

Giving thanks
to God at
Harvest

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Autumn arrives

Rev Liz writes

As I write for both the October issue of the local magazine as well as the next InSpire, I must say how I feel very honoured to be the present incumbent responsible for writing the regular monthly letter on the **50th anniversary of the Capel and Beare Green Village Magazine**. I believe it was one of my predecessors Reverend Trevor McCabe who 50 years ago came up with the idea of developing what was very much monthly 'church news' into a magazine which encompassed all the village news as well. A terrific idea which has stood the course of time, providing our village communities with a platform for communication and information which is of interest to us all.

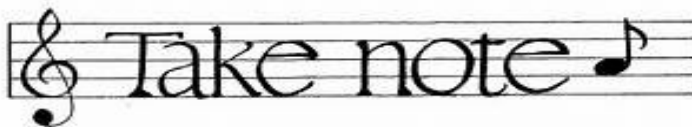
50 years later our church continues to serve the parish in any way that it can and like the Reverend McCabe we long to see '*Church in the community: Community in the Church*' which is a bit of a strapline for us. It is wonderful to be able to welcome so many into church for the most meaningful occasions in their lives, whether joyful or sad and to share people's lives and journeys along the way. It is a credit to our community that we are able to safely leave the church open every day so that anyone can quietly drop in and sit and absorb the silence and stillness for a few moments to escape the ever changing world. Church such as ours provides a 'spiritual space' hallowed by people's histories over the centuries and soaked in prayer. God is a very real presence in our lives, a constant amidst the storms of life, yet He is a living God who seeks to draw us to him and move us forward into the future. ***Congratulations on this special anniversary and the magazine's special anniversary issue!***

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Rev Liz's letter Continued on page 4



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INTERCESSOR VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

We are currently down to just four people who are on the rota for Intercessions. This puts a huge pressure on so few people to deliver intercessions at regular intervals.

If you think you could help but wonder what is involved, please speak to Rev Liz.

The more people we can get on the rota, the less often everyone would have to prepare the Intercessions!

Please do think about whether you could help with this valuable contribution to our Sunday services. Thank you.

InSpire would like to wish the local Capel & Beare Green monthly magazine a very Happy 50th Birthday!



Charities we support

The Children's Society - Annual Christmas Coffee Morning, Saturday 11th November 10.00 am—12.00 noon in St John the Baptist, Capel

Please do join us if you can for our annual Christmas coffee morning in aid of The Children's Society which we support as a church. There will be Christmas card packs for sale, together with other items and Sue Partridge will be selling Traidcraft items too, including chocolate Advent calendars! These are always popular so if you know you would like one, please do speak to Sue in advance to ensure she has enough supply to meet demand!

If you cannot make that date or would like to see a Children's society 'Christmas Cards & Gift Brochure 2017', please speak to Suzanne who will be able to give you a copy.

There will be plenty of homemade refreshments available, as well as croissants if you fancy a late breakfast!

Any questions, please ask Suzanne at church or phone 01306 711449. Thank you!



NEWS from the Pews

From the Registers

We welcome into the family of the church

Annabel Olive MacLeod

20th August 2017

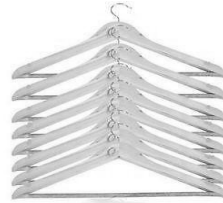
We mourn the loss of

Rosemary Edith Young

(a resident of Dorking)

29th August 2017

Wooden coathangers wanted!



If you have any wooden hangers you no longer need, Betty would be pleased to receive them and turn them into something crafty and wonderful! Thank you

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Make sure you don't miss out on the latest news by liking us on Facebook and following us on Twitter @cofeguildford. Don't forget to send your interesting news stories and photos to editorial@cofeguildford.org.uk for use on the diocesan website and our social media channels.

Sunday 5th November 2017 10.00 am—5.00pm in the Parish Room

For the second year running there will be a St John's Artists Art Exhibition in the Parish Room, Chapel.

Greeting cards from the artists' originals will be available to buy. Entry is FREE and includes a cream tea.



For further details, please speak to Rev Liz.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY see page 7 for Events & Services

Rev Liz writes continued

With that in mind, we are seeking to embrace the future and to let God lead us into his plans for Capel and surrounding parishes. As you know a few years ago St John the Baptist became one third of the Surrey Weald Team of Churches, which has been a great blessing in many ways. The Diocese has now asked our church to explore some more pastoral re-organisation and to look at uniting with St Margaret's Church in Ockley. They are part of a united benefice made up of the parishes of Ockley, Okewood and Forest Green otherwise known as OOFG. Okewood and Forest Green will now merge with Ewhurst and become a new benefice and the plan is that Margaret's Ockley will join with Capel in becoming a united parish but still part of the Surrey Weald Team.



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...if you have been affected by any of the issues raised in this sermon...

Well by now you are probably very confused and I will let you know more next month as the consultation process develops and community notices will be put up. But basically I will be serving across both Capel and Ockley on a full time basis instead of half time as I currently do (in theory)! There will be some adjustment for both churches on service times but otherwise occasional offices such as baptisms, weddings and funerals will be taken by me with occasional help from other clergy within the team as needed. Both churches will continue to hold their own festival services and other important markers in the church year, so in many respects and regarding the question of finance we will still be two churches, but united in our management and pastoral oversight. Personally I think this is an exciting opportunity for both our parishes, to be able to build on our individual strengths and to support one another on our weaker areas. We have already begun to get to know one another enjoying a service at St Margaret's in the summer and you will notice in the calendar they are joining us for a service this month. As you will see October is a busy month again and by the time you read this we may well have celebrated Harvest. Later this month we remember all those who have died in our service of remembrance for the bereaved as we commemorate All Souls Day'. Please do mark in your diaries the date for the 2nd art exhibition from the St John's Artists and friends.

In the meantime please be assured of my love and prayers and always a special welcome for you at your parish church.

Rev'd Liz

LAUGHTER
• is the best •
MEDICINE

Accident

As my five-year-old son and I were heading to McDonald's one day, we passed a car accident. Usually when we see something terrible like that, we say a prayer for whoever might be hurt, so I pointed and said to my son, "We should pray." From the back seat I heard his earnest voice: "Dear God, please don't let those cars block the entrance to McDonald's."

Letter from the Editor

Dear Readers,



As we approach the Autumn and all its colourful glories, we give thanks to God at Harvest time for all his abundant goodness. It is always such a wonderful time of celebration as we gather together and bring donations to church to help others less fortunate than ourselves. This year we are lucky enough to have a murder mystery put on for our entertainment again and I for one am looking forward to seeing 'Out for a Duck' on Sunday afternoon and the accompanying tea! Anything accompanied with food always has my seal of approval!

Christian Aid Harvest prayer

*The earth is fruitful
may we be generous.
The earth is fragile
may we be gentle.
The earth is fractured
may we be just.
Creating God,
harvest in us joy and generosity
as we together share in thanks
and giving.*

As you can see from Rev Liz's letter there is a lot of change coming for our church and St Margaret's Ockley, which will make a significant difference to Rev Liz's workload. On pages 18 and 19 of this issue, you can find out more about 'Thank your Vicar' week. This is an initiative from St Luke's whose work is looking after clergy and their wellbeing. They are always there for us and ministering to their community, but it is so important to remember they have needs too which we should not neglect. I'm sure you will all join with me in saying a huge THANK YOU to our vicar and maybe we should think of a way of celebrating and thanking Liz on 'Thank your Vicar' week from 15th—22nd October?

Happy Harvest to everyone.

Suzanne



Christian Aid responds to those suffering in South Asia floods

Christian Aid is bringing emergency relief to families in India, Nepal and Bangladesh as more than a thousand people have been killed and 40 million more affected by floods.

The charity has deployed £45,000 of emergency funds and is also using a further £200,000 from Irish Aid and the DFID-backed START fund to provide 4000 households with hygiene kits, tarpaulin, shelter materials and community water filters to provide safe drinking water. Elsewhere 20,000 families are being taught about good hygiene practices to protect themselves from diseases.



Christian Aid's Head of Humanitarian Programmes for Asia & Middle East, Madara Hettiarachchi, said she hoped people wouldn't forget people in South Asia whilst floods in Texas were dominating the news agenda. 'These are some of the worst floods we've seen in South Asia in decades and the impact is likely only going to get worse,' she said. 'Farms and livestock have been washed away so food security is going to be a huge problem in the coming days and we will likely see the death toll rise.'

'The good news is we are reaching people and bringing them the vital help they need to stay alive and begin to rebuild their lives.'



PRAYERS



God, giver of all life and of our lives,
 blessed are you in the fruits of the earth
 blessed are you in the work of human hands
 blessed are you in the harvest of human creativity.

God of the poor and hungry,
 blessed are you in the striving for justice
 blessed are you in the fragility of peace-making
 blessed are you in the grace of hospitality.

God of the great feast and the simple meal,
 blessed are you in the sowing of seed
 blessed are you in the breaking of bread
 blessed are you in the sharing of bread
 blessed are you in our daily bread.

Taken from Christian Aid

For our Community in Capel

We give thanks for our community in Capel and all that takes place in our village. This month, we celebrate the first 50 years of the local magazine and we thank the Editors and contributors for all the hard work that goes into producing a monthly magazine for us all to enjoy.

We thank you for all the work that has gone into putting on the production 'Out for a Duck'. We thank Yvonne Featherstone and Sylvie, together with everyone who has taken part, either in the acting or in the catering. We thank God for all their efforts to bring us such an enjoyable production. We remember all the other fundraising activities that take place too including the recent Shuffle board event raising money for our village hall.

For those baptised in our church recently and for those who have died. We remember them and their families. We also pray for Claire Wigham and Nathan Palmer as they prepare for their wedding next month.



Prayer of thanksgiving

An acrostic prayer of thanksgiving

Happy are those who have bread to eat!

As grain grows in the fields and

Rains bring the water of life we share

Visions of all your people united in

Eternal praise and kneaded together to

Share good news of justice and peace:

Taste and see that the Lord is good!

Source: Christian Aid



CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR OCTOBER 2017

Please note the new time of 10.00am for Cafe church

SUNDAY 1st OCT

8.00 am

10.00 am

3pm

4pm

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

Holy Communion BCP

HARVEST PRAISE – all age Parade Service

Harvest teas in church *and outside if fine*

OUT FOR A DUCK – a play by Claire Jones –

ticket includes a 'Cricket tea' performed in the Capel Memorial Hall



SUNDAY 8th

8.00 am

10.00 am

Trinity 17

Holy Communion BCP

Family Communion

SUNDAY 15th

8.00 am

10.00 am

3.00 pm

Trinity 18

Holy Communion BCP

Joint Service of Family Communion with St Margaret's at Capel

Teas in church



TUESDAY 17th

MESSY CHURCH from 3.15pm in Capel Memorial Hall

SUNDAY 22nd

8.00 am

10.00 am

Trinity 19

Holy Communion BCP

Family Communion with Holy Baptism

SATURDAY 28th

1.30pm

Holy Matrimony

Wedding of Claire Wigham and Nathan Palmer

SUNDAY 29th

8.00am

10.00 am

3.00 pm

All Saints and All Souls

Holy Communion BCP

Family Communion

Service of remembrance for the bereaved *followed by teas in church*



NOVEMBER 5th

8.00 am

10.00 am

Fourth Sunday before Advent

Holy Communion BCP

CAFÉ CHURCH

ALL DAY (5th)

ST JOHN'S ARTISTS ART EXHIBITION IN THE PARISH ROOM



SATURDAY 11th

10.00 am—12.00 noon

Annual Christmas coffee morning in church in aid of The Children's Society

Most **Wednesdays at 9.45am** in church we pray the **Church of England's Daily Office**. All are welcome to join us as we intercede for the church, the world and all those in need who have asked for our prayers....

Reap a good harvest

If you've been out and about in the countryside in recent months, you'll have noticed that there was a bumper crop of blackberries and other fruit this year. That was no accident. It was because, from Spring onwards, there has been just the right amount of heat and cold, rain and sun, to make the plants bring forth their best.

It's the same when we are making Jesus known. Only God knows if the people we meet are ready to respond to the Gospel. We might be simply planting a seed, and that person still has years to go, or it may be that the person is finally ready to become a follower of Jesus.

This autumn, as we prepare for Christmas, let's be intentional – praying for friends and family members who don't yet know Jesus. Let's ask God for opportunities to sensitively share the Good News of Jesus. And let's be ready to serve and speak in Jesus name.

Editor: by Roy Crowne, executive Director of HOPE 2018.

Source: Parish Pump

Celebrate Harvest with friends – and make a difference

Harvest has always been a time for feasts and gratitude for the food that will feed us in the coming months of winter.

This year, HOPE has joined with World Vision UK to encourage Christians, whether individually or by churches, to join with friends and acquaintances to share good food – and to do good as well. Your generosity could help transform the lives of children around the world.

The idea is simple: invite your friends, neighbours and colleagues for a meal and enjoy a great time together. Guests are then invited to give the cost of their meal to Share a Meal - and help some of the most vulnerable children around the world. For more details go to: <http://hopetogether.org.uk/Groups/256562/Harvest.aspx>

An evening of Songs and Stories with Sally Cranham held in September

Sally is an international ambassador for Compassion UK, Eden Ministry Asia and Source anti-trafficking USA and recently held an evening of Songs and Stories at Bob and Judy's house in Capel. We understand that the evening was a success and we give thanks for Sally's work and ministry.

If you would like to know more, please logon to the following link:-

<http://sourcemn.org/anti-trafficking/the-purple-light-campaign/>



The Tower Tours are here!



Saturdays in September and October, 2pm and 3.15pm

Join our Tower Tour Guides on an exciting journey spiralling up the 249 steps to the top of Guildford Cathedral. Pass through our Ringing Chamber and Bell Chamber containing the only ring of 12 bells in the diocese.

Enjoy the stunning 360° views over Surrey and the surrounding area before descending down and visiting our Café/Restaurant for a well-deserved piece of cake!

Tickets are available online or from our shop at £6 per person. To book, select the [tour schedule](#) or contact 01483 547881 (max 15 people per tour).



St Luke's Day 18th October

Lester Amann considers the debt we owe to St Luke.

Luke: beloved physician and historian

We know a good doctor when we meet one! He or she will ask lots of questions and carefully observe how we are feeling. They will look and listen; administer tests and accurately recorded their findings.

Unlike the Gospel writers Matthew, Mark and John, Luke was not a disciple of Jesus. He was trained as a doctor, probably a Gentile and certainly an educated Greek. As Luke didn't know Jesus personally, he needed his interview skills as a physician to speak with people who knew Jesus. He listened to their stories and identified the truth from hearsay.

Luke's Gospel has a very human touch to it and begins with two detailed descriptions of the births of two important babies! He often writes about our Lord's encounters with individuals; men, women, children, the poor and the rich, the sick and the strong. He showed Christ's sympathy for people who were underprivileged, hurting and weak. Luke was a keen observer and wrote both as a careful historian and with the heart of a loving physician.

If we didn't have Luke's Gospel we would lack so much. For example, we wouldn't know about: the angels' and shepherds' visit at the birth of Jesus; the visit by the boy Jesus to the temple; the parables of the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son; the encounters of Jesus with Zacchaeus, and the two men on their walk to Emmaus.

Luke's tenderness is revealed with his emphasis on prayer, the Holy Spirit, the role of women in the ministry of Jesus and God's forgiveness of sins. He describes Jesus' compassion for the widow of Nain and our Lord's mercy to the dying thief on the cross.

Luke also wrote the Book of Acts. This is another trusted record about the beginnings of the early Church. Luke was a companion of Paul and was with him on many journeys. Without the Book of Acts, we would know very little about Paul's life and other followers of Christ including Barnabas, Silas and Timothy. Luke was a man not writing about distant historical figures or dramas, but about people he knew first-hand.

Luke wrote his Gospel so that there would be an accurate and an orderly account of the life, ministry and message of Jesus. He carefully researched his material and spoke to eye-witnesses. He listened to those who had been with Jesus and worked alongside leaders and workers of the fledgling church.

A physician identifies our need and helps us to get well. Luke saw our need to have Jesus as our heavenly Physician. Our eternal life and salvation can only be found through faith in Him.

31 All Hallows Eve – or Holy Evening

Modern Halloween celebrations have their roots with the Celtic peoples of pre-Christian times.

In those long-ago days, on the last night of October, the Celts celebrated the Festival of Samhain, or 'Summer's End'. The priests, or Druids, performed ceremonies to thank and honour the sun. For there was a very dark side to all this: Samhain also signalled the onset of winter, a time when it was feared that unfriendly ghosts, nature-spirits, and witches roamed the earth, creating mischief. So the Druid priests lit great bonfires and performed magic rites to ward off or appease these dark supernatural powers.

Then the Romans arrived, and brought their Harvest Festival which honoured the Goddess Pomona with gifts of apples and nuts. The two festivals slowly merged.

31 All Hallows Eve – or Holy Evening continued

When Christianity arrived still later, it began to replace the Roman and Druid religions. 1st November - All Saints' Day - was dedicated to all Christian Martyrs and Saints who had died. It was called 'All Hallows' Day'. The evening before became an evening of prayer and preparation and was called 'All Hallows' Eve', The Holy Evening, later shortened to 'Halloween'.

For many centuries, however, fear of the supernatural remained strong. During the Middle Ages, animal costumes and frightening masks were worn to ward off the evil spirits of darkness on Halloween. Magic words and charms were used to keep away bad luck, and everybody believed that witches ride about on broomsticks. Fortune telling was popular, and predicting the future by the use of nuts and apples was so popular that Halloween is still sometimes known as Nutcrack Night or Snap-Apple Night.

Today, Christians have learned to turn to prayer instead of charms to overcome the powers of darkness. And the deeper, true meaning of All Hallows' Eve, should not be forgotten. As Christians, we all draw closer to Christ when we remember and give thanks for our loved ones and for others who have gone before us through the gates of death.

See separate article on **Time for Pumpkin Heroes from World Vision!** On page 15

Information about a New Scheme for Regular Givers!

We would like to introduce you to a *new scheme for regular givers*, backed by the Diocese which is much easier to administer than standing orders. **The Parish Giving Scheme** allows regular donations easily using a centrally operated direct debit system. The system also claims all gift aid, where authorised by the giver and passes it on to the parish the same month. This is much quicker and more convenient than the current standing order.



We have trialled the system with some willing volunteers who have found it easy to sign up. We now hope that you will follow suit.

Please speak to Dineke or Debbie for more information and a pack to sign up. If you currently have a Standing Order there are guidelines in the pack on how to make a smooth transfer.

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InSpire for our Younger Readers

The Vineyard and the tenants

JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS

HE ONCE TOLD A STORY ABOUT A MAN WHO OWNED A VINEYARD

AS THE MAN LIVED A LONG WAY AWAY FROM THE VINEYARD...

...HE ARRANGED FOR SOME TENANTS TO LOOK AFTER IT FOR HIM.

BUT WHEN THE OWNER SENT SOME SERVANTS TO CHECK ON THE CARE AND PROGRESS OF THE VINEYARD...

...THE TENANTS BEAT THEM UP!

THIS HAPPENED SEVERAL TIMES. EVENTUALLY THE OWNER SENT HIS OWN SON TO SEE WHAT WAS HAPPENING.

BUT THE TENANTS BEAT THE SON UP SO BADLY THAT HE DIED!

JESUS USED THIS PARABLE TO EXPLAIN WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IN HIS OWN LIFE. IT IS A VERY CHALLENGING STORY.
see Luke 20:9-16



MIXED UP MONTHS

Words that begin with 'oct' mean to do with the number eight – an octopus has 8 tentacles, an octagon has 8 sides. So October should be the 8th month of the year, shouldn't it? But it isn't.



The reason goes back to Roman times. October was the eighth month in the Roman calendar until July was added to celebrate the birth month of Julius Caesar.

This was followed by Augustus who also added another month (guess what that one was called!). With these two extra months fitted into the calendar what was the eighth month became the tenth month. Which gets more muddled: because words beginning with 'dec' mean to do with the number ten, so under the old way December was the tenth month. Shall I stop now before we all get even more confused?

OOOOOOs

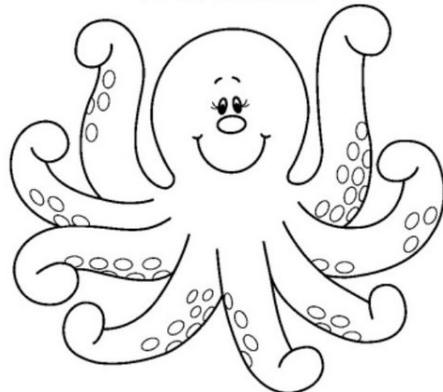
All these names begin with O – which ones aren't the real name of a saint?

1. Odo
2. Olaf
3. Osyth
4. Oliver
5. Olympias
6. Odilia
7. Omer
8. Oudoceus
9. Osburga
10. Ouen



How does an octopus go into battle?

Well armed.



What's round, orange and can't sit down?

A seatless Satsuma.



Answers: the answer is that they all are real saint's names! Aren't you glad that they didn't call you after some of these saints?



Ever wonder what real difference reading the Bible could make in your life?

Now the Bible Society can tell you, by sharing examples of what Bible reading has done for other people. It has been gathering modern day stories of how the Bible can impact on people's lives. Just visit: www.biblesociety.org.uk/latest/mybible/

Of course, the Bible has inspired many social causes over the centuries. It was Scripture that inspired William Wilberforce to fight tirelessly against the slave trade, Elizabeth Fry to bring prison reform by teaching convicts to read and Martin Luther King to lead a powerful campaign of peace for racial equality.

The 'My Bible' series introduces itself by saying: 'Whether you connect with a former financial manager convinced of God's existence by the words of Colossians 1; a student worker sustained by the words of Isaiah or an 82-year-old who's recently rediscovered the Bible, we hope you feel uplifted by these stories. And - if you've got a story of how the Bible has impacted your life, we'd love to hear it.'

Just email mybible@biblesociety.org.uk and the Bible Society will be in touch.

A prayer for Bible Sunday (29th October 2017)

Almighty God we thank you for the gift of your holy word
 May it be a lantern to our feet,
 A light upon our paths,
 And a strength to our lives.
 Take us and use us to love and serve all
 people in the power of the Holy Spirit and
 in the name of your Son,

Jesus

Editor: This month brings us Bible Sunday (29th October). You may find the following a fun way to sum up the Bible....

The Bible in 50 words

God made
 Adam bit
 Noah arked
 Abraham split

Joseph ruled
 Jacob fooled
 Bush talked
 Moses balked

Pharaoh plagued
 People walked
 Sea divided
 Tablets guided

Promise landed
 Saul freaked
 David peaked
 Prophets warned

Jesus born
 God walked
 Love talked
 Anger crucified

Hope died
 Love rose
 Spirit flamed
 Word spread

God remained.
 - anon

Smile Lines

Too late

When I asked my friend if she was planning to attend church, she just shook her head. "I haven't gone in a long time," she said. "Besides, it's too late for me. I've probably already broken all seven commandments."

Pastors

Q: What do they call pastors in Germany?

A: German Shepherds.



Girlfriend

When our minister and his wife visited our neighbour, her four-year-old daughter answered the door. "Mum!" she yelled toward the living room. "God's here, and he brought his girlfriend."

Make a date

Meeting with our new enthusiastic young curate, I asked if I could have a church service when I eventually die. "Of course," he said, grabbing his date book. "What day do you want?"



Time for Pumpkin Heroes from World Vision!

Halloween is now the third biggest retail period of the year – coming in just behind Christmas and Easter. So, no wonder that Christians are increasingly seeking to engage with Halloween, or to provide alternatives.

That is why World Vision has launched Pumpkin Heroes - a set of Bible-based resources starring 'Patch the Pumpkin' to equip children in churches and communities to respond to Halloween in a positive way. That 'positive way' will also include thinking about the children less fortunate than them around the world.

Of course, Halloween began as 'All Hallows Eve' – the day before All Hallows Day or All Saints Day, when the Church celebrated Christ's defeat of death, and life beyond the grave. But nowadays, the holiday is devoted to all things dark and 'spooky'.

Chine McDonald of World Vision says: 'We're hoping Pumpkin Heroes, for children aged 4-10 from churches across the UK, will instead spread light and love in their local communities. They will enjoy a fun-filled journey around their neighbourhood with lots of storytelling, craft-making, game-playing and pumpkin partying, all suitable for Christians seeking a different response to the season.'

'At World Vision, we believe that Jesus is the light of the world and that He came to bring life in all its fullness. But for millions of children around the world, that is a far cry from the reality of their daily lives. That's why World Vision works in nearly 100 countries, to bring about long-term change, and to respond to emergencies that can ruin hundreds of thousands of lives.'

World Vision hopes that Pumpkin Heroes will help local churches to 'turn Halloween into a night of hope'. For the project, they have teamed up with Scripture Union, UCB and The Meaningful Chocolate Company in Pumpkin Heroes.

More details, and to download your free pack <http://www.worldvision.org.uk/get-involved/pumpkin-heroes/>

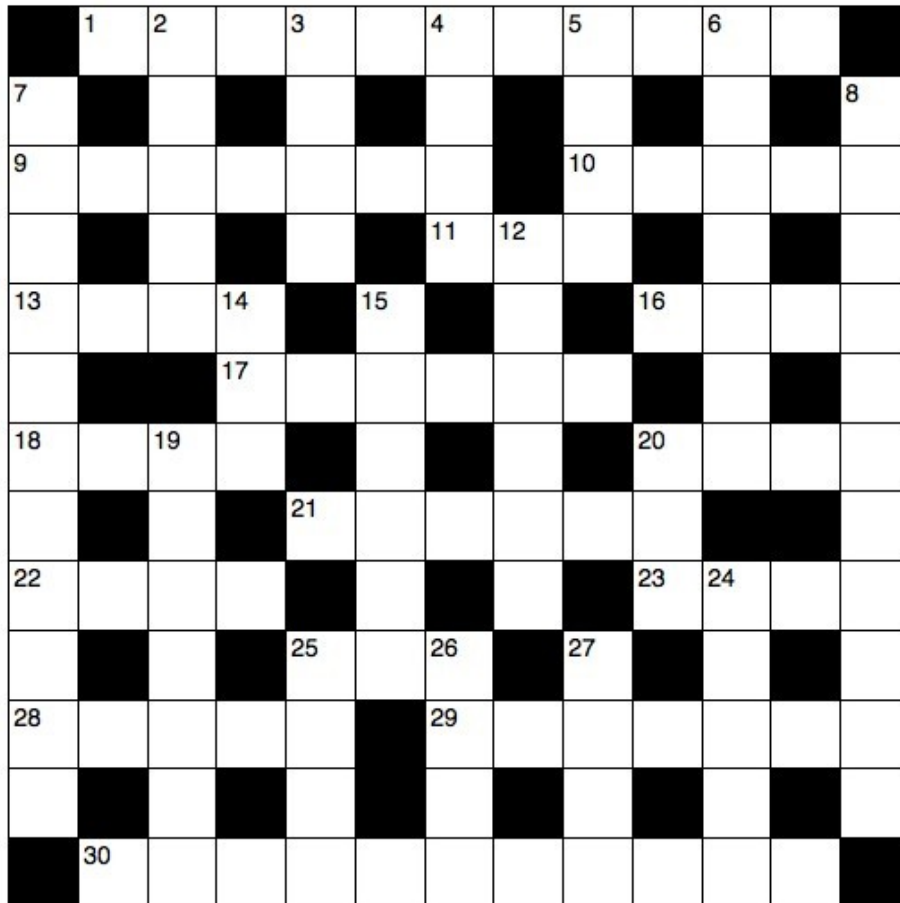
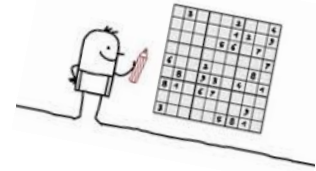


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Across

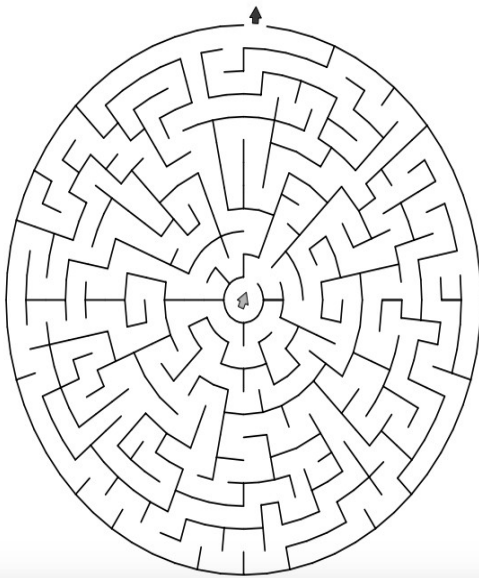
- 1 The sixth disciple (Matthew 10:3) (11)
 9 'And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the — — ' (Matthew 6:13) (4,3)
 10 Love intensely (Song of Songs 1:4) (5)
 11 From Mt Carmel to Jezreel, Elijah — all the way (1 Kings 18:46) (3)
 13 One of the Midianite leaders who was captured and killed after Gideon's victory in the valley near Moreh (Judges 7:25) (4)
 16 Metallic element (4)
 17 At line (anag.) (6)
 18 'Cursed is everyone who is — on a tree' (Galatians 3:13) (4)
 20 Where Samson killed a thousand Philistines with a donkey's jawbone (Judges 15:14) (4)
 21 He succeeded Moses (Deuteronomy 34:9) (6)
 22 'When he saw him, he took — on him' (Luke 10:33) (4)
 23 'For — is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction' (Matthew 7:13) (4)
 25 'The god of this — has blinded the minds of unbelievers' (2 Corinthians 4:4) (3)
 28 Fear or terror (Psalm 31:22) (5)
 29 'We, who are many, are one body, for we all — of the one loaf' (1 Corinthians 10:17) (7)
 30 Assyrian ruler assassinated by his sons while worshipping his god Nisroch (2 Kings 19:37) (11)

Down

- 2 'For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made — ' (1 Corinthians 15:22) (5)
- 3 'After supper he — the cup' (1 Corinthians 11:25) (4)
- 4 The request of a man of Macedonia in Paul's vision: 'Come — to Macedonia and help us' (Acts 16:9) (4)
- 5 He disobeyed his father Judah by refusing to impregnate his dead brother's wife (Genesis 38:9) (4)
- 6 I veto me (anag.) (7)
- 7 Fourth king of Judah (1 Kings 15:24) (11)
- 8 Priest of God Most High, who blessed Abram (Genesis 14:18) (11)
- 12 'I have made you — — for the Gentiles' (Acts 13:47) (1,5)
- 14 Implore (1 Samuel 15:25) (3)
- 15 'Out of the eater, something to eat; out of the — , something sweet' (Judges 14:14) (6)
- 19 'I am the most ignorant of men; I do — — a man's understanding' (Proverbs 30:2) (3,4)
- 20 'Sin shall not be your master, because you are not under — , but under grace' (Romans 6:14) (3)
- 24 Native of, say, Baghdad (5)
- 25 The last word in the Bible (Revelation 22:21) (4)
- 26 Heroic tale (4)
- 27 'Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you — ' (John 8:32) (4)



CROSSWORD solution on page 20 (back page)



Can you find your way out of the maze starting at the middle?

Medium level Sudoku

Solution on back page

			5					
		8	7	4			5	
4	9					6	1	
		1					8	
			4		5			
7						3		
1	3					8	6	
6				7	8	4		
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Thank Your Vicar Week

October 15th - 22nd 2017

Note from the Editor:

I'm sure you will all agree we have been very lucky with our Ministers in Capel, none less than Rev Liz who is our current Parish vicar. As you will see from her letter, she is about to take on more responsibility with St Margaret's, Ockley too. All this adds up to a punishing workload, all of which is undertaken on our behalf.

As St Luke's Healthcare for Clergy encourage us to **THANK OUR VICAR** between 15th—22nd October, I'm sure we would ALL like to thank Rev Liz for all she does for us and the community in Capel. Vicars work very hard for everyone in their community by listening to their problems and helping them, but who listens to the vicar and looks after their well being? I'd like to give you more information about the valuable work that St Luke's do. It maybe that we would like to do something as a Parish? If so, please do speak to Rev Liz?

IN THE MEANTIME ... Our HUGE THANKS TO REV LIZ for all she does for us in Capel!

Information from St Luke's website:

St Luke's supports the physical and mental health of the Anglican clergy. We want the clergy and their families to be physically and psychologically healthy and able to carry out their ministry free from stress and preventable health problems.

When they are ill, we help the clergy get back to an active role in their communities as quickly as possible. We do this in a number of ways, depending on need. Care and advice is delivered in a compassionate and timely way, with complete confidentiality.

Because we take a 'whole person' approach to health, St Luke's has recently developed services that take a preventative approach to mental health and wellbeing. These resources are available to clergy via their diocese, and are in addition to one-to-one therapy and counselling that St Luke's can offer in certain cases.

Clergy and their families who have used our services tell us what a difference St Luke's has made to their lives and ministries. We understand clergy needs because we have been caring for the health and wellbeing of the Anglican clergy since 1892.

Thank Your Vicar Week is an initiative of St Luke's Healthcare for the Clergy, which supports the physical and mental health of Anglican clergy and their families. St Luke's Healthcare for the Clergy is a registered charity: no. 1123195; company no. 06511046.

As we thank God for Rev Liz and her Ministry in our Parish, this article makes interesting reading!

The Perfect Minister

When looking for a new minister, it may be helpful to bear the following in mind:

The Perfect Minister preaches exactly 10 minutes. He condemns sin roundly, but never hurts anyone's feelings. He works from 8 a.m. until midnight, and is also the church handyman.

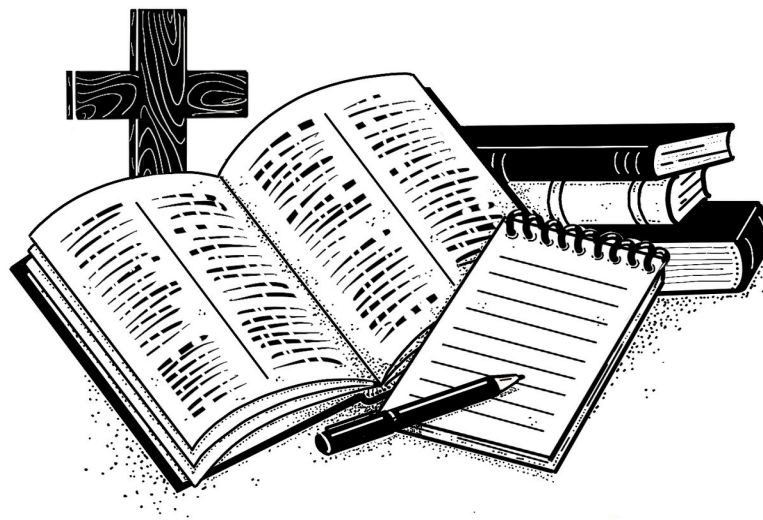
The Perfect Minister lives on a very small salary, wears good clothes, drives a good car, buys good books, and donates £30 a week to the church. He is 29 years old and has 40 years' worth of experience. Above all, he is handsome.

The Perfect Minister has a burning desire to work with teenagers, and he spends most of his time with the senior citizens. He smiles all the time with a straight face because he has a sense of humour that keeps him seriously dedicated to his church. He makes 15 home visits a day and is always in his office to be handy when needed.

The Perfect Minister always has time for church meetings and all of its committees, never missing the meeting of any church organisation. And he is always busy evangelising the un-churched. He also spends hours preparing couples for their weddings, hours preparing parents for their baby's baptism, and hours visiting the bereaved. But his life is dedicated to solitude, prayer and meditation.

The Perfect Minister is always in the next town over! So if you think that our minister does not measure up, it has been suggested that we simply send this notice to six other churches that are tired of their minister. The idea is that we bundle up our minister and send him to the church at the top of our list. If everyone cooperates, in one week we will receive 1, 643 new ministers . One of them should be perfect. Have faith in this plan. One church broke the chain and got its old minister back in less than three months.

Taken from Parish Pump

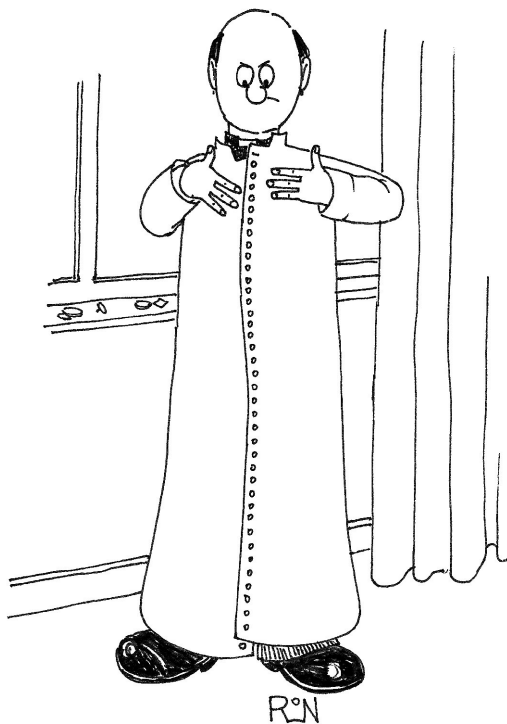


Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 1. Bartholomew. 9, Evil one. 10, Adore. 11, Ran. 13, Oreb. 16, Zinc. 17, Entail. 18, Hung. 20, Lehi. 21, Joshua. 22, Pity. 23, Wide. 25, Age. 28, Alarm. 29, Partake. 30, Sennacherib.

DOWN: 2, Alive. 3, Took. 4, Over. 5, Onan. 6, Emotive. 7, Jehoshaphat. 8, Melchizedek. 12, A light. 14, Beg. 15, Strong. 19, Not have. 20, Law. 24, Iraqi. 25, Amen. 26, Epic. 27, Free.

Sudoku Solution Puzzle on page 17



Brian recited the 39 articles as he did up each button

1	3	7	5	6	9	2	4	8
6	2	8	7	4	1	9	5	3
5	4	9	2	8	3	6	1	7
2	9	1	6	3	7	5	8	4
3	8	6	4	9	5	7	2	1
4	7	5	8	1	2	3	9	6
7	1	3	9	5	4	8	6	2
9	6	2	1	7	8	4	3	5
8	5	4	3	2	6	1	7	9

Don't forget the final Church Teas of the Year!

All the following start at 3.00pm

Sunday 1st October

Sunday 15th October

Sunday 29th—All Souls service for the bereaved followed by tea.



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