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Front cover image

Title: Strawberries. July is the season of
Tennis (other sports are available) and
strawberries. See the recipe on page
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Credit: Anna Bowman



Church Services July 2021



All our services will be subject to Government guidelines please check on www.achurchnearyou.com for updates or see the weekly bulletin.

4th July		Fifth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am.	Farnley	Holy Communion
11am.	Leathley	Holy Communion
2.30pm.	Weston	Evensong (BCP)
11th July		Sixth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am.	Fewston	Holy Communion
11am.	Farnley	Holy Communion
2pm.	Denton	Family Service and Baptism
NB Time change.		
18th July		Seventh Sunday after Trinity
10am.	Leathley	Holy Communion
NB. Time change.		
11am.	Blubberhouses	Morning Worship
25th July		Eighth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am.	Weston	Holy Communion (BCP)
11am.	Farnley	Holy Communion
1st August		Ninth Sunday after Trinity
9.30am.	Farnley	Holy Communion
11am.	Fewston	Morning Prayer



July Services at Norwood Chapel

11th July at 3:00pm

25th July at 2:30pm



The View from the Vicarage

My Social Media timelines are full of pictures of dogs. As some of you will know my spaniel died last year so the pictures are a way of keeping dogs in my life until the time is right to get another. Most of the pictures are of spaniels, especially working cocker puppies but the dog picture that stays in my mind most often is of a retriever. It's a picture of a man sitting on the edge of a wooden pier looking out over the water with his faithful dog by his side. A nice image. But what holds this picture in my mind are the thought bubbles that are coming out each of the characters in the picture. The man has several; 'I wonder what the weather is going to be like tomorrow?' 'I hope the traffic isn't bad on the way to work tomorrow.' 'What am I going to eat tonight?' The dog has one; 'This is nice.' The man's mind is elsewhere, the dog is content.

I am a planner by nature and training. Even though my experience, in life, and especially in the Army, has shown me that plans seldom survive contact with reality, let alone the enemy. Still, I like to plan; it helps me to frame the future; to work out what might be possible. But the downside of all this planning is that I can sometimes miss what is happening now. Like the man in the picture I described I am busy thinking about all the things that might, or might not happen in the future. Whilst the dog is focused on the beauty and companionship of the moment.

Now you could argue that it is alright for dogs. We look after them. But we have to plan, have to think, have to worry, to make sure that everything gets done. And that of course is true. But the danger is that with all our thinking and planning, all our worrying, we miss out on the beauty of the moment. As I'm writing this I am looking out at my garden and am trying very hard to appreciate the beauty of a rhododendron rather than think about all the weeds I can see and wonder when I can find time to dig them out!

We all struggle to stop and appreciate life. When Jesus visited his friends Lazarus, Martha and Mary, Martha was so excited that she was running about trying to make sure the visit was a success. Meanwhile Mary took the opportunity to sit down and listen to what Jesus had to say. I've always been sympathetic towards Martha, someone had to organise things! But Jesus tells us that Martha, poor Martha, was worried and distracted by so many things while Mary had chosen the better part. Mary was content just to be with the Lord.

I have no idea what the coming months will bring, but God does. I'm going to try to enjoy the gifts of each day rather than worry about tomorrow. I'm going to try to be more content with life as it is, rather than wonder what might be. Try it, enjoy today and all its beauty. Tomorrow is in God's hands.

With my love and prayers.
Stephen



News from Norwood Chapel

Dear friends,

Do you enjoy walking? If so, have you ever been on a pilgrimage? By this I mean walking on a journey that helps increase one's awareness of the presence of God. Often times pilgrimages can be to the 'Holy Land' or to holy places where Anglican or Catholic saints, churches and associated sacred sites (holy wells and healing streams) hold significant meaning. I have had the great pleasure of walking a small portion of the Camino in Spain where pilgrims of all ages seek to spend time in the Cathedral in Santiago de Compostela where the remains of St. James, the Apostle, are allegedly buried.

But pilgrimages do not have to be long, far away journeys. In fact, one can make a pilgrimage around one's own village stopping at the various places of worship or other significant buildings. During Holy Week, the churches in Addingham created a pilgrimage for folks which included scripture readings, a short reflection and a prayer related to Christ's last hours, all posted outside on the Notice Board at each church. Feedback showed this pilgrimage was very meaningful for those that participated.

It has been said about pilgrimages that the journey itself can change you. By this I understand that to mean that when we travel with more awareness of God's loving presence, we are more open to God's movement and voice. Conversations with others along the path can deepen friendships as well as shared experiences. We can appreciate God's beautiful creation even more when we marvel at his handiwork. If on our own, we can quietly reflect on how God's goodness and mercy have shaped the place we are visiting. If we are journeying with others, we can encounter the holy when we have a coffee or share a meal. If we are unable to physically go on a journey, we can still use the resources that are near us (computer, magazines, or photographs) and take a personal journey inward centring our hearts and minds on God and listening for the divine whisper. In my opinion, there is much to gain by going on a pilgrimage!

The Arthur Rank Centre has chosen the theme of pilgrimage for this year's Rural Mission Sunday set for 18th July 2021. Churches are encouraged to offer this service on a date that suits them best. Is it possible for your church to offer a pilgrimage? Don't worry, this is not mandatory! If it is possible, in what ways can our church buildings help facilitate a pilgrimage where we reflect on, lament the struggles and suffering and celebrate the joys and blessings from the Pandemic? Are there ways we can encourage each other that God is with us as we walk? Healing and hope can be found along these journeys. May this be so for us every time we put on our walking shoes.

Blessings for your journey,
~ Rev. Shannon



Christian Aid Week 2021

I am delighted to say that we have raised locally over £2100** for Christian Aid this year! Under the circumstances of the Covid-19 pandemic, which has affected people so much this past year, it is a wonderful result. Also, because of the continuing restrictions, we have asked our collection team only to distribute envelopes this year. That has meant asking householders to return their envelope themselves rather than have someone go from door-to-door to collect in the normal way. People have responded very generously. Love as well as money has gone out through Christian Aid to people in great need.

** I shall be able to announce our final total next month, after official audit. Also, many givers have offered Gift Aid on their donation, meaning that an extra 25% (a quarter!) will go to Christian Aid from the Government at no extra cost to themselves. If she knew, Rose would be rejoicing with us. As Christian Aid says, "Love builds hope".

Thank you!

Michael Cleverley
Voluntary Local Organiser



From the Registry

- 22nd May - Wedding, Olivia Abbott and Thomas Booth at Fewston
- 7th June -Funeral, Phillip Livsey at Fewston





Benefice Notices from Reverend Stephen

Future Church of England Services



Due to the hard work of our Churchwardens, we have been able to keep a regular rota of physical services going through much of the past year. Our COVID rota of services has worked well and has reintroduced Evensong as a regular service throughout the Benefice.

However, it would be good to increase the number of services and get back to a more permanent rota as soon as we can. I'll be meeting with all of our Churchwardens early this month to work out what is possible. The plan would be to get back to 'normal' in the Autumn.

The eagle eyed among you will have noticed that we have fewer services for part of this month, this is because I am on holiday (if we can travel!).

Julian Meetings: Meeting in Silence with God

Are you interested in drawing closer to God in prayer? Then a Julian Meeting might be for you.

Julian meetings, named after the great 14th century mystic, Julian of Norwich, exist to help members draw closer to God using silent prayer. A Julian meeting will usually start with a short reading or piece of music followed by 30 minutes of silence and end with a prayer and then a cup of tea. Meetings are open to anyone you don't need to go to church regularly, or at all. All that members have in common is an interest in seeing how silent prayer can become part of their prayer life and how personal and group prayer can enrich each other.

Silent prayer, or contemplative prayer, as it is sometimes called is like any other type of prayer. We learn to do it by doing it. So if you are interested please let Stephen know (01943 513350 rector@washburnmidwharfebenefice.org.uk)

If we have enough interest, we plan to start a Julian Meeting in the Benefice this Autumn.

The Bible Course

Would you like to know more about the Bible, but are afraid to ask? For many of us the Bible can be a bit frightening. If you want to make the Bible a bigger part of your life but don't know where to start then the Bible Course can help. Over 8 sessions the Bible Course will help you see how all the books of the Bible are part of one big story; the story of God's love for us. This course will help you to increase your confidence and equip you to read the Bible better and help you to see its relevance to your daily life.

We plan to run the Bible Course in the Benefice this Autumn so if you are interested please let Stephen know either by email (rector@washburnmidwharfebenefice.org.uk) or by phone (01943 513340)

Community Notice Board

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Weston Flower and Cleaning Rota

4th July- Mrs H Caton
11th & 18th July- Mrs A Ainley
25th July & 1st August- Mrs J Cowgill

Events for your diary St Andrew's Blubberhouses

2 July	Local Social	The Hopper Lane
21 & 22 August	Nidd Art Trail	Blubberhouses Church
28 - 30 August	Nidd Art Trail	Blubberhouses Church
4 September	Ceilidh	
4 & 5 December	Christmas Tree Festival	Blubberhouses Church
11 & 12 December	Christmas Tree Festival	Blubberhouses Church



John Deer Starfire 6000 Stolen

Warning to all farmers that 2 Starfire 6000 gps satellite and operating tablets have been stolen from a farm near Skipton. If you do use satellite systems on your tractors please remove them after use. Better to be safe than sorry

Gold Bullion Scam

We've had two very recent reports in North Yorkshire of a scam in which the victims have lost hundreds of thousands of pounds. The scam format is: The victim receives phone call claiming to be the police. The Scammer informs the victim they are monitoring fraudulent activity on their accounts which are under threat. The victim is told the police are conducting a major fraud enquiry into the bank and they need the victim's help to catch the fraudsters. The scammer urges the victim to have then been directed to purchase gold bullion in order to support the police investigation. The bullion is

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collected by a 'courier' the scammer sends to the victim's home, reassuring the victim they will keep the gold in a safe, secure place until the investigation has concluded. The victim never sees their money again and the scammers now have hundreds of thousands of pounds of gold bullion in their possession.

You might read this and think you'd never fall victim to it, that you'd spot the scam a mile off - and that might be the case but these scammers invest a lot of time and effort in doing everything they can to present themselves as legitimate.

Remember, the police or your bank will NEVER contact you and ask you to transfer money, lie to your bank, your family and we will certainly never ask you to purchase gold bullion.

If you receive a call like this, hang up immediately. If you are ever worried about any calls you receive speak to a family member, friend, your bank or the police.

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Fewston Foxy Ladies

'IT'S ME'

Come and join us at Fewston Parochial Hall on Tuesday 20th July at 7.30pm when Gillian Knox (yes, It's Me!) will be giving the talk....!!

If you want any more info, give Gillian a ring on 01943 880362; Shirley 01423 770281; Mary 01943 464507; Sheila 01943 468741; Joan 01943 466789; Margaret (new number soon!) or Ann on 01423 771393

See you there!,

Teas, lunches and homemade Cakes

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th July at Fewston Parochial Hall from 11am till 4pm.

All proceeds to All Saints Church, Farnley

Any help or homemade cakes will be most welcome.

"Valley Bible Study Group



The Valley Bible Study Group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. At present, we are meeting via Zoom at 2.30pm.

Contact Peter Wood for details on peterwood1951@gmail.com.

Marquee for Hire

Hosting a local event or family party outside, need some protection from our British weather?

Hire sizeable marquee (owned by St Andrews Church) with walls and windows - length of two trestle tables, £50 for 48 hours, with £100 deposit on safe return.

Contact Pat on 01943 880284 for booking and collection.



T&T



... and breathe...we're back
in July!!

There are scones, jam, cream, cups of tea and a heap load of chat waiting for you.

See you 2pm Tuesday 6th July, for definite!

T&T meets at Norwood Social Hall and is for the over 60s. It is only £2 per person. If you want to hear more about T&T, give Gillian a ring on 880362 or Gladys on 880604 - we've always got time for T&T!



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Can you take on Yorkshire's iconic Three Peak challenge and raise funds for local hospice care?



Looking for something to look forward to? Join Saint Michael's Hospice for a Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge on **Saturday 18th September 2021.**

Test your stamina and take on the peaks of Pen-y-Ghent, Wharfedale and Ingleborough, in under 12 hours, while supporting your local hospice care charity.

A challenge for individuals, groups of friends, work colleagues or family, it's a great way to get together and meet new people whilst you take in the stunning scenery and iconic Three Peaks.

You will be supported every step of the way by expert guides from Large Outdoors, who will keep you motivated throughout. And staff and volunteers from Saint Michael's will be there alongside you from the moment you sign up, with a fundraising pack, personal stewardship, advice and tips

on everything from how to set up a fundraising page, to what you'll need on the day, and how to prepare.

This event is now bookable with a registration fee of just £40, or £20 each for groups of 10, and we ask that each person aims to raise a minimum of £100 in sponsorship.

Sign up here: <https://smhyorkshirethree-peaks.eventbrite.co.uk>, Email: ltur-ner@saintmichaelsghospice.org or visit www.saintmichaelsghospice.org for more information.

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AT NORWOOD SOCIAL HALL



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Tickets available from:

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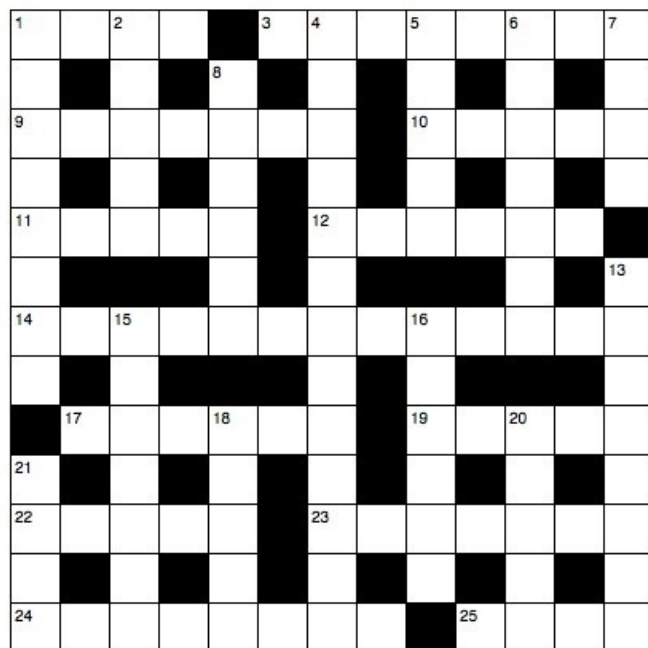
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Churches**

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Crossword Puzzle



22 'If any of you — wisdom, he should ask God' (James 1:5) (5)

23 I gain me (anag.) (7)

24 Relating to the armed forces (1 Chronicles 5:18) (8)

25 Title given to 2 Down (abbrev.) (4)

Down

1 Greek coins (Acts 19:19) (8)

2 Church of England incumbent (5)

4 What Epaphroditus was to Paul (Philippians 2:25) (6-7)

5 Mother of David's sixth son (2 Samuel 3:5) (5)

Across

1 Sent out three times on a reconnaissance mission from Noah's ark (Genesis 8:8-12) (4)

3 'The vilest — who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives' (8)

9 Described by the 19th-century MP Sir Wilfred Lawson as 'the Devil in solution' (7)

10 'Whoever — his life for my sake will find it' (Matthew 10:39) (5)

11 King of Gezer (Joshua 10:33) (5)

12 Gideon's home town (Judges 6:11) (6)

14 The area under the jurisdiction of a primate, for example, Canterbury, York (13)

17 To him God promised that David would be king (1 Chronicles 11:3) (6)

19 A descendant of Aaron who was not allowed to offer food to God (Leviticus 21:20) (5)

6 'We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in —' (2 Corinthians 4:8) (7)

7 It destroys treasures on earth (Matthew 6:19) (4)

8 It threatened Paul in Jerusalem (Acts 21:35) (3,3)

13 Well-known Reference Bible that espoused dispensationalism (8)

15 Where the choir sits in a parish church (7)

16 Real do (anagram.) (6)

18 'Martha, Martha... you are worried and about many things' (Luke 10:41) (5)

20 'One man considers one day more sacred than another; another man considers every day —' (Romans 14:5) (5)

21 A place with twelve springs and 70 palm trees where the Israelites camped (Exodus 15:27) (4)

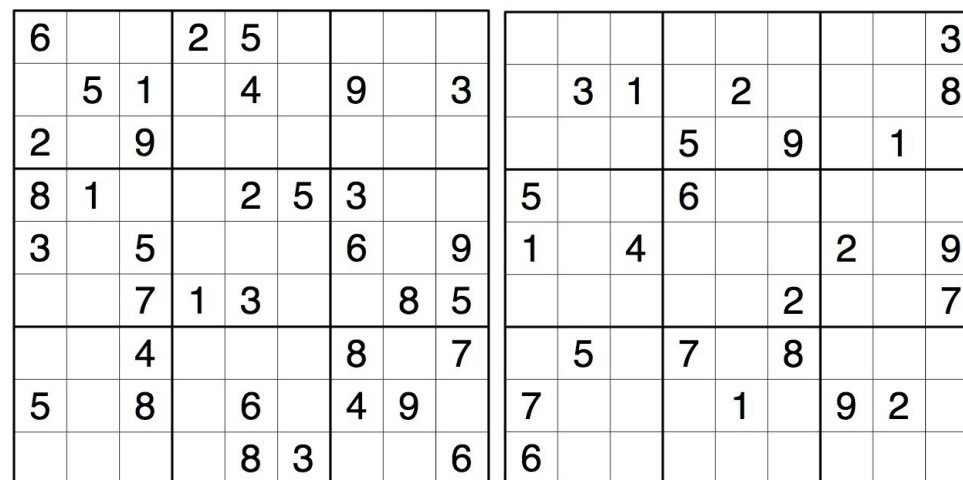
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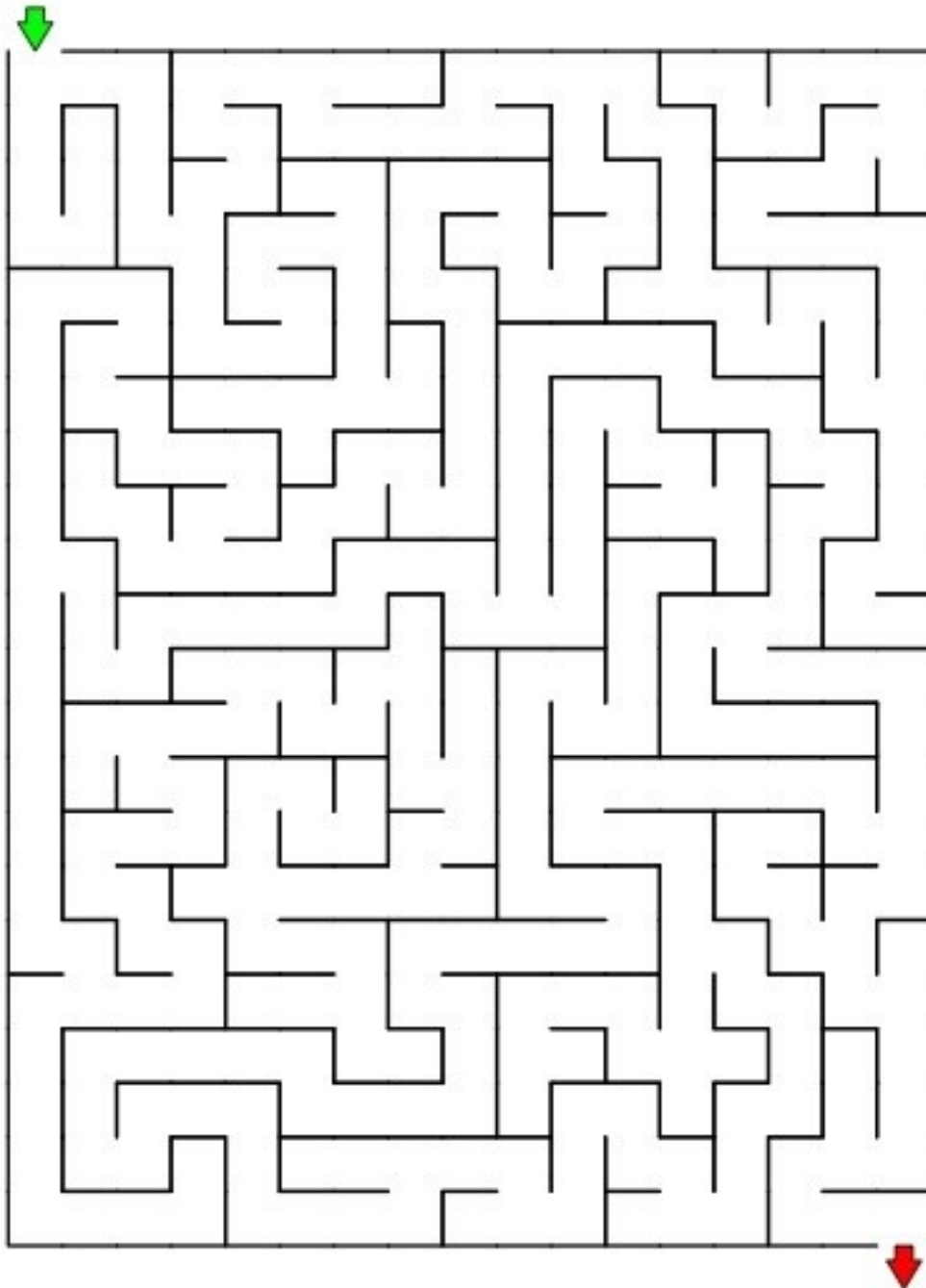
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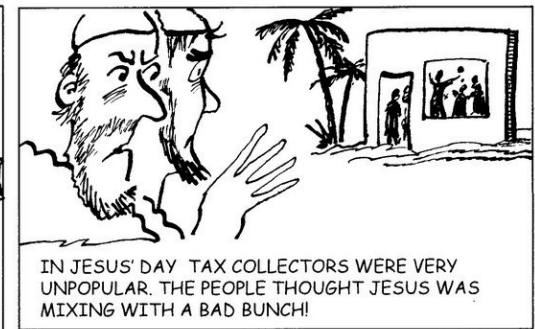
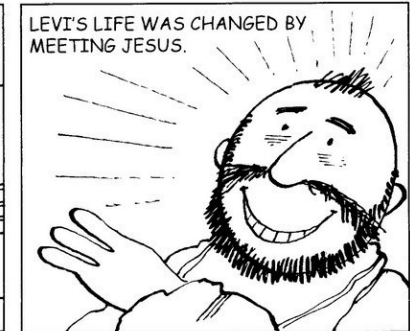
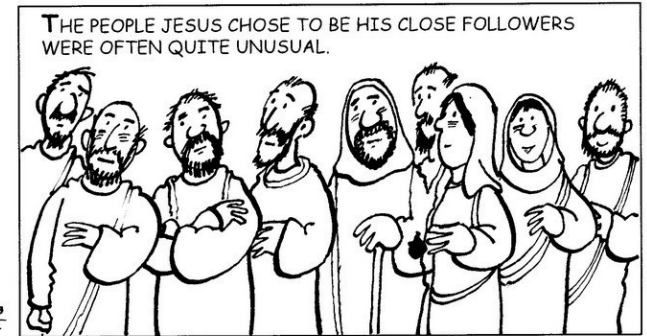
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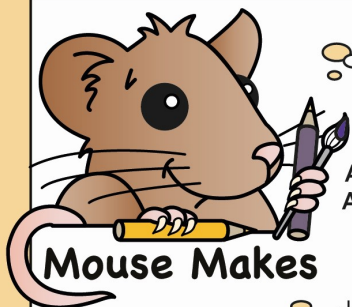
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Read the full story in
Luke 10:25-37

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

A man asked Jesus "Who is my neighbour?" and Jesus replied with this parable:

A man was attacked by robbers, they tore his clothes, beat him and left him almost dead. A priest saw him but walked by on the other side. A Levite saw him but walked by on the other side.

A Samaritan saw him and took pity on him, he poured oil and wine on his wounds and then bandaged them. He lifted the man onto his donkey, took him to an inn and cared for him. The next day he gave the innkeeper two denarii to look after the man until he returned.

Which of the three travellers do you think was the neighbour to the man who was attacked?

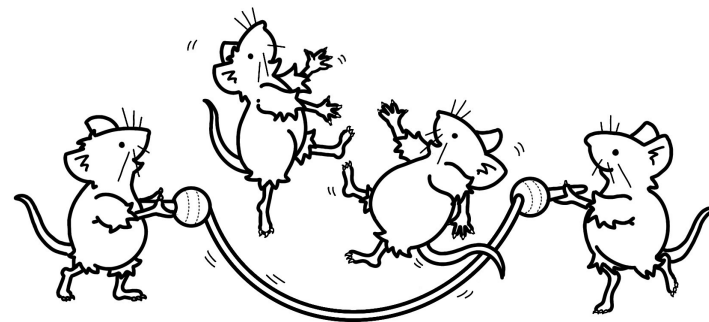
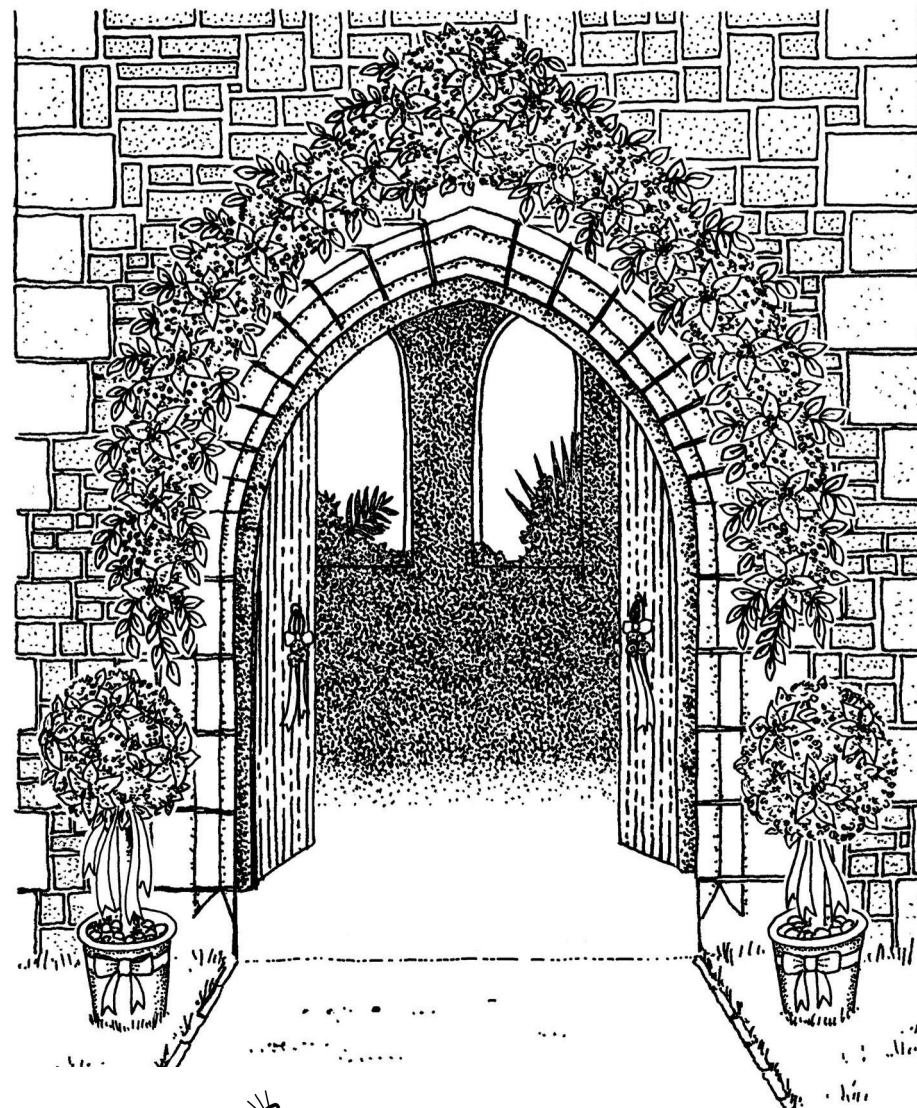


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Date For your diary



with
Phoenix Band
Norwood Social Hall
Saturday, 4th September 2021
7.30 pm

Cash bar, raffle
Tickets £15 including supper
from Alison 01943 880192,
Deborah 07703592926 or
Pat 01943 880284 anderson@delvesridge.plus.com

**Proceeds for kitchen, toilet and disabled
access at Blubberhouses Church**



All in the month of July

It was:
100 years ago, on 1st July 1921 that the
Chinese Communist Party was
founded.

Also 100 years ago, on 10th July 1921
that Belfast's Bloody Sunday took
place. Protestant loyalists attacked
Catholic enclaves and set fire to
homes and businesses, sparking
rioting and gun battles. At least 17
people were killed and more than 70
injured. 2,000 people were left
homeless.

Also 100 years ago, on 30th July 1921
that the hormone insulin was
discovered by Frederick Banting and
Charles Best at the University of
Toronto.

80 years ago, on 19th July 1941 that
British Prime Minister Winston
Churchill launched his 'V for Victory'
campaign.

75 years ago, on 22nd July 1946 that
the King David Hotel bombing took
place in Jerusalem. The Irgun (a
militant right-wing Zionist group)
bombed the hotel which housed the
British administrative headquarters for
Palestine. 91 people were killed.

60 years ago, on 1st July 1961 that
Diana, Princess of Wales, was born.
(Killed in a car crash in 1997)

Also 60 years ago, on 2nd July 1961,
that Ernest Hemingway, American
novelist and short story writer, died.
Winner of the 1954 Nobel Prize in
Literature. Best known for; For Whom
the Bell Tolls, A Farewell to Arms, and
The Old Man and the Sea. (Suicide)

40 years ago, on 4th July 1981, that the

Toxteth riots broke out in Liverpool.

Also 40 years ago, on 17th July 1981
that the Humber Bridge, linking
Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, was
officially opened. It was the world's
longest single-span suspension bridge
at that time.

Also 40 years ago, on 29th July 1981
that the marriage of Prince Charles
and Lady Diana Spencer took place at
St Paul's Cathedral in London.

25 years ago, on 5th July 1996 that the
first cloned mammal was born. Dolly
the sheep was born at the Roslin
Institute in Edinburgh. (Died 2003)

15 years ago, on 15th July 2006 that
Twitter, the micro-blogging social
network, was launched.

10 years ago, on 23rd July 2011 that
Amy Winehouse, British soul/R&B/jazz
singer and songwriter died. (Alcohol
poisoning, aged 27)



Birds and Birdbaths

As part of a rearrangement of our garden, we recently moved the bird-bath further away from the house, and lo' and behold it's now become a go-to location: whether because it's away from the house or because it has better sightlines I don't know....

Birds don't have sweat glands, but they do lose water by breathing and via droppings, so many small birds need to drink at least twice a day if they are primarily seed eaters. Insectivores will get most of the water they need from their food.

Typical sources are puddles, pond or stream edges and droplets forming on leaves, whilst swifts and swallows scoop water from the surface of water-bodies in flight – quite an impressive sight, though I did once see a (presumably) juvenile bird get it a bit wrong and create quite a splash! A beak is not an ideal implement to drink with, and birds need to dip their beaks into the water and then throw their heads back to make it run into their gullets. The exceptions here are pigeons/doves which can dip their beaks and drink continuously.

However, drinking is not the only reason birds need water. It is important for their general hygiene, being used for feather maintenance, where it loosens dirt making it easier to remove by subsequent

preening.

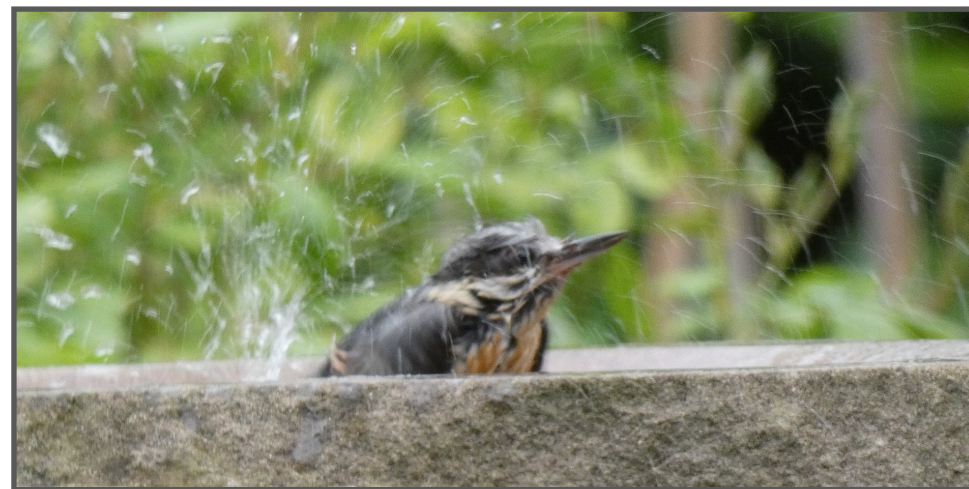
Once in the water, the bird fluffs its feathers to expose its skin, rolls back and forth whilst dipping its head into the water, and creates a shower by flicking its wings. Once finished, it shakes off the excess water and chooses somewhere to dry and preen. Even a fair-sized birdbath soon gets emptied, and some birds will splash around for several minutes.

During preening a bird gently strokes or nibbles along the barbs of each feather, starting at the quill and working towards the tip, so that they are properly arranged.

In addition, most have an oil-secreting gland, called the preen gland (or uropygial gland) underneath their tail (the parson's nose on a chicken). The bird rubs its bill against the gland and then spreads the oil over the surface of its feathers keeping them flexible and aiding waterproofing, whilst also reducing bacteria and fungi numbers.



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All these comings and goings bring a fair bit of dirt into the bath, and many birds poo into or next to the bath as well. Consequently, regular cleaning and topping up will be needed. Give the bath a good scrub with a stiff brush, using detergent if needs be followed by a thorough rinse with clean water. Occasional disinfection is also important, using a product designed for use with birds: again rinse thoroughly afterwards. Tap water is perfectly OK for refilling, though I prefer to use water from our butt, but whichever you use, top it up regularly.

So far as a bath is concerned, aesthetics is a people concern, birds are not fussy. What they do need is a vessel with sloping sides to give easy access and a choice of depth, no more than 5.0 cms (2") deep. If you don't want to buy one, plant saucers, dustbin lids and so forth will do the job. If partially buried, they can be camouflaged, though if it has a significant rim, a ramp to allow small animals to escape is a good idea, or you could raise it off the ground using bricks or stones. A stone placed in the middle will make a handy perch that is easy to remove for cleaning. Shiny

plastic vessels are not ideal, as birds cannot get a firm footing and may be discouraged

Next comes positioning, as I found out. A clear 360° view is important, and some nearby cover for escaping any marauding raptors and then perching to preen is handy too. Think about cats as well; if the bath is low down, make sure there are no easy hiding places for them. If it is too close to the house, movement indoors could also scare them away. Should you live in a flat or have no garden don't despair, try a (securely!) suspended bath away from the windows – heavy enough not to sway in a breeze, and well enough fixed not to endanger anyone below.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest, and would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website - www.bto.org/gbw

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Photograph credit: Mike Grey
Titles: Blackbird (left), Nuthatch (above)

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Laurence of Rome ~ the patron of deacons, chefs and firefighters



Laurence was a deacon of the Church in Rome who was martyred in 258. His story is found in the very ancient Depositio Martyrum, which tells us that he was closely associated with Pope Sixtus II, who was martyred just a few days before him during the persecution of the Emperor Valerian. We also know that he was much loved for his almsgiving.

St Cyprian, the Bishop of Carthage, relates how the Roman authorities had taken to confiscating all the goods of any Christians they discovered, and then putting the Christians to death. And so it was in August of 258, after Sixtus was martyred, that they demanded of Laurence the wealth of the Church in Rome. He asked for three days to gather it together. During that time he worked quickly, to distribute as much of it as possible to the poor in Rome. On the third day, he presented himself to the prefect of Rome, taking along a small delegation of the poor and crippled. He told the prefect that these people were the true treasures of the Church, and that 'The Church is truly rich, far

richer than your emperor.' This did not go down well with the prefect, and Laurence was condemned to a martyr's death.

It was Laurence, of course who is famous for being roasted alive on a gridiron, and for telling his captors to 'turn him over' when he was done on one side. The story has no historic basis, as the weapon of capital punishment at the time was the sword for decapitation. It is thought by many scholars that the roasting on the gridiron story came about because of a simple spelling mistake by a monk in copying the history years later: the accidental omission of the letter 'p' would have been enough. This is because the customary formula for announcing the death of a martyr was 'passus est' (he suffered/was martyred). If you leave off the 'p' you get 'assus est' - he was roasted. Only - he wasn't! Saints day - 16th August

Many of the Benefices Churches are named for Saints.

Titles: St Michael and St Laurence Fewston,
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This July sees our long-awaited return of the Lays and Leaves of the Forest programme, which came to an abrupt halt in March last year.

Our **Tea Room** is open on Saturdays and Sundays from **11am to 4pm** until the end of October. Please drop in and sample our homemade food and legendary cakes, all prepared and served by our team of enthusiastic volunteers. As always, we welcome new members and new volunteers. If you would like to join our friendly team of volunteers please contact the Centre. We offer a variety of roles, whether you would like to serve in our Tea Room or help at our many events, you will be given a warm welcome and an opportunity to meet new people.

TALK – Friday 16 July 7.30-9pm – The Bayeux Tapestry

Cristina Figueredo received her MA in Medieval Literatures from the Centre for Medieval Studies, University of York and proceeded to complete her PhD on Medieval Studies at the Universities of York and Leeds. A pictorial narration of the conquest of England by William of Normandy, yet also a remarkable source for understanding the political and cultural backdrop against which the Battle of Hastings was fought: Cristina will introduce the idea of 'reading' and interpreting the tapestry, highlighting its peculiarities and mysteries. Refreshments will be served. Cost

£6 members and £7.50 non-members.

WALK – Tuesday 27 July (time to be confirmed) – Perambulation of the Boundary

Meet at the Centre to car share to the start. A walk across fields and paths criss-crossing the boundary and along Padside Beck, the northern boundary of the Forest. Many stiles on the 4.5 mile route. Delicious two course lunch served at the Centre. Cost £10 members and £12.50 non-members.

COFFEE MORNING – FRIDAY 30 JULY (time to be confirmed) – IN AID OF MACMILLAN

A special coffee morning to commemorate the life of a dear friend of the Centre, Philip Livesey. Philip died in May and we all miss him very much. He was a keen supporter of Macmillan and always organised our annual 'Big' Coffee Morning (usually held in the autumn). Coffee morning vouchers given out in September 2020 will be valid at this event and we are pleased to host it in honour of Philip. All donations go to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Booking is essential for all our events. Covid guidelines apply. Please contact the Centre for further information on 01943 880794 or email us at centre@washburnvalley.org

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The Parish, Annual and Ordinary meeting of MWPC were held at Askwith Village Hall on 20th May 2021.

Councilor Crossley of Weston and Councilor Shepherd were both voted on as Chairman and Vice Chairman. Items from the previous meeting were discussed, these included confirmation that a new Notice Board had been fitted at Throstle Nest Close Weston. Councilor Bush reported on the Denton triangle light. It had been confirmed that NYCC did not own this light. The cost of connecting electric was excessive and not practical. After some discussion it was proposed Councilor Broderick seconded Councilor Shepherd and resolved that MWPC will add it to the asset list and any maintenance to be done by Denton residents. A job description for councillors was discussed and it was proposed Councilor Bush seconded Councilor Marston and resolved that this be classed as Councilor Guidance.

Under discussion items the Clerk was asked to contact NYCC reference the wall at Weston which has fallen into the Park. The road breaking up just before the cattle grid on Smithy Lane Denton. Pot holes on Moor Lane Askwith. A letter from Mrs Freegard in respect of planting an oak tree in celebration of Prince Philips life was discussed and while this may seem a possibility actually finding a suitable location is harder. Clerk to investigate cost of various trees and benches. Any thoughts as to suitable location please contact the Clerk via the details below. The accounts for 2020/21 were presented. It was resolved to accept the Annual Governance Statement and

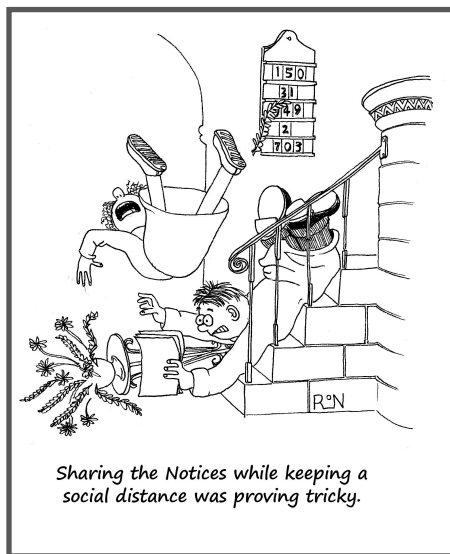
the Certificate of Exemption AGAR 2020/21 Part 2 and these were duly signed.

An internal audit had been undertaken and as there were no issues from this and the accounts were adopted and resolved. Accounts and invoices were discussed and resolved.

Correspondence, planning and accounts were dealt with. Under any other business Councilor Whitley asked if the seat adjacent to the phone box in Askwith could be painted. This is to be investigated.

The next meeting is 19th August 2021 at Askwith Village Hall starting at 7.45pm.

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Sharing the Notices while keeping a social distance was proving tricky.

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Poetry Request

This months reader wrote.

long and content.

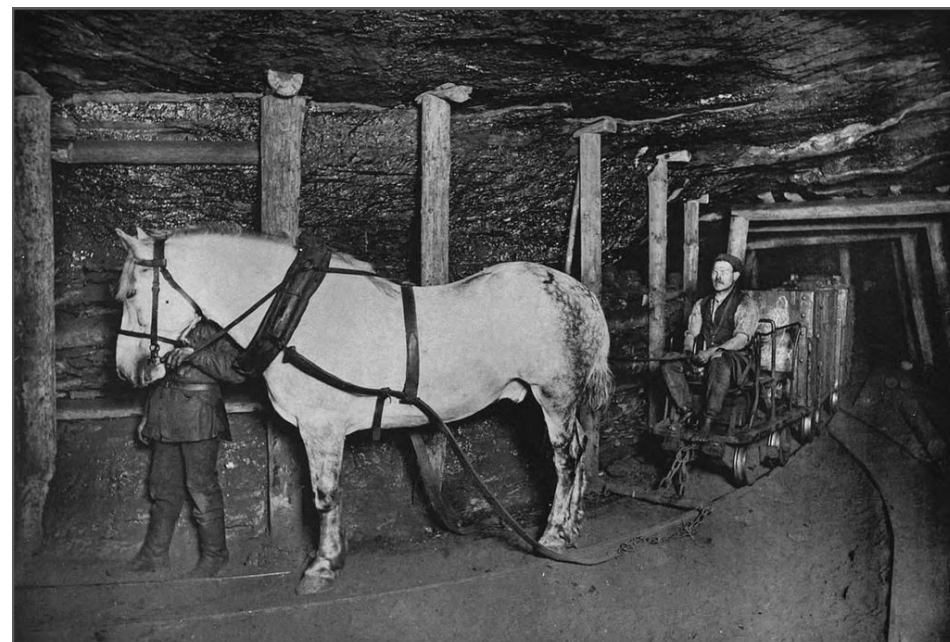
One of my favourite poems is the one by Ralph Hodgson "Twould ring the bells of heaven"

As a child I was brought up on a small mixed farm and taught to cherish and respect animals and the natural world. I was taken aback when I learned in Junior School that ponies lived all their lives in deep mines. They were stabled in the mine and seldom if ever saw the light of day. This poem struck a chord when I was introduced to it by the English teacher in 1958. The last pony in Yorkshire left the pit in 1972 and the very last to be brought to grass was in 1998 in Northumberland. I always hoped their retirement was

The Bells of Heaven

T'would ring the bells of Heaven
The wildest peal for year,
If Parsons lost his senses
And people came to theirs,
And he and they together
Knelt down with angry prayers
For tamed and shabby tigers
And dancing dogs and bears
And wretched blind pit ponies
And little hunted hares

Ralph Hodgson
(1871 - 1962)



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Recipe



Chilled Champagne Custard with Amaretti and Strawberries

An easy summer treat to make the most of the local strawberry season, served in wine goblets or similar

Serves 6

Ingredients

500g mascarpone
160g icing sugar
100ml chilled champagne or prosecco
100g amaretti biscuits
350g strawberries, hulled and quartered

Method

- Whisk together the

- mascarpone and sifted icing sugar to a smooth cream
- Add the champagne or prosecco, whisking all the time to form a runny custard
- Chill for at least 1 hour
- Crumble 2-3 amaretti biscuits into the bottom of each glass, top with some pieces of strawberry so the glass is two-thirds full
- Pour over the custard to fill the glass
- Top with a biscuit and keep in the fridge until ready to serve

(from a Sunday Times magazine)



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