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Dear Friends,  
Wow, what an amazing few  
days to bring the merry month  
of May to its close:



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temperatures soaring and the countryside languorously teeming with a multiplicity of life and abundance. Following a wonderful Sunday, celebrating the feast of The Most Holy Trinity, during which we welcomed Odin Jan and Erick, through Holy Baptism, into membership of the Church, we later in the day relaxed into a simple and spiritual act of evening worship in the Chapel. For me, the twilight eventually fell into a magical gloaming, warm and beautiful; evocative of deep comfort, satisfaction and happy contentment of a day well spent, and a life to be lovingly relished. The mood polished just perfectly to appreciate the mysterious stirrings of the soul, with the paradoxical experience of a gentle quietness, set against all the myriad sounds of nightfall, usually left unnoticed, reverberating beneath the vast cupola of the summer firmament. All Gods creatures, it seems, raise their impressive songs in praise as one great cacophonous symphony, melting into the ambient soundscape of the ending day.

At such times, we marvel at the quality of silence, able to swallow up every sound of the ubiquitous chorus of life: silence, becoming all-pervasive within the chatter of the late evening sky. This silent tranquility, inexorably, though gently dominant amidst all the other sounds, absorbs and transforms. Perfect stillness, perfect silence: a kind of communion, a moment of mystery, a moment of connection, an apprehension of the eternal now, unobstructed fullness of prayer.

And so, then, onward to another week, and with it, cares and woes which inevitably touch us as we must make our way along life's pilgrimage! But, thank God, with a memory and encouragement of another refreshing Sunday, another encounter with the living Lord of all that is, we take courage. Our experiences of reality, our reading the daily avalanche of sad stories of suffering, the all too often aggressive performances of politics, business and commerce, the revelation of humanity, at once insignificant within the cosmos, and yet completely dominant in the comprehensive scheme of life on this planet, is given perspective by our experience of faith. Episodes of experience such as those shared on Trinity and many other Sundays, and in other deeply spiritual connections with the Ground Of Our Being, must renew our determination to make our Lord's imperative a reality, influencing our world as we can, that God's will might, through us, be done on earth as in heaven. Our faith must be supported by our practice of Gods uncompromising Spirit of Love. Our faith might, indeed, be the most significant aspect of our spiritual life, however, we must guard against what we claim as our personal faith solidifying into dogmatic claims of what we see as our own perfect understanding of truth. Exclusiveness is not God's way and the Kingdom grows through welcome. "God is love, and those who live in love live in God, and God lives in them." Enjoy these summer days and, as ever, touch others with God's care, as you feel and know his infinite care for you.

Love, Fr. B



## Ascension day May 10: The Service, the Picnic, the Results



Over fifty people attended the beautiful Ascension Day Service, which was our chaplains first at St Mary's. A service that left people with a smile on their face, a spring

### Huh!

"I just found out why dogs drink out of the toilet. My mother said it's because the water is a lot colder in there. I'm like, How does my mother know that?"

- Wendy Liebman

### Of course

Q: How do you tell the difference between a Labrador and a marine biologist?

A: The one wags a tale, the other tags a whale.

### Logic

Teacher asks Little Johnny, "Johnny, how old is your father?" "He's as old as me," Johnny informs her. "Now how would that be possible?" inquires the surprised teacher. "Well - he

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in their step and a song in their heart. Feelings reinforced when they reached the Wood Yard and saw the sumptuous feast laid out before them. Over sixty people came together to enjoy the chaplaincies annual picnic. However, before feasting could begin there were two important tasks to complete. First, our chaplain led us in the Grace and after that, judging of the pies in the pie bake had to take place. (After all, the pies were there to be eaten!) The international panel of culinary experts, Canon Geoffrey Allen, Maureen Underwood and Blair Charles, who have well over a century of serious eating between them, nibbled, masticated (posh chewing) and pondered. It was a close run competition but by a majority decision, the winner of the Sweet Pie category was Caroline Siertsema. The winner of the Savoury Pie category was Everhard Ottens. The two expert cooks were congratulated and presented with a selection of culinary tools Then the feasting could begin in earnest. Once all the food was eaten everyone sat back to listen to the beautiful selection of music put on by Carol van Straten, on guitar, and partner on piano accordion. It was yet another wonderful day out. If you missed it there is always next year.

### Forthcoming Dates

- 6 June - Crafts and Coffee
- 24 June - Evensong New Sion Diepenveen
- 15 July - Evensong at St Mary's Chapel
- 15, 22, 29 July - Summer Teas
- 5, 12 August - Summer Teas
- 15 September - Castle Fair
- 4 - 6 October - Archdeaconry Synod
- 14 October - Harvest Festival
- 11 November - Remembrance Service (100 years)
- 16 December - Nine Lessons and Carols
- 24 December - Eucharist of Christmas Midnight

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## Chapel Cleaning

Chapel Cleaning took place on the 19 May. Not many people were expected to turn up as a certain British prince had decided to get married on the same day. He could have checked with us first to see if it was convenient! However, so many people came that it was difficult to find everyone jobs. It turned into a wonderful morning with everyone working together. Little Anna van Dijk and a friend were busy vacuuming the altar carpet. At the other end of the chapel and age spectrum, Flip Wegenwijs sat on the bench polishing brass. In between there were people cleaning windows, vacuuming carpets, dusting pews and pulpits and de-waxing the vocation candle tray. The deadline for completion was 12:00 to allow us time to get back home for The Wedding. We finished in time to have coffee and cake and then we all scattered back across the Eastern Netherlands. A big thank you to everyone who helped clean the chapel with such joy.

## Magazine Payments

St Mary's Magazine has a valuable role in helping to keep the congregation informed and in touch with each other.

An annual contribution of just €15 per annum will help to ensure that you will continue to receive your copy. For those of you who receive the magazine by post, a contribution of €20 will cover postage costs.

Last year, nearly two thirds of the magazine costs were covered by reader's payments. This year, it would help the survival of the magazine if contributions covered all the costs. Thank you.



## Intercessions

If you wish to have someone included in the intercession, please contact the Chaplain or one of the Churchwardens before the Service.

If you know of anyone who is sick or in need of pastoral care, please contact the Chaplain or one of the Churchwardens.

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became father the day I was born."

## Good quote

A certain bishop had a fondness for using Bible quotations whenever he visited a function. When he arrived to open a new Maternity Home the organisers thought: "Now we have him stumped."

However, after a few well chosen words, the bishop smiled and said: "I know you are waiting for a quotation, so here it is: 'We shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed!'"

## People

People want the front of the bus, back of the church, and centre of attention.

Somebody once figured out that we have 35 million laws trying to enforce Ten commandments.

## **Girlfriend**

When our minister and his wife visited our neighbour, her four-year-old daughter answered the door.

"Mum!" she yelled toward the living room. "God's here, and he brought his girlfriend.

## **Broad**

Middle age is when broadness of the mind and narrowness of the waist change places.

## **The glass**

To the optimist, the glass is half full. To the pessimist, the glass is half empty. To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

## **Sticks**

Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today, it's called golf.

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## **St James the Least of All**

*Happily, the Church of England still retains some singular parish clergy. Take the parish of St James-the-Least in the county of C- for example. Here the elderly Anglo-Catholic vicar, Eustace, continues his correspondence to Darren, his nephew, a low-church curate recently ordained...*

*Editor: The Rev Dr Gary Bowness continues his letters from 'Uncle Eustace'...*

## **On church tourists and outrageous lies**

My dear Nephew Darren

I was sorry to hear of the dawn call by the police because your church had been broken into, although the theft of tambourines, books of choruses and banners proclaiming "Jesus wants me for a Sunbeam" are likely to have a limited market. But you are fortunate that those are the only unexpected call-outs you receive.

Those of us with ancient churches are resigned to receiving telephone calls from people living in remote corners of the globe who happen to be on holiday in England and want to trace long-lost relatives who were married or buried in our parishes. They invariably seem amazed when they find you are not personally familiar with someone who died 400 years ago, what family still exists, where they live and what interesting anecdotes you know about their ancestors - preferably something criminal. Any attempts to put them off will be deflected by being told that they fly home tomorrow and since they are booked at a show in London that evening, could they come round early afternoon?

Once inside the church, they will expect a conducted tour. I have a competition with myself to see how outrageous I can make our history, yet still be believed. One family now thinks that the conical tomb in the churchyard is the last visible tip of the spire of the famous cathedral which once stood on this spot but sank into the ground when cursed by a bride who was jilted at its altar.



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A second couple now know that a locked safe contains a set of pagan gods which were worshipped by an obscure sect in the parish during the time of the Tudor monarchs. They were removed by the incumbent of the day and locked away. Only the Rector is allowed a key and is only permitted to look inside at the contents on the day he leaves office, as the sight is too terrible.

Yet another are convinced that several dozen mediaeval gold chalices are buried in the rectory garden, where they were hidden from Cromwell's soldiers and their exact location has been forgotten (I told that story when I was looking for volunteers to dig over the rose beds).

Should they get as far as the vestry to inspect the registers of baptisms, marriages and burials, you know that the afternoon is lost. It can occasionally hasten their departure by casually telling them to ignore the mice which will be running round the floor - although hardened visitors are likely to set up their tripods to catch them on film.

The ultimate deterrent is to suggest they stay to Evensong which I am about to say. That is guaranteed to remind them that they have an urgent appointment back at their hotel.

Your loving uncle,  
Eustace



### **Observations on modern life**

When a boy marries, two opinions prevail at the home he is leaving. His mother thinks he is throwing himself away, and his sisters think the girl is.  
*Anon*

What do I think of Western civilisation? I think it would be a very good idea. *Mahatma Gandhi*

As long as there are exams, there will be prayer in schools.  
*Anon*

One who boasts of being a self-made person relieves the Lord of a lot of responsibility. *Anon*

At a certain age some people's minds close up; they live on their intellectual fat. *W L Phelps*

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### **Revenge**

One day, fridges will take their revenge. They will burst into your bedroom in the middle of the night, switch the light on, stare at you for a few minutes and then leave.

### **Obvious**

"Little Jonny, why did you put your teddy in the freezer?"

"I wanted a polar bear."

### **The official dogs' song?**

"Every snack you take, every food you make, every can you shake, every seal you break, I'll be watching you...."

### **Life**

"Life is like a dogsled team. If you ain't the lead dog, the scenery never changes."  
" - Lewis Grizzard

Q: What do you get when you try to cross a pit bull with a computer?  
A: A lot of bites.

## Drama

A college drama group presented a play in which one character would stand on a trapdoor and announce, "I descend into hell!" A stagehand below would then pull a rope, the trapdoor would open, and the character would plunge through. The play was well received. When the actor playing the part became ill, another actor who was quite overweight took his place. When the new actor announced, "I descend into hell!" the stagehand pulled the rope and the actor began his plunge, but became hopelessly stuck in the trapdoor, half in, half out. No amount of tugging could make him descend. One student in the balcony jumped up and yelled, "Hallelujah!! Hell is full!"

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## NO SUBSTITUTIONS, PLEASE

That notice is often found printed on the bottom of a menu, and means that you may not substitute tomato for potato. It might be an excellent idea if the Sunday Order of Service read at the bottom of the page, NO SUBSTITUTIONS.

The commonest form of substitution is to replace faith with membership: belonging to a parish becomes more important than trying to achieve a right relationship with God through Jesus Christ. "How or where may I best take up the Cross and follow Christ?" is rarely a guide in belonging to a particular parish.

Once a member, the next common form of substitution is to replace spiritual growth with church work: running guilds or organizations and organizations rather than, say, Christians praying together, meetings tend to crowd out being present at the altar rail. Some individuals get lost in the 'parish-house' religion, while Christ Jesus calls out, "I am the way, the truth and the life."

Priest and vestries find their substitutions: instead of telling people about Christ, sermons seem like a pitch for more pledging families; priests are sometimes less aware of what a parishioner needs than of what the parish needs. (Help the priest by letting him know your needs.) And the time that vestries take to decide how not to spend money is more than given on how to spread the Good News.

To break the habit of substitution we must first recognize that we do it; then we must return to public worship in the Church and private prayer at home; and then we must seek to conform our lives to that of Christ, remembering all the while that the world judges the Church and God by what it sees in us. Therefore in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, please, NO SUBSTITUTIONS.

Written by a priest in New York in 1978

*(While these words are not applicable to either our parish or priest, it is good to be aware of the dangers on our path in Christian life. Contributed by Erica Schotman Bonting)*



## Traditional Anglican Evensong 27 May

The 27th was a busy day for many at St Mary's Chapel. In the morning there was a beautiful double baptism service inserted between the Sermon and the Intercessions. A young child, Odin Jan, and a young man, Eric, were welcomed into the Christian faith. After post service coffee and socialising, there was just time to dash home for lunch before heading back to the chapel. At 16:00, a core of strong singers began singing practice in preparation for the Evensong at 17:00. This was necessitated by the fact that sadly, there was no choir available for the service and the congregation therefore had to provide the song.



In a hot, humid chapel, 26 people came together to produce a wonderful moving Evensong Service. The singing, led by Canon Brian Rodford and volunteers standing around the organ was quite enchanting. The service itself was deeply spiritual with music, prayer and song coming together to create a memorable experience. Afterwards, with everyone gathered in the hut for coffee we found that many of the congregation that evening were from our neighbouring churches in Goor. Evensong thus gave us all an opportunity to meet our neighbours as strangers and to part as future friends!



We expect our young people to lay down their lives for our nation, but most of us are not willing to lay down our bank accounts for God. *Anon*

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**The real meaning of garden plant catalogue terminology:**

"A favourite of birds" means to avoid planting near cars, pavements, or clotheslines.

"Grows more beautiful each year" means "Looks like road kill for the foreseeable future."

"May require support" means your daughter's engineering degree will finally pay off.

"Moisture-loving" plants are ideal for landscaping all your bogs and swamps.

"Carefree" refers more to the plant's attitude than to your workload.

"Vigorous" is code for "has a Napoleonic compulsion to take over the world."

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*Forthcoming Services*

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>Celebrant &amp; Preacher</b>	<b>Canon Brian Rodford</b>
	<b>Duty Warden</b>	<b>Jeanet Luiten</b>
	<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>Lea Meijnen</b>
	<b>Chalice</b>	<b>Joyce Wigboldus</b>
	Philippa te West	Deuteronomy [5. 12-15]
<b>10:30</b> <b>Sung Eucharist</b>	Linda ten Berge	2 Corinthians. [4.5-12]
	Gospel	Mark [2.23-3.6 ]

*Forthcoming Services*

<b>10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Celebrant &amp; Preacher</b>	<b>Canon Brian Rodford</b>
	<b>Duty Warden</b>	<b>Jeanet Luiten</b>
	<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>Fred Schonewille</b>
	<b>Chalice</b>	<b>Jeanet Luiten</b>
	Elisa Hannan	Genesis [3. 8-15]
<b>10:30</b> <b>Sung Eucharist</b>	Charlotte Solms	2 Corinthians [4. 13-5.1]
	Gospel	Mark [3. 20-end]

*Forthcoming Services*

<b>17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Officiant and Preacher</b>	<b>Ms Simone Yallop</b>
	<b>Duty Warden</b>	<b>Blair Charles</b>
	<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>Jan de Beij</b>
	<b>Chalice</b>	
	Arthur Cass	Ezekiel [17. 22-end]
<b>10:30 Morning</b> <b>Prayer</b>	Lea Meijnen	2 Corinthians [5.6-10, 11-13, 14-17]
	Gospel	Mark [4. 26-34 ]

<b>24<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Celebrant &amp; Preacher</b>	<b>Canon Brian Rodford</b>
	<b>Duty Warden</b>	<b>Jeanet Luiten</b>
<b>Fourth after Trinity</b>	<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>Philippa te West</b>
	<b>Chalice</b>	<b>Simone Yallop</b>
<b>10:30 Sung Eucharist</b>	Vivian Reinders	1 Samuel [17. 1a-4, 19-23, ]
	Jan de Beij	2 Corinthians [6. 1-13]
	Gospel	Mark [4.35- end]



<b>1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Celebrant &amp; Preacher</b>	<b>Canon Brian Rodford</b>
	<b>Duty Warden</b>	<b>Blair Charles</b>
<b>Fifth after Trinity</b>	<b>Intercessor</b>	<b>Jeanet Luiten</b>
	<b>Chalice</b>	<b>Fred Schonewille</b>
<b>10:30 Sung Eucharist</b>	Elizabeth van der Heijden	2 Samuel [1. 1 - 17-end]
	Maureen Underwood	2 Corinthians [8.7-end]
	Gospel	Mark 5. 21-end

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## **Church Signs**

A person's character is like a fence.  
It cannot be strengthened by whitewash

Preach the gospel at all times.  
Use words if necessary

The wages of sin is death.  
Repent before payday

Christians, keep the faith...  
But not from others!

Prevent truth decay.  
Brush up on your bible

A singing group called The Resurrection was scheduled to sing at a church. When a big snowstorm postponed the performance, the vicar placed a sign outside that read 'The Resurrection is postponed'

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## **9 June Feast Day of Columba of Iona (c. 521 -97) Missionary to the UK**

2013 marked the 1450<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the arrival of Christianity in the UK. It was brought by St Columba from Ireland to Iona – a tiny island off Mull, in the Western Highlands.

Columba was born in Donegal of the royal Ui Neill clan, and trained as a monk. He founded the monasteries of Derry (546), Durrow (c.556) and probably Kells. But in 565 Columba left Ireland with twelve companions for Iona, an island off southwest Scotland. Iona had been given to him for a monastery by the ruler of the Irish Dalriada.

Why would a monk in his mid-40s go into such voluntary exile? Various explanations include: voluntary exile for Christ, an attempt to help overseas compatriots in their struggle for survival, or even as some sort of punishment for his part in a row over a psalter in Ireland. Whatever the reason, Columba went to Iona and spent the rest of his life in Scotland, returning to Ireland only for occasional visits.

Columba's biographer, Adomnan, portrays him as a tall, striking figure of powerful build and impressive presence, who combined the skills of scholar, poet and ruler with a fearless commitment to God's cause. Able, ardent, and sometimes harsh, Columba seems to have mellowed with age.

As well as building his monastery on Iona, Columba also converted Brude, king of the Picts. Columba had great skill as a scribe, and an example of this can be seen in the Cathach of Columba, a late 6th century psalter in the Irish Academy, which is the oldest surviving example of Irish majuscule writing. In his later years Columba spent much time transcribing books.

Columba's death was apparently foreseen by his community, and even, it seems, sensed by his favourite

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horse. He died in the church just before Matins, and it is a tribute to this man that his traditions were upheld by his followers for about a century, not least in the Synod of Whitby and in Irish monasteries on the continent of Europe.

*St Columba's prayer*

### **Christ With Us**

My dearest Lord,  
Be Thou a bright flame before me,  
Be Thou a guiding star above me,  
Be Thou a smooth path beneath me,  
Be Thou a kindly shepherd behind me,  
Today and evermore.

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### **'People nowadays'**

'Everyone seems to be against *something*', someone said to me the other day, and I had to agree. 'What I can't stand is . . .' can be followed by almost anything, from babies screaming in the coffee shop to people who will say 'Take care!', junk mail, careless parkers or even someone's accent or hair style on television.

Identifying ourselves by what we are *against* is an ancient but ultimately soul-destroying attitude. Older people like me have our own version of it: 'People nowadays . . .' followed by our particular dislike about modern ways. 'People' are us, actually, and I dare say our little foibles equally irritate some younger citizens. The answer, someone suggested to me, is to replace 'What I can't stand is . . .' with 'What cheers me up is . . .' I worked out my own list, including children laughing, a dog's devotion, 'Hi ya David' from a neighbour, a favourite hymn in church, and the supermarket check-out person who has just beeped their five hundredth item of the day but still smiles and says hello as though she means it. Come to think of it, I quite like the dismissal, 'Take care!' I need to.

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### **With our Christian faith in mind**

The noblest  
revenge is to  
forgive.

*Thomas Fuller*

We trust not  
because 'a god'  
exists, but  
because THIS God  
exists.

*C S Lewis*

Grace is the sum  
and substance of  
New Testament  
faith.

*J I Packer*

History is the long  
story of man  
trying to be God.

*V Havner*

Most men pray  
more for full  
purses than for  
pure hearts.

*T Watson*

God cares not for  
phrases but for  
affections.

*Joseph Hall*

When you make a  
commitment,  
you build hope.  
When you keep it,  
you build trust.

*Anon*

## **Patch**

This is not my bald patch; it's my solar panel for brain power.

## **Italian pasta diet that really works**

You walka pasta da bakery  
You walka pasta da sweet shop  
You walka pasta da ice cream shop  
You walk pasta da table and fridge  
You gonna lose weight!

## **Timber**

A man with a nagging secret couldn't keep it any longer. In the confessional he admitted that for years he had been stealing building supplies from the timber yard where he worked. He told the priest he had taken enough to build his son's house, a cottage for his daughter, and a garden house for his wife. "This is very serious," said the priest. I shall have to think of a

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## **What about Facebook after you die?**

*(David Pickup, a solicitor, considers what might happen to your Facebook page when you die.)*

*The righteous perish, and no one takes it to heart; the devout are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil. Those who walk uprightly enter into peace; they find rest as they lie in death' (Isaiah 57:1-2 NIV)*

What happens to their Facebook page when they die is probably the last thing on most peoples' minds.

However, many people have an "online presence" such as Facebook pages, Linked-in, email accounts, Instagram and all sorts of bank accounts and website pages. Who can get access to that information?

Depending on the type of account, a relative or friend might want to close it, retrieve information or images or preserve it in some way. Making a will is an opportunity to make a clear decision about what happens to things you own and this includes something electronic and who carries out your wishes.

According to Facebook ,you can choose to either appoint a legacy contact to look after your account, or have your account permanently deleted from Facebook. If you do not choose to have your account permanently deleted, it will be memorialised if Facebook are told about the death. Memorialised accounts are a place for friends and family to gather and share memories after a person has passed away.

Google encourages people to think about these issues and they have something called an Inactive Account Manager to let them know who should have access to your information, and whether you want your account to be deleted.

They recognise that many people pass away without leaving clear instructions about how to manage their online accounts. They work with immediate family members and representatives to close the account of a deceased person where appropriate. In certain circumstances they may provide content from a deceased user's account.

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The best advice is to think carefully and make choices about what happens in the event of your passing and carefully select someone you trust to do this. As ever this is a light-hearted introduction and if in any doubt get proper advice. Different companies have different policies and procedures so always check carefully.



### Ordinary Time

Lent and Easter  
Now have passed away  
Advent and Christmas  
Still far away  
And this is ordinary time  
Time to walk  
On ordinary ground  
Yet, out of the commonness  
And routine of our lives  
God our live-giver  
Catches us off guard  
And in a moment of beauty  
We are startled into seeing  
That He is with us  
In all his glory  
Barely hidden  
Always, everywhere  
Beneath, beyond, within  
The life we breathe.

*The Reverend Marj Denniston  
Retired Episcopal Priest in Coeur d'Arlene ID,USA*

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far-reaching  
penance.  
Have you ever done  
a retreat?"

"No Father, I  
haven't," admitted  
the man. "But if  
you can get me  
some plans, I'll get  
the timber."

### Pearls

Two elderly women,  
Coleen and Melinda,  
were bitter rivals at  
their golf club.  
"My dear," said  
Melinda, "Can you  
possibly be wearing  
real pearls?"  
Coleen frostily  
assured her that  
they were.  
"Of course the only  
way I could tell for  
sure, would be for  
me to bite them,"  
smiled Melinda.  
Coleen responded,  
"Yes, but for that  
you would need real  
teeth."

### Who is God?

During a youth  
service, the minister  
asked if anyone  
could tell her who  
God is. One  
youngster waved a  
hand, and ventured:  
"Isn't God the man  
who saves the  
Queen?"

**Further  
Observations  
on modern  
life**

Government expert: one who complicates simple things.

Gentleman: one who holds the door open while his wife carries in the groceries.

Friend: what you call a person who dislikes the same people you dislike.

Reformer: one who makes his associates feel miserable about their pleasures.

Prosperity: something private citizens create, for which politicians take credit.

Money isn't everything, but it certainly keeps the kids in touch.

*Anon*

**Summer Teas  
15, 22, 29, July and 5, 12 August**

**YOU ARE NEEDED FOR AT LEAST  
ONE OF THE AFTERNOONS LISTED ABOVE  
WHO?**

**YOU DEAR READER  
AND OF COURSE, WILLING VOLUNTEER**



Allow me to explain. On three Sunday afternoons in July, and two in August, Summer Teas will be served in the Hut for cyclists and walkers enjoying an afternoon out in the woods. Visitors who may well want to visit the chapel, before taking a break to enjoy afternoon tea with home baked cakes, biscuits and scones.

This will allow us the opportunity to tell these visitors about our chaplaincy, the beautiful chapel we are so privileged to worship in, and, if they ask, about Anglicanism. Additionally, by charging a modest fee for the cakes, tea and coffee, it gives us the chance to raise money to support St Mary's Chapel. Working together in small groups this is also a great way for us to get to know each other better.

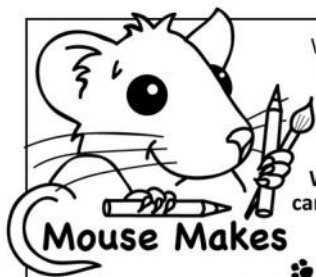
What is needed? People to bake cakes, biscuits and scones to sell. While the baked goods do not need to be award winning works of art, they obviously have to be baked and presented well enough to entice people to buy. Naturally the baked goods have to taste good. In short, they only have to be the kind of things you would bake at home for your own family and friends.

Volunteers are also needed to set up the Hut for Summer Teas, serve and tidy-up at the end of the afternoon. There is also a need for volunteers to meet visitors in the chapel and tell them about both St Mary's the chapel and St Mary's the chaplaincy.

Not confident you can manage? Well, there are detailed instructions supplied on what to do. If you are still not sure, well each Sunday the Duty Warden will stay to get things started. Of course, if there is an unexpected flood of visitors the Warden will remain there to help.

What do you have to do now? Put your name in the appropriate place on the lists in Hut. Ask to see the instructions. Speak to a Warden. Then turn up and enjoy yourself.





Which animal did Noah  
let out of the ark first?

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Genesis 8:7

What plague of animals  
came out of the River Nile?

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Exodus 8:6

What insects did John  
eat in the wilderness?

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Matthew 3:4

Which animal can  
we learn from ?

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Proverbs 6:6

Which bird did the  
Holy Spirit appear as?

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Luke 3:22

Which animal did  
Jesus ride on?

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Matthew 21:7

DID YOU KNOW?



Four of the miracles  
Jesus performed  
were to do with fish.

1. Feeding of the 5000  
*Matthew 14:15-21*
2. The coin in the  
fish's mouth  
*Matthew 17:24-27*
3. When Jesus called  
His first disciples  
*Luke 5:4-11*
4. At the Sea of Galilee  
after Jesus'  
resurrection  
*John 21:4-11*



Which  
animal  
goes with  
which bible character?

LAMB	HOLY SPIRIT
LIONS	BALAAM
LOCUSTS	JESUS
DOVE	JONAH
RAVENS	PAUL
BIG FISH	SOLOMON
DONKEY	DANIEL
BEES	ELIJAH
SNAKE	JOHN
PEACOCK	SAMSON

DID YOU KNOW?

There are  
four animals that are  
small but the Bible says  
are extremely wise...  
the **ANT**, the **HYRAX**,  
the **LOCUST** and  
the **LIZARD**.  
Look up  
**Proverbs 30:24-28**  
to find out why.

DOG CAME LAMB G A  
P L I Z A R D O V E Q N N  
F Q P E A C O C K G O A T  
I U R A V E N U S X D T F  
S A B U L L K S H E E P R  
H I S N A K E T E O E I O  
L I O N H Y R A X R G G

Find the animals  
in the word search

SHEEP • GOAT • LION • LAMB  
DONKEY • RAVEN  
SNAKE • DOVE  
LOCUST • QUAIL • HYRAX  
CAMEL • DEER • FISH • FROG  
GNAT • PEACOCK  
ANT • OX • LIZARD  
DOG • PIG • BULL

## *Dancing in the Rain*

*We wait and hope for better times  
And pray for far less pain;  
We're waiting for the storm to pass  
Taking shelter from the rain.*

*But yet we wait for far too long  
And waiting seems in vain.  
The storms outside are stronger still  
We see torrential rain.*

*So wait not for the storm to pass!  
Come - see what joys we gain!  
By laughing 'neath those heavy clouds  
And dancing in the rain!*

*By Nigel Beeton*

*Nigel Beeton writes: I love those little mottoes that you often see in tea rooms and such places. On holiday a year or so ago we were in Sidmouth, and a motto in a café there read 'Life is not about waiting for the storm to pass, but about learning to dance in the rain.' I thought that was both wise and true:*



## Mission Statement

Founded in 1979, the Anglican Church Twente belongs to the Church of England's Diocese in Europe. The Church of England forms a part of the worldwide Anglican Communion of more than 80 million people

The Anglican Church Twente, based at St Mary's Chapel, Weldam provides a Christian ministry in the East Netherlands. Most of the congregation live in the towns and villages of the East Netherlands and across the border in Germany. Some come from further afield.

The Anglican Church Twente holds a service every Sunday at 10:30 am in English. The church offers Holy Communion to all baptized Christians, Sunday School to nurture and educate children in the Christian faith, and a warm welcome to people of all nationalities.

The main aims of the Anglican Church Twente are to:

- † Offer Christian worship by the rites of the Church of England in the English language.
- † Provide pastoral care to all who are in need of such help.
- † Promote a lively fellowship among those who attend the services.
- † Support outreach in Christian ministry wherever there is a need.

## Stewardship

We are a self-supporting church and raise all income from our giving and stewardship. As God has blessed us, we thank Him by giving accordingly.

## A Prayer for St Mary's

*Almighty and everlasting God  
Creator and ruler of all things in heaven and earth,  
Hear our prayer for the St Mary's family.  
Strengthen our faith,  
Fashion our lives according to the example of your Son,  
And grant that we may show the power of your love,  
To all among whom we live.  
Inspire us in our worship and witness,  
Grant us all things necessary for our common life,  
And bring us all to be of one heart and mind  
Within your Holy Church  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit  
One God, now and forever,  
Amen.*



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