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Hartlepool



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Summer 2020

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and KEEP you, THE
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shine upon you,
AND BE GRACIOUS TO
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up His COUNTENANCE
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SUMMER 2020

During the current period of Social Isolation church services are being streamed on our facebook pages (see page 6). Currently, church is open on Sundays 10.00-12.00 for private prayer only. Please refer to our website for the latest information. If you do not have access to a computer we are producing a weekly news sheet and if you'd like to receive copies please leave your name and address on the ansaphone.

If you require assistance or want to speak to a member of clergy or one of the Churchwardens, our contact details are above.

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The building may be closed but Church is still going on.

**GROUPS, ACTIVITIES & ORGANISATIONS
IN THE PARISH CENTRE**

MONDAY	Beavers and Cubs at Throston School <i>Claire Craig</i>	6.15pm - 7.45pm Tel: 420030
TUESDAY	29th Brownies <i>Gillian Rogers 15 Grantham Ave</i>	1.00pm - 3.00pm Tel: 268270
WEDNESDAY	Scouts <i>Nigel Shaw 40 Hayston Road</i>	6.00pm - 7.30pm Tel: 234517
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	Womens Union <i>Pam Harding 36 Welldeck Road</i>	7.30pm—9.00pm Tel: 280917
	Mothers Union <i>Pam Harding 36 Welldeck Road</i>	2.00pm - 3.30pm Tel: 268270
	Boys Brigade <i>Richard Cambridge</i>	9.30am - 11.15am Tel: 07429 439577
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RELIEF, RECOVERY, RESTORATION

Organisations that deal with major emergencies like a Tsunami or an earthquake talk about responding to any disaster in three phases. First is the relief phase. In this period the priority is to provide emergency food, water and clothing and so on. Second is the recovery phase, helping things get back to feeling more normal. Third is restoration phase, a time for rebuilding and even starting new things. In a big disaster the first phase lasts a matter of weeks, the second several months, perhaps into years and the third will definitely take 1-3 years.

We are currently going through a major disaster as a country, and clearly our country in this context is affected by the Covid pandemic across the world. Thankfully the relief phase is now drawing to a close. In the week or so after our church buildings were shut there was a flurry of activity: we started doing services on line, notice sheets were distributed electronically and by hand and we tried to contact all our members by telephone. Three months into the crisis I would like to thank everyone who has made a contribution to this effort.

The effects of what has happened are still with us. The clergy have been privileged to lead a good number of funerals, but those funerals have felt very strange and many families still want other ways to grieve. Key workers have been very stretched while others we know have barely left the house for weeks. We all long to reconnect with people who are special to us. Emotions for many of us remain raw and difficult to cope with. Issues like this will remain with us as we move into the recovery phase.

As I write we are looking forward to opening the church for private prayer tomorrow. At St Luke's this will be between 10.00am and 12.00 noon on Sundays. We have had to introduce various precautions because of the Covid virus. Sterilising your hands at the door, keeping your 'social distance' and following the one-way system will all be part of a Church visit in the near future. When coming in and leaving the Church please follow the directions entering through the normal door but leaving through the north door.



The next step will be planning to open for funerals. Small baptisms and weddings are likely to follow in early July and at some stage 'public worship' will restart. But what this will look like and what we will be allowed to do is not clear. For example we already know that hymn singing at funerals is discouraged, the same is likely when we begin to gather for worship.

Different members of our church community will feel able to join us at different rates. That means for the time being we will continue to stream some services and try ensure that all members of our community are included. I do also feel that we need to begin to think of meeting together for fellowship and mutual encouragement but how we do this is yet to become clear. One cell group at St Luke's is really enjoying meeting on-line using Zoom, but I realise for some that last remark might sound Chinese.

To think how we can best move forward in the recovery phase I will be working with various groups of people. The first key group are the church officers and particularly the Church Wardens. Thank you Christine and Julia for the work you have already put in to enable Church to reopen completing the risk assessments and then acting

on them. Looking further ahead I will be working with the new Ministry Development Team and the Standing Committee as well as the PCC. The recovery and then restoration (should we say resurrection) is going to take some time. Sometimes it will feel very slow. But may God lead us and direct us into a better future, filled with hope, faith and love.

*Every blessing
Norman*

LIVE STREAMING OF WORSHIP

We are doing our best to provide worship for everyone, although this is impossible for those not on smart phones or web enabled laptops. Here is list of planned services to be viewed on our Facebook pages (Saint Luke's, Stranton & Burbank or St Aidan & St Columba). Following the live feed they can be accessed on Stranton and St Luke's web pages.



Sundays (1st & 3rd)

9:00 am	BCP Communion	(2nd & 4th Sundays)
9:15 am	Eucharist	
10:00 am	Parish Communion	(1st & 3rd Sundays)
	Morning Worship	(2nd & 4th Sundays)
3:00 pm	Songs of Praise	(1st & 3rd Sundays)

Daily services (Monday to Saturday)

9:15 am	Mass / Communion	(not Saturday)
3:00 pm	Reflection / Afternoon prayer	(not Saturday)
8:00 pm	Night prayer	

MORNING WORSHIP is broadcast on BBC1 on Sunday mornings. Timings vary from week to week, but it has started between 10:45 and 11:45 recently.

CHURCH WILL RE-OPEN watch out for our news in the notices, on facebook and on the web-site.

Those wishing to book weddings or baptisms please contact the office (see page 3|).

FROM THE EDITOR

Thank you once again for your contributions to this two-month summer edition of The Magazine. Although the restrictions relating to the Covid-19 pandemic are now being eased, it's certainly not going to be anything like a normal summer. Our annual garden party will not take place and our holidays are likely to be on a lesser scale than usual. Thankfully, churches have recently opened for private worship and in July services will start to resume. But we can't expect a return to 'normal' overnight.

Please could you send me material for the September edition by Sunday 23rd August?

God's blessings on you all in these 'strange times'.

Many thanks, Nigel

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REOPENING OF CHURCH BUILDINGS FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP

Responding to the Government announcement that church buildings will be able to reopen for public worship from 4th July, providing physical distancing remains in place, The Rt Revd Paul Butler, Bishop of Durham said:

"I welcome the announcement that permission for public worship in our church buildings has been agreed from July 4th. It will take some while for our churches to work through the practical implications of the reopening of our buildings for public worship. So this will happen over a period of time, not in a sudden rush."

"The church has been open throughout the difficult last 3 months. We have been heavily engaged in serving the communities in which we are set including through Foodbanks, supporting the shielded, conducting funerals, our schools serving the children of key workers and a range of other ways. There has been a great deal of public prayer and worship available online, and via the phone. As we begin to return to worship in our church buildings we will want to ensure we are offering the warmest of welcomes but doing so seeking to ensure the health and safety of all who choose to attend.

"I trust that the slow and careful re-opening of our church buildings for individual prayer, and then for public worship will be part of this message of hope for us all."

durhamdiocese.org

At the time of going to press, it is too soon to be able to give details of how the reopening will be effected at St Luke's, and whether need to add to what we've already done. Please see the weekly notices or our website for further news.

JUST LIKE JESUS by Max Lucado

I heard about this book during a 3pm online reflection by Rev. Norman. It caught my attention because the quote seemed to relate to our present coronavirus lockdown situation. It was a story of a leper...you know the one Matthew 8:1-4 (it also appears in Mark 1:40-45 and Luke 5:12-16). "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean?" Jesus Christ reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Instantly he was cured of his leprosy.

The emphasis is Jesus **touched** him. No one will have touched him since he was declared "unclean" by a priest.

Touch ...at the time of writing ...coronavirus means no handshakes are allowed, no friendly cuddles or hugs (unless you are in a 'bubble'), disinfect and clean anything touched, lots of hand sanitizer and lots of hand washing, no passing the peace, no church services (in a building although lots online) and if you are shielded ...well you can go out with a member of your household or if in a single household you can meet one person outside as long as you keep 2m apart..**no touching!**

Just imagine how that leper felt before he was healed and the moment he knew he was healed! Just imagine how we will feel when we can pass the peace! What joy, what emotion awaits us!

Anyway, getting back to the book ...

Not every chapter includes a story from the Bible but does include anecdotal reflections and comments. A couple of examples being a boy being overjoyed at seeing a pilot and inside a cockpit (yes the book was first published prior to 9/11) and the author playing golf and discovering he was hitting towards the wrong green! The anecdotes or story along with quotes from The Bible lead the reader to contemplate the title of the chapter. (Well they did me.) This chapter was entitled 'A Changed Face and a Set of Wings, A Worship-Hungry Heart'. There are American spellings and references e.g. "garbage", "they may put a buck on the plate" as one would expect from an American author!

Eleven of the twelve chapters have two titles: one is like a hook to capture the reader's imagination (e.g. Loving People You Are Stuck With; Changed Face and a Set of Wings; Golf Games and Celery Sticks) the other relates to a heart (e.g. The Forgiving Heart; A Worship-Hungry Heart; A Focused Heart). Chapter one, however, is headed A Heart Like His and it begins '**What if, for one day, Jesus were to become you? ...What if, for one day and one night, Jesus lives your life with his heart?**' (Ah I hear you say: that's why chapters are the (something) heart!)

We contemplate this heart through Biblical quotes and stories some amusing, some sad, some serious and some which provoke different emotions. Between each chapter is a verse from the Bible which links to the following chapter.

It is not a book which is easy to pick up and read through to the end like a thriller or romance. Time is needed to read and reflect on each chapter. There is a useful study guide ... which I would have realised had I read the contents!! Oops!!

Quote before Chapter 10 "Finding Gold in Garbage" " The Hope Filled Heart"; Romans 12:12 "Let your hope keep you joyful, be patient in your troubles, and pray at all times."

If anyone wants to borrow the book please just let me know. *Blessings, Patricia Watson, 01429869982*

Patricia Watson responds to Mother Gemma's Sermon

"Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword." Matthew 10:34

This quote was repeated forcefully by Mother Gemma in her sermon on 21st June 2020.

"I did not come to bring peace, but a sword." The Biblical Greek for sword is μάχαίρα (pronounced ma-chair-a) meaning "large knife" (machete) and a knife is used to cut and divide. I think Jesus wanted his followers to be in no doubt about the consequences of following him. The cost would be heavy (Matthew 10:38: "take up thy cross")...being disowned by family and friends...resistance and/or separation from partners, children, siblings and parents. Jesus knew our nearest and dearest may feel differently. However, he wanted to teach the truth about God (John18:37: "...the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth").

During the sermon M. Gemma emotionally shared how her parents and family would stand with her against wrong doing... for example, Black Lives Matter, confronting the injustice suffered for years because of skin colour.

Thinking of the sword as being the word of God (Ephesians 6:17 "Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God".) then it should be wielded with gusto and precision to bring about change. We need to stand up for God! We know God is love so we need to bring about change based on love. I'll repeat that. Change based on love ...love of God, love for each other, love for equality...love which conquers bias, love which conquers poverty, love which conquers injustice ...

M. Gemma challenged us to stand up for what is right and if you speak up against what is wrong and you are the only one ...SPEAK LOUDER.

Jesus gave us two commandments (Matthew 22:37-40) "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.'"

The gift for standing up for Jesus, for loving God, for loving our neighbour as ourselves, is eternal life (Mark 10:30 "...and in the age to come eternal life"). Standing up for injustice must be worth that.

A Prayer for Justice

Grant us, Lord God, a vision of your world as your love would have it: a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor; ... a world



COMMUNITIES OF HOPE UPDATE

In the next few weeks, (by the end of June) we should know whether the Diocesan bid to the National Church has been successful. All being well we plan to be advertise three roles in early July. The interviews will be in August and appointments made for September or soon after. The roles we will be advertising for are a Team Leader, a Children and Families worker and a Community worker/evangelist. The first part of the project will be to grow Christian community at St Aidan's kitchen and in and through St Matthew's Community Centre. If anyone is interested in the roles please do have a chat with me (01429233609 or 07985148034) or Mother Gemma (07780675322).

Rev'd Norman

NEW ARCHBISHOP OF YORK TO BE CONFIRMED

Bishop Stephen Geoffrey Cottrell will be confirmed as the 98th Archbishop of York this month.

The service, at 11am on Thursday 9th July, will be broadcast entirely via video conference due to the Coronavirus restrictions.

The service, which had been due to take place in York Minster, will be in two parts. A legal ceremony with readings, prayers and music, will be followed by a film marking the start of Bishop Stephen's ministry as Archbishop of York.

Bishop Stephen Cottrell says: "I am looking forward to beginning my ministry as the 98th Archbishop of York. This isn't quite how I imagined it would begin. It is certainly the first time an Archbishop's election will have been confirmed via video conference. But we're all having to re-imagine how we live our lives and how we inhabit the world.

"These are difficult times. My hope is that through this service the love of God that is given us in Jesus Christ will shine out, perhaps even to those who while never attending a service in York Minster, might have a look online. Following in the footsteps of my many predecessors, I look forward to serving our nation and bringing the love and peace of Christ to our world, especially here in the north."

The service will be available on the Church of England website. Arrangements for Bishop Stephen's enthronement service will be announced later in the year.

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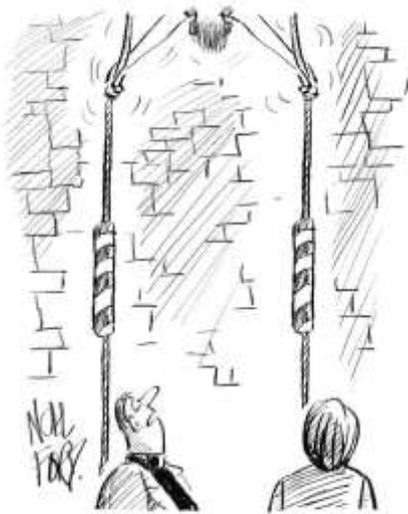


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Eric took social distancing while bell ringing very seriously.



Yes! - Alright - if you insist!! They ARE a bit like ten super-injunctions all rolled into one!!

SMILE LINES

Coronavirus

For the first time in history, we can help save the human race by lying in front of the TV and doing nothing. Let's not mess this one up!

The queue

While waiting in a socially distanced queue early one morning for the supermarket to open for us 'seniors', I was surprised to see a young man saunter along and try to cut in at the front of the queue. A furious old lady waved her cane at him, and he quickly backed away.

A moment later, the young man tried again. He managed to dodge the old lady, but then two old men started shouting at him. Again, the young man backed away.

But he wasn't giving up, and soon the young man approached the queue for the third time. By now, all of us pensioners were ready for him, an angry wall of opposition.

The young man stood there for a moment, and then shrugged his shoulders. "If you people won't let me unlock the door, none of you will ever get in to shop."

Social distancing

I need to practice social-distancing – from my refrigerator.

New version of Apostles' Creed

When our church began live streaming its services, our minister was at first a bit nervous. Still, he kept his cool, and you would never have known he was struggling until he reached the Apostles' Creed. Then he firmly announced that Jesus was... "confused by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary..."

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Margaret Drady has unearthed these photos from the past.
Do you recognise anyone? The tall chap in the photo below especially!



As a consequence of shutting the church, there have been no special family services to note.

We pray that all people who have postponed baptisms and weddings, come to know that God is with them and that He wants to help them bear their disappointment and transform it into joy once more as restrictions relax. In Jesus' name. Amen



Group Clergy rest days

Revd Norman	Friday
Revd Clive	Thursday
Mother Gemma	Friday
Revd Michelle	Friday

Please only contact clergy in case of emergency on those days. If you need to speak to someone please contact another member of clergy or a Churchwarden for advice. See Contacts page 3.

THE SECOND BIRTHDAY

A short story by Mary Graves, following on from the one in last month's edition.

Now I do not want you to think that Mary was a naughty girl. Granted, she had her moments, but overall the scrapes she got into were the result of thoughtlessness and over exuberance.

Therefore, Gran was confident enough to ask Miss Freegard to look after her one winter afternoon when Mary was recovering from German measles, but was not quite well enough to go back to school.

Mary was not very enthusiastic about this, but given the alternative of returning to school on a Friday afternoon, she accepted the status quo.

She didn't really know Miss Freegard very well. She was a little old lady from church, who sat near the front. When I say she was little, I mean she really was little. She wasn't much taller than Mary! She had once been a missionary's maid in China. She wore her grey hair in a tight bun. Her name was Alice, but no one had called her Alice for many years.

I think that Alice Freegard was just as dubious about the afternoon as Mary was! She was a member of the sewing party!

Mary arrived, armed with a doll (which she didn't much like) and a new colouring book and crayons.

Miss Freegard's house was very small. She had a dark living room with a tiny scullery at the back. The toilet was in the backyard beside the coalhouse.

The living room had lots of furniture in it. Beside the fireplace was a small easy chair with a footstool, then there was a table with four chairs and a tiny bookcase. There was also a glass cabinet with all sorts of foreign ornaments in it, some very delicate teacups with no handle or saucer and the most beautiful teapot Mary had ever seen.

Once Mary had come in, taken off her coat and changed into her slippers, Miss Freegard cleared away the thick cover from the table and pulled up a chair so that Mary could do her colouring at the table.

She, meanwhile, sat down on her chair by the fire and started to do something strange with a ball of knitting wool on her fingers. Mary was fascinated. After a minute, she asked, "What are you doing?" "I'm finger knitting" was the reply. "Do you want to try?"

It looked quite easy so Mary jumped down from the table, perched on the footstool and Miss Freegard showed her how she could make long strands of woollen chain by looping the wool over her finger the right way. Soon, they were companionably producing yards of finger knitting and getting to know each other.

Suddenly Miss Freegard got up and said, "Well, I need a cup of tea and a cake. How about you? Would you prefer milk or tea?"

"Milk please," said Mary.

They carefully transferred the knitting from their fingers to a pencil so it wouldn't come unravelled.

Then Miss Freegard put the kettle on and put a tablecloth on the table. She got two of the fine cups from her cabinet, and the beautiful teapot, and made a pot of tea. She poured some milk into one cup for Mary, and poured herself a cup of tea from the teapot. She had it without milk. It smelt different from Mum and Dad's tea. Then she brought in some lovely fresh cakes and two plates.



"Would you like to eat your cake like Chinese children do?", she asked. Then she went to a drawer and brought out two pairs of chopsticks. She broke the cakes into chunks and showed Mary how to hold the chopsticks and pick up the pieces of cake to eat them.

By now, they were getting on like old friends and as they were eating and chatting, Miss Freegard said, "I know a little boy who has two birthdays!"

Mary stopped eating and looked at her. How could anyone have TWO birthdays? Just think two lots of cards, two lots of presents, two cakes!

Miss Freegard went on. "He asked the Lord Jesus Christ into his heart and it is just like being born again into Jesus' family and having a new birthday!"

Mary was silenced. This was worth thinking about.

By the time mum came for her, Mary was full of her lovely afternoon, and went home with a big ball of finger knitting and the wonderful knowledge of how to use chopsticks.

That night, when she went to bed, she thought about the boy with a second birthday, and after she had said her prayers, she asked the Lord Jesus Christ to come into her heart and give her a second birthday.

Nevertheless, she hardly ever thought about it again, and when she did, she could not remember what the date of that birthday was!

However, many years later, when she was an old woman with grey hair herself, she thought back to that day and realised that from that moment God had his hand upon her life and was carefully drawing her to himself.

BIBLE BITES WORDSEARCH



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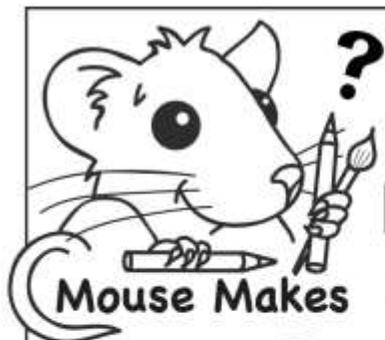
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WHO AM I?

The last letter of one name is the first letter of the next name.

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- He wrote the third Gospel

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- Mother of John (Luke 1:3)
 - Sarah's servant (Genesis 16:21)

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- Joseph's mother (Genesis 29:35)
- His wife turned to salt (Genesis 11:31)

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- Paul's friend (2 Corinthians 8:27)
 - A brother of Jesus (Matthew 13:55)

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- Ruth's mother-in-law. (Ruth 3:1)

IT'S A PUZZLE!

God sent 9 plagues on Egypt...

What were they?

Change each letter to the one after it in the alphabet to find out.

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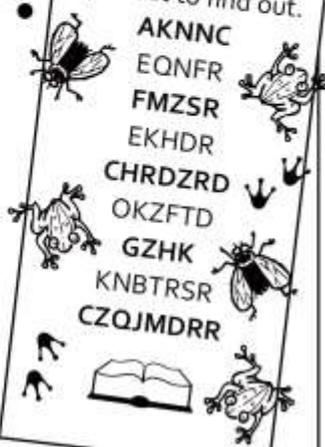
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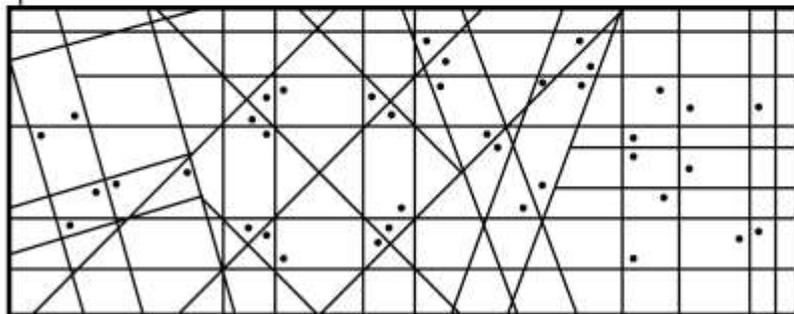
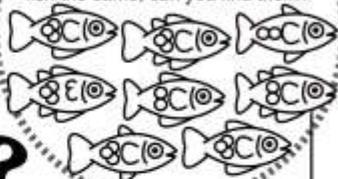
Match the wife to their husband

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| SARAH | JACOB |
| RUTH | ZECHARIAH |
| REBEKAH | JOSEPH |
| RACHEL | ABRAHAM |
| ELIZABETH | ISAAC |



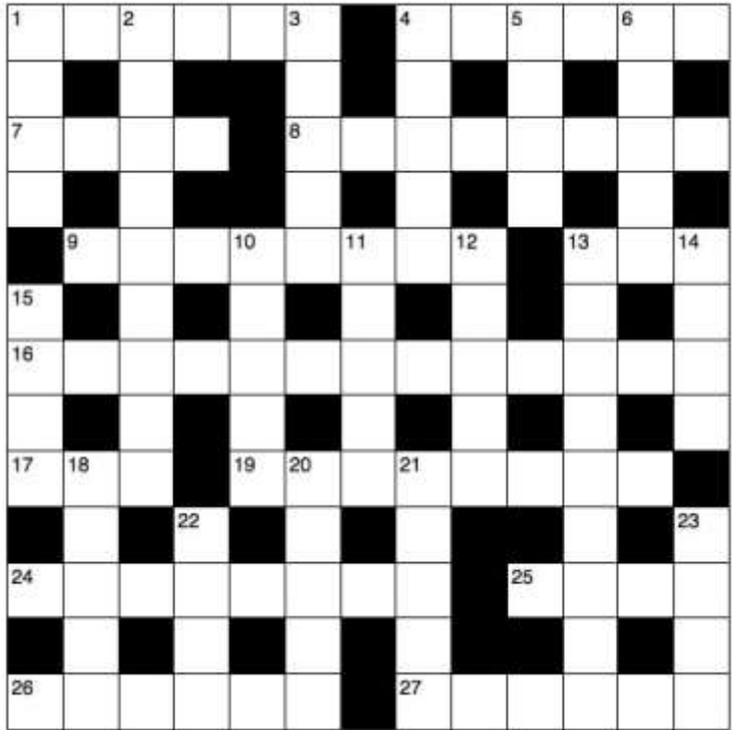
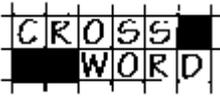
FIND THE FISH

The Disciples have been fishing and have caught TWO fish the same. Can you find them?



Colour in all the shapes with a DOT to find out what Jesus want us to do





Answers on p18

ACROSS

1 'I pray that out of his glorious — he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being' (Ephesians 3:16) (6); 4 'Saul's father Kish and — father Ner were sons of Abiel' (1 Samuel 14:51) (6); 7 'Praise the Lord, O my —' (Psalm 103:1) (4); 8 See 5 Down: 9 Laws (1 Kings 11:33) (8); 13 'Who of you by worrying can — a single hour to his life?' (Luke 12:25) (3); 16 Artistry (Exodus 31:5) (13); 17 'Your young men will see visions, your — men will dream dreams' (Acts 2:17) (3); 19 How David described his Lord (Psalm 19:14) (8); 24 'If this city is built and its — — restored, you will be left with nothing in Trans-Euphrates' (Ezra 4:16) (5,3); 25 'The holy Scriptures, which are able to make you — for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus' (2 Timothy 3:15) (4); 26 Intended destination of arrows (Lamentations 3:12) (6); 27 Eve hit (anag.) (6)

DOWN

1 'For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find — for your souls' (Matthew 11:29) (4); 2 Where Peter was when he denied Christ three times (Luke 22:55) (9); 3 Remarkable early 20th-century Indian evangelist, a convert from Hinduism, — Sundar Singh (5); 4 'Now the king had put the officer on whose — — leaned in charge of the gate' (2 Kings 7:17) (3,2); 5 and 8 Across The Lover describes this facial feature of the Beloved thus: 'Your — is like the tower of Lebanon looking towards —' (Song of Songs 7:4) (4,8); 6 'Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled — your waist' (Ephesians 6:14) (5); 10 Trout (anag.) (5); 11 Easily frightened (1 Thessalonians 5:14) (5); 12 The ability to perceive (Ecclesiastes 10:3) (5); 13 One of the clans descended from Benjamin (Numbers 26:38) (9); 14 "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who — bread into the bowl with me" (Mark 14:20) (4); 15 Resound (Zephaniah 2:14) (4); 18 Traditional seat of the Dalai Lama (5); 20 Precise (John 4:53) (5); 21 Build (Ezekiel 4:2) (5); 22 Beat harshly (Acts 22:25) (4); 23 Darius, who succeeded Belshazzar as king of the Babylonians, was one (Daniel 5:31) (4)

PLANT SALE

Due to Covid-19, the scheduled Plant Sale at St Luke's on May 30th did not take place. This meant that lots of plants that had been grown for this event would go to waste.

However, all was not lost. Julia and myself decided to hold plant sales on our drives and front gardens, where social distancing and a one way system was observed.

These took place on 20th May and 13th June. The result was fantastic, lots of plants were sold and we raised a total of £266.45 for church funds.

If anyone is still looking for some vegetables to plant, Julia still has winter brassicas (cauliflower, purple sprouting broccoli, sweet heart cabbage and white cabbage) available as well as some tomato plants.



ERICACEOUS COMPOST for sale

I have been given a large bag of this compost, partially used. It can be used for acid-loving plants such as heathers, rhododendrons and azaleas.

Please contact me on 01429 298475 if you would like any of it, for a donation to St Luke's Church.

Pauline Shaw

MOTHERS' UNION APPEAL TO HELP RELEASED INMATES

The Mothers' Union has launched an appeal to help Low Newton inmates on their release. They would like us to collect various items of toiletries as a start for them. The items are: loo roll, soap, roll on deodorant, shampoo, shower gel, tissues or wet wipes, brush/comb, sanitary stuff, toothbrush, toothpaste, lip balm.

If anyone can help with any or all of these please take to Joan Mills and leave at the door and they will be collected by MU Action and Outreach coordinators.

Thank you, Pam Harding

CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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ACROSS: 1, Riches. 4, Abner's. 7, Soul. 8, Damascus. 9, Statutes. 13, Add. 16, Craftsmanship. 17, Old. 19, Redeemer. 24, Walls are. 25, Wise. 26, Target. 27, Thieve.

DOWN: 1, Rest. 2, Courtyard. 3, Sadhu. 4, Arm he. 5, Nose. 6, Round. 10, Tutor. 11, Timid. 12, Sense. 13, Ashbelite. 14, Dips. 15, Echo. 18, Lhasa. 20, Exact. 21, Erect. 22, Flog. 23, Mede.

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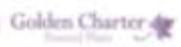
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For Children & Young People

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CLUB

During the 9.15am Parish Eucharist (except 2nd Sundays) **closed during the Coronavirus outbreak**. We'll be back as soon as we are able to reopen church.



LITTLE ANGELS

For the under 5s with their parents, grandparents or carers.

Normally Thursdays

9.30am to 11.15am

Contact once reopened:

Amanda Bruce - 07834 538334

Briony Paterson - 07429 439577

Sarah Ferry - 07717 495779



For other activities, please see Page 4

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

St Luke's Mothers' Union meets at 2pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Suspended during lockdown.

Contact Pam Harding 268270

Make the gift of a lifetime

Making a new will or revising your existing one? Have you **thought about including St Luke's?**

In the past church members, and those who want to see the mission and ministry of their local church flourish, have designated specific amounts from their estate to St Luke's. It doesn't have to be much and you could choose to specify a certain percentage of your estate. In this way your gift would retain its value.

Whether you give £200, £2,000 or much more, your gift will help to support St Luke's into the future.