November 2023

BATHWICK NEWS

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St John's (opposite the fire station)



St Mary's (by Bathwick Hill roundabout)

WHO'S WHO IN THE BATHWICK PARISHES

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OCTOBER SERVICES

ST MARY'S CHURCH (Bathwick Hill roundabout)

10.30am every Sunday, Parish Eucharist & Sermon

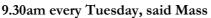
10.30am every Wednesday, traditional language Eucharist 9.30am every Friday, said Eucharist

Sunday evening services at 6pm: 5 November (Choral) Evensong and 19 November (said) Evensong



ST JOHN'S CHURCH (opposite the Fire Station)

9am every Sunday, Parish Mass & Sermon



10.30am every Thursday, said Mass

9.30am every Saturday, said Mass

Sunday evening services: 12 November 4pm (sung Evensong & Benediction) and 5pm (Walsingham Cell) and 26 November Evensong & Benediction

SPECIAL SERVICES IN NOVEMBER



ALL SOULS DAY – Thursday 2nd November: Requiem Mass for the departed, 10.30am and 7.30pm Sung Mass, St John's

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, 12th November:

Services to include wreath laying and two minutes silence 9am Sung Mass, St John's and 10.30am Sung Eucharist, St Mary's





CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY, 26th November:

St Mary's will celebrate the contribution of all groups making up the parish family 10.30am Sung Eucharist, St Mary's followed by bring-and-share lunch

A LETTER FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST, FR PETER EDWARDS

Dear brothers and sisters,

Welcome to this November edition of Bathwick News—my prayers and best wishes to all who read this magazine; I hope you will be able to support the many wide-ranging activities taking place in our churches over these next weeks.

Much of November is characterised by Remembrance—it's the time of year when many of our services and activities look back with thanksgiving to those who have shaped our lives as individuals and as a community—both locally and nationally.

On Thursday 2nd November, All Souls Day, we hold our annual service of Requiem for the departed of this community and beyond—the main service of the day will be at 7.30pm at St John's church. Please add the names of any departed loved ones to the chantry lists at the back of both churches in advance of this service and they will be prayed for by name at this Sung Mass.

And Sunday 12th November is of course Remembrance Sunday when we pray for all those who have given their lives in warfare. Our principal services will take place at 9am at St John's and 10.30am at St Mary's, and both of these will include the traditional two minutes' silence. It is a particularly poignant time this year as tensions rise once again in Israel and Gaza following the recent terrorist atrocity and the reprisals against Hamas that have followed. The ongoing war in Ukraine also continues to be a source of concern and the subject of our prayers for all involved. We pray especially for all innocent civilians caught up in these conflicts—as hostages, bereaved, displaced from their homes, wounded and killed; for humanitarian aid for all those need; and for all those in authority across the world that they may use their influence to build a peaceful, just society.

Other events are taking place during November include a Coffee morning at St Mary's on Saturday 4th (10am-midday) (see p.9 of this magazine) in aid of the ongoing restoration costs associated with the church maintenance (the latest project is the replacement of parts of the audio system in the church); a recital from the excellent music group Musicke in the Ayre on 18th November (3pm) featuring three soloists and a lute accompaniment (see p.18); and a concert from our friends in the University Chamber Choir on 25th November (7.30pm) (see p.19).

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HEALTHY CHURCHES SURVEY

Regular worshippers at both our churches will remember that earlier in the year, members of our congregations completed a survey questionnaire as part of the **Healthy Churches Initiative.** The survey is designed to measure our strengths and weaker areas against **eight key areas** of empowering leadership, gift-based ministry, passionate spirituality, effective structures, inspiring worship, small groups, outreach, and loving relationships (some initial thoughts were shared in my letters to this magazine in July and September). Our PCCs have been working to review these results, in order to celebrate our strengths and develop our presence in other areas.

At St Mary's, many of the identified strengths were in the area of inspiring worship – particularly in people feeling connected to God in a meaningful way in worship, the contribution of music to the service, and people both preparing for worship and feeling that worship has a positive influence. Other strengths (in the area of effective structures) were our understanding of how the different parts of the church work together; (in the area of loving relationships) that we're good at telling people when they've performed a task well; and (in the area of gift-based ministry) that many of us know our own personal gifts, and that we know what value our work has in the overall work of the parish.

We plan to hold a celebration at St Mary's of our worship, and of the different groups that make up our life together—including our musicians, altar servers, prayer groups, gardening team, our Primary School, the toddler group, the regular community users of our church hall, and our links to the wider

church, local voluntary organisations and care homes on the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday 26 November at 10.30am.

Each of these groups will be asked to decorate a large jigsaw piece which will be presented during the service and which will "fit together" to symbolically reflect how all these groups form part of the wider church family.



I HOPE THAT AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE WILL JOIN US FOR OUR CELEBRATORY SERVICE ON 26 NOVEMBER AND FOR CELEBRATORY REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS.

With my prayers and best wishes to you all

CHARITY FOR OTHERS IN NOVEMBER

St John's Church gives away 10% of its general income at the end of each year to support 12 charities. Each month we remember the work of one of these charities. Please support these good causes.

Charity for November: THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION" (POPPY DAY)

This charity is perhaps too well known to warrant further detail, other than to remind ourselves of the ultimate sacrifice given by the men and women of our armed forces during two World Wars, and subsequent conflicts.

We support, and remember in our prayers those who died, those who suffered lifetime injuries, both physical and psychological, the families they left behind, and the succeeding generations.

Mary Barry

ST MARY'S CHURCH makes weekly collections during the Sunday Services using the "Alms" envelopes which are given away. At St Mary's week by week in November we will support the following charities:

Sunday 5th EMERGENCY AID enables us to give donations when there are unexpected major disasters, usually from natural causes, anywhere in the world.

Sunday 12th COMBAT STRESS provides clinical treatment and support for veterans from the British Armed Forces, with a focus on those with complex mental health issues. It helps former servicemen and women with mental health problems such as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), anxiety and depression.

Sunday 19th BATH WOMEN'S REFUGE provides good quality, safe refuge accommodation where survivors of domestic abuse can recover from their experiences in a non-judgemental, supportive setting. It also enables access to legal and financial advice and specialist children and family support.

Sunday 26th BATH FOOD BANK needs financial help as well as the donations of food we give. It employs two staff, has a warehouse and their own van for food collection.

Robin and Sarah Davies

THE NIGHT SHIFT WITH JESUS IN BATH

Until I joined the Bath City Pastors (BCP) as an observer one Saturday night in June this year, I had no idea about the night life in Bath – busy night clubs with queues out on the pavement and burly doormen and women, hen parties, rough sleepers in doorways, inebriated young people weaving their way along the streets. My interest in becoming a BCP was sparked by Clare Edwards, who is one herself. I contacted the Co-ordinator and received a friendly and encouraging response back – hence my first observer shift. In due time this was followed by a second plus a training morning and references, before I did my first shift as a fully-fledged BCP in September followed by one in early October.



The BCP team wear bright yellow anoraks and set out, after a short time of prayer together, with rucksacks on their backs filled with a range of items from blankets and socks to hot drinks and snacks plus a dustpan and brush to sweep up any broken glass on the pavement. They work alongside others such as the street marshals, door staff and club owners and the Suicide Prevention Team. The BCP team stroll along the streets of Bath offering practical help like flip flops to those teetering on high heels, hot drinks to rough sleepers and snacks for their dogs, pointing the way to the university bus stop for students in their first year. They also have informal chats with those they meet along the way and provide a listening ear when appropriate. At times there is a pause for quiet prayer, standing together, for a particular situation such as news of a fight somewhere in the city, or a missing person. However, it is not about preaching or Bible bashing, or judging anyone. The BCP shift ends at 3am with closing prayer for the encounters made during the night.

For me, BCP is about bringing Jesus' presence to all those out in the streets in the early hours of Saturday and Sunday mornings in both practical ways and underpinning all that is done with prayer. Currently the team only have enough members to go out every Saturday night and on two Friday nights a month and they would like to make it every Friday night. So, if you are interested in joining the BCP, please don't hesitate to have a chat with me or Clare or contact the Coordinator of Bath City Pastors direct to join a patrol as an observer (email: bcitypastors@gmail.com).

Sarah Davies







COFFEE MORNING PLUS!

St MARY'S CHURCH BATHWICK

SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER: 10am-12pm

Including stalls with Cuddly Toys, Crafts, Cakes and a Raffle

(In aid of St Mary's Restoration Appeal)





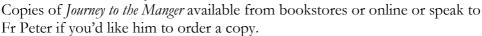


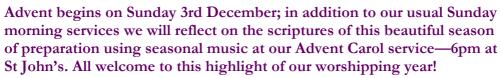
STUDY GROUP FOR ADVENT 2023

Two groups will be meeting each week from late November to the week before Christmas to study Paula Gooder's book *Journey to the Manger*. Paula is an Anglican theologian and author whose work seeks to make the scriptures inspirational for personal discipleship and mission.

All are invited to attend either late Tuesday mornings 11.30am on 28th Nov and 5th, 12th and 19th Dec in the Choir Vestry at St Mary's Church,

or on Thursday evenings 7.30pm on 30th Nov and 7th, 14th and 21st Dec at 4 Sion Place, Bathwick Hill, the home of Steve and Jan Howard.





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Fr Peter

SERVICE MUSIC AT ST MARY'S for NOVEMBER 2023

2 November - All Souls Day

7.30pm Sung Mass (Fr Peter Edwards) (AT ST JOHN'S)

E: Let saints on earth in concert sing EH428

Gr: The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want NEH459

O: Lord of all hopefulness NEH239

C: All ye who seek a comfort sure EH71

R: Now is eternal life NEH114

setting: Wood in the Phrygian Mode motet: Fauré: In paradisum (Requiem)

5 November - 4 before Advent

10.30am Sung Mass (Fr Peter Edwards/Mr Stephen Howard)

E: Judge eternal, throned in splendour NEH490

O: Lift up your hearts! We lift them, Lord NEH398 (t NEH395)

C: Lord Jesus, think on me NEH70 (t i)

R: Will you come and follow me NEP647

setting: Greening

psalm: 43

motet: Byrd: Ave verum

organ: Vierne: Carillon de Longpont

6pm Choral Evensong (Fr Peter Edwards)

Off: O blest creator of the light NEH150

R: Let all the world in every corner sing NEH394

introit: Shepherd: A new commandment

responses: Byrd psalms: 111, 117 setting: Sumsion in A

anthem: Bullock: Give us the wings of faith

organ: Mathias: March

12 November - 3 before Advent (Remembrance Sunday)

10.30am Sung Mass (Fr Peter Edwards)

E: All my hope on God is founded NEH333 Rem: God save our gracious King NEH489

O: O God our help in ages past NEH417

C: And now, O Father, mindful of the love NEH273 (t as set or NEH302)

R: Thou whose almighty Word NEH466

setting: Byrd: Mass for Four Voices

psalm: 63:1-8

motet(s): Guest: For the fallen; Fauré: In paradisum (Requiem)

organ: Elgar: Nimrod

19 November - 2 before Advent

10.30am Sung Mass (Fr Peter Edwards/Bp Alastair Redfern)

E: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty NEH440 (omit *)

O: Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart NEH339

C: God everlasting, wonderful and holy NEH288

R: Take my life, and let it be (sheet ¹, t St Bees NEP637)

setting: Ireland in C

psalm: 90:1-8

motet: Byrd: Sacerdotes Domini organ: Cocker: Tuba Tune

26 November - Christ the King

10.30am Sung Mass (Fr Peter Edwards/Fr Chris Kinch)

E: Christ is the King, O friends rejoice NEH345

O: Thou didst leave thy throne NEH465

C: Let all mortal flesh keep silence NEH295

R: God's kingdom is upon you NEP650 (t NEH420)

setting: Darke in E psalm: 95:1-7

motet: Archer: Rejoice, the Lord is King organ: Bach: Präludium G dur BWV541

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

The world has been forced to its knees. Unhappily we seldom find our way there without being beaten to it by suffering.

Anne Morrow Lindbergh The Wave of the Future.

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

Father, we can be good at seeing needs and praying needs but help us also to do something about needs. Amen



A Stroll around "A Peaceful Place"

November is the month when we remember – Saints, Souls and those lost in war. Following on from the article in the October Bathwick News, this is a stroll around the garden at St. Mary's to remember some of our own. Come with me – we'll begin by going out onto the Patio from the Hall.

Turn right and the first bush just there is "Cotoneaster." This bush remains evergreen and starts to bloom in the spring with little blue clusters. My neighbour, Elspeth Bardsley, gave it as a "Thank You" after she was unable to go to her husband's funeral because of the start of the first Covid lockdown. Whilst Father Peter was at the Crematorium she sat (distanced) from Father Richard who had offered to join her – she was then able to follow the Service from his phone.





Just a short distance along you will see the beautiful "Rosemary" given by the Porteous Family before you see the "Lily". This originated in Molly's father's garden but, when it needed splitting, she kindly gave us part of it. Between these two plants there is a new "Hydrangea" given by Erika Whittingham in memory of her late husband John, but it will take another season before she is able to admire the blooms



We then go round the corner to the side gate where there are two plants close together - they both have memories. Almost touching the gate is a small "Fuchsia" which came from Aileen's Garden – she gave it to us as a thank you for our work in the Church Garden. I don't know her surname but she never missed the Wednesday 10.30 Eucharist at St Mary's although I believe she was more associated with St John's. Much to my surprise this little plant has survived the cold every year and is still in bloom – (the photo only taken last week)





However, it is protected by Wiggy's "Hydrangea". Wiggy (Mary Pegrum) who lived in Sydney Place at the time, was in St Mary's AYPA (Anglican Young People's Association) with Gerry and Gladys when they were all teenagers - she bought this plant for us as a sort of welcome home present.

It is impossible to miss the Magnificent "Magnolia" standing alone in the lawn, planted with love by Father David and Sue Prothero after the tragic events of 9/11.

For those who do not know - their daughter, Sarah, was working in New York on that fateful day - May She Rest in Peace.





Not far from the magnolia there is a small white hydrangea also with a story. The original tree (pictured) planted here was in memory of a little girl who died aged only 4. However, this little tree always struggled and finally had to be taken out after the very hot summer of 2018. One of the mothers had grown this hydrangea and she gave it to the garden when Helen Moss retired from toddler duties - hence this is known as the "Toddlers Spot".

We now return to the patio and stand by the little gate beside the play hut - just on the other side of this gate there is a "Camellia." This was planted by our family in 2016 in memory of Penny, our daughter who died in 2006. This flowers in the early Spring - chosen deliberately as her birthday was in March.



So ends our little stroll; these are the plants I know about but it is possible there are more with memories – if you know of any please tell me.

Remember too that at least two of the garden seats have been given to remember others who loved this place - truly a peaceful place to sit, to enjoy, to remember and to pray.

Jenny Jones



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CONNECT at Christmas

Every year at Kingswood School we provide a fresh cooked festive lunch to anyone who is alone on Christmas Day, supporting their wellbeing through conversation, connection and companionship.



#ChristmasCompassion

Every year we ask local school children to design a Christmas card with a hand written message which we deliver to those in need. Or buy a pack from St Michael's Without, Broad St, from Oct-Dec.

Connect Bath provides events to help tackle loneliness and prevent social marginalisation across BaNES.



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Green News

Birds can appear to develop unusual behaviours in our gardens.

Strange bird behaviour includes Blackbirds and Robins feeding each others chicks.

This behaviour can occur where nests are near each other. They can sometimes become confused and feed each others young. Different species nesting in the same cavity or nest box can result in a mixed species brood and only one of the parents may stay to raise the chicks. It has also been seen after the failure of a nest where some parent birds will instinctively continue feeding chicks that are not their own.

The begging call of orphaned chicks has also been known to cause nearby parents to feed them.

Keith and Helen Moss

WALSINGHAM PRAYER GROUP

Prayer meetings on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 5pm.

The next prayer meeting will be:

Sunday 12 November 5pm at St John's followed by tea and Evensong at 4pm.

The next meeting is then on 10 December.

See Helen Lees at St Mary's for more information or telephone her on 01225 859508. *All welcome*



Answers to October crossword

ACROSS: 1, Deacon. 4, Appear. 7, Wits. 8, Heavenly. 9, Argument. 13, Mob. 16, Broken-hearted. 17, Ran. 19, Suddenly. 24, Obstacle. 25, John. 26, Enable. 27, Market.

DOWN: 1, Dawn. 2, Afternoon. 3, Nehum. 4, Again. 5, Prey. 6, All to. 10, Users. 11, Ephod. 12, Trace. 13, Metalwork. 14, Body. 15, Eber. 18, Alban. 20, Uncle. 21, Dream. 22, Stab. 23, Gnat.

Restoration Action Group (RAG) Autumn Events

Monday 30th October (St Mary's Church Hall at 7:30pm) sees us heading "Down Under" for the start of a series of lectures covering Victoria and Southern South Australia, largely based on my trip last November/December, so there will be plenty of completely new photos to enjoy! We begin by "Exploring Melbourne from A to Z, airports to the Zoo and many fascinating places in between!" which takes an alternative look at Victoria's State Capital. Although we will, of course, visit some of the more well-known sites such as the Shrine of Remembrance and the grand heritage buildings from the Gold-Rush era not to mention the Zoo; we will also explore places not included in most tourist itineraries! Writing the lecture certainly proved a challenge, but was also great fun, as I was determined to find at least one place for every letter of the alphabet. So, come along and discover how I achieved it!

The second lecture on Monday 27 November (St Mary's Church Hall at 7:30pm) is "Melbourne exploring further Afield Part 1: The East including East Gippsland". The evening begins with a visit to the Dandenong Ranges National Park, to "hunt" for the secretive Lyre Bird, before spending time exploring the extensive Cranbourne Botanic Gardens (which focuses on Australian flora) and Breaside Park which is a great place for Aussie birds including one of my favourites the Tawny Frogmouth. We'll also visit two contrasting Wine Regions: The Yarra Valley and lesser known The Mornington Peninsula, before heading further east to Raymond Island (with some great Koala encounters) and East Gippsland, an area that suffered in the 2019/2020 bush fires but is now recovering. In fact, in November 2022 (my second visit to the region) the problem was not fires but extensive floods! Despite this I had some great wildlife encounters including a wombat feeding close to the edge of the road.

As usual there is no admission charge for the evenings as we invite donations (Gift Aided if possible as this raises more for Restoration Funds). There will also be a raffle each time with the star prize of a bottle of Aussie Wine that fits in with the theme of the evening!

Everyone is warmly welcome, so why not invite a friend or neighbour to come along with you to these evenings? There will be great photos to enjoy, and the opportunity to learn about some amazing places both in this country and further afield. If you would like any more information, please have a chat with me.

Finally, as announced in previous Bathwick News Issues, RAG is running a special **Coffee Morning Plus on Saturday morning 4**th **November**. The idea is to combine the social aspect of a coffee morning with the opportunity to get some early Christmas Gifts. There will be several stalls, including one with a selection of my **soft toys**. There will be plenty of seasonal favourites such as Penguins and Teddy Bears, but if anyone would like a particular animal or bird let me know and I will see what I can do! There's also a **Craft Stall**, which will feature some of Andy Parker's beautiful **turned wooden items**.

However, it would be great if people could donate other craft items so, please speak to Andy if you can help. There will also be a raffle, so if anyone can donate items for this we would be delighted. Finally, there will be a Cake and homemade Preserves Stall. So, donations of jams, chutney or pickles would be great. We also need cakes to enjoy with our coffee as well for the Stall. If you can help, please speak to Nicky Parker.

Marilyn Kirby Secretary RAG

Monday 30th October 7:30 pm, in St Mary's Bathwick Church Hall Exploring Melbourne from A to Z Airports to Zoo and many fascinating places in between!



An illustrated travel lecture by Dr Marilyn J. Kirby
Themed Raffle and Light Refreshments
Retiring collection in aid of St Mary's Restoration Appeal

Monday 27th November 7:30 pm, in St Mary's Bathwick Church Hall **Exploring Melbourne further afield: Part 1 East including East Gippsland**



An illustrated travel lecture by Dr Marilyn J. Kirby
Themed Raffle and Light Refreshments
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UPCOMING CONCERTS

Musicke in the Ayre

Jane Hunt, Philippa Neaverson, Maria Danishvar-Wilson sopranos

Din Ghani archlute & baroque guitar

From Ferrara with love

Delicious delights for up to 3 sopranos, inspired by the Concerto delle donne of the Este Court – the first ever all female professional musical ensemble of the early Italian Baroque.

Sat 18th November 2023 3.00—4.00pm Light refreshments available

Tickets £10 at the door, £9 online at bit.ly/mitaFFWL

St Mary the Virgin Bathwick, Bath BA2 4EB



St Mary's Church, Bathwick



Organist: Gary Desmond Conductor: Michael Painting

Autumn Concert

Music by
Hubert Parry, CV Stanford, Bob Chilcott,
Sergei Rachmaninov, Herbert Howells,
and others

Saturday 25th November 2023, 7.30 pm

Admission free: Retiring collection for St Mary's Choral Bursaries and the Chamber Choir



CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING WITH STALLS

St JOHN'S CHURCH BATHWICK BA2 6PT

SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER 10am-12.30pm

COMMUNITY



Bridgemead Care Home Christmas Fayre







Stalls will include greeting cards, books, tombola, bottle in a bag, crafts and a raffle.

Refreshments of homemade mince pies and tea / coffee will also be on sale.







MONTH'S MIND FOR NOVEMBER

Please pray for those whose anniversary of death falls in November

- 1st Emma Loades, Francis Craddock, Ernest Ackland, Leonard Jackman, Louise Gowing, George Lawrence, Florence Clare, Mary Blythman, Alan Joseph Scudamore Creyke
- 2nd Edgar Bailey, Dorothy Clarke, Charles Wassell, Ada Shickle
- 3rd Daisy Hunt, Emily Smale, Mabel Miles, James Bailey, Donald Rae (Priest), Leonard Spiller
- 4th May Flower, Sara Allen, Frederick Wooster, George White, Florence Morris, Arthur Blackstone, Derek Cooper, Jim Bailey, Jeffrey Alan Hawkes
- 5th Charlotte Field, Don Mayhew, Violet White, Kathleen Mullaly, Seymour Collett (Priest), Phyllis Quale, Joan Ozzard
- 6th Mary Poynton, Ellen Willis, Lilian Hunt, Leonard Allen, Henry Pace
- 7th William Wheeler, Ronald Wheeler, Elinor Windsor-Aubrey, Alfred Stockton, Laura Ashman, Dorothy Temlett, Ann Palmer, Sylvia Lee, Peter Lockyer
- 8th Frederick Fisher, Don Mayhew
- 9th Charles Beaumont, Joseph Schilling, Emily Jaques, Henry Corbould (Priest), Kenneth Selby
- 10th Percival Stubbs, Elsa Nunn
- 11th Louisa Maggs, Mona Jordan
- 12th Thomas Nunn, Stella Cope
- 13th Alfred Collis, Kathleen Dickins
- 14th Mary Dando, Henry Allen, Peter Skidmore, Margaret Mary Hall
- 15th Thomas Holland, Iris Edith Swonell, Roger Lockyer, Winifred Newton.
- 16th Robert Millard, Edith Erickson, Mary Hunt, Flora Seaman, Alan McCombe, Jack Taylor
- 17th Leslie Richardson, Ada Pemberton, Arthur Lansley
- 18th Alfred Hillier, Helen Wills, Muriel Trueman, Enid Mona Sands Francis, Margaret (Peggy) Kirby
- 19th Violet Lemarchand, Hermione Henslow, Muriel Teale, Cyril Horne.
- 20th Dorothy Gray, John Harris (Priest), Douglas Kemmery
- 21st Isobel Bishop, Gwendolene Kent, Caroline Davies, Henry Davies, Kathleen Dickens, Jasmin Sani
- 22nd George Ruck (Priest), Kathleen Tolman, Eugenie Oliver
- 23rd Henry Lavington, Marjorie Bird, William (Bill) Shier
- 24th Timothy Hargreaves, Alice Dawes, Emily Turner, Dora Yarrow, James Hayward
- 26th Albert Bunyar, Edgar Charles Harrison, Shirley Moors
- 27th Albert White, Lucie Beaumont, Thomas Maddox, Richard Johan Springett Francis
- 28th Constance Gilbert, Lewis Galloway, Bertha Cocks Johnston
- 29th Angus Kinlock, Ada Severs, Joanna Dunn, Violet Caroline Wilkins, Gerald Frost
- 30th Louie Jefferis, Christine Davies, Reginald (Reg) Hillman

Rest Eternal Grant To Them O Lord and Let Light Perpetual Shine On Them May They Rest In Peace and Rise In Glory.

If you would like a name included in the Month's Mind, please speak to the Clergy or leave a message at the Parish Office These will be remembered by name at St John's Mass at 10.30am on Thursday 23 November



From the Diocesan magazine *Manna*, November 2023

Transforming Conflict

Christians are called to be peacemakers. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples' John 13:35. At their best Christian communities can reflect the Kingdom of God, demonstrating how people from diverse backgrounds and with different gifts can work together. In reality, things are not always harmonious. Anxieties about change, unexplored disagreements or interpersonal animosities can give rise to quarrels in which love and forgiveness are forgotten.

Simon Keyes, diocesan Adviser on Peacebuilding says, "Parishes can experience disputes and, just like family disputes, they are often complex. A parish which becomes a 'house divided' can be an uncomfortable place of anger, blame and pain. This is not easily remedied, even through dialogue or mediation."

Simon leads the Bath and Wells Peacebuilding Network, a group of trained local volunteers, lay and ordained. Their new Peaceful Parish initiative aims to help parishes transform a conflict by approaching it as a call to repair Christian community, rather than a problem to be solved.

It rests on three core ideas – that we are fallible and all of us fall short of our ideals; that the Kingdom of heaven is a metaphor for the kind of community we might aspire to become; and that forgiveness offers a way to loosen the grip of the past.

These ideas can be explored in workshops through scripture, personal reflection, and community conversation. Simon adds, "It is no miracle cure, but it can help people begin to think differently about past events and re-orientate themselves towards a better future. And we should all remember that conflict isn't all negative, it can reveal unexpected opportunities for learning and growth. To rediscover 'the miracle of diversity in unity, of the grace of God breaking down walls', as Archbishop Justin puts it."

Find out more at bathwells.org.uk/peacebuilding

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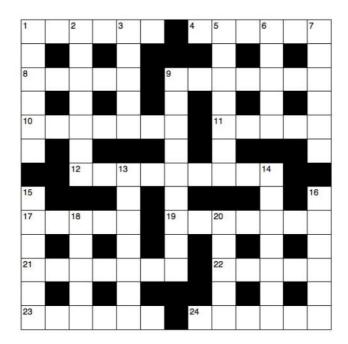
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ACROSS:

- 1 'The Lord Jesus... took bread, and when he had given —, he broke it' (1 Corinthians 11:24) (6)
- 4 'He has taken me to the banquet hall, and his over me is love' (Song of Songs 2:4) (6)
- 8 Surrey town that hosts the National Christian Resources Exhibition (5)
- 9 Also known as Abednego (Daniel 1:7) (7)
- 10 Liken (Isaiah 40:18) (7)
- 11 A son of Etam, descendant of Judah (1 Chronicles 4:3) (5)
- 12 A part of the temple where the blood of a young bull was to be smeared (Ezekiel 45:19) (9)
- 17 'They make many promises, take false and make agreements' (Hosea 10:4) (5)
- 19 Roman province to which Paul returned after evangelizing it on his first missionary journey (Acts 16:6)(7)
- 21 Material used to make baby Moses' basket (Exodus 2:3) (7)
- 22 'And feeble as —, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail' (5)
- 23 'The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep to his voice' (John10:3) (6)
- 24 Stalk carrying the sponge of wine vinegar given to Christ on the cross (John 19:29) (6)

DOWN:

- 1 Elijah dug one round the altar he built on Mount Carmel and filled it with water (1 Kings 18:32) (6)
- 2 'I am not of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes' (Romans 1:16) (7)
- 3 Buddhist term relating to belief in reincarnation (5)
- 5 Damascus disciple who, at God's command, restored the sight of the blinded Saul of Tarsus (Acts 9:12)(7)
- 6 and 16 Horses: their sound (Jeremiah 50:11) (5) and their gait (Joel 2:4) (6)
- 7 A three (anag.) (6)
- 9 Athenian council addressed memorably by Paul (Acts 17:22) (9)
- 13 Abide by (Galatians 3:5) (7)
- 14 Persian princes (Daniel 3:2) (7)
- 15 Force (Galatians 6:12) (6)
- 16 See 6 Down (6)
- 18 Paste (anag.) (5)
- 20 How the cedars of Lebanon are described (Isaiah 2:13) (5)

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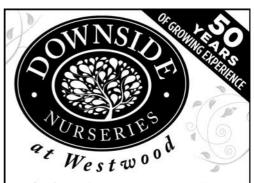
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(this service is live-streamed whenever possible on the Bathwick Benefice News Facebook page)

6.00pm CHORAL EVENSONG (usually 1st Sunday of each month) or **(SAID) EVENSONG** (usually 3rd/5th Sunday of each month)

For changes and details of other services please see the weekly Sunday leaflet and p.4 of this magazine

USUAL WORSHIP ON WEEKDAYS

TUESDAYS: St John's 9.30am MASS

WEDNESDAYS: St Mary's 10.30am TRAD. LANGUAGE EUCHARIST

THURSDAYS: St John's 10.30am MASS

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SATURDAYS: St John's 9.30am MASS

Morning Prayer is usually said around 9am and Evening Prayer around 5.30pm

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The "Bathwick Parishes Weekly Noticesheet" is available in Church, by <u>e-mail</u> on request and at <u>www.bathwickparishes.org.uk</u>

The Clergy wish to receive information about people who would welcome a visit at home or in hospital. The Sacraments of Holy Communion and Holy Oils are reserved for ministry to the sick and housebound. For further information about any aspect of the Christian Faith, please contact Fr Peter.