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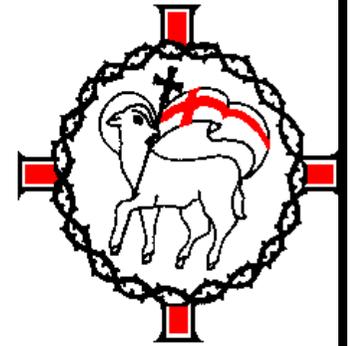
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# St George's Parish Church Stalybridge



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...by faith we might  
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Galatians 3:14

May 2021

# St George's Church Stalybridge

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*For baptisms, marriages or funerals please phone the Vicar on 07393 420763.  
 Baptisms are usually conducted at 12.30 pm  
 on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month.*

*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 the Vicar.*



## From Our Book of Remembrance

May 1	Stephen Mark Young	2009	May 17	William Henry Priestley	1950
	Kenneth Doggett	2013		Bessie Travis	1991
May 2	Annie Selby	1975		Richard Barratt	2006
	Derek Kay	2009	May 18	Abel Ollerenshaw	1967
May 4	Harry Wright	1981	May 19	Clarice Barber	1976
	Martha Keatting	1996		William Dale	1967
May 6	Evelyn Parkinson	1902	May 21	Gladys Lowe	1996
	William Cooper	1970	May 22	James Geoffrey Brayshaw	1970
	Martha Kinder	1987		George Henry Cope	1970
May 8	Agnes Winifred Barker	1979		David Alan Swift	2019
May 9	Alice Day	1966	May 23	John William Wadsworth	1987
May 11	Catherine Ann Nowel	1988		Agnes Waddington	2007
	Redeyoff			Myrtle Constance Prescott	2016
	Mary Miller(nee Higgins)	2010	May 24	William Grimshaw	1998
May 13	Florence Wilson	1986		Albert Hopwood	2012
	Wendy Rosemary Miles	2016	May 25	Tibor Volcsey	2008
May 15	May Blease	1999	May 26	Ian Peter Blake	2009
	Joyce Honan Jakeman	2004	May 28	Margaret Theodora Roberts	2017
	Mary Woolley	2008	May 29	Martha Cooper	1987
	Charles Swainson	2012	May 30	Pamela Chorley	1973
May 16	Eileen Buckley	1979		Raymond Herbert Russell	2013
	William Hamnett Tonge	2006	May 31	Harry Williamson	2010

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### 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 the vicar or one of the wardens. The cost for the inscription is £10 per entry

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### BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

Arrangements can be made for future services where we hope restrictions may have eased. Please be in touch for further information.

#### Baptisms

4th April

Redeemer-Vidler Ojong Nchacha



### 200 Club

#### April Winners

1st prize £25 No65 Judith Pymm; 2nd prize £15 No50 Linda Adamson ;  
 3rd Prize £10 No39 Val Fallows

# APCM 2021 (Annual Parochial Church Meeting)

The APCM will take place  
in church on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 11.45am  
(Covid 19 restrictions permitting)

*There will be an opportunity to join via Zoom for those who wish to.*

*If you have attended the 10.30am service,  
please remain in your seat if attending the APCM.*

2 churchwardens will be elected (1 year appt)

*With will offer a vote of thanks to Janet Vidler who has served 6 consecutive  
terms as churchwarden, including during the vacancy.*

There are 3 vacancies for elected PCC members (3 yr appt)

There is 1 vacancy for a Deanery Synod Rep (3 yr appt)

Nomination forms for these positions are to be filled in and returned to the PCC

Secretary, Lynn Moon or the Vicar.

Please be in touch for further details.

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## PENTECOST 2021 Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Parish Eucharist at 9am and 10.30am

*We celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit  
upon the church of God.*

***Wear red this Pentecost Sunday!***



### **The Vicar writes**

This May continues to bring newness of life in many ways, not least with the potential lifting of more restrictions later in the month. The easing of restrictions means we can see family and friends outdoors. It also means that outdoors pastoral visits are possible too (up to 6 people and 2 households) in gardens, outside a coffee shop or on a walk. If you would like to arrange a visit, please do be in touch.

There is an increasing sense of hope moving forward. Our thoughts and prayers remain with communities and individuals across the world who continue to suffer the devastating effects of COVID 19.

Our lives which are emerging and being rebuilt are different to our lives when this all began; the world has changed, and our own attitudes and outlooks may have changed. The life of the church has changed too, locally and within our Diocesan context. In the Diocese of Manchester there are major changes underway as to how parishes and clergy will operate. At the start of June, the deanery of Ashton will merge with the deaneries of Oldham East and West to form one large deanery. A full time Area Dean of the new deanery, the Revd Daniel Ramble, will begin his post in June and future patterns of working in "Mission Communities" between parishes and clergy will be discerned and developed. Times have changed and are changing, and we do not yet fully know what that will mean. Newness of life is emerging and as we know, life means that change is inevitable. This can take great courage, and faith and trust in God.

The apostles gathered in uncertainty after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and after his Ascension into heaven – that had experienced great trauma and fast paced change. Uncertain of the way that lay before them, they continued to be faithful in prayer, in supporting one another and in the breaking of bread in remembrance of their Lord. It was into this gathering that the Holy Spirit came in tongues of flame to bring new life, God's life, to the church. Today God's Holy Spirit continues to be given to God's church, as a body and as individuals – the Holy Spirit is poured out to sustain, to enliven, and to make all things new. Like the apostles, we wait, we hope, we pray and we trust in God, who is our rock, our refuge and our strength.

*"Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth."*

With prayers and all good wishes,

**Penny**

**Sundays**

**9am Parish Eucharist**

**10.30am Parish Eucharist in church**

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Please consider attending at 9am instead of 10.30am if you are attending on Sundays.

There are 2 services in order to help us to socially distance.  
If the building's capacity is reached, we cannot permit others to enter.

**12.15pm Junior Church (online)**

**6pm Sanctuary – Evening Prayers**

(online and streamed to our Facebook page)

**Tuesdays**

**10.30am Eucharist in church**

**Funerals in church can continue** with a maximum of 30 people (including children) and no congregational singing.

Please be in touch if you need to discuss arrangements for baptisms and weddings.

A full risk assessment is in place and regularly revised.

We continue stringent hygiene and social distancing procedures.

You must not interact with anyone outside of your household/bubble.

Please take your seats immediately as you arrive and leave the building at the end of worship, when directed.

**YOU MUST NOT ATTEND** if you are unwell, self isolating or showing any symptoms.



**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

**Eucharist for Ascension Day  
at 8pm at St George's Church**

*“Why do you stand looking up towards heaven?*

*This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’ Acts 1:10*

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## GEORGE'S KITCHEN

After much hard work and preparation, George's Kitchen is up and ready to go! We aim to provide a wholesome, nutritious, home cooked meal delivered frozen ready to pop into the microwave or oven. Our target group is anyone who is vulnerable, isolated or in need of a wholesome meal. Initially we are concentrating on those who live in the Ridgehill area. The meals will be entirely free of charge (although donations will not be refused!)



We have a band of Volunteers who are willing to distribute the meals and a few who will be undertaking the cooking duties. We are thinking of meals such as chicken casserole, cottage pie, chilli, soups, lasagne, curry and meat and potato pie (any other suggestions will be considered!) . We are also planning to provide a vegetarian option if there is a need. Unfortunately, we will be unable to cater for anyone who has a food allergy or for gluten free, vegan etc diets, although we would do our best to buy in ready prepared food for anyone in such need.

Food preparation will be carried out on Wednesdays and frozen ready for distribution. Deliveries will also take place on Wednesdays.

All we need now is to find anyone who is need of our services! If you or someone you know would benefit from this new venture then please let us know! We need a name, address and contact telephone number. Similarly if you would like to volunteer your help, then please do get in touch (especially cooks!!)

### Chris Crabtree

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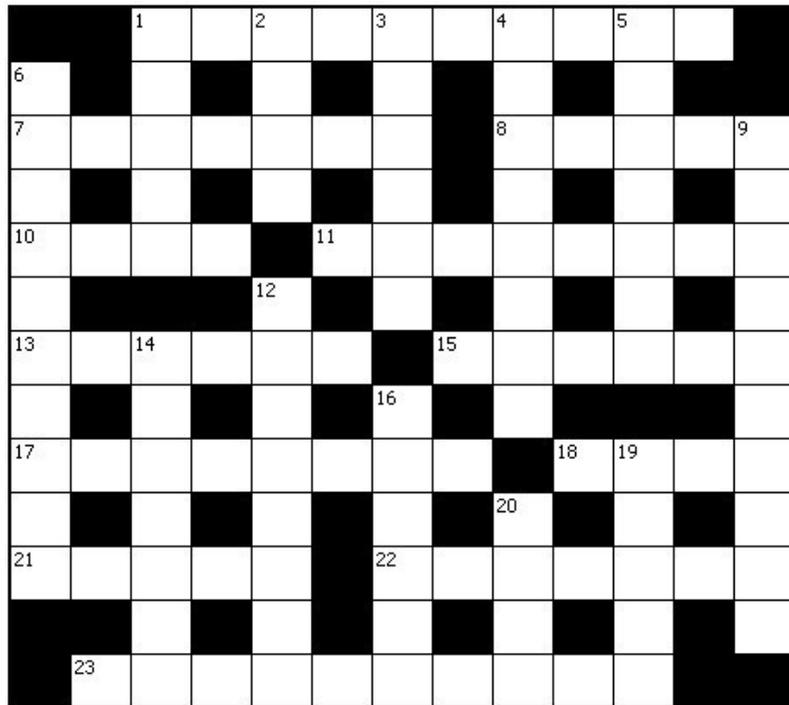


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## May Crossword



### Across

**1** Sense of right and wrong (*1 Corinthians 8:7*) (10), **7** Coming (*John 11:17*) (7), **8** 'All I have is — , and all you have is mine' (*John 17:10*) (5), **10** Smarten (*Acts 9:34*) (4), **11** Hold back (*Job 9:13*) (8), **13** Member of the Society of Friends (6), **15** At ague (anag.) (6), **17** Citizen of the Greek capital (8), **18** So be it (*Galatians 6:18*) (4), **21** Twentieth-century poet and dramatist who wrote *Murder in the Cathedral*, T.S. — (5), **22** Empowers (*Philippians 3:21*) (7), **23** Imposing (*1 Samuel 9:2*) (10)

### Down

**1** Healed (*Luke 7:21*) (5), **2** Central space in a church (4), **3** Co-founder of Spring Harvest and General Secretary of the Evangelical Alliance 1983–97, Clive — (6), **4** Moses killed one when he saw him beating a Hebrew labourer (*Exodus 2:12*) (8), **5** Bravery (*Acts 4:13*) (7), **6** It interrupted Paul and Silas singing hymns in a Philippian jail (*Acts 16:26*) (10), **9** Transgression (*Psalms 36:1*) (10), **12** Irish province in which Dublin is situated (8), **14** Same hit (anag.) (7), **16** 'The Spirit of God was hovering over the — ' (*Genesis 1:2*) (6), **19** Author of the immortal stories of Winnie the Pooh, A.A. — (5), **20** Cab (4)

## Readings and Psalms for May 2021

- Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>**      **5th Sunday of Easter**  
**10.30**      **Acts 8.26-end; Psalm 22.25-end; 1 John 4.7-end; John 15. 1-8**
- Tues 4<sup>th</sup>      10.30      Acts 14.19-end; Psalm 145.10-end; John 14.1-14
- Sun 9<sup>th</sup>**      **6th Sunday of Easter**  
**10.30**      **Acts 10.44-end; Psalm 98; 1 John 5.1-6; John 15.9-17**
- Tues 11<sup>th</sup>      10.30      Acts 16.22-34; Psalm 138; John 16.5-11
- Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>**      **Ascension Day**  
**20.00**      **Daniel 7.9-14; Psalm 47; Acts 1.1-11; Luke 24.44-end**
- Sun 16<sup>th</sup>**      **7th Sunday of Easter**  
**10.30**      **Acts 1.15-17,21-end; Psalm 1; 1 John 5.9-13; John 17.6-19**
- Tues 18<sup>th</sup>      10.30      Acts 20.17-27; Psalm 68.9-10,18-19; John 17.6-19
- Sun 23<sup>rd</sup>**      **Pentecost - Whit Sunday**  
**10.30**      **Ezekiel 37.1-14; Psalm 104.26-36,37b; Acts 2.1-21; John 15.26-27;16.4b-15**
- Tues 25<sup>th</sup>      10.30      James 4.1-10; Psalm 55.7-9,24; Mark 10.28-31
- Sun 30<sup>th</sup>**      **Trinity Sunday**  
**10.30**      **Isaiah 6.1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8.12-17; John 3.1-17**

### April Crossword Solution

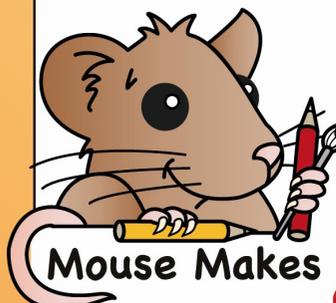
**ACROSS:** 1, Cosmic. 4, Thomas. 8, In his. 9, Delilah. 10, Falwell. 11, Water. 12, Recovered. 17, Sidon. 19, Radiant. 21, Centaur. 22, Broil. 23, Eleven. 24, Prison.  
**DOWN:** 1, Cliffs. 2, Scholar. 3, Issue. 5, Holy war. 6, Moist. 7, Sphere. 9, Deliverer. 13, Candace. 14, Deacons. 15, Psyche. 16, Stolen. 18, Dance. 20, Debar

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## Children's Page



**Mouse Makes**

Re arrange the scrambled letters to find the missing words.

The Holy Spirit **VSEIL** with us and in us.

The Holy Spirit helps us to **WKNOW** we belong to God.

The Holy Spirit **HCTSEEA** us about God.

The Holy Spirit **KPESSA** God's word to us.

The Holy Spirit **PHLSE** us to tell others about Jesus.

The Holy Spirit helps us when we **AYPR**

On the day of **PENTECOST** the disciples were gathered together in one place...

What sound did they hear?  
*Acts 2:2*

What did they see?  
*Acts 2:3*

What filled them?  
*Acts 2:4*

How did they speak?  
*Acts 2:4*

What did the crowd hear?  
*Acts 2:6*

Which countries had they come from?  
*Acts 2:9*

What was their reaction?  
*Acts 2:12-13*

Who explained what was happening? What did he say?  
*Acts 2:14-36*

How many people were baptised that day?  
*Acts 2:41*

Change each letter to the letter before it in the alphabet and see what the **Holy Spirit** produces in us:

KPZ  
IVNJMJUZ  
TFMG DPOUSPM  
GBJUIGVMOFTT  
LJOEOFTT  
QBUJFODF  
QFBDF  
MPWF  
HPPEOFTT

*John 5:22*

What is the work of the **Holy Spirit**? What does He do?  
*Fill in the missing letters.*

**TEAC \_ES**

**COMF \_RTS**

**REVEA \_S**

**IN \_OU**

**TRAN \_FORMS**

**HEL \_S**

**GU \_DES**

**GENEWS**

**CONV \_CTS**

**SANC \_IFIES**

## **Paws for thought**

Life is so much better with friends! Over the past couple of weeks many people have been able to see friends and family a little more outdoors (the perfect place to be in my humble opinion!)

Changes to restrictions have also meant that we can travel a little further afield and I have been excited to visit some of my favourite places once again – all looking beautiful in the spring sunshine (after that pesky snow in April!)



I've enjoyed seeing friendly faces on my walks and being able to stop for a chat. One lady had a REMARKABLY interesting shopping bag – it contained a WHOLE ROAST CHICKEN! What luck! Unfortunately, she did not want to share...

My friends at St George's have been doing a great job on our sponsored walk too! Together we have walked hundreds of miles – I certainly couldn't have done that on my own. The vicars aren't a huge amount of help – I have to drag them away from their work and get them out and about! My buddies and I have seen some wonderful places – canals, fields, streets, reservoirs, lakes and more (I think one or two may even have seen a pub garden!) Its amazing what can be achieved when we work together, supporting one another.

***Thank you to all of you for your support!***

I can't wait to see more friendly faces soon! One day in the future, I might even get to host a party – I miss parties, the people, the sausage rolls, the joy, the sausage rolls, the laughter, the sausage rolls... that day will come!

In the meantime, my love to you all,

**Buddy**



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## **Junior Church News**

*Emma has written us an acrostic poem to tell us what Junior Church have been doing while they have been meeting by Zoom.*

**J**esus we learn about  
**U**sing laptops, tablets, computers or phones  
**N**ever giving up when having connection or sound problems  
**I**n our kitchens, living rooms, bedrooms and even in the car  
**O**nwards on our Christian journey  
**R**emembering we are all members of God's family.

**C**reating creative masterpieces  
**H**aving the opportunity to talk about our week  
**U**sing sign language to worship songs  
**R**emembering bible verses  
**C**elebrating birthdays, special occasions and achievements  
**H**appy to be able to meet together.

**Z**oom we are grateful for  
**O**ur fantastic leaders have been great at organising fun sessions  
**O**ur parents have been great at supplying card, Sellotape, soil, glue, googly eyes, paper, stickers, buns, seeds, oats, icing .... you name it, they supplied it!  
**M**eeting up in this way during this time has been, as our Sylvia would say  
**"marvellous"**





## Buddy's Challenge

Buddy, Rev. Penny's dog has challenged us to a sponsored dog walk over the 50 days of Eastertide. 17 humans and 9 dogs have accepted the challenge and have pledged to walk in excess of 2500 miles between them! The money raised will be split 50/50 between Saint George's Church and TOG Mind, who offer support for people with all aspects of their mental health. They offer counselling, online wellbeing services and one-one support. You can find details of everything they have to offer on their website at [Tameside Oldham and Glossop Mind \(togmind.org\)](http://TamesideOldhamandGlossopMind(togmind.org))

We all walk separately at a time that suits us, in order to comply with Covid regulations. During the first week of the challenge, Buddy's buddies walked in rain, snow, wind and occasional sunshine in order to clock up the miles. In addition, they visited new places and gave each other ideas for walks. Dogs and other pets are a great help with our mental health, offering unconditional love and a non-judgemental ear. In addition, the NHS, throughout the Covid pandemic, has been encouraging everyone to increase their activity and get out in the fresh air. Buddy's challenge has combined the two and it is hoped that participants will benefit from exercising in the fresh air, with their buddies.

Even Mabel who is only 4 months old, is taking part. Lyndsay writes 'Me and Mabel have been out in all weathers and wellies have been my best friend! Mabel enjoyed catching snowflakes and playing in the snow last weekend which was funny to watch! Mabel also had her first experience of swimming which she is very good at! It's been fab to get Mabel to be attentive on the lead (although this depends on distractions!) And we always come back with sticks! Mabel has also learned that Geese are not her friend and do not want to play'



Ava has enjoyed her daily walks however she sometimes needs encouragement from Lynn when it's raining or snowing, because she doesn't like getting wet. They have been to many different locations with lots of new ground for Ava to sniff which is her favourite hobby. Ava is looking forward to finding many more places over the next few weeks.

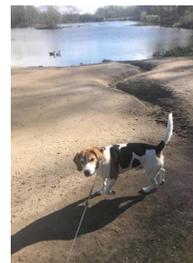


Just before Buddy's challenge Ben's favourite place to be was on any comfortable seat - asleep. But since Joyce took on Buddy's challenge, he's been raring to go. Destinations have been mainly local, taking in all the wonder of God's creation but they have also ventured further afield to Lymm and Morecambe. Joyce says 'It is great being in such good company as the others who are taking part in this worthwhile venture. Happy walking all'



Caroline seconds this feeling 'Daisy and I have enjoyed walking that extra mile to raise funds for two much deserved causes! We have enjoyed the camaraderie and encouragement from the other participants and our many supporters! 🐾

Robbie has enjoyed the longer midday walks and he and Alicia have been visiting places that they normally only go to for treats, Buxworth Canal basin, Compstall park, Torside reservoir and other level ground walks, even taking a picnic to enjoy after their walks.



Gillian writes 'Barnaby and I are enjoying our walks in aid of these two great causes. Alicia, thanks for sharing your flat walks - I'm going to give them a try too'



*Molly and Daisy enjoying a swim*

If you would like to join us, there is still time. The challenge runs until 23<sup>rd</sup> May, and is open to everyone – it doesn't matter whether you can walk 100 metres or 100 miles, or whether you have a dog. Everyone is welcome.

If you would like to see more photos of our lovely pups, or offer support and encouragement, please join our Facebook group on <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1578517612350695/>

If you would like to sponsor any of our gorgeous dogs, please use the following link, and quote Buddy's challenge- 'participants name '

If you don't want to sponsor anyone in particular, please put Buddy's challenge. Alternatively, if you prefer to pay cash, please either hand it to the person you are sponsoring, or leave it in an envelope at the back of church. Please label it 'Buddy's challenge- 'participants name' Thank you

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