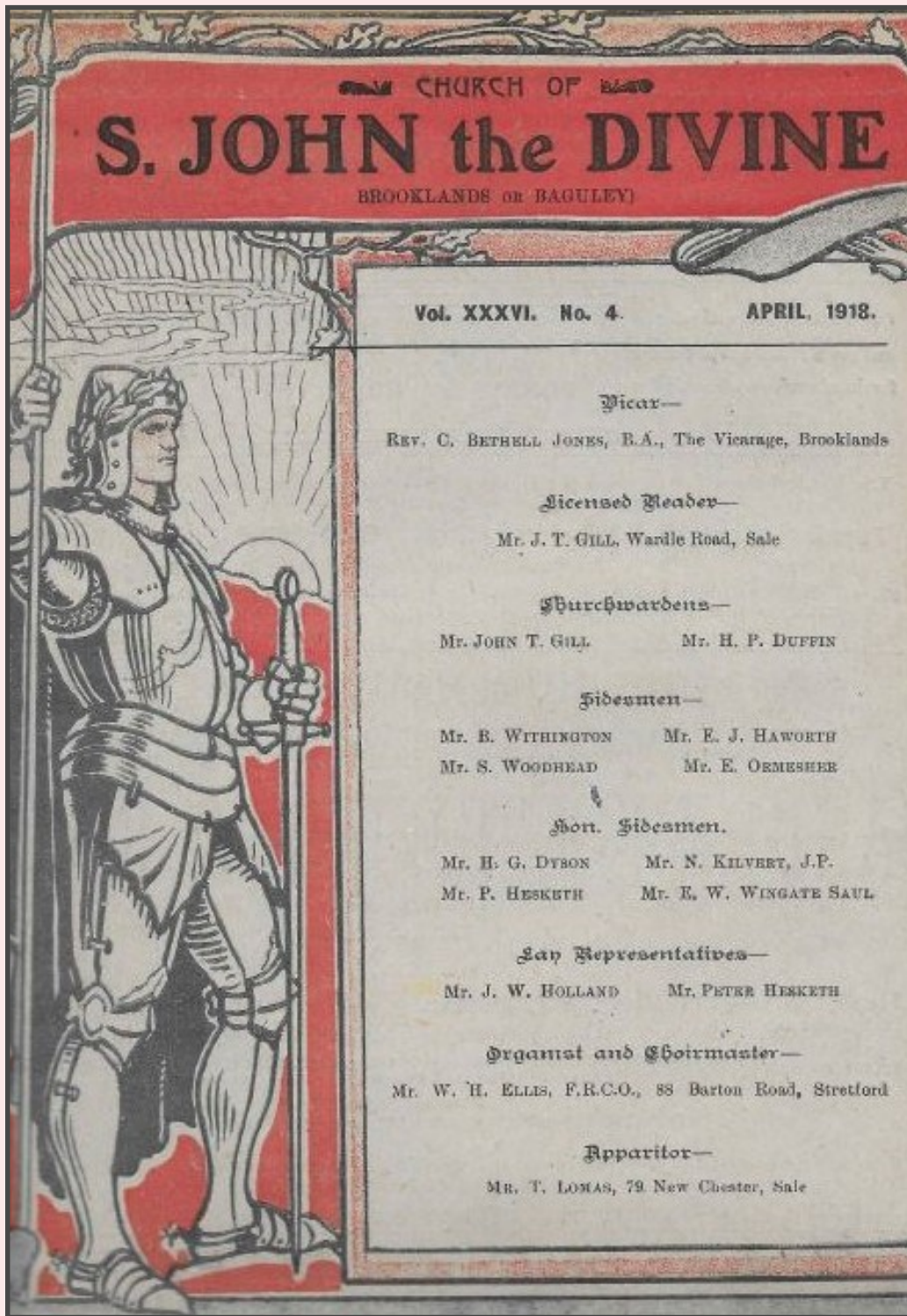


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From the Editor

This month we share some of the contents of the Parish magazines from 1918 and 1968 as we look back on the Golden Jubilee and Centenary of St John's. The usual front cover is replaced by that from the April 1918 magazine.

In 1918 we read that the celebrations were muted due to the natural concerns over the war. March 1918 had seen a major German assault which had initially been successful although faltered and was reversed during April. Worrying times though as that edition went to press. In 1968 the celebrations were also delayed but for different reasons.

April 1968 also saw the assassination of Martin Luther King and an extract from his famous 'I Have a Dream' speech is included in this edition. Try reading it twice but change the place names to somewhere closer to home the second time around.

There is some Easter content including humbling accounts of celebration in Southern India and Uganda courtesy of Robin and Grace. Continuing the international theme, does anybody know where Suriname is? Kay does now.

Once you've read this please don't put it into the recycling bin. Pass it on. The magazine is also available in pdf format on the Church website so please send on the link to your friends. (But don't stop buying the print edition..) <http://www.stjohnsbrooklands.org.uk/parish-magazine/>

And on the subject of the print edition, a volunteer is needed as soon as possible to deliver the parish magazine on a regular basis to 7 homes —Alcester Road(2), Wilford Avenue, (2) Mowbray Avenue (1), Bradgate Road(1) Rugby Drive(1)and Derwent Drive(1). If you can help please contact Barbara Kilshaw on 973 0419.

If there is anything that you would like to see included in future editions (or even excluded) do please let the editor know on brooklandsmag@gmail.com. As ever, all contributions are gratefully received. Deadline for the May edition is 8 April.

The Editor



Press Report on the Consecration of St John's 8th April 1868

The following is an extract from the Blackburn Standard dated 15th April 1868.

'St John's Church, Brooklands, Manchester.

The ceremony of consecrating the church of St John the Divine, at Brooklands, took place on Thursday. The building has been erected in accordance with the will of the late Mr Samuel Brooks (Messrs. Brooks, Cunliffe, and Co., bankers, Manchester), who set apart £10,000 for the purpose. The architect is Mr Waterhouse. Though the style of the building is undoubtedly Gothic, its most distinguished features are suggestive rather of the early French than of the English development. The Halifax stone dressings appear to be admirably suited to give effect of the architect's idea.

At eleven o'clock the ceremony began. The Bishop of Chester was attended by Arch-deacon Pollock, vicar of Bowdon, who officiated as his lordship's chaplain. Among the clergy present were the Rev T. Brooke, M.A., incumbent of St John's, Brooklands. The usual petition having been presented to the bishop by the incumbent, it was read by his lordship's secretary, and at the conclusion his lordship said he was ready to consecrate the church in accordance with the prayer thereof.

His lordship then walked from the chancel into the pulpit and preached a sermon (1 Kings, viii, 27) on the building of Solomon's Temple.

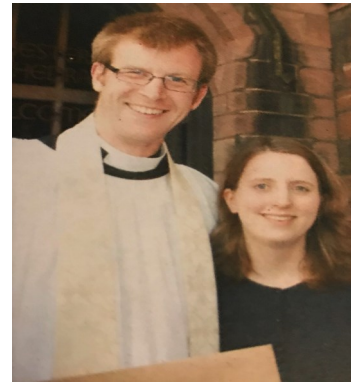
The sentence of consecration was duly signed, and his lordship directed that it, together with the petition and other instruments, should be registered among the muniments of his office.

The service was attended by a very large congregation. The road leading to the church was lined with a row of brilliant equipages.'



Richard writes...

The end is in sight! I am sure that more than one runner shall use this as a means of encouragement at the Manchester Marathon. We are going to be spectators handing out Jelly Babies and Jaffa Cakes and serving refreshments to others who have taken a more leisurely approach. I am really looking forward to this event! My guess is so would the apostle Paul. His writings contain various references to athletics (1 Cor. 9:19-27; Phil. 3:12-14; 1 Thess. 2:19; 2 Tim. 4:7). Paul writes 'I do not run like someone running aimlessly,' instead he runs with a purpose because he has kept the end in sight.



Think of trying to run a marathon with no defined end. It would be confusing if not impossible. With no end point there could be no route to take and chaos would ensue. This highlights the importance of vision. A church's vision is the end to which we move and since we know where we want to be so we are able to plan how to get there. Knowing where we want to end up means we act purposefully. We set off on our journey with the end in sight.

The third chapter in Ian Parkinson's book, *Reignite*, is all about vision, or what he calls 'imagining the future'. Ian underlines the importance of vision: 'vision-casting is essentially the ability to see and understand the preferred future which we believe God intends for us'. He also quotes an excellent description of vision by Walter Wright: 'vision is seeing tomorrow so powerfully that it shapes today'. What is our preferred future? What does the St John's of tomorrow look like?



In order to discern vision we are first required to listen. We listen to God and seek to have our imaginations immersed in God's missional story. We listen to our context so that our vision is unique to us and our situation. Finally, we also listen to one other since each of us has a contribution to make as *together* we discern God's vision for us. Imagine we're now in 2023 and you're writing a letter to a friend describing what has happened at St John's over these five years. What would you write?

Dear Sam,

You wouldn't believe what has happened over the course of the last five years! Let me describe a few of the new initiatives we have taken...

ALPHA COURSE ?

St John's is running its first Alpha course in 2018 and we're really Monday evenings at 8pm, at the Vicarage, on the following dates:

**April 16th, 23rd, 30th
June 11th, 18th, 25th**

**May 14th, 21st, 28th
July 2nd**



150th ANNIVERSARY OF ST JOHN'S

TELL YOUR STORY!

As part of our 150th celebrations we want to hear from you. On a sheet of A4 share your memories of St John's and tell us what St John's means to you. If you have any photographs that you're happy for us to display please speak to Richard, Sue or Isabel. These will be displayed as part of our birthday weekend and we'll include them in forthcoming issues of the parish magazine. Deadline for submissions and photographs is 15th April.



Rev Cyril Bethell Jones wrote in 1918...

It is difficult perhaps for us or for any congregation at such times as these to direct our attention from the very present responsibilities in this hour of our Empire's needs to that which many may feel is for the time being an unimportant period in our church's life and in the celebration of an event which could reasonably be deferred to more happy and prosperous times. To a certain extent doubtless, such an objection is not to be lightly disregarded, but personally I feel that we should be right in observing it now, seeing that every year brings its own faggot to be borne, and no one may say that next year, nor the year following even, will find us better placed even if the present hostilities be concluded.

For after all a celebration such that we have in mind is not a mere question of sentiment, but should be, as I have already written you, a recognition on our part of the many advantages and blessings that we have participated in here in our worship of Almighty God. Blessings they have been for ourselves and for our children and for our friends no one may gainsay.

Surely we who are older members of this congregation cannot look upon these years without gratitude and indeed without a legitimate pride for the happy days and happy memories they contain, marked alas as must needs be the case with the departure from among us on many good friends. To us S. John's Church has had an important place in our lives and a corner always in our hearts and therein lies the appeal that the jubilee must make to us.

To those who are members of this church of more recent years I would say this word. You too must have an interest in this celebration because you have entered into the labours of others and now are enjoying the privileges of a church and parish already equipped for you. There are manifest responsibilities connected with all these things and this time of jubilee will, I trust, appeal to you as the losing of one volume of work here and the opening of another, and the writing upon the pages will depend in a great measure upon the response that you are loyally mindful to make as good Churchmen and Churchwomen.

Never once during these 50 years have the laity of this parish failed to respond -never once. They have always been splendid. May that be equally true in the years yet to come.

One final word I must add in regard to the fund which has been opened to celebrate this event by enlarging the Endowment of the Benefice.

The need of such a fund cannot be denied. I speak not for myself, but in view of the obvious contingencies of the future. The income is inadequate to the responsibilities and demands made upon it.

The Committee which have this matter in hand are of course aiming only at present, owing to our present difficulties, to raise a certain amount by the time of our jubilee, and to add thereto as occasion permits and as the years go by.

The important fact in regard to it is this that now the fund is in being-between £300-£400 having already been subscribed- it will always be of paramount good, always there and affording a worthy object of collective support or of individual "in memorium" bequest.

The church itself is replete with every comfort and beauty of adornment through past generations, and the needful parochial buildings are there for our use. The present appeal is for the Living Agent.

I most earnestly appeal to every member of the congregation throughout the parish to make not only a mental note of the services during Octave, but to be determined, even at inconvenience, to be in his or her place at the services, not only in a willing spirit of hearty co-operation, but above all because we all have an earnest and sincere desire to so express our gratitude to Almighty God by honouring his Holy Name and His Word for His past mercies towards us.



Rev E F Buckley wrote in 1968...

There is a special significance about Holy Week this year. St John's was first consecrated by the Bishop of Chester on April 9th, 1868, so that our centenary really falls on the Tuesday of Holy Week. Our Bishop ruled that it would not be appropriate to celebrate the centenary in Holy Week and therefore we have transferred the centenary service to June 16th, to coincide with the opening of the new hall.

Nevertheless, I think we shall want to keep Holy Week with an extra degree of seriousness and devotion. Each evening at 8.00pm we shall have a celebration of Holy Communion and a meditation on the nature and task of the church today, based upon the letters to the seven churches in the book of the Revelation of St John the Divine - what better guide could we have than the saint in whose honour our church is dedicated.

Our new curate

We look forward to having a new curate with us from Trinity Sunday, June 9th. He is the Rev. David Sebastian Jones B.A., a graduate of Cambridge University and at present finishing his course at Lincoln Theological College. He will be ordained at Manchester Cathedral on the morning of Trinity Sunday and will come to us for evensong. We shall be able to greet him and his fiancée the following Sunday in the new hall.

The New hall

The building is now up to roof level and will soon be complete externally. Inside a lot of work remains to be done but we have reached the exciting stage of planning and ordering the furnishings- curtains, chairs, tables, crockery. At the moment all we have is a piano and a gas stove! Has anyone a spare refrigerator in superb condition!

Please reserve the morning of Sunday, June 16th, for a service starting at 10-0 a.m., at which we hope to open the hall and at the same time celebrate the centenary of the church. The Lord Bishop of Manchester is coming to preach and dedicate the new hall.



Some photographs of the hall construction courtesy of Tim Marlow.

Easter in Uganda

Easter in the Church of Uganda (Coll) is a time for thanksgiving for the sacrifice that Jesus Christ made on our behalf to take away our sins.

It is celebrated by people taking to Church the best of their harvest in terms of crops/plants and animals. In Central Uganda, where I am from, people take food crops like bunches of matooke, a variety of banana, beans, groundnuts, maize and animals like goats and calves. These items are a form of sacrifice and are auctioned after the service to raise funds for different Church projects, for example youth projects, Mothers Union, orphanages and schools.

Grace Kuteesa-Wasajja



Parish Registers

Holy Baptism

February

25th Katie Jessica Durose, daughter of John and Yvonne

'God has received you by Baptism into his Church. We welcome you into the Lord's family'

Baptismal Anniversaries



Easter Celebrations

The anticipation of all those chocolate Easter eggs can be almost too much! When the big day finally arrives, these are some sweet ways you can help children understand why they have received Easter eggs, and explain the Easter story while enjoying the chocolate too.

An Easter Egg story... for anyone old enough to eat chocolate

Here's a fun way to connect chocolate Easter eggs with the story of Easter from the bible.

Sit down together and enjoy peeling the foil wrapping off a hollow chocolate egg. Hold the egg in your hand.

Jesus' tomb was a bit like this egg - with the big stone rolled against the tomb entrance, inside it must have been dark and cramped. It's as if the darkness makes it still Good Friday, the day that Jesus died. But on the first Easter day, Jesus came alive again, and burst out of the tomb. Good Friday is broken once and for all, and new life is set free.

At this point, feel free to smash the egg and start eating the pieces. While you eat, keep going with thinking through the story.

But the trouble was, that nobody saw it happen. The soldiers who were guarding the tomb had fainted in fear, and the next thing we know, Mary arrives at Jesus' tomb and finds that it's empty. The actual moment of the resurrection happened in private. All that excitement and joy and nobody to share it... On Easter Sunday we focus on Mary's story. There in the garden, the resurrection had already happened, but she was trapped in her own Good Friday - her grief and sadness kept her in the dark.

If you have another chocolate egg, peel off the wrapping together and hold it in your hand.

Just like the first egg, it's like Good Friday is still happening. It still felt like Good Friday to Mary. When we read Mary's story we can tell the exact moment when the resurrection happened for her - it's when Jesus calls her name and she recognises him.

Suddenly all her sadness is turned to joy. Mary's Good Friday is gone once and for all, the new life is set free in her.

You can smash and eat your second egg now. Continued overleaf



Over the next few weeks, churches all over the world read more stories of how Jesus' friends discovered that he was alive again: their own Good Fridays turned to Easter, all in different ways. Sometimes we can get stuck in Good Friday too - you could use this prayer (perhaps as you eat a little bit more chocolate) to help you enjoy the new life of Easter - or pray it for people you know who are having a hard time at the moment.

***Dear Jesus,
Be with us in our Good Fridays,
and lead us into the new life of Easter. Amen.***

(Article taken from Churchsupporthub.org)

An Indian Lent & Easter

Lent is a time when we prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance and spiritual discipline. It emphasizes our sinfulness before GOD and our human mortality.

Ash Wednesday

Following the evening service, everyone will be given a "Piggy Bank" and a "Bag". The "Piggy Bank" is to save money for the needy by sacrificing our personal & family expenses like fancy food items or luxurious expenses during the lent days. For example people will eat only a vegetarian diet; South Indian women will stop using flowers to decorate their hair; and some people will fast by skipping one or two meals. Similarly, each person will try to save some money from their personal day-day expenses. Rice is the regular food in South India. We would take a portion of rice whilst preparing daily and save it in the given "Bag". On Good Friday we would take the "Piggy Bank" and "Bag" with rice to the Church altar. The collected saved money and rice will be given to the needy.

Palm Sunday

A week before Easter, the Palm Sunday is celebrated in our Churches with a parade. In India, we do have various denominations in churches like "Roman Catholic", "Pentecostal", "Protestant", "Salvation Army" etc. The churches unite together and conduct the parade by starting it in a common place and the congregation will go to their churches once the parade reaches them. This is done to show others unity among the churches and the Love of Jesus Christ. We do this in remembrance of Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem. In villages, we start the parade from the Church and walk around all the streets of the village and come back to Church. During the parade we sing Palm Sunday songs and carry the Palm leaves and cross made out of it.

Holy Week

During Holy Week we will have daily Church services. On Maundy Thursday, we will have a special communion service remembering what Jesus did in his last supper in preparation for the Good Friday service. In some churches, the Pastor used to wash the feet of a few Church members to remember what Jesus did. In some Churches they also arrange a love feast, inviting everyone around the village to show Jesus's love and that HE is the LORD for all.

Good Friday

We will have a parade starting from Church. We sing Good Friday songs with a black flag in our hand and walk around the village and back to Church. There we will have a 3 hours service in Church on the basis that Jesus hung on the cross for 3 hours. During this service Church Pastor will give the introductory message about the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. This is followed by seven other preachers/deacons who will share the message on the seven words which Jesus delivered whilst on the cross. In between each of these messages the choir will sing a song with the verse. Mostly people will come to Church having fasted. At the end of the service everyone will be given a hot cross bun or porridge.

Easter Sunday

Finally, at the end of the Lent season the day of celebration has arrived because of the resurrection of our saviour LORD JESUS Christ. We will have an early morning service starting at 4:00 AM to celebrate the joy of resurrection. There will be a lighted candle parade from the main street entrance of the Church to the Church. The Church will be decorated with flowers. A special communion will also be given in the service and an Easter message will be given by the Pastor. At the end of the service, everyone will be given an Easter cake with coffee and convey their Easter wishes as "Christ is Risen" to each other. We also have a service in the evening. This will be primarily on the stage with singing, skits, the children reciting memorized verses etc, all facilitated by the various fellowships (Sunday School, Youth Fellowship, Mens Fellowship, Womens Fellowship) we have in Church.

Everyone will have a nice time with their family together on Easter day. A special breakfast and lunch will be prepared to celebrate the Easter. Special dishes would include things like "Chicken/Lamb Biryani", "Pulao/Naan" etc. We will have a nice lunch together.

The Easter celebration doesn't end on Easter Sunday rather it continues in reminding us about repentance and to lead a truthful life until we reach out Eternity.



Thanks to Hephzibah and Robin and their children Chris and Katelyn

I Have a Dream...

I say to you today, my friends, so even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal."

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice. I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of interposition and nullification, that one day right down in Alabama little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers.

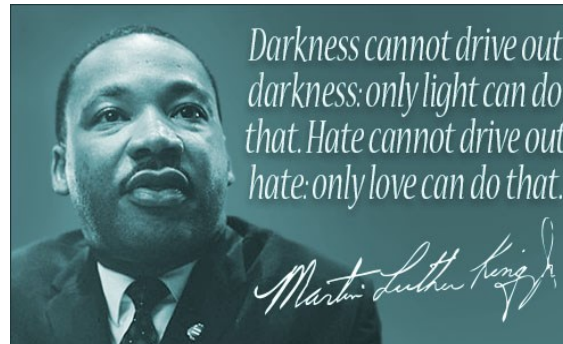
I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

This is our hope. This is the faith that I will go back to the South with. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood.

With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day.

From Martin Luther King's
Speech 28 August 1963

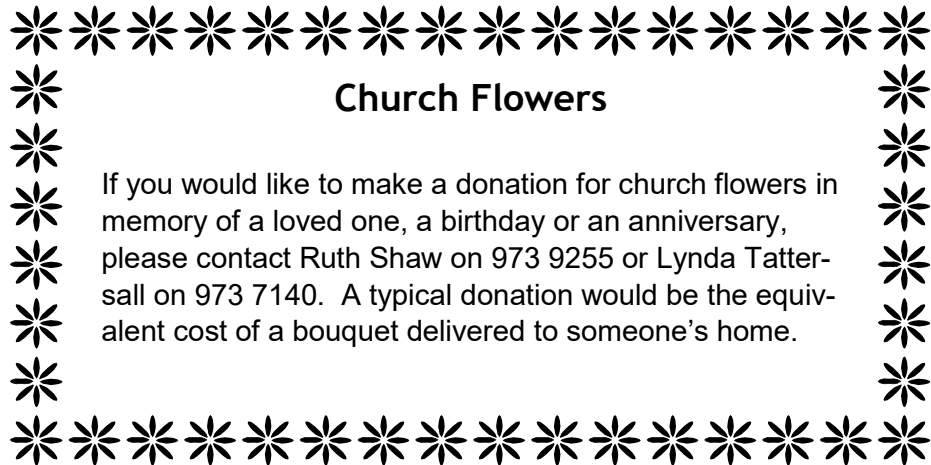


St Agnes of Montepulciano

Agnes, a Dominican nun, was born in Gracchiario-Vecchio in 1268. She joined the 'Sisters of the Sack', so called, due to their coarse clothing. Whilst there, a new foundation was set up, at Procerio, and Agnes became housekeeper there, and ultimately bursar and superior.

During her time, at Procerio, Anes had visions of Christ, Mary and angels. These visions became widely known and she was persuaded to return to Montepulciano, where she founded a convent, of the Dominican order. She became prioress in 1306 and the order grew under her guidance. Many prophesies and cures were attributed to Agnes. In 1317 she died after a long illness. Many pilgrims visited her tomb, including the Emperor Charles IV.

Feast day 20 April



Church Flowers

If you would like to make a donation for church flowers in memory of a loved one, a birthday or an anniversary, please contact Ruth Shaw on 973 9255 or Lynda Tattersall on 973 7140. A typical donation would be the equivalent cost of a bouquet delivered to someone's home.

Sanctuary Guild - April

Volunteers in the Sanctuary Guild take turns to clean the brasses in church, such as the altar cross, candlesticks, offertory plates and lecterns.

6th	Mrs D Ellerton
20th	Mrs A Pilling and Mrs A Howard

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Prayer and Praise

'A heri grontapu di Gedo meki bun doro dor!' translated from the Sranan tongue as

'All God's creation is very good'.



From sunrise over Somoa to snow over Sale, this proclamation rang out in 170 countries on Friday March 2. Women's world prayer day transported us to Suriname with a diverse range of people from Dutch & Creole origins. Hummingbirds and Macaws are just two of the 705 species of colourful birds found in this South American tropical land. Giant sea turtles and blue frogs form part of the rich natural biodiversity.

Although rich in natural resources like gold and crude oil and plentiful fruit and vegetables, there are paradoxes. Only 36% of boys benefit from secondary education. Health issues include Malaria and mercury poisoning from pollution.

The women in Suriname believe that the Christian faith community worldwide can make a significant contribution to the preservation of a healthy environment. Cherishing God's world is an international message relevant to every person.

All God's creation is very good

Charities such as the Cumbrian Flood Fund and the Toxteth Women's Centre as well as worldwide Christian organisations benefit from the collections made at Women's day of prayer services.

This year, Players at St Mary's church A-o-M informed, entertained and welcomed us to their special interactive event, which included plastic props and homemade cake. The informative DJ translated joyful music onto a large multi media screen, so we could all sing our hearts out. The atmosphere of being in unity with 1,000 dialects all over the world was powerful. All credit to St Mary's for an inspirational interpretation.

Women's world prayer day is held on the first Friday in March every year. Slovenia is the country, not quite so tropical, to be featured next year. A morning and evening celebration will be held near you. Why not save the date to join a great wave of unity with our Christian sisters? You will find it a privilege.

'Masra Gado-arki wi begi'

'Lord hear our prayer'

KD

From Around St John's...



Mothers' Union

A happy Easter to all. We have got through the austere days of Lent and entered the sunny uplands of Easter.

Our March meeting was our Annual General Meeting where we had a resume of the previous years' activities. On April 10th, we welcome Rona Barbour, who will talk to us about storytelling and tell us some as well. Everyone is welcome, you don't have to be a member to come to the meetings.

Rugby and Curry Outing

Firstly we'll get the bad news out of the way. There was no curry. A change of plan saw the eating part of the event being held at the Belmore.

Given how the weather has been, the dozen or so people who went to watch Sale v Otley enjoyed decent weather. And also a decent game, unless you were an Otley supporter. 59-5 was perhaps a bit harsh on the visitors but we saw a feast of running rugby.

Afterwards the Belmore had a table ready for us and with the addition of some latecomers a good time was had by everybody.

April brings some further celebratory events listed later in the magazine.



Womens' Fellowship

Mary Webster writes

Seeing as how I've been such a slowcoach over the past couple of months, I thought I would start early this time. It's 11.30pm on Tuesday 27 February and I've just looked out the window at the latest snowfall, not deep as I remember it in Scotland but enough to cause concern for our Women's Fellowship Members who will struggle to attend our meeting tomorrow night. To those of you who make it tomorrow night a warm welcome and my heartfelt praise for your determination and to those who couldn't make it my congratulations on your good sense. Either way, I have given you all a 'virtual' hug in these politically correct times.

On Wednesday 23 May we open our doors to anyone who wishes to attend our fundraising event in aid of 'Mind', a little-known Charity with a big heart and not a lot of money in the coffers. It helps and supports people who suffer from mental health issues who otherwise may fall through the cracks and either end up causing distress or harm to themselves or to others. I know the good it can do as, in my experience, lots of very ordinary people have mental health issues and were it not be for the help and support 'Mind' provide they would not be with us today.

Now you know why, let me tell you how you can enjoy yourselves with good friends and help a good cause at the same time. We are holding a Cheese and Wine Supper, Bring and Buy Sale and, for those who feel lucky, a Raffle all for the very reasonable price of £5 per person. Tickets can be purchased from the Ladies of our Fellowship and don't forget to bring some money for your raffle tickets.

The first glass of wine/soft drink is included with your ticket purchase, further drinks will be available on provision of a donation. Now don't ask me what the expected donation will be because I can't remember as far back as last month when all this was arranged. I look forward to welcoming you on the evening and can promise you an evening of friendship, laughter and above all the fellowship that I certainly find in your company.

We had a select gathering of intrepid ladies at our Crochet Take 2 evening and I thank them for their perseverance and laughter which made it a lovely evening and for once we didn't go 'posh' but used lovely hand warming mugs for our tea. Who said we don't know how to enjoy ourselves!

Well I'll close shop now until next time. Remember to Live, Love and Laugh well, as it's what makes the world go around.



And in case you thought there were no funnies...

Some hymns for people over 50

Give Me the Old Timers' Religion
Precious Lord, Take My Hand, And Help Me Up
Just a Slower Walk with Thee
Go Tell It on the Mountain, But Speak Up
Nobody Knows the Trouble I Have Seeing
Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah, I've Forgotten Where I've Parked
the Car
Count Your Many Birthdays, Count Them One By One
Blessed Insurance
It Is Well With My Soul, But My Knees Hurt
Leave us, Heavenly Father, leave us

Family pride

It was a posh parish. Over drinks in the church hall, the church warden informed the visiting archdeacon: 'My family can trace its ancestry back to William the Conqueror.'

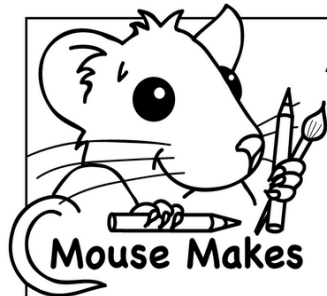
'Well,' ventured the archdeacon with a smile, 'my ancestors were in the Ark with Noah.'

'Well, mine weren't,' came the quick reply. 'My people had a boat of their own.'

Phonecall

In the days before WW 2, phonecalls cost two pence. 'Can you lend me tuppence to ring a friend?' a widely disliked MP once asked Winston Churchill. The great man scoured his pockets. 'Here's four pence,' he said. 'Ring them all.'



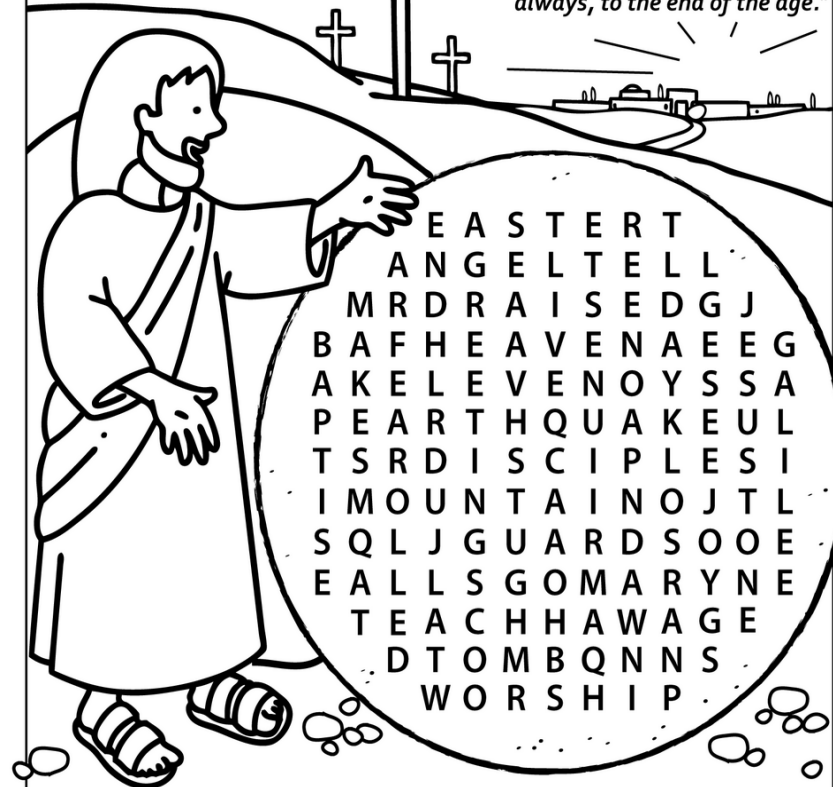


JESUS IS ALIVE!

After Jesus had been raised from the dead He met Mary and Mary Magdalene "Greetings," He said, "Do not be afraid. Go tell my brothers to go to Galilee. They will see me there."

When the disciples met Jesus in Galilee He said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. **And remember I am with you always, to the end of the age.**"

Read the account of Jesus' resurrection in *Matthew 28:1-20*



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Parish Diary April 2018

- 1st Easter Day**
8.30 Holy Communion
10.30 All Age Communion
12.30 Holy Baptism
5.30 Evensong
- 4th 10.00 Holy Communion
2.00 Crafty Chat
- 8th 2nd Sunday of Easter (Manchester Marathon)**
8.30 NO SERVICE DUE TO THE MARATHON
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5.30 Parish Eucharist
- 11th 10.00 Holy Communion
2.30 Mothers' Union
- 15th 3rd Sunday of Easter**
8.30 Holy Communion
10.30 Family Communion
5.30 Evensong
- 18th 10.00 Holy Communion
2.00 Crafty Chat
- 21st - 22nd St John's 150th Birthday Weekend**
- 21st **9am- 3pm Experience Brooklands**
7.00pm for 7.30pm Celebration Dinner
- 22nd 4th Sunday of Easter**
8.30 NO HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

10.30 Patronal Festal Eucharist with Bishop David
12.00 Birthday Party
5.30 NO EVENSONG SERVICE
- 25th 10.00 Holy Communion
7.30 Holy Communion and Women's Fellowship
- 26th **7.30 PCC Annual Meeting**
- 29th **5th Sunday of Easter**
8.30 Holy Communion
10.30 All Age Baptism and Communion
5.30 Evensong

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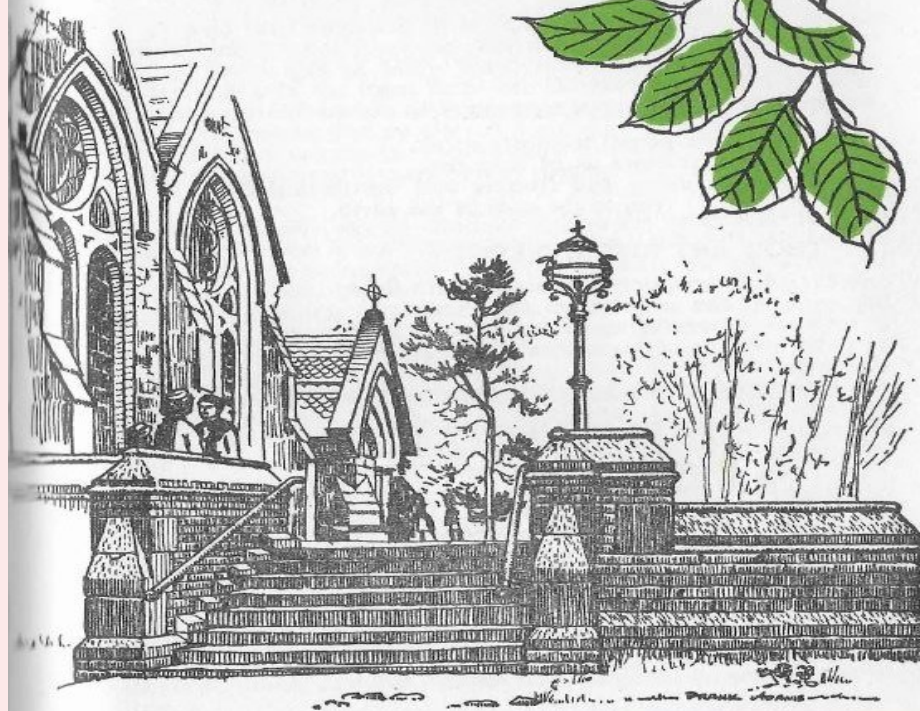
8.30am Holy Communion
 10.30 am Family Communion
 (Second Sunday of the Month All-Age Worship)
 5.30pm Choral Evensong

Holy Communion is celebrated on Holy Days and Saints Days as announced.

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