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June 2024

Dear Friends

I suspect that one or two of you have discovered that I have a great love of cricket. It has been one of those constants in my life since I was about seven, when I watched a test match between England and Australia on television and was hooked.

Ever since then I have watched cricket live, followed the score and read about it in numerous books and magazines - at times my commitment has been stronger, at other times the cares and busyness of life has intruded but it has always been there. My life up to now has been largely in Kent and so Kent County Cricket Club has always been my team and I know they will always be - I'm a life member and as my father said, "Whatever you do, wherever you go you will always have Kent cricket". Yet, interestingly since moving I've continued to follow the Kent score but have found myself wondering how Derbyshire are doing and have started to plan a trip to Derby one sunny summer's day for some cricket. It is a slightly different direction than I might have thought but it feels right.

Faith for many of us can be very like that, as a constant in our life, as a facet of life that has always been there and probably something that we can't remember life without. That is cause to celebrate and to enjoy the walk that we have with God throughout our lives.

Yet our faith continues to develop and to grow, as individuals we see God doing new things in our life and know that our own Christianity is dynamic, not static. We learn something different about a familiar biblical passage, we read a book which takes us in a new direction, or we meet someone who influences us in a surprising way. It is an exciting aspect of faith that God can always do something unexpected and new in our lives.

In moving to Derbyshire, I was aware of God saying to Abraham in the Book

of Genesis about going to a land that I will show you. For me it was coming to a new place and being in a new situation, and seeing how my faith is growing and will grow in the future in different surroundings.

So be aware of all that God has done, is doing and will do in your lives, and celebrate how God leads you to grow in your faith and your understanding to every day be a new creation.

Every blessing

Mark



FROM THE REGISTERS



St. Peter's Church, Edensor - Wedding

4th May ~ Megan Smithson & Kevin Seidler

St. Peter's Church 100 Club

April Draw 2024

1st Prize £25 - no. 60 Freddie Harding

2nd prize £15 - no. 05 Roger Sherwood

Funds to church this month - £50

Ann Hall

With Petertide ordinations in mind...

First friend: 'It took me forty years to discover I had not the gifts for Holy Orders.'

Second friend: 'Goodness, whatever did you do when you found out?'

First friend: 'It was too late to do anything. By then I was a bishop!'

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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.

Dates for your Diary - June 2024

- 11 BEELEY WI Monthly Meeting - 7pm** Trip to Chatsworth
Chatsworth Refreshments & raffle: Sarah Porter
- 13 St. Anne's Church, Beeley, 7.30pm** A Summer Concert by *The Garden Singers - a local choir singing traditional songs and songs of the sea*
Free entry - donations to St. Anne's Church
- 18 BEELEY HERITAGE GROUP -7pm** Beeley Village Hall
Fran Baker talking about 'Work of the Chatsworth Archivist'
- 19 CHATSWORTH WI Monthly Meeting- 7pm** Cavendish Hall, Edensor
Speaker: Chrissie Hall – 'Life Story Writing'
Competition: Meaningful item from your past.
- 22/23 BEELEY IN BLOOM - 11am - 4pm**
- 27 CHATTY CRAFTS - 10-12** The Cavendish Chapel, St. Peter's
Join us for crafting or just a cuppa and a chat. Everyone welcome.

BAKEWELL AND ASHFORD FILM SOCIETY (BASH)

The Medway Centre, New Street, Bakewell

7.30pm 2nd Sunday of every month (except August)

9th June Mission Impossible: Fallout USA 2018

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY

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LICENSING OF REVEREND MARK GRIFFIN

We are delighted to welcome Reverend Mark Griffin and his wife, Clare, to the Benefice of Beeley and Edensor.

Reverend Mark was licensed as Priest-in-Charge by the Bishop of Derby, the Right Reverend Libby Lane, in St Peter's on Sunday 21st April. Archdeacon Nicky Fenton and Acting Area Dean David Mundy led parts of the service whilst the Boy Choristers of Derby Cathedral delighted everyone with their musical contributions.

The church was full with regular worshippers from St Anne's and St Peter's, together with around twenty people who had made the journey from Canterbury, Mark's previous parish.

Special guests formally introduced to Mark were *Mark Titterton (representing the Dean of Derby), Lord Lieutenant Liz Fothergill, High Sheriff Ian Morgan, Patron Duke of Devonshire, Chair of DDDC David Burton, DDDC Councillor Sue Hobson, Chair of Beeley Parish Council Robert Webster, Chair of Edensor Village Meeting Nick Wood, and Headteacher of Pilsley CofE School Emma Bond.*

We were pleased to see several members of the local clergy who have supported us during the Vacancy, along with other representatives of the local community.

The sun shone, the bells pealed and the post-service tea and cakes were delicious. All in all a lovely celebration.

Mark and Clare are keen to meet everyone and are happy for their first names to be used. Do say hello if you bump into them!

Lynne Clark
(Church warden, St Peter's)



Edensor Day

Village Fete & Open Gardens

15th June 2024, 11am-4pm

**Official opening 12 noon by
The Earl of Burlington & his family**

Attractions include:

Pantonic All Stars Steel Orchestra
Matthew and his Traditional Barrel Organ
Powder Keg Morris Dancers
Many gardens to explore with Wood Bodgers
Motorbikes & Tombolla
Classic & Vintage Cars
Cream teas in the church
Frederick's Ice Cream
Children's Games Bouncy Castle
In the Food Court: The Ginger Cooks
Eddy Hall singing & playing his guitar
Peak Ales & Prosecco Bar
Stalls on the village green:
Cakes & home produce Booze or Bust
Toys Gifts Crafts Plants Books
Quality Bric a Brac

Raffle draw at 3.30pm with many great prizes

Admission: Adults £5.00

Children under 13 free

Proceeds to the Air Ambulance Service,
the Motor Neurone Disease Association
Helen's Trust, and
St. Peter's Churchyard
Maintenance Fund

Edensor
Bakewell
DE45 1PH

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. **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: 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.

Here's an update from Pam Young regarding recent contributions to Ukraine, which is vital in these dark days of the war.

Helen Garvey

Good morning, I hope you're enjoying this beautiful weather...

Our quick update is that we've just sent 10 torneques to Ukraine along with 550 euros which has paid for camaflouge netting for soldiers...more are being made now..



Pam Young

Summer Concert



The Garden Singers

A local choir singing traditional songs and songs of the sea

**St. Anne's Church
Beeley**

Thursday June 13th 2024 @ 7.30 pm
Free entry - donations to St. Anne's Church

BEELEY IN BLOOM

June 22nd & 23rd

11am - 4pm

**Open Gardens, Teas,
Art Show, Stalls**

Featuring the Ragged Victorians

Proceeds to Cavendish Village Hall Beeley

Registered Charity 506300

Every year Beeley's residents have invited the public into the village to raise money for the Cavendish Village Hall. We bring in visitors, sell programmes, serve refreshments, run stalls and organise events.

This hard work pays off. In the past we've funded a new roof, double glazing, and storage heating. Your efforts this year will help us to maintain our valuable community space for the future.

We will open on both Saturday and Sunday between 11am and 4pm. Chesterfield Art Club will exhibit again in the hall. Parking will be in the field up Pig Lane as usual.

This year we will be joined again by the amazing Ragged Victorians who will re-enact life in Beeley in the mid-1800s.



Brief Notes from St. Peter's PCC Meeting held on Wednesday 24th April 2024 in the Cavendish Chapel

8 members of the PCC were present with apologies received from Paul Thompson and Jemima Letts.

Revd Mark opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes from the previous meeting held on Wednesday 31st January were agreed and signed.

Matters Arising: Work on the leaks where the south aisle meets the tower area will begin at the end of May. Scaffolding will be erected and work begin the following week.

Streaming for the Licensing Service - a different company was used for the streaming and the cost was considerably less than had been mentioned at the previous meeting. The date of the Sheep Service had been changed from 28th April to 5th May as this fitted in better with the lambing.

Report from the Chair: Revd Mark thanked everyone for the welcome he and Clare had received. Those who had come from Canterbury to attend the Licensing service had enjoyed it and sent their thanks. The streaming of the service had also been welcomed by those in Canterbury, members of our own congregations and people further afield who had been unable to attend.

There are two vacancies for Foundation Governors at Pilsley School. Names had been suggested and the PCC felt that they needed more information about what the candidates would bring to the role of school governor before making a decision.

Finance: Mark Titterton had emailed the accounts to the PCC prior to the meeting. The accounts are in good order. Mike Pindar and David Hartington had attended the recent Deanery Synod meeting where there had been a talk on 'Where the money goes', both had found this interesting and informative. Copies of the booklet would be obtained for the PCC.

The Common Fund payment for the next year will be discussed at the next meeting.

APCM follow up: As Gillian wasn't at the APCM the appointment of secretary had been left until this meeting. Gillian agreed to carry on for a further year.

Cynthia Gordon and Nadine Harrington agreed to carry on as PCC members for a further year.

Vicarage Tenancy: A reminder that the PCC are the tenants of the Vicarage.

Revd Mark enquired about the possibility of changing the present oven for a larger one as a single oven wasn't adequate when cooking for more than two people. The Aga having been taken out the PCC thought this a reasonable request. Mark and Clare were willing to pay something towards the cost and would begin to look for a suitable replacement.

MAP Updates: Lynne had emailed the updates to the PCC before the meeting.

Fire Risk Assessment still to do and David Hartington offered to begin this. Liz to forward the link for the EIG Fire Risk Assessment document.

Website: Jemima was unable to be at the meeting and hopes to send out another draft within the next week or so.

Email addresses: It was suggested that there should be a generic email address for the Vicar on the website for initial contact. Mark said he had a little used gmail address. Concern had been raised about shared email addresses, which could be a safeguarding issue. Responsibility of Trustees on the PCC would cover this as best practice. Mark Titterton will ask someone from the Diocese to come to talk to the PCC.

Lynne had applied for a copyright licence, which we now have, but had not set up an account as an email address was required.

Church Cleaning: there are now only four couples on the cleaning rota, which is not enough as people often need to swap their dates. Revd Mark will ask for volunteers. Cynthia suggested that quotes be obtained from cleaning companies to possibly do a deeper clean perhaps once a quarter. She will undertake this.

Windows: At the APCM Diana Walters raised the question of having a stained glass window as a memorial to the 11th Duke and the Dowager Duchess. Diana had written to the Duke and he and his family were happy for this to be taken further. Revd Mark will talk to the Chair of the DAC, Matt Barnes, and will bring the results of this chat to the next PCC meeting so that an informed discussion can take place. Mark Titterton will respond to Diana to let her know this.

Fundraising: Lord Burlington's talk had been a huge success and had raised £1,556 for church funds.

Edensor Day - 15th June. Helpers needed.

Potty Plotters to give a talk on Friday 13th September.

Nadine is going to see the owner of Blanc about a fashion show.

'Tea & Talk' - the idea is for people/groups to book to come along for a cup of tea/coffee, a talk and tour of the church, maybe every 6 weeks or so. Lynne to follow up.

Sheep Service: Sunday 5th May. Invitations sent out to the usual dignitaries and LSDA.

We will also be celebrating Freddie Harding's 90th birthday after the service.

Mary Queen of Scots: The brass memorial plaque to John Beton, man-servant to Mary Queen of Scots and who helped to rescue her from Loch Leven castle, is situated in the sanctuary and is in need of restoration. Liz had contacted Martin Stutchfield before the pandemic and has been in touch with him several times since then. He is catching up on his outstanding work and as the plaque is wall mounted he isn't too concerned about the risk from wear and tear. After the last contact earlier this year, Martin asked Liz to email him again in May, which she will do.

AOB: Gravestones - the leaning gravestones still need to be checked again. A Faculty would be needed to lay them flat if this was felt to be necessary.

Date of next meetings: Wednesdays 17th July; 9th October & 29th January. The meeting will begin at 7pm in the Cavendish Chapel.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm with the Grace.

Introducing Derbyshire Rural Chaplaincy

Many of you will be familiar with the term chaplaincy and will know that chaplains can be found in a variety of situations - hospital and prison chaplains are possibly the most well-known, but of course there are chaplains in many organisations including football clubs, shopping complexes, large companies, airports, schools and universities, the Armed Forces and within the emergency services.

The common denominator amongst chaplains is that they are there to “walk alongside” a particular community, supporting people and offering a listening ear not only in times of hardship but also during the good times too.

The Derbyshire Rural Chaplaincy is here to offer pastoral and spiritual support to the rural and agricultural communities in Derbyshire. Originally established in 2003 in response to an outbreak of devastating foot and mouth disease, the Derbyshire Rural Chaplaincy has helped many farmers over the years as they face both the joys and challenges of farming in Derbyshire. Since 2015 our lead chaplain has been Reverend Alan Griggs, who is licensed as Rural Chaplain by the Diocese of Derby. Alan works alongside a small, close knit team and together they support

farmers in a number of different situations including those in the midst of disease outbreaks, in financial difficulties, struggling with loneliness and isolation, or experiencing family issues.

You will find our chaplains talking to farmers at Bakewell Livestock Market most Mondays, where we also hold a short monthly service. We also visit farmers at home on the farm and it's not unusual to see our chaplains helping out with lambing, milking or general farm jobs while they are chatting. We also attend a number of shows and events throughout the summer months and this year we are also hosting a Farm Walk in June and a Harvest Supper in October.

We also support the local rural church by conducting baptisms, weddings and funerals for farming families by invitation and we produce our magazine DRC News twice a year which contains lots of interesting articles on faith and farming.

If you are a farmer or work within the farming sector and would like to talk to one of our chaplains, please contact Revd Alan on 07710 088972.

For more information about our work, services and events, including the Farm Walk and Harvest Supper, please contact our administrator, Nicola, on 07593 380311 or visit our website at derbyshireruralchaplaincy.org.uk

An article from Sarah Dines MP

A quote I love that is sometimes mistakenly attributed to a hero of mine, Sir Winston Churchill, is “you make a living by what you get; you make a life by what you give.” I am proud to say that this is clearly an ethos that the vast majority of people in our area embody and from talking to residents I hear time and time again the way volunteering benefits not only the wider community, but also directly enriches the lives of those that volunteer. Like many in Derbyshire Dales, I was a Reservist when I was younger, and I was more recently honoured to be part of the Armed Forces Parliamentary Scheme. I have always found volunteering very fulfilling. It can challenge and teach and most importantly you are able to give back to the community that you love, and that has no doubt given so much to you.

I am a big believer that being part of a voluntary organisation such as the Scouts, Brownies or Armed Forces Cadets gives our young people a solid start to a life of volunteering, with an emphasis on community enrichment and traditional British values. Every single club such as these requires a host of adults who give up their time on a voluntary basis to ensure our young people have access to these organisations. These people deserve our thanks.

As a mother of four boys, I have spent my fair share of rainy Saturdays on the side of sport fields and I want to pay tribute for a moment to the coaches who give up their time, often as volunteers, to ensure our young people have access to sport. I have seen how being part of a club can nurture shy children into confident and self-assured young adults and this impact should not be underestimated.

You do not have to look far to see the work of volunteers in action. Our streets are often kept clean by community litter-pick groups, green spaces are planted out with the most beautiful flowers by community gardening groups and we have befriending services who help those who are lonely. We all know our local Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal sellers. Our Town and Parish Council teams work all year round and I would hazard a guess that on nearly every street, in every village, there is someone looking out for another neighbour who may be older, more vulnerable or just going through a hard time. Times can be difficult and uncertain but, in our villages, in the places we are so privileged to call our home, the meaning of community and civic pride is alive and well.

If you need my help, please do ask by emailing me on sarah.dines.mp@parliament.uk or calling me on 020 721 91751.

The D-Day Normandy Landings

by Tim Lenton

Eighty years ago, on 6th June 1944, the D-Day Normandy Landings took place. More than 150,000 Allied troops landed on the beaches of Normandy. The Battle of Normandy ended on 25th August with an Allied victory.

The question of what the D stood for has never been absolutely determined: some say it just stood for Day; others maintain it was Disembarkation, because it was an amphibious operation. What is sure is that there was a spiritual dimension. General Eisenhower, the commander of Operation Overlord, urged those taking part to “beseech the blessing of Almighty God upon this great and noble undertaking”, and President Roosevelt broadcast a prayer to the nation – the United States, that is.

Before June 5 - the original date for D-Day before bad weather forced a rethink - a massive and successful series of deceptions were put in place to make the Nazis think the invasion would come elsewhere. The Germans were certainly confused. Hitler,

thinking the attack was a feint, refused to send reinforcements, and their strategy was hampered by the absence of their brilliant Commander Erwin Rommel, who was on leave.

Nevertheless, the Americans suffered over 2,000 casualties at Omaha Beach, which was the most heavily defended. Altogether it was reckoned that over 4000 Allied troops were killed, but about 156,000 successfully stormed the beaches, and many landed behind the lines, including American paratrooper Private John Steele, who descended on to the pinnacle of the church tower in Sainte-Mère-Église, the first village to be liberated by the U S Army. Lit up by searchlights, he survived by pretending to be dead, was captured and then escaped, joining the invading soldiers.

This year handmade silhouettes of almost 1,500 servicemen were transported to Normandy for an art installation, Standing with Giants, to mark the anniversary.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord - become a bell-ringer

If you love the sound of church bells, and have at least some 'sense of timing', why not consider becoming a bell-ringer?

Church bells are incredibly heavy – ranging from six hundredweight to more than 28 hundredweight per bell - but anyone is strong enough to ring them. Ringers range from schoolchildren to teenagers, from the middle-aged to retired people. It's a wonderful pastime for breaking down the generation gap.

All you really need is to be fit enough to walk up steps. There are few lifts in church towers, and most ringing chambers are high up!

After you reach the ringing chamber, the practice begins. There are a lot of

instructions to remember: "Don't look up, look straight ahead", "don't anticipate the sally (reaching for the stripey part of the rope, the sally, too soon)", "get closer to the rope", "flick your wrists away", "one foot a little ahead of the other", "pull down slowly – no, too fast, too fast", "use your elbows". Etc, etc!

You don't need strength. Once you've got the bell going, it is just a matter of keeping the rhythm of your pull steady on the rope. There is no strain on the back: you simply stand straight and relaxed. If you have the all-important sense of timing, the rest comes with practice. Some people master the art in as little as four months; others take almost a year. But one day, when you least expect it, you'll find you've 'got it' at last. A bit like learning to ride a bicycle!

Open Farm Sunday – 9th June

Hundreds of farms across the UK are preparing to open their gates to the public.

Open Farm Sunday is back for its 18th year and offers the public a chance to see how farmers can produce food sustainably, while also caring for the environment and wildlife.

It is organised by the global sustainable farming charity LEAF (Linking Environment And Farming). The event has been praised as being a "great family day out".

Some farms opening on Open Farm Sunday are also LEAF Marque certified. This means that they are farming regeneratively, nurturing healthy soil, protecting water, supporting nature conservation and enhancing wildlife habitats.

On those farms, people can find out more about the LEAF Marque, which they may have already seen on fruit, vegetables and other products in the supermarkets.

More details at:

www.farmsunday.org.

The disappearance of George Mallory on Everest

by Tim Lenton

One hundred years ago, on 8th June 1924, the British mountaineer George Mallory disappeared on Mount Everest. His body was found in 1999.

The man who may have been the first to climb Everest went missing with his fellow climber Andrew (Sandy) Irvine after setting off for the summit and encountering deep snow and high winds. It was the third attempt on the summit by that year's expedition.

Another member of the group claimed to have seen them making progress very close to the summit, but doubt was later cast on this: it was extremely misty, and the timing did not seem to fit. There have always been claims that Mallory and/or Irvine reached the summit and fell on the way down: the condition of Mallory's body lent some credence to this, as did the absence of his wife's photograph, which he always carried with him and intended to place on the summit. Sadly, his camera, which could have

provided undeniable proof, was never found. Nor was Irvine's body.

Irvine was inexperienced but strong, and an expert on the use of bottled oxygen. Mallory was regarded as the most skilful climber on the expedition, with a "natural, catlike ability". He came from a long line of clergymen, and his first climbing experience, aged seven, was on the roof of his father's church, St Wilfrid's, at Mobberley, in Cheshire. When asked on a lecture tour in 1923 why he chose to go to Everest, he replied: "Because it's there."

The expeditions in the 1920s were forced to take a more difficult and longer northern route because of Nepal's refusal to grant access to the southern side of the mountain. Everest was officially first climbed – and safely descended – by Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay using the southern route in 1953.

Chaplains keep faith in football

By the Revd Peter Crumpler, a Church of England priest in St Albans, Herts, and a former communications director for the C of E.

Chaplains are playing a vital role in the Premier League and other leagues across the UK.

Currently 11 English Premier League clubs and 55 Football League clubs have chaplains, with some clubs having more than one. There are also chaplains throughout the National League and in lower league clubs. The growth in women's football has led to more chaplains being appointed to serve women's teams.

Matt Baker is National Director for England overseeing all of English Sport for Sports Chaplaincy UK. He combines the role with being chaplain at London's Charlton Athletic, a position he has held since March 2000.

He explains: "The role of the chaplain is to be pastorally proactive and spiritually reactive. This means being regularly present, listening and supporting people whether they have a faith or not.

"From a spiritual perspective an example of this was when a player asked me 15 years ago whether I would pray with him before a game.

On the first occasion there were a couple of players and we prayed together before every game for the rest of that season.

"This has continued ever since as there always seem to be Christian players in the squad and so pre-match prayers before a home game have become a part of the regular routine for those wanting it. When we have had players of other faiths a room has also been made available for prayers for them as well."

Matt loves his role. He tells me: "I'm a people person so I love being around staff and players, getting to know them, listening and helping to support wherever I can. It's a tremendous privilege to be a chaplain at a football club and I never take that lightly."

Many churches have local football and other sporting clubs on their doorsteps and may want to see if a chaplaincy might be possible. What would Matt's advice be to Christians wanting to make the connection?

He tells me, "Get in touch with us at Sports Chaplaincy UK. Depending on an individual's location and sport we can advise on any vacancies we are aware of, guide them through any openings and offer the relevant sports chaplaincy training and support."

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.

Wonders of the Living World

What are the best metaphors we could use to describe biological things? You might be used to hearing phrases like ‘your genetic blueprint’ or ‘survival of the fittest’, but are they helpful or even accurate? Some of these words fail to capture the wonder and joy of understanding something new about the nature of living organisms.

I learned that one researcher was using the phrase ‘The Snuggle for Existence’ as a way to convey the idea, familiar to biologists, that cooperation is at the heart of the living world. For example, every cell more complex than a bacterium contains minute energy factories, each one containing their own piece of DNA – which makes them a sort of miniature cell, hidden away inside the larger host cell. These ‘mitochondria’, as biologists call them, turn raw materials from the host into chemical energy. In this way, everyone benefits: the mitochondria now have a safe a place to live, and the host receives the energy it needs.

There are many more examples of organisms working together to produce something that is more than the sum of its parts, where often the individual parts could not survive on their own.

‘The Map of Life’ is a way of describing the regularities we see in biological processes. Eyes, legs and wings have emerged in the living world again and again, and why not? If the properties of light and gravity remain constant, we should expect living things to find the same solutions to seeing or getting around. When we look at these organisms’ family trees, we see they share a common ancestor that had no eyes, or no wings. These structures have developed completely independently, or you could say that the paths of the living world have converged on the same solution. That’s not to say they had a conscious goal, but that the world has certain properties, and those properties have channelled biological processes in certain directions.

None of these stories give us definite evidence for God. Science simply provides data, which can often be interpreted in several different ways. Perhaps the world just happens to be full of mathematical regularities, maybe there’s an

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Tribute to Lord Field

The Bishop of Bristol, Vivienne Faull, and the Bishop of Ramsbury, Andrew Rumsey, who are the Church of England's joint lead bishops for Cathedrals and church buildings, have issued the following statement:

"We are truly saddened to hear of the death of Frank Field (the Rt Hon Lord Field of Birkenhead, CH) following a period of illness.

"Lord Field was deeply committed to the Church of England. As Frank Field, the active and long-serving MP for Birkenhead, he made time alongside his political career to serve from 2006-2016 as Chair of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England, the national advisory and decision-making body on changes to the Church of England's cathedrals.

"Under his leadership, the Commission played a key role in shaping major development works at cathedrals including Norwich, Blackburn, Durham and Wells; supported the installation of innovative works of art at St Paul's

and Liverpool; and approved the installation of the first solar panels on cathedral buildings in Bradford and Gloucester. He also helped to secure £40 million of funding for Anglican and Catholic cathedrals under the government's 2014-18 First World War Centenary Cathedral Repairs Fund.

"This role followed earlier periods as a member of the General Synod of the Church of England; a Vice-President of the National Churches Trust; Chair of the 2011 King James Bible Trust; and Chair of the Churches Conservation Trust. He was also a member of the Ecclesiastical Committee from 2002 until his death.

"To each role he brought an inquiring mind, a keen sensibility, a drive for action and a deep commitment to the Christian faith.

"We honour the memory of Lord Field and give thanks for all that he contributed to the work of the Church of England, and to wider society.

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overarching physical law we don't yet understand, or perhaps there are multiple universes and ours happens to be the one in which life has arisen. But I believe that the observations scientists make about

the living world are compatible with the existence of the God described by Christian faith.

More at
wondersofthelivingworld.org.

The RSPCA celebrates 200 years

It was 200 years ago this month, on 16th June 1824, that a London vicar, Arthur Broome, and some 22 of his friends, including the MP William Wilberforce, met at Old Slaughters Coffee House in London. They were there because they were deeply concerned about the pitiful plight of many animals in Victorian England.

That day in June, Arthur Broome and his friends decided to found the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA). It was the first national animal protection society in the world. Wilberforce, who was also known for campaigning to end slavery in the British colonies, now turned his attention also to the welfare of animals.

At the time, compassion for animals was regarded as strange. But the SPCA began to change all that, by working tirelessly to promote

kindness, and to prevent cruelty to animals.

By 1840 the Society's work was held in such high regard that Queen Victoria gave her permission for the SPCA to be called the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. By then there were five full-time inspectors, who were paid a guinea a week. In time, other similar societies sprang up around the world.

Nowadays, the Society has many staff in England and Wales, including 323 inspectors and many volunteers. It is a charity and receives no government funding. It looks after ALL animals, including farm animals, wildlife, pets, and research animals.

And here is an interesting footnote to history: the SPCA was launched five years before even the police force!

Did you know that....

It was 30 years ago, on 6th June 1994, that the highest individual score in first-class cricket was achieved. Brian Lara scored 501 not out while playing for Warwickshire against Durham. It is the only score of 500 or more in first-class cricket history.

AND

It was 150 years ago, on 22nd June 1874, that the first lawn tennis sets went on sale in London. They included balls, racquets, a net, poles, court markers, and instructions. They were designed by Walter Clopton Wingfield, who is credited with having invented modern lawn tennis. Wimbledon began hosting international lawn tennis championships in 1877.

Reflecting Faith: The Church and politics (with a small'p')

The Revd Dr Jo White considers the history of our village churches

When you drive in the English countryside you should be able to see at least one church spire or tower from pretty much anywhere. Just about every village has its own church building.

The size and grandeur of these village churches varies greatly, and was usually dependent on who paid for them in the first place!

In the main they were built with money from the local 'Lord of the Manor' – not necessarily a 'Lord' in the titled sense, but the person who owned the majority of the land and properties. Most people would work for him and live in a house provided by him. The two went together. Often, in order to keep their job and home, they were expected to attend 'the Lord's' church.

Many such churches were constructed at a time when people assumed that the more money you gave to the church, the greater would be your place in heaven. Hence the ostentatiousness in many a small village church!

By the early 1800s society had begun to change shape rapidly. The Napoleonic Wars which had been raging in Europe for many years were concluded at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815. There were new processes being discovered and invented which meant changes in working practices: the 'Industrial Revolution' was well under-way.

'Society' itself began to change with industrialisation bringing working folk into towns and away from the places, people, family members and authority figures to whom they had deferred all their lives. Politicians and Society leaders were becoming concerned that the political unrest still taking place on the continent might catch on here.

This month:

Have a look at a town church or a city church this month. See if you can find out anything about its history. Was there any reason for it being built where it is that reflects faith?

The wonderful world of Ladybird Books...

By the Revd Peter Crumpler, a Church of England priest in St Albans, Herts, and a former communications director for the C of E.

I'm really excited about a new exhibition running at my local museum this summer. It promises to prompt joyful memories of childhood for many older people – and maybe remind them of when they first learnt about Jesus.

'The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Artists' aims to "uncover the story of the talented artists who illustrated Ladybird books for more than 30 years." It's a fascinating exhibition that has already been staged in cities from Canterbury to Northumberland and is at the St Albans Museum until 8th September.

The organisers say: "This colourful, family-friendly exhibition includes rare books, original artwork and artefacts, and reveals how illustrators played such an enormous role in Ladybird's extraordinary success."

Ladybird Books also played a vital role in thousands of Sunday Schools and churches in the UK and many other English-speaking countries from the 1940s until well into the 1970s.

For many children and young people, these books were their first introduction to the Bible, with numerous parents, grandparents and carers reading them as bedtime

stories. 'Easy Reading' versions helped many children read about Jesus for themselves.

I've been collecting some of the Bible-based copies of the Ladybird books from local charity shops, with titles such as 'Stories about Jesus the Helper,' 'Children of the Bible' and 'Two Stories Jesus Told,' featuring the classic parables, the Good Samaritan and The Prodigal Son. I've been struck by the faithful retelling of the Bible stories, and the quality of the illustrations.

These colourful books were a staple of many Scripture classes and Sunday School prize-giving and helped form the Biblical understanding of a generation of children. Today, the books have become very collectible, with prices on the rise.

Ladybird books were, naturally, a product of their times with, for example, the skin tones of Jesus and the apostles often lighter than what reality might have been. The books were produced for a time when Bible stories were more widely known, and families were routinely depicted as mum, dad, a son and a daughter.

In recent years, more bizarre incarnations of Ladybird Books – such as 'The Ladybird Book of the Zombie Apocalypse' – have introduced new audiences to the Ladybird style, with an ironic, comic twist.

Personally, I much prefer the originals!

Using Rest to Pray

Tony Horsfall, a retreat leader and author recommends a different type of prayer....

Most of us think of prayer as a very demanding activity, but did you know it can be extremely restful?

One of the great verses in the Bible says this: 'Be still and know that I am God' (Psalm 46:10). It suggests we experience God most fully when we are still. When we cease rushing around, pausing for a moment of thought and recollection, we are becoming prayerful, and God is very near. Even a break for a morning coffee can be a moment of prayer, if we slow ourselves down and allow our thoughts to turn towards God.

An essential part of resting is to breathe slowly. Christian tradition has always made a connection between prayer and breathing. You can learn to pray to the rhythm of your breathing, using chosen prayer words to focus. As you breathe in, you might say 'Abba', and then as you breathe out, add the word 'Father'. Choose words which are meaningful to you, deliberately slowing your breathing so you become relaxed and peaceful.

Perhaps you have a favourite chair where you are able to unwind easily. For a few moments sit and do nothing. Simply become aware of the

present moment, reminding yourself you are in the presence of God. As you feel yourself relax, bask in the knowledge of God's love and acceptance of you. Sense His smile of approval upon you. You don't have to do anything, just 'be' for a moment. This too is prayer.

Sometimes we are forced to rest by circumstances... illness, disability, growing older and so on slow us down and we can't rush around like we used to do. Never mind. Don't fight against your circumstances. Enter into the place of rest that God is giving you. He loves you for who you are, not for what you do. Turn your thoughts into prayer and offer them to God. You don't need to advise God as to what He should do; simply hold people before Him, leaving the outcome to Him.

Prayer should be a natural expression of our relationship with God. Sometimes we have words, sometimes silence is enough. We don't need to impress God with our fervour. We can relax and be rested, even as we pray.

25th June - Maximus of Turin, first Bishop of Turin

When many of us think of a 'Maximus', we remember the popular film *Gladiator* and Russell Crowe starring as a Roman general who ends up as a slave successfully defying the Emperor.

But Maximus of Turin, the first Bishop of Turin, also led a tumultuous life in fighting evil.

He had seen violence and suffering when in 397 he witnessed the martyrdom of Sisinnius, Martyrius and Alexander, three missionary bishops in Italy.

The following year, 398, great trouble came to Northern Italy when it was swept by barbarian incursions. Turin soon filled up with soldiers and refugees seeking safety. Maximus challenged the wealthy landowners of the city to use their fine estates and houses to help relieve the suffering of those in need. He also told them not to seek profit from the unrest,

but instead to use their wealth to redeem prisoners of war.

All in all, Maximus of Turin risked his own life to act as guardian of the city. One historian has recorded that he "governed his flock wisely and successfully" during those terrible days of invasion, widespread panic and death.

Remarkably, more than 100 of Maximus' sermons still survive. They reveal him to have been a passionate evangelist, standing up to rural paganism, and stressing the importance of Christians knowing their faith. His writings and sermons did much to help the spread and consolidation of Christianity in Northern Italy.

Maximus of Turin even has a link with us: he is thought to have consecrated St Patrick as Bishop, on Patrick's return journey from Rome to Ireland.

This is a rubbish campaign

Our world has an urgent rubbish problem. But Christians are uniting to take global action.

So says the charity Tearfund, as it launches a campaign to highlight the threat of the growing mountains of plastic pollution.

"Two billion people have no safe way to dispose of rubbish, and it's people in poverty who are suffering the worst impacts of this rubbish problem," says the charity. "They are forced to live and work among piles of waste, which is making them sick, releasing toxic fumes, flooding communities and causing up to a million deaths each year."

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Watching birds is positively good for you

So says a new study out of North Carolina State University. It goes on to say that watching birds is even more beneficial to us than watching other forms of wildlife.

The new study found that birdwatchers' recorded 'distress' levels dropped by 13.7 per cent, compared to that of nature-walkers' at 6.9 per cent.

The study suggests that the reason may be that birds provide their own narrative and sense of drama, which

can be enough to lift someone watching them out of the everyday.

The author and presenter Kate Humble agrees. "There is something reassuring about life continuing and nature just getting on with it, even if it feels like the rest of the world is falling to bits. Birdwatching makes me feel part of a bigger, richer, beautiful picture."

"Birds give me an excuse to explore and find some solitude and calmness away from the bustle of life," says James Lowen, author of *52 Wildlife Weekends*. "It helps put me in my place."

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So, we are asking you to put your faith into action and join us in demanding an end to plastic pollution."

And just now there is a "once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to do just that," explains Tearfund. "During 2023 and now 2024, nearly 150 governments have been meeting to develop

the [first-ever global treaty on plastic pollution](#). But it's not a done deal.

Please add your voice to demand an end to plastic pollution and its harmful impact on people living in poverty."

If you would like to know more and consider signing the petition, go to: <https://www.tearfund.org/campaigns/rubbish-campaign>

Baslow Health Centre – Church Lane, Baslow

www.baslowhealthcentre.co.uk

Patient Online:

Have you registered to use the online service? This allows you to book or cancel appointments on line (during normal service) 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.

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**The surgery will be closed for
staff training from 1pm on
Wednesday 12th June**

Ordering Repeat Medication

You can order repeat medications in the following ways:

- In writing or with our on-line access service

- Return your repeat request form to surgery by Post or Fax

Please allow **three** working days before collection and **collect between 8am and 5pm**

Prescriptions can be collected from reception inside the surgery.

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Do you forget where your keys or wallet are?

It may be irritating, but don't worry – it does not mean that you are losing your memory.

Instead, it is merely your brain forgetting them on purpose, so that it can store other information.

That is the verdict of two academics whose book *The Psychology of Memory*, sets out to explain why we forget some things that we assume we should always know.

Dr Megan Sumeracki and Dr Althea Kaminske argue that storing and retrieving information is far more complicated than people think.

Dr Kaminske of Indiana University School of Medicine said: "Because we

are most aware of our memory when we have trouble remembering something, our intuitions about how memory works might be a little biased.

"For example, I spend an embarrassing amount of time looking for my phone, water bottle, and keys. You may be unsurprised to learn that our memory systems are not necessarily designed to remember where we put our phones. Or keys. Or water bottles.

Co-author Dr Sumeracki of Rhode Island College added: "A degree of forgetting is natural to allow the brain to remember more general information. Memory does not work like a recording device, they say, but 'more like a Wiki page' because details can be edited."

READINGS & ROTAS FOR JUNE 2024

ST. ANNE'S, BEELEY			FLOWERS & BRASSES
2	3pm	Family Communion	Liz Turner
9	9.30am	Holy Communion	Sarah Porter
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23	9.30am	Holy Communion	Barbara Hawsworth
30	9.30m	Holy Communion	" "
ST. PETER'S, EDENSOR			SIDESMEN
2	10.45am	Holy Communion	Mr & Mrs Gordon
9	10.45am	Holy Communion	Mrs Jackson/Mrs Bradshaw
16	10.45am	Matins	Mr & Mrs Wardle
23	10.45am	Holy Communion	R S Sherwood + I
30	10.45am	Holy Communion	John Bowns/Mike Pindar
COFFEE		CLEANING	FLOWERS
2	Lesley Butcher/Helen Garvey	Mr & Mrs Grimshaw	funeral flowers/Amanda Neale
9	Ann & Tony Hubbuck	Mr & Mrs Wardle	Janet Cosgrove
16	Clive & Joy Thrower	Mr & Mrs Grealey	Edensor Day flowers
23	Jane Dickson/Kate Green	Mrs Day	Olivia Moore
30	John & Gill Caws	TBA	Gloria Sherwood
READINGS		ST. PETER'S	ST. ANNE'S
2	2 Corinthians 4: 5 - 12 Mark 2:23 - 3: 6	Roger Wardle <i>Trinity 1</i>	TBA
9	2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1 Mark 3:20-end	Gloria Sherwood <i>Trinity 2</i>	Sarah Porter
16	2 Corinthians 5: 6 - 17 Mark 4: 26 - 34	John Caws (<i>John Bowns</i>) <i>Trinity 3</i>	Rupert Turner
23	2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4: 35 - end	David Jackson <i>Trinity 4</i>	Fiona Lichfield
30	2 Corinthians 8 :7- end Mark 5:21-end	Duke of Devonshire <i>Trinity 5</i>	Claire Cadogan
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