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Welcome

Who is worthy of entrance into the kingdom of God?

This is probably a question that most people who go to church, have asked themselves at one time or another.

They have attended church religiously every Sunday, so think to themselves yes, I will go to heaven, I give to the collection, I involve myself in church matters, and I give to charity. I am a really good person; of course I'll go to heaven.

But will they?

What is the difference between that person and somebody who doesn't go to church but involves themselves in the local community, helping out their neighbours, working for different charities, raising money for good causes, works for the Samaritans on the telephone lines, listening to people's problems and giving them advice on where to go for help.

Polly, was in her seventies, had lived in the neighbourhood all her life, borne 6 children. The neighbours called her Auntie Polly, she was the first port of call for anyone who was about to give birth, she was the unofficial midwife for her neighbours. She was also the first person they went to, if anyone passed away at home and was called upon to lay out the deceased.

She didn't go to church, she never had the time, and she was always too busy with family friends and neighbours.

In fact, the only time she went to church was when one of her grandchildren was in the church choir and on occasion was chosen to sing a solo. She went to service because she was proud and wanted to support them.

Should she be excluded from the kingdom of God in favour of a regular church goer who turns up every Sunday for morning service but doesn't involve themselves in other church activity?

You decide.

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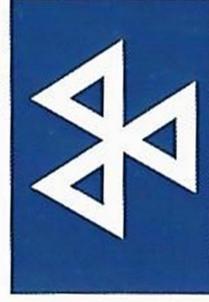
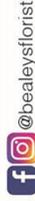


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Strange but True

1. People can suffer from a psychological disorder called Boanthropy that makes them believe that they are a cow. They try to live their life as a cow.
2. A duel between three people is actually called a truel.
3. The stage before frostbite is called "frostnip".
4. The process by which bread toasts is called the 'Maillard Reaction'.
5. Snails have 14,000 teeth and some can even kill you!
6. The human nose can remember 50,000 different scents.
7. Tigers have striped skin not just striped fur. The stripes are like fingerprints and no two tigers have the same pattern.
8. In 2005, a fortune cookie company called Wonton Food Inc. correctly foretold lottery numbers, resulting in 110 winners and an investigation. No fraud was involved.
9. If you die in Amsterdam with no next of kin, and no friends or family to prepare funeral or mourn over the body, a poet will write a poem for you and recite it at your funeral.
10. In 2014, a missing woman on a vacation in Iceland was found when it was discovered that she was in the search party looking for herself.
11. Magpies are considered one of the most intelligent species in the world and are the only non-mammal species that can recognise themselves in a mirror test.
12. The National animal of Scotland is the unicorn.
13. Viagra when dissolved in water, can make cut flowers stay erect for a week longer than they normally would.
14. Colombian drug-lord Pablo Escobar kept four **Hippos** in his estate before his death in 1993. Deemed too much hassle to move by authorities, his Hippos were left there and have since bred and escaped becoming an invasive species of Colombia.
15. The sentence "*The quick brown fox jumps over a lazy dog.*" uses every letter of the alphabet.

Parish Church of St Mary targeted by thieves

Between Sunday 14th July and Wednesday 31st July, the graveyard of the Parish Church of St Mary was targeted by thieves, who over the course of a two weeks plundered the Yorkshire stone paving from the paths surrounding the church.

The paving which has been in situ at the church for around 200 years, is irreplaceable and is in great demand for reclamation projects throughout the United Kingdom. It is therefore, very sought after and commands a high resale value.

This of course makes historic properties, which because of their age have these old paving stones within their boundaries, vulnerable to unscrupulous individuals who seek to make a quick buck by pillaging and devastating historic areas for their own pecuniary gain.

It is sad that in these modern times, due to a shortage of manpower, our custodians of law and order are unable to investigate criminal acts properly and the perpetrators will never be found. Such acts of criminality can be likened to the grave robbers of ancient civilisations.



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The Church, Community and Family

With ever dwindling numbers,
The Church of England stands,
At the junction of a crossroad,
With a problem on its hands.
The community once its central core,
Come through its doors no more,
Why, has God's message failed?
To meet the modern age.
To show to those devoid of faith,
The value of his word.
Has the church forgotten,
The successes of the past.
All the things, that it got right,
That once made its future bright.
The young were taught the scriptures,
How Christ died to save us all.
This no longer is the case,
The message, not now heard,
For in modern education,
Christianity, has no place.

The community, was family,
The church placed at its centre.
Supporting all its people,
From the cradle to the grave,
The Brownies, Cubs, Girl Guides and Scouts,
Gave the young a purpose,
Instilled in them some values,
Which they kept throughout their lives.
Whole families worshipped at the church,
Successive generations.
Who kept the Christian spirit,
Helped to propagate the faith.
So, what's gone wrong?
From then till now,
Why are people less engaged?
Have forgotten the Lord's teachings,
Chose to go their separate ways.

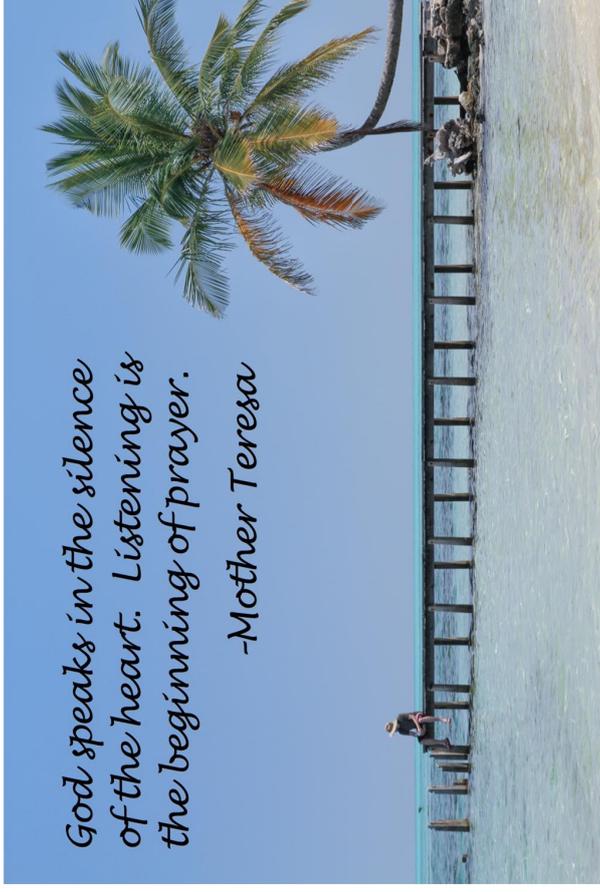
Is it because the community?
Once bound by family ties,
No longer live by cheek and jowl,
Dispersed both near and far.
Is immigration the catalyst,
As those of other faiths,
Fill the space vacated,
By the young, once at its heart.
Church buildings once a community hub,
The centre of church life,
Their up keep, too expensive,
Sold to save the cost.
The shared experiences of the faithful,
Once passed on to the young,
Now deprived of a foundation.
To spread Christ's heavenly word.
The church must find the answer,
As to how to stop the rot.
Perhaps, look back into the past,
To harness what was best.
Then add to that a modern face,
Christ's message to advance.

Let's think about the future,
How to arrest decline,
What measures should be taken,
That will stand the test of time.
We must reconnect with children,
For with them survival lies.
Out of the mouths of babes,
Christ's message will be heard.
For those that do the devil's work,
Have known it for some time.
That preaching to an open mind,
Can bring them more reward.
For they will bring their parents,
And attract grandparents to.
Whom, when temptation came their way,
Christ' legacy was lost.
There are many men and women,
Throughout the Christian world,
Whose intellectual vision,
Can promote the Christian word.
Who can bring new innovation,
To bring about the change.
That can drive Christ's mission forward.
Christianity to save.

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*God speaks in the silence
of the heart. Listening is
the beginning of prayer.*

-Mother Teresa



Parish Register

September/October

Holy Baptism

*29th September - Lewis James Higgins
-Karter Kevin Higgins*



Wedding

n/a

Funeral

n/a

What's Happening.....

Dates for your diary

September

1st	10.30pm Family Friendly Sunday Eucharist at St. Marys	1st	7.30pm Healing Service at St. T.J.'s
3rd	7.30pm Healing Service at St. T.J.'s	2nd	10am Wednesday Eucharist at St Marys
4th	10am Wednesday Eucharist at St Marys	3rd	10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd
6th	10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd	5th	12pm Team intercessions at St TJ's
7th	12pm Team intercessions at St TJ's	6th	9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJ's
8th	9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJ's	9th	9.30am Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's
11th	10am Wednesday Eucharist at St TJ's	11th	10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd
13th	10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd	12th	12pm Team intercessions at St TJ's
14th	12pm Team intercessions at St TJ's	13th	10am - 4pm Heritage Weekend at St Mary's
14th	10am - 4pm Heritage Weekend at St Mary's	16th	6.30pm Pilgrims Course at St TJ's
15th	9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJ's	18th	10am - 4pm Heritage Weekend at St Mary's
18th	11am - 1pm Saturday Café at St Mary's	19th	7.30pm Concert at St Mary's - Affetside choir
20th	10am - 4pm Heritage Weekend at St Mary's	20th	9.30am Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's
22nd	4pm Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's	23rd	10am Wednesday Eucharist at St TJ's
25th	10am Wednesday Eucharist at St Marys	25th	10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd
27th	10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd	26th	12pm Team intercessions at St TJ's
28th	12pm Team intercessions at St TJ's	27th	6.30pm Pilgrims Course at St TJ's
29th	6.30pm Pilgrims Course at St TJ's	28th	9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJ's
30th	9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJ's	29th	9.30am Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's
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October

1st	7.30pm Healing Service at St. T.J.'s
2nd	10am Wednesday Eucharist at St Marys
3rd	10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd
5th	12pm Team intercessions at St TJ's
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	9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJ's
	9.30am Sunday Eucharist at St Mary's
	3pm Food and friendship at St Philips
	10am Wednesday Eucharist at St TJ's
	7.30pm Mothers Union Meeting St Mary's



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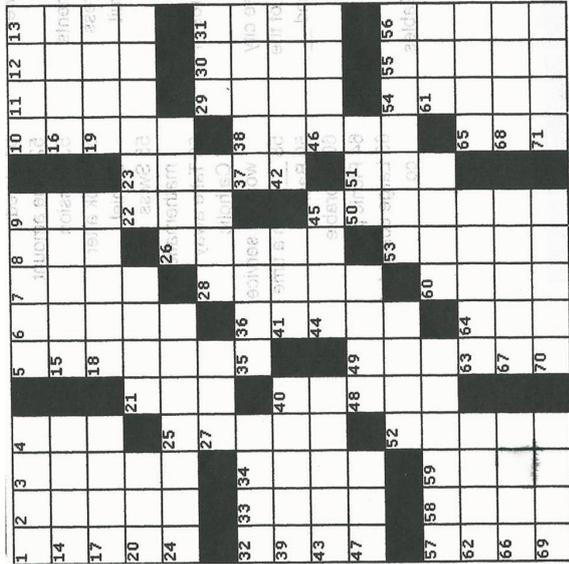
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- 45 Adjusted
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- 46 Center
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- 48 Place for the wicked
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Parish Church of St Mary

Summer Fayre - Saturday 22nd June.

It was a beautiful summer's day and once again the congregation of the Parish Church of St Mary, did us proud. Everybody rallied round and I don't think there was a member of the church who didn't contribute in some way.

Once again, the people of Radcliffe showed that they see our church as an integral part of the community and came along to support us in our fundraising effort. In fact, I don't think I've seen the church so full.



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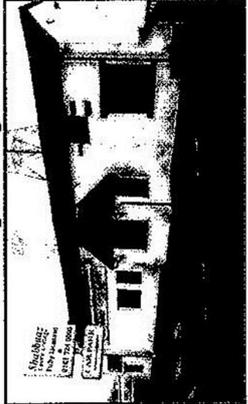


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The Lost Children of Lidice

In September 1941, Reinherd Heydrich was appointed Deputy Reich-Protector of Bohemia and Moravia. So began a Nazi reign of terror, which ended in the complete eradication of the village of Lidice.

The Czechoslovak Government in exile parachuted two volunteer Czech patriots, Jan Kubis and Joseph Gabcik, serving with the Polish forces in Britain, near Prague. Their mission was to assassinate Reinherd Heydrich.

An ambush took place on May 27, 1942, as Heydrich drove to his office. Severely wounded, he was rushed to Bulovka Hospital where he died eight days later.

Karl Hermann Frank, was appointed Secretary of State for the German Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia in Heydrich's place, he reported from Berlin that the Führer had commanded that any village implicated in the Heydrich assassination was to be dealt with as follows:

- All adult males were to be executed.
- All women to be immediately transported to concentration camps.
- All children suitable for "Germanizing" were to be placed with SS families in the Reich and raised as Germans.
- The village was to be destroyed and the area levelled.

On the morning of June 9, 1942, Hitler's orders were implemented when trucks entered the village of Lidice. All the men of the village were rounded up and taken to a place of execution just outside the village. In total 173 men were shot dead. 200 women of the village were transported to Ravenbruck concentration camp, after 3 years of brutal treatment only a handful returned to Lidice.

Of the children of the village who were not selected for Germanisation, 82 in total were sent to the extermination camp at Chelmo and gassed to death in Magirus gas trucks. Seventeen children returned home after being traced in Germany.

An academic sculptor professor Marie Uchytilová was deeply touched by the tragedy of the crime in Lidice. In 1969 she decided to create bronze monument of Lidice children that should be also understood as A Monument of children's war victims. She spent 20 years researching documents of the time in order to reproduce the closest resemblance to those children who died at Chelmo.

She cast in bronze the first three statues from her own savings. Unfortunately, in autumn 1989 she unexpectedly died. She could only see her whole life work placed in Lidice in her imagination.

In spring 1995 there was a concrete rest cased by marble blocks made on the marked place. Afterwards the moment that was awaited for long time came. 30 children in bronze shape returned to their mothers in Lidice.



Tombola stall



Craft stall



Flower stall

We were all royally entertained by Roy Hall, who treated us to a celebration of the songs of Elvis Presley, people were literally dancing in the aisles. Children were entertained by a face painter, and there was a candle stall and a flower stall, as well as our traditional stalls.

The Fayre raised a fantastic £1780 and we also had an anonymous donation of £500, giving us a combined total of £2280 for church funds.

Thanks are expressed to everybody who took part, everybody who bought raffle tickets and everybody who came on the day to support us.

The Lost Children of Lidice Suffer the little Children to come unto me

Since summer of 1996 more statues have been installed with a different time in between each installation. The last seven were uncovered in 2000. Currently there are 42 girls and 40 boys murdered in 1942 looking at the valley.



The most valuable ancient hordes found in the United Kingdom.

THE CUERDALE HOARD - Found: 1840
Value: Approximately \$3.2 million



While repairing the embankment of the River Ribble in Cuerdale, near Preston in England, a group of workmen dug up a lead box. Inside was one of the biggest hoards of Viking treasure ever found—more than 8600 items were documented, including silver coins, various bits of jewellery and silver ingots.

Although the majority of the items originated in English Viking kingdoms, some of the treasure was also traced back to other regions, including Scandinavia, Italy, and Byzantium. The treasure was presented to Queen Victoria, and some of it is now on display in the British Museum (as seen above). The workmen who found it, meanwhile, managed to grab a coin each.

THE HOXNE HOARD - Found: 1992
Value: Approximately \$3.8 million



Having lost his hammer in a field, farmer Peter Whatling called a friend with a metal detector to help him find it. Instead, he found treasure. Inside the oak chest was a collection of silver spoons, gold jewellery, and coins, all dating back to the 4th century AD. Whatling called in help, and archaeologists managed to find all sorts of other treasures buried in the same field, including Roman ladles and serving bowls.

The hoard was bought by the British Museum, though it was so valuable the museum had to call in funds from donors like the National Art Collections fund to afford it. As for the errant hammer? That's now in the British Museum, too.

THE STAFFORDSHIRE HOARD - Found: 2009
Value: Approximately \$4.1 million



Terry Herbert was using his metal detector on a recently plowed field near Hammerwich in Staffordshire, when he stumbled across the largest trove of Anglo-Saxon treasure ever found. All told, the hoard included over 3500 items, most of which were military-related. As well as weaponry, though, the hoard included several religious artifacts, and lots of decorative items.

It's tough to be exact, but the hoard is thought to date back to the 8th century, and has influenced the way historians think about that period in English history. Enough to make you rush out to buy a metal detector, isn't it?

THE GALWAY VIKING HOARD



A metal detectorist has learned he has hit a £2m jackpot after uncovering Britain's biggest ever Viking treasure. Derek McLennan unearthed the 10th-century collection of rare Viking artefacts in a field in Dumfries and Galloway in Scotland's south-west in 2014. The haul of about 100 items included silver bracelets and brooches, a gold ring, an enamelled Christian cross and a bird-shaped gold pin.

The bulk of it is silver jewellery, but it also contains textiles and a range of precious metal and jewelled items described as "outstanding and exceptional" by experts, including a rare gold ingot, beads, crystals and a decorated silver-gilt cup thought to be of Byzantine origin. Mr McLennan passed on the treasure to the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer (QLTR), which rules on found goods and property without an owner. David Harvie, from QLTR, described the hoard as of "outstanding international significance" and "one of the most important finds ever discovered in Scotland". QLTR ruled the collection should be handed over to Scotland's National Museum for display, provided it can pay Mr McLennan £1.98m to acquire the treasure.

THE LENBOROUGH HOARD - Buried: 11th century. Found: 2014
(Found in a field south of the town of Buckingham)



Detectorist Paul Coleman found 5,252 late Anglo-Saxon silver coins worth £1.35 million. The silver coins, around 1,000 years old, bore the faces of their kings: Ethelred the Unready and Canute, who ruled between 978 and 1035. The hoard was unusual partly because the first was an Anglo-Saxon king, the second a Viking; and coins from both are rarely mixed.

THE JERSEY'S CELTIC HOARD - Buried: 2000 years ago. Found: 2012
(Found in a field in Jersey. Estimated value £10 million)



Two thousand years ago the Celtic people of the Channel Islands and northern France were in great danger from Rome legions who were forcibly enlarging the Roman Empire. In order to protect their wealth and precious objects the Celtic Tribes sailed to Jersey and buried them in a field.



For 30 years, Reg Mead and Richard Miles had searched fruitlessly for a hoard of coins they had heard rumours of from a farmer's daughter. As a child, she was given ancient coins found by her father in a field as he turned the soil to plant potatoes. Not knowing what clues these coins held to finding the world's largest ever Celtic coin hoard, the little girl swapped them for comics! Reg and Richard's persistence finally paid off when, on a summer's day in 2012, they heard a strong signal from their metal detector. With the help of Jersey Heritage and Société Jersiaise archaeologists, they excavated a huge hoard of 70,000 coins stuck together in a great mass with jewellery, silver and gold.

Gold torques, silver coins, gold and silver jewellery excavated from the hoard are now on display at La Hougue Bie Museum in Jersey.

This is how a grain of sand looks magnetised 300 times



A grain of sand is something that the ordinary person finds it very hard to visualise. In fact, ask most people what sand is, they would say it's what you find at the beach. They would not think about breaking sand down to individual grains.

Dr Gary Greenberg has invented a 3D microscope that magnifies an individual grain of sand 300 times, breaking it down to the grain of sands individual components. The picture above shows what an individual grain of sand looks like after magnification. Sand varies significantly depending from which area of the world it comes. The individual grain of sand contains remnants of individual organisms peculiar to the area which it was taken from.

In theory a grain of sand uplifted from a beach can be catalogued to show where it came from. Just think what forensic scientists could do with that information when investigating a crime and finding sand samples at the scene or on an individual associated with the crime. They could determine what area of the country or indeed the world that sample came from and in doing so, aid the police in their investigation

The wonders of modern science.

PG.

Radcliffe Team Ministry Parish Church of St. Mary, Radcliffe Parochial Church Council Minutes 23rd July 2019, 7.30pm

Chaired: Mrs J Robinson

Attendees: Rev'd Elizabeth Binns, Mrs D Tokaryk, Mrs P Rigby, Mrs T O'Dwyer, Mrs P Holt, Mr P Gorman, Mrs M Embrey, Mrs M.Mort.

1. Apologies : Mrs V Beal, Mrs L Higham, Mrs B Greaves, Mrs V Ormrod, Mrs C Clegg

2 Jean advised that Suzanne Kaye has agreed to be the new PCC secretary. Christine has agreed to train Suzanne over the coming weeks, once she has recovered from her recent operation. A vote was taken to agree this and the PCC members in attendance unanimously accepted this appointment.

Action Points

3. Correspondence / Matters arising

Deb updated on the vacancy, she has been in touch once again with the Arch Deacon who have confirmed that the post will be advertised again over the Summer, if no applications are received the situation will be discussed again by the Diocese.

Jean gave a report on the 3 incidents within the graveyard of stolen paving stones. Stones were taken on 15/7, 18/7, and again in the evening/ early hours of 22/7. All 3 incidents have been reported to the police there are 3 crime numbers in place, the Insurers and the Diocese have also been advised. Advice has been sought from Lloyd & Smith and also John Barns at JABA. Brian at Lloyd Smith has offered to take photographs and will price up replacement stones. The information will be submitted to the Diocese and the Insurers for their further consideration. Due to the nature of our listed building we may have no alternative but to replace with more York Stone. Deb confirmed that Faculties will be more readily accepted on a like for like replacement.

4. Financials

Jean gave a verbal update and confirmed that things are generally ticking over with the finances. Our Parish Share payments have now been reduced by 50% to £625 per month from 15/06/2019, this will create a shortfall at the end of the year. The cost of the Chancel ceiling has been confirmed as part of the flood damage claim in Dec. 2015. The Invoice amounted to £8,640 + VAT £ 1728 and has been passed to Dave Greenwood to settle directly with the contractors.

John Barnes – JABA has confirmed the funding for the Drainage Works has been agreed at £8,900 and he would like to get started with this ASAP. Jean also confirmed that a covering letter and Mandate has been prepared and is ready to be returned to CCLA with the instructions of address changes and authorised signatories.

5. Wardens report

Chancel ceiling – Work has now been completed on the Chancel ceiling and a very good job has been completed again by Lloyds and Smith. I want to thank everyone who helped moved everything before the work was started and also all the hard work that was done

- 1) after cleaning the work was completed and a special thank you goes to Margaret Finneron and the group of Iranian young men who came on Friday 19/07/19 & work tirelessly the clean our beautiful church.
- 2) Panto – The invoice has been rec'd and the deposit has been paid. I have asked when we will receive any posters etc and what exactly they do send for us to promote the event. I have now been advised that they send out details and electronic poster in September.
- 3) As we are having the Joint Harvest service now on 06/10/19 at St Philips community centre I will advise Jo McKee and thank her for her offer of cover on that date but we no longer need this cover due to the joint service.
- 4) Collection Box – With all that has happened between November PCC meeting and January's standing committee has not met so no decision yet. On going.
- 5) Asda's run is again being held on 15th September 19, this is again our heritage weekend, theme looking back on recent past Heritage themes and with Elizabeth's agreement will again hold a service at 4pm as a celebration of the weekend and the end of the event.
- 6) We have made some progress on the drains and have received a grant for some of this work, hopefully this work will start shortly.
- 7) Have requested an update from the Archdeacons office on what the current position is regarding the vacancy at St Mary's- Update requested 15/07/19, post is to be advertised again over the Summer but no dates given.
- 8) Graveyard – As we are all aware the graveyard issue is here again. The gardeners plan to cut the grass, apply weed killer to kill the grass hasn't worked!! As we know it worked last year, so I have asked Scott if he knows why it didn't work and if he could offer any help, as of 19/07 no reply! As some of you are aware, we had a donation at the summer fayre of £500. I wish to put it to the PCC for us to use this to get the graveyard sorted again. As it is in such a state now it may be that the cost will exceed this amount we have had an offer to help with this cost from a person who wishes to remain anonymous. Once this has been done, we can then look at taking up the offer of some volunteers to help with the upkeep, but before we can do this, we need to complete a risk assessment of this work, we should be able to use, as a basis, the risk assessment we had for Scott the gardener. Before this is done, we need to find out exactly what equipment these volunteers have and what they can do. Any volunteers will have to sign up to this before they do any work in the graveyard. If anyone would be willing to take this task on and co-ordinate this work it would be appreciated, I have Scott's risk assessment on file to use and I will help but really need someone else to step up and take ownership of this task.
- 9) Stolen flags – As we are all aware some of our York stone flags have been stolen, over two separate days, Monday, when they were disturbed by a dog walker and again between 18:50 on Thursday 18/07/19 and Friday 19/07/19 09:00. Plus, now a 3rd visit between Sunday and today taking more flags from the front path in full view, obviously not at all bothered about being seen now. Weather by the same persons we will probably never know. It has been suggested that we arrange for them to be marked in some way, but if I am being honest and I try to be, I don't think there would be any point in this. If they want to take them, they will have someone already who will buy them and they won't care where they came from!

Jean is working hard with the insurance company and is obtaining quotes and recommendations from Lloyds and Smith and the architect regarding a way forward on this.

A.O.B

War Graves Plaque – Jean suggested she would write to the War Graves Committee to ask when the plaque would be installed. AP9 – PCC all agreed

Margaret Embrey read a telephone message out that she had received from Don Miller on 23/07/2019. Don raised concerns over the security of the church and the graveyard. He mentioned the installation of security lighting and CCTV. Peter also advised that Don had approached him in a similar. Elizabeth cautioned that there are protocols to follow with the Diocese and Heritage regulations. She acknowledged it was good to have his interest and suggested that we should write to him, when we had fuller details. Deb stated that Faculties will be required if we were to consider going down this route, she and Jean are taking further advice from the police, insurers and the Diocese.

AP10

Margaret Embrey has a full list of fund raising events :

- 24/8 Strawberry Sparkle
- 13-15 Sept Heritage Weekend
- 6/10 Harvest Joint Team Service at St Philips 11:00am Bring & Share Lunch
- 12/10 Affetside Choir 7:30pm £8.00 including Supper help with tickets required
- 30/11 Christmas Fayre 12:00 – 3:00pm School choir invited from Radcliffe Hall
- 8/12 The Pantomime - Deposit has been paid further details will be sent to us in September including an electronic poster. Suzanne Kaye will look at the Lottery grant application for community projects to see if the pantomime would be eligible for funding.

AP11

Further events for 2020 have also been discussed by the Events/Fund Raising Team.

Finally, Elizabeth (Rev'd Binns) confirmed that she is to retire from her Council employment in December 2019 and this would give her more time to devote to her Church/Pastoral care for the whole Radcliffe Team. The PCC were appreciative of all Elizabeth's help and look forward to this continuing as we go forward.

Next PCC Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 24th September 2019, 7:30pm.

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The first was the mother who carried me here,
Gave birth and nurtured and launched my career.
She was the one whose features I bear,
Complete with the facial expressions, I swear,

She gave her love, which follows me yet,
Along with the examples in life that she set,
As I got older, she somehow younger grew,
And we'd laugh just as mothers and daughters do.

But then came the time that her mind clouded so,
And I sensed that the mother I knew would soon go.
So quickly she changed and turned into the other,
A stranger who dressed in the clothes of my mother.

Oh, she looked the same, at least at arms-length,
but now she was the child and I was her strength.
We'd come full circle, we women three,
My mother, the first the second and me.

And if my children should come to a day,
when a new mother comes and the old goes away.
I'd ask of them nothing that I didn't do,
Love both of your Mothers as both loved you.

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25th September 7.30pm Meeting at St TJ's
30th October 7.30pm Meeting at St. Mary's

Radcliffe Hall & St. Mary's Ladies Group

Date	Event
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9th October 7.30pm	AGM at St. Mary's

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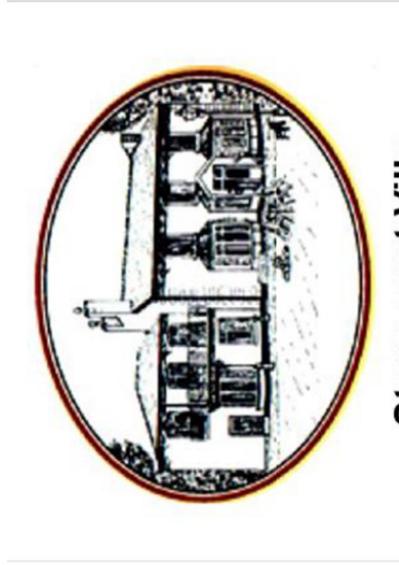


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Greyfriars



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Greyfriars is a 69-foot, two storey timber frame building with close studding and jettied upper floor with a curved façade which follows the line of the street. Over the preceding centuries since its original construction, it has undergone numerous alterations and extensions, making it the finest example of a half-timbered building in Worcester.

From the 13th century, Friar Street was dominated by a Franciscan Friary, from which both it and Greyfriars were named. It was suppressed in the 1530's when Henry VIII dissolved the monasteries.

In 1724 The George family moved into Greyfriars' North Wing eventually taking over the whole house in the 1740s. In the first half of the 19th-century, Daniel George decided to take full advantage of the population rise in Worcester and went on to develop affordable housing in Greyfriars' back garden. Life wasn't easy for the residents of George's Yard, especially in the 19th-century. Conditions for the working class, including those in the Yard, were harsh. They endured long hours at work for very little pay. Many held jobs as factory workers, cleaners, greengrocers and shopkeepers; and many of the women made a living by washing the clothes of middle-class families. From the 1700's onwards, Worcester suffered a decline in its fortunes.

In the 1930's, Greyfriars and the 10 cottages in Georges Yard behind, were threatened with demolition. After the Second World War, Greyfriars was rescued from demolition and carefully restored and a walled garden designed using materials from the demolished cottages.

HOME COOKING

Chocolate crunch

Ingredients

- 3 oz of butter.
- 2 ½ table spoons of syrup.
- 1 table spoon of castor sugar
- 1 table spoon of cocoa
- 8 oz of crushed digestive biscuits

To decorate

Chocolate and chopped nuts.

Method:

- Melt together the butter, syrup and caster sugar in a pan.
- Add the cocoa to the mixture when melted and mix well.
- Add the digestive biscuits and mix.

Spoon the mixture into an 8" ,or larger, pie dish.

Top with melted chocolate and chopped nuts and leave to set for 4 hours



This restoration was undertaken by the brother and sister team of Malcolm and Elsie Matley-Moore, who offered to take over restoration of the house on condition they were allowed to live in it

The Matley-Moores were avid collectors of historic furniture and fittings, and they snapped up bits and pieces from historic buildings wherever they could find them; from car boot sales to antique fairs, they searched the country for pieces of furniture and memorabilia that would fit the period feel of the house. The chequered floor in the ground floor hall comes from Wychebold Hall near Droitwich, rescued when the house had to be pulled down due to subsidence from salt mines underground. Rumour has it that some of the Gunpowder Plot conspirators fled to Wychebold after the failure of Guy Fawkes's attempt to blow up Parliament in 1605, so they probably would have walked upon the same stones that visitors to Greyfriars now tread.

One of the most extraordinary pieces of furniture is a screen made of 17th century Spanish leather. The leather was said to have been found in a skip in the 1930s and made into a screen as well as a chest cover. It is amazing to think that someone would throw away such a lovely piece of craftsmanship, but thankfully the Matley-Moores rescued it. It features superb panelled rooms furnished with tapestries and period furniture. Behind the house is a lovely walled garden with wonderful colour in spring and autumn.



In 1966, the care Greyfriars was entrusted to the National Trust, on the understanding that the Matley-Moores were allowed a lifetime tenancy. They were to remain resident at Greyfriars until their deaths in the 1980's.

If you ever visit Worcester, make sure that you give yourselves plenty of time to explore. Greyfriars is well worth a visit as is the Tudor House a few yards further down Friar Street on the other side. The magnificent structure of Worcester Cathedral is also just a stone's throw away. Known for being the final resting place of King John, it is not to be missed.

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prayer

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Book of Remembrance

September
 11th Nellie Heaton
 16th William Herbert
 22nd Pat Bennet
 23rd James Wilkes
 26th Eunice Ellen Kay

October

1st Marjorie Smith & Evelyn Bowker
 7th Grace Gregson & Mary Alice Cottrill
 11th David Reichard Charles Robinson
 13th Barry Greaves
 17th Florence Crossley
 25th Pauline Heywood
 26th Joan Hopper
 30th Jessica

Saints Days

September

3rd Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, Teacher, 604AD
 13th John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, Teacher 407AD
 14th Holy Cross Day
 16th Ninian, Bishop of Galloway, Apostle of the Picts, c 432
 17th Hildegard, Abbess of Bingen, Visionary 1179 AD
 20th John Coleridge Patteson, 1st Bishop of Melanesia and his Companions, Martyrs, 1871
 21st Matthew, Apostle Evangelist

25th Lancelot Andrewes, Bishop of Winchester, Spiritual Writer, 1626
 27th Vincent de Paul, Founder of the Congregation of the Mission (Lazarists) 1660
 29th Michael and all the Angels

October

4th Francis of Assisi, Friar, Founder of the Friars Minor, 1226
 10th Paulinus, Bishop of York, Missionary, 644 AD
 12th Wilfrid of Ripon, Bishop, Missionary, 709AD
 15th Teresa of Avila, Teacher 1582
 17th Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, Martyr, 107AD
 18th Luke the Evangelist
 19th Henry Martin, Translator of the Scriptures, Missionary in India and Persia 1812
 26th Alfred the Great, King of West Saxons, Scholar 899 AD
 28th Simon & Jude, Apostles
 29th James Hannington, Bishops of Eastern Equatorial Africa, Martyr in Uganda 1885

September Readings

1st September
 Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: Eccius 10:12-18 or Proverbs 25:6-7
 2nd Reading: Hebrew 13:1-8, 15-16
 Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

8th September
 Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: Deut 30: 15-end
 2nd Reading: Philemon 1-20
 Gospel: Luke 1:25-33

15th September
 Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: Exodus 32:7-14
 2nd Reading: 1 Tim 1:12-17
 Gospel: Luke 10: 38-end

22nd September
 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: Amos 8:4-7
 2nd Reading: 1 Tim 2:1-7
 Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13

29th September
 Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity - Michael and the Angels

1st Reading: Genesis 28:10-17
 2nd Reading: Revelations 12:7-12 or Hebrews 1:5-end
 Gospel: John 1:47-end

October Readings

6th October

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:1-4

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

13th October

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Gospel: Luke 12: 11-19

20th October

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: Genesis 32:22-31

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14- 4:5

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

27th October

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading: Ecclesi 35:12-17 or Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-end

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

The Parish Directory

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