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...by faith we might
receive the
promise of the Spirit

Galatians 3:14

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Ascension

(Luke 24:44-53)

Scriptures fulfilled,
Minds opened,
We followed Him to Bethany.
And there was joy in the blessing
Of our risen Lord,
Jesus, God on earth.

And in the blessing
Was the leaving,
And in the leaving
Was the blessing –
His Spirit of life and power
To witness to the world
Of our ascended Lord,
Jesus, man in heaven.

By Daphne Kitching

Ascension day this year is 13th May

From Your Rector

Pentecost

The celebration of Pentecost this month could be described as a birthday party for the Church, as we remember the gift of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples (Acts 2:1-13).



What are we celebrating?

God's Promise:

The disciples obeyed Jesus' instructions as they gathered in the Upper Room: *'Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised'* (1:4). They met expectantly in prayer for God's promised gift. Just as we look forward to birthday presents, how eager are we to receive more of the Spirit in our lives?

God's Power:

'All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit' (4). The disciples needed the power of the Spirit to be different: not fearfully gathered behind locked doors, but energised to make Christ known. The Spirit can transform our lives into the likeness of Jesus and give gifts to equip our witness. Although the disciples' experience of this power was overwhelming, it was essentially an encounter with God's love. For us, this can be equally emotional or quiet, but *all* are included, and nobody is excluded from this experience.

God's Purpose:

The disciples *'began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.'* (4). The Spirit empowered their witness, so that everyone heard them speaking in their own *'native language'* (literally: *dialect*, v8). We all have a story to tell of God's activity in our lives and it's the Spirit who translates our words and actions into a language that those around can understand!

At Pentecost, 3,000 people were added to the church in one day!
What do we expect of the Spirit in our day?

Rev'd Jane

the prayer course

Meetings on Zoom (joining details from Revd Jane)

Wednesday Evenings 7.30-8.30pm

(or 9.00pm at the latest if people are really engaged with the discussion)

April 28th - Why Pray?

May 5th - Adoration

May 12th - Petition

May 19th - Intercession

May 26th - Unanswered Prayer

HALF TERM

June 9th - Contemplation

June 16th - Listening

June 23rd - Spiritual Warfare

Each week of the course is made up of:

- A video
- Discussion questions
- Practical prayer activities

We may choose to meet in person later in the term, depending upon numbers and Covid restrictions. This will only be done with group agreement.

Can't make Wednesday Evenings? - Then you could do it **Individually but together**

The Sessions can be found here:- <https://prayercourse.org/sessions/>
So you can work through the session on a day and time that works for you.

Let Revd Jane know if you plan to do this,
as it may be possible to pair people up to discuss and share together.

how to pray pete greig

How to Pray by Pete Greig is a companion resource which follows the Prayer Course framework and contains insightful stories, recommended reading and resources, and full notation of all Scripture and resources.

The Companion Book is not a requirement for joining the sessions. But if you would find it helpful it is available from many book stores including:-

<https://www.eden.co.uk/how-to-pray-a-simple-guide-for-normal-people-pete-greig/>

Church of England backs VaccinAid campaign to 'Give the World a Shot' to help defeat Covid-19

The Church of England is supporting the 'VaccinAid' campaign which aims to help fund the biggest vaccination drive in history.

Led by UNICEF UK, with the online fundraising platform Crowdfunder, the campaign offers people a practical way to give thanks for their Covid-19 vaccination, by making a voluntary donation to help pay for jabs for others around the world.



It aims to help fund almost two billion Covid-19 vaccines for health workers and the most high-risk and vulnerable people on our planet. The money raised will also help UNICEF provide tests and treatments to people in 190 countries around the world through the global COVAX initiative.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, is encouraging people and congregations both to donate, and also to spread the word in their community, as a practical demonstration of Jesus's command to love our neighbour.

VaccinAid is being supported by other faith groups, businesses, celebrities and the NHS. Using the Crowdfunder platform, individual donations can be given, or communities - including parishes - can sign-up to fundraise together.

The recently launched campaign has been developed in just a few weeks following a meeting convened by Archbishop Justin with faith leaders, Government and NGOs to discuss how people in the UK could do something practical in response to the real sense of gratitude they have felt as they and their loved-ones receive their vaccines.

Archbishop Justin said: "The Covid-19 crisis has had a profound impact on people here and around the world, but vaccines offer the hope of a brighter future. I'm delighted that churches and other faith groups in the UK are supporting the VaccinAid campaign.

"There is no better way to show our deep gratitude for the gifts of science and medicine than making sure vulnerable people around the world are also given a shot.

For more information on the campaign go to www.vaccinaid.org to donate or begin fundraising.

Reflected Faith: Hiding, waiting, hoping – FREE!

The Revd Dr Jo White continues her Reflected Faith series on the freedom that May brings....

After many long months during the Covid pandemic we are at last beginning to be able to come together again. Some countries and some areas of some countries will be more open than others and we can only hope, pray and wait for all of us to be able to be 'free' again.

May, in the Church's calendar, is supremely the month of freedom.

During the first few weeks we continue to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus and reflect on the Bible stories of those who met Him after His crucifixion and resurrection.

Then we celebrate His Ascension – Jesus' return to His Father.

And finally, we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit on the apostles and all those locked in that Upper Room – with the subsequent birth of His Church.

Freedom indeed!

This last year has for most of us felt like a waiting time to see and hold friends and family again. We have some understanding of fear and the hope within us.

What a celebration there must have been when Jesus returned to His Father – and what a celebration also when the Holy Spirit so powerfully descended.

It is the story of those 'simple' men who were scared and hiding one day and the next day bold and outspoken that speaks to me of something outstanding happening.

As I received my anti-Covid vaccination I felt that same freedom from fear. Not that I would be 100% safe and never ill again, but rather that *whatever happened now would be manageable.*

This month:

Have a think this month about fears that you may have held inside you in this past year and how you have been able to manage them. Have you known the Spirit of Our Lord by your side as you have walked these roads?

I hope so, and I hope also that together we can help others to know His reassurance from fear. Freedom indeed.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of all people and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall

renew the face of the earth.





Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus.

Since its start in May 2016, God has grown Thy Kingdom Come from a dream of possibility into a movement. Christians from 172 countries have taken part in praying 'Come Holy Spirit', so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ.

This praying together has been across our diversity and differences as every person, household and church are encouraged to pray in their own way. According to our annual survey findings an astonishing percentage of people said they were praying for family and friends to come to faith in Jesus, and a significant number of people join in for the first time, we recognise there is much more we can do together to help *Thy Kingdom Come* be fully in the lifeblood of the Church.

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will:

- *Deepen their own relationship with Jesus Christ*
- *Pray for 5 friends or family to come to faith in Jesus*
- *Pray for the empowerment of the Spirit that we would be effective in our witness*

After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

Through the centuries Christians have gathered at that time to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. 'Thy Kingdom Come' picks up this tradition. Over the years more and more worshipping communities have dedicated the days between Ascension and Pentecost to pray 'Come Holy Spirit'.

We are praying that the Spirit will inspire and equip us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our friends and families, our communities and networks. It has been amazing how many varied ways there have been in which people from every tradition have taken up this challenge. The effects have been remarkable.

It is our prayer that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and his love for the world will hear it for themselves, and respond and follow Him. Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 friends who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

Whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, we invite you to take part – along with churches from over 80 different denominations & traditions in nearly 90% of countries (172) around the world.

"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities." Archbishop Justin Welby

Rogation Sunday WORDSEARCH

The first Sunday in May is Rogation Sunday. This is when many parishes still 'beat the bounds'. Rogation means an asking of God - for blessing on the seed and land. The practice began with the Romans, who processed around the cornfields each Spring, singing and dancing, sacrificing animals, in order to get rid of evil. About 465 AD the Western world was suffering from earthquake and storm. Mamertius, Bishop of Vienne, aware of the pagan custom, ordered that prayers should be said in the ruined or neglected fields. Thus 'beating the bounds' became a Christian ceremonial. It arrived in England early in the eighth century. Each Spring, led by the priest, a little party from the parish would set out with a Cross to trace the boundaries of the parish. They'd implore God to keep their corn and roots and boughs in good health, and bring them to harvest. In the days when maps were scarce, 'beating the bounds' helped remind everyone just where the boundaries were. Do you know yours today?

Sunday
May
Rogation
Beat
Bounds

Asking
Blessing
Seed
Land
Romans

Processed
Cornfields
Spring
Earthquake
Storm

Prayer
Cross
Boundaries
Crops
Harvest
maps



GOD IN THE SCIENCES: Finding Expression – and God’s Response – in Lament

The question of suffering comes up regularly in discussions about science and faith. I once visited a school to speak to some of the older teenagers. One of the pupils had sadly passed away from cancer a few weeks before and his classmates asked, “How God could let this happen?” Of course, these young people’s questions about where God was in this situation were important. But the chaplain also gently reminded the class that their friend’s family were Christians, and that they were finding that their experience of loss had brought them even closer to God than before.



One way that grief can bring us near to God is when we share it with Him, telling Him exactly how we feel. The biblical writers had no scruples about expressing themselves to God, giving vent to emotions we often hold back in a church context. As my colleague Roger Abbott has written in his book on *'Unanswered' Prayer*, “Let us not confuse reverence with spiritual prudishness. Perhaps honesty, the way it feels, is precisely what God is waiting to hear from us.”

About one third of the Psalms express some form of grief. The book of Job is a series of responses to one man’s suffering as he loses his children, property and health in quick succession. Lamentations is also one long outpouring of sadness at what happened to Israel under the Babylonians. Some of the prophets, especially Jeremiah, also express their pain at these sorts of events – which reflect something of God’s own feelings at the suffering of His people.

Most of these biblical authors would have had access to Scriptures that encouraged them to turn to God whatever the circumstances. Emboldened by their knowledge of His character and promises, these divinely inspired writers even express their anger to God about the things He lets happen, or complain that He seems to act unfairly or ignore them in their plight. Not only do these people let out all their feelings without fear of reprisal, but they also clearly expect a helpful answer. Some record a resolution to their troubles – often simply because God speaks to and comforts them, enabling them to keep going.

The biblical writers demonstrated that God can handle pretty much anything – anger, blame, bitterness – if we are actively looking to Him for help. As Pete Greig of the 24-7 prayer movement has written, “pain that is not expressed can never be transformed”.

GOD IN THE ARTS : I wish you a joyful May

The painting hangs in the Lady Lever Art Gallery in Port Sunlight

When Van Gogh painted 'The Raising of Lazarus', he turned to Rembrandt for inspiration. But in place of the figure of Jesus, he painted a warm, glowing sun, radiant in the sky, and shining out to bring renewal of life to Lazarus and his sisters.

From time immemorial people have placed the sun at the centre of life and worship. As Christianity grew and spread, it took over ceremonies and practices associated with that belief, but then moved the focus from the sun above to the Son, Jesus, on the earth below.



We can see that in the traditions and worship of Christmas and Easter. In May we celebrate the goodness and fruitfulness of nature brought by the sun with Maypole dancing, the crowning of the May Queen, and games and sports, just as the Romans went dancing in the fields at this time, rejoicing in the gifts of Flora, the goddess of nature. In May the druids would greet the sun in the sky as they gathered on a high place.

That custom persisted for several centuries, particularly at Magdalen College in Oxford. In 1840 Dr John Bloxam revived the ceremony. Holman Hunt, one of that group of artists known as the Pre-Raphaelites, visited Oxford in 1851 and so enjoyed the Christmas festivities that he decided to honour the college life in one of his paintings. That decision took many years to reach the canvas: his painting of 'May Morning on Magdalen Tower' is one of his last complete works in 1890.

We can easily identify the choristers gathered to greet the rising sun in music and song. Amid the clouds and blue sky above, the birds are flying and the floor where the choir stand is bedecked with flowers. It is a glorious celebration of the fruitfulness of May and the summer: God's creation bringing so many gifts. The president of the college is the man with the dark beard at the right of the painting, and Dr Bloxam is beside him. But there is an unusual character there also, at the side of the painting – a Parsee, an ancient worshipper of the sun from Persia, perhaps representing not just those who look to the light of the sun, but are also searching for the light of truth. The young chorister in the middle looking out at us holds a lily, the symbol of Mary, the mother of God's Son.

All creation is gathered to greet the dawn and the rising sun of May – the birds above and people below, young and old, Christian and non-Christian - all united to proclaim the goodness and renewal promised by the sun.

Holman Hunt said that he wanted to represent 'the spirit of a beautiful, primitive and in a large sense eternal service.' Here is a vivid reminder that the faith we profess opens our eyes to God's goodness and glory symbolised in the rising sun, and that He welcomes everyone to share in those gifts.

Ruth's Reflecting

Easter has come and gone! Another milestone in lockdown passed. I should have been staying with my sister, but obviously I was unable to do so. Even so I did have a lovely time over the Easter period. Easter Saturday I spent a short time with my daughter and grandsons, the first time I had seen them this year, and that was lovely. Easter Sunday I spent with my younger daughter and son in law and had a roast dinner cooked for me which was a real treat. As I am bubbled with them I could go indoors!

Easter Monday, five of us managed to ring a few handbells at St Barts, very enjoyable in spite of the freezing cold. Over and above all this were the Zoom Church Services. Much appreciated and enjoyed, but makes one realise how nice it will be to be able to go to a physical service in a real building.

I have met up with various people in their garden, as we are now allowed to do. It is so nice to be with people, especially for those of us who live alone. I know I am lucky in that I can get out and about, but I feel sorry for those people who can't. I can't help feeling, in some cases, that they are the forgotten ones in these unusual times, especially if they have no family close by.



I haven't been doing as much photography lately, while the weather is fine I have been out in the garden. It is looking quite good and I am pleased with what I have done. I have also now got someone to help in the garden, mainly with the heavier stuff and with the things I can't reach. I realise now that my days of leaping up ladders with a hedge trimmer are well and truly over!

I have been out walking as much as I can and it is so lovely seeing all the trees and bushes coming to life, all the delicate greens and the blossom are so beautiful that it makes me realise what a beautiful place we live in and it is possible to forget the pandemic for a short time.

Apart from essential food shopping I have not ventured to any other shops. I actually feel quite nervous in doing so and I don't suppose I am alone in feeling like this, I have however had my hair cut! I have had my second vaccination so I will have to be brave and go further afield, there are things I need to get!

Take care everyone and enjoy this awakening season.

Ruth.



WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH **St Bartholomew's and St Chad's**

This is a reminder of the guidance regarding "in-person services at church. It's intended as a pocket-sized "aide memoire", and has deliberately been placed in the middle of the magazine so that you can pull it out and keep it easily to hand. It doesn't include all the details – please refer to the full guidance document for those (available on parish website - or in printed form by contacting the parish office). The numbers in brackets by some of the headings refer to the full guidance notes.

Service Times (p 1)

St Chad's 9.30 am

St Bartholomew's
8.00 am on 1st and 3rd Sunday
11.15 am on 2nd, 4th and 5th Sunday

St Chad's - Wednesday 10.15 am

The services at 8 am (St Bartholomew's) and 10.15 am (St Chad's) are primarily (but not exclusively) for those who are over 70 or clinically vulnerable.

Numbers Attending (p 1)

Up to 7 households at St Bartholomew's

Up to 16 households at St Chad's

You must book your place in advance, otherwise you might find that the limits have already been reached.

How to book a place (p 3)

Book by email from Monday morning for the service the following Sunday, or Thursday morning for the service on the following Wednesday. You cannot book before bookings open at 9am.

**Email for bookings:
servicebookings@thurstaston.org.uk**

You should include your name and phone number; the date and time of service you wish to attend; names of all those attending, with ages if under 16; if you have children who will be in a pram, pushchair or on your knee for the whole service please let us know. If you will be in a wheelchair, please also inform us so we can make appropriate arrangements.

We would encourage you to sign a consent form for the NHS "Track and Trace" system for each service you attend. There is a copy of the form at the end of the main document (on page 5) which is downloadable from the front page of the website and will be available in physical form when you arrive at church.

If you cannot send an email and do not have a friend who can do it for you then you can book by phone on 07553 099 388.

If you can send emails, please do not use the phone number.

Arrival at Church (p 3)

A steward will ask you to confirm that you are well, remind you about face coverings and ask you to use the hand sanitiser. On your first service under these arrangements, another steward will invite you to pick up an envelope with two service books – Morning Worship and Holy Communion. You should take these home after the service and bring them with you the next time you come.

When it is safe to do so, we will ask you to return them for general use again but until then they will be your personal copies. Please write your name on the envelope.

The stewards will show you to your place, starting at the front.

You will not be able to sit next to anyone who is not in your household or support bubble.

In St Chad's, please ask the stewards for help if you need to bring chairs together for your household.

Some quiet music will be playing. Please use the time before the service for private prayer and reflection.

Safety is paramount (p 2)

We will follow the guidelines of the Church of England and the Government. Symptoms of Covid-19: new continuous cough, high temperature or change in or loss of your sense of taste and smell. If you have any of these, please do not attend church as you could infect others. You should self-isolate at home immediately.

If you are clinically vulnerable, Government advice is to stay at home as much as possible. If you do go out, take care to minimise contact with anyone who isn't in your household.

The church will be cleaned before and after every service and left for 48 hours (the time recommended at present) before it can be used again. That means just one service per building on Sundays.

Face coverings

Everyone in the building must wear a face covering which covers mouth and nose. More details and the legitimate exemptions are shown on page 2 of the full guidance notes.

Other changes in the form of the services

- Children and young people are always very welcome but please supervise them, with appropriate precautions. For the time being, there will be no Junior Church at St Chad's.

You might wish to bring some "quiet" toys or books for your children, as none will be available in the churches.

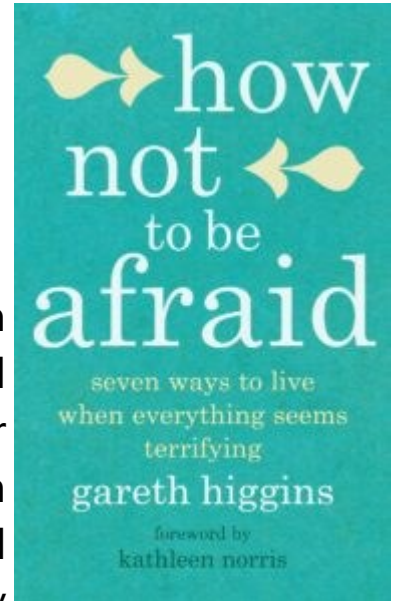
- There will be no singing.
- You will be able to greet other people, with social distancing, outside the church after the service.
- Doors and windows will be open for the duration of services, so if it is a cooler day, please bring something warm to wear.
- For our Giving, we are encouraging people to set up Standing Orders if possible. Otherwise, there will be a collection plate at the back of the church for cash and cheques.
- Receiving Communion – when these services are started, only bread will be distributed, not wine. You should stand to receive, as the altar rails cannot be used. The priest will come to you. If possible, please sanitise your hands before and after removing your face mask and before and after replacing it (do not touch the front of the mask).
- At St Chad's, only the disabled access and baby-change toilet will be in use – but only in an emergency, please.
- At St Chad's - No refreshments will be provided after the service.

Book Reviews

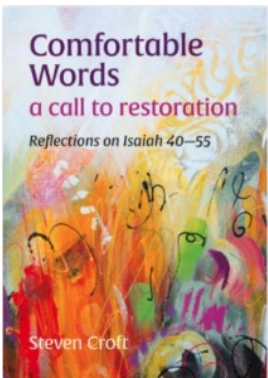
How Not To Be Afraid – seven ways to live when everything seems terrifying

By Gareth Higgins and Kathleen Norris, Canterbury Press, £14.99

We live in a time where we seem more afraid than ever. The rise of populism, polarisation and aggression in politics, the media and popular culture, and the climate crisis have coincided with the collapse of previously cherished norms and expectations about economic stability, community life, and even the future of the planet.



And all this before the pandemic struck. No wonder we are overwhelmed by anxiety. Popular speaker, storyteller and activist Gareth Higgins exposes the root causes of fear and shows how we can break its power through life-giving stories, simple spiritual exercises and practical steps



Comfortable Words - a Call to Restoration

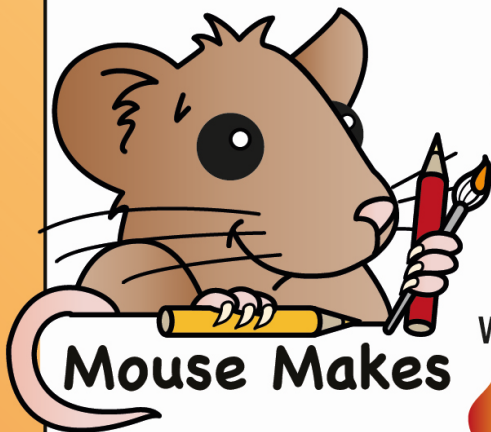
Nine reflections on Isaiah to bring hope in challenging times

By Stephen Croft, BRF, £7.99

'Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God...'. Through nine reflections Steven Croft, Bishop of Oxford, examines what these 'comfortable words' have to say to us.

The prophet sings of love and forgiveness, of new hope and strength in God, to rekindle courage in the hearts of God's people. The prophet sings of a new kind of leadership, based on humility and gentleness. The prophet sings to tell us not to be afraid even in the face of death. These are comfortable words the whole world needs to hear afresh in this season.

Each reflection begins with a passage of scripture taken from Isaiah 40—55: the song of an unnamed prophet who sings at the end of the exile to call God's people home.



Mouse Makes

Re arrange the scrambled letters to find the missing words.

The Holy Spirit
V S E I L
with us and in us.

The Holy Spirit
helps us to
W K N O
we belong to God.

The Holy Spirit
H C T S E E A
us about God.

The Holy Spirit
K P E S S A
God's word to us.

The Holy Spirit
P H L S E
us to tell others
about Jesus.

The Holy Spirit
helps us when we
A Y P R



On the day of **PENTECOST**
the disciples were gathered
together in one place...

What sound did they hear?

Acts 2:2

What did they see?

Acts 2:3

What filled them?

Acts 2:4

How did they speak?

Acts 2:4

What did the crowd hear?

Acts 2:6



Which countries
had they come from?

Acts 2:9

What was
their reaction?

Acts 2:12-13



Who explained
what was
happening?

What did he say?

Acts 2:14-36

How many
people were
baptised
that day?

Acts 2:41



Change each letter to the
letter before it in the
alphabet and see what
the **Holy Spirit**
produces in us:

KPZ
IVNJMJUZ
TFMG DPOUSPM
GBJUIGVMOFTT
LJOEOFTT
QBUJFODF
QFBDF
MPWF
HPPEOFTT

Galatians 5:22

What is the work of the
Holy Spirit? What does He do?
Fill in the missing letters.

TEAC _ ES
COMF _ RTS
REVEA _ S

IN _ OU
TRAN _ FORMS

HEL _ S

GU _ DES

_ ENEWS

CONV _ CTS

SANC _ IFIES



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<https://www.facebook.com/stchadsstbarts/>

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From our page you can also share individual posts and events with others you may think would like to hear about us and our events.

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[@StBartsStChads](https://twitter.com/StBartsStChads)



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I can't tell you how impressed my boyfriend and I were to buy our house through Alan at Open House in February. They offered such a personal and efficient service at what was such a busy time in our lives, having just had our baby daughter in December! They were understanding, flexible with viewings & their communication was excellent. We are enjoying our new house so much & Alan even gave have us a lovely bottle of champagne as a moving in present. Thanks again X"



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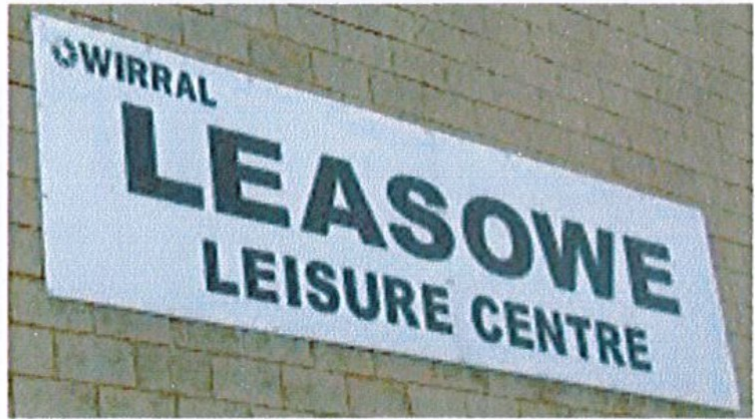
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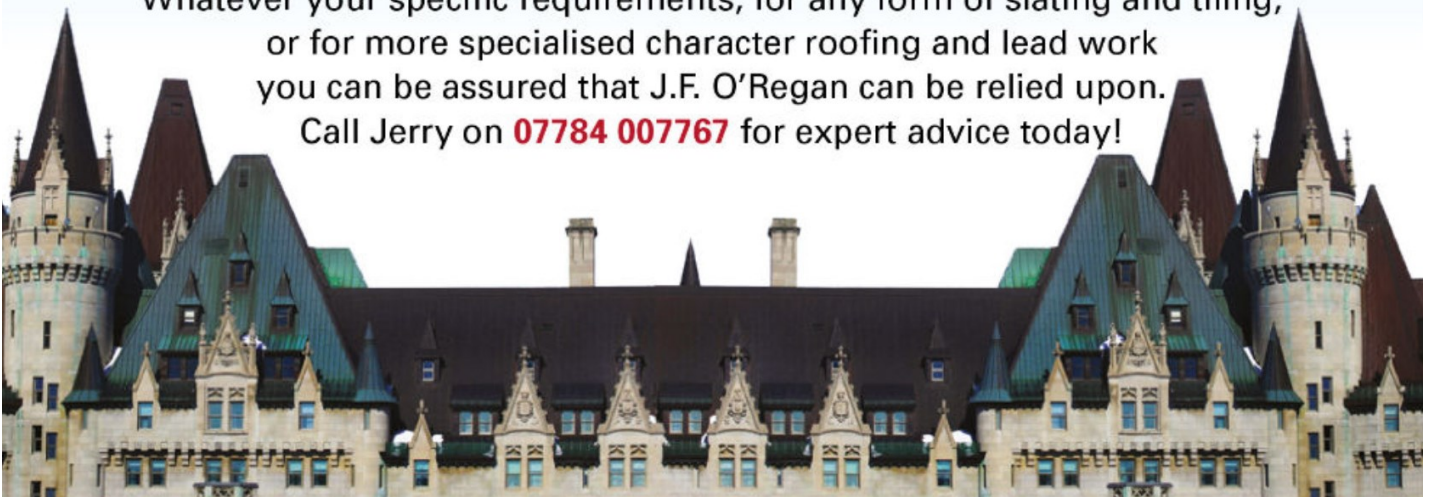
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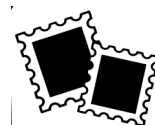
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May 2nd **6.00pm All-Age Service**

May 9th **6.30pm Evening Prayer**

Thursday 13th May (Ascension Day) 8pm Evening Prayer

May 16th **6.30pm Evening Prayer**

May 23rd **6.30pm Evening Prayer**

May 30th **6.30pm Evening Prayer**

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Assuming Step 3 of the Govt Roadmap happens on 17th May we will return to in person-services. **YOU WILL NEED TO BOOK FOR THESE SERVICES - details on pages 13-16**

**Sun 23rd May 9.30am HC at St Chad's
11.15am HC at St Bart's**

Wed 26th May 10.15am HC at St Chad's

**Sun 30th May 8.00am BCP HC at St Bart's
9.30am MW at St Chad's**

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5th May, 12th May, 19th May

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