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Holy Spirit,
sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children
with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with
the breath of love, and
renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Paul Judson

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PENTECOST **PRAISE** **FAMILY PICNIC**

 **SUNDAY 8TH JUNE | 11:00AM**
THE WEALD SCHOOL, BEARE GREEN

Join St Mary Magdalene Church and St John the Baptist Church for a joyful morning of praise, fun, and fellowship for all ages!



Bring a picnic, your family, and your friends!
Music, games, community spirit — and the
joy of Pentecost

EVERYONE IS WELCOME
WITH THE CAFE CHURCH BAND

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To be filled with the Spirit is to
have the Spirit fulfilling in us all
that God intended him to do when
he placed him there. - *Lewis S
Chafer*

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CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS - JUNE 2025

at St John the Baptist, Capel & St Margaret's, Ockley

JUNE

Sunday 1st Seventh Sunday of Easter

9.30am Matins - Ockley
10.30am Family Communion - Capel

Sunday 8th Pentecost

9.30am Holy Communion CW - Ockley
11.00am Cafe Church is at The Weald School
Celebrate Pentecost with school families and friends
with the Cafe Church Band. Enjoy fellowship and fun. Bring a picnic!

Sunday 15th Trinity Sunday

9.30am Parish Communion - Ockley

Sunday 22nd Trinity 1

9.30am Holy Communion BCP - Ockley
10.30am Morning Worship - Capel
3-5pm Capel Church Teas

Sunday 29th Trinity 2

NO SERVICES IN THE PARISH TODAY
Gill Christie to be ordained Deacon at Guildford Cathedral
followed by a celebration bring and share lunch at Ockley Village Hall.
All welcome. For further details contact Revd Liz.

JULY

Sunday 6th Trinity 3

9.30 Matins - Ockley
10.30 Family Communion - Capel

***Don't forget you can find details of all events & services on
our website AND much more ... see below!***

<https://www.capelandockleychurch.org.uk/events-calendar/>



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together with our monthly magazine InSpire, OR you can subscribe online to receive any or all of the publications:-

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Rev Liz writes

June's Letter

Dear friends,

June is a particularly joyful month for us this year as we continue our Easter celebrations. The Easter season concludes in June, and we'll mark this with the celebration of Pentecost—the fulfillment of Christ's promise with the arrival of the Holy Spirit, which completes and crowns the Easter Festival.

We'll be holding a special Pentecost Holy Communion service at St Margaret's, Ockley on the day itself. Following that, our Cafe Church will meet at The Weald School from 11am, where we'll enjoy a joint school and church family picnic. Everyone is warmly invited—please do join us!

Later in the month, we'll be attending Gill's ordination service at Guildford Cathedral—appropriately named The Cathedral Church of the Holy Spirit! This marks the culmination of Gill's three-year journey of training for ordination, and we're excited to celebrate this milestone with her.

Gill will first be ordained as a Deacon, and then, a year later, as a Priest. This is the journey for all clergy— we all begin as Deacons and all are essentially Deacons in heart. The Deacon year is especially focused on service, symbolised by the stole worn diagonally across the body, echoing Jesus' example of washing His disciples' feet. It is a time of living out our calling to serve, and to share God's love and grace with the community we're placed in.

Everyone is warmly invited to attend the ordination service at the Cathedral. However, please speak to me in advance, as parking is limited and seating must be taken by a specific time.

After the service, we'll be holding a special bring-and-share lunch at Ockley Village Hall from 1pm, and everyone is most welcome to join us there too!

This June, we mark 10 years of the Dorking Food Bank. While it's not a celebration in the traditional sense—since the need for food banks is a sobering reality of modern life—it is an opportunity to recognise the vital support it offers to so many. For those facing hardship, the Food Bank is a lifeline, offering not only practical help but also a warm welcome and a comforting cup of tea.

I recently visited one of their sessions and spoke with a client whose life has been significantly impacted by the care and support received from the Dorking team. Their presence has played a key role in her journey toward better health.

Vouchers for the Food Bank are now available online, or you can speak with me or Sylvie Beckett, our Pastoral Assistant—we both have vouchers ready to distribute.

To honour a decade of service, our parish is launching an initiative called **Donate 10**. This could be 10 food items, 10 carrier bags, or a £10 donation. Feel free to get creative—every contribution, large or small, helps. Whether it's food donations or funds to allow the Food Bank to purchase supplies in bulk, your generosity makes a real difference.

You can drop off food donations inside St John the Baptist Church—just place them in the collection box and we'll ensure they reach the Food Bank. For monetary donations, feel free to speak with us directly or give online at www.dorkingarea.foodbank.org.uk.

Thank you in advance for your continued support!

Meanwhile I pray that you will know the love and peace of Christ through the Holy Spirit and know that we as your parish churches are here to love and serve you.

With all my love and prayers as ever,

Liz

Rev'd Liz

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NEWS from the Pews

From the Registers

We celebrate the marriage
Of

Gary Patrick Swindle & Lorna Jane Boyd

Saturday 17th May 2025 at
St Margaret's Church Ockley



APPEAL FOR HELP

CAPEL MILITARY SHOW 2025

Can you help?
We need cakes baked and
volunteers to help run the
Church teas stall on
Friday 4th, Saturday 5th and
Sunday 6th July 2025

There are sign up sheets in church

This is our BIGGEST annual
fundraiser!

See further details on page 19

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Parish Church Council (PCC) Meetings 2025

All in St John the Baptist, Capel

21st July

29th September

24th November

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This notice will appear each month in InSpire

'The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the church. If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk of, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from a Safeguarding Adviser or if necessary report the matter to the Local Authority Social Care Services or the Police without delay.'

If you have any concerns please contact our Safeguarding Officer: Leigh Smith 732825908
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Update January 2024: New diocesan contact number for reporting safeguarding concerns:
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Café Church— JUNE 2025

A Few Can Make a Difference for the Many

I've just watched the inauguration of the new pope. It's amazing to think that Pope Leo has been given the responsibility of leading and caring for millions of people all over the world. Hopefully, in the near future, Anglicans will discover the identity of the Archbishop of Canterbury who, again, will carry the weight of responsibility for millions of his flock in the four corners of the earth. (As an aside, have you ever thought how absurd that last statement is? The earth is a globe and, therefore, has no corners!) Anyway, the point is that, in both cases, a small group of people meet together, pray together, and seek the wisdom of God in their choice of a new leader.

It all seems far removed from our lives here in Capel, doesn't it. But something similar happens here, albeit on a much smaller scale, all year round. A small group of people (usually fewer than 30) meet together in church to pray for the 3000 others in our community who never cross the threshold of St. John's. We pray for those in the village who are unwell, those who are grieving, those who care for the sick and elderly, those who teach and encourage the young, those whose job it is to maintain the essential services that we rely on and those people around the world who do not enjoy the peace, freedom or security that we have. Yes, that's right, *every week*, everyone in this community is remembered before God.

What's the point, you may ask, if we're praying for people who neither know nor care that we're doing it? Firstly, because we believe that it makes a difference and secondly, because Jesus said that we should, *"always pray and never give up."* He also had a lot to say about caring for widows and orphans, looking after the sick and poor, welcoming strangers, not judging others who are not like us and loving not only neighbours but our enemies.

So, remember that you are always welcome to join us in praying and caring for our community. If a "traditional" service is not for you then maybe give Café Church a try - it's much more informal and contemporary. (Café Church is held on the second Sunday of every month. On June 8th we will meet at The Weald School at 11am for, hopefully, an outdoor get together with some of the parents and children as well as our own congregation.)

So, whether you join us or not, perhaps we can all follow the words of St. Paul in the book of Ephesians. *"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love."*

Bob Cranham



Fill me with Your Spirit, Lord

Fill me with your Spirit, Lord,
Fill me with your love.
Fill this empty heart of mine,
Come down gentle dove.
You see all my self-concern,
Lovelessness and pride.
Help me to open up my heart,
Place your love inside.

Fill me with your Spirit, Lord,
Fill me with your power.
Give to me your source of strength,
From this very hour.
You have seen me trying hard,
Failing every time,
Show me how to let you now,
Live Your life in mine.

Fill me with your Spirit, Lord,
Fill me with your joy.
Give to me that happiness
Nothing can destroy.
Even when my sufferings
Point me to despair,
May I know that joy inside
Just because You're there.

Fill me with Your Spirit, Lord,
Fill me with Your peace,
Quieten all the turbulence,
Bid my struggles cease.
Often my anxieties,
Fill my life with stress,
Show me how to let them go,
Give to me Your rest.

By Howard Webber

PENTECOST



"Well, no, I'm not dressing like this to create common ground with today's youth culture – I've always worn a hoody."



PRAYERS, PROSE & POEMS

Prayer for June 2025

Dear Lord,

June is the loveliest month, with long days and the beauty of summer all around us.

Thank you that, in the church's year this month, we remember one of the loveliest of your followers – Barnabas, known as the Son of Encouragement. He encouraged the believers in Antioch to *remain true to the Lord* with all their hearts. Through his ministry of encouragement, a great number of people were brought to know you.

Lord, we all thrive when we are encouraged. And we, your people, so need to be encouraged today in this world which can seem so confusing and discouraging.

So, thank you for those who have encouraged us in the past, and for those who encourage us now.

Help us to read your living unchanging Word and to remain true to you with all our hearts. Help us to be a *Barnabas* to those we know who might be struggling. May we bear fruit in our discipleship.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

By Daphne Kitching

Editor: This year Father's Day is on 15th June. Here is a poem which well describes the loving fatherhood of God...

'O Lord, Seek Us'

O Lord, seek us, O Lord, find us
In Thy patient care;
By Thy love before, behind us,
Round us everywhere:
Lest the god of this world bind us,
Lest he speak us fair,
Lest he forge a chain to bind us,
Lest he bait a snare.
Turn not from us, call to mind us,
Find, embrace us, bear;
Be Thy love before, behind us,
Round us, everywhere.

By Christina Rossetti (1830 – 94)

Editor: Here is a prayer for all our farmers – from the Arthur Rank Centre.

Thank God for farmers!

Open Farm Sunday is this year on 8th June, when Christians are being asked to remember farmers. This prayer contemplates where our food comes from, and then celebrates the work of the farmers who produce it. The Arthur Rank Centre (ARC) is a charity which supports the rural community and its churches through a programme of community and social projects, resourcing and training.

Cabbages come in polythene bags,
devoid of hidden insects and other creepy crawlies.
Potatoes are mud free and ready for the oven.
Meat is presented in sterile packs
whilst milk is pasteurised and semi skimmed
in conveniently shaped containers that fit in the fridge.
It's all a million miles from where the story began,
and the world of those who should tell it.

Those who prepare the land, plough it and cultivate it;
sow it and plant it, weed it and spray it,
irrigate it and harvest it, and sort and transport
the crop that's produced.
Those who calve the cow, stay with it and tend it;
feed it and milk it, help with the birth and watch the calf
grow.
Who tag it and protect it, nurture it and feed it,
until it's ready for market as a strong healthy beast.

So many hours and so much skill.
Generations of experience, tending the land and caring
for stock.
So much effort, so many risks,
the weather, disease, the whim of the market
all to put food on my plate.

Lord, I thank you
for those who produce the food that I eat,
for their commitment and effort, their knowledge, their
skills.
And forgive me, I pray, that I take them for granted,
forget what they do and ignore what I owe.
May I value their work and all it produces,
May I give them the respect and the appreciation they
deserve.
And may I give You the glory, as Creator Provider,
the giver of all that I now thank You for.
Amen



Parish revitalisations and rural areas to receiving funding for mission

Parish revitalisations, work with children, young people and families and training for mission in rural areas are among a range of programmes to spread the Christian faith backed by the latest round of grants awarded by the Church of England.

The Dioceses of Carlisle, Chelmsford, Rochester, Sheffield, St Edmundsbury and Ipswich and Winchester are to receive awards for programmes to support parishes and serve communities, ranging from funding for new congregations in churches to funding for clergy and lay workers in urban and rural areas.

The awards, made by the Church of England's Strategic Mission and Ministry Investment Board (SMMIB) invest in low-income communities and seek to promote diversity in congregations and church leadership.

Church Commissioners for England gives wings to butterfly conservation efforts

The Church Commissioners for England has agreed a fresh lease with Butterfly Conservation at Magdalen Hill Down, a nature reserve on the edge of Winchester in the South Downs National Park.

For more than three decades, the Church Commissioners for England has supported Butterfly Conservation's efforts to boost butterfly species in this, England's newest national park.

Magdalen Hill Down is an important area of scenic open space on Church Commissioners land that is easily accessible on foot from Winchester's city centre.

Over 30 years, Butterfly Conservation's efforts have ensured the steep chalk hillside is home to healthy populations of over 30 butterfly species. It is now home to the largest population of Brown Argus butterflies in Hampshire, and the area's Adonis Blue butterflies are also thriving.

House of Bishops responds to Independent Reviewer's report

The House of Bishops has issued a formal response to the Independent Reviewer's report on the submission from WATCH (Women and the Church), regarding the appointment of diocesan bishops who do not ordain women as priests.

The House reaffirmed that "the flourishing of women as priests and bishops is integral to the outworking of the Declaration and the Five Guiding Principles."

The House asked the Standing Commission to propose options on how it can improve the provision for ordained women.

The House also said that it "remains committed to ensuring that all traditions within the Church can continue to flourish together".

The Pavilion Café

**Every Wednesday at Ockley Cricket Club Pavilion
9 am until midday**

Come and enjoy a warm welcome and a delicious range of homemade cakes and savouries - including gluten/dairy free. Bacon butties every fourth Wednesday and freshly made teas and coffees.



The Pavilion Café was originally the idea of Kindred Spirits, the women's outreach group from Ockley, Okewood and Forest Green Parish, 11 years ago.

It is run by a team of volunteers in support of charities, local charitable causes and Ockley events.

If you would like to volunteer, please let Liz know on either 07951 710176 or lizthorne2053@hotmail.co.uk



Kitchener and that poster from the First World War

by Tim Lenton

Some 175 years ago, on 24th June 1850, Herbert Kitchener, the 1st Earl Kitchener, was born. This Irish-born British Army officer and politician became Secretary of War during the First World War, when he appeared on an iconic poster asking people to join the army.

Kitchener already had a fearsome reputation, having been responsible for big colonial victories in Sudan and South Africa. He was very widely admired by the British people, though his cool personality and eagerness to push his men to the limit made him disliked by fellow officers. But he was also described as a godly man “who did noble deeds and obtained noble results”.

He had been on leave in England in June 1914 when he reluctantly accepted an appointment to the Cabinet as Secretary of State for War and was promoted to Field Marshal. Most people expected a short war, but Kitchener did not; he went about enlisting a great number of volunteers – a campaign symbolised for most people by Alfred Leete’s poster using Kitchener’s own face with the slogan ‘*Your country needs you*’.

He organised British armies on a scale never seen before, but he was not to see victory. His life ended suddenly when he was drowned after the cruiser HMS Hampshire, taking him on a mission to Russia, was sunk in 1916 by a German mine. His body was never recovered, and the wreck is now a war grave. His death has been likened to the deaths of President Kennedy and Princess Diana – everyone remembered where they were when they heard the news.

A memorial fund launched by the Lord Mayor of London raised £500,000 to help war casualties and continues today. A Kitchener memorial was built by the people of Orkney on the cliff edge at Marwick Head.

Fathers’ Day is the third Sunday in June...

Like Father, Like Son

‘Dead Ringer’ is the odd phrase we use when referring to someone who looks like somebody else. Sometimes, instead, we say ‘spitting image’ when we see a likeness or similarity between one person and another.

This month includes Fathers’ Day (15th June) and is an occasion when dads are particularly remembered by their children. As far as the boys are concerned, how many have heard someone say ‘Oh, you really look like your father’?

One day, Jesus was talking to His disciples and said, “Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father” (Jn 14:9) What an amazing statement! Jesus was saying that He was the dead ringer or spitting image of God! At another time Jesus said, “I am in the Father and the Father is in Me.” (Jn 14:10) These words must have shocked His hearers, for He was saying that He was equal with God. No one had said anything like this before, but certainly His miracles were proof that He was different. No-one else could do what He was doing. Some people wondered—could He really be who He said He was?

So Jesus attempted to make His position clear and said, “If you knew Me you would know the Father also.” (Jn 8:19) The people were being urged to know Jesus more. They had to look, listen and believe. Were His deeds of God or not? They had to decide!

Today, we all stand in a similar position. Who is Jesus? Do we look at Him and say ‘Yes, this is God in the flesh’ or ‘No, He was just a good person — but also perhaps, deluded or crazy?’

Thomas, the disciple with the nickname ‘doubter’, exclaimed: “My Lord and *my God*” (Jn 20:28). Thomas was convinced that he was in the presence of God, in human form. And when the Apostle Paul wrote to the church at Colossae he said clearly: ‘It was by God’s own decision that the Son has in Himself the full nature of God’ (*Colossians 1:19*). Like Father, like Son!

The other vicar's letter!

Editor: The Revd Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace'... If you would like a copy of our published booklet of Uncle Eustace's letters, please email Parish Pump at: enquiries@parishpump.co.uk

St James the Least of All

On what security cameras in church will tell you

From The Rectory
St James the Least of All

My dear Nephew Darren

Much against my better judgement, after a recent series of small thefts, we have installed security cameras here at St James the Least of All. Thank goodness the suggestion for trip wires that opened the gate to Mrs Poppleroy's garden next door, thereby setting loose her deranged Pekingese, was narrowly defeated – though I had to use my casting vote.

So now we have a complete record of everything that goes on when no one is about. It makes such interesting viewing that I have cancelled my television licence and spend every evening watching the antics of my parishioners. I wonder if there is some niche television channel which would be interested; it could help the tower restoration fund no end.

Miss Margison seems to imagine she is now part of some theatrical performance every time she cleans the church; her body language as she wields a feather duster is of operatic proportions, as is her final bow to the cameras as she leaves.

I have at last found the several hiding places where Mr Prentice secretes his bottle of whisky every week when he comes to wind the tower clock.

Colonel Wainwright, who served for some time in the security services, is now worried that photographs of him cleaning the brass will be circulated in Russia. He fails to appreciate that his disguise as a French onion seller, with striped jersey, beret and waxed moustache does tend to make his presence rather more interesting than he imagines – to us, if not to the KGB.

The flower arrangers seem to imagine that we are recording sound as well as pictures and so whenever they are in church together, all gossip is written down and passed round by hand as they work in total silence. So far, they have remembered to take their pieces of paper home with them. One slip and I shall probably learn more about my parishioners in five minutes than I have done in the last five years.

The cameras have also solved the mystery of who has been pilfering the items - and even the nest where they have hidden it. If only I could teach the magpies to extract money from pockets and place it on the collection plate.

Your loving uncle,

Eustace



Editor: David Pickup, a solicitor, considers the process of contacting God. Any questions? Please call. Your call is important to Him.

“Thank you for your call. It’s important to us”

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and He will say, Here I am. (Isaiah 58.6-9a)

I spend a lot of time trying to communicate with people. Technology should make it easy, but it can be a nightmare. Trying to log on to websites, changed passwords, secret words, and then getting ‘no-reply emails’ demanding information, but there is no way to give it to them! Then holding on a phone, trying to talk to someone human, and going through security questions.

Yesterday, after a difficult time trying to sign documents online, which all had to be signed at the same time, I came across this passage. It is a beautiful insight in trying to get through to God. God does not ask security questions, your mother’s milkman’s name or your cat’s date of birth. God does expect us to have similar priorities and the sense of justice. We may not always get the answer we want, but He will answer.

Faith

When your prayers at times appear to go unanswered,
And the words of your worse doubters seem so true,
When it seems the whole wide world is all against you,
Just put your faith in God and you’ll pull through.

When your life is like a maze with no known exit,
And your future appears to be as black as night,
When it seems that all your efforts end in failure,
Just put your faith in God, he’ll see you right.

For those who put their faith in God have reason,
For confidence to face each trial and test,
And know better times are just around the corner,
For faith is the soft pillow that gives rest.

By Colin Hammacott

Reflecting Faith: An Offer You Do Not Want to Refuse

For the last couple of months, we've been thinking about baptism, and last time we finished by saying that, even as late as the tenth century, only baptised people could stay in the church to watch, never mind actually consume, the celebration of the Eucharist.

This tells me how highly regarded the consecration of the bread and wine actually were, and still are, within the Church. Even today this is still the 'highlight' of the main Sunday service.

Everything we do within the service leads up to this special moment, when the priest offers the bread and wine to the people.

Prior to this, we've said prayers of penitence and have been absolved. We have heard stories from the Bible and had them expanded upon in a sermon.

We have stated our faith in response to this, and recognised God's awesome power by saying prayers of intercession for ourselves and others.

We have acknowledged God's amazing gifts of love and peace by sharing this with those around us, and we responded by offering to Him our gifts as token of our whole lives.

And then – finally we get to the Eucharistic Prayer.

As soon as this is concluded and the priest invites the congregation to come forward to receive the consecrated bread and wine, we are 'so overwhelmed' by the enormity of what is being offered to each of us that we 'fall on our knees' with the Prodigal Son and say, "Lord I am not worthy'.

This month: When you next go to a Communion Service, take note of the pattern of it as a whole and then 'think' about how you feel as you are invited to take the bread and wine.

Revd Dr Jo White

June

Flowery banks,
A-drone with bees,
Dreaming cattle
Under trees:
Song-bird pipe
A merry tune –
This is summer,
This is June.

From a poem by Irene F Pawsey

be fearless in
the pursuit of
what sets your
soul on fire.

Praying with the Prayers Of The Bible - Praying with Penitential Tears

Psalm 51:2 'Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.'

Psalm 51 is the most personal, the most passionate and the most profound prayer for forgiveness found anywhere in the Bible.

Without any introduction, explanation or excuse, the Psalmist cries out, 'Have mercy on me, O God.' Jewish and Christian scholars have almost been unanimous in seeing this Psalm as David's personal prayer for pardon, following his sin of adultery with Bathsheba and then scheming to have her husband Uriah killed (2 Samuel 11).



As we go through the Psalm, its various stages take us from deep contrition to joyful testimony. First, the confession; vv.1-4. As David bares his soul to God, there is no blaming other people, no excuses made, no pleading special circumstances.

'Have mercy on *me*, O God.' Notice the personal pronouns. '*My* transgressions,' twice (vv.1 and 3); '*my* iniquity,' '*my* sin,' twice (vv.2 and 3). And David knows that while he has sinned against his own family and against the murdered Uriah, all sin is ultimately against God. 'Against Thee, thee only, have I sinned' (v.4).

Second, the condition; vv.5-6. While David alone is responsible for the sins he has committed, he recognises that he is part of fallen, sinful humanity. Both Judaism and Christianity have a doctrine of original sin. So deep and all pervasive is the condition of fallen humanity that he speaks of being 'conceived' in sin and 'brought forth' in iniquity (v.5).

Although some commentators have tried to dismiss this teaching here by saying that David was conceived out of wedlock, its implications are far more profound. In v.6 he speaks about 'the inward being' and 'my secret heart.' David knows only too well that behind the sins he has committed lies a human heart prone to sin, attracted by sin and enticed to sin.

Third, the cleansing; vv. 7-12. With this deep, penitential confession of his transgressions, his iniquity and his sin, David now cries out for the only remedy – God's power to conquer human sin. The prayer began with a plea for mercy (v.1) and then followed the repeated petitions for the 'blotting out,' the 'washing' and the 'cleansing' from sin. Now the plea is for something deeper still; 'Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean; wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.' (v.7).

But David wants still more, and so we have the prayer in v.10; 'Create in me a clean heart.' And still David prays, 'Cast me not away from Your presence and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.'

Resulting from this sincere confession and heart-felt prayer for forgiveness and cleansing, comes the assurance of God's gracious answer. When David is spiritually restored, he will teach others the way of God's salvation (v.13) and praise God for his own deliverance (v.14).

So Psalm 51 promises forgiveness, cleansing, restoration and a place to serve God *when* we, in true penitence, make the same unqualified confessions of our sins.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear friends,

Welcome to the June issue. We celebrate Pentecost this month on 8th June and there are articles and prayers on page 8 and 20. *"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth" Acts 1:8*

Also, there is Father's Day this month on Sunday 15th June. There are a couple of articles on pages 12 '**Like Father, Like Son**' and on page 19 '**Father's Day - what we most value in our fathers**'. In the article on page 19 it points out that *'Jesus said the Father is totally dependable and protective of us, longs for us to turn to Him, and is full of compassion and love. And we are to call Him 'Abba' - Daddy!'*

On page 14 there is an interesting piece about contacting God. The writer says *'God does not ask security questions, your mother's milkman's name or your cat's date of birth. God does expect us to have similar priorities and the sense of justice. We may not always get the answer we want, but He will answer.'*

We very much look forward to the upcoming Ordination Service of Gill Christie on 29th June and the Bring & Share lunch afterwards. Please see full details on page 31. There are sheets to sign up on in church if you can offer a lift to Guildford or if you can offer one to someone else! There is a short article called '**Ordination season is underway**' on page 26 which gives a bit more information on Ordination services and how they usually take place at Petertide (29th June), a feast day that remembers the martyrdom of Saint Peter.

Sylvie, our Pastoral Assistant, spoke eloquently and passionately about our new Parish initiative '**Donate Ten**' at two recent services. Sadly the need locally for the FoodBank services has increased, just as donations in the area have generally decreased. Rev Liz and Sylvie have launched 'Donate Ten' and you can find more details on page 25. There are links on there for information on food requirements and how to donate money. Sylvie has kindly found out the things they require most at the moment and those are included on page 25.

2025 has not been kind to us so far as a family with the sudden loss of my mother in February and then my young niece needing a very urgent liver transplant operation last week. Thankfully, she has received this gift in the last few days and we are incredibly grateful. Time was not on her side and the need became very urgent. It is an unbearable position to be in as you are so desperate for the organ required, but equally so very aware of what this means to another family somewhere who will experience great loss in order that your own loved one may survive. But as a family we have been so uplifted by so many people's prayers for my niece - some as far away as India. If ever there was evidence of the power of prayer, last week surely showed it in action. There will be a long road to recovery, but we are truly blessed that a donor was found. I hope no-one reading this ever needs the same, as it is a rollercoaster that I wouldn't recommend to anyone!

There are so many prayers and bible readings that can help us keep faith and this month there is one on page 14 entitled 'Faith'. The last verse goes as follows ...

*For those who put their faith in God have reason,
For confidence to face each trial and test,
And know better times are just around the corner,
For faith is the soft pillow that gives rest.*

With my very best wishes,

Suzanne

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Persecution of the Church today?

In the first of a series of articles, Kenneth Harrod, Head of Theology and Media at Release International, the voice of persecuted Christians, reminds us of the realities of persecution today.

We've all read the biblical story of Stephen, the first martyr in the New Testament. We've probably heard that Christians in the early centuries suffered all manner of atrocities at the hands of Roman emperors. We know Protestant Reformers were martyred in the 16th Century.

But what about today?

We live in a country where Christianity has been an accepted 'part of the furniture' for centuries. Church buildings are obvious and visible landmarks in our towns and villages; Christian festivals are part and parcel of the calendar year—even for people who profess no Christian allegiance. In many ways, we enjoy the fruit of God having blessed gospel ministry in this land in times past.

But in many parts of our world, life can be very different for Christians—particularly for those who seek to obey the Great Commission of Jesus Christ by proclaiming Him.

In some countries, opposition to the Christian faith might come from extremists of another religion; in other countries it might be the authorities themselves. Christians can suffer on-going oppression and violence. Christians may be forced to flee. Christians can find themselves languishing in prison for no other reason than the fact that they *are* Christians. In some places in our world today Christians may pay the ultimate price—martyrdom.

What is our response to all of this?

One of the New Testament images used to describe the Church is that of the 'Body of Christ'. In his first letter to the Corinthians the Apostle Paul wrote of that body: 'If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together.' (1 Cor. 12:26; ESV)

Out of sight should not be out of mind. Spiritual brothers and sisters suffering because they love and worship the same Saviour that we do should be of concern to us.

Release International is a UK-based ministry called to love and serve those who suffer persecution for Christ and the gospel. To find out more about this ministry; about where it works, how it works and how you and your church could get involved, go to: releaseinternational.org.

Get a grip

It was said that Archbishop Tench of Dublin, in his later years, had a fear of sudden crippling paralysis. One night at a formal dinner he sat looking more and more forlorn. Finally, he confided to the guests around him: "Well, it's come at last – total lack of feeling in my right leg." Whereupon the lady sitting next to him said soothingly: "Not at all, your Grace. It will comfort you to know that during the whole of this meal it has been *my* leg that you have been pinching!"

Sweets

I gave my four-year-old grand-daughter money for sweets and the church collection plate. Later, seeing her enormous pile of sweets, I got suspicious and asked if she hadn't also given some money to God in church that morning. "No," she replied sweetly, "He wasn't there."



Capel's Military Show - 4th, 5th and 6th July 2025

This is our BIGGEST ANNUAL FUNDRAISER and we need lots of help!

We need cakes baked to sell and volunteers to run the stall on all three days.



Cake flavours are: chocolate, ginger, carrot, coffee, lemon drizzle, toffee. We usually use Wrights cake mixes (they do not require eggs) but home baked is great. Please use disposable tray bake tins (available from Amazon) with suitable decorations - *no coloured sprinkles* please as they bleed into the icing.

Cakes can be frozen and Leigh will collect so please put your contact details down on the lists in church if this is something you need help with.

Please would you look at the lists in church and sign up for anything you can help with? Thank you!

For any questions, please speak to Leigh Smith **on** 07732 825908 or
email: leighdesouza@yahoo.com

Father's Day - what we most value in our fathers

Father's Day is 15th June - a day to honour and appreciate our fathers and father figures, such as grandfathers and fathers-in-law. Many of us will make a special effort to see them on the day.

No two fathers are alike, of course, but various polls across the internet reveal some interesting similarities of what people have most valued in their dad.

These traits include: being dependable, approachable, protective, patient, affectionate, honest, willing to listen, compassionate, and having spent time with them when they were young.

That's quite a list! People whose fathers had even some of those strengths have a lot to be thankful for.

Thankfully, our Father in Heaven certainly has all those traits. Jesus said the Father is totally dependable and protective of us, longs for us to turn to Him, and is full of compassion and love. And we are to call Him 'Abba' - Daddy!

High Days & Holy Days in June

8th June - Fire of Pentecost, Whit Sunday

"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth" Acts 1:8

We all get tired, and battle weary sometimes. The disciples of Jesus had just been through a three-year long roller coaster adventure with Jesus that had culminated in His death, resurrection and ascension into heaven.

The range of emotions would have been hugely taxing in the days leading up to Pentecost, as they remembered Jesus weeping in the garden of Gethsemane, betrayed by Judas, brutally beaten and crucified, and then dead and buried. Then there had been the shock and awe of finding out that He was alive again! But then He had left them again, to return to His Father. By the time the day of Pentecost arrived, the disciples would indeed have welcomed some fresh spiritual fire!

Today, many of us have been emotionally drained by the uncertainties of Covid 19, the worry of prices rising at an alarming rate, and now the uncertainty of what will happen in Russia's war in Ukraine.

So, what better day to pray for fresh spiritual fire for each of us? As we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and birth of the Church, let us thank God that He will never leave us or forsake us.

21st June - Summer Solstice, longest day of the year

June, of course is the month of the summer solstice, the month of the Sun. *Sol + stice* come from two Latin words meaning 'sun' and 'to stand still'. As the days lengthen, the sun rises higher and higher until it seems to stand still in the sky. The Summer Solstice results in the longest day and the shortest night of the year. The Northern Hemisphere celebrates in June, and the Southern Hemisphere celebrates in December.

While the Druids worship at Stonehenge and elsewhere, here are some Christian alternatives that honour the Creator rather than the created.

A Canticle for Brother Sun

Praised be You, My Lord, in all Your creatures,
Especially Sir Brother Sun,
Who makes the day and enlightens us through You.
He is lovely and radiant and grand;
And he heralds You, his Most High Lord.
St Francis of Assisi

God in All

He inspires all,
He gives life to all,
He dominates all,
He supports all.
He lights the light of the sun.
He furnishes the light of the night.
He has made springs in dry land.
He is the God of heaven and earth,
of sea and rivers,
of sun, moon and stars,
of the lofty mountain and the lowly valley,
the God above heaven,
and in heaven,
and under heaven.

A prayer of St Patrick

People who can't see should not drive!

So says a coroner, following a spate of four deaths caused by drivers who, in one case, could barely see his own steering wheel.

Dr James Adeley, the senior coroner for Lancashire, has said that letting motorists self-certify their fitness to drive is the 'laxest system in Europe', and is highly ineffective. And, until it is changed, road deaths will continue to be caused by drivers with failing eyesight.

Dr Adeley has sent a report to Heidi Alexander, the Transport Secretary, calling for action. He points out that the UK is one of only a handful of countries to use 'self-reporting' of any visual conditions that affect one's ability to drive.

Dr Adeley said: "The current system for 'ensuring drivers meet the visual legal standards is ineffective, unsafe and unfit to meet the needs of society."

The Department for Transport has responded: "The NHS recommends adults should have their eyes tested every two years and drivers are legally required to inform the DVLA if they have a condition which affects their eyesight."

The ground-breaking marriage of Martin Luther

Five hundred years ago, on 13th June 1525, German Protestant Reformer Martin Luther married Katharina von Bora, a nun whom he had helped to escape from a convent.

Little is normally written about this phase of his life, but a great deal about him as a theologian and world-changing reformer in the Christian world, which he came to after studying law – a career encouraged by his father Hans, who had done well in copper-refining and was a town councillor.

Luther, however, was prompted by a frightening thunderstorm experience to enter the monastery in Erfurt of the Order of the Hermits of St. Augustine: he changed course and never looked back. The conflicts in which he became involved resulted from what he felt was a lack of spirituality stemming from Rome. His studies and conclusions about salvation as a work of divine grace, and his opposition in particular to indulgences, resulted eventually in the split of the Western church into Catholics and Protestants – of various kinds.

His marriage to Katharina came after he had helped her and several other nuns escape from her convent, hiding among fish barrels on a cart. The other nuns were taken in by their families or friends, but Katharina was left stranded. She refused other offers but was happy to marry Luther; he in turn was happy to marry her because he felt that marriage was honourable, and any insistence on clerical celibacy indefensible.

The marriage was warm and successful, and the couple had six children. Luther's wife proved to be a competent household manager and could hold her own theologically. But her husband's death in 1546, together with legal difficulties with his Will, left her in poverty, and she died six years later at the age of 53, after a fall.

by Tim Lenton

Barnabas – a very likeable disciple

This month we remember St Barnabas, whose real name was Joseph, a wealthy Levite from Cyprus. However, he was better known by his nickname, which means *'Son of Encouragement'* (Acts 4:36). Throughout Acts we see him encouraging others in different ways.

Barnabas was an example of *generous giving* (Acts 4:36-7), when he sold property and offered the money to the church for those in need. In the midst of an already caring and sharing community, he was singled out as a symbol of generosity. Are we known as somebody who is generous to those in need around us?

Barnabas later *encouraged a new Christian* in the person of Paul (Acts 9:27). After Paul's conversion and knowing his reputation, Barnabas came alongside him and brought him into the fellowship of the church. Are we ready to help those who are new in the faith to find a place in our church?

Finally, Barnabas was sent to the church in Antioch where he *'saw the evidence of the grace of God'* (Acts 11:23). It was a church which brought Jewish and Gentile believers together for the first time. Like Barnabas, do we rejoice when we see God doing new things in people's lives? Are we also willing to embrace these things and facilitate change?

Encouragement is one of the spiritual gifts in the New Testament (Romans 12:8). It can be greatly undervalued, but it is crucial in growing the church. Like Barnabas, will we nurture gifting; strengthen the doubters and those tempted to give up; show generosity to God's people and beyond the church; alongside strengthening people to move beyond their own comfort zones to help those in need?

Let's be prepared to ask the following questions: *'Are there people alongside us who will encourage us?'* and *'How can we be encouragers to others?'*

What about Facebook after you die?

The righteous perish, and no one takes it to heart; the devout are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil. Those who walk uprightly enter into peace; they find rest as they lie in death' (Isaiah 57:1-2 NIV)

What happens to our Facebook page when we die is probably the last thing on most of our minds. However, many people have an 'online presence' such as Facebook pages, Linked-in, email accounts, Instagram and all sorts of bank accounts and website pages. Who can get access to that information?

Depending on the type of account, a relative or friend might want to close it, retrieve information or images or preserve it in some way. Making a Will is an opportunity to make a clear decision about what happens to things you own, and this includes something electronic and who carries out your wishes.

According to Facebook, you can choose to either appoint a legacy contact to look after your account, or have your account permanently deleted from Facebook. If you do not choose to have your account permanently deleted, it will be memorialised if Facebook are told about the death. Memorialised accounts are a place for friends and family to gather and share memories after a person has passed away.

Google encourages people to think about these issues and they have something called an Inactive Account Manager to let them know who should have access to your information, and whether you want your account to be deleted.

They recognise that many people pass away without leaving clear instructions about how to manage their online accounts. They work with immediate family members and representatives to close the account of a deceased person where appropriate. In certain circumstances they may provide content from a deceased user's account.

The best advice is to think carefully and make choices about what happens in the event of your passing, and carefully select someone you trust to do this. As ever this is a light-hearted introduction and if in any doubt get proper advice. Different companies have different policies and procedures so always check carefully.

Book Reviews

The Exiled Church - Reckoning with secular culture By Martyn Percy, Canterbury Press, £18.99

The Exiled Church explores how churches and faith communities are faring in a highly secular contemporary culture.

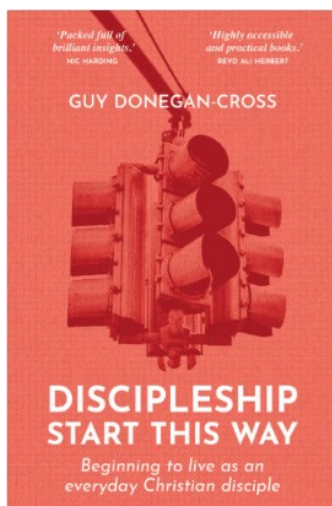
In many places, traditional denominations are in steep decline, church buildings are up for sale, even fast-growing new churches appear to be in a 'boom and bust' trajectory, and religion has effectively retreated from public life. Yet it was in exile that Israel discovered a deeper and truer knowledge of God.

Drawing on theories of secularisation, the experiences of a wide variety of churches, new religious groups, and voices in the emerging field of secular and sacred community innovation, Martyn Percy charts the shifts in power from institutional religion to individualistic spirituality. He asks whether the age of institutional Christianity is effectively over, and is being replaced by networks of socio-spiritual-political values, focused around issues of common concern.

Imaginatively and engagingly written, *The Exiled Church* is ultimately a hopeful and confident book that offers a lifeline for all churches on the margins.

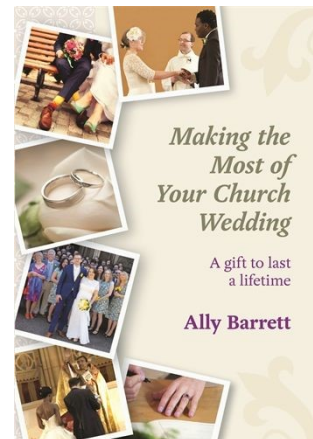
Discipleship: Start This Way: Beginning to live as an everyday Christian disciple By Guy Donegan-Cross, BRF, £9.99

This book emphasises the difference that discipleship can make in our day to day experience. Both a resource for the enquirer and a tool for anyone wanting to support someone in their faith journey, this book provides an accessible and grounded route into the beginnings of discipleship, with a clear explanation of what it looks and feels like to become a disciple and to start to live as one.



Raised Forever - Jesus' resurrection and ours By Rory Shiner, 10Publishing, £7.64

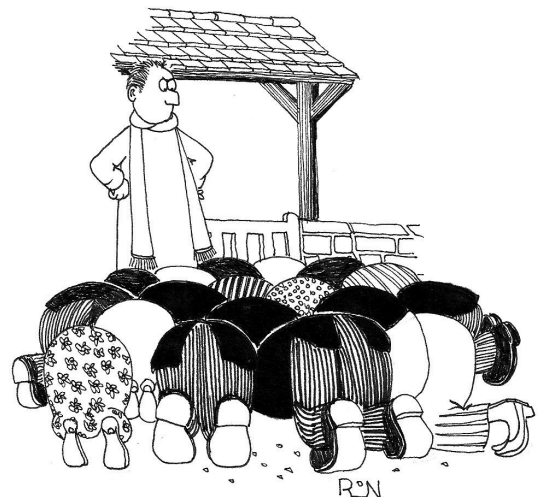
Here is an entry-level, but theologically rich, treatment of the resurrection of Jesus, and how it relates to the life of the believer, both now and in the future. Useful both evangelistically and for encouraging believers.



Making the Most of Your Church Wedding By Ally Barrett, SPCK, £5.99

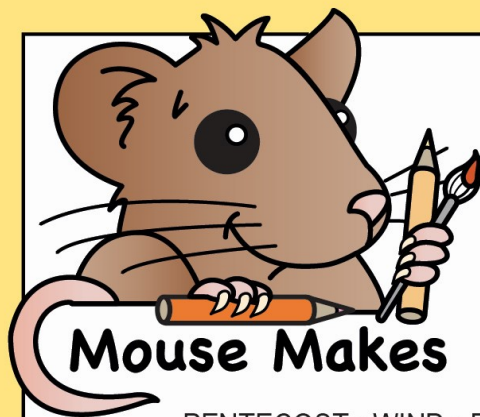
This short, attractive, full-colour guide to the Anglican wedding service will help couples planning a church wedding.

It uses the words and the actions of the Anglican marriage service to enable couples to explore the big questions of life, relationships, commitment, God, family and more.



Keith was very strict about confetti in the churchyard

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It was fifty days since **Passover**, and Jews from many countries had come to **Jerusalem** to celebrate Passover. As the **Apostles** were gathered together the **Holy Spirit** came upon them and they began to speak in other **languages** as the Spirit enabled them.

The crowd that were listening were amazed as they heard about God in their own language.

How many people heard, believed and were baptised that day?

DID YOU KNOW?

The Bible or parts of the Bible have now been translated into over 3,000 different languages since it was first written in Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek.

Dorking Area Foodbank

has been operating for 10 years in June.

The Parish of Capel and Ockley
are running a project to support this

'DONATE TEN'

Could you donate ten items to the Foodbank,
or maybe make a direct debit for £10 each month or arrange
a one-off donation?

Donations are down over the last couple of years to the
local Foodbank and the need is even greater.

So can you help? Sylvie, our Pastoral Assistant who volunteers at the
Foodbank has enquired about some of the most wanted items and they are listed
below:-

Long life milk
Cereal bars
Chocolate bars
Washing machine tablets
Hand wash
Tinned fruit
Custard

Any plastic carrier bags you can spare?

However, please do continue to donate non-perishable food,
personal hygiene including shampoo, body wash and disposable razors
together with sanitary items, amongst other things.

ALL items are gratefully received.

If you would like to hear more regarding this project
please contact: Revd Liz Richardson - 01306 711260
or Pastoral Assistant Sylvie Beckett on 07711 849338



You may find the following links helpful:

<https://dorkingarea.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> (shows a list)

<https://dorkingarea.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

Notices in a church newsheet:

- Organist required: to work with small but trying priest and congregation.
- The Low Self Esteem Support Group meets Thursday. Please use the back door.
- Weight Watchers to meet at 7pm in the church hall. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
- There will be a shared supper at church this Sunday – with prayer and medication to follow.
- The minister would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.
- The students will be presenting Shakespeare's *Hamlet* in the church basement Friday at 7pm. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

Ordination season is underway

Every summer the C of E ordains its new deacons and priests.

The services are traditionally held during Pentecost (29th June), a feast day that remembers the martyrdom of Saint Peter. He was the fisherman who became a devoted disciple of Jesus, and who then went on to be an instrumental figure in the early Church in Jerusalem.

Although the ordinations this summer will be held in a variety of cathedrals across the country, those being ordained will have certain important things in common:

They will have felt called by God to serve as a deacon or priest.

They will have passed a rigorous selection process.

They will have completed a two-to-three-year training course (diploma or degree) at one of the theological education institutes (TEIs) based around the country.

And so here they are now – called, accepted, trained and soon to be set apart for this specialised ministry. If you know a deacon or a priest, pray for them and their families this month, as they begin a lifetime of public service to God.

Editor's note: Please see details of Gill Christie's ordination on page 31. Sign up sheets for car sharing is in church. Also, there is a sign up list if you require a lift. Thank you.

Miscellaneous observations

Don't put a question mark where God puts a full stop.

Are you wrinkled with burdens? Come to the church for a facelift.

When praying, don't give God instructions - just report for duty.

God grades on the cross, not the curve.

To forget a wrong is the best revenge.

The last ten years of life are the best, because we are freest from illusions and fullest of experience.
- *Benjamin Jowett*

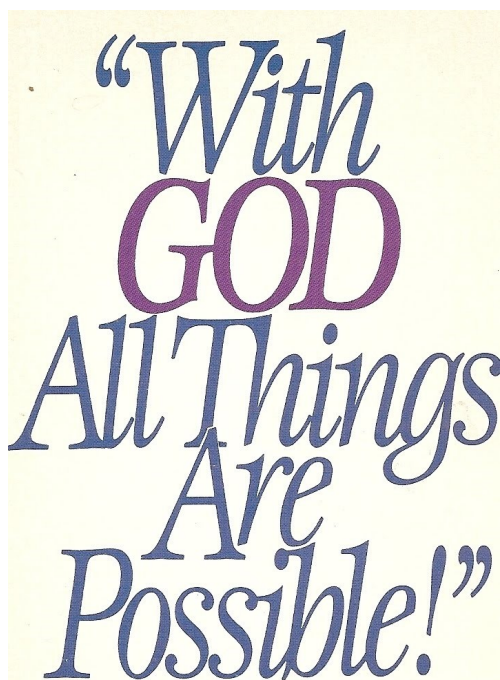
The evening of a well-spent life brings its lamps with it. - *Joseph Joubert*

No wise man ever wished to be younger. - *Jonathan Swift*.

Leisure is a beautiful garment, but it will not do for constant wear. *Anon*

Grandmother-grandchild relationships are simple. Grandmas are short on criticism and long on love.

It is what you do when you have nothing to do that reveals what you are. - *Anon*



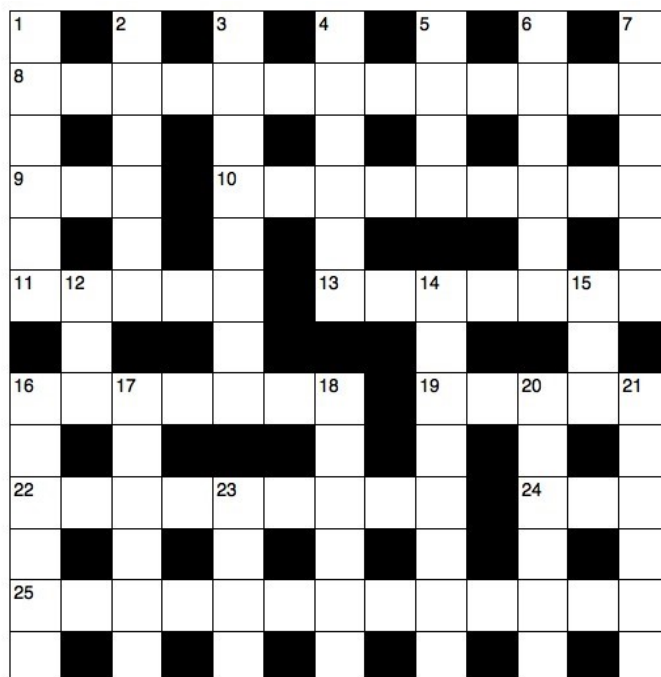
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Are
Possible!”



God has a reason for
allowing things to happen.
We may never understand
His wisdom, but we simply
have to trust His will.
Psalm 37:5

Across

- 8 Laban complained he had not been allowed to kiss them when Jacob fled with his family (Genesis 31:28) (13)
 9 In favour of (3)
 10 'The child's father and mother — at what was said about him' (Luke 2:33) (9)
 11 Swagger (Psalm 12:8) (5)
 13 'Terrors — him on every side and dog his every step' (Job 18:11) (7)
 16 Bay bits (anag.) (7)
 19 Preach, address an audience, speak in public (5)
 22 Holy Communion (9)
 24 'On their way to — out the land, Joshua instructed them, "Go and make a survey of the land"' (Joshua 18:8) (3)
 25 Joseph advised Pharaoh to appoint these to administer his grain storage plan (Genesis 41:34) (13)



Down

- 1 'Assyria's pride will be brought down and — sceptre will pass away' (Zechariah 10:11) (6)
 2 'And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in — with God and men' (Luke 2:52) (6)
 3 The descendants of Esau (Genesis 36:9) (8)
 4 The components of the crown that Jesus was made to wear before his crucifixion (John 19:2) (6)
 5 Colour of cloth which was to cover holy objects in the tabernacle when moving camp (Numbers 4:6–12) (4)
 6 One of the gold articles plundered from the Midianites offered to the Lord by the Israelite army 'to make atonement' (Numbers 31:50) (6)
 7 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set — — ' (Jeremiah 31:29) (2,4)
 12 Ate (anag.) (3)
 14 'We ourselves... groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our — as sons' (Romans 8:23) (8)
 15 Abram's nephew (Genesis 14:12) (3)
 16 Rupture (Job 30:14) (6)
 17 'Yet to all who received him... he gave the right to — children of God' (John 1:12) (6)
 18 'I... asked him the true meaning of all — . — he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things' (Daniel 7:16) (4,2)
 20 Military units (Exodus 14:20) (6)
 21 'Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to — her to public disgrace' (Matthew 1:19) (6)
 23 Diva (anag.) (4)

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Capel Friends celebrate 300 Years in Capel!

Capel Friends will be celebrating 300 years of Quakers in Capel on the 21st and 22nd of June. On **Saturday 21st** we are holding a Coffee and cake morning from 10am until 1.00pm there will be music and an open garden for all to enjoy.

On the **Sunday 22nd June** there will be an open meeting for all from 11am until 11.45 and all are welcome. Tea and nibbles afterwards with a reading of "A Surrey Story" this is about two friends - local farmers - who regularly attended meetings and a glimpse into their lives. A simple tale but a snapshot into the lives of village people in the 1800's

There will then be live music from members of the Myall family from 1.30pm.
Very informal- shall we say a pot-pourri of musical gems...

Jonathan Myall

Easy Sodoku

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

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Medium Sodoku

		5	9		1		8	
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		4						
	5		6	3	4		1	
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Puzzle Solutions

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

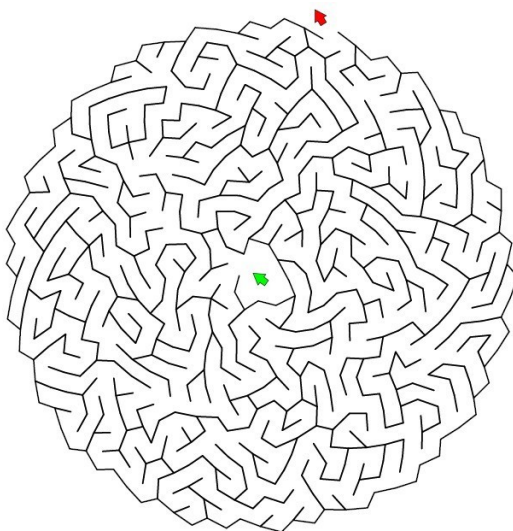
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Easy Sudoku solution

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

Medium Sudoku solution

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



June's maze to try!

**On Sunday 29th June
Gill Christie is to be
ordained as Deacon
at Guildford
Cathedral**



**Followed by a Celebration
Bring and Share Lunch
at Ockley Village Hall.
All welcome
Further details - contact Revd. Liz**



Church Tea dates 2025

At St John the Baptist, Capel

From 3:00 to 5:00 pm

*Please note this is a revised list from that published
in the April 2025 issue of InSpire.*

Sunday 22nd June

Sunday 20th July

Sunday 24th August

Sunday 14th September

Sunday 5th October - Harvest

Sunday 2nd November - All Soul's Day

Service at 3pm * Teas start at 4pm

Sunday 30th November

First Sunday of Advent

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