

ALL SAINTS' MALDON



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CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday Services	8:00am Holy Communion (BCP 1662) 10:00 am Sung Parish Eucharist (except first Sunday of the month). 6:30 pm Evensong and Sermon second and third Sundays of the month
1st Sunday in the Month	10:00am Short all age service of stories songs and prayers. 11:15am Parish Eucharist (CW) 6:00 pm Evensong at St Mary's
Last Sunday	6:30 pm Prayer and Praise Service

JUNIOR CHURCH

Each Sunday at 10:00am.in the D'Arcy Room in Church

WEEKDAY SERVICE

Morning Prayer	is usually said in church at 8.30am on Monday - Friday.
Evening Prayer	is usually said in church at 5.30pm on Monday - Thursday
Thursday	11:00am Holy Communion (BCP 1662) followed by coffee and biscuits

Cover Photos:

1. Wreaths laying Ceremony at the War Memorial
(Photo from Maldon and Burnham Standard)
2. Floating the Ark at Messy Church
(Photo Roger Read)



FROM THE VICARAGE

THE HOUSE BUILT UPON THE ROCK

One of the many things we will miss about Maldon is our lovely Vicarage. It has been a huge privilege to live here, and to be stewards of this wonderful house for the past ten years. In its almost 600 year history, our tenure has been just a very small part of the Vicarage story. When sitting in front of the fire in the living room, we often reflect on the people who have lived there before us. We are just a very small link in the chain.

In recent months, much of our thinking and many of our conversations at home have been concerned with Brexit. Like many homes, we have had some lively discussions with family and friends. At the time of writing it is still unclear whether the United Kingdom will leave the European Union on October 31st; and if so whether there will be a deal or if we will leave without a deal. There might still be other options, including a delay, a second Referendum, or even revocation of Article 50.

When getting anxious about these questions, I have reminded myself of the momentous events that our home has witnessed over the centuries.

The Vicarage was built as a Chantry house in 1443, for the two priests who were responsible for the d'Arcy Chapel. The first residents lived there during the turmoil of the civil war which we now know as the Wars of the Roses. In the next century came the Reformation. With the huge religious changes under the Tudors, the D'Arcy Chapel was suppressed. I wonder what conversations took place between the chantry priests who were ejected from their home and from their ministry? During the reign of Edward VI, the inside of the church suffered severe destruction and the Latin Mass was abolished. Maldon then produced its martyrs for the Protestant cause in Mary's reign.



In the 17th Century came the English Civil War. Maldon was a stronghold of Puritanism. In 1650, Parliament installed the Puritan Thomas Horrocks as Vicar. He was ejected from the Vicarage in 1662, as an "intruder" after Charles II was restored to the throne. His successors in the 18th Century lived through the Industrial Revolution. My longest serving predecessor, Vicar Horwood (1850-1901) lived through a time of intellectual turmoil in the Church. During his tenure, Christians were having to rethink their beliefs in the light of new discoveries about geology and natural selection, and the literary criticism of the Bible.

In the 20th Century, the Reverend Isaac Seymour was Vicar during two World Wars. Like all his predecessors, he was at the heart of the community and had to deal with all the emotions and grief that the wars brought. And now in our own century, we face the huge political and economic changes that Brexit will bring: and the far more serious challenges we are only just beginning to wake up to, as the world's climate changes.

As I reflect upon the history of this house over almost 600 years, one thing is clear. Every century has been one of change and turmoil. The Vicarage itself has seen many structural changes. But it still remains standing with its solid oak beams and medieval wall paintings intact. I am reminded of the story Jesus told in the gospels, of the house that was built upon the rock. Because its foundations were firm, it survived all the storms and tempests that beat upon it.

Our faith is in a God who does not change. In all the "changes and chances of this fleeting world", his love remains constant. He is "the same, yesterday, today and for ever". It is as we learn to trust in him, that we find our true hope and security.

Perhaps there is a parable here for us? As we live through "all the changes and chances of this fleeting world", our faith is in one who does not change. As the psalm says, "a thousand years in his sight are but as yesterday". As we put our trust in him, so we build a house that is founded upon the rock.

Stephen Carter

TIME OF EVENING WORSHIP.

The PCC has decided that this year, when the clocks change, Evensong on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays will remain at 6.30pm (and not revert to 4.00pm) Prayer and Praise on the last Sunday remains at 6.30pm; and Choral Evensong at St Mary's at 6.00pm on the First Sunday.

SC



ALL SAINTS PATRONAL FESTIVAL

We shall be celebrating the feast of All Saints on Sunday 3rd November, when we give thanks for our parish church, dedicated to All Saints. Our School also celebrates their Patronal Festival on this day, so we are again worshipping in All Saints School by kind invitation of Mr Brown the Headteacher.

The 10.00am Worship for All in the school will be lead by our Foundation Governors together with some of the children of All Saints. At 11.15am there will be a Eucharist in the school at which I shall preside. Please join us to thank God for our parish and to affirm the close links between church and school. *SC*

ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

There will be our annual memorial service on Sunday November 3rd at 4.00pm. I have invited the families of the 40 people whose funerals I have taken over the last 12 months. Tea and cakes will be served afterwards in the D'Arcy Room. Others are welcome to request names to be remembered at the service: and there will be a list in the back of the church from Sunday 27th October. We are very happy to include names in the service: but could we ask that you only put names on the list if you intend to be present at the service? For those wishing to attend a Requiem Eucharist for All Souls, there will be a Requiem at St Mary's at 6.00pm on November 3rd. The Requiem will be sung to the setting by Faure.

Stephen

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10TH

The pattern this year will be a little different. It has been agreed jointly between the Town Council, Churches Together and the Royal British Legion that there will be no service in All Saints following the service at the War Memorial at 10.30am. With the exception of last year, when we kept the Centenary of the Armistice, there has been a steady decline of numbers attending the church service. Most years, there are hundreds of people in the High Street and only a small remnant remain for the service in church.

So this year, the whole service will take place at the War Memorial, including prayers and a short address, enabling all of those present to make their commemoration within the context of a Christian act of worship. There will of course be the usual Eucharist in All Saints for those who wish to attend a service in church. This will be at the earlier time of 9.30am to enable us to join in the Town commemoration which follows. *SC*



THE VACANCY

I thought it would be helpful for people to know a little about the process that will soon begin, to appoint my successor. Though my last Sunday is February 2nd, I remain legally Vicar of this parish until February 29th. After that date the Vacancy commences. We should note that the Church now prefers the term "Vacancy" to the more traditional "Inter-regnum". The latter implies an interval between kings: and we no longer see the incumbent's tenure of office as a reign! The process will begin on November 14th when the Archdeacon, the Rural Dean and the Lay Chairman come to meet with the PCC for a Pre-Vacancy Meeting. The PCC will be asked to appoint two lay parish representatives, who will be part of the appointment process. The PCC will also need to prepare a parish profile to be made available to all prospective applicants. The profile will include a detailed description of the church and parish. It will also set out the qualities needed in a future incumbent.

The process will be more complicated than when I was appointed, as my successor will also be incumbent of St Mary's. This means that St Mary's will have to engage in a similar process and both sets of parish representatives will have to jointly make a decision as to the right person to be appointed. The Archdeacon, Rural Dean and Patrons (the Bishop and Westminster Abbey) will also be involved in the appointment. The two PCCs will have to decide whether the post will be advertised just in the diocese, or whether to pay for it to be advertised nationally. The diocese, deanery and parish are all agreed that the vacancy should not be longer than necessary. So it is hoped that advertisement might go out while I and Fr John are still in post.

Applicants will be short listed, and a day will be set aside for candidates to visit the parishes, and then be interviewed. Whoever is appointed will have to give a minimum of three months notice to their present parish. So even if everything goes smoothly, All Saints is looking at a vacancy of a few months at least. The churchwardens will be in charge of the parish during this time, and will be responsible for arranging services to be covered. We are blessed in having Prebendary Paul Barnes and Canon Graham Blyth as part of the team, along with our Authorised Local Preachers, Adrienne Knight and Alan Marjoram. Also the Reverend Julie Willmot, the Reverend Asa Humphries and Fr John Dickens have offered to give what help and support they can. So we are hopeful that all Sunday services can be maintained during the Vacancy. We are also blessed in having a committed team of people from the congregation who lead Worship for All and Prayer and Praise.

My hope is that the whole parish will support the PCC and churchwardens and that everyone will work together as we plan for the future, and for the growth and well being of our church.

Stephen



Prayer Group Welcome to all

A small but long-established prayer group meets monthly on the first Tuesday in the St Katharine Room of All Saints Church from 10am to 10.30. The prayers are very informal and the leader usually starts with prayers of praise and thanksgiving. Sometimes we open with a bible reading. We then pray silently or out loud as the spirit moves us.

We find that the prayers of others stimulate and inspire us and they range from world-wide issues through national concerns and those of the local community to the needs of individuals known to us or for whom we have been asked to pray. We observe a strict rule of confidentiality and do not discuss the content of our prayers outside the group. What is said in the group, stays in the group.

The leader brings the meeting to a conclusion by inviting everyone to join in the Lord's Prayer and we end with the Grace. We restrict ourselves to 30 minutes.

The prayer group is open to all members of Churches Together in Maldon, and if you would like to join us you can be assured of a warm welcome.

After the prayer group there is an opportunity to have a cup of tea or coffee and a chat at Meeting Point in the D'Arcy Room in the church.

If you would like to know more please contact Tony Doe on 01621 853582

Tony

ADVENT SUNDAY

This is on December 1st. The 10.00am Worship for All that day will be an informal Eucharist. There will be NO 11.15am service.

At 6.30pm, there will be our annual service "From Darkness to light", part of which is by candle light. It will be interspersed with readings, hymns and anthems by the choir.



Canonisation of Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman, **Rome 13th October 2019.**

On this day, at a grand open air Mass & Ceremony on the steps of St. Peter's, five saints were proclaimed, from around the world:-

John Henry Newman : 1801 - 1890

Anglican priest, converted to Catholicism in 1845, administrator, theologian & poet.

Giuseppina Vannini : 1859 - 1911

Roman, founded order of Saint Camillus for the physical & spiritual care of the sick.

Mariam Theresia Chiramel Mankidiyan : 1876 - 1926

Indian Syro-Malabar Catholic, founder of the Congregation of the Holy Family, mystic & visionary, received the stigmata.

Dulce Lopes Pontes : 1914 - 1992

Brazilian Franciscan sister who cared for the poorest of the poor

Marguerite Bays : 1815 - 1879.

Swiss seamstress, mystic, lay Franciscan.

Anne & John Goold have been members of the Newman Association, the Roman Catholic post graduate association, since they both graduated in 1964. It seemed only natural to make every effort to attend the canonisation of one who has been a significant influence on us both.

We flew to Rome on Friday 11th October with a group organised by Pax Travel & stayed in a hotel some way from the centre of the city.

Saturday was free & as we were still full of energy we walked past the Vatican & across the River Tiber & onwards into the old city, sight seeing. Lunch today & other days was in small street side cafes or Trattorias.

In the evening was a grand Vigil of prayers, readings & a choral concert given by The Schola Cantorum of the London Oratory School. The readings being from JHN's works & the hymns, all well known, eg. Praise to the Holiest in the height, Lead kindly light & Firmly I believe & truly. The first two being taken from his long poem The Dream of Gerontius.

Sunday was an early start as long queues were expected to get through the airport type security into St Peters Square where 20,000 chairs had been set out. Anne & I were very fortunate to acquire chairs near the obelisk in the centre of the square. Even so we were nearly 200 yards from St. Peters itself. Around us were pilgrims having loyalty to their own particular saint. Many of them in national costume or displaying their country's colours & flags. The front of the basilica was adorned with huge portraits of the five to be canonised.

Dignitaries, clerical & lay (including Prince Charles) took their places. Finally Pope Francis emerged from inside St Peters. There followed a splendid Pontifical High Mass during which brief accounts of the lives of the five were read out. Giving Communion to all those in the square was an amazing piece of organisation as there were many thousand present.

After the service Pope Francis toured the square standing in an open vehicle.

The rest of the day was free (walking, sightseeing) until the evening when there was



a special celebratory service at Chiesa Nuova which consisted of hymns, readings & reflections together with singing by the Schola Cantorum. Attention was drawn to JHN's devotion to St. Philip Neri who worked in Rome in the 16th century & founded the first Oratory. Initially a small group of priests & later lay people who met for prayer and music. Palestrina wrote music for the group. St. Philip was cheerful & witty & the group often met for picnics.

Monday was another early

start. This time by coach to St. John Lateran for a great Pontifical Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Cardinal Vincent Nichols, archbishop of Westminster. Again the Schola Cantorum provided beautiful choral singing.

Afterwards we walked slowly back via The Coliseum & The Roman Forum to the Piazza Venezia. By this time our legs had given out so we caught a bus back to our hotel. Thus was formally ended three momentous days.

The following is extracted from “**The Guardian**” website:-

Newman “stands as a giant in the fields of theology, philosophy and education. Influencing many academic and spiritual disciplines, Newman's writings and his lifelong search for religious truth continue to inspire scholars throughout the world ... His many scholarly works have remained a significant force.”

Newman is regarded as one of the most influential figures from his era, revered for his hymns, poetry and devotion to the people of Birmingham. When he died in 1890, more than 15,000 people lined the city's streets for his funeral procession.

He was ordained as a priest in the Church of England but converted to **Catholicism** in 1845 at the age of 44. As well as founding the Oratory of St Philip Neri – known as the Birmingham Oratory – Newman helped to establish the Catholic University of Ireland (now University College Dublin) and was appointed its first rector in 1854.

He was also a novelist and a historian.

Pope John Paul II declared Newman “venerable” in 1991, recognising his life of “heroic virtue”. In 2010, on a visit to the UK, Pope Benedict XVI declared him “blessed”, saying Newman applied “his keen intellect and his prolific pen to many of the most pressing subjects of the day” & continues “to inspire and enlighten many all over the world”,

Two miracles attributed to Newman's intercession – most recently the healing in 2013 of a Chicago woman with life-threatening complications in her pregnancy who prayed to the cardinal to save her unborn child – was approved by Pope Francis this year, paving the way to his canonisation.

John Goold



Church Warden's Chat

In last month's magazine, I was very pleased to read Bishop Stephen's letter on climate change. In the 1970's I was teaching Year 7s about the need for alternative fuel sources, the danger of modern chemicals in farming and the affect of modern civilisation on our world's beautiful wildlife.

Forty plus years on and we are only now thinking seriously about the way our modern life styles are affecting our planet. The problem we face with climate change is enormous, so great that it is difficult to take in and much depends on the governments of the major powers, but we can each do something in a small way. Our church is changing from using plastic cups for our Sunday morning coffee to compostable ones, and certainly all of us should be thinking of ways of using less plastic.

Our Harvest Festival gifts were for two charities helping problems of our modern world. Our monetary gift of £353.36 went to Water Aid who provide many people in other countries with fresh water for drinking (a thing we take for granted!) and the produce went to our local Food Pantry, which has given 10,000 food parcels to families in difficulties.; thank you. We celebrated Harvest in the usual custom with a supper, enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Merie and her team.

The state of our world is the gift we leave for our children and grandchildren. At Messy Church the youngsters (and their parents) come on the third Saturday of the month, to find out about God's love for us and the world we live in. This month they learnt the story of Noah, and their activities even included the building of a wooden ark! Even though it failed to float in the horse trough outside the church, it sits proudly, with its cargo of animals on the window sill in the D'Arcy room.

We look forward to joining the children and families of All Saints' School for our patronal festival at the beginning of November. It is a great privilege to take the church to the school for this special celebration! I hope to see you there. *Jenny*



Photo Roger Read



Action for Family Carers has been supporting unpaid or family Carers of all ages for nearly 30 years. Young Carers, aged under 18, help care for a parent, sibling, or grandparent who may have a long term illness, physical or sensory impairment, mental health problems or drug or alcohol addiction. It is estimated about 1 in 5 secondary aged pupils is a Young Carer.

We rely on raising funds to help us to continue our support to Young Carers in schools, and in our Young Carers Club where they have a chance to have a break from their caring role, and to mix with other young people in a similar situation. Thank you for your support; it will make a difference.

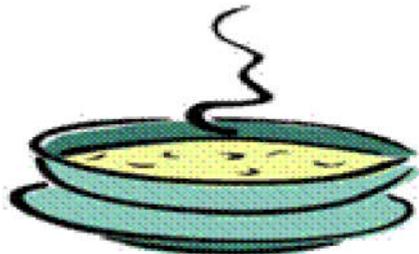
This local charity has been chosen as our Christmas Charity when collections taken at the two Crib services at 3.00pm and 5.00pm on Christmas Eve. will be given to Action for Family Carers.

Lunch at All Saints

Soup – hot food- cakes

12:00 to 1:30 pm

**Wednesday
6th November**





FAMILY MEMORIES FROM TWO WORLD WARS

In commemoration of Remembrance Day, which falls in November, I invited submissions, from the congregation, of their memories of family members service during the two world wars. I print them below and express my thanks to those who have responded at very short notice. Unfortunately, I have had to precis some.

The Carters in the Wars.

My grandfather Alfred Carter was one of three brothers who all lived in Harwich. He served in the merchant navy in two world wars. I have now passed his medals on to Nicholas. He had joined the Great Eastern Railway in 1912, and served on the railway ships as a fireman, before ships were converted from coal to oil. In the First World War he served on the Dresden, one of the last British ships to leave Antwerp. He later served on the Copenhagen. He was torpedoed twice in the North Sea, and survived. He went on to serve in the Merchant Navy in the Second World War. His two brother were not so lucky. Arthur of the 5th Essex Regiment died in March 1917 in the First Battle of Gaza against the Turks. His brother William died on the SS Clacton, torpedoed in the Dardanelles.

Stephen Carter

Cpl Jeremiah Stephenson

My paternal grandfather, Jeremiah Stephenson, was born in Leeds in 1881. In 1902 he married my grandmother, May Croft, and my aunt Ada was born 6 months later (!). In subsequent years Ada was joined by a brother Harry, who became my father, and a sister, Edyth.

When the First World War broke out Jeremiah was 33 years old. Family tradition says that he was not called up, being older and also in a protected profession, but he made the choice to go to war in the defence of his country, joining the West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales' Own). Family tradition also says his wife was not happy with his decision!



By the summer of 1916 Corporal Jeremiah Stephenson was stationed in France, near to the river Somme, and on 1st July 1916 the great Battle of the Somme began. Jeremiah survived the first week of hostilities, but on 8th July he was killed in action. His body was never found, but he is commemorated on the memorial to the missing at Thiepval, near to the site of the battle.

He wrote home regularly speaking of his love and concern for his wife and of his pride in the reported activities and achievements of his children.

Elisabeth Blyth



The Dickman Memories

My father, following a marine engineering apprenticeship with Cammell Laird in Birkenhead, joined the Royal Flying Corps in 1916 or 1917. He would have preferred joining the Royal Navy, but they were not seeking more recruits in the navy and required engineers in the RFC. He spent his service mending Sopwith Camels and other damaged war planes. The RFC became the RAF in 1918.

He was too old to serve in the Forces in WW2 so he worked in shipyards repairing damaged ships. Meantime my mother was a sergeant in the ATS (Auxiliary Territorial Service) until I came along.

My mother's brother enlisted in the Kings Royal Rifle Corps, but was killed driving an ambulance in the Reichswald in February 1945. He was driving the ambulance because he didn't want to kill anyone.

My father-in-law served in the Royal Signals and landed in France the day after D-day. Fortunately he survived the war and in 1945 was involved when our soldiers entered Belsen Concentration Camp.

Geoff Dickman



My War Heroes

My maternal grandfather, 19837 Pte Benjamin Rule, enlisted with the Cheshire Regt in Birkenhead then transferred to the 4th (Service) Battalion South Wales Borderers, a Territorial Battalion. They were then sent to Gallipoli where they were to relieve the 29th Division. Benjamin entered the theatre of war on the 16th July 1915 and was killed in action on 25th July 1915. He has no known grave but is commemorated on the Helles memorial.

I was fortunate to go to my son and my brother our guide Clive Harris and went to the trench position was killed.

My mother was born on the therefore had no memories older brother also named

killed in a road accident while serving during WW2.

My grandmother subsequently met and married a sailor, Alfred Barker, serving during WW1 as a stoker on submarines.

At the end of the war Alfred returned to his home, in Woodham Ferrers in Essex, with his new wife and her two children and returned to farm work before moving to Chelmsford where my parents met and married. Alfred was the grandfather that I remember.

In WW2 my father was called up and served with REME serving in Malta and the Middle East, ending the war with the rank of WOII.

Peter Clark



Gallipoli in 2013 with when, with the help of the War Diaries, we where it is thought he

1st May 1915, so of her father. She had an Benjamin who was sadly



FAMILY MEMORIES
FROM TWO WORLD WARS cont'd

Pte William (Bill) Henry Hudson (Sniper)
11th Battalion Parachute Rgt.

Bill was parachuted into Arnhem, Holland on 22nd Sept 1944 landing at Ginkel Heath, eight and a half miles from “Arnhem” Bridge which was the objective. On landing, Bill gathering his kit and weapon, teamed up with his mates then set off via Osterbeck to the Bridge. Whilst taking a break a shell landed amongst them knocking Bill out. When he came to he found that all his mates were dead and he realised that he had some six miles or so to get back to Osterbeck Church to make, what he thought would be, his “last Stand”.

Darkness saw him in the cellar of a Dutch house taking shelter, where he found tobacco leaves drying on strings which he stuffed into the pockets of his Battledress. On arrival at the Church he was ordered up to what was left of the church tower to shoot at enemy troops trying to cut the force off from the river Rhine. Many wounded men were literally ‘dying for a smoke’. Bill remembered the tobacco leaves in his pockets but was unable to find cigarette paper, he looked around for an alternative and found it in the early pages of “Genesis” in the Lectern Bible. Ripping out a handful of pages he cut them into strips and made cigarettes for the men lying on the stretchers in the church.

He then climbed what was left of the church tower to exercise his skills in despatching the infiltrating enemy troops while Jeremy Clarkson’s father in law was engaging Tiger tanks advancing on the church from the direction of Arnhem. This officer, who knocked out six tanks with an anti-tank gun and by firing a two-and-a-half-inch mortar horizontally with the base plate against the church outer wall, was awarded the Victoria Cross! Bill’s humble efforts with his rifle dissuaded the enemy from trying to get between the church and the river, which kept it clear for the later escape of the battered remnants of the Airborne Force across the Rhine.

In the 1980’s I, with my eldest son Mark, took Bill now 85, back to Arnhem; with his ‘Para Beret’ on we scanned the graves for old comrades and then visited the church where we met the churchwarden and the story was at last recounted by a very tearful old man. At the end of Bill’s confession, the churchwarden Henk Duinhaven, said “We always thought that the pages were used for an altogether different purpose!” He then went into the vestry and returned with the very Bible with the first half of the Genesis pages ripped out by Bill all those years ago. Bill now in tears offered to pay for the damage but Henk would not hear of it! Bill’s name and number was written into the front cover and Henk explained, “Bill you are now part of this Church’s history. The Airborne Association rebuilt the Church and presented a new Bible and Lectern”.

My ‘hard as nails’ father in law went to his well-earned rest some twelve years later, happy that all had been put to rights at last.

David Hylands



My Childhood Memory

When I was a child I often went to stay with my four elderly spinster great aunts and my Grandmother in their home in Bournemouth. Throughout the house were pictures of their brother George. I was fascinated by his proud and patriotic look as, resplendent in his army uniform he gazed out on the world around him. Soon after the photographs were taken he was sent with his regiment The Royal Sussex to France. It was 1916 and the regiment was soon involved in the Battle of the Somme. There he was mortally wounded and died soon after in a German Military Hospital.

Before he enlisted he had belonged to a rather smug looking group of people who were involved in recruitment campaigns across the country. He was over 40 and therefore not expected to volunteer himself. However at one of the meetings a young man asked if joining the Army was such a good thing to do then what was George doing there in Civvy Street. It obviously pricked his conscience.

About 15 years ago I went to France to see his grave. It was an odd feeling that here was the final resting place of the man whose photograph had so fascinated me as a child.

Paul Barnes

Thomas Bouch Hutton

My Grandfather first went into service at the very tender age of 17 as a reserve. He later joined the Royal Artillery. He was born in Maryport Cumbria and records show that he was baptised in the local church.

On joining up he was sent down to Essex and was stationed in the Shoeburyness Barracks. It was in Essex that he met and married my Grandmother in St Mary's Gt Dunmow and together they had two children.

At the beginning of WW2 he was sent to Uttoxeter and then to Arbourfield Camp near Reading. From there he was sent out to Africa and then to Italy. He was Batman to a Captain Slater. During his time in Italy he wrote home saying that he felt he wanted to be confirmed. He took instruction - along with a close friend and they were confirmed together.

My Grandfather was killed on the beaches of Rimini by an accidental bombing. One of our own planes was in trouble and the pilot had been instructed to drop his bombs in the sea. Apparently the instruction came too late and they fell on the Billets. My Grandfather, along with others, was killed instantly.

The Padre wrote to my Grandmother saying that it was such a very sad loss of life and that two very close friends who had supported each other throughout, were confirmed together and had died together.

Captain Slater also wrote to my Grandmother saying that he was immensely saddened and felt very deeply that he had lost a very dear friend.

Sandra Read

A Family Occasion



Julie with her family and the Bishop. Photo Elisabeth Blyth

On a very wet night, October 1st, we went to the lovely old church of All Saints at Purleigh, to attend the Licensing and Installation of the Reverend Julie Willmot as Priest in Charge of the Parishes of Purleigh All Saints, Woodham Mortimer with Hazeleigh St. Margaret's and Woodham Walter St. Michael's. Julie had for the last three years been our own Curate at All Saints, Maldon, so there were many of us from this church joining with the parishioners of her own three churches to support and welcome her into her new position. The Licensing was carried out by the Bishop of Bradwell, the Right Reverend Dr. John Perumbalath and the Installation by the Archdeacon of Chelmsford, the Venerable Elizabeth Snowden.

The purpose of the licensing and installation can be summed up thus:

The Licensing is the admission by the Bishop of a priest into the Bishop's spiritual oversight and care of parishes.

The Installation is the formal placing by the Archdeacon of a priest in his or her seat in the church.

The ceremony, whilst being of serious intent also carries lots of joy as the



new priest is taken carefully through the service supported by parishioners and family. This was certainly the case on this evening as Julie had many members of her family and many parishioners present so that the church was full of people. Naturally, our own priests, Canon Stephen, Canon Graham and Prebendary Paul were also there giving their support to Julie. The Bishop set the tone for the service by welcoming everyone in and made special mention of Julie's family, one by one. He made particular mention of new grandson Henry and told us that should the baby make any noise during the service it was his way of welcoming Julie and of his support for her. A very well thought out welcome from Bishop John! True to this welcome the Bishop did everything possible to encourage and support Julie and had a lovely smile on his face the whole time. Julie did her best to reciprocate although the occasion must have been very daunting for her. A serious ceremony? Yes, of course, but joyful too!

To complement the warmth of Bishop John during the evening, Archdeacon Elizabeth also enhanced the proceedings with her warm smile and welcoming presence both during the service and afterward when we were all regally entertained with drinks and scrumptious food.

Once the formal service was over, it was noticeable that the newly licenced and installed Reverend Julie Willmot stepped up to the plate and took charge of her new flock in typical Julie way, that is by constantly smiling and welcoming everyone and being the usual joyful and happy Julie that we have all come to know, love and admire.

The service contained four lovely hymns and finished with the beautiful and moving "In Christ Alone". There were of course several prayers offered up including the Lord's Prayer and passages where the Bishop, the Archdeacon, and Julie made statements and promises and the whole congregation joined in where appropriate. One section of the service was the sermon given by the Bishop. The message that I received from the sermon was that every member of the church and community is important and life can function much more positively if every member, no matter how insignificant they think they are, joins in to the best of their ability. Everyone should also try to think positively and say 'Yes, we can do it' rather than 'No we cannot'. I seem to remember that President Obama had the same kind of message.

So, it was a most moving and spiritual evening but also full of happiness and camaraderie and for Reverend Julie the next phase of her life where she will be Priest in Charge of three Parishes. In this task we all wish her the enormous success which she deserves and I know that it will not be like success in business where values are measured differently, but success in helping her community and being everything that a good priest should be. She can do it. Yes she can!

Ken Downham



COSMETICS FACIAL CLINIC



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11:15 am The Eucharist - in All Saints School
4:00 pm Annual Memorial Service and Commemoration of the Departed
- 4th Nov** **Monday**
7:00 pm Holy Communion
- 7th Nov** **Thursday**
11:00 am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)
- 10th Nov** **Remembrance Sunday**
8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)
9:30 am Parish Eucharist
10:30 am Town Service at the War Memorial
6:30 pm Evensong and Sermon
- 11th Nov** **Monday**
11:00 am Holy Communion at Hailey House
- 14th Nov** **Thursday**
11:00 am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)
- 17th Nov** **2nd Sunday before Advent**
8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)
10:00 am Parish Eucharist Preacher Canon Huw Mosford
 Canon Residentiary of St David's and Dean of Bro Lledi
6:30 pm Evensong and Sermon
- 21st Nov** **Thursday**
11:00 am Holy Communion (BCP1662)
- 24th Nov** **Christ the King**
8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)
10:00 am Parish Eucharist and Junior Church
6:30 pm Prayer and Praise
- 28th Nov** **Thursday**
11:00 am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)



DIARY FOR NOVEMBER

Fri 1st Nov	All Saints
Sat 2nd Nov	All Souls
Mon 4th Nov	PCC in The St Katherine Room
Tues 5th Nov	10:00 - 10:30 am prayer Group in the St Katherine Room
	10:00 am - 12 noon Meeting Point
	7:00 pm Mothers' Union
Wed 6th Nov	12 - 1:30 pm All Saints Lunches
	7:00 pm Parish Office in D'Arcy Room
Thu 7th Nov	9:15 am Sunshiners
	2-4 pm Maldon Ladies
	7:00 pm Junior Choir Practice
	7:30 pm Choir Practice
Mon 11th Nov	9:00 am Men's Breakfast at Rose and Crown
	10:00 am - 12 noon Maldon Pioneers
Tue 12th Nov	10:00 am - 12 noon Meeting Point
Thu 14th Nov	9:15 am Sunshiners
	2-4 pm Maldon Ladies
	7:00 pm Junior Choir Practice
	7:30 pm Choir Practice
Sat 16th Nov	2 - 4 pm Messy Church
Mon 18th Nov	10:00 am - 12 noon Maldon Pioneers
Tues 19th Nov	10:00 am - 12 noon Meeting Point
Wed 20th Nov	7:00 pm Parish Office
Thu 21st Nov	9:15 am Sunshiners
	2-4 pm Maldon Ladies
	7:00 pm Junior Choir Practice
	7:30 pm Choir Practice
	7:30 Churches Together in Salvation Army Hall
Mon 25th Nov	10:00 am - 12 noon Maldon Pioneers
Tue 26th Nov	10:00 am - 12 noon Meeting Point
Thu 28th Nov	9:15 am Sunshiners
	2-4 pm Maldon Ladies
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Sat 30th Nov	St Andrew the Apostle



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The next walk will be on Saturday 9th November. We will meet at Winterslete Farm (parking opposite the top cemetery gate) and set off at Ten-to-Ten for a walk around Goldhanger and Little Totham. For more information about the walk and the meeting place for carshare, please ring David on 01621 891248.

Sue

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Lead us not...

I had been teaching my three-year old daughter the Lord's Prayer. For several evenings at bedtime, she would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some e-mail. Amen"

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Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Matthew 7:7-11, Luke 11:5-13

To teach about praying, and God's good gifts, Jesus told this story- 'If you have a visitor arrive in the middle of the night..!'

Oh no! I have no bread to feed him! I am so ashamed! What can I do?... I know!



'You would go round to a friend's house.'



I really, really need some bread for a visitor.



I need that bread!



Jesus concluded...

So keep on asking and it will be given, seeking and you will find, knocking and it will be opened... And parents, if your hungry child asks for bread,



'..would you give them a stone?'



'And if they asked for a fish...'



'..would you give them a snake?'



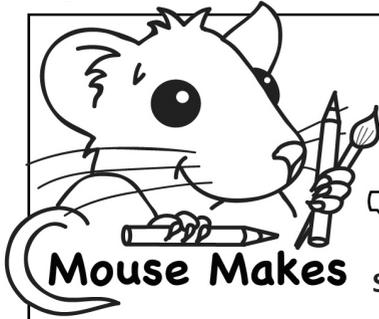
'Or if they asked for an egg...'



'you'd give a scorpion?'

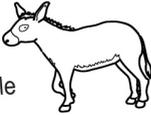


If you, who aren't perfect parents, give good gifts to your children, then don't you think that gifts from your perfect Father, God, will be even better?



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Where was Saul (Paul) going to when Jesus spoke to him?

Acts 9:1-18

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BIBLE JOURNEYS

Where did Noah's ark come to rest after it's journey?

Genesis 8:4

Where did God tell Samuel to travel to to find a new king?

1 Samuel 16:1-4

To which city did God send Jonah?

Jonah 1:1-2

Which town did Joseph take Mary to before Jesus was born?

Luke 2:4

Where did Mary and Joseph flee to to get away from Herod?

Matthew 2:13



"Lord,
 If I go east where the sun rises or go to live west beyond the sea, even there you will take my hand and lead me. Your strong right hand will protect me."
 Psalm 139:9:10

GOD'S WAY

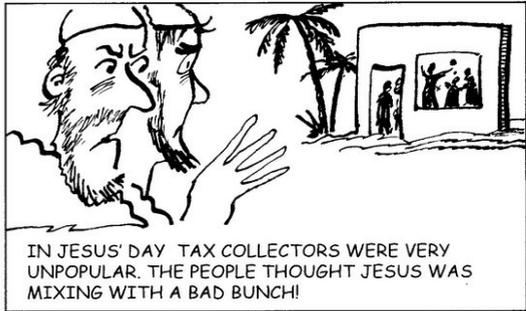
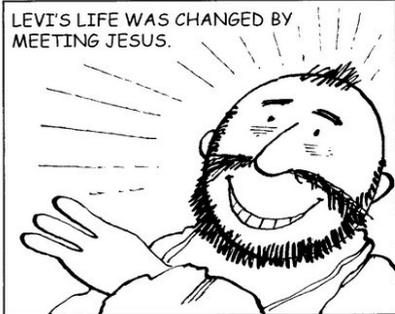
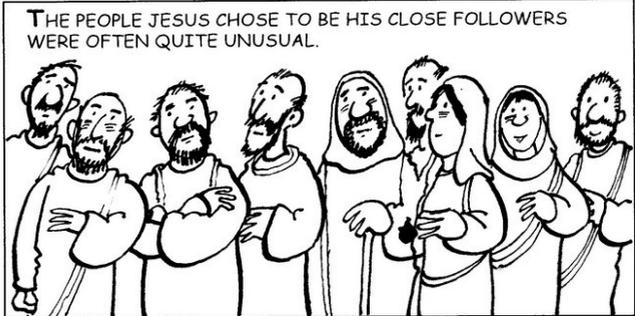
"God is our God for ever and ever, He will be our guide even to the end."
 from Psalm 48:14

"People can plan what they want to do, but it is the Lord who guides their steps."
 Proverbs 16:9





The Doctor and the Sick



THE TEA DANCE

Its the Sunday Tea Dance, and they'll all be here today,
Aches and pains forgotten, dance the afternoon away.
Foxtrots, quicksteps, waltzes, slow, but some are nifty,
With memories of how it used to be way back in nineteen fifty.

Norman's in the toilet and he's struggling to pee,
He's got trouble with his prostate, he'll likely miss his tea.
Eddie's got a new love who he met in Mistleay Heath,
She does a lovely tango, though she hasn't any teeth.

His latest fancy footwork nearly broke his partner's neck,
She mistook his outside swivel for a travelling contra check.
Ida's had her hair done and she's ready for the saunter;
She had a Vindaloo last night and it's coming back to haunt her.

Florrie's mini-skirt's revealing when she's spinning in the Jive,
She really shouldn't wear a thong approaching eighty five.
They've had their tea and cake and chat and had a little laugh,
And gamely rise with creaking knees to face the second half.

Norman's made it back in time for Rumba number One,
His Cucaracha's very neat, but he's left his flies undone.
Vera's fallen over in a massive crimplene heap,
Bert's got indigestion, and Mabel's fast asleep.

Its Last Waltz time, and they get up for Humperdink's old tune,
And then, "Good bye, Good luck, Take care,
God willing, see you soon!"

Submitted by Stephen; found when going through his father's papers.

VICARAGE PIANO

Free to a good home, our Edwardian walnut Crane (of Liverpool and Berlin) piano. It has brass candelabra. Sadly there will not be room for it in our new home. It is the piano I learned on over 50 years ago and has been with me ever since. Needs tuning, but otherwise in reasonable condition.

Stephen



HOLY DAYS

1st November All Saints' Day

The Feast Day of All The Redeemed

All Saints, or All Hallows, is the feast of all the redeemed, known and unknown, who are now in heaven. When the English Reformation took place, the number of saints in the calendar was drastically reduced, with the result that All Saints' Day stood out with a prominence that it had never had before.

This feast day first began in the East, perhaps as early as the 5th century, as commemorating 'the martyrs of the whole world'. A Northern English 9th century calendar named All Hallows as a principal feast, and such it has remained. Down the centuries devotional writers have seen in it the fulfilment of Pentecost and indeed of Christ's redemptive sacrifice and resurrection.

The saints do not belong to any religious tradition, and their lives and witness to Christ can be appreciated by all Christians. Richard Baxter, writing in the 17th century, wrote the following:

He wants not friends that hath thy love,
And made converse and walk with thee,
And with thy saints here and above,
With whom for ever I must be...

As for my friends, they are not lost;
The several vessels of thy fleet,
Though parted now, by tempests tost,
Shall safely in thy haven meet...

The heavenly hosts, world without end,
Shall be my company above;
And thou, my best and surest Friend,
Who shall divide me from thy love?*

1,255 ancient English churches were dedicated to All Saints - a number only surpassed by those dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

**(Maurice Frost (ed.), Historical Companion to Hymns Ancient and Modern (London: Clowes, 1962), no. 274, verses 1,3,6.*

Taken from the Parish Pump Website



Continuing our correspondence between Eustace, rector of St James the Least, and his nephew.... Taken from the Parish Pump website.



The Rectory
St. James the Least

On the perils of eating with members of your church

My dear Nephew Darren

One of the rather dubious pleasures of being rector here is to dine twice a year with Lord and Lady Shuttlingsloe. I was summoned to go along yesterday evening.

As usual, I was greeted by the footman and led into the entrance hall, where only a few weeks ago we held the parish Harvest supper for 200 people. I relinquished my coat, took a deep breath, and set off to follow him down endless corridors to the drawing room. The house is rumoured to be haunted, but I suspect any sounds of footsteps come from guests of previous years, still wandering the corridors trying to find their way out.

There were the usual guests – most of whom were merely continuing conversations they had had the previous evening at another stately, decaying pile in the county. They were standing, because all the chairs were occupied by the Lord's dogs, and everyone agreed that the dogs looked far too comfortable to move. Since one aged golden retriever recognised me, having developed an over-familiarity with my own dog, he amicably let me squeeze beside him on a sofa – even if it left me for the rest of the evening looking as if I was wearing an Afghan coat.

When the meal was ready, the butler arrived with our overcoats, because the dining room is a cavernous chamber which is largely unheated as birds are nesting in the chimney. Lord Shuttlingsloe considers this perfectly acceptable, since his family have been eating in this way for the past 500 years, which is how long most of the present staff have worked there.

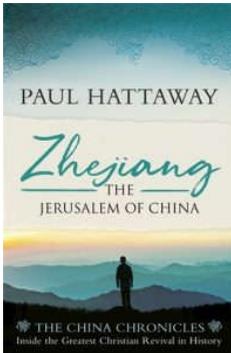
Conversation at my end of the table was less than easy, since Lady S dozed throughout the meal and my companion on the other side seemed to hold me personally responsible for the Spanish Inquisition. Had I been, she would most definitely have been on my list for questioning.



As Rector, one has one's social responsibilities, but I confess, there were moments when I rather envied your own evening, with a meal on a tray in front of the television – in a warm house.

Your loving uncle,
Eustace

Book Reviews



Zhejiang - the Jerusalem of China

By Paul Hattaway, SPCK, £10.99

'In one six-week period in November and December, more than 400 church buildings were bulldozed to the ground ...'

Zhejiang, a prosperous eastern province, is home to the highest percentage of Christians in China. This volume describes how God established His kingdom there, using a one-legged Scotsman to bring the gospel to the large city of Wenzhou, which today contains so many churches it has earned the nickname 'the Jerusalem of China'.

The Church in Zhejiang was called to make great sacrifices during the Cultural Revolution, when from just one city 50 church leaders were sent to prison, 49 of whom died for their faith. The Communists earmarked Zhejiang as a 'religion-free zone' in the 1950s and 1960s, yet to the glory of God, Jesus Christ is worshipped today by more than 13 million people throughout the province.

This is the third volume in *The China Chronicles*, which tells the modern history of the Church in China. The series is designed to inform the wider world of the astonishing work of the Holy Spirit in China.

Taken from the Parish Pump website.



For a second year, All Saints Church will be holding a

Christmas Tree Festival

..... a repeat of last year's successful event.

This year's festival will take place from **Friday 6th until Sunday 8th December** with a display of Christmas Trees representing organisations within the Church and the town.

Letters have gone to church and local groups inviting them to take part but is there anyone else who would like to provide and decorate a tree for the event? Setting up will take place on Thursday 6th December between 12noon and 5pm and the Festival will be open on Friday and Saturday between 10am-6pm and from 11am on Sunday culminating with the Christingle Service at 3pm that day.

There will also be an "event" on the Saturday evening, 7 – 9pm when the Church will be lit just from the tree lights. Seasonal refreshments will be served and there will be chance for the children to find Father Christmas who will be wandering around the trees!



Trees, real or artificial, should be between one and six feet tall; please decorate as you wish; battery lights only please as there are only limited electrical sockets.

Please let me know if you will be taking part, the size of your tree and any special requests. Some trees will stand on the floor and some on boarding across the pews.

Please let me know as soon as possible so the planning can commence.

If you are not involved in decorating a tree and would like to make a contribution of money this would be very gratefully received. It is hoped that the church will be lit by tree lights and (battery) candles on the Saturday evening so the money would go towards this. Please get in touch if you would like to help. Thank you.

Let's hope this event will be the great success it was last year and will once again bring us together and help us all to share the joy of Christmas.

Julie Ovenden
01621 858803



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Dates for the Diary

1st Dec	6:30 pm Advent Darkness to Light
7th Dec	Shoppers' Carols
6th - 8th Dec	Christmas Tree Festival
8th Dec	3:00 pm Christingle Service
	5:00 pm Town Carol Service in the URC
22nd Dec	6:30 pm Nine lessons and Carols with MDC
2nd Feb	Stephen's Last Sunday at All Saints'
26th April	10:00 am Archdeacon Elisabeth to officiate at the Eucharist
10th May	10:00 am Bishop of Bradwell to officiate at the Eucharist
18th July	7:30 pm Concert by men2sing in church

Please let me have your dates for future events.

Don't assume that I will know them. Ed.

FROM THE REGISTERS



HOLY BAPTISM

October 20th **EMMA ALEXANDRA SINCLAIR** of Burnham on Crouch

FUNERALS

October 1st **MARGARET VALERIE SMITH** aged 77 of Warwick Drive

October 15th **MICHAEL DAVID LAWFORD** aged 78 of Shelly Close

October 17th **BRIAN RAYMOND HASTINGS** aged 83 of Market Hill

October 21st **AUDREY HUNT** aged 75 of Cooper Court



Prayer Diary

November 2019

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|----|--------------------------|--|
| 1 | All Saints' Day | For all who live in our Parish |
| 2 | All Souls' Day | Our loved ones departed this life |
| 3 | 4th Sunday before Advent | |
| | | Missionaries throughout the world |
| 4 | | For the poverty stricken |
| 5 | | All Politicians |
| 6 | | The Archbishop of Canterbury |
| 7 | | Bishops Stephen and John |
| 8 | | All prisoners |
| 9 | | All Judges and Magistrates |
| 10 | 3rd Sunday before Advent | Remembrance Sunday |
| | | Our servicemen and women |
| 11 | | The Royal British Legion |
| 12 | | All who suffer as a result of war |
| 13 | | The newly elected Mayor of London |
| 14 | | Prison Chaplains |
| 15 | | Residents of the care homes in Maldon |
| 16 | | Probation Officers |
| 17 | 2nd Sunday before Advent | |
| | | Police Community Support Officers |
| 18 | | Chaplains to the emergency services |
| 19 | | Those who work in the emergency services |
| 20 | | Churches together in Maldon |
| 21 | | Those who live alone |
| 22 | | The Mission and Ministry of Churches at home |
| 23 | | The work of General Synod |
| 24 | Christ the King | Our Ministry Team as they prepare for Advent and the
Christmas Season |
| 25 | | General Practitioners |
| 26 | | Charities working to provide shelter for the homeless |
| 27 | | All present day hymn and worship song writers |
| 28 | | Those recently ordained as Deacons |
| 29 | | The Missionary work of the Church |
| 30 | St Andrew | Churches dedicated to St Andrew |

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Sunshiners (Pre School Group Thursdays 9:15 am)	Gill Nelson	01621 852119
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Handbell Ringers	Susan Duke	01621 851623
Flower Group	Betty Smith	01621 854143
Bible Society	Joan Downham	01621854655
Mothers' Union`	Marie Keeble	01621 856354
Childrens Society	Elaine Brown	01621
Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer Scouts (14-18yrs)	Cliff Hunter	01621 852013
Meeting Point	Barbara Gale	01621 928538
Maldon Pioneers	Mike Frederick	01621 840951
Maldon Ladies Group	Vivien Clark	01621 740374
Ramblers Club		
Prayer Group		
Messy Church	Elaine Brown	

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PARISH OFFICE

Requests for Baptisms and Marriages should be made at the Parish Office situated in the Church - entrance via the main entrance door from the High Street - on 1st and 3rd Wed of the month between 7:00 and 8:00 pm

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