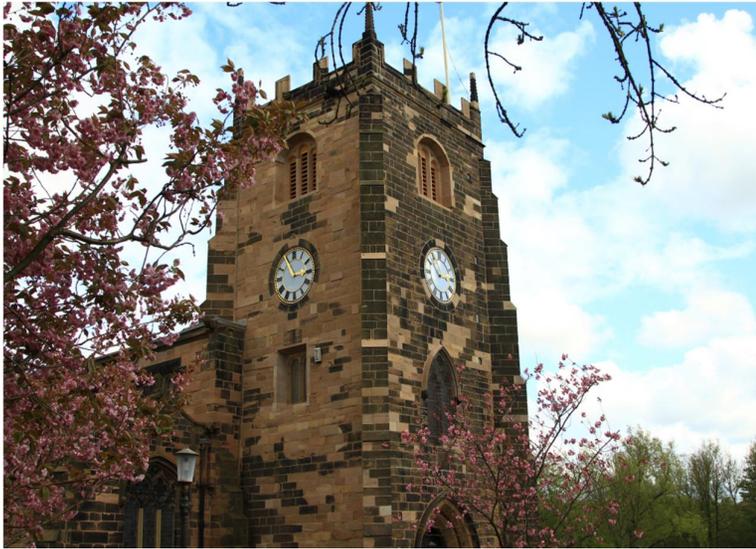


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## Welcome

Rather bizarrely, in this issue of our magazine, I am not looking forward to the months of July and August in my introduction, but back to the events in June. More specifically the events of June 1944 and that of one day in particular the 6<sup>th</sup> June, more universally known as D-Day, an event which shaped the very future of Europe and perhaps the world.

After almost 5 years of war, the allies were finally in a position to take the war to a Germany dominated by Hitler's Nazi party, onto Europe's western shores. This was the beginning of the liberation of the countries subjugated by the Nazi war machine since the miraculous evacuation of British and Commonwealth troops off the beaches at Dunkirk in 1940.

Following months of intense training, allied soldiers hitherto left in the dark as to the reasons for these preparations but no doubt speculating on their purpose, as they are wont to do, were kitted out and given very little notice before boarding transport to the ports of Southern England for embarkation.

When it was finally confirmed, where they were going, they were exuberant in their enthusiasm for the opportunity of taking the war to the Germans, but I suspect there was just as much trepidation as to what they might face when they got there. After all, the Germans had the best part of 5 years to prepare their defences for just such a situation.

The 24,000 soldiers from Britain, Canada and the United States, who were in the first waves to assault the beaches of Normandy at 6.30am on the morning of 6<sup>th</sup> June, were soon to find out. From the moment the first landing crafts opened their doors to disgorge their troops, soldiers found themselves hit by a storm of bullets from well-placed machine-gun emplacements, mortars and shells. Many in the front never even got off the landing crafts, before being killed and wounded. Soon, soldiers were wading through 4-foot-deep water, through the bodies of their fallen comrades, as they struggled towards the beach, where they were to find little respite from the incessant fire power which confronted them.

On that first day at least 10,000 casualties were reported, of which 4,114 were confirmed fatalities.

When speaking of the brave Hurricane and Spitfire pilots during the Battle of Britain, Churchill so eloquently stated that "Never, in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few". He could have quite easily made a similar comment about those brave men who were in that first wave which forged a bridgehead on the shores of Normandy 75 years ago.

Those men, who knew from the outset that the likelihood of them surviving to see their loved ones again, was very unlikely, but despite this and the tremendous fear they must have felt, they confronted it and when the order came, they leapt into the sea and into history.

We, that now enjoy the freedoms you fought for and in many cases died for, salute you.

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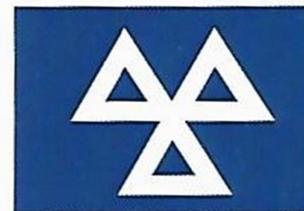
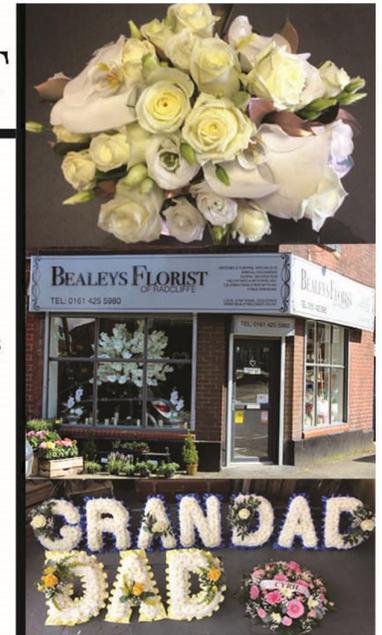
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## Radcliffe Hall and St Mary's Ladies Group

Monthly meeting 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019

At our monthly meeting in May, we were very pleased to have Jackie, the owner of Bealeys Florists on Church Street, Radcliffe, come along to our meeting and give a demonstration of flower arranging for our members.

Jackie made 3 different beautiful arrangements, explaining in simple terms, each step as she went along.

At the end of the evening, each arrangement was raffled and 3 lucky ladies, were able to take home an example of Jackie's expertise.

Our church flower arrangers Barbara and Pat, have been buying flowers from Jackie for the last 12 months and all the ladies present agreed, how beautiful the arrangements in church have been.

Below, are photographs of the arrangements that Jackie produced on the night. We would like to thank Jackie for sharing with us, her wonderful creations.

### *I said a Prayer for you today*

*I said a prayer for you today and God know must have heard.*

*I felt the answer in my heart, although he spoke no word.*

*I didn't ask for wealth or fame; I knew you wouldn't mind.*

*I asked Him to send treasures of a far more lasting kind.*

*I asked that he be near you, at the start of each new day.*

*To grant you health and blessings and friends to share your way.*

*I asked for happiness for you, in all things great and small.*

*But it was for his loving care, I prayed for most of all.*

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## Summer thoughts

People's thoughts turn to summer, in the month of May,

When skies of blue, replace those of grey.

The sun wakes us up at an unearthly hour,

Illuminating our bedrooms, with its awesome power.

When we open our doors, to go outside,

The warmth of the sun, is no surprise.

An alfresco breakfast, starts the day,

As we take in the layout, of our garden display.

Plans are made, to plant and weed,

Where to prepare a place, to sow some seed.

We watch small birds, flitting through the trees,

The labours of workaholic bees.

Relaxing in the open air,

Whilst sitting in our garden chair.

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## WAG's Noticeboard

WAGs are a group of women who meet once a month either for a social event or some kind of activity to help the community. It is a very relaxed fun group who are always looking for new members, there is no age limit.

**Our next events:-**

**TBC**

## GARDENING TIP



### July

Prune early summer-flowering shrubs so they can put on new growth this year that will hold the flowers next summer. As well as cutting back for shape, look for any damaged or dead shoots and cut them out.

### August

Water camellias and rhododendrons thoroughly this month to make sure that next year's buds develop well. Keep patio container plants well watered and feed with a liquid fertiliser every fortnight.

## Memorial Flowers



**In loving memory of Bill Roberts,  
husband of Joyce**



**In memory of Fred Simmonds  
from wife Kathleen**

Here at St Mary's we are fortunate to have talented and creative flower arrangers in Pat & Barbara who create the wonderful flower arrangements that adorn our church throughout the year.

Anyone interested in a floral arrangement to be displayed in church in celebration of a special event or in memory of a loved one should contact either Barbara (0161 723 3546) or Pat (07876 702 305) to arrange for payment and the preferred colour scheme, prior to their chosen dates. Every endeavour will be made to meet your requests. The current cost to use this service is £25, this payment is used to purchase the flowers used in the displays.



## The Isle of Mannanan

### Part Four

After the Isle of Man Purchase Act of 1765, commonly called the Revestment Act, the smuggling of contraband, which had been the main source of revenue for the island, effectively ceased. However, by the 1790s a new source of revenue had taken its place. The Isle of Man was perceived as a cheaper place to live and retired and half pay officers of the armed forces were increasingly taking up residence. Also, thanks to a 1737 Act concerning debtors, the island was seen as safe haven against mainland creditors. The downside to this was that the island became known as a haunt of people trying to escape their debts. This was only remedied by an 1814 Act which removed their protection. This resulted in much distress to those who had made their homes on the island, particularly in Douglas, which led to an exodus as many long-term residents left.

The Governor of the Isle of Man, the 4<sup>th</sup> Duke of Atholl, saw summer visitors as a replacement; he built Strathallan Crescent at the north end of Douglas Bay for letting during the summer season.

It was the introduction of steam ships crossing the Irish Sea from Liverpool to Douglas in the late 1820s, which opened up a reliable, regular and efficient mode of transport to and from the mainland, which provided the catalyst for the start of a burgeoning tourist industry. So successful was this embryonic tourist industry that visitor numbers over the period from 1830 to 1920 increased from about 20,000 per year to a peak of 663,000 visitors in 1913, a total which was never equalled again, although 1948 came close. Unfortunately, after that year numbers gradually started to decline. In 1888, 95% of visitors arrived through Douglas, with 5% arriving at Ramsey; by 1913 although visitor numbers had increased considerably, Ramsey was only handling 2%, a figure which sharply declined after the end of World War 1.

After 1880 the numbers of visitors were mostly driven by workers and their families from Lancashire and Yorkshire cotton towns which had the tradition of having one week -Wakes week holidays, these holidays were usually taken during 10-12 weeks of intense activity, with the towns taking different weeks over the period. The Isle of Man was rarely frequented by the higher classes; most of those visitors were lower middle classes from the north of England. By 1911, the number of visitors was steadily increasing but the average stay was not as long, this was due to an increase of weekend visitors, a trend which was encouraged by the steam ship companies. The length of the holiday season was increasing to, as the Isle of Man Steamship Company was putting on its largest and fastest steamers in June and continuing until the end of September in an effort to get more people to visit the island.

A report in the 1960s commented that the island was seen as a purely working-class resort dominated by visitors in hotel and bed and breakfast accommodation in Douglas. At the time, from my own experience from family holidays at the time, every other house appeared to be a B & B as they catered to throngs of holiday makers from England, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

There was a lot to entertain the throngs, many bars and clubs for their evening entertainment where young lads and lasses from different areas of the United Kingdom could meet and get to know each other. For quite a few a holiday romance was the highlight of their stay.

There were also the miles and miles of golden beaches to be explored, hardly a cove on the island didn't have a clean and safe beach for the bucket and spade brigade to enjoy a day at the seaside. Most would have got their on the steam trains which went from Douglas to Port Erin and Peel or the Electric Railway to Laxey, Ramsey and Snaefell, built by Victorian engineers and with the exception of the line to Peel, still in use. Another alternative was by bus, the island being served by an excellent bus timetable. During the month of June, the island is taken over by motorbike fanatics from all over the world. They come to watch the famous TT bike races which traverse the island in circuitous route.

Motor racing first came to the Isle of Man in 1904 when the Gordon Bennett car trials were held. In England the Government made it impossible to close the public roads for any sort of motor racing so a proposal was put the Isle of Man Government. The Manx Government brought in new legislation to enable the closing of public roads for motor racing and the Isle of Man was ready to take up the mantle of the Road Racing Capital of the World, a slogan it has used for many years.

The first motorcycle race held on the Island was the qualifying trials for the International race to be held in Austria. The course used ran from Quarter Bridge south to Castletown, then back through Foxdale to Ballacraigne, then reverse way to the TT back to Quarter Bridge.

Racing was suspended on the Mountain circuit after 1914 due to the First World War, but returned again in 1920.

The TT races are very dangerous and unfortunately a great number of riders have lost their lives during the course of races.

The TT race fortnight is very lucrative for the Isle of Man economy. However, the island is very small and there is a limit to the number of spectators, the island can accommodate. Some 40,000 fans reach the Island over a two week period; 75 percent by sea, the rest by air. Ferries sail between the UK mainland and the island 24 hours a day, taking spectators home as others line up at the dock to start their pilgrimage. Because it takes a certain amount of planning, fans are determined to make the most of their visit once they land in Douglas. Spectators from all over the world are in almost constant movement from one vantage point to another, riding the course when the roads are open, and visiting coves, castles, and seaside towns between races.

Whilst the Isle of Man authorities would like as many people as possible to visit the island, there is a limit to the number of visitors that the island can accommodate. The infrastructure of the island caters for around 80,000 visitors over 50 weeks of the year and it is quickly reaching capacity.

The Isle of Man has now become a major offshore finance centre, insurance, online betting operators and developers, ICT and offshore banking form key sectors of the economy.

The unemployment rate remains low at 1% and property prices are flat lining or declining. The government's policy of offering incentives to high-technology companies and financial institutions to locate on the island has expanded employment opportunities in high-income industries. This is particularly important as agriculture, fishing and the hospitality sector are very much in decline.

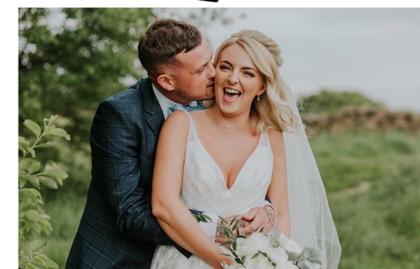
Since 1995, the Isle of Man has co-financed or co-produced over 100 films or TV dramas which have all been filmed on the island. The Isle of Man hopes to use its strong foundation in film to grow its television and new digital media industry.

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## Wedding

Olivia Jane Norman and Lee Donahue were joined together in Holy Matrimony on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at the Parish Church of St Mary, Close Park. Following the wedding celebrations, the happy couple departed for a 3 week honeymoon in Spain.

Our congratulations and best wishes are sent to them both.



*Parish Register*  
*July & August*

*Holy Baptism*

*Wedding*

*Funeral*

n/a



# What's Happening.....

## Dates for your diary

### July

- 2<sup>nd</sup> 7.30pm Healing service at St TJø
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 10am Wednesday Eucharist at St Marys
- 5<sup>th</sup> 10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd  
12pm Team intercessions at St TJø  
6.30pm Pilgrims Course at St TJø
- 6<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJø  
followed by coffee morning
- 10<sup>th</sup> 10am Wednesday Eucharist at St TJø
- 12<sup>th</sup> 10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd  
12pm Team intercessions at St TJø
- 13<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJø  
11am-1pm Saturday café at St Maryø
- 14<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Sunday Eucharist at St Maryø
- 17<sup>th</sup> 10am Wednesday Eucharist at St Marys
- 19<sup>th</sup> 10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd  
12pm Team intercessions at St TJø  
6.30pm Pilgrims Course at St TJø
- 20<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJø  
followed by coffee morning
- 21<sup>st</sup> 9.30am Sunday Eucharist at St Maryø
- 24<sup>th</sup> 10am Wednesday Eucharist at St Marys
- 26<sup>th</sup> 10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd  
12pm Team intercessions at St TJø
- 27<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJø  
followed by coffee morning
- 28<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Sunday Eucharist at St Maryø  
3pm Food & Friendship at St Philips
- 31<sup>st</sup> 10am Wednesday Eucharist at St TJø

### August

- 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd  
12pm Team intercessions at St TJø  
6.30pm Pilgrims Course at St TJø
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.30am Morning Prayers at St TJø
- 4<sup>th</sup> 10.30pm Family Friendly Sunday  
Eucharist at St. Marys
- 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Healing Service at St. T.J.s
- 7<sup>th</sup> 10am Wednesday Eucharist at St TJø
- 9<sup>th</sup> 10am Bible Study Group at 146 Bury Rd  
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- 15<sup>th</sup> The blessed Virgin Mary
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- 28<sup>th</sup> 10am Wednesday Eucharist at St TJø
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## James the Apostle Martyr Feast Day 25<sup>th</sup> July

James was born at Bethsaida, Galilee in around 3 A.D and in died 44 A.D.  
Born the son of Zebedee, he was the brother of the Apostle John.

James is described as one of the first disciples to join Jesus. James and John were with their father by the seashore when Jesus called them to follow him.

James was one of only three apostles whom Jesus selected to bear witness to his transfiguration.

The Acts of the Apostles records that Herod the King, known as Herod Agrippa, had James executed by the sword. He is traditionally believed to be the first Apostle to be martyred for his faith.

The site of martyrdom is located within the Armenian Apostolic Cathedral of St. James in the Armenian Quarter of Jerusalem. The Chapel of St. James the Great, located to the left of the sanctuary, is the traditional place where he was martyred, when King Agrippa ordered him to be beheaded (Acts 12:1-2). His head is buried under the altar, marked by a piece of red marble and surrounded by six votive lamps.

Saint James is the patron saint of Spain and, according to legend, his remains are held in Santiago de Compostela in Galicia. The traditional pilgrimage to the grave of the saint, known as the "Way of St. James", has been the most popular pilgrimage for Western European Catholics from the Early Middle Ages onwards.





Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela

There are a number of traditions relating to his remains.

The **first** is that St. James preached the gospel in Spain, as well as in the Holy Land. According to ancient local tradition, on 2 January AD 40, the Virgin Mary appeared to James on the bank of the Ebro River at Caesaraugusta, while he was preaching the Gospel in Spain. She appeared upon a pillar, Nuestra Señora del Pilar, and that pillar is conserved and venerated within the present Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar, in Zaragoza, Spain. Following that apparition, St. James returned to Judea, where he was beheaded by King Herod Agrippa in the year 44 A.D.

The **second** is that after his martyrdom at the hands of Herod Agrippa, his disciples carried his body by sea to Iberia, where they landed at Padrón on the coast of Galicia, then took it inland for burial at Santiago de Compostela

The tradition at Compostela placed the discovery of the relics of the saint in the time of king Alfonso II (791-842) and of bishop Theodemir of Iria. These traditions were the basis for the pilgrimage route that began to be established in the 9th century, and the shrine dedicated to James at Santiago de Compostela, in Galicia in Spain, became the most famous pilgrimage site in the Christian world. The Way of St. James is a trio of routes that cross Western Europe and arrive at Santiago through Northern Spain. Eventually James became the patron saint of Spain.

#### **Medieval "Santiago Matamoros" legend**

An even later tradition states that he miraculously appeared to fight for the Christian army during the legendary battle of Clavijo, and was henceforth called *Santiago Matamoros* (Saint James the Moor-slayer).

"St. James and strike for Spain" was the traditional battle cry of medieval Spanish (Christian) armies. Cervantes has Don Quixote explaining that "the great knight of the russet cross was given by God to Spain as patron

#### **Emblem**

James' emblem was the scallop shell (or "cockle shell"), and pilgrims to his shrine often wore that symbol on their hats or clothes.

The military Order of Santiago, named after James, was founded in Spain in the 12th century to fight the Moors. Later, as in other orders of chivalry, the membership became a mark of honour.

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## Mappa Mundi

**Hereford Cathedral is home to the Hereford Mappa Mundi, one of the world's unique medieval treasures.** Measuring 1.59 x 1.34 metres (5'2" by 4'4"), the map is constructed on a single sheet of vellum (calf skin). Scholars believe it was made around the year 1300 and shows the history, geography and destiny of humanity as it was understood in Christian Europe in the late thirteenth and early fourteenth centuries.

The inhabited part of the world as it was known then, roughly equivalent to Europe, Asia and North Africa, is mapped within a Christian framework. Jerusalem is in the centre, and east is at the top. East, where the sun rises, was where medieval Christians looked for the second coming of Christ. The British Isles is at the bottom on the left.

The Hereford Mappa Mundi is a medieval map of the known world, of a form deriving from the T and O pattern, dating from c. 1300. It is displayed at Hereford Cathedral. It is the largest medieval map still known to exist.

The writing is in black ink, with additional red and gold, and blue or green for water with the Red Sea coloured red. It depicts 420 towns, 15 Biblical events, 33 animals and plants, 32 people, and five scenes from classical mythology.

Jerusalem is drawn at the centre of the circle; east is on top, showing the Garden of Eden in a circle at the edge of the world. Great Britain is drawn at the north western border bottom left. Curiously, the labels for Africa and Europe are reversed, with Europe scribed in red and gold as "Africa", and vice versa.

The map is based on traditional accounts and earlier maps such as the one of the Beatus of Liebana codex, and is very similar to the EbStorf Map, the Psalter World Map, and the Sawley map; it does not correspond to the geographical knowledge of the 14th century. Note, for example, that the Caspian Sea connects to the encircling ocean (upper left). This is in spite of William of Rubruk having reported it to be landlocked in 1255.

The map is signed by or attributed to one "Richard of Haldingham and Lafford", also known as Richard de Bello, prebend of Lafford in Lincoln Cathedral. However, this attribution isn't completely agreed upon, it being suggested that the exquisite level of detail included in the map could not have been completed by one person. Some people believe that the map was originally created by Richard of Haldingham and Lafford and that at his death it passed to his younger cousin, Richard de Bello. Once it was in de Bello's possession, de Bello and his patron Richard Swinfield worked on the map.

It was for long believed the map was not created in Hereford. It was believed to have been made in Lincoln, since the city of Lincoln is drawn in considerable detail, being represented by a cathedral located on a hill near a river. Hereford, on the other hand, is represented only by a cathedral and seems an afterthought, drawn by a different hand than many of the other things on the map. However, more recent research, including the origin of wood used for the frame which corresponds with a compass hole in the map, suggests it may have in fact been created in or around Hereford.



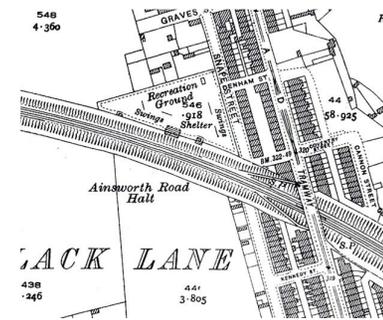
The Hereford Mappa Mundi hung, with little regard, for many years on a wall of a choir aisle in the cathedral. During the troubled times of the Commonwealth the map had been laid beneath the floor of Bishop Audley's Chantry, where it remained secreted for some time. In 1855 it was cleaned and repaired at the British Museum. During the Second World War, for safety reasons, the mappa mundi and other valuable manuscripts from Hereford Cathedral Library were kept elsewhere and returned to the collection in 1946.

In 1988, a financial crisis in the Diocese of Hereford caused the Dean and Chapter to propose selling the mappa mundi. After much controversy, large donations from the National Hereford Memorial fund, Paul Getty and members of the public kept the map in Hereford and allowed the construction of a new library to house the map and the chained libraries from the Cathedral and All Saints' Church. The new Library Building in the south east corner of the cathedral close opened in 1996. An open-access high-resolution digital image of the map with more than 1,000 place and name annotations is included among the thirteen medieval maps of the world edited in the Virtual Mappa project. In 1991 BR Class 31 loco No.31405 was named 'Mappa Mundi' at a ceremony at the Hereford Rail Day.

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## Radcliffe's Railway Stations – Part2

### Ainsworth Station Halt



Ainsworth Station Halt was opened on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1918 on the west side of Ainsworth Road half a mile from Black Lane station on the Bolton to Bury line, by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company. It was opened as a link station for the electric rail service between Bury Knowsley Street and Manchester Victoria via Radcliffe following the closure of the Bolton Trinity Street to Manchester Victoria line.

Following a number of merges of railway companies, the station was taken over by British Rail on the nationalisation of the rail network. On 21<sup>st</sup> September, Ainsworth Halt was closed to passenger trains and demolished. The line continued to be used by freight trains and diversions until it was closed completely on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 1964. The cutting was later filled in and houses built on the site of the station.

### Black Lane Station

Black Lane station was on the Bolton Trinity Street to Bury Knowsley Street line and was opened on 20<sup>th</sup> November 1848 to the east side of Ainsworth Road, Radcliffe.

On 5<sup>th</sup> May 1905, Bury Corporation, opened a tram lane along Ainsworth Road, linking the Three Arrows pub to Whitefield via Radcliffe. However, this did not affect passenger numbers on the rail line as they served different destinations.

The station was renamed Radcliffe Black Lane on 1<sup>st</sup> July 1933. During the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War, the station became much busier as a nearby mill was used as an army barracks and prisoner of war camp.



On December 12<sup>th</sup> 1968 a proposal was made to close the line, despite vigorous local opposition.

The station became unstaffed on 8<sup>th</sup> September 1969, on 7<sup>th</sup> May 1970 approval was given to close the line and it was closed on 5<sup>th</sup> October 1970. Track lifting between Bury Knowsley Street and Bolton began in 1971. The station buildings were demolished immediately, the platforms remaining until the 1990s.

## Bradley Fold Station



Bradley Fold station was opened on 20<sup>th</sup> November 1848, on the east side of Bradley Lane, by the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway. The station was on the Bolton Trinity Street to Bury Knowles Street line.

Bradley Fold was provided with goods facilities west of Bradley Lane on the south side of the line. They consisted of two sidings, a loading platform and a 5-ton lifting crane. To the south of the station was the Tonge Lane Colliery. It was served by its own branch line which had connections to the main line going east and west. The west facing connection was to the west of the station goods yard. The east facing connection was at the eastern end of the passenger station.

In later years, there were also sidings for Dobson and Barlow's and Mather and Platt Ltd branching off the Bolton to Bury line.

British Rail took over the line on nationalisation on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1948. On 1<sup>st</sup> August 1963, Bradley Fold was closed for public goods services.

In May 1968 the Royal Train stopped at Bradley Fold station and the Queen disembarked as part of her *Operation Spring Clean* tour. For the visit the station was tidied up and it received a fresh coat of paint.

Bradley Fold station closed officially with effect from 5 October 1970. The station buildings were demolished shortly after closure but the platforms and footbridge survived until the late 1980s.

In the 1990s a footpath and cycleway was constructed through the site of the station

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## Photographs of Chester Cathedral

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2019 the Radcliffe Hall and St Mary's Ladies Group visited Chester Cathedral. Here are some of the photographs taken on that visit.

### Mystery Plays Quilt



The Quilt was created in 1995 by BJ Elvgren an award winning artist from Chesapeake in the United States of America. She visited the 1992 presentation of the Mystery Plays cycle and was inspired to create this piece of needlework after she returned home.

The quilt features scenes from the medieval plays, performed on wagons against a background of the city itself. It is bordered by the earth below and the stars above and illustrates several recognisable landmarks such as the Cathedral, the Cross, the City Walls and God's Providence House in Watergate Street. The work was purchased by the Mystery Play Board and then presented to Chester Cathedral.

The quilt was stolen from the Cathedral on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2005, but Cheshire Police recovered it and returned it to the Cathedral in August of the same year.

## Copper and Bronze Nativity Scene



Tony Evans a sculptor from Kingsley has created a near life-size nativity scene from copper and bronze.

## Chester Cathedral In LEGO



This is an ongoing Lego structure, visitors to the Cathedral are encouraged to buy a Lego brick for £1 to be added to the piece.

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## Radcliffe Team Ministry Parish Church of St. Mary, Radcliffe Parochial Church Council Minutes 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019, 7.30pm

Minutes of previous meeting.

Peter looked into the Place a Token Scheme to see if we are eligible for the scheme; undecided whether to go for 1 year or more and we have to specify what the money will be used for, and it must be used within 12 months. After discussion the PCC voted for Peter to progress with the application to see what the outcome is. This was supported by all the PCC. Proposed - Mrs D Tokaryk ; Seconded - Mrs M Embrey.

Barbara made reference to grant monies being looked into by Vicky Ormrod and Suzanne Kay for the pantomime.

Elections: Vice Chairman

Jean Robinson will continue as vice chairman. Proposed Mrs M Embrey; Seconded Mrs B Greaves.

Secretary: vacant

No applications received to date. Barbara indicated that Colette Jones offered to take the minutes of the meetings only, but no other secretary business.

Treasurer: Currently Jean Robinson

Jean is working her 12 months notice. Proposed Mrs D Tokaryk; Seconded Mrs B Greaves.

Gift Aid Secretary: Jean Robinson

Jean Robinson said she is happy to continue in this role. Proposed. Mrs P Rigby; Seconded, Mrs M Embrey.

Child Protection & Vulnerable Adult Coordinator, Deborah Tokaryk.

Deborah is happy to continue in this role. Proposed, Mr P Gorman; Seconded, Mrs M Embrey.

Electoral Role Officer, Janette Boote.

Janette is happy to continue in this role. Proposed, Mrs D Tokaryk; Seconded, Mrs P Holt.

Parish Data Coordinator, new post.

Christine Clegg has offered to take on this role. Proposed, Mrs P Rigby; Seconded, Mrs M Embrey.

Church Warden. vacant.

We still need another church warden to support Deborah. Congregation to be made aware of vacancies we have for Church Secretary and a second Church Warden. Also, anyone interested in becoming Church Treasurer to see Jean Robinson. Peter to put this information in the weekly newsletter.

Correspondence:

Jean received Parish Share Statement.

Church Matters

Peter ordered raffle tickets for the Summer Fayre the cost of obtaining Council permission for closure of the road and use of Church Green. This was discussed and the decision made not to pursue this at this time.

Financial:

Jean discussed finances from Jan to Apr, reported finances in detail. Jean recommends the current Aparlous financial situation. PCC unanimously agreed.

Wardens Report:

Chancel Ceiling, no date as yet for work to begin. Jean Robinson to chase contractors for this.

Panto booked for December. Invoice to be sent to us shortly for the deposit.

Cover for services. We have cover up to November. See wardens report for details .July service still vacant, a joint service with St Thomas & St John, followed by a bring and share lunch after the service was suggested. PCC voted and all agreed.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September is the Bury Run so there will be no road access for church and it's also the Heritage Weekend (13th ó 15th Sept) so it may be possible to have a service at 4pm instead.

Deborah has checked online re faculty for the reorder and also requested an update on the position of the vacancy for a vicar.

Written reports: Jean Robinson circulated reports 16/04/19.

This Year's Charity: It was decided to put this out to the congregation for suggestions for this. All agreed.

A.O.B .No theme as yet for the summer fair.

Heritage Theme is Afternoon Tea on the Friday and Saturday. Displays of Past Themes/Our Gifts and Talents.

Planning meeting for the Summer Fair needed....Monday 10th June 7pm agreed.

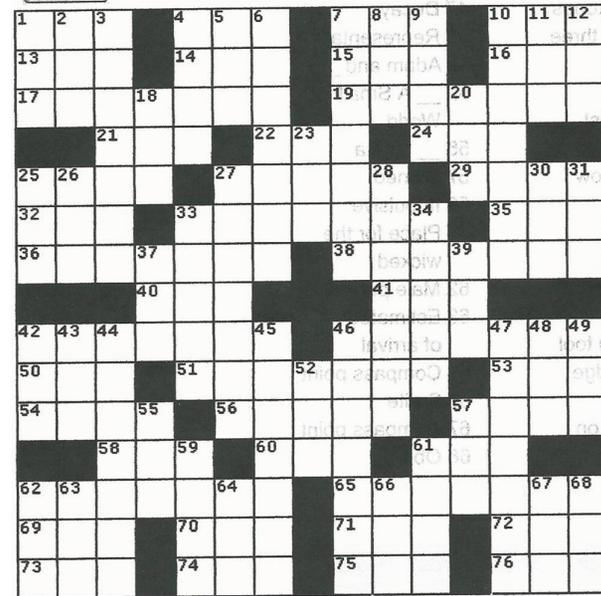
Authorised Signatures in the current bank mandate for accounts detailed to change.

Listed people to be removed. Mrs Kirsten Mearthar, former church warden, Mrs Christine Clegg, former church secretary, Mrs Vera Beal, Verger, Mr William Boote, former PCC member.

Next PCC meeting Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

**Meeting closed.**

# CROSSWORD



**ACROSS**

- 1 Rainy mo.
- 4 Top
- 7 Tramp
- 10 Central
- Intelligence
- Agency
- 13 Caviar
- 14 Pride
- 15 North American nation
- 16 Be sick
- 17 The \_\_\_ of heaven
- 19 Royalty insignia
- 21 Day of the wk.
- 22 Flightless bird
- 24 Business abbr.
- 25 Adam's son
- 27 Adhere
- 29 Band instrument
- 32 Vase
- 33 Trudged
- 35 Close to the ground
- 36 360 are in a circle
- 38 First
- 40 Sweet potato
- 41 Thai
- 42 Beginnings
- 46 Frank
- 50 Boxer
- Muhammad
- 51 Qualify to something
- 53 Pastor (abbr.)
- 54 Transgressions
- 56 Learner
- 57 Faith, \_\_\_ and charity
- 58 Goof
- 60 Cooking measurement
- 61 Owns
- 62 Unlike
- 65 Obeying
- 69 Dined
- 70 Compass point
- 71 Annex
- 72 Single
- 73 Telegraphic signal
- 74 That woman
- 75 Football assoc.
- 76 Web

**DOWN**

- 1 Noah's boat
- 2 Luau dish
- 3 Leasing
- 4 Yield
- 5 Past
- 6 Shaddocks
- 7 African country
- 8 Wield
- 9 They brought gifts
- 10 Kidney stones
- 11 Caesar's three
- 12 Wing
- 18 Weapon
- 20 Picnic pest
- 23 Middle
- 25 What a cow chews
- 26 Exist
- 27 Humane
- 28 Non Jewish
- 30 Snake
- 31 Punching tool
- 33 "\_\_\_ porridge hot..."
- 34 Waitress on "Cheers"
- 37 Grain
- 39 Twitch
- 42 Petrol
- 43 Samuel's mentor
- 44 Jonah was a prophet to this city
- 45 Speech defect
- 46 First Christian martyr
- 47 Decay
- 48 Representative
- 49 Adam and \_\_\_
- 52 \_\_\_ A Small World...
- 55 \_\_\_ Lanka
- 57 Owned
- 59 Impulsive
- 61 Place for the wicked
- 62 Male parent
- 63 Estimated time of arrival
- 64 Compass point
- 66 Sprite
- 67 Compass point
- 68 Obtain

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2. Most humans alive today have never made a phone call.
3. Horses cannot breathe through their mouths.
4. Astronauts cannot cry in space due to the lack of gravity.
5. Saudi Arabia imports camels from Australia.
6. Tomatoes are a fruit.
7. Bananas are a type of berry.
8. The total weight of all ants on earth is greater than the total weight of all humans.
9. Popeye has four identical quadruplet nephews named Pipeye, Pupeye, Poopeye and Peepeye.
10. Falling coconuts kill far more people per year than sharks.
11. If you shuffle a deck of cards and deal all 52 it's 100% certain that, that permutation of cards has never ever been dealt before.
12. Honey never goes bad. Archaeologists have found 2000-year-old jars of honey in Egyptian tombs, which still tasted delicious.
13. Hippo milk is pink.
14. Chewing gum prevents you from crying when chopping onions.
15. It's impossible to hum whilst holding your nose.
16. A rainbow can be seen only in the morning or late afternoon. It can occur only when the sun is 40 degrees or less above the horizon.
17. According to Genesis 1:20-22, the chicken came before the egg.
18. Coca Cola was originally green.

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# HOME COOKING

## Scone Pizza

### Ingredients

#### Base

6 oz self raising flour,  
A pinch of salt,  
10 oz margarine,  
¼ pint milk,  
Salt and pepper.

#### Filling

1 medium onion  
1 large tin of tomatoes,  
3 rashers of bacon,  
4-5 oz cheese,  
1 oz margarine,  
Mixed herbs to taste.

### Method:

Prepare scone base, roll and cover baking sheet, knock up edges,  
Fry chopped onion lightly with margarine,  
Add tomatoes, chopped herbs and seasoning,  
Simmer gently for 5 minutes,  
Grate cheese and chop bacon,  
Pour mixture onto dough and top with cheese and bacon,  
Bake for 15 minutes at 424°F, 220°C or Gas Mark 6-7.



## Radcliffe Market, not just a place to shop!

As a child in the 70s a visit to Radcliffe market was a regular event, at least once a week. We would enter at the 'Granelli' end (best ice-cream around!) and leave at the 'veggie stall end'. Half way around my mum would buy me a quarter of crumbly Lancashire to keep me occupied as we browsed the many stalls, stopping along the way to chat to friends & neighbours. It was at the heart of what was a bustling industrial town centre selling everything from fresh meat to clothes and everyday items.



The present day market hall was built in 1937 and was relocated to its present site on Blackburn Street and was devastated by a fire in 1980. Stalls were temporarily relocated to what is now known as the Piazza. Later in the 1980s the Pilkington Way Bypass was built to relieve congestion through Blackburn Street and the town centre. Following this Asda moved to a new building alongside the bypass from their Green Street site and the smaller retailers and the market suffered a decline in trade.

Along with the decline of local industry, the town's shopping centre suffered a severe loss of trade and became barely viable as a retail outlet, a shell of a building with very few stall holders or customers. With the development of more supermarkets and more people using cars, the convenience of a weekly shop was preferred to the smaller independent market sellers and Radcliffe Market compared very poorly to the neighbouring 'World Famous' Bury Market.

Following many years of trying to get back on its feet, Radcliffe market has now begun a journey to re-establish itself in the community with the market hall now housing independent food traders as well as the traditional butchers, grocers and fishmongers.

Jodie Bannister owner of Farrars Café & Tea Rooms, who died aged 59 in January this year, was a pioneer for change at the market, launching the popular Friday Food Nights and Saturday Fine Food Market. One of the major turning points came in March 2018, when a new management agreement was signed. Radcliffe Market Hall Community Benefit Society - a democratic members organisation with a board of directors - officially took over the running of the site in July 2018

Our very own WAGs group has visited the Friday Food night and thoroughly enjoyed the choice of food on offer, the licensed bar and the chilled out atmosphere.



Personally I have visited the Sunday Handmade and vintage market (first Sunday of every month), the Saturday supper (every Saturday evening with live music from 8.30), Friday food nights and Sunday brunch. I would definitely recommend you try it for yourselves, either with friends, family or as a couple. With such a choice of food, drink and entertainment I am sure you won't be disappointed. Check out the latest news and upcoming events on the Radcliffe Market Facebook page or at [www.radcliffe.market](http://www.radcliffe.market)



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# prayer

It can be a struggle sometimes to think about who or what you can pray about. Below is a suggested list for the month. It includes those from our Book of Remembrance & the Saints for the month.

## Book of Remembrance

### July

8<sup>th</sup> Albert Atherton  
11<sup>th</sup> Peter Bowker  
16<sup>th</sup> Harry Pickles  
20<sup>th</sup> Ruth Brenda Egerton  
23<sup>rd</sup> Agnes Kirwin  
27<sup>th</sup> Julie Anne Stanbank  
31<sup>st</sup> Maureen Bowkett

### August

5<sup>th</sup> Edgar Senior  
16<sup>th</sup> Brenda Blackshaw  
22<sup>nd</sup> Marion Senior  
24<sup>th</sup> Rod Rainey  
Dorothy Pickles  
25<sup>th</sup> Elena Tokaryk  
31<sup>st</sup> Joyce Jones  
Gerald Hopper

## Saints Days

### July

3<sup>rd</sup> Thomas the Apostle  
6<sup>th</sup> Thomas More (Scholar)  
John Fisher (Bishop of Rochester)  
Reformation Martyr 1535  
11<sup>th</sup> Benedict of Nursia, Abbot of Monte Cassino c550  
14<sup>th</sup> John Keble, priest, tracterian, poet 1866  
16<sup>th</sup> Osmund, Bishop of Salisbury 1099  
18<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Ferard, 1<sup>st</sup> Deaconess of Church of England  
19<sup>th</sup> Gregory, Bishop of Byssa, c394  
His sister Macrina, Deaconess c379  
20<sup>th</sup> Margaret of Antioch, Martyr 4<sup>th</sup> Century  
22<sup>nd</sup> Mary Magdelene  
23<sup>rd</sup> Bridget of Sweden, Abbess of Vadstena 1373  
25<sup>th</sup> James the Apostle  
26<sup>th</sup> Anne and Joachim, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
27<sup>th</sup> Brooke Fosse Westcott, Bishop of Durham 1901  
30<sup>th</sup> William Wilberforce, 1833  
Olaudah Equino 1797,  
Thomas Clarkson, Anti-slavery campaigner

### August

4<sup>th</sup> Jean-Baptiste Vianny 1859  
5<sup>th</sup> Oswald King of Northumberland, Martyr 642 AD  
6<sup>th</sup> Transfiguration of our Lord  
7<sup>th</sup> John Mason Neale, Hymn writer 1866  
8<sup>th</sup> Dominic, priest, founder of order of Preachers 1221  
9<sup>th</sup> Mary Sumner, Founder of the Mothers Union  
10<sup>th</sup> Lawrence Deacon of Rome 258AD  
11<sup>th</sup> Claire of Assisi, founder of Poor Claires 1253  
13<sup>th</sup> Jeremy Taylor, Bishop of Down and Connor 1667  
15<sup>th</sup> The Blessed Virgin Mary  
20<sup>th</sup> Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux 1153  
24<sup>th</sup> Bartholomew the Apostle  
27<sup>th</sup> Monica, Mother of Augustine of Hippo  
29<sup>th</sup> The Beheading of John the Baptist  
30<sup>th</sup> John Bunyan, Spiritual writer, 1688  
31<sup>st</sup> Aiden Bishop of Lindesfarne, 651 AD

## July Readings

### 7<sup>th</sup> July

*Third Sunday after Trinity*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 66: 10-14*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Gal 6 (1-6), 7-16*

*Gospel: Luke 10:1-10, 16-20*

### 14<sup>th</sup> July

*Fourth Sunday after Trinity*

*1st Reading: Deut 30: 9-14*

*2nd Reading: Col 1:1-14*

*Gospel: Luke 10: 25-37*

### 21<sup>st</sup> July

*Fifth Sunday after Trinity*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 18: 1-10a*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Col 1@ 15-28*

*Gospel: Luke 10: 38-end*

### 28<sup>th</sup> July

*Sixth Sunday after Trinity*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Col 2: 6-15, (16-19)*

*Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13*

## August Readings

*4<sup>th</sup> August*  
*Seventh Sunday after Trinity*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Eccles 1: 2, 12-14, 18-23*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Col 3: 1-11*  
*Gospel: Luke 12: 13-21*

*11<sup>th</sup> August*  
*Eighth Sunday after Trinity*

*1st Reading: Genesis 15: 1-6*  
*2nd Reading: Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16*  
*Gospel: Luke 12: 49-56*

*18<sup>th</sup> August*  
*Ninth Sunday after Trinity*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 23: 23-29*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 11: 29- 12:2*  
*Gospel: Luke 12: 49-56*

*25<sup>th</sup> August*  
*Tenth Sunday after Trinity*

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 58: 9b-end*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 12: 18-end*  
*Gospel: Luke 13: 10-17*

## The Parish Directory

Who's who at the Parish Church of St Mary, Radcliffe.

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<b>Intercessors</b>	Miss J Boote, Mrs V Ormrod, Mewish Nasir	
<b>Electoral Role Secretary</b>	Miss J Boote	
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