote about the 612 newly built churches in towns around 1818 - 1830 that cost a total of one and a half million pounds, following the huge population move from the countryside to living in towns.

This month I wanted to think about the highest part of the church building - the tower. This is the aspect that is most recognisable from a distance; the element that almost defines the church building.

Have you ever seen a church building without a tower? Most religions use this same structure on their buildings, so clearly there must be overlapping reasons for this. But there is not just one design even within religions.

The structures of all buildings are dependent on the materials available, the architectural knowledge, the purpose, the fashion of the day as well as the finance available.

Norfolk churches in particular have 'special' towers. There are

around - pun intended! - 181 round church towers in England of which 126 are in Norfolk. They were built from as early as the ninth century onwards.

So what was going on there?

Some argue that because of the flatness of the land these were thought to be more stable; while others think that it was because the materials available locally were small pieces of flint which cannot be easily worked or dressed but when set into mortar can create handsome and stable walls and buildings.

In many parts of the UK flint is used to face the outside of buildings but here they were used to be the foundational element so long as 'corners' were not required.

This month:

Have a look at a church tower near you. What shape is it? Perhaps you can get to see inside it? How is it attached to the main body of the building? Is it at one end, central etc? What is it used for today and what do you think its original purpose was or purposes were?

13th August - Octavia Hill, Social Reformer and co- founder of National Trust

The urgent need for decent, affordable housing is a hot topic these days.

It was an even more urgent need in Victorian London, where the homes of the poor were tiny, cold, damp, and infested with lice and vermin. Water came from an outside pump, and filthy outside toilets were shared with several dozen neighbours. Stoves were rare; most people ate cold meals. Labourers lived 22 years on average; more than half of all babies died before their first birthday.

Into this festering mess of disease and misery came Octavia Hill in 1852. She was determined to make a difference, and she did.

Octavia was well qualified for the job: though her family in Wisbech, Cambridgeshire were comfortably off, they had a passionate interest in social change. Her grandfather, Thomas Southwood Smith, was a national authority on sanitation and housing. Her father, a corn merchant and banker, worked hard for prison reform. Her mother managed a Christian Socialist co-operative in London, where the young Octavia met John Ruskin, and other notable figures with a passion for social change.

Once in London, Octavia began her first job, that of teaching poor children to make toys. It gave her grim first-hand experience of the horrors of life of the very poor.

By 1856 Octavia was helping run classes for women at the Working Men's College in Great Ormond Street, and she and her sisters also started a school for very poor children.

But what really grabbed Octavia's compassionate heart was the housing crisis. By 1864, with the help and advice of John Ruskin, she had launched a business scheme for improving Victorian housing in London. Gradually her scheme and experience expanded, until a breakthrough came in 1884, when the Ecclesiastical Commissioners handed her a large part of their portfolio of properties to manage in Southwark. As the years went by, Octavia's help and advice were often sought in connection with promoting social reform by legislation, though her heart was always in the voluntary sector.

It has been said of Octavia that her Christian faith made her seek "to make life on earth as positive an experience as possible, particularly for the poor and disadvantaged."

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But today Octavia is remembered most for something surprisingly different: her joint initiative with Canon H D Rawnsley and Sir Robert Hunter in founding the National Trust in 1895. It has become Britain's leading charitable organisation for

preserving historical buildings and places of natural beauty.

Octavia's national fame never affected her – she lived quietly with her sisters in Marylebone Road until her death on 13th August 1912.

Game rules (Smile...)

During the local football game, the coach asked one of his young players: "Do you understand what cooperation is?" The little boy nodded yes. "Do you understand that what matters is winning together as a team?" The little boy nodded yes. "Okay," the coach continued, "do you also understand that when the referee makes a decision, you don't argue or curse or threaten to attack him, right?" Again, the boy nodded vigorously.

"Good," said the coach. "Now go over there and explain all that to your mother."

Pope warns of dangers of AI

Pope Francis has become the first pope ever to attend a G7 Summit, and he used his recent appearance to call for urgent "political action" to regulate artificial intelligence (AI).

The Pope told leaders of the Group of Seven (G7) in Fasano, southern Italy: "AI is an extremely powerful tool. Its use will increasingly influence the way we live, our social relationship, even how we conceive of our identity as human beings."

The Pope said that the various human technologies through history, from flintstones to atomic fusion, had promised both benefit and harm. However, he warned that AI was qualitatively different, since it was no longer under personal control, but could "autonomously adapt" to its assigned tasks and make its own choices and decisions.

The Pope said that the consequences for humanity could be deadly and dehumanising.

God in the Sciences

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

Physicist and Priest: John Polkinghorne (1930-2021)

At the age of 48 the Cambridge Professor John Polkinghorne decided he'd done his bit for physics and that it was time for a different sort of adventure. Resigning his academic position, he trained for ordination in the Church of England. In an interview 40 years later he said, *"It's one thing to go to church on Sundays but to give up a professorship and train for something else – that was a bit more than a gesture...I think a lot of people realised I was a religious person but they didn't expect me to take it quite that seriously...People were saying to me, 'Oh John what are you up to?' They mostly weren't thinking so much about my becoming a clergyman but just the fact that I was a Christian."* (From *Test of Faith, Paternoster*, 2009)

John saw his work in science as a Christian vocation, and he felt a responsibility to use his talents in that area. Once ordained he found himself thoroughly engaged in the conversation about science and religion. One of his main messages was that "I'm not a vegetarian

butcher. There is a cousinly relationship between thinking about theology and thinking about science."

When asked for a Bible passage to appear at the end of his 2009 interview John chose Colossians 1:15–20: 'He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born over all creation. For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and the first-born from among the dead, so that in everything He might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through His blood, shed on the cross.'

John's explanation for his choice speaks volumes to anyone interested in the science-faith dialogue. *"I value this passage because it speaks of the cosmic significance of Christ, the One in whom all things hold together and who redeems all things (notice, not just all people) by the blood of His cross. Here meet my deepest religious beliefs and my strongest scientific concerns."*

The Good Shepherd

by Lester Amann

Psalm 23 is well loved, and its paraphrased words are often sung in the popular hymn *The Lord's My Shepherd*.

At the time of Jesus, these labourers were everywhere, as sheep were a common commodity. So when Jesus described a shepherd, He was referring to someone the people all knew about.

Our Lord's description of a shepherd helped His hearers to understand Jesus, as they were aware that sheep were valuable. A good shepherd made sure sheep were protected and fed. If they got into danger, they had to be rescued. A hireling would not be so considerate. He would abandon the sheep when faced with dangerous animals or aggressive thieves! Only a good shepherd would risk his life in caring for the flock.

In His parable (John 10:1-18) Jesus goes a step further talking about a

good shepherd as He is speaking about Himself. Sheep know their owner and follow him, and Jesus wants us to know and follow Him. Sheep can get lost and end up in trouble. Jesus came to our rescue and is indeed our Saviour. A shepherd knows each sheep by name and Jesus knows us individually too. We can trust Him with our lives.

Jesus said that just as a shepherd is willing to die caring for his sheep, He too would die – looking ahead to His crucifixion. This would secure our salvation and provide a Home with Him. Jesus also said that there are other sheep of interest to Him! He speaks of being the shepherd of all nations, not just the Jews. His love extends to everyone.

These words of Jesus are so important. Give thanks that Jesus died for us and now awaits for us to be with Him. We belong to Him, we are His people, we are His flock.

It was 40 years ago, on 1st August 1984, that the preserved body of Lindow Man (informally known as 'Pete Marsh') was found in a peat bog in Cheshire. It was nearly 2,000 years old. He had suffered a violent death, which may have been part of a ritual.

29th August - Beheading of St John the Baptist

Spare a thought for John the Baptist: however rough your local sandwich bar may be, it probably doesn't serve you locusts with a honey dip; you won't be imprisoned for saying derogatory things about the local MP's wife, and even the boss from hell is unlikely to have a daughter who wants to hip-hop about with your head on a platter.

John the Baptist, by our standards, had a terrible life. Yet the Bible tells us that of all the people in history, no one has even been born who was as great as him. Why? Because of the unique job God gave him to do, which has to be the best PR job of all time: act as God's press officer.

This was quite literally the PR job from heaven: with God as his client, John the Baptist's job was to

broadcast the news that the Messiah had come. Not even Church House Westminster has ever attempted anything like that.

It always helps if PR people recognise their own clients, and the same was true of John: he was the first person to recognise Jesus as the Messiah. PR people also help their clients prepare for their public role, and John did the same for Jesus: he baptised Him in the Jordan at the start of His ministry.

PR people also stand up in public for their client's point of view, and in John's case it led to his arrest and imprisonment. His death was finally brought about by the scheming of Herodias and Salome, and here the similarity ends: for not even the most dedicated press officers literally lose their heads over a client.

In Step with God

*By Richard Littledale,
Authentic, £14.99 (Book Review)*

From Noah to Elijah through to the Magi and the disciples, the Bible is full of stories of people who have made long or short walks that have had an impact on themselves and others.

Richard Littledale, a pastor and BBC broadcaster, unpacks these often

overlooked 'walking' stories and encourages you to take your own physical walk as you ponder their deep truths and apply them to your day.

These 101 thought-provoking biblical reflections and prayers can encourage you on your own spiritual and physical journey.

God in Music

The Revd Michael Burgess continues his series looking at great works of music.

Surely angels play Mozart at home

The German theologian, Karl Barth, is reputed to have said, “Whether the angels play only Bach in praising God, I am not quite sure; I am sure, however, that *en famille* they play Mozart.” It is a lovely image of angels in the heavenly courts above, mirroring the human enjoyment of music making here on earth. And what more wonderful music than Mozart’s! From child prodigy to fully mature composer in the space of just 35 years – encountering frustrations and disappointments, poorly paid and exploited, beset by problems of debt and ill-health – and yet rising above all that to create a wealth of music for voice and instrument that continues to lift the human heart.

Mozart was nothing if not life affirming in his music. He enjoyed life, in spite of the disasters and tragedies that occurred along the way. This from a letter he wrote to his father after the performance of one of his symphonies: “It was performed on *Corpus Christi* day with great applause. I was so happy that as soon as it was over I went off to the Palais Royal, where I had a large ice.” Enjoying this world, he had that rare ability to transcend it, and open up a

greater world of beauty and harmony. That realisation caused Schubert to write in his diary in 1816, “O Mozart, immortal Mozart, how many, how infinitely many inspiring suggestions of a finer, better life have you left in our souls!”

As illustrations of that, we focus this month on two works, one early and one late in his composing life. In January 1773 Mozart wrote a motet, *Exsultate, jubilate* for a castrato who had appeared in one of his operas. It is almost a concerto in miniature for the voice. The opening *Allegro* calls on heaven to join in the praises of earth and leads into an *Andante* of great beauty, where Mary is praised as the mother who brings light to a darkened world. The work ends with a glorious Alleluia with notes cascading off the page and into the air. Perhaps Mozart had in mind a thank offering for the success of his opera *Lucio Silla*. Whatever the music’s origin, we cannot deny the inspiration and skill with which Mozart weaves together words and music to dazzle and transport the listener.

In the last year of his life in 1791, when his mortal body began to fail, his mind took on a new vitality with the composition of two operas, a clarinet concerto, a Requiem, and a wonderful, concentrated setting of *Ave verum corpus*. This motet in praise

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Archbishop of York is new patron of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Friendly Churches

Archbishop Stephen Cottrell has recently become a patron for the new organisation, Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Friendly Churches.

He said: "I'm delighted to continue encouraging churches to offer support for Gypsies, Travellers and Roma."

Archbishop Stephen introduced the 2019 General Synod debate 'Centuries of Marginalisation and Visions of Hope' which called for the Church to support Gypsies Travellers and Roma, and speak out against the racism directed against them.

Archbishop Stephen said: "My prayer is that every Church becomes a

place where people from these culturally rich and godly communities are welcomed."

Following the 2019 General Synod debate the Church of England voted to support the appointment of Chaplains to Gypsies, Roma and Travellers in every diocese. General Synod also encouraged church leaders to speak out against racism in these communities, and to encourage that land be made available for new Gypsy and Traveller sites. So far 12 dioceses have chaplains, and more dioceses are looking to appoint them.

More info at <https://sanctuaryplaces.co.uk/>

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of Jesus on the cross and in the sacrament was written for the choirmaster at Baden. It is just two pages in the manuscript, written out by Mozart without any corrections. There are no flourishes and runs here as in the earlier work. The music is simple and yet sublime as Mozart conveys a sense of holiness and serenity. Michael Levey has written of

this work: "Short but not slight, it seems to float like a cloud of incense on the air." Here, as in all Mozart's music, a creation of this world opens up for us that greater world where all is light and joy.

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International Bat Night - 24th August

August is the perfect month to look out for bats, when our soft, warm twilight evenings are full of the tiny flying insects that attract them.

But these days bats need our help, and so this annual celebration will include a good few 'bat events' this month. If you like bats, you may enjoy one of

the events being arranged by local bat groups, wildlife trusts, countryside rangers and other organisations across the country.

To help you get started, the website, <https://www.bats.org.uk/support-bats/international-bat-night>, is full of useful information. It explains the natural environment that bats need, and how you might help to conserve their dwindling numbers.

Bishop Guli's tribute as composer Sir John Rutter is knighted

The Bishop of Chelmsford, Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, has paid tribute to the composer Sir John Rutter who has been knighted in the recent King's Birthday Honours List.

Bishop Guli said: "Warmest congratulations to John Rutter on being awarded a knighthood in The King's Birthday Honours. His enormous contribution to sacred choral music as a composer, arranger, editor and conductor over half a century has been a huge blessing and has enriched our worship."

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www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

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Stretch or shrink

'Straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize...'
Phil. 3:13-14

All rubber bands work on this same principle: they must be stretched to be effective! Every person who has ever achieved anything for God has learned to stretch. There are no exceptions. One of the most common mistakes is thinking that success is due to some genius or some magic 'something or other' that YOU don't possess. Get rid of that thinking! Success comes only when you stretch to meet the challenge; failure comes when you shrink back from it. Stretching will make you vulnerable. When a rubber band is taut, it's much easier to break. Is that why you're afraid to stretch? Have you tried it before and been hurt? You'll always have critics, for Jesus

said: 'The servant is not greater than his Lord.' (Jn 15.20)

Dr Jonas Salk, who developed the polio vaccine, was attacked for his pioneering work in this field. He found that criticism came in three stages. First, they'll tell you – 'It won't work!' Then, when you begin to succeed, they'll say – 'What you're doing really isn't that important.' Finally, after they see that it's important, they'll say: 'We knew you'd do it all along.' So don't look at the way things are and ask, 'Why?' Look at the ways things could be and ask, 'Why not?'

Through the power of God's Spirit, you can make a difference. Just make yourself available to God and let Him show you what He can do with your life.

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The Quiet Path – Contemplative practices for daily life (Book Review)

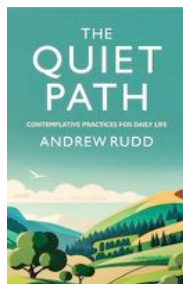
*By Andrew Rudd, Canterbury Press,
£11.69*

The Quiet Path is a book for the walker, or the armchair traveller, the clear-sighted tourist, or the bewildered wanderer. Blending reflection and poetry, it shows how the simple practice of walking can become a quiet path of wonder, and how a brief pause in a busy day can turn into contemplation.

It explores how the ordinary practices of walking and noticing,

recognising and writing can help us discover depth and spirituality in everything we encounter and find a deeper awareness of a Presence in all things.

This book is not about the big idea, the motorway, the A-road, the bypass. It's about snickets, byways, bridleways and gentle lines across the map. Every page is a signpost pointing down a quiet path, ready for you to take a walk through the landscape of the heart.



READINGS & ROTAS FOR AUGUST 2024

<u>ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY</u>		<u>FLOWERS & BRASSES</u>
4	3pm Family Communion	Liz Turner
11	9.30am Holy Communion	“ “
18	9.30am Morning Prayer	Sarah Porter
25	9.30am Holy Communion	“ “
<u>ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR</u>		<u>SIDESMEN</u>
4	10.45am Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Gordon
11	10.45am Holy Communion	Mrs Bradshaw/Mrs Jackson
18	10.45am Matins	Mr & Mrs Wardle
25	10.45am Holy Communion	John Bowns/Mike Pindar
<u>COFFEE</u>		<u>CLEANING</u>
4	Jane Dickson/Kate Green	Fabulous Cleaners
11	John & Gill Caws	Mr & Mrs Grimshaw
18	Mr & Mrs Sherwood	Mr & Mrs Wardle
25	Ann & Tony Hubbuck	Mr & Mrs Grealey
<u>FLOWERS</u>		
4	Jane Dickson/Kate Green	Wilma Day
11	John & Gill Caws	Wedding flowers
18	Mr & Mrs Sherwood	Janet Cosgrove
25	Ann & Tony Hubbuck	“ “
<u>READINGS</u>		<u>ST. PETER'S</u>
4	Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6: 24 - 35	Trevor Grimshaw <i>Trinity 10</i>
11	Ephesians 4: 25 - 5: 2 John 6: 35, 41- 51	Gloria Sherwood <i>Trinity 11</i>
18	Proverbs 9: 1- 6 John 6: 51- 58	Diana Walters <i>Trinity 12</i>
25	Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6: 56 - 69	John Caws <i>Trinity 13</i>
		<u>ST. ANNE'S</u>
4	Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6: 24 - 35	TBA
11	Ephesians 4: 25 - 5: 2 John 6: 35, 41- 51	Fiona Lichfield
18	Proverbs 9: 1- 6 John 6: 51- 58	Fiona Swain
25	Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6: 56 - 69	Claire Cadogan
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