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Pastoral letter

TREES AND PLANTING SEEDS

A childhood friend was once asked in a job interview what his favourite tree was. He was applying too work for a forestry company and so the question made sense. He didn't want to go for anything too obvious and so he chose a holm oak (*quercus ilex*), a tree that reminded him of Cornwall and the happy holidays he had enjoyed there. It's a good question; there are so many facets to consider – appearance, blossom, fruits, smell, memories, uses, how it interacts with the seasons and more.



What is your favourite tree? A simple question: one which I find surprisingly difficult to answer but interesting and informative to listen to the answers of others.

On a recent family walk the question of trees led onto a conversation about archetypal and favourite woods and landscapes. One of my favourite woods is Wytham Woods outside of Oxford. It is a rare block of ancient woodland and much studied by students and academics. Access is limited and controlled so wildlife thrives. When I was at theological college I used to watch badgers in the late light of spring evenings there.

There is a story, possibly apocryphal, that I have heard in two different forms about New College, Oxford, founded in 1379. One day the bursar noticed the huge oak timbers used to hold up the roof on the great dining hall where showing signs of aging and stress. He had no idea how to go about finding replacements and so he phoned the head forester of Wytham to seek their advice. On hearing who it was the forester asked, "Have you phoned about the replacement roof timbers?" "Well, yes," replied the mystified bursar, "but how do you know? I haven't mentioned it to anyone." The forester then explained how when the college was built, a grove of oaks were planted which had grown to the

right size and were ready to supply the timbers needed. Someone had planned and prepared for half a millennium in the future. What foresight to plant ahead for something that will not provide a harvest in our life time. Dare we, similarly, think beyond ourselves?

Jesus' simple statement, "In everything do to others as you would have them do to you." (*Matthew 7:12*)

These words encourage us think and act beyond ourselves. Our faith flows into our daily lives, our relationships and shapes our politics and decisions. A simple and wonderful challenge: dare we think beyond ourselves? What can we do today make someone else's life better? People we know and people we don't, people in our own community and people elsewhere in the world. What can we do today that will benefit future generations? What can we do to care for our beautiful and fragile planet? It's exciting and humbling to know we can all make a difference.

This month may you dare to think beyond yourself.
May you plant seeds that will be harvested by others.

Every blessing
Revd Craig

COMMUNITY

Pastoral Care

Since the days of the early church, church communities have cared for and supported its members and the community it serves. Thankfully many people support the clergy in this by visiting and supporting others. In Campden a small team has been formed to help Revd. Craig. The main role is coordinating pastoral care and directing Craig towards people who need visiting, also undertaking visits themselves, taking home communion, meals or other things that are needed.

The team is headed by our Reader, Bridget Wade and includes our churchwardens Naomi Morrey and Sarah Roberts as well as Jokey Eckersley-Hope, Revd Jay Niblett and Sally Dymott. If you are able to cook the occasional meal and would like to be added to our list please contact Ros Bishop.

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stjameschurchcampden.co.uk/videosandreflections.htm

Bedtime church is now pre-recorded please email Amy for the link
youthworker@stjameschurchcampden.co.uk

Weekly round up sermons from the Diocese of Gloucester
<https://www.gloucester.anglican.org/2020/sermons-podcasts-and-gospel-readings-communications-during-lockdown/>

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MAY 2021	CHIPPING CAMPDEN	BROAD CAMPDEN	EBRINGTON	MICKLETON
Sunday 2nd Fifth Sunday of Easter	11.00am Holy Communion Rev Craig Bishop/ Revd Jay Niblett		9.30am Morning Praise Bridget Wade	8.00am Holy Communion (1662) Rev Craig Bishop/ Revd Jay Niblett
	6.30pm Evensong Bridget Wade			
Sunday 9th Sixth Sunday of Easter	9.30am Holy Communion (Order One) Revd Nicholas Morgan	8.00am Holy Communion (1662) Rev Craig Bishop		11.00am Holy Communion Rev Craig Bishop / Revd Jay Niblett
	6.30pm Compline Revd Jay Niblett			
Sunday 16th Seventh Sunday of Easter	11.00am Morning Praise Rev Craig Bishop/ Revd Jay Niblett		9.30am Holy Communion Revd Craig Bishop/ Revd Jay Niblett	
	6.30pm Compline Sarah Roberts			
Sunday 23rd Day of Pentecost	9.30am Holy Communion (1662) Revd Craig Bishop		9.30am Morning Prayer (1662) Peter Barton	11.00am Holy Communion Rev Craig Bishop
	6.30pm Compline Peter Barton			
Sunday 30th Trinity Sunday	10.00am Revd Craig Bishop	A combined service for all our churches, hosted by Chipping Campden		
	6.30pm Compline Naomi Morrey			

'Tis Nature's Voice

The Carice Singers, conductor George Parris



Join The Carice Singers in their tenth anniversary year as they perform a vibrant selection of spring-time choral music in praise of Mother Nature.

Elgar famously wrote: 'the trees are singing my music - or have I sung theirs?'. Often his music evokes the sense that nature is speaking directly to the listener, adding a further dimension to his music about the natural world. We explore this phenomenon in other music by British composers and some Nordic rarities. We end with a vibrant contemporary Australian soundscape - *Sacred Kingfisher Psalms* by Ross Edwards.

Edward Elgar	<i>The Shower & The Fountain</i>
Frederick Delius	<i>On Craig Ddu</i>
Leevi Madetoja	<i>Kevätunta (Dream of Spring)</i>
Jean Sibelius	<i>Sydämeni laulu (Song of my heart)</i>
Leevi Madetoja	<i>Onnelliset (The Happy Ones)</i>
John Ireland	<i>Spring, the sweet Spring</i>
Rued Langgaard	<i>Lokkende Toner (Enticing tones)</i>
Edward Elgar	<i>Evening scene, Owls & O wild west wind!</i>
Ralph Vaughan Williams	<i>Silence and music</i>
Arvo Pärt	<i>The Deer's Cry</i>
George Parris	<i>Now welcome somer</i>
Ross Edwards	<i>Sacred kingfisher psalms</i>

Wednesday 26th May 2021 in St James' Church, Chipping Campden

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WORDS OF THOUGHT

This isn't a book review, but a book started the train of thought! You see, I was hugely blessed by the book that Craig spoke about through a Lent, Trystan Hughes study on opening our lives to God.

I love having a book for a season, a few pages each day to guide my thoughts. As the days went by, more and more I felt it pointed me towards two words, compassion and equality.

These two words are now very much linked in my mind; compassion, meaning actually "to suffer with", and this led me on, to realise that if we look at each other with compassion, realising that we all have problems, that to some degree we all suffer, we can then become equals.

We are one race, the human race, living on one planet, earth. We are all inextricably linked. When you look at the universe, the vast, beautiful creation of God, you realise what a small part of it all we are.

So why do we all push and shove to get our own way, to meet our own wants and needs. Our planet, as astronauts have told us, is a gorgeous, shining jewel in the blackness of space. A tiny speck in the midst of it all. So how small are we in the scheme of things, yet, yet God knows us and loves us all as individuals, He numbers the hair on our heads, each one individually precious.

Each one of us, whatever colour, sex, whatever religion we espouse, it is irrelevant, we are a huge family, so let us become a loving family; caring and taking care of each other and our world. After all we are all there is! We cannot change others, we can only love them and have compassion for them. We can do something about ourselves; we can look on others as part of our global family, related by humanity. We can view everyone as equal, no one better or worse than anyone else, after all, "there but for the grace of God, go I".

So a prayer:

Lord, help us to stop being so “tribal”, help us to breakdown borders and barriers, us and them. Unite us in Your love, unconditional, encompassing love that knows no obstacles. Amen.

Naomi Morrey

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CATCH UP WITH REVD SHEILA ROSENTHAL

I have a professional interest in funerals so I watched the funeral of Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh with particular interest. I thought there must be something to learn from the two senior clergymen who were taking the funeral – but then again, how often does the Archbishop of Canterbury get to do funerals these days? I cannot say I was particularly interested in the details of the Duke's life as I thought I pretty much knew it, after all having been born in 1957, the Queen and Prince Philip have always been in the background somewhere or other and I didn't think but there was much I could find out about royalty that would impress me in my old age. I do however like watching a parade and it's a long time since I was at Windsor so I had nothing to lose by watching on the dear old BBC – another institution that's always been in the background, like the monarchy.

I was somewhat taken aback then when I heard the music which I was repeatedly told by the presenter on the TV that this was what Philip had chosen himself. The music of Lovelady, the setting of Psalm 104, was astonishing. It was utterly captivating and it changed my impression of Prince Philip completely almost in a moment. The enjoyment that the singers were experiencing was evident despite the gravity of the situation. I had to consider the possibility that I might have been wrong about who Prince Philip was and revised my opinion of him based simply on this one song. How much more could I have learned had I not been so conceited and watch closer and listened harder through the days of my life? Sadly, this is the case at so many funerals. We hear stories and opinions about the person who has died and you find yourself wishing that you had known them better. Peoples' lives are never what they appear in a moment or even in many moments. Often enough I have heard the spouse of someone who has passed away be surprised by what they have heard others say about someone they thought they knew very well indeed.

Maybe it's the same with Jesus. Because we've been Christians all our days we think we think we know all there is to know. We read the gospels

or at least hear them in church. We hear what St Paul says and what they say in Acts and what the church tells us and we have this picture in our heads of the stereotype or even a caricature of Christ and I wonder, I wonder if when we stop and listen harder we might find ourselves surprised, taken aback, confused, disappointed even, but surely our disappointments will come from having been misled or misunderstanding what we think we know about the nature and the character of Christ.

An example of this is to be found in the Easter resurrection stories. Several times over Easter we hear how Jesus suddenly appeared to the disciples when they were huddled together in the room hiding from the Jews and the Romans, worried about what to do next, frightened by everything, scared of their own shadows and listening to crazy talk by crazy women about crazy things that simply could not have happened. And then with great solemnity we hear the gospel reading from Luke which tells us that as they were discussing these things suddenly Jesus appeared among them and he said 'peace be with you'. This sounds simple enough, this sounds exactly what we hear every year and yes, there is another way of reading this. Imagine Jesus with a twinkle in his eye for the mischief he is about to create. The disciples were at sixes and sevens and Jesus would have known how lost they were but he also knew who he was and what change he was about to bring to them. Maybe, just maybe, he had a sense of comedy about the situation knowing that when he said 'peace be with you' the very last thing that they would experience was peace. Luke tells us that even whilst they were looking and touching they still couldn't believe it. This of course is a natural reaction – well, I think it's a natural reaction given the fact that I don't often see people come back from the dead. Terrified, petrified, fainting, shocked, traumatised – all of these things. Peace was necessary but panic would have been the more normal reaction. You can almost hear Corporal Jones rushing around telling Peter not to panic – or am I mistaken and Peter was actually the prototype for Corporal Jones? Jesus could not have not known the effect he would have and may be we can see the funny side of the encounter? We can see that afterwards the disciples and Jesus would have spent time laughing at the moment

as we do when tension is broken by good news.

It amuses me and pleases me that we take the Last Supper as our model for Holy Communion and not the 'first breakfast' as I dread to think what churches would smell like if we all had to take grilled fish instead of bread and wine but that's probably another story. But maybe, nevertheless, we should question our assumptions about who Christ is? Maybe we should look between the lines and put aside the caricature of Jesus meek and mild, long haired and bearded; maybe we should see him with a smile on his face and gentleness and a robust sense of humour? Maybe you already do?

Revd Sheila Rosenthal



GRETA THUNBERG A YEAR TO CHANGE THE WORLD A BBC SERIES

Climate change news has taken a back seat this year with the COVID pandemic and yet it the climate has continued to suffer the affects of our over reliance on fossil fuels and our fast paced, quick fix approach to energy and commerce. In this documentary Greta, a trigger for some, took a year to learn more about the areas and people most effected by climate change and to engage with political leaders and heads of state to keep the climate on the agenda.

In the middle of this year COVID hit and Greta herself also contracted the virus changing the shape of her year of exploration but it also demonstrated just how much of an impact our way of live has on the world. As planes were grounded, people remained in their homes and diversified their work life utilizing technology the statistics made clear that the climate can recover when our patterns of living dramatically change, but the reality is that we are long overdue that change, and the battle is an uphill one we are already losing.

Now I commend this three-part series to you not because you will be bombarded with the ‘you should feel bad’ rhetoric, but because quite simply it is a great insight into the challenges we face, the search for solutions and the life of Greta a schoolgirl who said ‘enough’ and got the world listening. Greta is not a ‘angry teenager who screams at world leaders’ but a young girl, with her own visible struggles and a passion to see the world changed for the better. As a Christian I can see the Kingdom of God seeping through this fight for creation and justice. Through the series she travels with her dad into environments that most confident adults would sweat over and there is much to admire about her determination, she truly is inspiring people to listen and take seriously just how precious and fragile our world is but as Greta herself says “I don’t want you to listen to me. I want you to listen to the science.” Greta doesn’t meet with protestors although that is a big part of the movement instead this time she meets with scientists, climate specialists and people whose livelihood comes from fossil fuels, like miners whose families depend of a coal industry. She listens to their warnings and their realities and as we watch we too hear their message, change is coming, there are signs of hope, for example the churches increasing commitment to become an eco-church, but we must change too and quickly.

So I encourage you to watch this series, it’s refreshing, well balanced and a good insight into the battle we face today in doing better for the planet and of course the challenges that come with being Greta Thunberg.

Rev'd J Niblett



An Ebrington diary

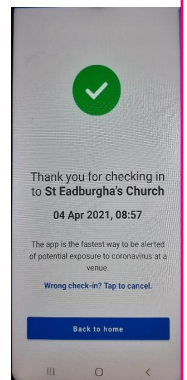
How special it was to be able to join together in church on Easter Sunday in celebration of our risen Lord.

Our church looked lovely, the colours and perfume, thank you Jill and Simon, Elizabeth and Abbie, Debbie and Stan for all the decorating you did filling the church with spring flowers and blossom.....bringing the wonders of springtime inside.

Congratulations Jill and Simon on the birth of your granddaughter Kitty Bella on Thursday 18th March, a beautiful daughter for Jemma and George and a baby sister for Freddie. Sending special wishes to all the family.

A GLIMPSE OF BIRDBOXES IN ST EADBURGH'S CHURCHYARD





COULD YOU HELP TO DISCOVER MORE STONE STILES IN GLOUCESTERSHIRE?

Stone stiles are found in many areas of the country. There are examples throughout Gloucestershire including around Willersley, Saintbury, Pebworth, Honeybourne, Weston-sub-Edge, Aston-sub-Edge & Dorsington. For centuries they have provided access to locals walking along pathways as they went about their business whilst preventing sheep and cattle from straying further afield. Despite the historic value of these stone stiles, scores of them have been abandoned and some now lost forever.

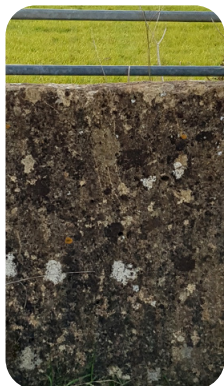


In 2020 Peter Wilson, launched 'The Stile Project'. Working in association with CPRE Gloucestershire the Countryside Charity, English Heritage and the Cotteswold Naturalists Field Club, Peter's aim is to produce a record of every remaining stone stile in Gloucestershire before they are lost forever. Through support from volunteers and members of these groups and other keen walkers, over 500 stiles have been recorded but it's known there are at least 100 more stiles yet to be mapped.



So when you are out walking, if you spot a stone stile, or if you know of an existing stile, please photograph it, if possible from both sides. Download a Stile Recording Form by going to the CPRE website, <https://www.cpreglos.org.uk/creating-a-record-of-gloucestershire-stone-stiles/> Please give as much information as possible before emailing the form to: [**peter.wilson@woodchestervalleyvillage.co.uk**](mailto:peter.wilson@woodchestervalleyvillage.co.uk)

Any 'duplicate' stiles recorded are welcome as you may take a better picture than the one already on file. Peter is also looking for background notes; history, geology and the landscape setting of each stone as well as its precise OS location.



Don't worry if you're not able to give all that information but he would like to know exactly where you came across the stile.

The information will then be used to develop an interactive App. There is no doubt the App will encourage more people to explore our wonderful county adding to their enjoyment of country walks. It will also help wheelchair and scooter users and families with children in buggies to plan their walks.

There are many stiles out there just waiting to be discovered but please do remember the Country Code – Respect other people, Protect the natural environment, Follow advice and local signs and Obey social distancing regulations.

Maggie Booth





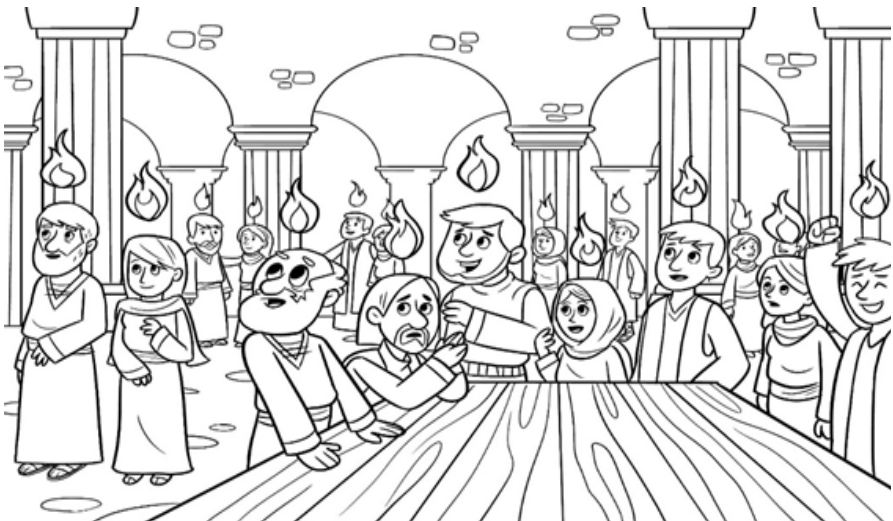
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“They will call him Emmanuel” – which means “God with us”.

Matthew 1:23

“I am Emmanuel. My name means God with you. That is who I am. I am God and I am always with you, constantly watching over you. You are surrounded by my love and my presence. There is nothing that can ever separate you from me”.

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WHAT IS PENTECOST?

Pentecost occurred 50 days after Easter Sunday or 50 days after Jesus rose from the dead. Jesus had already gone back to Heaven so the disciples and new believers of Jesus were waiting to receive the Holy Spirit because that is what Jesus told them would happen. Plus, since Jesus was not with them anymore the Holy Spirit would help bring them closer to God.

So, the Holy Spirit is super helpful to us! He becomes a part of us when we become a Christian and understand that Jesus died and rose for us. When we are ready to try to live a life pleasing to God, the Holy Spirit becomes part of us, so we have a part of God with us all the time.

That means we receive the Holy Spirit when we accept Christ or become Christians. The word Christian means Christ in us. The special thing about having the Holy Spirit is that God never leaves us so we can talk to him or ask for help anytime. The Holy Spirit helps us in many ways, he comforts, teaches, helps us grow in our relationship with God and gives us strength to get rid of the bad habits in our lives. He also gives us power and helps us know when we have done something wrong. Of course, we need and want to grow, learn and change and to be more like God for the Holy Spirit to really work with us.

“I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper to be with you forever. The Helper is the Spirit of truth. The people of the world cannot accept him because they do not see him or know him. But you know him. He lives with you, and he will be in you. “I will not leave you all alone like orphans. I will come back to you. In a short time, the people in the world will not see me anymore. But you will see me. You will live because I live. On that day you will know that I am in the Father. You will know that you are in me and I am in you.” **John 14**

Amy Todd, Youth Worker

REVD SARAH HAYES, TRUSTEE OF THE BIBLE READING FELLOWSHIP (BRF) WRITES ABOUT ITS WORKS

Many members of the Vale & Cotswold Edge churches have used Lent as an opportunity to read and discuss Trystan Owain Hughes book 'Opening Our Lives'. It's a great read and I hope that you have enjoyed it. The book was published by BRF, the Bible Reading Fellowship. Revd Sarah Hayes has been a trustee of BRF since 2010 and thought that you might like to know a little more about BRF's work and ministry as it approaches its centenary year in 2022.

It all started in an Anglican church in Brixton, south London, towards the end of 1921. The vicar, Revd Leslie Mannering, was talking with a member of the congregation about the spiritual needs of the church. What could be done to help people 'get a move on' spiritually? A question that I think which still has burning importance today!

That discussion led to the production of the first daily bible reading notes and the establishment of the Bible Reading Fellowship, with other churches and Christians at home and abroad soon getting involved. BRF still produces a wide range of daily bible reading notes all designed to help us establish and maintain a daily bible reading routine. They are a great resource to encourage us to really get to grips in a manageable way with the Bible. If you haven't ever tried them why not have a look at BRF's New Daylight, Guidelines or Bible Reading notes for Older People Series. Certainly for me personally finding out about the great storyline of the Bible, about God's amazing and redeeming love, has been one of the most fulfilling things I have ever done. And you never know, God might well speak to you personally through the passages you read as you come to know him and his word better. After all it is a living word for every generation!

But nowadays there is much, much more to BRF than simply the production of bible reading notes and this is what I find so exciting in my role as Trustee of BRF. That desire to 'help people get a move on spiritually', as its founder, Leslie Mannering put it, is underpinned by

BRFS conviction that faith changes lives. What BRF longs for is that many, many people would encounter the life-changing love of Jesus.

As a consequence BRF has been the catalyst and nurturer of some very significant Christian and church initiatives, particularly in the last twenty years. Messy Church, which many of you might have heard of, is the best known of BRF's ministries. It started in 2004 and is now widely regarded as numerically the most significant fresh expression of church in the UK. Indeed its impact has been seen in many other countries as well, including Sweden, USA, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. There are nearly 4,000 registered Messy churches around the world.

Messy Church is a way of being church for families which enables people to encounter Jesus in a relaxed space. It's all about being Christ-centred, for all ages, creativity, hospitality and celebration, and these five values are at the heart of what makes this way of being church work.

As a trustee of BRF I am continually amazed by this Messy Church ministry. It is so very exciting and has been described as 'the biggest single churchgoing phenomenon in this country since the rise of Sunday Schools and Methodism'. It is estimated that, pre-Covid, over 500,000 people worldwide attended a Messy Church each month. And that is important because we live an increasingly secular society. Most of these mums, dads, and young people who attend are completely unchurched. So Messy Church is bringing new families into church and breathing new life into congregations up and down the country and that is exciting!

But this isn't the only ministry BRF now has. At the other end of the age spectrum BRF is also the home for Anna Chaplaincy – resourcing and encouraging a chaplaincy for the men and women God is calling to care pastorally for the older people in our midst. Their number in the UK is increasing rapidly. Did you know that there are nearly 12 million people aged 65 and above and that the 85+ age group is the fastest growing and is set to double by mid- 2041 and treble by 2066! Many churches are struggling to support this rapidly growing ageing population both at home and in care homes within their parishes.

The problems of loneliness, isolation and dementia and challenges of ageing have been underlined by the current Covid 19 pandemic. They aren't problems with neat fixes. But have you thought about the underlying spiritual needs of older people as well? For many quite simply coming to terms with the challenges of identity – 'who am I?' is a big issue in the face of serial losses, ranging from a loss of mobility, health, home or status to the loss of loved ones. Anna Chaplains help many older people think and pray through these issues and demonstrate God's love and care for all made in his image, even when faculties are fading and others may find it difficult to connect.

And that isn't all that BRF does. There is also a big Parenting for Faith ministry helping parents disciple their children and encounter Jesus' love for themselves, work in schools and a programme of Holy Habits designed to encourage discipleship in churches. Having been a trustee of BRF over the last ten years I have never ceased to be amazed at God's faithfulness to BRF and the creativity that He has inspired in all its ministries. So please do pray for its work and if you would like to find out more about BRF do look at its website www.brf.org.uk

Revd Sarah Hayes



PRAYERS THROUGHOUT MAY

Saturday 1st, St Philip and St James, we give thanks for all who bring others to Jesus

Sunday 2nd, dawn chorus day, we give thanks for birds and the work of those involved in conservation

Tuesday 4th, Star Wars Day - May the fourth be with you! We give thanks for films and film makers.



Saturday 8th, Julian of Norwich, anchorite and mystic, "All shall be well, and all shall be well and all manner of thing shall be well."

Wednesday 12th, international nurses day, we give thanks for nurses and those who work in healthcare

Thursday 13th, Ascension Day

Monday 17th, we give thanks for public health officials

Thursday 20th, international bee day - we give thanks for bees and for flowers

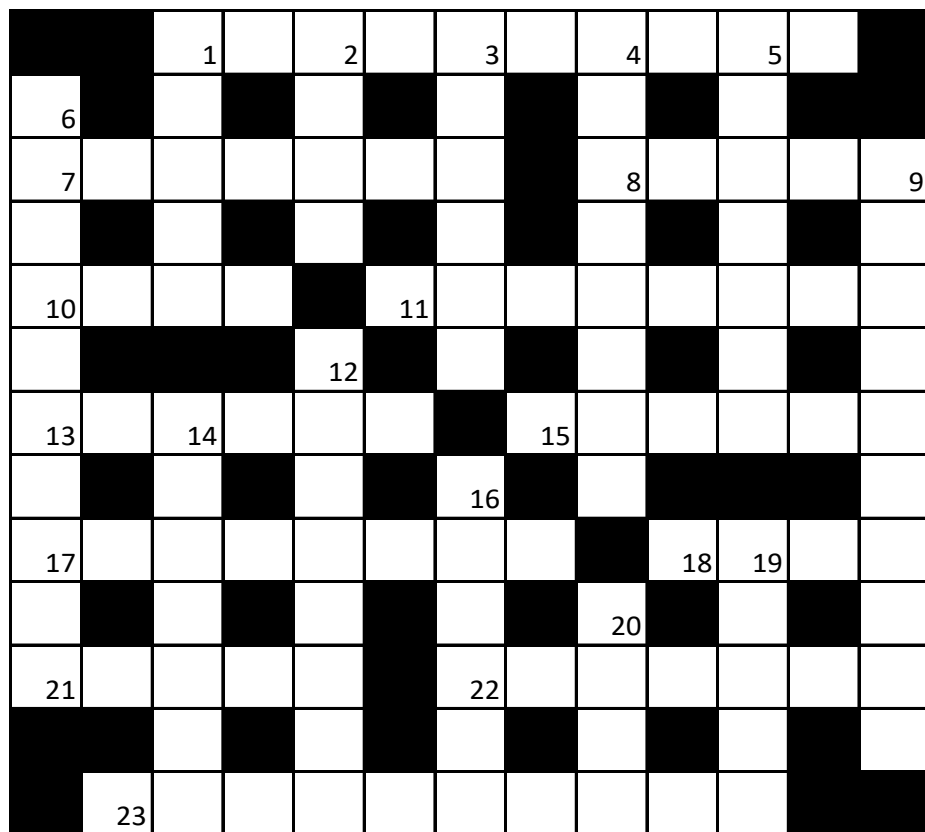
Sunday 23rd, Pentecost

Wednesday 26th, St Augustine, first Bishop of Canterbury, we give thanks for the Church of England and pray for Justin Welby.

Sunday 30th, Trinity Sunday, we give thanks for theologians and theological colleges

Monday 31st, the spring bank holiday and half-term, we give thanks for rest and holidays

MAY CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1 Sense of right and wrong (1 Corinthians 8:7) (10)
 7 Coming (John 11:17) (7)
 8 'All I have is — , and all you have is mine' (John 17:10) (5)
 10 Smarten (Acts 9:34) (4)
 11 Hold back (Job 9:13) (8)
 13 Member of the Society of Friends (6)
 15 At ague (anag.) (6)
 17 Citizen of the Greek capital (8)
 18 So be it (Galatians 6:18) (4)
 21 Twentieth-century poet and dramatist who wrote Murder in the Cathedral, T.S. — (5)

22 Empowers (Philippians 3:21) (7)

23 Imposing (1 Samuel 9:2) (10)

DOWN

1 Healed (Luke 7:21) (5)

2 Central space in a church (4)

3 Co-founder of Spring Harvest and General Secretary of the Evangelical Alliance 1983–97, Clive — (6)

4 Moses killed one when he saw him beating a Hebrew labourer (Exodus 2:12) (8)

5 Bravery (Acts 4:13) (7)

6 It interrupted Paul and Silas singing hymns in a Philippian jail (Acts 16:26) (10)

9 Transgression (Psalm 36:1) (10)

12 Irish province in which Dublin is situated (8)

14 Same hit (anag.) (7)

16 'The Spirit of God was hovering over the — ' (Genesis 1:2) (6)

19 Author of the immortal stories of Winnie the Pooh, A.A. — (5)

20 Cab (4)

ANSWERS FOR APRIL CROSSWORD

ACROSS

8, Transgressors. 9, Out. 10, Ephesians. 11, Throb. 13, Ramadan. 16, Nearest. 19, Neath. 22, Childless. 24, Ant. 25, Excommunicate.

DOWN

1, Utmost. 2, Easter. 3, Assemble. 4, Archer. 5, Isis. 6, To hand. 7, As a son. 12, Hoe. 14, Monastic. 15, Apt. 16, Nuclei. 17, A piece. 18, Tied up. 20, Ararat. 21, Hatred. 23, Dome.

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