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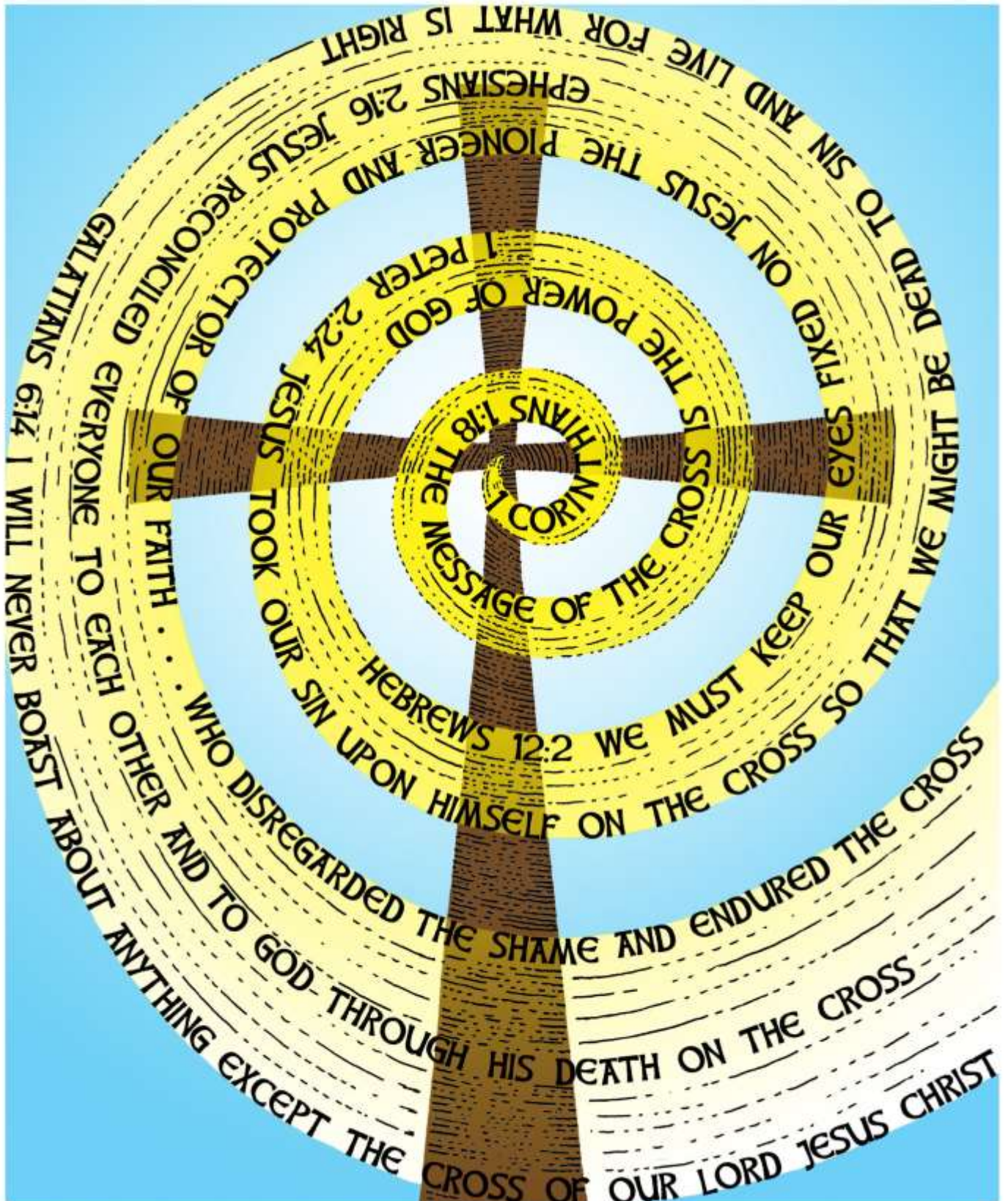
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### Funerals

**17th March  
Samuel Smale**

## From Your Rector

It must have been a dramatic sight on Palm Sunday when Jesus approached Jerusalem to the adulation of the crowds. 'A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of Him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"'(Matthew 21:8,9).

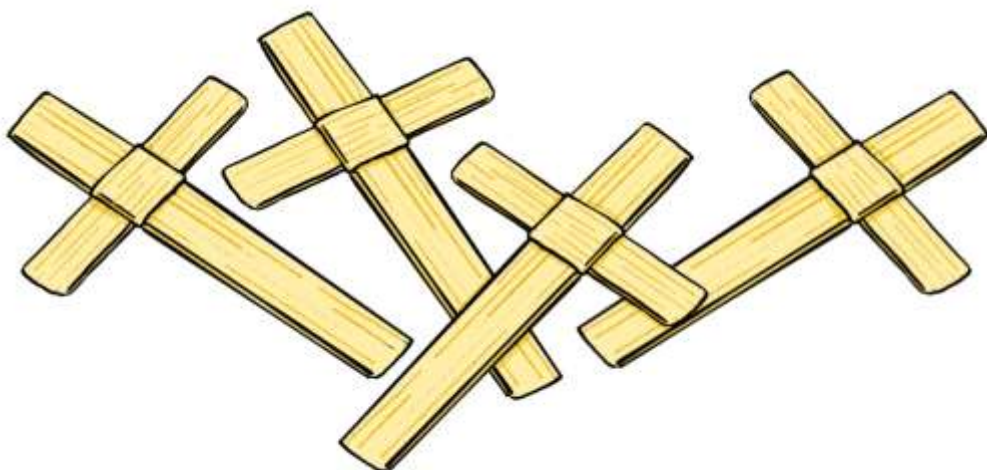
But not everyone in Jerusalem welcomed Jesus; in the very next verse we read, 'the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?"'(10). But by the end of the week, the crowds had turned against Jesus and were demanding His crucifixion. (Matthew 27:22).

Why did they turn against Jesus so quickly? Perhaps they were disappointed because He refused to fulfil their expectations in establishing a new political kingdom. Instead, He came to change our hearts and save us from our sins by His death and resurrection. As He said during that week, 'My kingdom is not of this world.' (John 18:36). This deeply disappointed those who hoped that He would throw out the hated Roman occupiers.

Where would we have been on that first Palm Sunday? Among the disciples who welcomed Him or among the sceptical crowds? It's easy to judge those who condemned Jesus, but would we have acted differently? Can we too be disappointed when Jesus fails to meet our hopes and expectations of Him?

The message of Easter is that God still loves and accepts us, and because of Jesus we can be forgiven. He came for one simple reason: 'For Christ also suffered once for sins...to bring you to God.' (1 Peter 3:18). May we welcome Jesus afresh into our lives this Eastertime.

Revd Jane



## Christian Basics No 4: What about the Resurrection?

*'Easter is not primarily a comfort, but a challenge. Its message is either the supreme fact in history or else a gigantic hoax.'* (CS Lewis).

As we celebrate another Easter, what is the significance of Jesus' resurrection for us? As Paul writes, *'if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins'*. (1 Cor 15:17). What does the New Testament affirm about the resurrection?

It affirms that Jesus' death on the cross was not a defeat but a **victory** over sin, death and Satan, in which we share. *'But God raised Him from the dead, freeing Him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on Him'* (Acts 2:24).

It points to our own **bodily resurrection** after death, *'The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable'* (1 Cor 15: 42).

It guarantees the **forgiveness** of our sins, *'if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins'* (1 Cor 15:17).

It ensures that we can know the reality of His **risen life** today, *'just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life'* (Rom 6:4).

The story is told of a large gathering. A speaker addressed a packed audience at length, seeking to discredit the resurrection of Christ. At the end a priest rose and asked if he might reply. He was warned that he only had five minutes. *'Five seconds is all I need!'* He turned to the audience and gave the traditional Easter greeting: *'Christ is risen!'* Back with a deafening roar came the traditional reply: *'He is risen indeed!'*



## Holy Week and Easter Services

Sunday 10th April Palm Sunday

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am All-Age Service at St Chad's

Wednesday 13th April

10.30am Communion at St Chad's

Thursday 14th April Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Communion at St Chad's

Friday 15th April Good Friday

10.00am All-Age Service at St Chad's

2.00pm "Hour at the Cross" at St Bartholomew's

Sunday 17th April Easter Day

9.00am BCP Communion at St Bartholomew's

10.30am Communion at St Bartholomew's



Dear Almighty, All-powerful Father God,

You brought light and hope out of darkness and despair. You brought life out of death when you raised Jesus that first Easter Day. Thank you that the tomb is forever empty and that Jesus is forever alive!

No matter what is going on, no matter how little we understand, help us to hold on to the Easter truth - Jesus is risen! He is alive today and in Him we can put our trust, completely and confidently.

Because of Jesus, death is defeated. Because of Jesus, the best is yet to be. Love wins! Hallelujah! We praise you, Lord, in Jesus name, Amen.



**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families



**EMU** (Evening Mothers' Union) meets:-  
One Wednesday in each month, 8.00pm at St Chad's  
for more information contact Chris Rostock (648 1112)

**Next event:**

**Wednesday 27th April 8pm** : Learn to Crochet with  
"Wirral Crochet" or just come along for the chat

**Future Events**

**Wednesday 18th May 8pm:** Listen to Rev George Palmer talk  
about being hospital and hospice Chaplain.

**Wednesday 15th June 8pm:** Fly tying for fly fishing presented by  
Jan DeBoorder (any fishermen out there please  
come along and bring your friends

**Wednesday 20th July:** EMU Summer meal. Details to follow

**Wednesday 21st September 8pm:** Learn More about "Special  
Needs Teaching with Allison Youds

**Wednesday 19th October 8pm:** "Horse Sense"

**Wednesday 16th November 8pm:** "Little Eye Photography" with  
Roger Ellison. Back by popular demand in time for  
Christmas

**All Welcome, members, non members, Family & friends**

**BIG JUBILEE PICNIC**

**Sunday June 5th at St Chad's**

Elizabeth Barton

has agreed to co-ordinate and plan this.  
She's looking for a small group of people  
who would be willing to support her.  
She can be contacted on 648 7178.





As a Church Community we are aiming to complete these 70 Acts of Service. Anyone is welcome to join in.

1. Choose an act of service
2. Take the post card from the envelope  
If someone has already taken the post card, can you choose another act of service? If not, take a blank postcard, and make a note of what you need to do.
3. Complete the act of service
4. Attach a photo, or write some thoughts on the post card. Please also add your name.
5. Return the post card to the envelope by the end of May 2022

The returned post cards will be used to make a display for the Jubilee celebrations.



The March family service saw the launch of "70 Acts of Service" as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Year. Next time you visit St Chad's you will see the board with the 70 challenges on it. We are hoping that between us we will be able to complete all 70 in time for the Jubilee Weekend (early June).



## Reflected Faith Series: Togetherness

Last month we began our Lenten journey with ashes on Ash Wednesday, reminding us of our beginning and our ending; and this month we will conclude that time with Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Such a relatively short time for so great a distance.

I'm reminded of this by the opening words used in Church of England services at the Palm Sunday services:

*Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, during Lent we have been preparing by works of love and self-sacrifice for the celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection. Today we come together to begin this solemn celebration in union with the Church throughout the world. Christ enters His own city to complete His work as our Saviour, to suffer, to die, and to rise again. Let us go with Him in faith and love, so that, united with Him in His sufferings, we may share His risen life.*

It's all about togetherness.

Together as a small group of people in that one church where we worship. Together with 'the' church across all denominations and throughout the world. Together with Christ Himself.

It's one of the reasons that we process on Palm Sunday. Ideally a joyful and noisy procession with banners and rejoicing – reminding us of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem as much as into our own lives.

*This month*

It's in this joy wherein lies the contrast with our solemn and silent procession on Good Friday. We need them both. One on its own doesn't tell the full story. Just like a play on Good Friday without its follow-up on Easter Sunday leaves you hanging.

We all know that social media tends to only show happy occasions but that underneath all those meals and holidays and smiling faces there can be great heartaches and sorrows. It's the togetherness of both of those emotions where the true depth of joy is to be found and not on the surfaces.

How do we greet Christ anew on Resurrection Sunday without the devastating loss of Good Friday, or that long week travelling in and out of the city walls? May you find real joy in togetherness this Easter!



## **Attack on Ukraine 'an act of great evil' - statement from Archbishops**

The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby and Archbishop of York Stephen Cottrell have condemned the Russian attack on Ukraine as "an act of great evil". They are urging Christians to keep praying for Ukraine, for Russia, and for peace.

In a joint statement they said: "The horrific and unprovoked attack on Ukraine is an act of great evil. Placing our trust in Jesus Christ, the author of peace, we pray for an urgent ceasefire and a withdrawal of Russian forces. We call for a public decision to choose the way of peace and an international conference to secure long term agreements for stability and lasting peace."

### **Prayers across Europe for peace in Ukraine**

*The Bishop in Europe, Bishop Robert Innes, writes:*

"Our little church in Kyiv are right at the centre of this crisis," he explained. "Some of them have fled the city by car, others are still there. These are our people, our brothers and sisters, and of course we are very concerned for their wellbeing and safety.

"In the face of military action and aggression, we feel powerless. What can we do? One thing that we can all do is pray."

"The situation in Ukraine is very deeply troubling. President Putin is leading a completely unjustified and aggressive war against Ukraine, a war which many ordinary Russians deeply deplore.

Leaders from many Christian churches, including the Ukrainian Orthodox (Russian Patriarchate) Church have condemned the invasion of Ukraine. Our hearts cry out for justice and peace. We are most especially concerned for the wellbeing of those in Ukraine who are directly affected by the war.

This includes particularly the members of our own congregation of Christ Church, Kyiv. The Churchwarden there, Christina, messaged us this morning saying: 'Please pray for us as we are standing here for our land and for our roots. The battle for Kyiv has begun; it is fierce and intensive. Pray for us.'

In the face of military action, we can easily feel powerless and fearful. But one thing we can do is pray. We can pray in solidarity with those most affected. We can pray that God will yet overrule in the hearts and minds of those with power and authority. We can pray that the victims will be few and that the innocent will be protected. We can pray that peace will come through justice and not through the infliction of the will of a stronger party on a weaker.

## A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,  
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.  
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.  
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.  
We pray for those with power over war or peace,  
for wisdom, discernment and compassion  
to guide their decisions.  
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,  
that you would hold and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.  
Amen.

**Archbishop Justin Welby**  
**Archbishop Stephen Cottrell**



## How YOU could help someone in Ukraine

Ukraine is in crisis. Only God knows how the situation will unfold in the coming days and weeks. Meanwhile, there is a need for food and other basic humanitarian aid.

The following Christian charities are at work in the country, and would welcome your immediate support:

Barnabas Fund. <https://www.barnabasfund.org/gb/>

Christian Aid. <https://www.christianaid.org.uk>

Methodist Church UK. <https://www.allwecan.org.uk>

Operation Mobilisation <https://www.uk.om.org/Appeal/ukraine-in-crisis>

Samaritan's Purse <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk>

Transform Europe Network: <https://www.ten-uk.org>

World Vision <https://www.worldvision.org.uk>

## **GOD IN THE SCIENCES: – The Wonder and the Sorrow of PCR Tests**

PCR tests are a fact of life for most of us at the moment. As a biologist who was doing this procedure long before most people had heard of it, I take secret delight in people's use of the acronym. Let me open the laboratory door and share the wonders it conceals.

The swab that you, or someone else, pokes down your throat and up your nose goes into a tube containing a little liquid. That liquid is then heated or mixed with a chemical to kill any live virus particles, then purified to get rid of every part of the virus except RNA.

The test is actually RT-PCR, the first step being Reverse Transcription by an enzyme that converts any RNA present into DNA. Multiple copies of that DNA are then made using the Polymerase Chain Reaction. Reverse transcription produced one half of a DNA helix, like one side of an unzipped zip. The enzyme DNA Polymerase is a little like the zipper, except as well as zipping up it also manufactures the other half of the zip using DNA subunits that have been added to the tube. This process works because a bit like a zip, the two sides of the DNA helix are mirror images of each other. If that new helix is unzipped, DNA polymerase can then make a new strand on both sides.

The beauty of PCR is in its simplicity. Multiple rounds of heating (which melts the DNA helix strands apart) and cooling (which allows the enzyme to make new DNA) produce more and more mirror-image DNA strands.

Scientists often have stories to tell about the wonders they study, or make use of, in the lab. Sadly, if this particular process works it means that there was probably COVID-19 in the sample, and someone may be about to become quite ill.

Do you live with similar tensions in your own life? Perhaps you sell a fantastic product that most people in the world can't afford. Maybe you love taking care of people, but your role only exists because others live with great physical or mental challenges.

For the Psalmists, a relationship with God was forged in the confusing space where the struggles of life mingled with praise for creation and trust in Him. How can we learn from these inspired ancient writers, celebrating the wonders we experience in our day-to-day lives while also lamenting the world's brokenness, praying for healing and justice?

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## **GOD IN THE ARTS : 'In a grove lit only by a kiss'**

Holy Week, as its name tells us, is the most important, holiest week in the Church's year, when we follow Jesus from His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, to the Upper Room, to Calvary and to the garden of the tomb. As we make that journey each year, we are not just remembering past events. We are celebrating how eternity touched Jerusalem in that first Holy Week and how eternity can touch our lives now.



To create that impact and that realisation, the week is brim-full of colour and variety in its worship, full of action and movement, full of processions and music. But we might think it is a week with very little silence.

Yet the silences are there if we look at the Gospels closely. We enter an upper room and catch our breath when Jesus announces a betrayer. Peter denies our Lord, a cock crows, and a bleak stillness falls on that scene. In the palace Jesus stands accused, no words are spoken, and the governor wonders in the silence. And there is silence by the cross until the ninth hour. The silence does fall during Holy Week, punctuating the crises of these tense days. It is conveyed with dramatic force in this Gethsemane scene: Peter Firth's poem describes it as 'a grove lit only by a kiss.' The painting is by Giotto, 'The Kiss of Judas,' and is part of an amazing series of frescoes he painted for the Arena Chapel in Padua from 1305-06.

At first glance it is a scene of frenzied activity: burning torches wave in the sky, weapons are wielded, and a ram's horn blown. The cohort of soldiers advance on Jesus, and Peter tries to defend Him by cutting off a soldier's ear in his anger. One of the religious leaders points to Jesus in the centre of the painting.

And it is there that the tragic stillness falls as our eyes focus on the eyes of Jesus: that steady, discomfiting gaze into the eyes of Judas the betrayer. Judas' cloak seems to engulf Jesus, but it cannot blot out the look of our Lord.

The face of Judas is troubled, and the look of Jesus seems to burrow deep into that anxiety, beneath the surface into his heart.

In Holy Week they are eyes that look out to us. The face of Jesus is turned in our direction, saying, 'Yes, you may follow Me in the heady excitement of Palm Sunday. But will you also follow Me into this garden, on the way of My cross to the foot of Calvary, and beyond to the empty tomb of Easter morning?'

# News from General Synod

## **Synod unanimously condemns persecution of Christians around the world**

Members of the Church of England General Synod have unanimously backed a motion of support for churches around the world as a bishop warned of the “monstrous evil” of the “wholesale denial” of freedom of religion or belief in many countries.

The motion called for dioceses and parishes to pray and offer other practical help to those facing persecution because of their faith and to rally support and raise awareness ahead of a global summit on Freedom of Religion or Belief taking place in London this summer. 360 million Christians - about one in seven around the world - face persecution.

The Bishop of Truro Philip Mounstephen, who carried out a review of Persecution of Christians across the Globe for the Foreign Office in 2019, said the situation has deteriorated even in the last year.

He highlighted the “disastrous fall” of Afghanistan to the Taliban, “now making it the most dangerous country on earth to be a Christian”, and the “outrageous murder” of Pastor William Siraj returning home after Sunday service in Peshawar on 30<sup>th</sup> January.

“The wholesale denial of freedom of religion or belief in today’s world is a great evil,” he said.

## **Unanimous backing from Synod for call to protect child survivors of trafficking**

The General Synod has given unanimous backing to a call for the Government to ensure the protection of child survivors of trafficking, after hearing of fears that the Nationality and Borders Bill could leave more children unprotected and at risk.

Members voted 331 in favour, with no votes against and no abstentions, both to acknowledge the ‘leading role’ that the Government has played internationally in challenging slavery - while calling on the Government to ensure the proper protection of minors who are trafficked and enslaved.

The Synod also voted to encourage all dioceses, deaneries and parishes in the Church of England to raise awareness of modern slavery. Members further called on people to pray for the victims and survivors of slavery and trafficking and all those organisations who work to help and support them.

## Synod approves rules to help churches meet carbon-reduction target

The Church of England's General Synod has approved new legislation to help churches meet carbon reduction targets.

Most of the changes will make it easier for churches to make adaptations such as insulating pipes, draft-proofing doors and windows, fitting new non fossil fuel boilers, electric pew heaters, electric car charging points and soft furnishings to help worshippers feel warm and comfortable.

Meanwhile the installation of like-for-like fossil fuel boilers and new oil tanks will now be subject to a full faculty application.

The rules come as part of a wide-ranging approach to meet the 2030 net-zero carbon target set by General Synod in February 2020. In July (2022), Synod will discuss a full proposed route-map to net zero which is currently out for consultation.

The changes have been called a "positive and proportionate" part of the Church's response to the Climate Emergency. The proposals do not compel parishes to make changes, but help to foster an informed approach to decisions when they are made.

The Church of England's lead Bishop for Environmental Affairs, Graham Usher, who is Bishop of Norwich, said that the General Synod's 2020 commitment had been "noticed and praised" at the COP26 summit in Glasgow last year.

He said: "Our parish churches can be exemplars, leading the way in communities, for sustainable living." The rules will be laid before Parliament and come into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022.



## Ruth's Reflections

Well, things have changed! I have been in my new bungalow for 2 months now and I love it. I feel really settled here and am slowly getting things done. As I have said before the neighbours are really nice and I have met several other people who have been friendly and helpful.

I have tidied up the gardens a bit, a full wheelie bin and 3 big bin bags are the result. I haven't started on the flower beds yet but it is interesting seeing what is trying to emerge from the weeds! I have had some landscape gardeners round to quote for the revamp of the back garden. It is too much for me to do but when done should be easy to maintain.



The garage desperately needs reroofing, it was bad prior to the storms and has deteriorated further since then. It is now dangerous and quite scary when I have to go in there. However, by the time you read this it should have been done. Work is due to start next week.

I have had a lot of visitors and everyone seems to really like the house which reinforces the belief that I did the right thing moving here.

My family are well, having recovered from Covid. I can't help wondering what the future holds for them, especially with all the problems in the world, which were bad enough before the present crisis in Ukraine. Things seemed a lot simpler and straightforward when I was that age.

I must admit I feel somewhat guilty for my easy, now settled life and I do thank God for all that I have during my usual "conversations" with Him.

My life is virtually back to its pre-covid normal. I am going out to all my usual activities and it is still a thrill to be with people again, nothing really can replace human contact.

Take care everyone and stay safe.

Ruth.



## Wordsearch for April - The last Passover

On the night before He died, Jesus ate His last Passover meal with His disciples. He then transformed the Passover into the Lord's Supper, saying of the bread and wine that, 'this is my body' and 'this is my blood'. Jesus, the Lamb of God, was preparing to die for the sins of the whole world. John's gospel makes it clear that the Last Supper took place the evening BEFORE the regular Passover meal, and that later Jesus died *at the same time* that the Passover lambs were killed.

Jesus then astonished the disciples by washing their feet. He said: "A new command I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." His disciples were to love through service, not domination, of one another. In Latin, the opening phrase of this sentence is '*mandatum novum do vobis*'. The word 'maundy' is thus a corruption of the Latin 'mandatum' (or command).

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John  
gospel  
killed  
feet

washing  
love  
command  
service  
maundy



# What a difference a day makes!

I am finding the older I get I am becoming, increasingly, unaware of what weekday it is! Of course some days are easier to remember than others. I know when it's a Friday because Jonathan, who lives next door, is invariably about because it's his day off! This is just as well because, on a Friday, we have to pick up 100 donuts from Morrison's to take to Daisy and Percy's school where they are sold to the pupils as they leave for home! Once a month I realise it is a Thursday because the Rington's man knocks with our order for decaffeinated tea and marshmallows. Other than that, it's sometimes a bit of a mystery as to what weekday it actually is!

When I was young certain days stood out. Monday was special because I picked up my *Lion* comic from Dolly Jones, the Newsagent. It was also the day I listened to Journey into space at 6.45 p.m. on the radio, though I, sometimes, had to walk out of the living room into the kitchen when things got a little tense and Lemme played by David Kossof and, later, Alfie Bass, was having one of his panic attacks! Wednesday was an extra special day. Because shops were closed on a Wednesday afternoon, Mum, a full time shop assistant, had some extra time to prepare a special tea for us. She would make a stew or roast a breast of lamb and even have time to make a rice or sago pudding for dessert. After tea, she would often take my sister and I to the *Gaumont Cinema* at the bottom of Park Road where we could watch several features, the News and a cartoon before both the B Movie and the Main Feature.

Weekends were totally different. On a Saturday I would play out in the street all day when I was young and then, as a teenager, would play football in Sefton Park or go to Anfield for a Liverpool Home match. Sundays were extra special! Shops were closed - apart from newsagents - and, whilst I was still at Primary School, Dad would take my sister and I, dressed in our *Sunday Best* on a marathon walk through Princes and Sefton Parks before our Roast Sunday Dinner. In the afternoon, I would be packed off to Sunday School at 3.00 p.m. at Hutchinson Hall Methodist Church. The reward for regular attendance was the Annual Treat to Helsby Hill where we played on the Helter Skelter and had an afternoon tea including copious **amounts of red jelly!** By the time I was in Secondary School, I had joined the Boys' Brigade and Sundays for me largely centred around Bible Class or Church Parade. The latter involved our company assembling at the church hall and marching to and from church led by the band with me as the solo drummer! On Battalion Parades we would get a bus to the cathedral and then march all of the way back to Aigburth playing our whole repertoire repeatedly along the three mile route.

For Christians, Sunday became the most important day of the week from the very early days of the Church - **mainly in commemoration of the day of Christ's resurrection.** In Luke's book of the *Acts of the Apostles* we read how Paul and the Christians of Troas took to assembling on the first day of the week to break bread, while the Book of Revelation identifies Sunday as, *The Lord's Day*. This was in contrast to Judaism which celebrated the Sabbath on the last day of the week when, according to Genesis, God rested after the six days of creation. However, it was not until 321 that the Emperor, Constantine, forbade townspeople to work on a Sunday - apart from those engaged in farm labour. The Roman Catholic Church went on to decree that

church members must attend church on a Sunday or Saturday evening, an expectation which still persists to this day.

In recent years, Sunday Church attendance has declined significantly. Although 60% of our population identify as Christian, only 11% profess to attend church on a regular basis. Church attendance halved in the Anglican Church between 1980 and 2015 and the Pandemic has added to that decline. The result of this has been that, perhaps sadly, Sundays for many are no longer the special days they once were. Before 1994, large shops were forbidden to open but, since then, shops over 3000 square feet have been allowed to open for up to six hours. Flexible working arrangements have meant that far more people than just those in essential services work on a Sunday and the idea of conserving clothes as your Sunday Best would be laughed at these days! For many, these changes would be seen as the inevitable march of progress but others might disagree and feel we have lost something which made at least one day a week truly reflective, restful and special, enabling us to prepare, fully and calmly, for the challenges of the week ahead.



Alan Jones

Lay Reader Emeritus



Thankyou to everyone who collected for the Children's Society, the total raised was **£1258.29** .



Jean Heath would like to thank everyone who collected and dropped off their stamps after Christmas. Riding for the Disabled are still collecting stamps, they can be left at either church or the office.

## St. Chad's Tots and Tinies

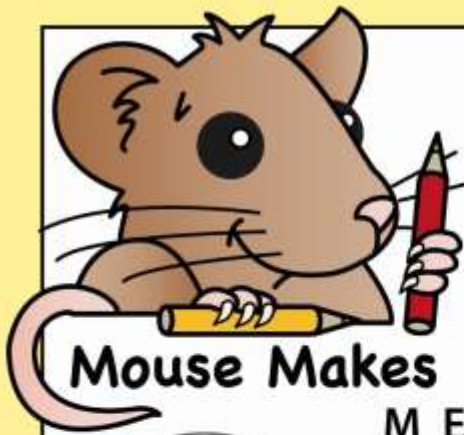
St Chad's Church  
(Roslin Road, Irby)

Every Thursday 9.30-11.30am  
(Term Time Only)

£1.50 per child – All Welcome

Parents/Carers will be responsible for their child(ren) during the sessions

For further information please contact **Allison** via the Parish Office 648 8169



## Mouse Makes



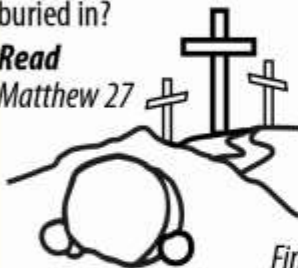
Who betrayed Jesus?  
Who denied Jesus?

**Read** Matthew 26:17-75



What did the soldiers put on Jesus at his crucifixion?  
What time did Jesus die?  
Whose tomb was Jesus buried in?

**Read** Matthew 27



# HAPPY EASTER!

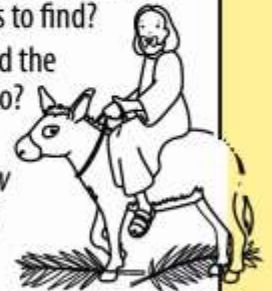
Jesus has risen!  
Jesus is with us!  
Jesus will come again!



What did Jesus send the disciples to find?

What did the crowd do?

**Read** Matthew 21:1-11



What did Jesus do at Passover?



**Read** Matthew 26:17-30



On the third day who rolled away the stone covering the tomb?

What had happened to Jesus?

**Read** Matthew 28



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