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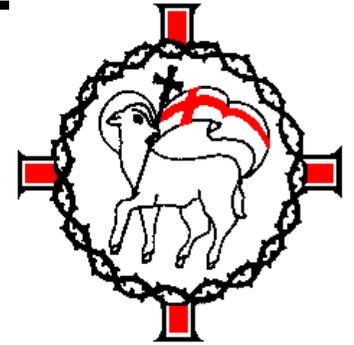
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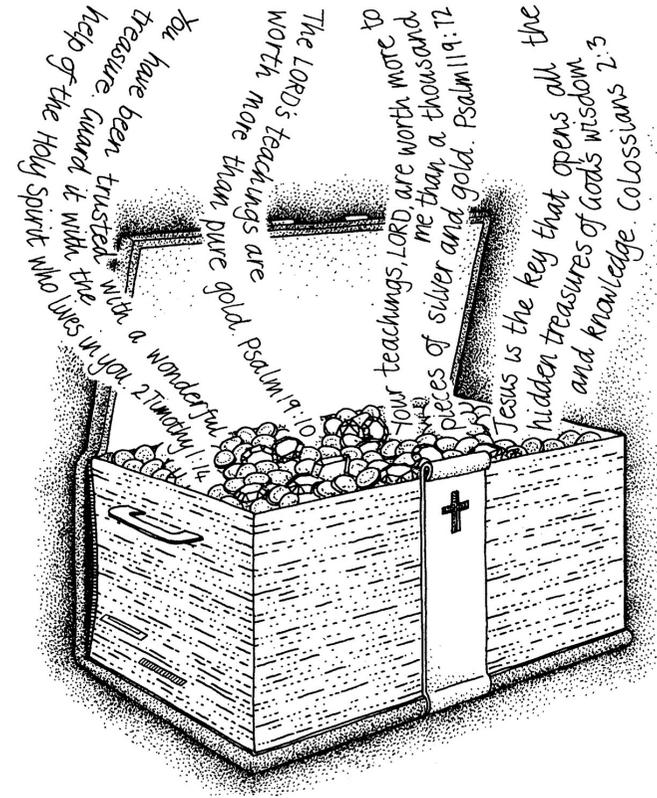
St George's Parish Church Stalybridge



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October 2015

From the Registers

Baptisms

We welcome into the Lord's family

6 September

David Jack Walker, Hopkins Farm Cottage, Arlies Lane, Stalybridge

Weddings

God is love, and those who live in love abide in God, and God lives in them

5 September

Stephen Eric Dagnall and Pamela Lawton

12 September

Stephen Richard Sharkey and Scarlett Jayne Lee

Funerals

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord

7 September

Gladys Mary Brown (age 95 years) Oakwood Care Home, Huddersfield Road, Millbrook, Stalybridge

At St James' Church Millbrook



If anyone would like to take up the bread and wine at the offertory—to celebrate a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or just to take part, please have a word with one of the wardens or clergy for any Sunday this year.

Revd John Homer Killick – what could have been



You will all know, I'm sure, the book written by one of our former vicars, Revd Canon Paul Denby, **Two into One will Go**. It was written as a history of the two churches of Old St George and New St George, and the coming together of them to form St George. If you would like a copy, we still have some available at a cost of £2.95, so please have a word with either the Wardens or myself.

One of the members of St Paul's Staley, George Maddock, a former member of St George's, has also been writing a history of St Paul's. Whilst in the process, he came across a clergyman by the name of Revd John Homer Killick, who was curate of St George's from 1870 -1871, during the Leeson era. Some very fascinating facts have come to light, not only about Revd Killick, but about St George's too.

The reason it did not appear in the book, is that Revd Killick was just the curate, and not the vicar, so not a great deal of importance was attributed to him. However, it would transpire that Revd Killick was appointed as curate-in-charge before the appointment of Revd Henry Hutchinson in 1871.

After Revd Frederick Leeson left St George's, John Killick was asked to step in and maintain worship and services there. He found a congregation of between 15 and 20 people, and the church lying under a dense and dark cloud, with the building being described as a "wreckage" – and that's just 30 years after it was consecrated. What that meant, we really don't know. But he set about building up the congregation to about 250 people, and brought the building to its former glory. He established a school in Spring Street and needless to say, his popularity grew.

However, when Frederick Leeson died, and despite the expressed wishes of the wardens, Mr Killick was not offered the incumbency, and left to take up a post as curate at Bolton Parish Church, followed by a curacy at Preston Parish Church. From there, he accepted a post of chaplain to the Bishop of Calcutta (now Kolkata)

based in Jeypore. He and his wife set sail on the steamer Europa, but tragedy struck when the ship was only four days away from the port of Bombay (Mumbai) and Mr Killick became ill through sunstroke and sadly died on 13 June 1875, aged just 34 years old.

This is indeed a tale of what could have been. Alas, we'll never know.

The full write-up has now been put on our website as an addition to Paul Denby's book and I would commend it to you. George Maddock has also kindly written a shorter article for our magazine and this will appear shortly.

As an advance notice, we will again be celebrating, at our service on Sunday 1 November at 3.30 pm, the lives of our loved ones who have died. During the service, their names will be read out and there will be the opportunity to light a candle in their memory. This is an uplifting service and you are all welcome to attend.

With best wishes

Philip

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Parish Revue

On Saturday 17th October at 7.15pm in church we are having a Parish Revue. This promises to be an evening of music and laughter and we hope as many as possible will come along and support the event. If you know of anyone with mobility or transport issues who would like to attend, please have a word with Janice Roberts or Irene Brierley and we will try and arrange lifts.

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We would love you to help someone celebrate the real meaning of Christmas this year by giving them a Real Advent Calendar but supplies are limited and these usually sell out quickly - so buy early.

The cost of The Real Advent Calendar is £3.99 and if you would like place an order there is a list in St George's Room or please see Rose Hayward.

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CHURCH FINANCES

September 2015 Weekly Giving

Date	Sunday	Open Plate	Envelopes	Total	Monthly Shortfall
8 Sept 2015	Trinity 14	£57.80	£319.00	£376.80	
13 Sept 2015	Trinity 15	£73.60	£393.50	£467.10	
20 Sept 2015	Trinity 16	£52.30	£134.05	£186.35	
27 Sept 2015	Harvest Thanksgiving	£61.62	£327.80	£389.42	
Standing Orders etc.			£864.00	£864.00	
Monthly Total				£2283.67	£2117.33

200 CLUB

The 200 Club winners for September are:

1st Prize	£30	76	Rose Hayward
2nd Prize	£15	106	Heather Lees
3rd Prize	£ 5	75	Minnie Walsh

There are still some spare numbers available and new members are always welcome—remember the more members we have the more money is raised for Church Funds. The cost is £12 per year per number. If you would like to join please see Rose Hayward or ring 303 1731.

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Readings and Psalms for October 2015

Sun 4th	18th Sunday after Trinity 10.30 Genesis 2.18-24; Psalm 8; Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12; Mark 10.2-16
Tues 6 th	10.30 Jonah 3; Psalm 130; Luke 10.38-end
Sun 11th	19th Sunday after Trinity 8.30 Amos 5.6-7,10-15; Mark 10.17-31 10.30 Amos 5.6-7,10-15; Psalm 90.12-end; Hebrews 4.12-end; mark 10.17-31
Tues 13 th	10.30 Romans 1.16-25; Psalm 19.1-4; Luke 11.37-41
Sun 18th	Luke the Evangelist—<i>One World Week</i> 10.30 Isaiah 35.3-6; Psalm 147.1-7; 2 Timothy 4.5-17; Luke 10.1-9
Tues 20 th	10.30 Romans 5.12,15,17-end; Psalm 40.7-12; Luke 12.35-38
Sun 25th	Last Sunday after Trinity 8.30 Jeremiah 31.7-9; Mark 10.46-end; 10.30 Jeremiah 31.7-9; Mark 10.46-end <i>Worship For All</i>
Tues 27 th	10.30 Romans 8.18-25; Psalm 126; Luke 13.18-21

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September Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 8, Kiriath Jearim. 9, Toe. 10, Ill at ease. 11, Hated. 13, Miletus. 16, Started. 19, Micah. 22, Leviticus. 24, Eli. 25, Mary and Joseph.

DOWN: 1, Sketch. 2, Priest. 3, Samizdat. 4, Shalom. 5, Wept. 6, Breast. 7, Embers. 12, Art. 14, Limassol. 15, UNA. 16, Salome. 17, Adverb. 18, Decade. 20, Clever. 21, Height. 23, Tear.

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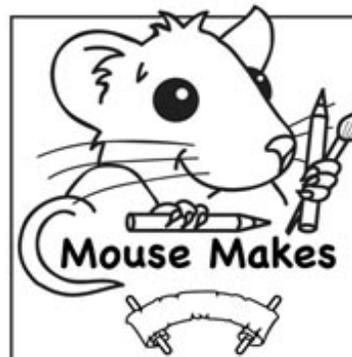
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 are good.
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 right way to live.*

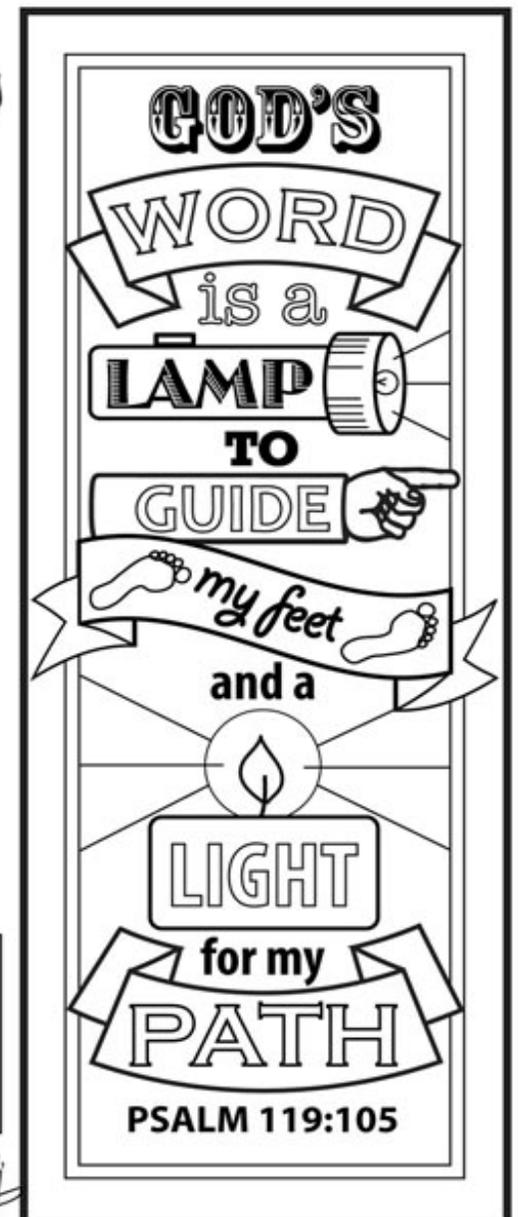


from Psalm 119:7-8

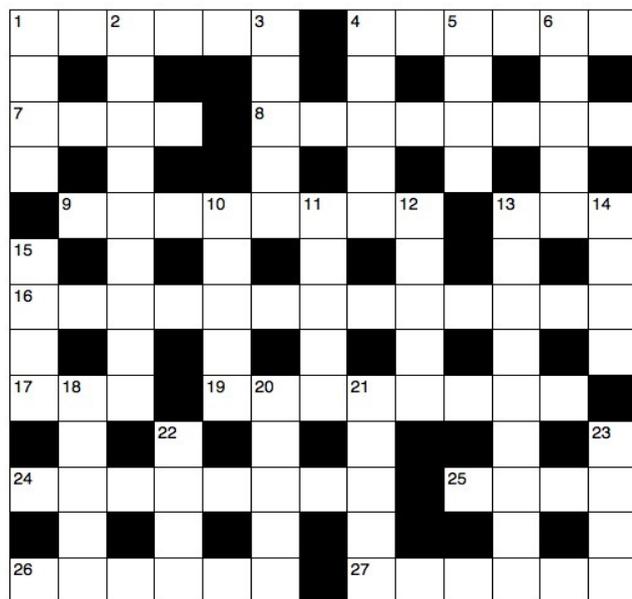
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October Crossword



Across

1 He must be 'the husband of but one wife and must manage his children and his household well' (1 Timothy 3:12) (6), 4 'For we must all — before the judgement seat of Christ' (2 Corinthians 5:10) (6), 7 'They reeled and staggered like drunken men; they were at their — end' (Ps 107:27) (4), 8 See 19 Across, 9 It concerned who among the disciples would be the greatest (Luke 9:46) (8), 13 Formed by the Jews in Thessalonica to root out Paul and Silas (Acts 17:5) (3), 16 'He has sent me to bind up the —' (Isaiah 61:1) (6-7), 17 Moved rapidly on foot (Matthew 28:8) (3), 19 and 8 '— a great company of the — host appeared with the angel' (Luke 2:13) (8,8), 24 Hindrance (Romans 14:13) (8), 25 Comes between Luke and Acts (4), 26 Empower (Acts 4:29) (6), 27 'Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a —!' (John 2:16) (6)

Down

1 Sunrise (Psalm 119:147) (4), 2 The part of the day when Cornelius the Caesarean centurion had a vision of an angel of God (Acts 10:3) (9), 3 He was one of those who returned with Zerubbabel from exile in Babylon to Jerusalem (Nehemiah 7:7) (5), 4 'No one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born —' (John 3:3) (5), 5 Animal hunted or killed as food (Ezekiel 22:25) (4), 6 'He encouraged them — — remain true to the Lord' (Acts 11:23) (3,2), 10 Ruses (anag.) (5), 11 Jewish priestly vestment (Exodus 28:6) (5), 12 Visible sign of what had been there (Daniel 2:35) (5), 13 This was the trade of Alexander, who did Paul 'a great deal of harm' (2 Timothy 4:14) (9), 14 'This is my —, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me' (1 Corinthians 11:24) (4), 15 One of Noah's great-great-grandsons (Genesis 10:24) (4), 18 Traditionally the first British Christian martyr (5), 20 Relationship of Ner to Saul (1 Samuel 14:50) (5), 21 Jacob had one at a place he named Bethel while on his way to Haran, fleeing from Esau (Genesis 28:12) (5), 22 Bats (anag.) (4), 23 'You strain out a — but swallow a meal' (Matthew 23:24) (4)

Some dates for your diary - October 2015

Thurs	1st	9.00a.m.	Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	3rd	12.30p.m.	Walking Treasure Hunt - Mossley Trail Quiz ending at St. Georges Church Stalybridge for refreshments
		2.00p.m.	Fair Trade Afternoon Tea
Sun	4th	10.30a.m.	Parish Eucharist and Junior Church
		12.30p.m.	Holy Baptism x 3
Mon	5th	9.45a.m.	Clergy Formation Day at Holy Family, Failsworth
Tues	6th	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
Thurs	8th	9.00a.m.	Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sun	11th	8.30a.m.	Holy Communion
		10.30a.m.	Parish Eucharist and Junior Church
		6.30p.m.	Churches Together United Service at The Revival Church, Huddersfield Road, Stalybridge
Tues	13th	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
		7.30p.m.	Fund Raising and Social Committee
Thurs	15th	9.00a.m.	Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	17th	7.15p.m.	Parish Review in Church - A Musical Entertainment
Sun	18th	10.30a.m.	Parish Eucharist and Junior Church
		12.30p.m.	Holy Baptism x 2
Tues	20th	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
		7.30p.m.	Parochial Church Council Meeting
Thurs	22nd	9.00a.m.	Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30p.m.	Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	24th	7.30p.m.	Race Night (Video Racing)
Sun	25th	8.30a.m.	Holy Communion
		10.30a.m.	Worship For All
Tues	27th	10.30a.m.	Holy Communion
Thurs	29th	No Time	4 Fun Meeting - Half Term Holiday
Sat	31st	2.00p.m.	Fair Trade Afternoon Tea

For more information please go to our website www.stg.org.uk



Saint of the Month

**10 October Thomas Traherne,
Poet, Spiritual Writer, 1674**

The son of a shoemaker, Thomas Traherne was born in Hereford in 1637.

A relative with the financial means provided for his education at Brasenose College, Oxford. Ordained in 1660, he held the living of Credenhill in Herefordshire until his death. But he was largely an absentee, spending most of his time at Oxford, where he took a Bachelor of Divinity degree, with only occasional visits to his parish. In 1667 he moved to London as chaplain to Sir Orlando Bridgeman, the Lord Keeper of the Seals to Charles II. When Bridgeman retired, Traherne remained his personal chaplain and lived with him at Teddington until his own death in 1674.

Traherne's only published work during his lifetime was *Roman Forgeries* (1673), a polemical work which claimed that significant Roman Catholic documents were forged, and the year after his death *Christian Ethicks* was published.

Traherne was largely forgotten until the late 1890s, when two handwritten volumes of poetry and prose were discovered, quite by chance, at a London bookstall. Thought at first to be by the metaphysical poet Henry Vaughan, they were eventually identified as works of the long-forgotten Traherne. Edited for publication, they appeared as *Poems* in 1903 and *Centuries of Meditation* in 1908. Another manuscript volume, containing a considerable number of unpublished poems, was discovered in the British Museum and published as *Poems of Felicity* in 1910.

Traherne's poetic style is marked by a distinctive musical quality and strikingly original imagery. There is a sense of rejoicing and the celebration of innocent wonder, and a delight in the presence of God in his creation. Two stanzas of the poem *Wonder* give some flavour of Traherne's style and subject matter:

The skies in their magnificence,
The lively, lovely air;
Oh how divine, how soft, how sweet, how fair!
The stars did entertain my sense,
And all the works of God, so bright and pure,
So rich and great did seem,
As if they ever must endure
In my esteem.

A native health and innocence
Within my bones did grow,
And while my God did all his glories show,
I felt a vigour in my sense
That was all spirit. I within did flow
With seas of life, like wine;
I nothing in the world did know
But 'twas divine.

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October

What of October? A month that is lost
Twixt warmth of September, and November frost?
It's not really winter, and though the leaves fall
The month of October is nothing at all!

A month spent regretting the summer now gone?
A month spent in dreading the winter to come?
A month spent in labour, in sorrow, not song?
A month when we're sad at the loss of the sun?

Yet October's a month with much that can please!
The gath'ring of fruit and the gold on the trees!
The dew on the web and the stars up above –
Yes! Truly October's a month that I love!

By Nigel Beeton