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July/August 2026

# 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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## CLERGY

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**DEANERY SYNOD**                      *St Mary's:* Mr S Howard, Mrs N Parker  
*(House of Laity)*                      *St John's:* Mr Richard Andrews, Mrs Esther Shape

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(Mrs Kerry Hughes is usually in the church office Tuesday and Friday 9am - 12noon)

## JULY AND AUGUST 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:

- Choral Evensong: 5th July

- (said) Evensong: 19th July, 26th July, 2nd August, 16th August,  
23rd August and 30th August



### ST JOHN'S CHURCH (*opposite the Fire Station*)

9am every Sunday, Parish Mass & Sermon

9.30am every Tuesday and Saturday, said Mass

10.30am every Thursday, said Mass

Sunday evening services:

- Evensong & Benediction: 9th August 6pm

## SPECIAL SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARIES

### PLEASE INVITE FRIENDS TO JOIN US

**ZAMBIA SUNDAY**—the link between St Mary's and St James, Buchi within the link between Bath & Wells and Zambia will be celebrated on Sunday 5th July with Mass at 10.30am

**LUNCHTIME CONCERTS**—12.30pm on 2nd July and 6th August free with retiring collection for Student Choral Bursary Fund (further details on page 8 of this magazine)

**COFFEE MORNING**—all are invited to join in a time of fellowship at St John's, 10.30am-12.30pm on 11th July (further details on page 6)

**WALSINGHAM CELL VISIT TO WELLS CATHEDRAL**—cell members and others are invited to attend Evensong at the Cathedral at 3pm, followed by Rosary prayers at the Cathedral's image of Our Lady of Walsingham, Sunday 12th July (further details on page 6)

## LETTER FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST, FR PETER EDWARDS

Dear brothers and sisters

Welcome to this edition of Bathwick News for the months of July and August. As ever, thanks to all contributors, and also to our parish administrator, Kerry Hughes, for her work in putting this magazine together.

On Saturday 1st July 2006, in Peterborough Cathedral, I was ordained as a priest to continue to serve my curacy in the benefice of Uppingham, Rutland. As I now approach the 20th anniversary of that ordination, I have been thinking about the words and prayers that were used in that service. The bishop spoke about the nature of priesthood as ‘servants and shepherds’ among the people of God, with responsibilities ‘to proclaim the word of the Lord and to watch for the signs of God’s new creation. They are to be messengers, watchmen and stewards of the Lord; they are to teach and to admonish, to feed and provide for his family, to search for his children in the wilderness of this world’s temptations, and to guide them through its confusions, that they may be saved through Christ for ever. Formed by the word, they are to call their hearers to repentance and to declare in Christ’s name the absolution and forgiveness of their sins.’

Exercising my priestly ministry has been an immense privilege and a heavy calling which I have been privileged to undertake initially in Uppingham, and later in Bridport, and for the past nearly 13 years here in Bathwick. I am grateful to those fellow-clergy with whom I have ministered over these past 20 years, and the faithful lay people in each of those places for their prayers and forgiveness for the times I have not lived up to this calling.

I invite you all to join me for drinks to celebrate this anniversary of ordination, after the parish Eucharist at St Mary’s on Sunday 28th June. This will also serve as a thank you and an opportunity to give our best wishes and prayers to Chris Shurmer who has spent this past month with us, as he continues his own formation before—God willing—his own ordination to the diaconate in a year’s time.

Please also support all the various events taking place in our two churches during these months of July and August—see the opposite page and elsewhere in this magazine for details—and enjoy these months before many of our regular activities start once again in September.

With prayers and best wishes to you all

*Fr Peter*



## **COFFEE MORNING WITH STALLS**

**St JOHN'S CHURCH  
BATHWICK  
BA2 6PT**

**SATURDAY 11 JULY  
10.30am-12.30pm**

### **WALSINGHAM CELL ROSARY**

Prayer meetings are usually on the 2nd Sunday of each month .



In July the members of the Cell visit Wells Cathedral for Evensong on Sunday 12th July at 3pm and to say the Rosary afterwards followed by afternoon tea.

The August meeting will take place on Sunday 9th August at 5pm at St John's.

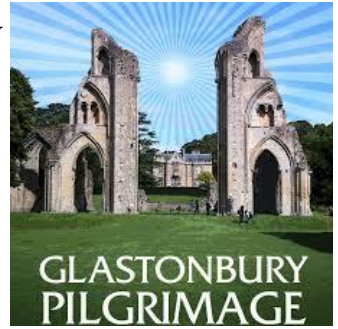


For more details please see Fr Peter or Chris Plummer (St John's).

# Bathwick Parish Pilgrimage to Glastonbury

This year's day Pilgrimage at Glastonbury is on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

Fr Peter and I hope that as many as possible will come along to this most enjoyable Parish outing. We experience the joy of worshipping together with many other pilgrims in the open air at the historical site of Glastonbury Abbey ruins.



The day starts at 12 noon with Mass. After this we have our picnic lunch together al fresco. The procession of The Blessed Sacrament starts at 3pm, when we sing our way from St John's Parish Church round to Magdalene Street entrance back into the grounds, for Solemn Benediction in the Nave.

Should you wish to come and need transport, please let myself or Fr Peter know and we will arrange for someone to take you with them. It would really help to know who will be going and who has room in their car for passengers. Please let me know this as well.

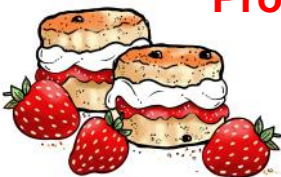
On the day you will need attire appropriate for the weather, a picnic lunch and either a picnic chair or a blanket to sit on.

Hope we get a really good number of Bathwick congregations coming along. It is a very special day in the life of the church.

**Chris Plummer St John's.**

07870216479 or [christine.a.plummer@gmail.com](mailto:christine.a.plummer@gmail.com)

**Cream Teas**  
**St John's Church Hall**  
**Saturday 12th September 3 - 4.30pm**  
**Proceeds to Dorothy House.**  
**Tickets £8 available**  
**from Di or Chris**  
**at St John's.**





**THURSDAYS, 12.30pm-1.10pm 2026**

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|---------------------------------|--|
| <b>July 2<sup>nd</sup></b>      | <b>Bath Society of Recorder Players</b>                                    |
| <b>August 6<sup>th</sup></b>    | <b>Dewi Rees – Organ<br/>Assistant Director of Music, St Alban's Abbey</b> |
| <b>September 3<sup>rd</sup></b> | <b>Richard Johnson – Organ<br/>Westbury-on-Trym Parish Church, Bristol</b> |
| <b>October 1<sup>st</sup></b>   | <b>Quercus Wind Quintet, Bath</b>  |

*Light refreshments available before and after each recital  
Retiring collection in support of Music @ St Mary's*



## Silver sounds of the Roman Seicento

Musicke in the Ayre's soprano trio line-up (Maria Danishvar, Jane Hunt and Philippa Neaverson) are Romeward bound to St Mary's with their latest programme of delectables from the Roman early Baroque. Din Ghani will be using his archlute and baroque guitar to accompany them in music by composers working in Rome during the 17<sup>th</sup> century. The wealth and power of the noble families associated with the Vatican attracted some of the best composers, as well as some of the newly emerging professional female singers who were much sought after in that period: some of this music would have been written for them.

Tickets £12 at the door; £11 in advance from Bath Box Office (01225 463362, <https://bathboxoffice.org.uk>).

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 3.00 – 4.00pm in St Mary's Church Hall, refreshments available.



## Baroque Bridges With the Buskaid Soweto String Ensemble

Tuesday 18th August 7.30pm (doors open at 6.45pm) at St Mary's Church

Tickets £21.50 / £16.50 Students and Under 30's. Tickets and more information available from Bath Box Office (01225) 463362 or [www.bathboxoffice.org.uk](http://www.bathboxoffice.org.uk)



## Come & Sing Evensong with Nicholas Cleobury

Sing Choral Evensong in the ancient city of Bath with Nicholas Cleobury, one of Britain's most experienced and respected conductors.

Come & Sing Evensong gives adult singers the opportunity to engage with the excitement and atmosphere of the RSCM Bath Course, including access to discounted tickets for the tremendous RSCM Bath Course Concert.

It's simple! While our young singers are busy engaging in the RSCM Bath Course at Kingswood School, you will be singing some fabulous choral music at St Mary's Bathwick under the expert direction of Nicholas Cleobury, concluding with a service of Choral Evensong. After a sizeable break for dinner, you can then make your way over to the RSCM Bath Course Concert with your discounted ticket.

Whether you're a singer in the local area, have a family member attending the RSCM Bath Course, or just fancy a choral day out in the beautiful city of Bath, then this is the event for you!

#### Choral Evensong Repertoire:

Preces & Responses: John Sanders

Evensing Canticles: Walmisley in D minor

Anthem: Charles Wood - O thou the central orb

All available in the *Come and Sing Evensong!* book, available on loan for the duration of the event.

For more details please see website:

<https://www.rscm.org.uk/events/come-sing-evensong-with-nicholas-cleobury/>

## Details

**Start Date:** 22-Aug-2026

**Start Time:** 11:00

**Finish Time:** 17:00

**Service Time:** 16:00

**Event Director:** Nicholas Cleobury

**Format:** In-person

**Location:** England - West and South West

**Venue:** St Mary's Church, Bathwick, Bath

**Postcode:** BA2 4EB

**Entry Fee:** £15 (RSCM Members), £20 (non-members), £5 (accompanied under-18s)

**Booking Deadline:** 16-Aug-2026

**Age Restriction:** Under-18s are

encouraged but must be accompanied by an adult

**Contact Name:** RSCM Education

**Contact Email:** [education@rscm.com](mailto:education@rscm.com)

**CONTACT US**

## Congratulations Caroline



Congratulations to Caroline Boddington (Redfern), DL, Prebendary and Senior Non-Executive Member of Wells Cathedral and member of St Mary's PCC and Choir, who was recognised in the King's Birthday Honours list for services to the Church of England.

Caroline has been appointed Order of the British Empire (OBE), and we are enormously grateful for her work for the Church, past and present.

## SOME CHARITY FOR OTHERS IN JULY AND AUGUST

**ST JOHN'S CHURCH** gives away 10% of its general income at the end of each year to support 6 charities. Each month we remember the work of one of these charities. Please support these good causes.

### **Charity for July: EMERGENCY AID**

This fund is administered by the Parochial Church Council, when grants are given consideration whenever local or world wide emergencies occur. It is for anyone in need, as a result of tragedy or suffering, regardless of creed, nationality or personal circumstances.

### **Charity for August: THE BATH WOMEN'S REFUGE**

The 'Women's Refuge' is a place for safety for women and their children, as a haven, probably at one of the most difficult times of their lives. Needing to escape from abuse, sometimes physical and/or mental, which may have lasted for months or even years. They receive non-judgemental kindness, support, friendship and advice, to help them continue their lives in calm surroundings and plan for their future. As Christians we pray for the staff, the women and their children at this critical time for them, when they need it most, and offer small financial assistance in this crucial work.

**ST MARY'S CHURCH** make weekly collections during the Sunday services using the "Alms" envelopes which are given away to a different charity each month.

In **July** we will be supporting the **Genesis Trust** which is a Christian charity working with the homeless and other vulnerable people in Bath. In February this year the charity moved back into the refurbished Gateway Centre after it was flooded 18 months before. This is where the charity delivers a series of inter-linked Life Projects which provide vital practical support, community connections and personal development opportunities for their clients who face complex life challenges.

In **August** we will be supporting the **Mission to Seafarers** on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sea Sunday actually fell on July 12<sup>th</sup> when churches around the world come together to pray for seafarers and give thanks for their work). Staff and volunteers of the Mission to Seafarers visit ships, provide shore leave transport and family support programmes. On the other four Sundays our charity of the month is **Bath Welcomes Refugees**. Their mission is to facilitate the settlement and path to independence for refugees. They have over 200 volunteers and a small team of paid staff who support children and adults, refugees and asylum seekers from Syria, Afghanistan, Ukraine and other countries. Since the charity was founded in 2015, over 800 people have been supported in a variety of ways from providing a few items of furniture or advice about a university application to assisting in every aspect of resettlement, home building and job finding.

*Robin and Sarah Davies*

## Restoration Action News (RAG)

First an Update on St Mary's Summer Fete. A really big THANK YOU to all those who supported the Summer Fete on the 13<sup>th</sup> June, which raised approximately £1,400 an increase on last year. We were very lucky with the weather, sunny but not too hot! Also, it was great to not only have some new stalls, but also new people coming along to provide much needed help in the setting up, which was really appreciated.

### Dates for the Autumn

**Travel lectures:** Thursday 17 September Marilyn will be giving an illustrated travel lecture based round an amazing Outback train trip on the Savannah Lander in northern Queensland. Then on Thursday 26 November, the focus shifts nearer to home with a lecture based in and around Aberdeen.

We also are planning to run a **Pre-Christmas Coffee Morning Plus Stalls**, the date to be confirmed. As last year, this will have a joint focus, providing an opportunity to chat to people over a coffee and mince pie and also the chance to get some special gifts for Christmas including craftwork, jewellery and soft toys. Further details about all the above events will be included in future issues of Bathwick News or simply ask Andy or Nicky Parker or myself for more information.

*Marilyn Kirby - Secretary of Restoration Action Group  
(RAG)*

## St Mary's Old Churchyard

The Churchyard is looking absolutely fabulous at the moment, so I thought you would like to see these three photos I took this morning. If you do have a spare moment do walk through, as I am sure you would enjoy seeing such lovely trees in bloom.

Best wishes,

*Penny*



# Lammas Day - 1<sup>st</sup> August



When Father Richard referred to Lammas Day in a recent homily, I was determined to find out more about it and what it means – this is a little of what I could find.

Lammas Day is celebrated annually on 1st August. It is an ancient festival marking the beginning of the grain harvest with its name deriving from the Old English "*hlāfmæsse*" meaning "loaf mass". Traditionally, it involves baking bread from the first ripened wheat then taking it to church to be blessed.

- **Origins:** It is rooted in the Anglo-Saxon Christian traditions of giving thanks for "first fruits" and ancient Celtic pagan festivals like *Lughnasadh*, a pre-Christian Celtic festival honouring the god Lugh.
- **Seasonal Timing:** It falls precisely at the midpoint between the summer solstice and the autumn equinox.
- **Quarter Day:** Historically, it was a vital business and legal date used to mark the four quarters of the year. On this day tenant farmers traditionally presented their landlords with the first harvest crops, paid rents and hired labourers.
- **Cultural Ties:** The date became synonymous with Lammas Fairs, which were famous for trading cattle, crafts and holding communal festivities.

Today, the day is mostly observed at historic open-air museums like the Weald & Downland Living Museum near Chichester, where you can see the Museum interpretation team, as they prepare and celebrate across the Bayleaf Farmstead.

Demonstrations show how members of the household would have different tasks to fulfil. It is a 40acre site with historic gardens and buildings, all fascinating places to learn about our rural heritage. Grain can be



purchased from the Shepherds Hut Coffee Cart, there are heavy horses to see as well as other traditional breed farm animals, not to mention hungry ducks to be fed the on the mill pond. There are also several lovely woodland trails, including a woodland play area for children to explore.



So, Lammas remains a festival of bread, grain, and crafts like making corn dollies, a time to remember our rural history and to enjoy nature's bounty as autumn approaches.



*Jenny Jones*

# SEE OF OSWESTRY REGIONAL FESTIVAL THAMES VALLEY AND THE WEST

Saturday 11 July at Holy Trinity, Reading

**Theme: Prayer and discipleship**

**12 noon - Votive Mass  
of Our Lady of Confidence**  
*Celebrant and preacher  
the Bishop of Oswestry*

*followed by lunch  
(please bring your own)*

**2.30pm - Devotions**



## Green News

### SUMMER WEATHER

One of the joys after a period of hot dry weather in the summertime, is the scent in the air as the rain works into the dry soil. This fragrance is known as petrichor. The heady scent is mainly driven by geosmin which is a chemical compound produced by a specific bacteria in the ground. The human nose is extraordinarily sensitive to this scent, capable of detecting just a few parts per trillion of geosmin, which is equivalent to just one teaspoonful of geosmin in 200 Olympic sized swimming pools. This chemical has profound effect on wild life as well. Some become restless when they catch the scent causing them to follow this petrichor in search of drinking water. But is geosmin useful for the bacteria that produce this substance? It is thought that it may be a form of communication telling nematode worms in the soil to avoid eating the bacterial!

*Keith and Helen Moss*

### THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Our minds are like a lighthouse, picking up one object after another. God's mind is like the sun radiating simultaneously on all things at once.  
Richard Harries. *Turning to Prayer*

### PRAYER OF THE MONTH

God, Father of us all, thank You that You are with us in every situation and so there is always something to praise You for. Amen



### Food items Bath Foodbank are currently in need of:

Custard (tinned), rice pudding (tinned), vegetable meals (tinned), tomatoes (tinned), vegetables - peas and carrots (tinned), pasta sauce (jars), mash (instant), squash / long life juice, instant coffee (small jars), and (UHT) milk.

### Non-food items Bath Foodbank are currently in need of:

Deodorant, washing-up liquid, razors and shaving cream.

## MONTH'S MIND

### Please pray for those whose anniversary of death falls in July

- 1st Elinor Windsor-Aubrey, Maud Paul, Jack Powell, Stuart Harding, Nicholas Pace  
2nd Nellie McDonald, John Michael Jones  
3rd Lewis Moore, Barbara Kemp, Arthur Lansfield, Dorothy Evans, Doris Evans  
4th Mary Mead, Alexander Douglas (Priest), Gertrude Neilsen, Norah Weaver  
5th Francis Douglas, Winona Drayson  
6th Emily Gott, Irene Carpenter, Colin Hamilton  
7th Phyllis Spencer, Noelene Jones, Caroline Sowden  
8th Alice Dury, Walter Pole, Eileen Hamilton-Jackson, Margaret Swallow  
9th Thomas Wren, Edgar Millen (Priest), Miriam Ellis  
10th Hylda Hodgkinson, Mary Ommanney, Stephen Doughty  
11th Edith Clark, Annie Cox, Daniel Hardick, Kathleen Kelly, Julia Brownbridge  
12th Ronald MacDonnell, Hugh Semple, Howard Spencer  
13th Mary Hillier, Noel Phillips  
14th Frederick Rogers, Frances Dunn, Doris Adams, George Lester-Garland (Priest),  
Dame Cicely Saunders  
15th Gladys Young, Albert Ernest Avery  
16th Sally Kendall  
17th Wilfrid Wrench, Edith Garland, Katrina (Kate) Walden  
18th Francis Evelyn (Priest)  
19th Charles Willis, Anthony Hossack, Doris Baker  
21st Ernest White, Geoff Whittaker  
22nd Barbara Miles, Ivy George  
23rd Ethel Burnett, Suzanne Smart, Maurice Robinson  
24th Harriet Wheeler, Denys Goodman (Priest), Gladys Pearce  
25th Lucy Craddock, Olive Forbes, Amy Westbrook, Thelma Brooke-Clarke  
26th Arthur Evans (Priest), Patrick Wood-Ingram  
27th Waldemar West, John Webster, George Gravell (Priest),  
Kathleen Mary Jessop  
28th Gladys Maslen, Flora Hardick, William Henry Sansom.  
29th Humphrey Blake, Evelyn Lowe  
30th Florence Powell, Philip George (Priest)  
31st Edith Hallet, Sidney Bowler, Joan Smith, Mary Stevens, Ivan Wallis,  
Evelyn Windsor-Aubrey, Joan Ackland

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May They Rest In Peace and Rise In Glory.**

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These will be remembered by name at St John's Mass at 10.30am  
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- 1st Patrice Peel, Edward Green, Dennis Wheeler  
2nd Minnie Hawes, Josephine Green, Mary Stevens  
3rd Marjorie Gilliat, Julia Guillaume, Anthony Crossland  
4th John Bishop, Oscar Drewe-Harris, Thomas Harvey, Millicent Robbins,  
Edith Jones  
5th Lorna Hemingway, Novice Mary Veronica CLG, Dennis Turner  
8th Alistair Martain, Bessie Craddock, Nicholas Monsarrat, Magdelene Hoskyns,  
Agnes May Ozzard.  
9th Charley May, Leslie Hunt, Dora Hooper  
10th Mollie Tatham, Henry Loades, John Robinson, Katharine Lynn,  
Dorothy Lawrence, Maurice Kemmery, Margaret Edith Sewell.  
11th Thomas Cockeram, Irene Ellis, Grace Wills, Ada West, Tim Mitchell  
12th Eliza Nunn, Mary Strong, Roger Boothroyd  
13th Olive Tompkins, Rose Porch  
14th Irene Percival, William Francis, Rosemary Beesley  
15th Ruth Rivers, Margaret Payne, Sheelagh Mason  
16th Henry Stobart, Nellie Chatley, George Coles, Ada Nash, Bridget Goldsmith,  
Maureen Hatch  
17th Alice Dunn, Herbert Napier (Pr.), Francis Watkins, Berkeley Ozzard,  
James ('Bill') Wilans, Phyllis Clough  
18th William Curtoys (Pr.), Ellen Mitchell, Blanche Frampton, Norman Wheatley  
19th Jessie Springett, Dora Ledden, Alice Mayhew  
20th Charles Roberts, Harriet Patch, Winifred Maslen  
21st Agnes Angood, Lilian Bowyer, Wayne Billett, Joseph Shape  
22nd Frank Steed, John Barry, Minnie Talbot  
23rd Frederick Lee, Christina George, Ivy Crow, Frank Jordan  
25th Elizabeth Brown, Maud Bradford, Phoebe Ingham, Mabel Newing,  
Ada Joan Redwood, Stanley Cotterill  
26th Gwen Holland, Connie Baynton Coward, Margaret Hole  
27th Cecil Cope, Florence Allen, Mary Hardick  
28th Edith Springett, Henry Harris, Bernard Cooper (Pr.), Robin Thwaites  
29th Constance Brocklebank, Evelyn Harris, Frederick Hanks, William Paine  
George Arnold Emery, Victor Chama (Pr.)  
30th Mabel Hodge, Agnes Harris, Adolph Naumanis, Cecil Mary Pegrum, Aileen Eyers  
31st John Goodenough Lynn

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## **Transforming our communities through the love of Christ**

In the early days of the Ukraine war, the Diocese of Hereford, where I was then serving, was approached by Herefordshire Council. They had been so impressed by the work of church members during the pandemic, who stepped up to support their communities in practical ways, that they asked if the diocese could take on organising homes for Ukrainians fleeing the war. Yes, of course, we said. And so began an ongoing partnership, where hundreds of Ukrainian guests have found homes in the Welsh Marches, and hundreds of tonnes of aid has gone across to Ukraine.

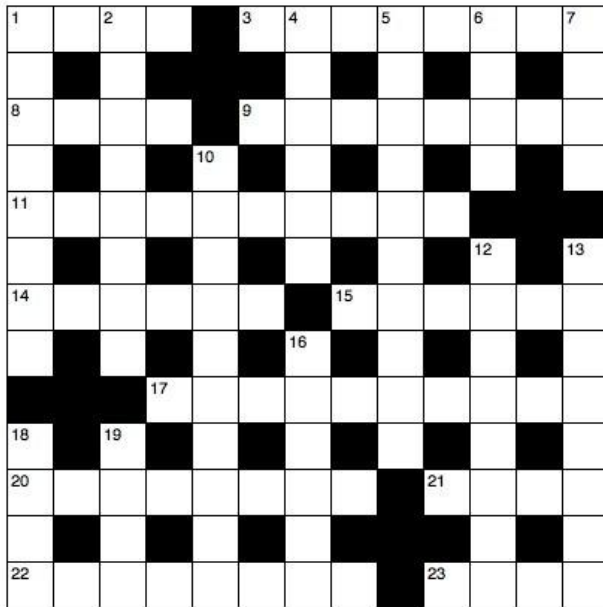
That's just what we do as the church, isn't it? We see a need in our communities and, motivated by Christ's love and teaching, we try to meet it. And we do it out of love, not seeking any reward. We are volunteers.

The word 'volunteer' comes from words meaning, 'of a person's free will.' Volunteers serve willingly. Freely. Out of love. So many in across our diocese serve our communities willingly, freely, out of love. We are deeply grateful. There are Foodbanks, lunch clubs, debt counselling services, mental health first aiders, bereavement cafes, after-school clubs, and youth drop-ins. That barely scratches the surface. All of this is done in the name of Jesus Christ, the one who came and gave himself for us willingly; freely; out of love. And it's transformational.

One of the areas of our common diocesan life which I'll be involved with is our work around Transforming Communities. There will be a lot more to be said in the coming months, but for now, I simply want to thank all our volunteers who serve willingly, freely, and out of love and say how much I'm looking forward to celebrating what we have, and building on it together, transforming our communities through the love of Christ.

*Fiona Gibson - Bishop of Taunton*

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- 1 Proverbs describes her as being ‘of noble character’ (Proverbs 31:10) (4)
- 3 ‘Shall we go up again — — against the Benjamites, our brothers?’ (Judges 20:23) (2,6)
- 8 A descendant of Shem (Genesis 10:28) (4)
- 9 ‘Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my — ’ (Luke 14:27) (8)
- 11 Resentment(Ephesians 4:31)(10)
- 14 In Cain(anag.)(6)
- 15 ‘Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to—’ (Psalm 139:6) (6)
- 17 Intense (1 Thessalonians 4:5)(10)
- 20 Third Order of the Roman Catholic Church(8)
- 21 ‘At midnight the cry rang out, “Here’s the bridegroom!Come out to — him”’ (Matthew 25:6) (4)
- 22 ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in — ’ (2 Corinthians 12:9) (8)
- 23 ‘As the — pants for streams of water,so my soul pants for you, O God’ (Psalm 42:1) (4)

Down

- 1 Nickname of popular First World War chaplain, the Revd G.A. Studdert Kennedy, — Willie (8)
- 2 Occasion of religious joy (Lamentations 2:22) (5,3)
- 4 ‘We three kings of — are’ (6)
- 5 Allegation or charge (Jude 9) (10)
- 6 Kind (1 Chronicles 12:33) (4)
- 7 ‘Open your — and look at the fields!’ (John 4:35) (4)
- 10 Also known as the Feast of Lights (John10:22)(10)
- 12 Area that saw the healing of two demon - possessed men and a herd of pigs stampeding to their deaths (Matthew 8:28) (8)
- 13 Forebear(James2:21)(8)
- 16 Name given to the first two books of the Apocrypha(6)
- 18 Esau sold his birthright for this (Genesis25:34)(4)
- 19 Rear(anag.)(4)

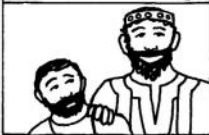
# Bible Bite

## A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in  
1 Samuel 24

God chose Saul to be the King of Israel,  
but Saul chose to disobey Him. God said  
that the next king would not be Saul's son.

Saul didn't know  
that God had  
chosen David to  
be the next king.



David was very successful  
as a fighter and very  
popular.



David had to go on the run and  
hide.



One day, Saul  
and his army  
were in En-Gedi.  
Saul needed to  
pee, so he went  
into a sheep  
fold built next  
to a cave...

David and his men were hiding at the  
back of the cave!



David crept over and  
cut a piece off Saul's  
robe.



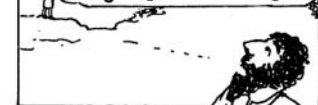
Then David felt bad.



David waited until Saul  
was far enough away  
then he shouted to him.



Your majesty, I could have  
killed you today, but I  
knew it was wrong. I want  
to prove to you I'm not  
trying to harm you.



David, you are better than  
me. I would have killed you  
but you were kind.



Now I know you will be  
the next king, but please  
look after my family.

David promised, and  
Saul and his army  
went home.



# The tale of the Two Sons



JESUS OFTEN TOLD  
STORIES WITH  
HIDDEN MEANINGS

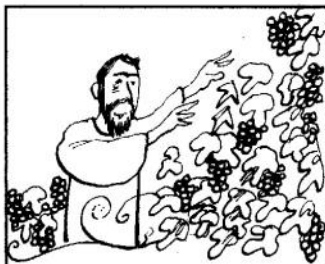


HE ONCE TOLD A STORY ABOUT A  
FATHER WHO HAD TWO SONS.

THE FATHER WENT TO HIS  
OLDER SON AND ASKED HIM  
TO WORK IN THE VINEYARD



'NO I WON'T!' SAID THE  
OLDER SON...



...BUT THEN HE CHANGED HIS  
MIND AND WENT AND HELPED.

THE FATHER THEN WENT TO HIS  
YOUNGER SON AND ASKED HIM  
TO HELP IN THE VINEYARD TOO.

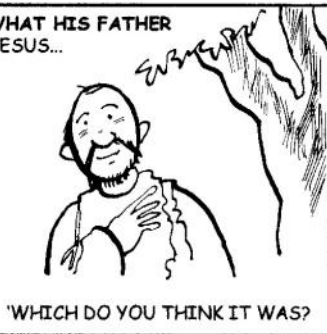


'OF COURSE I WILL!' SAID THE YOUNGER SON. BUT  
HE PROMPTLY FORGOT ALL ABOUT IT....

...AND DIDN'T DO A STROKE OF WORK!



'WHICH ONE DID WHAT HIS FATHER  
WANTED?' ASKED JESUS...



'WHICH DO YOU THINK IT WAS?'

## Answers to June crossword

**ACROSS:** 1, Wickedness. 7, Harpist. 8, Teach. 10, Side. 11, Impostor. 13, Encamp. 15, Saddle. 17, Ignorant. 18, Tent. 21, Grass. 22, Olivier. 23, Wrongdoers.

**DOWN:** 1, World. 2, Crib. 3, Entomb. 4, National. 5, Started. 6, Whispering. 9, Harvesters. 12, Imprison. 14, Centaur. 16, Unload. 19, Evils, 20, Give.

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## PUBLIC WORSHIP WITH THE CHURCH DAY BY DAY

### SUNDAYS

#### ST JOHN'S



**9.00am MASS & SERMON**

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**6.00pm EVENSONG & BENEDICTION**

*(usually 2nd Sunday of each month;  
4pm November-March)*



#### ST MARY'S

**10.30am EUCHARIST & SERMON**

*followed by tea/coffee and biscuits in the hall*

*(this service is live-streamed whenever possible  
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**6.00pm CHORAL EVENSONG** *(usually 1st Sunday of each month)*  
or **(SAID) EVENSONG** *(usually 3rd/4th/5th Sunday of each month)*

*For changes and details of other services please see the weekly Sunday leaflet  
and p.6 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
FRIDAYS: St Mary's	9.30am	EUCHARIST
SATURDAYS: St John's	9.30am	MASS

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) by arrangement:**  
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