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"Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit"

Galations 5.25

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Welcome to the December/January Edition of LINK

One of our Churchwardens, Gill Morris, writes ...



Christmas is going to be very different this year. We will probably miss singing carols more than anything, unless there is still a restriction on family visits. But one thing will be the same - the true meaning and message of Christmas; this story has never changed and is still as real and relevant as it was over 2,000 years ago. Let me share with you the Bidding Prayer I used at every carol service I led when in schools.

"It is a tired world, and we are tired men and women who live in it, for we seek after some new thing. Let us pass out through the gate into the Kingdom of Heaven and not be tired any more, because there we will find the new thing that we seek.

Let us hear again the message of the angels that He had come to bring peace to all men and let us pray for peace in our troubled world today.

Let us join those who first worshipped the Christ child. We are none of us too poor, or lowly or stupid; it was the shepherds who saw Him first. We are none of us too great, or learned, or rich; it was the wise men who came next and offered gifts. We are none of us too young; it was the little children who first laid down their lives for Him; or too old, for Simeon saw and recognised Him.

There is only one thing against most of us - we are too proud.

So let us go to Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass and the Babe lying in a manger."

So as we worship at Christmas, be it in church, on Zoom, on TV or wherever, may this message warm our hearts and lighten what has been a dark year.

I wish you a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Gill

CHURCH SERVICES - December 2020

*Our regular services are now 10.15 at All Saints' and 10.00 at St Andrew's
(all socially distanced, of course!)*

Interregnum:

- * It is great having a faithful few praying together each week
- * We are grateful to the retired clergy for all they are doing and for Tim Cosby for the Online service
- * Zoom is helping to keep people together
- * I will be in touch with Bishop Debbie once the Diocese have met later in November when they are discussing staffing in the Diocese. Please pray that they will consider our Parish worthy of an appointment.
- * The PCC will be discussing the Parish profile at their next meeting.
- * The young Mums are leading a Christingle project in Hordle school
- * Pray that our Christmas services will be special and well attended
- * It is possible that the Vicarage will be let from the end of November—no details as the Diocese is dealing with it all.

Christmas Services

All Saints

- Dec 6th 10.15 Christingle
 Dec 13th 10.15 Nativity Service
 Dec 20th 10.15 Carol Service
 6.30 Carol Service
 Dec 24th 4.00 Crib service (in the Hall)
 11.30 Midnight Communion
 Dec 25th 10.15 Family Service

St Andrew's

- Dec 6th 10.00 Advent Carol Service
 Dec 20th 10.00 Carol Service
 3.00 Carol Service
 Dec 25th 10.00 Christmas Service
 with Communion
 Dec 27th 10.00 Morning Prayer (Joint service)
*It is necessary to book for all these services. There
 will be an overflow in the Hall at All Saints.*



JANUARY CHURCH SERVICES

As we go to print in November, it is impossible to predict where we will be in January 2021!

Hopefully, we will back in our churches on Sundays—please read the weekly updates or check the website for details!

Happy Birthday!

Babs Stainer will be 90 on 17th January. Congratulations Babs!



We won't have a Christmas this year

We won't have a Christmas this year, you say,
For now the children have all gone away;
And the house is so lonely, so quiet and so bare
We couldn't have a Christmas that they didn't share.

We won't have a Christmas this year, you sigh,
For Christmas means things that money must buy.
Misfortunes and illness have robbed us we fear
Of the things that we'd need to make Christmas this year.

We won't have a Christmas this year you weep,
For a loved one is gone, and our grief is too deep;
It will be a long time before our hearts heal,
And the spirit of Christmas again we can feel.

But if you lose Christmas when troubles befall,
You never have really had Christmas at all.
For once you have had it, it cannot depart
When you learn that true Christmas is Christ in your heart.

Verna S. Teeuwissen





Anne's 'Thoughts from the Tiptoe Triangle'



We live in hope. Hope for an effective vaccine for Covid-19, hope for Christmas services in church, above all, hope in trust for the abundance of eternal life. We persevere in this hope, knowing that, as Paul wrote in his letter to the Romans, 'all things work together for good for those who love God' (Romans 8:28).

Meanwhile, there are challenges to face. Lockdown, loneliness, sickness and grief, along with the struggles for many which go with the limitations on life at present, or may be present for different reasons. But, as Paul wrote:

'We know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.' (Romans 5:3-5)

We have the Holy Spirit to strengthen us. The power of God, which passes all understanding, is bestowed on us as we depend on Him in these times. We can draw on the amazing love of God to share with those around us, to offer neighbourly support, in whatever form this takes: phone calls, food deliveries, a passing wave.

As we immerse ourselves in that amazing love, maybe in this season we can be reminded of the words of Christina Rossetti:

**Love came down at Christmas
Love all lovely, love divine
Love was born at Christmas
Stars and angels gave the sign.
Love will be our token
Love be yours, and love be mine
Love from God to all of us
Love for plea and gift a sign.**

Let's be filled with that love this Christmas and spread God's love and blessings with all we meet and pray for, now and in the year ahead.

May God be with you all this Christmas and throughout the coming year.

Anne



New Forest Basics Bank needs your help



Following the start of the second lockdown many families in our area who have again been furloughed are struggling to manage. The demands on the Basics Bank for support is relentless but the closure of our churches makes the collection of tins etc. difficult. If you can help with financial support, then the volunteers at the Basics Bank can do the rest by bulk buying, sorting and delivering food parcels to those in need of them.

Donations can be left in the Church Office or sent to me at 44 Brook Avenue, New Milton, BH25 5HD. Cheques should be made payable to New Forest Basics Bank. Please remember in your prayers those struggling to feed their families because of drastic changes to their circumstances due to the pandemic.

Thank you.

Mike and Jill Peace



A huge "Thank you" to all who filled a shoebox with toys and gifts this year. Shopping for items has not been easy this season, so your commitment to taking part in Operation Christmas Child has been even more worthwhile. May I suggest to knitters in our congregation that we use the winter months to build up a stash of children's hats and gloves to help fill next year's boxes!

Hordle and Tiptoe churches joined with the parish at Milford to collect nearly 350 shoeboxes. That is nearly 350 gifts of Hope that will reach children desperately in need of some happiness. There will be laughter and joy, knowing that they are special this Christmas. Thank you.



Gill and Lydia



Hordle CE (VA) Primary School & Nursery

What a busy first term we have had !



Here at Team Hordle we invited our children back into the school with safe open arms to a slightly different school than they were used to. The pandemic has brought about many challenges for all but in true Hordle spirit, everyone has risen to those challenges and remained positive and supportive throughout.

Admiration for both children and staff is not a strong enough word in the circumstances for the strength that all have shown. It has been truly inspiring.

As we lead up to Christmas and the celebration of Jesus' birth and all that surrounds the wonders of this time of year, the team and our PATCH PTA team are working hard to ensure the children can still enjoy all the festivities in a very different-looking but innovative way. We all wish to thank the children, staff, parents and community for their tremendous support and understanding through our first term and now leading into our next in very unusual times.

The children have achieved some amazing feats across the whole school and we are very proud of their continuing resilience and teamship.



Our Hordle School awards and recognitions throughout Covid19 have all been very well deserved and very much appreciated by us all. The huge amount of love we have received from the community as a whole has been rather overwhelming and we are so pleased that we can continue to deliver Team Hordle's high standards of education and support in all areas.



WISHING YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS

FROM TEAM HORDLE





LINK is very grateful to Graham Fairbairn for helping us to focus on the meaning of The Apostles' Creed .

A Plain Person's Guide to the Apostles Creed - 5



I Believe.....On the third day he rose again;

When Jesus was taken down from the cross he was dead. The fact was attested by the Roman authorities present at the cross and to make absolutely sure a spear was driven into his trunk - a wound that under normal circumstances would have been sufficient to kill a man. He was laid in a tomb and a large stone placed to seal it, but three days later the tomb was empty and he was seen alive by most of his close friends, his brother and 500 people gathered at one time.

However it is not these biblical accounts alone, nor the number of references in the Apostles' letters to Jesus' resurrection that convince us that this is factual, but that for two millennia Christians have experienced *"new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead"* as the writer to the Hebrews tells us. Or as the Apostle Peter puts it, *"as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life"*. The resurrection of Jesus speaks of God's power to defeat humanities' last and final enemy – death. *"Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."*

**I do not seek to understand in order that I believe
Rather, I believe in order to understand**

Anselm (Archbishop of Canterbury in 12th century)



Meet the PCC - 14 Alastair Pickburn



I was born in High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire but moved to the south coast only a couple of years later. In 2000 I studied Mechanical Engineering at Nottingham University. After leaving university I kicked off my career working in the oil & gas industry. Then In 2017 I switched industry and went to work for Prysmian cables in Eastleigh for a couple of years before finding an opportunity at the start of 2020 to move into the world of telecommunications, working for AFL on ways of delivering ultra-fast fibre broadband to more people's homes across the country.

My wife, Milly, and I have lived in Hordle since 2008 and we have two children, Cameron (8) and Isabelle (5), both of whom attend Hordle Primary school. We have been involved with All Saints' Church since we moved to the village, enjoying events like church quizzes and Men's Breakfast, helping with the likes of Sunday school, All Age Worship and Messy Church and this year I started playing guitar in the church worship music group.

My interests are varied; I've run marathons, set up a Junior parkrun in New Milton and love being on the water, either sailing or windsurfing. I've always had a certain technical aptitude and this year it's turned out to be very useful with the unexpected need to start collating online worship service videos each week. I hope the services have helped maintain a sense of community during these difficult times; 45 Sundays in and they are still going strong!

I look forward to working with the rest of the PCC as we begin the search for a new vicar for All Saints and St. Andrew's.

"On The Mend" - Elizabeth Bennett

My thanks to all those who have been praying, emailing, sending cards, and telephoning following my recent stroke. I'm glad to report that I came home on Friday the 13th and am steadily improving. Perhaps God has his own ways of slowing us down??!! I shall be back in harness on Advent Sunday, and look forward to being in church again soon after that. Blessings to all of you - "Rev Elizabeth"





In November, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York wrote a joint letter to the Nation. For reasons of space, this is a very slightly abbreviated version of their letter ...



Dear Friends, These are deeply challenging and difficult times for us all.

When we are surrounded by fear and suffering, it can be hard to feel hopeful. This coming winter feels like it will be longer and darker than usual. There is a story in the Bible where Jesus and his disciples are caught in a storm. The disciples are understandably terrified as the wind and waves threaten to overpower them. 'Why are you so afraid?', Jesus asks. This year, we too have been caught in a storm which often feels overwhelming. And yet we can look to Jesus, in the boat with us, who calms the storm and comforts us in our fear.

We are writing to share our belief that whoever you are, and whatever you happen to believe, you are loved by God. Beyond measure. We also want you to know that we are praying for you, particularly asking that Christ's love will comfort us, calm our fears, and lead our nation and our world through this terrible pandemic.

Starting this week, we have asked every church to pray each day at 6pm. We invite you to join with us. There are three other responses that we want to encourage everyone to consider - **First, let's be calm.** By only buying what we need and not hoarding, or by reaching out to our neighbours as we did during the first lockdown, we can be stronger together in ways that are impossible if we go it alone. When things go wrong - as they always will with such complex challenges - let us look for good and right ways forward together. **Secondly, let's be courageous.** There are many reasons to be fearful at the moment, but the story of Christ calming the waves calls us to give our fears to Jesus and have faith in Him. The British willingness just to get on with things is one of our very best characteristics - let us not be paralysed by fear. We will all need each other's courage in the months to come. **Thirdly, let's be compassionate.** So many of us are holding so much pain - our own and the pain of those we love. We will need to be gentle, kind and patient with each other. In the first wave we showed we are a nation of compassion and kindness. Let's dig deep and keep that love for our neighbours strong in this second time of struggle. Even though there is much darkness around us, there are also many points of light in the weeks ahead.

Soon it will be Christmas. At his birth Jesus was also called Emmanuel. It's a word that appears in lots of carols. It means 'God is with us'. And this is the message of Christmas: in Jesus, God is with us, sharing our darkness and our struggles, bringing comfort and joy. It is the source of our hope. As the Bible says: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." (John 1:5) Let us shine in the darkness of this winter.

May God bless you and keep you, and all those you love.

The Most Revd & Rt Hon Justin Welby The Most Revd & Rt Hon Stephen Cottrell



It was 25 years ago, Christmas 1995, when Pat Fisher, my mother, completed and presented these banners to St Andrew's Church where she attended regularly. Through her many years of enjoying needlework, she would say it was these banners, as well as the Easter, Pentecost and Jesus banners she made for the church, that gave her the most pleasure, using her God-given gifts as worship to Him. My mother passed away last year. She would be delighted to know the banners were still being displayed and enjoyed so many years later!

Anthea Fisher





These banners will, as usual, be displayed in St Andrew's this Christmas.





A Prayer for those who live alone

I live alone, dear Lord,
Stay by my side,
In all my daily needs
Be Thou my guide.
Grant me good health,
For that, indeed, I pray,
To carry on my work
From day to day.
Keep pure my mind,
My thoughts, my every deed,
Let me be kind, unselfish
In my neighbour's need.
Spare me from fire, from flood,
Malicious tongues,
From thieves, from fear,
And evil ones.
If sickness or an accident befall,
Then Humbly, Lord, I pray,
Hear Thou my call,
And when I'm feeling low,
Or in despair,
Lift up my heart
And help me in my prayer.
I live alone, dear Lord,
Yet have no fear,
Because I feel your Presence
Ever near. Amen

Barbara Gibson offered this poem for LINK, particularly in this time of ongoing restrictions and shorter days, hoping that others may be encouraged by its words.



THANK YOU!



Dear All,

Hello from Barnstaple! We are settling in very well and getting to know our way around after a bit of exploring! We are mostly unpacked, with, of course, one or two boxes left to go!

I wanted to take this opportunity just to say a massive thank you for the wonderful send-off we got from both congregations and especially for the extremely generous gifts from all of you who contributed. We were so moved by the incredible generosity and thoughtfulness of all the gifts, cards and the very generous cheque we received on our final Sunday in the parish. We would love to keep in touch; so please do get our contact details from Peter in the church office if you want to catch up.

We will, of course, continue to pray for Hordle Parish as you seek to appoint a new Incumbent and as you all continue to serve the Lord together, in the power of the Holy Spirit, throughout the interregnum. All our love and prayers,

Every blessing, Paul, Ali, Ella and Holly Taylor

Report from Standing Committee

The present financial situation will not allow for the budgeted amount of £90,000 to be paid to the Diocese for the Common Mission fund. The PCC will need to decide in December how much can be paid, possibly nearer £80,000.

In preparation for the Parish profile the PCC members were asked to write in with their thoughts on the potential attributes of a new vicar. These have been collated and will be discussed at the January PCC.

The Parish Mission Action plan is being updated and will be discussed in December.

A new Church of England Safeguarding policy is to be approved by PCC.

The continued upkeep of the church buildings and surrounds continues to keep Duncan and his helpers busy.

The Christmas services and other initiatives for the community are all in hand and eagerly anticipated following the excellent Remembrance Day on-line service.

Mary Moynagh, PCC Secretary



Tim Cosby has given us another varied diet of After-Service interviews ...

Andrew Franklin is known to us as our efficient and hard-working treasurer. But before retirement he was Director of Finance and Administration at the Anglican Communion in London, the most interesting and rewarding job he had in his life.



He spoke of fond memories of well known people, including Archbishops Carey, Williams and Tutu. He said they are just ordinary people called to serve God in their own particular way.

The Anglican Communion is, effectively, the Global Anglican Church of which there are approximately 80 million members. 165 countries are members of 40 'Provinces'. The Church of England is one Province, as is the Episcopal Church of America and the Church of Ireland. The Archbishop of Canterbury is seen as 'the first among many' and as such does not hold a position of 'seniority'. The whole concept of the Communion is – 'Unity and not Uniformity'.

Andrew also spoke of his memories of travelling and visiting other churches abroad. He remembers being greatly moved by the joy and exuberance displayed in the worship of a congregation in South Africa. In his opinion the centre of the Anglican Church is now in South Africa.

David Gibbons, Regional Manager, Southern England, Operation Christmas Child spoke about the 'Shoebbox' campaign. Shoebbox was started in 1990 by David Cook and has grown into a massive global outreach. During this period 178 million gifts have been made to children in 160 countries. The Mission Statement is: 'Good News Great Joy'.



These shoeboxes, in many cases, is the only time these children will ever receive gift.

The organisation works with local Christian groups to distribute the gifts and also encourages the children to then join the Greatest Journey training. Through 12 fun and interactive lessons taught by teachers within their communities and churches, children discover who Jesus is, the hope He brings and the importance of sharing their faith in Christ with family and friends. More than 14.9 million children have enrolled in this programme since 2009. Often whole families come to know the Lord as a result of the gifts being given to their children.

David confirmed that the £5 donation to be included in the Shoebbox is used to cover all admin and distribution costs involved.

Other support offered by Samaritan's Purse includes donations to over 400 churches in the UK as well as provision of field hospitals for Covid treatment in Italy and New York.



Bob Bartlett, Vice Chairman, Hampshire Royal British Legion spoke to us about the Legion's work and the way that Covid has seriously impacted on the charity this year.



Set up in 1921, next year's centenary celebrations are currently on hold. A Royal Charter was bestowed in the 1970s. 99% of the trustees are volunteers who form the core of the Legion.

In 2019 the Legion raised £100m with half of this coming from the community through Poppy Appeal etc. This year Bob expects the funds raised to be less than half of that and the Legion will be relying more than ever on its corporate sponsors.

Five years ago, due to the proliferation of charities seeking to raise funds in this area, Veteran's Gateway was formed to take overall control of all service related charities. It provides a one stop call centre and management to ensure a speedy and efficient support system for both serving and retired personnel when a need arises.

Bob is a member of the Legion's Riders' Branch which is a nationwide group of motor cycle enthusiasts. Dressed in their leathers with shiny bikes they attend a whole range of events encouraging support for the Legion.

He referred to his own Naval career as a submariner and spoke of his immense respect for our armed forces. He spoke about the traumatic situations that service people often cope with in their work and the real need to support them.

Finally Bob spoke about the way that the Armed Services have been involved in the current Pandemic situation in building Nightingale Hospitals, operating Track and Trace testing facilities. Also many medical staff have been working in the NHS.

Bill Petts' 'lockdown muse' has been at work again ...

An eager young curate named Paul,
Came from Poole to look after us all,
He bubbled along,
With a smile and a song,
God go with you and Ali and all.

A bubbly young curate named Paul,
Came from Poole to care for us all,
He surfed through his mission,
With fervour and vision,
Now to Barnstaple with Ali and all.

**Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come
Whispering, "It will be happier"** Alfred Lord Tennyson



Thoughts from my Garden ...

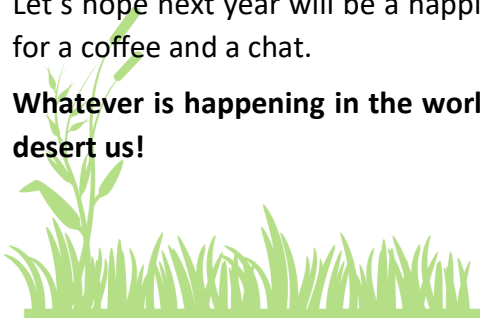
A few years ago, I decided I wanted to have something in bloom all the year; the mahonia is looking great and will smell sweet on warmer days, roses keep going until Christmas. The weigela has unseasonable flowers at the moment, and the philadelphus has one flower to remind me how nice its scent is! Two pots are still full of colour and I think I will leave them alone and see how they cope with winter. The geraniums are staying out, last year the plants I left out did well. The trailing geraniums are safely in the greenhouse, and they will be joined by the fuchsias which can be cut back and will come on earlier with a bit of protection.

After Christmas, the winter flowering honeysuckle will produce sweetly scented flowers, and soon there will be spring bulbs up and flowering, starting the cycle again. Gardening is a never-ending occupation; you get failures but there is always next year, you hope!

Some years ago, some used compost was tipped on the corner of the vegetable patch, and now every year, I get a free display of nasturtiums. I keep them under control until the cooler Autumn weather comes and then they take over! Frogs and toads enjoy being under the leaves, ready to make me jump. The robin is still guarding his garden - I hope he will be alright through the winter.

Let's hope next year will be a happier year for us all - I have missed going out for a coffee and a chat.

Whatever is happening in the world, the true meaning of Christmas will not desert us!



See you in 2021

**We begin to lose our sense of humour from the age of 23.
A survey finds it takes the average 40 year old 10 weeks to laugh as
much as a 4 year old does in a single day.**

Recently quoted in The Times



Dear God ...

I really would like to know you better, but I'm used to meeting and speaking to real human people, not spirits. There is so much I'm not sure about you, speaking to you and listening is difficult.



Dear Carolyn,

Be creative, use your imagination as you try to find out about me. Use some of the things I have made, they will tell you what I'm like. Look at water for instance, in a glass or bowl, what does it do? It flows, runs to fill up space, it has power. What is it for? It is life giving, it cleans and heals. You can use a stone or a leaf or flower. What do they reveal about me?

Or you can imagine I am with you in the room, or walking together down the street. What am I like? You may not want me to be with you. I may be, to you, not the loving person you have been told about, but judging and punishing; or someone who has big expectations of you. Are you frightened of me? Find out, if you can, if this keeps us at a distance. On the other hand I may be a comfort if you can feel me near you. I love you.

Carolyn Petts.



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would like to wish you all a
Very Happy Christmas and a
Healthy New Year

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DIOCESE of
WINCHESTER

Winchester Charity Christmas Card Shop

Well, it opened on time in October, it shut as demanded in November but it intends to reopen in December whenever the second lockdown ends.

A full range of cards will be available from the shop at 155 High Street (the former Whittards shop). Do visit it if you can to get your Christmas Cards and to support charities at the same time.



Cathy Wallis

HOME MADE MARMALADE

Some of you will know that Jenny and I took over making and selling marmalade in aid



of The Leprosy Mission from Daphne Bamber. Since Covid struck, we have not been able to sell through our usual channels of the Luncheon Club and Tea at Three so we are offering a home delivery service to anyone who would like to purchase delicious home made marmalade and chutney! We have available Seville Orange Marmalade, Lemon and Lime Marmalade, Mango Chutney and Apple Chutney. Prices range from £1 to £1.50 per jar.

Telephone 01425 617829 to order and arrange delivery, or my email address is debbierichard@hotmail.co.uk We will make fresh batches of the marmalade in January; chutney and lemon marmalade can be made to order.

Debbie Gaskin



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HORDLE VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

Hordle W.I. meets on first Tuesdays at 2pm in the W.I. Hall, Ashley Lane, Hordle.
Contact: Lesley Hogbourne, **01425 627942**

Hordle Gardening Club meets on Fridays at 7.30pm in the Pavilion, Ashley Lane, Hordle. Contact: Secretary, Sue Winter, **01425 610171**

Hordle Flower Club meets 2nd Wednesday in the month at The Pavilion, Vaggs Lane. 7pm for 7.30pm. Contact: Denise Gibb **01590 642804**

Hordle Photographic Club meets on 2nd and 4th Mondays in the Church Room at All Saints'. Contact: Ian Blundell **01425 629838**

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Tiptoe Brownies (term time only). 4.30-6.00 for girls 7-10 years. Meet in the school. Contact: Rachael Garman, 01425 615683

SCARF Youth Club, 6.30-8.00 for children with special needs aged 11-16.
Contact: Lucinda, 07874 221249

Young Farmers' Club, Tiptoe Contact: brock.hantsyfc@gmail.com

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