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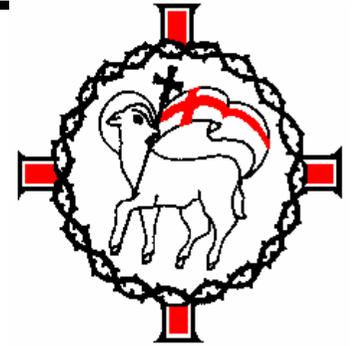
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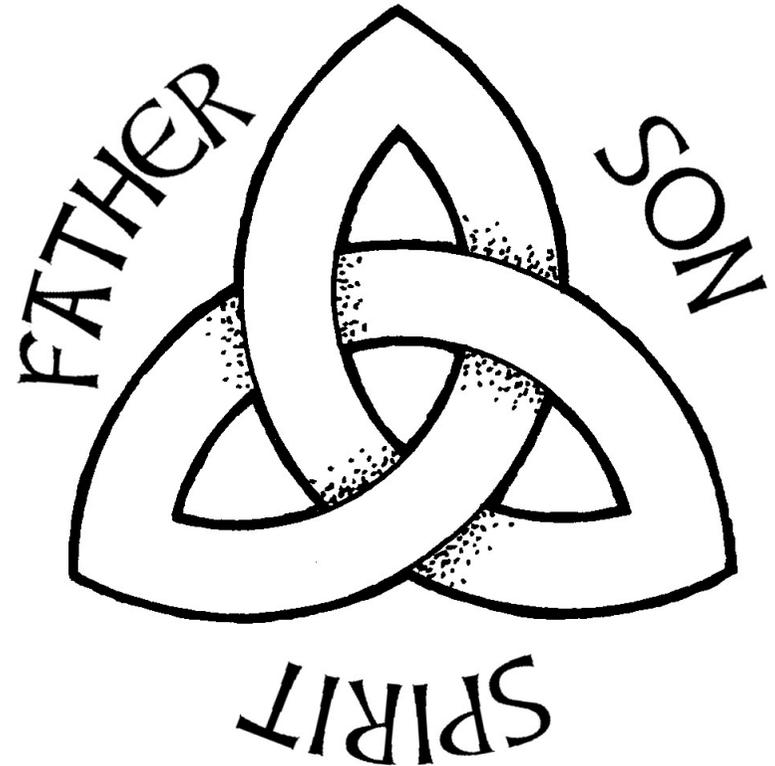
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## Worship

### Sunday

10.30 a.m. Sung Communion and Junior Church (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Family Service)

18.00 p.m. Occasional Special Services as announced

### Tuesday

10.30 a.m. No service during interregnum

To receive Communion at home when you are sick or housebound, or to have the name of a departed friend or relation entered in the Book of Remembrance, please contact one of the Wardens.

**For Baptisms, Marriages or Funerals please phone the Warden, Derek Redeyoff on 0161 338 4779. Baptisms are usually conducted at 12.30 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.**

## From Our Book of Remembrance

Jun 2	Hilda Beswick 1977	Jun 15	Lily Hardy Cooke 1979
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	Harry Bullock 2009	Jun 18	Margaret Parkinson 1897
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	David John Stevenson 2018		Charlotte Molly Ingham 2008
		Jun 28	Mary Stephens Carter 1983
		Jun 30	Ann Humphries 1963



## BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

To have the name of a loved one entered into this special book, and remembered in our intercessions for their anniversary please have a word with one of the wardens.

The cost for the special inscription is £10 per entry



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 for any Sunday this year.

## God among the ruins

The tragic fire at Notre Dame Cathedral shocked the whole world. Seeing such a magnificent building engulfed in flames saddened all who saw the devastation unfold. It was a monumental blow to the nation of France. It will take years to rebuild this famous place of worship.

One striking image from the fire showed the interior of the church scorched and ruined, its art treasures lost, its contents still smouldering. But high up in the background, unbowed by the flames, stands a golden cross, brightly shining in the darkness of the surrounding debris.



Since the fire took place at Easter, it is hard not to see this picture as a parable. One Anglican vicar made this comment: 'Notice what is left inside, untouched, after the destruction of all sorts of 'priceless' works of arts at Notre Dame Cathedral? The Cross. What an image for Holy Week and what a picture to describe secular Western Europe.'

The picture speaks to us of the abiding value of the Cross and brings to mind the words of a hymn :

In the cross of Christ I glory,  
Tow'ring o'er the wrecks of time;  
All the light of sacred story  
Gathers round its head sublime.

The place of worship may be destroyed, but not the God we worship. The message of the Cross, at the centre of our faith, remains a timeless, undamaged truth.

The hymn continues:

When the woes of life o'ertake me,  
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me,  
Lo! It glows with peace and joy.

Even among the ruins of our own lives the Cross stands tall, reminding us of the presence of God and His grip on our lives.

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Friends,

So far the Easter season has given us Gospel moments that feature the risen Jesus appearing to his friends, persuading them by subtle intimate signs that death could not hold him.



Jesus cuts through Mary Magdalene's tears and convinces her that it is indeed him - resurrected from his death - and he does this by simply calling her name.

For the doubting Thomas he uses a more emotional approach - asking Thomas to touch his wounds in order to convince him that it is the risen Jesus before him -- and for Cleopas and another disciple who is not named -- Jesus uses the familiar action of taking bread in his hands, blessing it and breaking it -- and that is enough to reveal or to remind them who he is.

But if there is one action - that sums up the purpose of these 'post Easter appearances' - it is Jesus' greeting after he appears to the disciples through the locked doors of that upper sanctuary - where they lie low in fear of arrest. When he appears he says simply - 'Peace be with you' ... How beautiful and how calming that must have been for them.

Sometimes in our modern world - the passing of the peace can get mixed reviews in worship settings and even though we have been doing it for years - some people seem to be a little self-conscious about it.

That may well be because the passing of the peace is not just simply said to the person on each side of us anymore - it has been replaced in some places of worship by a rather frenzied turn of movement around the room with frantic gossip about matters other than peace!

Every Sunday we wish peace for one another in worship. .... What is it about peace then that makes it such an integral part of our worship, our faith, and our lives?

Peace is talked about many times in the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation. Practically every writer of Scripture has something to say on the subject.

Peace is a way of 'seeing the world', it is a way in which our faith in God helps us to 'stay calm' in a turbulent world - when God is present with us and in us, when we truly put our trust in God. Thankfully this inner peace is ours no matter what happens around us it is a gift from God. Inner peace goes beyond our understanding or ability to explain but it is something we deny ourselves too often, when we put our faith into a box marked "only for Sundays". Peace is a way of relating to others, a way of treating others with love and justice. It happens when we act with Christ-centered hospitality and respect... when we air our disagreements honestly and openly instead of storing up grudges and disagreements and bitterness.... Not easy at times!

It can take hard work to practice peace in the midst of conflict, but if we can .... we will instantly see its rewards in the face of others. Fred Rogers an American TV programmer who developed many lessons ~~for children~~ in a programme known as 'Children's community corner' - often told a story about when he was a boy and would see scary things on the news: His mother would say to him, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping...

In these times of such unrest – in the recent killing of so many people in Sri Lanka, the knife crime on our own streets - the recent shooting in Ireland of 'Lyra McKee' ....to name only a few -- I am always comforted by realising that there are still so many helpers — so many caring people in this world and among the images, time and time again we still see helpers. Beyond the disaster relief teams, these helpers are friends and neighbours who- band together to support the people of their community and bring hope to dark moments and, from what I have seen, there are always images of hope and people trying to establish peace....

When we wish each other the peace of the Lord each Sunday, as Christ wished it to us and as Paul wished it to his congregations in every letter he wrote, we are not just mouthing pious good wishes. We are affirming that God is truly present in us and in the congregation and that his presence brings that peace that surpasses all human understanding. We are reminding one another that God's peace isn't just some abstract pie-in-the-sky proposition, but a present reality with us here, now, in this place. And we are promising that we will reflect that peace in our lives together in Jesus Christ. Amen

*Gail*

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## Restoration work almost complete at St. Georges, Stalybridge

From February, St. Georges, Stalybridge, was encased in scaffolding as the start of a five-month, £300,000 restoration project to replace the whole of the nave roof and to rebuild the north side Parapet and gutter. The project has been largely funded by a generous £250,000 grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund.



The roof and gutter work are now almost completed and the whole of the Church's emergency lighting system has been renewed. The lighting in the upper and lower lounge has been replaced with LED units which will give a considerable reduction in electricity usage. A new Kitchenette is also being installed in the upper lounge which should help to extend the community use of the building.

As part of the project heritage pamphlets have been prepared to give visitors and congregation a greater insight into the local legacy of St Georges. The pamphlet will be incorporated into the Church's web site. Also, in preparation is a booklet about the historic RENN organ, and it is planned to extend the information on the history of the graveyard war graves that has been recently added to the web site. Hopefully by the end of May the church will be returned to normal and visitors will be able to explore St Georges when they come to one of our monthly Fairtrade afternoon teas which are advertised on St Georges Web site.

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### May 2019 Weekly Giving

Date	Sunday	Open Plate	Envelopes	Total	Monthly Shortfall
28 Apr 2019	2nd Sunday of Easter	£69.50	£200.87	£270.37	
05 May 2019	3rd Sunday of Easter	£46.20	£283.71	£329.91	
12 May 2019	4th Sunday of Easter	£87.12	£376.80	£463.92	
19 May 2019	5th Sunday of Easter	£44.07	£305.47	£349.54	
26 May 2019	6th Sunday of Easter	£40.20	£215.50	£255.70	
Standing Orders etc			£940.00	£940.00	
<b>Monthly Total</b>		<b>£287.09</b>	<b>£2,322.35</b>	<b>£2,609.44</b>	<b>-£856.56</b>

\* Assuming £10 per adult per week needed for running the church this means we need £3,466 per month

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### 200 CLUB

The 200 Club winners for May 2019 are:

1st Prize	£25	45	Sharon Billington
2nd Prize	£15	22	Michael Davies
3rd Prize	£10	42	Tom Youngston

Subscriptions for 2019 are now due and should be paid to Rose Hayward.

The cost is £12 per year per number and there are still some spare numbers available and new members are always welcome.

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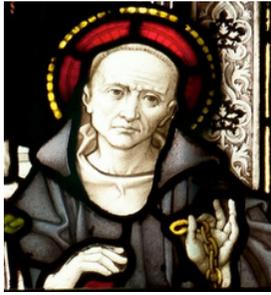
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## Saint of the Month

4<sup>th</sup> June

Petroc, the founder of Padstow

If you are going to Cornwall this summer in search of peace and quiet, Petroc is the saint for you. Especially if you find Padstow a bit too crowded for your liking! He would have sympathised.

This 6<sup>th</sup> century abbot is Cornwall's most famous saint. Petroc set sail from South Wales, landed at Haylemouth, and founded a monastery at Lanwethinoc – now called Padstow, after him (Petroc's Stow).

Padstow must have been popular even in those days, because about 30 years later Petroc, in search of some peace and quiet, moved on to build another monastery at Little Petherick (Nanceventon). Here he must have decided to try some 6<sup>th</sup> century equivalent of 'Fresh Expressions', because he engaged with his local community by building a mill and a chapel.

In time, Petroc began feeling crowded again. So he tramped off to the remote wilds of Bodmin Moor, where he lived as a hermit – until some 12 monks turned up to join him. Firmly, Petroc kept them all housed in a monastery on a hilltop, while he enjoyed his private space in a cell by the river.

But even here Petroc was not alone. One day a terrified stag came rushing through the woods, pursued by the hunt. Petroc flung open the door of his cell, and the panting animal took refuge. When the huntsmen arrived on the scene, they did not dare to argue with the famous holy man, and went their way. The stag's gratitude made him tame, and Petroc would come to be portrayed with a stag as his special emblem.

Petroc was buried in the monastery in Padstow but in c.1000 his shrine and relics, including his staff and bell, were translated to Bodmin. Here they have stayed ever since, except for a short, unplanned trip to Brittany in 1177, when they were stolen and carted off by a naughty Canon of the Church. Henry II intervened, and everything but a rib of Petroc was eventually returned.

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## Readings and Psalms for June 2019

<b>Sun 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>7th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>10.30 Acts 16.16-34; Psalm 97; Revelations 22.12-14,16-17,20-end; John 17.20-end</b>
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 No Service
<b>Sun 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Pentecost - Whit Sunday</b> <b>10.30 Acts 2.1-21; Psalm 104.26-36,37b; Romans 8.14-17; John 14.8-17</b> <b>14.00 Walk of Witness</b>
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 No Service
<b>Sun 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Trinity Sunday</b> <b>10.30 Proverbs 8.1-4,22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5.1-5; John 16.12-15</b>
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 No Service
<b>Sun 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>1st Sunday after Trinity - Feast of Dedication</b> <b>10.30 1 Chronicles 29.6-19; John 2.13-22</b> <b><i>Worship For All</i></b>
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 No Service
<b>Sun 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>2nd Sunday after Trinity</b> <b>10.30 1 Kings 19.15-16,19-end; Psalm 16: Galatians 5.1,13-25; Luke 9.51-end</b>

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### May Crossword Solution

**ACROSS:** 1, Baby. 3, Stimulus. 8, Liar. 9, Forsaken. 11, Episcopacy. 14, Eagles. 15, Clergy. 17, Strengthen. 20, Holiness. 21, Obed. 22, Bethesda. 23, Stay.

**DOWN:** 1, Believer. 2, Beatings. 4, Troops. 5, Musicology. 6, Like. 7, Sent. 10, Acceptance. 12, Prohibit. 13, Dying day. 16, Sensed. 18, Ahab. 19, Blot.

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With Terri

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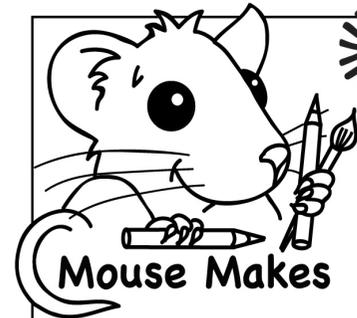
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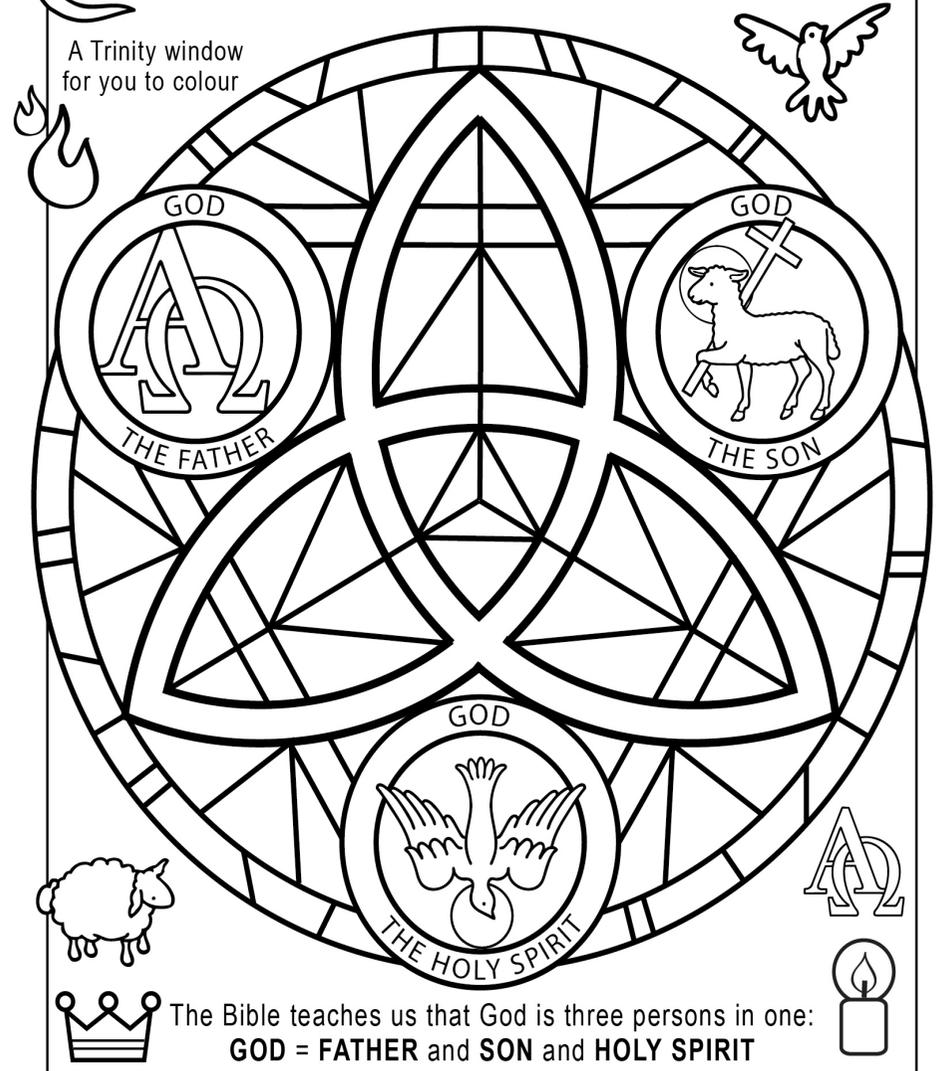


"May the *grace* of  
the Lord **JESUS CHRIST**  
and the *love* of **GOD**  
and the fellowship of the  
**HOLY SPIRIT** be with you."



2 Corinthians 13:13

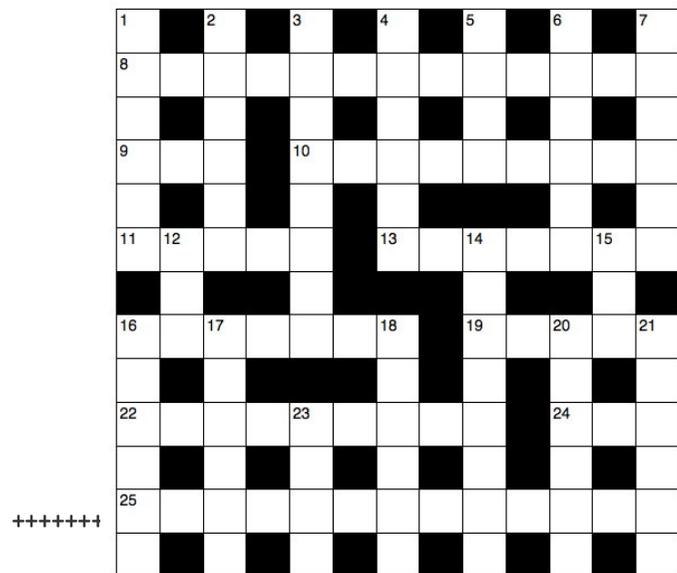
A Trinity window  
for you to colour



The Bible teaches us that God is three persons in one:  
**GOD = FATHER and SON and HOLY SPIRIT**



## June Crossword



### Across

**8** Laban complained he had not been allowed to kiss them when Jacob fled with his family (Genesis 31:28) (13), **9** In favour of (3), **10** 'The child's father and mother — at what was said about him' (Luke 2:33) (9), **11** Swagger (Psalm 12:8) (5), **13** 'Terrors — him on every side and dog his every step' (Job 18:11) (7), **16** Bay bits (anag.) (7), **19** Preach, address an audience, speak in public (5), **22** Holy Communion (9), **24** 'On their way to — out the land, Joshua instructed them, "Go and make a survey of the land"' (Joshua 18:8) (3), **25** Joseph advised Pharaoh to appoint these to administer his grain storage plan (Genesis 41:34) (13)

### Down

**1** 'Assyria's pride will be brought down and — sceptre will pass away' (Zechariah 10:11) (6), **2** 'And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in — with God and men' (Luke 2:52) (6), **3** The descendants of Esau (Genesis 36:9) (8), **4** The components of the crown that Jesus was made to wear before his crucifixion (John 19:2) (6), **5** Colour of cloth which was to cover holy objects in the tabernacle when moving camp (Numbers 4:6–12) (4), **6** One of the gold articles plundered from the Midianites offered to the Lord by the Israelite army 'to make atonement' (Numbers 31:50) (6), **7** 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set — — ' (Jeremiah 31:29) (2,4), **12** Ate (anag.) (3), **14** 'We ourselves... groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our — as sons' (Romans 8:23) (8), **15** Abram's nephew (Genesis 14:12) (3), **16** Rupture (Job 30:14) (6), **17** 'Yet to all who received him... he gave the right to — children of God' (John 1:12) (6), **18** 'I... asked him the true meaning of all — . — he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things' (Daniel 7:16) (4,2), **20** Military units (Exodus 14:20) (6), **21** 'Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to — her to public disgrace' (Matthew 1:19) (6), **23** Diva (anag.) (4)

## Some dates for your diary - June 2019

- Sun 2nd Seventh Sunday of Easter - Sunday after Ascension Day**  
**10.30a.m. Parish Eucharist - with Guest, Rev'd Ian Brocklehurst & Junior Church**
- Tues 4th 1.00p.m.- 3.00p.m. Come Together Café**
- Thurs 6th 9.00a.m. Half Term Holiday for Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)**  
**7.30p.m. Half Term Holiday for Tameside Community Voices Practice**
- Sat 8th 8.00p.m Quiz**
- Sun 9th PENTECOST - WHIT SUNDAY**  
**10.30a.m. Parish Eucharist - with Guest, Richard Hawkins**  
**1.45p.m. Assemble at Church**  
**2.00p.m. Walk to Stalybridge**  
**2.30p.m. United Act of Witness**
- Tues 11th 1.00p.m.- 3.00p.m. Come Together Café**
- Thurs 13th 9.00a.m. Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)**  
**7.30p.m. Tameside Community Voices Practice**
- Sat 15th 2.00p.m. - 4.00p.m. Afternoon Tea - Fair Trade**
- Sun 16th TRINITY SUNDAY**  
**10.30a.m. Parish Eucharist - with Guest, Rev'd Adrian Rhodes & Junior Church**
- Tues 18th 1.00p.m. - 3.00p.m. Come Together Café**  
**7.45p.m. Parochial Church Council Meeting**
- Thurs 20th 9.00a.m. Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)**  
**7.30p.m. Tameside Community Voices Practice**
- Sun 23rd ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY**  
**10.30a.m. Worship For All - with Guest, The Ven Cherry Vann**  
**6.00p.m. Choral Evensong**
- Tues 25th 2.00p.m. to 3.00p.m. Councillor Adrian Pearce - Surgery**
- Thurs 27th 9.00a.m. Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)**  
**7.30p.m. Tameside Community Voices Practice**
- Sat 29th 2.00p.m. Wedding**
- Sun 30th Second Sunday after Trinity**  
**10.30a.m. Parish Eucharist - with Guest, Rev'd Adrain Rhodes & Junior Church**

For more information please go to our website [www.stg.org.uk](http://www.stg.org.uk)

## All in the month of June

It was:

200 years ago, on 12<sup>th</sup> June 1819 that Charles Kingsley, British clergyman and writer was born. Best known for his historical novels Hypatia, Westward Ho! And Hereward the Wake.

175 years ago, on 6<sup>th</sup> June 1844 that the YMCA (Young Men's Christian Association) was founded in London.

125 years ago, on 18<sup>th</sup> June 1894 that Uganda was declared a British protectorate. (She gained independence in 1962.)

Also 125 years ago, on 30<sup>th</sup> June 1894 that Tower Bridge in London was officially opened.

100 years ago, on 28<sup>th</sup> June 1919 that the Treaty of Versailles was signed at the Paris Peace Conference, marking the official end of the war.

90 years ago, on 12<sup>th</sup> June 1929 that Anne Frank, German Jewish diarist and Holocaust victim, was born.

80 years ago, on 7<sup>th</sup> June 1939 that King George VI became the first British monarch to visit the USA.

75 years ago, on 6<sup>th</sup> June 1944 that D-Day took place with the Normandy landings.

Over 150,000 Allied troops landed on the beaches of Normandy, France, at the start of the Battle of Normandy. The battle ended on 25<sup>th</sup> August and was an Allied victory.

70 years ago, on 8<sup>th</sup> June 1949 that George Orwell's novel Nineteen Eighty-Four was published.

65 years ago, on 7<sup>th</sup> June 1954 that Alan Turing died. This British mathematician, logician, cryptanalyst and computer scientist was noted for his contributions to codebreaking during World War II. Considered the father of theoretical computer science and artificial intelligence. Prosecuted for his homosexuality.

50 years ago, on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 1969 that Judy Garland, American actress and singer, died. Best known for her role as Dorothy in the film The Wizard of Oz. Mother of Liza Minnelli. Died of an accidental drug overdose, aged 47.

40 years ago, on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1979 that Rhodesia ended 90 years of white minority rule, established a black government and changed its name to Zimbabwe-Rhodesia.

Also 40 years ago, on 7<sup>th</sup> June 1979 that the first elections for the European Parliament were held.

30 years ago, on 5<sup>th</sup> June 1989 that the Unknown Rebel ('Tank Man') of Tiananmen Square, Beijing, China, made world headlines. He temporarily halted a column of tanks by standing in front of them on the morning after the massacre. It became one of the most iconic images of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. (There are conflicting theories about what happened to him afterwards.)

25 years ago, on 7<sup>th</sup> June 1994 that Dennis Potter, British TV dramatist and screenwriter (Pennies from Heaven, The Singing Detective, Blue Remembered Hill, etc) died.

10 years ago, on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2009 that Michael Jackson, 'the King of Pop', died. This American singer, songwriter and dancer had hit songs that included Beat It, Bille Jean, Thriller, and Bad. He died of an anaesthetic overdose.

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**Ladies! ...**  
time to get your glad rags on  
St George's is holding a

## Ladies Day

with a  
Traditional Afternoon Tea and 'bubbly'  
on Saturday 10th August 2019  
2pm - 4pm

Ladies will be encouraged to wear hats or fascinators.

The list is now available in the church lounge and numbers are limited to 40. Last year's event was very successful so get your name down quickly before it's too late.

Tickets are available from Alicia Harris.

## Smile Lines

### With June weddings in mind.....

Marriages are made in heaven. (Alfred Tennyson)

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Judge: 'Have you ever been cross examined before?'

Accused: 'Yes, your honour, I am a married man.'

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At her wedding the bride tripped and fell into the arms of the vicar. 'That's the first time I've held a fallen woman,' he quipped. To which she retorted: 'It's the first time I've been picked up by a vicar!'

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### Children's attempts to describe married relationships.....

Christians can have only one wife. This is called monotony.

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The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.

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Holy acrimony is another name for marriage.

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Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day...but a ball of fire by night.

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