

Dearest friends,

I must confess that it is not always easy writing something inspirational for the September issue of your parish magazine when you are sitting at the 'front end' of August and looking forward very much to your period of leave. However, that is the task set for me here.



I have always reflected that September brings with it the knowledge that the busy end of the year is not far away and that there is a lot to fit in between then and now. What we must understand however is that even though everything appears to be back to normal it is in fact not and we must not set unrealistic expectations for ourselves 'as church' in the lead up to Christmas... this point was brought home to me the other day when I was contacted by the Town Clerk to say that the Town Council were yet to receive instructions as to what Remembrance Sunday may or may not look like this year.



As a team of churches, we similarly must be realistic about all our services in the build-up to Advent and then as we look to Christmas itself. We must strive not to fall into the trap of doing too much and doing it poorly, but instead strive to do a little less and do it well. The same is true of all the meetings we have throughout the year – some clearly benefit from being face to face meetings, whereas others can remain on ZOOM.

We are a very busy parish: we have 5 churches with regular services as well as all the occasional services we enjoy. So, we will continue our 'presence', but as a team of clergy and congregants we must also be kind to ourselves and pace ourselves.

When reading the Gospels, it is easy to wrongly think of Jesus doing everything he did in a time frame of a few weeks or months – what we must not forget however, is that his earthly ministry spanned 3 years, so out-with all the 'news-worthy' events chronicled by the evangelists, there were long periods of travel, rest, reflection, teaching, preparation and prayer. If these things were important and necessary for our Lord, then they ought to be for us.



May I send my love and best wishes to you and yours, asking that you take time to rest, reflect and pray this early autumn.

Garry

## **And our team vicar writes.....**

Well, welcome back everyone. I hope you've had a wonderful summer and are feeling refreshed, relaxed and can't wait to get stuck into autumn. Or maybe you already need another holiday?

Well, September starts a new season and for many it brings new beginnings; starting school, starting university; starting new jobs and internships, starting retirement, and for a few of you starting life in new homes and locations. Often new beginnings also means some endings too; leaving home, leaving established friends and colleagues and leaving the sense of the familiar routines for something new and uncertain and of course this year we hope it means leaving behind the uncertainty and anxiety of Covid.



There are some bible verses that help to encourage us and get us ready for what God is asking us to do. One of my favourite verses in the Bible is this from Isaiah. It reminds us that God is always at work stirring up new things in and for his people. At my previous church we had a wonderful banner with this verse on it and I would deliberately sit next to it as it gave me

confidence and courage for the things God was encouraging us to do. I hope it encourages you too.

This Autumn there are lots of new and exciting things within the Knaresborough Team Ministry. We look forward to our new colleague joining us as House for Duty Priest, and we have two new house groups starting, one in Knaresborough and one in Goldsborough as part of building fellowship and discipleship across the Team. We have a Rectory garden party to celebrate the work of all the telephone volunteers over the last 18 months and to look at how we can build on their work within our pastoral ministry plus we have a new Alpha course starting on 14th September where we join our ecumenical friends across Knaresborough to explore faith and questions of life.

The children and young people's groups will resume exploring their faith with their friends, our family services restart as will our toddler groups at St John's and Holy Trinity. So as always there is lots of mission and opportunity for us to reach others.

So, whether you are at the start, middle or end of a time or season, the team are here to journey with you and encourage you and bless you. My prayer is that for all of us this autumn will be especially significant and hopeful, opening new doors and experiences for all of us.

**Blessings, Stroma**

## From the Parish Registers

*We welcome into our church family.....*

Thomas McClean  
Penelope Allison Ambler  
Thomas Storey  
Ivy and Sam Perry  
Isaac Pickup  
Huseyin Demir  
Daisy and Darcey Demir



*I baptize you in the name  
of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit*

*We celebrate the marriages of.....*

Chloe Hart and Robert Bloomfield  
Matthew Shilton and Emma Simpson  
Robert Redmond and Jenna Moss  
Jessica Pickard and Matthew Clark  
Clemency Horsell and Jolyon Drew  
Lindsay McDonald and Christopher Lewis  
Christopher Hastings and Leanne Webster  
Eleanor Heaton and Joseph Taylor



*We give thanks for the life of.....*

Betty Jobling  
Shirley Slater  
Joyce Isabella Natrass  
June Lillian Manks  
Joan Adamson



And for all those throughout the world who have died due to Covid-19 .  
**May they rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon them.**

*For information about baptisms and weddings during the Covid-19 situation  
email [knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com)  
Tel. Faye Wright 01423 869209*



## **Introducing our new Associate Priest, Revd Lisa Holland.....**

I am delighted to be writing to introduce myself as your new associate priest in the Knaresborough Team!

I trained for ordination later in life, am married to Nigel and we have three children who are now young adults -

Matthew 24, Amy 22 and Ellie 19. We also have a rather elderly, grumpy, West Highland Terrier called Berry.

When I was younger I trained as a nurse and for most of my nursing career worked in neurological rehab, but also as a staff nurse in a hospice. I am about to start work as part time chaplain at Manorlands Hospice in Oxenhope so my previous nursing experience will hopefully be useful. I will be splitting my time between the hospice and serving the Knaresborough parish.

I trained for ordination at Ridley Hall, Cambridge and then served my curacy in Northampton. During curacy I was also volunteer chaplain at the psychiatric hospital in the parish and completed a mental health first aid course. I have also trained as a spiritual director and used to work for Prayer Spaces in Schools and really enjoy creating spaces where people can encounter God. I'm hoping to use my gifts and experience to complement the existing clergy and lay team.

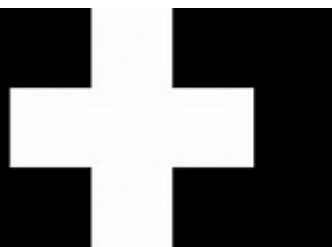
We are really looking forward to moving to Knaresborough and getting to know you all. Although I was born in London my dad was from North Yorkshire. Every summer we used to come up to Yorkshire and I have many happy memories of visiting Knaresborough Castle and Mother Shipton's Cave.

Nigel has a neuro-muscular disability and is a wheelchair user, and Ellie has inherited the same condition, so as a family we are really passionate about inclusion for people of all abilities. As a family we have found that God's timing and provision is perfect, and we are constantly amazed at how God has led us. We are really looking forward to this new adventure.





**CHURCH  
MISSION  
SOCIETY**



Hello everyone,

It's a pleasure to be greeting you all as I sit at my own breakfast bar in my new apartment. What a true blessing! I hope you're well.

Thank you for all your prayers as I have been settling into life in Guatemala again and as I was finding a place to live and for the move too.

Join me in praising God for His provision and strength. I am not always as patient as I could be, but thankfully God is patient with me.

Prayer points:

Please continue to pray for me as I make a 'home' for myself, and let's continue to give thanks for God's provision and blessings.

Please pray for me as I start more frequent youth activities and worship nights. It's a very exciting time.

Prayers for the development of the new discipleship programme and as I help coordinate our new centre.

Please pray for, Oscar, one of the youth I work with, who needs to find a new job, also for his sister to find work too.

Pray for Chris and Joshua as they struggle with some difficult home life challenges with their mother.

Thank you as always for your love, prayers and support.  
Love and blessings

*Azaria Spencer*

<https://streetkidsdirect.org.uk/index.php/blogs/volunteer-blogs/azaria/141-volunteer-blog-come-rain-or-shine>



## Azaria shares with us an experience from her work with some of our youth in Guatemala City, in the first of her blogs .

There I was stood behind a glass wall in the entrance of a carpark, staring out as the rain poured down outside. The sky was dark grey and 'pouring' would be a generous word to describe the type of rain coming down. It was so

heavy and relentless that it had started to leak through the glass wall and was creating puddles by my feet.

I had made the rookie mistake of forgetting about rainy season in Guatemala. Anyone would think that I hadn't lived here for years, though thankfully I can be forgiven as I had just returned from 6 months in England. From the moment I got back I was keen to plan something with the youth I work with. I had missed them immensely and couldn't wait to see them and to catch up. I had invited them to eat tacos and get coffee in a nice part of the city on a lovely Saturday afternoon, completely forgetting the time of year and the high possibility of rain in the afternoon.

I wonder if I had also forgotten that for some reason people in general don't know what to do when it rains in Guatemala. It is like the rain starts and the world stops. Being from England, and Yorkshire at that, I am used to rain. Granted the rain in Guatemala is on a whole different and extreme level, but still, rain is just water and life goes on. Well in Guatemala it doesn't, people literally stop what they are doing, or stay where they are until it passes. Thankfully though, it usually only lasts an hour or so.

Anyway, my lack of thinking ahead left me stood watching the rain and waiting. The rain started just as the youth were on their way to meet me from their various locations, and of course none of us were prepared for rain. As I waited I received phone calls and messages expressing the need to wait until the rain stopped. One of them was stranded beneath a shop front, and another couldn't continue as he was coming on a motorbike.

Oddly, I didn't mind at all, there was a time when a situation like this would have stressed me out or caused me to panic or feel annoyed at the delay and impact on the rest of my day. Living in Guatemala has changed me, I view time differently now and often intentionally plan ahead for activities to happen later or last longer than scheduled. With the youth I carve out plenty of extra time to allow for delay and also to not rush the time together.

***In that moment, come rain or shine, I would have waited all day just to see them all again. Therefore, the long and wet wait was worth it.*** I got a message from one of the youth telling me he was close to the meeting location, taking shelter under a restaurant veranda. He had run between shelters at different points when the rain was lighter. From my vantage point (I was effectively in a room made of glass), I peered out and there he was sat in a huddle on some stone steps under a poor excuse for shelter. It was easier to simply go out to him than to try and get his attention or explain where I was. So, I braved the rain and dashed across the street to him. His face lit up when he saw me and I quickly brought him into the shelter of the



carpark entrance. One by one they arrived and each time I went out to greet them. It was amazing to be with them all again.

Once everyone had arrived and the rain had let up enough, we headed to a cool little taco place I like. Tacos are very popular in Guatemala and in my experience, the best places are the cheap, less pretentious restaurants. I was pleased my choice got the approval of the youth- they are not a fussy bunch, but I can tell when they really like things or are just being polite. We were a smaller group than before, just the core really, but that made it all the more special. We sat and took our time talking and catching up, jokes were flying and they asked all kinds of questions about England and my family, curious to know what it is like in the UK. I got to hear about what they have been doing while I was gone and find out how they are, and my Spanish was less rusty than I had feared, which was great.



***And breath, this is what I had been missing without even realising it. While with my wonderful family in the UK, I had been missing my family here.***

We decided to enjoy the lovely evening and take a moment to walk around the area. There was hardly a trace of evidence that it had just been pouring with rain.

The evening air was cooler than normal but pleasant, a clear sky turning to indigo as we walked and enjoyed the live music from various street performers. Talent on every corner.

It was time to have a hot drink, to sit and talk a little while longer as no one was ready for home yet. We found a nice little artisanal café close by and the conversation focused on deeper things as we sipped our hot chocolates, coffees, and chai tea. I asked them how they really felt, what life had really been like throughout the pandemic and while I was away. It was a time for honesty and vulnerability. I won't share the details; all I can say is that it was positive and healing and I am very proud of them all. These young people have incredibly challenging lives and trusting adults does not come easily. No one said it but I am sure they had wondered if I would even come back.

***A promise does not mean a lot to people who live under constant disappointment. Trust must be earned and respect gained through consistency and reliability.***

In truth I do very little to 'help' these young people, but what I do is, show up and keep on showing up. All in God's strength and for the love He has placed on my heart for people here in Guatemala. Spending this time with the youth again helped ground me. The first few weeks back in Guatemala had been hard for me, a lot of transition, change and reverse culture shock (in reverse again). I was still adjusting, and they really helped. I wonder if they realise that I am more blessed by them than they by me as we attempt to share some of life together. **It is a privilege to be welcomed in, even just a little bit.**

**Azaria**



## St. John's News & Events

.....From the Belfry (Bell and Marmalade news)

### Back to normality

After the lifting of Covid restrictions in July we are virtually back to normal ringing. At present we are only ringing for half an hour on a Sunday morning, but we are planning to revert back to 45 minutes in September. After a couple of short Tuesday practice nights of 45 minutes to get everyone comfortable with gathering in a larger group, and comfortable ringing the bells again, we are now having longer practice nights. We are holding longer sessions (with silencers) for our novice ringers earlier in the evening, followed by an hour's practice without silencers for experienced ringers and to allow the novices to hear their bells. It is so nice to be back to normal. We even managed to ring all eight bells together.

We have also fitted in three quarter peals. The first for the Patronal Festival for St John the Baptist, of Grandsire doubles on the front six. The second was also Grandsire but on the back six. This quarter peal was dedicated to the birth of "lockdown" grandchildren. Three grandchildren of members of the band have been born during the Covid restrictions. The third quarter was rung for Knaresborough Charter Day. Since charter day falls during FEVA, we rang a 'variation' called Pinks. Another sign of normality is that weddings with bells are being conducted again. We have rung for three so far, but it is early days yet and we have four more booked in.

The highlight of the summer so far was an open day for the tower. This was part of an initiative of the Yorkshire Association of Change Ringers to raise the profile of ringing after the Covid restrictions were lifted. It was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> August, Yorkshire Day. We had a continuous stream of visitors who all climbed up our 52 steps to the ringing room and most also climbed up into the belfry to see the bells and internal structure of the tower close up. We didn't keep a close tally of the number of visitors, but there were between 45 to 50 people. Thanks to those of you who came, and I hope you enjoyed the experience.



If you are interested in a new hobby interacting with other humans after lockdown, try your hand at bell ringing. We will be happy to give you a taste of the exercise. Feel free to come to practices at 7:30 pm Tuesday evenings or contact Matt Curl,



Tower Captain on 868104 or [matthew.curl@ntlworld.com](mailto:matthew.curl@ntlworld.com). You don't need to be big or strong or musical. You just need to be able to count to 8. All welcome, young or old or in-between.

## Marmalade



The results are in from the Dalemmain marmalade festival. My fears of a poor performance from my clear 'shredless' were unfounded. I was awarded a silver award for both my entries; Three fruit and the clear 'shredless'.

**Matt Curl, Tower Captain**

## .....From the Choir Stalls

An old Chinese proverb states that 'A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step' and it was wonderful to take our first steps on the long road back to normality over the summer; with our Classic Car Show and Festal Choral Evensong in July, closely followed by our FEVA Concert and Choral Matins in August. I am very grateful to everyone who contributed to these events which were great examples of team work within both our churches and the wider community. The serving of refreshments at the Car Show was only made possible by the kind assistance of our friends from the Knaresborough WI; whilst the FEVA Concert benefitted from guest appearances by Cadenza, talented local cellist Anna Staveley and organist extraordinaire, Leonard Sanderman. The choir at our FEVA events consisted of singers from four different churches: St John's, Knaresborough; St Mary's, Goldsborough; St Wilfred's, Harrogate; and St Mary's RC Church, Knaresborough. The large amount of extremely positive feedback received regarding these events has been tremendous and I would like to thank everyone who supported them.

## Choir Recruitment

For obvious reasons, it has proved very difficult to recruit new choir members over the past 18 months, although we have been delighted to welcome John Ogden into the ranks of the choir on Sunday mornings. I am well aware that some of the music which the choir tackles can be very daunting to the inexperienced or less confident singer, or those who believe that the ability to read music is a necessity. This is not the case and I am keen to rebuild the choir following the pandemic, hopefully attracting more singers of all ages and abilities with a view to singing at Sunday morning services in particular. To this end, I will be restructuring our choir practices in September so that the Monday evening rehearsal will include a period from 6.30pm to 7.30pm when we will focus on the basics of singing hymns, communion settings, psalms and simple anthems. Our main choir practice on Friday evenings will continue to focus on the more complex music for Choral Evensong and other key services throughout the church's year. So if you and/or your children

would like to be involved in the choir, but felt it was too difficult or too big a commitment, this is your chance to test the water. You may surprise yourself!

### **Choral Evensong**

Our next Choral Evensong will be on Sunday 26th September 2021 at 4.00pm. If you enjoyed our offering of Choral Matins for FEVA, as I know many of you did, then why not give Choral Evensong a try? It follows a similar structure using the traditional words from the Book of Common Prayer and includes some of the most glorious music ever written for the English choral tradition.

If you have any queries regarding the above, or indeed, anything to do with music making at St John's, please feel free to drop me a line on:  
mark.hunter83@gmail.com.

Take care and stay safe.

**Mark**

# feva

## **FEVA 2021**

At the time of writing Feva 2021 has begun and we were delighted at the weekend to welcome many visitors into the HUB at St John's who came to see the excellent Art exhibition in the Main hall and partake of light refreshments in the Meeting room and on the Terrace, It was so good to see so many people out & about enjoying themselves and to hear their expressions of appreciation.

Our thanks to those volunteers, including Community Stars, who are making it possible for us to offer refreshments during Feva week, for both their time and their baking skills!!!

**Pam & Sharon**

## **Café church @ the HUB**



All welcome to come and enjoy free tea/  
coffee, cake, chit-chat and led prayer

**Friday 3rd September**

**10.30am - 12noon**

**Come with friends or simply on your own**

**We look forward to seeing you there.**

## PARISH FELLOWSHIP GROUP



**Wednesday 8th September at 2pm  
In Holy Trinity Church Hall**

*"A getting to know you meeting"*

This is a new initiative, for both men and women, being launched by Christine Cope and Anne Peppitt to fill the gap following the closure of Mothers' Union and Parish Ladies at the end of last year.

It will be held regularly on the second Wednesday of the month.

Do come along and join us for the first meeting and enjoy a cup of tea and a chat with friends.



### **Pastoral Support Team**

Just to let you know that our telephone volunteers are still happy to contact people who are feeling particularly isolated or in need of pastoral support .

We have received lots of messages of thanks from people who found the calls a big help during this difficult time but please let us know if you no longer require this support as our churches reopen for regular worship.

Printed pew sheets and copies of Accord for people who can't get to church will be available for collection and delivery by volunteers.

If you know of someone who might appreciate any of these things please contact:

**Anthea Green**  
**07946 419528**

**Denise Cullingworth**  
**07739 398197**



# Holy Trinity

**Welcome back.....**

**.....Trinity Teddies**

On Thursday 2nd September 10am till 11.30am, we will be opening the doors once again for Trinity Teddies. If you would like to join in the fun with your 0-3 years olds please ring **01423 441518 or 01423 860131**. There will be lots to do with many creative activities, toys to enjoy, songs to sing and stories to share.



The cost will be two pounds per session and this includes refreshments for children and adults.

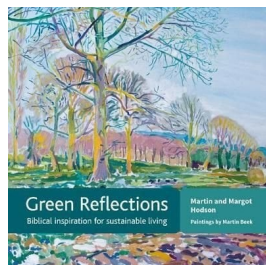
We are looking forward to welcoming friends old and new soon.

**Dot Jelbert**

**.....Thursday Friends Bible Study Housegroup**

On Thursday 9th September at 2pm, studies will recommence. Initially this will be using a book entitled "Green Reflections" by Martin and Margot Hodson. If you are interested in joining the group please contact **Anne Peppitt**

**on 01423 864968** for further details.



# Happy 165th birthday



After so many months of not being able to sing in church, on Sunday 15th August Holy Trinity celebrated its 165th birthday by having a birthday songs of praise. The hymns were all chosen by members of the congregation. It was a good mix of traditional and modern and the reasons the particular hymns had been chosen ranged from school day memories, wedding and funeral hymns to simply acknowledging the love of nature and the presence of God in our lives. We didn't quite raise the roof (thankfully!!!) but it was certainly thirsty work and everyone was ready for the glass of fizz and slice of birthday cake afterwards and the opportunity to share fellowship with each other. Many thanks to all those who donated a birthday gift to the church.



I would also like to thank Brian Robinson and the FEVA committee for lighting up our spire in FEVA pink, this coincided beautifully with our birthday celebrations and we made it to the front page of the Knaresborough post, courtesy of the wonderful photographic skills of Richard Maude.



## "FUN"DRAISING at HT



On Sunday 12th September a few members of Holy Trinity will be donning their walking boots and doing a sponsored walk in Nidderdale AONB . Money raised will be divided between Water Aid and Holy Trinity. Sponsor forms will be available in churches nearer the time. Please do sponsor them.



## AND MORE "FUN"DRAISING.....

On Wednesday 22nd September, Holy Trinity will be out there in Knaresborough Market selling their wares. We feel that our physical presence is a means of reaching out to the community, whilst raising some much needed funds to support our lovely church. Please do stop by and have a chat, you might even spot a bargain you cannot afford to miss.



## A WORD OF THANKS

.....to Joyce Skeels for co-ordinating the cleaning rota and to all those who work tirelessly to keep our church clean but particularly to the following who, having cleaned faithfully for many years, now feel they need to unplug their hoover and hang up their mops and dusters—Anne and Peter Atkinson, Sheila Slack, Maureen Knaggs, Janice McLean Reid—their dedication has been so much appreciated.

If you feel you could spare a couple of hours every six weeks to join the happy band of cleaners then please speak to Joyce on 01423 887760





# INVITATION

You are invited to the inaugural meeting of Messy Vintage, another new initiative in the Knaresborough team for everyone to meet informally and enjoy a range of activities, discussions, and celebrations. It will run alongside the new Parish Fellowship group (see page 11) and is open to all so do come along and bring a friend too. For more information please contact **Denise Cullingworth on 07739398197**

**When.....Tuesday 28th September at 11am** (and every 4th Tuesday in the month)

**Where.....Holy Trinity Church Hall**

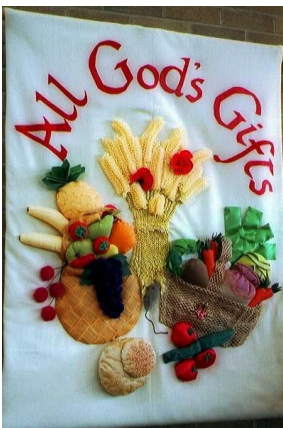
**Refreshments including a simple lunch will be served.**



**Messy Vintage**

**Creativity—Celebration—Christ-centredness—  
Mission—Hospitality**

**<https://messychurch.org.uk/messy-vintage>**



## **Holy Trinity Harvest Festival Sunday 26th September 10:45am followed by our Harvest Lunch in the church hall.**

**Harvest donations for the foodbank will be gratefully received.**

**Tickets for a delicious hot meal, priced £10 adults, £4 children under 12, available from Denise 07739398197 or Dot 01423 441518**

**Proceeds in aid of Holy Trinity and Christian Aid.**

## Spotlight on.....

### Enid Leaver from Holy Trinity (possibly our oldest member)

#### Tell us a bit about yourself:

I was born in Old Welwyn and grew up in Hatfield , Hertfordshire. Won a scholarship aged 10 to Welwyn Garden City Grammar School. I consider it a minor miracle that we learnt anything because, being close to London, we spent more time sheltering from air raids than in the classroom. After school I worked for ICI and moved “up North” when they opened in Harrogate. When my two daughters were very young there were no playgroups in Knaresborough so along with a group of friends we opened the first playgroup in St John’s church hall. I subsequently opened a little pre-school in our house in Scriven Road and completed an open university course on child development, birth to 5 years. In the meantime we joined the congregation at Holy Trinity and I became involved in Sunday School. With over 70 children it was quite a task but the teachers got on and enjoyed our time together, organizing trips, social evenings, decorating beds for the bed race, once winning a lot of beer that was fortunately swapped by the pub for chocolates. As an outreach from church, I obtained permission to start a Mums and Toddlers group (Trinity Tiny Tots) which I ran for 17 years and was delighted when Dot Jelbert offered to carry it on under the present name of Trinity Teddies which is very popular. When ICI started to close down, Alan and I decided to close the pre-school and bought “The Old Sweetshop” (now a barbers) on Knaresborough High Street, however we sold up as Alan was offered a job at King James’s School. I was fortunate to get employment at Harrogate Hospital as an Occupational Therapy Helper where I was given a fairly free rein and enjoyed splitting my time between outpatients, wards, day hospital, and child development centre, all requiring very different approaches. I worked there until well after my retirement age.

I have been on the Holy trinity friendship and leisure team for over 50 years and hope to continue for as long as I am a useful member.

Oh and somewhere in-between all the above jobs I enrolled at the Harrogate college of Art to complete a course in cake icing, mainly wedding cakes and afternoon classes for German and Spanish—most of which I have forgotten like the sign language I also learnt at the hospital.



For years I was a member of Trinity's Gardening Grannies, and under the guidance of Arnold Rowe, we won quite a few Knaresborough in Bloom prizes for Holy Trinity.

**What do you consider to be your greatest achievement?**

I'm a Jack of all trades and master of none but I was lucky enough to spend time with a great many children during their formative years and would like to think I helped to make learning fun.

**How would you describe yourself in one sentence?**

Hopefully reliable, helpful, and a little bit resilient

**What is your motto?**

To be thoughtful for others

**What is your food heaven?**

I like most food but really enjoy a salmon fillet

**And food hell?**

Tripe and sweet macaroni pudding

**Who is your greatest inspiration?**

My mum who spent her life helping others before they realized they actually needed help. On another level, the words of St Ignatius and St Francis which I constantly fall short of getting anywhere near.

**If you had to go and live on a desert island, what would be your luxury item?**

I am greedy—I would like puzzles, all kinds, crosswords, sudokus, jigsaws. I enjoy doing them all and some pencils and sharpeners please. Oh and my spectacles!

**What is your favourite hymn?**

Oh dear, I love lots of the older hymns but also many of the newer ones, especially those by Estelle White and Susan Sayers.

I can't choose between "To God be the Glory" and "Make me a channel of your peace"  
- Yes I know neither were written by the two ladies aforementioned.

**What are you most thankful to God for?**

The beautiful flowers, shrubs, and trees, our lovely family, and that I can still get to church and sit and soak up the overwhelming peace.

(Editor's note—Enid is one amazing lady who has been quite modest in her achievements and who could have filled the magazine with all her stories and anecdotes )

## PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Please refer to [www.hstm.org.uk](http://www.hstm.org.uk) or e mail [info@hstm.org.uk](mailto:info@hstm.org.uk) for latest information

<b>25th September 2021</b>	Archbishop Stephen Cottrell Travelling well: a theological reflection on the place of pilgrimage in the Christian life  Live lecture	St  Mark's Church, Leeds Road, Harrogate (& Zoom option) 10.00am—12.00 noon with breakfast available from 09.30am
<b>9th October 2021</b>	Bibletrack seminar: reading the bible, part 1, Jane Williams  (DVD and facilitated discussion)	Zoom only (facilitated by Dave Bolton and HST&M team members) 10.00am —11.30am
<b>20th November 2021</b>	Canon Dr Mark Powley In search of the presence of God: How we meet God in Worship  Live lecture	St  Mark's Church, Leeds Road, Harrogate (& Zoom option) 10.00am—12.00 noon with breakfast available from 09.30am
<b>4th December 2021</b>	Bibletrack seminar: reading the bible, part 2, Jane Williams  (DVD and facilitated discussion)	Zoom only (facilitated by Dave Bolton and HST&M team members) 10.00am —11.30am

**Live lectures:** live lectures attended in person: STILL ONLY £8 per session, including breakfast and mid-morning refreshments (Covid guidance allowing); students: £5 per lecture; under 18's free. Fees payable preferably in advance by the online booking system *Eventbrite* or on the day by contactless card or cheque to Harrogate School of Theology and Mission. Zoom live-stream of lectures: £5 per person, bookable via *Eventbrite*.

**Bibletrack seminars:** £2 per zoom session; under 18's free. Bookable in advance only by the online booking system *Eventbrite*.

# Knaresborough Alpha Course



We are delighted that the Knaresborough Team will be joining with the other churches in Knaresborough to run a Knaresborough wide Alpha course starting on **Tuesday 14th September** and then subsequent Tuesday evenings between 7:45-9pm.

This ecumenical Alpha will be online via zoom because we know as the nights draw in not everyone wants to go out in the dark but this way we can all be together within the safety and warmth of our homes.


Last year 30,000 churches and over 1.3 million people took part in Alpha and the course has been running successfully for over 30 years giving people the opportunity to explore conversations about faith, life and God.

Alpha is aimed at anybody who wants to find out more about faith and Christianity and who want to ask some of the big questions of life. Each week we will watch a film together and then in small groups discuss what we've learnt and most importantly ask questions. No question is too big or too small. And wine and nibbles are allowed! You learn a lot on Alpha but it's also great fun and our participants last year gave some lovely feedback on how much they had enjoyed it.


So why not make this autumn your time to do Alpha because whether you've been a Christian for years or just starting out it has lots to offer and I can assure you having done more than 15 Alpha course over the years I learn something new and exciting each time. The Alpha course will also be acting as our confirmation preparation so if you are thinking about being confirmed please let us know.

To register your interest in alpha please e-mail us at [knaresboroughalpha@gmail.com](mailto:knaresboroughalpha@gmail.com) with your name and we will be in contact you.

And if you want to find out more please contact Revd Garry or Revd Stroma and we'd be delighted to tell you a little bit more.

	<p><u>St John</u> <u>the Baptist</u> <u>Knaresborough</u></p>	<p><u>Holy Trinity</u> <u>Knaresborough</u></p>
<p><b>Sunday</b> <b>5th September</b></p>  <p><b>Trinity 14</b></p>	<p>8am Holy Communion</p>  <p>10:30am Holy Communion</p>	<p>10:45am</p> <p>The Eucharist</p>
<p><b>Sunday</b> <b>12th September</b></p>  <p><b>Trinity 15</b></p>	<p>8am Holy Communion</p>  <p>10:30am Holy Communion</p> <p>Baptisms</p>	<p>10:45am</p> <p>The Eucharist</p> <p>Baptisms</p>
<p><b>Sunday</b> <b>19th September</b></p>  <p><b>Trinity 16</b></p>	<p>8am Holy Communion</p>  <p>10:30am Holy Communion</p> <p>Baptisms</p>	<p>10:45am</p> <p>The Eucharist</p> <p>Baptisms</p>
<p><b>Sunday</b> <b>26th September</b></p>  <p><b>Trinity 17</b></p>	<p>8am Holy Communion</p>  <p>10:30am Sunday Morning Praise</p>  <p>4pm Choral Evensong</p>	<p>10:45am</p>  <p>Sunday Morning Praise For Harvest</p>



	<u>St Mary the Virgin Goldsborough</u>	<u>St Paul &amp; St Margaret Nidd</u>	<u>St John the Baptist Brearton</u>
<b>Sunday 5th September</b>  <b>Trinity 14</b>	9am  Holy Communion	10:30am  BCP Mattins	
<b>Sunday 12th September</b>  <b>Trinity 15</b>	9am  Sunday Morning Praise	10:30am  BCP Holy Communion	
<b>Sunday 19th September</b>  <b>Trinity 16</b>	9am  Holy Communion	10:30am  BCP Mattins	
<b>Sunday 26th September</b>  <b>Trinity 17</b>	9am  Holy Communion	10:30am  BCP Holy Communion	

**Holy Communion Services are usually held  
 every Wednesday in Knaresborough  
 Holy Trinity at 10am  
 St John the Baptist at 11am**

# St Mary the Virgin Goldsborough

## **St Mary's at Knaresborough Market Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

will be selling

Bric-a-Brac, Children's Toys, Books,  
Jams, Preserves, Handicrafts, Knitted items etc.

We would be very grateful for any good quality items you can donate for  
us to sell,

though please note we are not permitted to sell plants or baking.

Please drop items off at no. 2 or no.18 Princess Mead, Goldsborough,  
or in St Mary's porch, before 25th September.

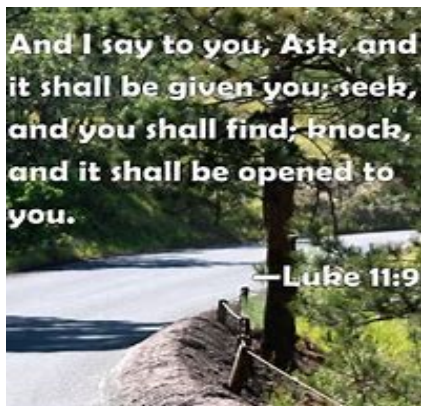
For more information, please contact

Elizabeth Harper tel. 07973 965113 or Margaret Cowley tel. 01423  
864762

Thank you for your support.



# In Search of The Way



You are invited to join a friendly and informal Ecumenical group, meeting in Goldsborough, to explore the way of Christ.

Whether your faith is strong, stuck in a rut, shaky or hovering on the edge, this is the group for you.

Meetings will be held once a month in the evening, starting in September - as long as Covid rules allow.

For more information and the start date, please contact **Sue Michael** [07730 942751](tel:07730942751) or **Marilyn Summers** 01423 860356

## St Mary's Church Goldsborough



## HARVEST SUPPER & QUIZ

**When.....Saturday 16th October 2021 at 7.00pm**

**Where.....Goldsborough Cricket Club**

**Tickets.....£8 per person or Family tickets (2 adults and 2 children) £20, available from the churchwardens and Jackie Shaw (01423 863939)**

# St Paul & St Margaret

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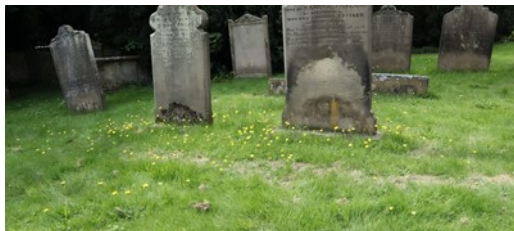


including strimming – is fiddly.

Nidd Hall (hotel) generously cuts the grass but during lockdown there's only been a skeleton body (!) available.

Fortunately Revd Garry told us that the CofE wanted church yards like ours treated in a more eco or

conservationist way. So, we've cut paths to all burial areas and especially around the most recent graves. The rest of the land will spend the season growing naturally and providing a habitat for wild life. In September it will all be cut down and the cycle will repeat itself.



So if you visit and are heard singing "The corn is as high as an elephant's eye" we'll understand!

**David Andrews, Licensed Reader and Organist**

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has launched a free national phone line as a simple new way to bring worship and prayer into people's homes while church buildings are closed because of the coronavirus.

Daily Hope, offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line.

The line – which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.



A free phone line of hymns,  
reflections and prayers

The service is supported by the Church of England nationally as well as through the Connections group based at Holy Trinity Claygate in Surrey and the Christian charity Faith in Later Life.

Although thousands of churches across the country are now running services and prayer groups online while public worship remains suspended, many people – especially older people – do not have access to the internet. The line also recognises the impact of social distancing restrictions and self-isolation measures on those suffering from loneliness.

Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop before being able to choose from a range of options, including hymns, prayers, reflections and advice on COVID-19.

A section called Hymn Line offers callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides a hymn and reflection and is based on an initiative by the Connections group

# **Minutes of the PCC meeting held on Monday 26th July 2021. in Holy Trinity Church.**



**In the chair** Revd. Garry Hinchcliffe

**Present:** Revd. Stroma McDermott, Denise Cullingworth, Oliver Cullingworth, Brian Jelbert (Treasurer) Anne Peppitt, Philip Skeels, Carol Ballard, Shirley Lovell, Jackie Shaw, Nicky Wynn, Paul Kerwin, Sharon Foster, Pam Thomas, David Osborne, Lynn Curl, Elaine Armes, Jack Wilson.  
Secretary Margaret Bridge.

**Apologies:** Pam Child, Mervyn Darby, Martin Lightfoot.

**1 Opening Prayer** – Revd Garry Hinchcliffe.

**2 Matters arising and Adoption of Minutes of the PCC meeting held via Zoom on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021.**

Proposed: Nicky Wynn. Seconded: Brian Jelbert. Agreed as an accurate record.

Matters arising - None

**3 Reader Nomination forms for Permission to Officiate**

The PCC agreed to support all the Readers: Denise, Wilf, Marilyn, Gordon, Andrew Smith,

Chris Metcalfe and David Andrews. Agreed unanimously.

Garry thanked all the Readers who do a sterling job.

**4 Vision/Mission update**

**A ‘New Dawn’ update** – A meeting is to be arranged in October, to discuss the new proposals for services going forward, and each person on the Electoral Roll will be invited to attend. Each church will hold its own meetings on three separate dates.

The proposals will be published in Accord. An up-to-date Bridges bulletin is now ready for distribution, which will highlight our ‘New Dawn’ initiatives.

**Rhythm of Life House groups/Alpha updates** – Stroma informed us that the next Alpha course will start in September on-line. All welcome. Following the success of the Rhythm of Life course, two house-groups have formed – one in Knaresborough and one in Goldsborough.

**Website** – See separate sheets - Stroma informed the PCC that we are now struggling with our current website, which is becoming difficult to update, and the current provider license expires in October. It is important to have an on-line presence, and Stroma and a working party from the Communications committee has researched what is available and suitable for a new, re-designed website. Four options were considered, and the working party recommend to the PCC Option 4, a new designed website using WIX.com. This site looks attractive, easy to use, and is used by other churches.

**The Communications committee working party request permission from the PCC to continue to look at what design/style is required, and permission to**



**build the new site to be launched in September 2021 and to close down the old site in October 2021.**

**Proposed Revd. Stroma. Seconded Revd. Garry. All agreed unanimously**  
**Extended Communion** – Bread and Wine to be blessed in advance of services by Clergy and then Readers to officiate. Garry has approached some Readers and has received mixed responses. To be discussed at a future meeting.

**5 House for Duty Post** – There is one candidate for the House for Duty post and Garry informed us that the interview process would take place on 27th July 2021.

The house is tenanted, and four months' notice to vacate is required. Garry to give update at the next meeting. Garry asked for our prayers for the candidate.

**6 Finance Update** – See separate sheet. Brian informed the PCC that the **Parish Giving Scheme** should be up and running from 2022 with 3 churches in the parish signed up. Jack highlighted that the funds from the proceeds of the sale of Castle Yard which pays the Parish Administrator's salary will need addressing at some point, as funds will not be available soon. To be discussed at a future meeting.

**7 Safeguarding** - There are 2 x DBS checks outstanding. Some members have had issues accessing the Diocesan website to complete the Safeguarding courses. Training to be done in the parish office at a later date. Faye to advise.

**8 Disability** – Nicky thanked those who completed the appraisal form.

**9 Fabric update** – **St Mary's** reported on the window, the stonemason has now finished, and the glazier will complete their work this week. **Holy Trinity** reported that the vestry roof has been repaired and the security light is now working. **St John's** – no report.

#### **10 AOB:**

**Cessation of on-line services** – Garry thanked all who had some input into the services in particular the Readers, Churchwardens, Mark Hunter, and David Andrews.

**COVID-19 Update** – Garry reported that the first Sunday after 'Freedom Day' was a success.

**Vestry meeting dates** – There will be no meetings in August.

**HUB/Hall updates** - Bookings have been taken for August and September

**Church Records – Terrier & Logbook** – These are mostly up to date with St Mary's reporting back at the next PCC meeting.

**The Next Meeting** will be Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church Goldsborough.

#### **11 Closing Prayer - The Grace**

**The meeting closed at 8.45pm.**



## Thinking caps on for our September quiz

Goodness me, September already!! Well, first off, just in case you're still wondering from the July/August edition of Accord, the original Months of the Year poem was written by Sara Coleridge (1802-1852), daughter of Samuel Taylor Coleridge. September seems to have inspired many poets; A E Housman, Wordsworth, Emily Dickinson, W B Yeats, Edward Thomas, W H Auden and many more especially when you consider September sees the start of autumn which gives us Keats' mists and mellow fruitfulness. Another thing about September is 'sept' means seven in Latin (more or less, before any Classics scholars get on to me) but it's the ninth month! Blame the Romans. I mean, what did they ever do for us?!

### Knotty

1. Just to get the little grey cells warmed up, and given the seventh/ninth 'thing' let's have a couple of number questions to start off. How would 7 and 9 be represented in binary notation? How would the product of 7 and 9 be represented in hexadecimal notation?
2. Which vaguely elemental group had a hit with a song which has the first line 'Do you remember, 21<sup>st</sup> night of September'?
3. September 29th marks the Feast of St Michael and All Angels, or 'Michaelmas'. What, traditionally, shouldn't be picked and eaten after Michaelmas and why?
4. Back to poetry, upon which bridge did William Wordsworth compose a poem on September 3rd 1802?
5. In which Staffordshire village would you see the Horn Dance being performed on the first Monday after the first Sunday after the 4th of September?
6. You might well see an aster amellus during September. If you do, what will you be looking at?
7. Knotty has happy memories of watching cricket's Gillette Cup Finals on TV in September. In 1965 Yorkshire won the cup, beating Surrey in the final. Which batter top scored for Yorkshire with a somewhat unlikely 146?
8. September 21st is St Matthew the Apostle's Day. Traditionally, to which profession did he belong before becoming a disciple?
9. Lucius Septimius Severus was Emperor of Rome from AD193 - 211. He died in Britain. Where?

10. As we've already established, sept comes from the Latin for seven. The equivalent prefix from the Greek root is hept. Where in day to day life might you find an equilateral curve heptagon?
11. Sussex, Kent and Essex were three of the seven kingdoms which formed the 'Anglo Saxon Heptarchy'. What were the other four?
12. Who set out from Longstone Lighthouse on September 7th 1838 to rescue survivors from the wreck of The Forfarshire?
13. The Jewish Holy Day of Yom Kippur falls on September 15th/16th this year. By what other name is this day known? In which year was the Yom Kippur War?
14. Which international sporting contest, staged in September every other year (normally), takes its name from a British seed merchant?
15. September 24th is the feast day of St Robert of Knaresborough. He lived from 1160 to 1218. Name the four monarchs who occupied the English throne during his lifetime.
16. The first meeting in the UK of which iconic organisation took place in Anglesey on September 16th 1915?
17. Who composed the music to the song 'Jerusalem' which is performed every September at 'The Last Night of the Proms'? For a bonus, what's the name given to another tune written by this composer which is used for the hymn 'Dear Lord and Father of Mankind'?
18. September 30th 1967 saw the launch by the BBC of Radios 1, 2, 3 and 4. What were the names of the BBC radio stations replaced by the new channels? What was the first record played on Radio 1? What was the second?
19. September 21st is Independence Day in Belize. By what name was Belize known when it was a British Colony?
20. Ha haarr, me hearties!! September 19th, would you believe it, is International Talk like a Pirate Day!! Yo ho ho and a bottle of rum! Match the following ships with their famous fictional or historical pirate captains. (a) The Black Pearl; (b) Queen Anne's Revenge; (c) The Black Pig; (d) The Golden Hind; (e) Jolly Roger.

**(Answers will be published next month)**



## How many did you get right in our July/August quiz?

### Check your answers below.

1. Rupert Murdoch. (c) Siren.
2. Betty Stove. Australian Open (1968) US Open (1972).
3. Mother and father of the Virgin Mary.
4. Geena Davis (Thelma) Susan Sarandon (Louise).
5. Rachael Heyhoe Flint.
6. Women who knitted whilst watching executions at the guillotine.
7. Betsy Ross was credited with making the first US flag; Molly Pitcher with taking over an artillery gun after her husband was wounded. (Both more myth than reality).
8. 2nd, 3rd and 4th female bishops in the Church of England.
9. Australia.
10. HM Queen Elizabeth II – during the opening ceremony of the 2012 Olympics.
11. The Importance of Being Earnest.
12. Kate Rusby.
13. Augusta, Georgia. Maine.
14. The Assumption of the Virgin Mary.
15. Jessica Ennis; Nicola Adams.
16. The Mothers' Union.
17. Caesar Augustus.
18. Anne Robinson
19. Mary, Princess Royal and Countess of Harewood.
20. Arms of Mary.



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**Christians Together**



**Knaresborough**

## **HARVEST CARD DELIVERY**

12th to 26th September

Over the last few years, we have through Christians Together in Knaresborough, carried out an outreach ministry to the 200 shops and businesses in our town centre, by delivering cards to them at Easter, Harvest and Christmas. We have latterly also included health centres, Schools and Day nurseries

This year Christians Together have decided to expand this ministry for our Harvest card, to cover all the businesses within our town's boundaries including St James Retail Park; Manse Lane; Stockwell and Boroughbridge road etc.

This is the biggest outreach we have ever undertaken and we are hoping that we can get at least 40 volunteers from all of our churches to deliver the Harvest cards across the whole of our town which we anticipate being about 500 in total.

We are planning that people will go in pairs and will agree to deliver to either town centre or the out-of-town businesses.

No pair will be asked to deliver more than 25 cards.

Will you be part of this mission to our town? Please pray for this and that the volunteers needed will come forward.

If you are willing to help, can you please contact;

Elaine Harrison ; [elaine.harrison13@ntlworld.com](mailto:elaine.harrison13@ntlworld.com) by the 1st of September



# Culinary and cropping curiosities

*By Sophy Potager*



What a very strange year it has been with the cold April and very wet May. I have now harvested my onions but while clean and powerful they are rather small due to late planting. The chard and leaf beet have been a disaster with many replantings. Much of the crop went to seed very early and some of the later sowings are stunted and also beginning to go to seed. My raspberries have been behaving very oddly while giving me an enormous crop. I am sure some of the new canes have decided that they had a

second winter in April just as they were sprouting and have turned themselves into autumn croppers. I am beginning to wonder whether I will have any canes next year. The apple crop will also be poor as the cookers were hit by the late May frosts and are yielding nothing. However, the rhubarb, the currants and berries and the beetroot have been excellent and the French beans and courgettes are cropping well. So there will be plenty of crumbles through the winter!!!!

## Herby Summer Soup (serves 4)

In a large heavy bottomed saucepan simmer gently in olive oil:-

1 onion (chopped finely)

1 Stick of celery also chopped finely

1 clove garlic

Then add as much green vegetable as to fill the pan. I used predominantly leeks as I am trying to clear the freezer, but broad beans, french beans, runner beans, chard or bolted lettuces will do as well. Turn in the oil until covered then pour on one litre of boiling stock and 500g diced new potatoes.

Simmer for half an hour, liquidise and serve with bread as a starter or add pate, cheese, sandwiches for a family meal.

If you prefer a cream soup just add coconut milk or crème fraiche at the last moment. Alternatively this soup is refreshing when served cold.



### And in the veg plot.....



Get out the garden chairs and loungers whenever the weather permits and enjoy the beauty and productivity of your garden. There are jobs to do, but leave those for a cloudy day. While pondering the wildlife, flowers and produce you can plan for even better years in future.

Make note of where you have planted what in the veg plot, so that you ensure a rotation of crops. This is especially important for onions and carrots. Onions, leeks and garlic attract onion fly, while carrot flies can smell out carrots from 7 miles away!!!!!! (According to GQT). So note where you have put your onions/leeks and your root crops so they go somewhere else next year. (I always omit to do this and then drive the family mad by demanding that they remember – in March – which crops were where last year. ) Ideally you should manage a three of four year rotation with beans/peas and potatoes taking their place, but this is not always possible in a small garden.



Look at your flower beds also and note what flourishes best and what has been problematic among the perennials. Look for the gaps that you have filled with annuals. You can always replace problem plants with a different variety of a successful species or put a new variety of perennial in a gap.

Also note which of your thriving plants attract the most insects. Plant more of these — we all need our pollinators.

Meanwhile, summer is only too short. Enjoy it



# Michaelmas

Michaelmas, or the Feast of Michael and All Angels, is celebrated on the [29th of September](#) every year. As it falls near the equinox, the day is associated with the beginning of autumn and the shortening of days; in England, it is one of the “quarter days”.

There are traditionally four “quarter days” in a year (Lady Day ([25th March](#)), Midsummer ([24th June](#)), Michaelmas (29th September) and Christmas ([25th December](#))). They are spaced three months apart, on religious festivals, usually close to the solstices or equinoxes. They were the four dates on which servants were hired, rents due or leases begun. It used to be said that harvest had to be completed by Michaelmas, almost like the marking of the end of the productive season and the beginning of the new cycle of farming. It was the time at which new servants were hired or land was exchanged and debts were paid. This is how it came to be for Michaelmas to be the time for electing magistrates and also the beginning of legal and university terms. St Michael is one of the principal angelic warriors, protector against the dark of the night and the Archangel who fought against Satan and his evil angels. As Michaelmas is the time that the darker nights and colder days begin – the edge into winter – the celebration of Michaelmas is associated with encouraging protection during these dark months. It was believed that negative forces were stronger in darkness and so families would require stronger defences during the later months of the year.

Traditionally, in the [British Isles](#), a well fattened goose, fed on the stubble from the fields after the harvest, is eaten to protect against financial need in the family for the next year; and as the saying goes:

*“Eat a goose on Michaelmas Day,  
Want not for money all the year”.*

Sometimes the day was also known as “Goose Day” and goose fairs were held. Even now, the famous Nottingham Goose Fair is still held on or around the 3rd of October. Part of the reason goose is eaten is that it was said that when [Queen Elizabeth I](#) heard of the defeat of [the Armada](#), she was dining on goose and resolved to eat it on Michaelmas Day. Others followed suit. It could also have developed through the role of Michaelmas Day as the debts were due; tenants requiring a delay in payment may have tried to persuade their landlords with gifts of geese!





**Knaresborough Team Ministry**  
**SAFEGUARDING**  
*'We are all responsible'*

**Who's who**

**Clergy**

**Revd Garry Hinchcliffe - 01423 202092**  
**Revd Stroma McDermott - 01423 551219**

**Safeguarding Officer for all churches in the Knaresborough team**

**Mrs Faye Wright - 07415 009217**

**Alternative contact details**

**Office phone number - 01423 869209**

**Email - [knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:knaresboroughparishoffice@gmail.com)**

Who should **YOU** talk to if **YOU** observe or are told about  
any safeguarding concerns?

**The Safeguarding officer**

**The Clergy**

**The Diocesan Safeguarding team - 0113 353 0257**

**email - [safeguarding@leeds.anglican.org](mailto:safeguarding@leeds.anglican.org)**

**North Yorkshire Safeguarding - 01609 780780**

**Childline - 08001111**

**Action on Elder Abuse - 0808 808 8141**

**On September 29th we celebrate the feast of St Michael and All Angels and the bible reading for that day is from St John's gospel, chapter 1 verses 47 –51.**

It tells us about a man named Philip who took his friend Nathanael to see Jesus. When Jesus saw Nathanael coming, he said, "Here comes an honest man -- a true son of Israel."

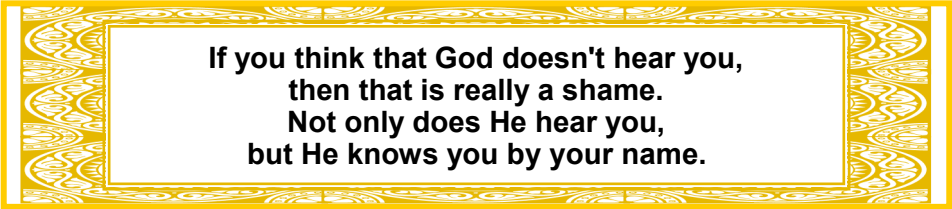
When Nathanael heard what Jesus said, he asked him, "How do you know me?"

Jesus answered, "I could see you sitting under the fig tree before Phillip even found you."

Now, that is pretty amazing, but that isn't all. The Bible tells us that God knows everything about you. He knows when you sit down... and he knows when you stand up... he knows what you are thinking... and he knows what you are going to say before you even say it...and he guides you with his hand.

God knows your name and he thinks you're special. How do I know he thinks you're special? I know because he sent Jesus, his only Son, to die on the cross so that you could have everlasting life in Heaven with him.

Here is a little poem for you to learn that will help you to remember that God knows your name.



**If you think that God doesn't hear you,  
then that is really a shame.  
Not only does He hear you,  
but He knows you by your name.**

Dear Father, we are thankful that you know us by name and that you thought we were so special that you gave us your Son so we could have everlasting life. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

# Accord

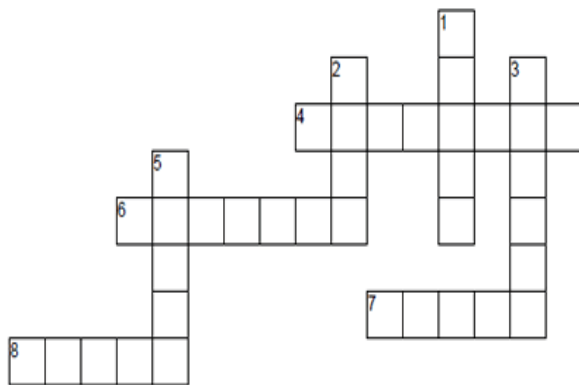
## He Knows You by Name

"How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." John 1:48 (NIV)

Complete the activity below.



*Using the Across and Down clues, write the correct words in the numbered grid below.*



### ACROSS

4. To accept something as true
6. To come after
7. To move toward something
8. To recognize someone; to be familiar with someone

### DOWN

1. A large woody plant with a trunk, limbs, and leaves
2. To observe something with your eyes
3. The Son of God
5. The opposite of bad

GOOD

KNOW

SEE

JESUS

BELIEVE

COME

FOLLOW

TREE

And here's another puzzle for you to enjoy.....

## Women of the Bible

Y M I V P B M A F P I F X S J V B F M C D H J S  
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 W W K R R N J H A K E B E R N L A V Y V Y V L C  
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Zipporah

Hannah

Esther

Deborah

Dorcas

Eve

Martha

Sarah

Bathsheba

Mary Magdalene

Mary

Miriam

Rachel

Rebekah

Leah

Gomer

Elizabeth

Dinah

Delilah

Anna

Jezebel

Rahab

Queen of  
Sheba

Naomi

Ruth

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