



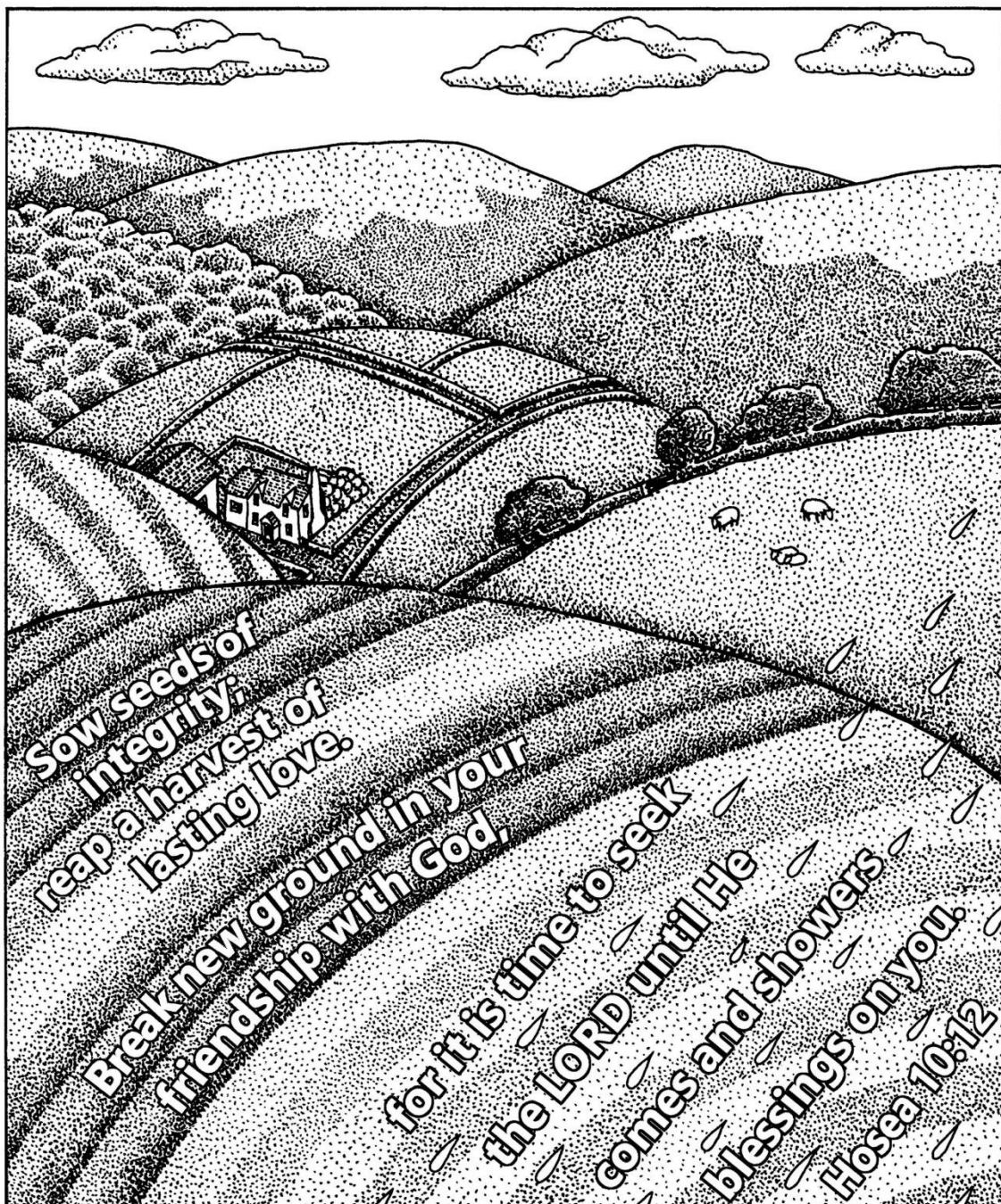
# THE LONGNOR BENEFICE

Longnor, Quarnford, and Sheen, with Warslow & Elkstones  
(including Newtown, Reapsmoor, and Hollinsclough)

October 2021

## The Benefice Magazine

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# Who's Who...

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# Where's God in the unchosen challenges of life?

I wonder if you know anyone living with dementia – perhaps someone from your family, perhaps someone from your church or your local community, perhaps you yourself. Over 700,000 people across the country are living with dementia, many supported by family carers. Many people affected by dementia are part of our local churches – and the pandemic has had a heightened impact on many of them.

People affected by dementia live through unchosen challenges. Within our Diocese of Lichfield dementia-friendly churches network, we are focusing this autumn on three pictures that help us to see the bigger picture, noticing God's presence as dementia progresses. Perhaps these three pictures can help us all, in journeying together through the changes and challenges of the pandemic and of life.

If I look through a kaleidoscope and see a lovely pattern, I may want to show you. But if my hand jogs as I pass it across to you, it's gone – the pattern's changed. Rather than focusing on the old pattern that's gone, can we together see the light shining through in a different pattern?

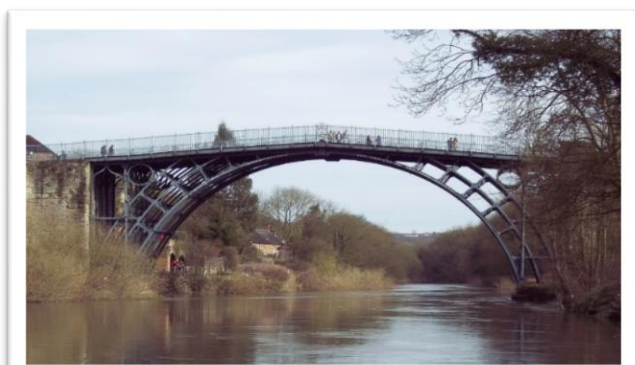
With dementia, we could spend all our time focusing only on the old pattern that used to be good but has gone; or we can acknowledge that the pattern's changing and look for the light within the new pattern that is emerging.

How have patterns changed for you and others recently? Can you use the picture of the kaleidoscope to help you to notice the light shining through, in a new pattern?

In Hebrews 13:1-3 the writer says "Imagine what it's like to be a prisoner. Imagine what it's like to be mistreated." It's all about entering wholeheartedly into another person's world.



CHANGING PATTERNS (Picture - Creative Commons v1ctorv 1s m1ne)



CROSSING THE BRIDGE (Picture – Creative Commons)

In dementia, it's important to go with the feelings rather than the facts, not to contradict or challenge, but to cross over the bridge. When we cross the bridge, we enter another person's world, meeting them where they are.

God always meets us where we are – but never leaves us there! Can you use the picture of the bridge to meet someone else where they are, journeying to be alongside them, seeing things from their point of view?



WORKING TOGETHER (Picture – Creative Commons James Wilamour)

Have you ever wondered about why wild geese fly in a “V” formation? Scientists have discovered that the geese work together, taking it in turns to take the lead. Flying in formation, they can fly 70% further than any one bird could fly alone.

We’ve found it’s the same with dementia. When we can work together, we work as a team and we are able to help people live well with dementia for longer.

Through the pandemic, we’re rediscovering the need to work as a community – both locally and globally. None of us can go it alone. Can the picture

of the geese flying in formation encourage us to work across our churches and communities, journeying together in new ways?

To know more about the Diocese of Lichfield dementia-friendly churches network, contact Sarah Thorpe, Dementia-Friendly Church Enabler, on [sarah.thorpe@lichfield.anglican.org](mailto:sarah.thorpe@lichfield.anglican.org) or 0798 224 8949



## Helping Hedgehogs

*Hedgehogs need our help; numbers have declined in the last few decades, and churchyards can really help them, providing a place to nest, feed or hibernate.*

Nocturnal in their habits, hedgehogs will travel 1 or 2 miles every night with a home range of about 40 acres. They cover this foraging for food, looking for invertebrates such as slugs, snails, worms, beetles and also carrion and fallen fruit. Hedgehogs breed between May until as late as September with 2 to 6 hoglets in a litter. The young stay in the nest for about 4 weeks, then they begin to go on night-time foraging trips with their mother. Shortly after this the young become independent and are often seen on their own in late summer and early autumn as a result.

Hedgehogs hibernate from late autumn onwards in a nest made from old dry leaves, grass and other vegetation. This looks a bit like a leaf football and may be at the base of a hedge, in a compost heap, amongst tree roots or under piles of logs.

You can help hedgehogs in many ways:

- Make it easy for them to move through your churchyard. Trying to shut them in to keep them safe usually results in shutting them out or causing them to spend time and energy climbing barriers. Make it easy for them to move around too, put ramps out of drains or other steep sided drops too.
- Long grass, dead wood, the base of stone walls, compost heaps and leaf litter are all excellent hedgehog larders, full of invertebrates. Don't be too tidy in these areas and pile up any deadwood in a shady spot.
- Be aware of hibernating hedgehogs looking like a leaf football! Be careful with sharp tools particularly brush cutters and never leave a bonfire pile over night before lighting it, in case a hedgehog crawls into it.
- Avoid chemicals such as slug pellets and wood preservers unless known to be non-toxic to mammals.

You are unlikely to see a hedgehog in the churchyard but look out for their droppings which are almost black in colour and can contain shiny beetle parts.



All the best, Harriet Carty

Diocesan Churchyard Environmental Advisor, [harriet@cfea.org.uk](mailto:harriet@cfea.org.uk),

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## From the Curatage

Perhaps think back to a year ago and it's amazing to think how much things have changed. During October we moved towards that 2nd Covid-19 wave, which the Government realised had to be dealt with.

At the time I had barely been outside the Benefice for several months, other than to see close relatives. Practically on a whim I arranged to go and see a friend at fairly short notice. It turned out to be the last day I could have seen them before their local Area was put into Tier 2. I recall us cancelling some of the outdoor services we had planned as restrictions came in again, before we eventually went back into lockdown.

Now is a time to be grateful for the freedoms we have; to be grateful that we can see friends and family. Perhaps if the pandemic has taught us anything it's not to take these freedoms for granted.

As we move from October into November we come to a time of remembering. All Saints, All Souls and then moving forward towards Remembrance day. If you lost loved ones during the pandemic it might be that the chance to remember was curtailed. It might be that a funeral might have been shorter than usual. Do remember them again. Do come along to one of our All Souls services if you need to.

But also remember those friends and relatives who are alive but you have not seen much of. As the nights get longer it might be a good time to call someone you haven't spoken to for a long time. Someone who you miss.

Jesus' mother and his friends were important to him. Do not forget to let those who are important to you know that they are, perhaps that you miss them. The same is the case for those you see regularly, or live with.

All being well, we expect to welcome back Fr John in late September (at the time of writing, in the coming days), who has had to take some time off work. It will be good to have him back.

Fr David

## High Days & Holy Days

1	Anthony Ashley-Cooper, 7 <sup>th</sup> Earl of Shaftesbury -	1	Remigius
1	Theresa of Lisieux		
2	Your Guardian Angel		
3	Hewald the Black and Hewald the White		
4	St Francis - and the Life of Simplicity	4	St Francis of Assisi
6	William Tyndale, Bible translator and Reformation martyr		
8	Demetrius of Sirmium		
9	Luis Bertran (1526-81)	9	Denys of Paris
10	Francis Borgia		
10	Thomas Traherne, poet and lover of nature		
11	<b>James the Deacon</b>		
12	Edith Cavell, nurse		
13	Edward the Confessor		
14	Donation		
18	Thank you, Dr Luke!		
18	St Luke the Evangelist		
22	Donatus		
24	Felix of Thibiuca		
26	Alfred the Great, King of the West Saxons, scholar, 899		
27	Odran of Iona		
28	Simon and Jude		
30	Alphonsus Rodriguez		
31	All Hallows' Eve		

## **11th October      James the Deacon**

James the Deacon is the saint for any lay person who has stepped in to lead their church when the clergy are far away [Noting Deacons are ordained but not priests - Fr David].

In fact, an historian has called James the Deacon 'the one heroic figure' in the Roman mission to Northumbria. No wonder – in a time of political chaos, with the king murdered and even the bishop fleeing for safety, James the Deacon stood firm.

It had begun when Pope Gregory the Great sent Paulinus, Bishop of York, to take Roman Christianity to Northumbria. James the Deacon, almost certainly an Italian, was among those who went with Paulinus.

The mission began well, and Edwin the king of Northumbria was converted. Roman Christianity in Northumbria took root and began to grow. But then in 633 Edwin fell in battle with Penda, the ruthless pagan king of Mercia. A pagan backlash began. The queen and her son fled for Kent, with the bishop Paulinus going south with them.

All that was left of Roman Christianity in Northumbria was James, now a solitary deacon.

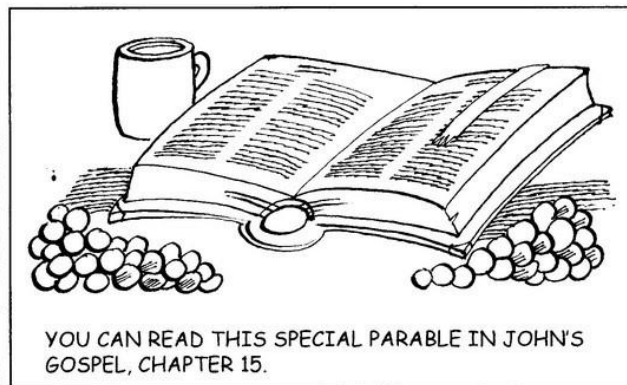
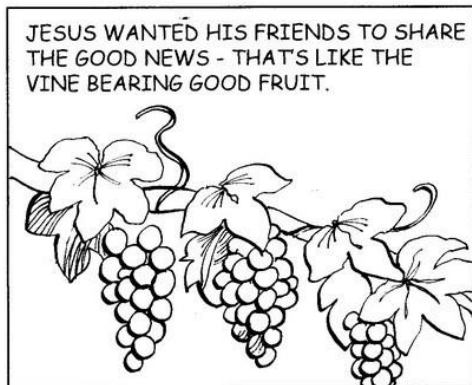
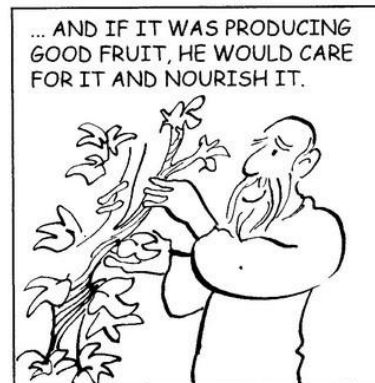
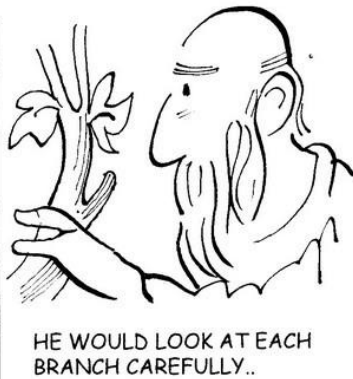
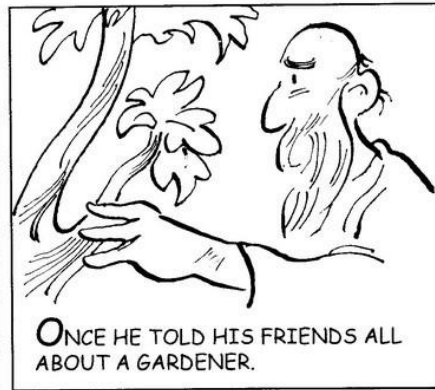
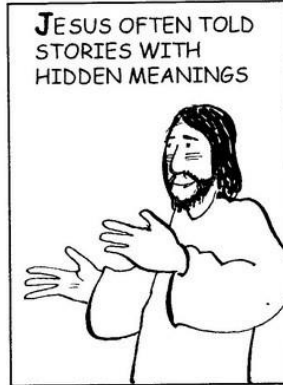
But James was made of stern stuff, and despite the danger from Penda, James stayed on at a village near Catterick, often risking his life as he cared for the Christians, and continued to preach the gospel.

His success was discovered when the Northumbrian mission returned five to ten years later, and found an active Christian community still in Northumbria. James had been a faithful servant.

After Penda died, and Christian rule was re-established in Northumbria, James turned to teaching music, especially Gregorian Chant, to the fledgling churches in the region. Bede praised him for his honour and integrity. James was present at the Synod of Whitby in 664, which met to discuss the differences between the Celtic Northumbrian Church of the North, and the Roman Church of the South.

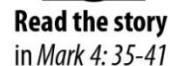
When James died sometime after 671, he was deeply mourned by the ordinary Christians of Northumbria, both Celtic and Roman. He had never deserted them.

# The gardener and the Vine



The wind stopped and the lake became calm.



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ASLEEP • WAVES • BROKE • OVER • SWAMPED • DANGER • WOKE • DROWN • QUIET  
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## Crossword Clues

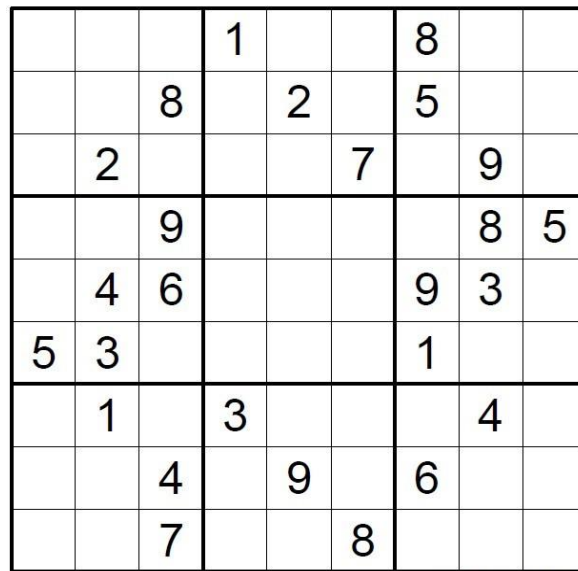
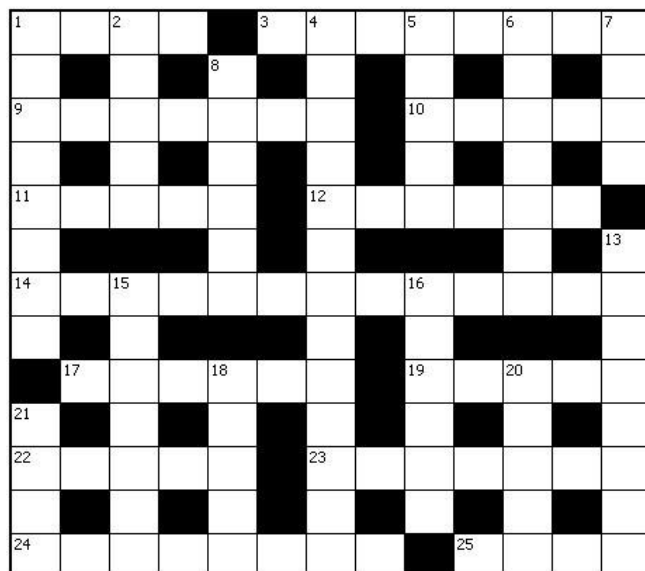
### Across

- 1 'Those who were standing near Paul said, "You — to insult God's high priest?"' (Acts 23:4) (4)
- 3 They were assigned to guard the tree of life (Genesis 3:24) (8)
- 9 'Elkanah son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the — of — , the son of Zuph, an Ephraimite' (1 Samuel 1:1) (3,4)
- 10 Surrender (Joshua 24:23) (5)
- 11 Where American livestock can be reared (5)
- 12 Listen (anag.) (6)
- 14 Alternative name for Kiriath Jearim (2 Samuel 6:2) (6,2,5)
- 17 He founded Westminster Abbey, — the Confessor (6)
- 19 Hebrew word for the place of the dead (5)
- 22 Allies of Persia in the fifth century BC (Esther 1:3) (5)
- 23 Where John Wesley was forced to preach a lot (4,3)
- 24 Rebellion against God; abandonment of religious belief (8)
- 25 Note (anag.) (4)

### Down

- 1 Give an account of (Mark 4:30) (8)
- 2 'I — — the path of your commands, for you have set my heart free' (Psalm 119:32) (3,2)
- 4 'He took the ephod, the other — — and the carved image' (Judges 18:20) (9,4)
- 5 'You are a chosen people, a — priesthood' (1 Peter 2:9) (5)
- 6 The meek, the merciful and the mourners are all this (Matthew 5:4–5, 7) (7)
- 7 Musical Instrument Digital Interface (1,1,1,1)
- 8 He was the son of Nun (Deuteronomy 34:9) (6)
- 13 'Let the little — come to me' (Matthew 19:14) (8)
- 15 'About three thousand were — — their number that day' (Acts 2:41) (5,2)
- 16 In John's vision, the wall of the new Jerusalem was made of this (Revelation 21:18) (6)
- 18 'Our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly — a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ' (Philippians 3:20) (5)
- 20 'Glorify the Lord with me: let us — his name together' (Psalm 34:3) (5)
- 21 Young Men's Christian Association (1,1,1,1)

### Sudoku Grid



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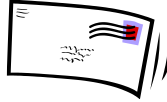
# General Benefice News

## Local Police Number

Our new NON emergency no. is 101. (The old 0300 123 44 55 is still working BUT we are encouraging people to use 101). The system recognises where you are calling from whether mobile or landline and will give you options for the nearest Police Service.

**101 For all non-emergency calls**

## Used Postage Stamps



Please consider saving these as they are valuable to the charities who rely on this income. Remember to leave a margin of envelope of about half an inch around each stamp. Stamps may be left in any of the Parish churches.

## Teddies for Tragedies



Please keep up the good work.

Janet McNicol

Tel: 01298 812053

## Peak District National Park Authority – Local Access Forum

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We are able to send the magazine by email. If anyone would like to change or to subscribe, please let me know.

Thank you to Father David for extra items plus puzzles. The answers to the crossword and the Sudoku solution are on page 16.

**There is also an important update from Hartington Surgery starting on page 17**

# Longnor

Thank you to Richard and Carol Gould for their extremely generous donation towards the repair of the clock.

A Service of Thanksgiving led by Father John Baines for the late Thomas "Edwin" Armett took place at St Bartholomew's on Thursday 22nd July. This followed a Private cremation at Macclesfield crematorium.

Edwin passed away suddenly at home on 30th June aged 82 years.

A dedicated worker who perfected anything he did, there was nothing that Edwin couldn't mend. Spending most of his life working for the Hodgkinson family at Harley farm, he was a skilled mechanic as well as making gate posts which are still in place today. During his spare time he would repair cars for family and friends.

A devoted family man, Edwin took great pride in his family.

Taking his granddaughters for driving lessons as soon as soon as they were old enough to drive.

He was especially proud when first Elizabeth, then Abby, followed by Charlotte all went to University. Sadly he passed away before his Grandson Matthew reached these goals, but did have the pleasure of seeing some of his photos published in the Buxton Advertiser.

The number of people who paid their respects to Edwin was a true reflection of his popularity.

He was the type of person who would help anyone, no matter what it was, if it could be repaired Edwin would do it, he was a true friend to many people.

Our thoughts are with his devoted wife Iris, his sons Andrew and Ian, their wives and grandchildren at this sad time.

Thanks to Alan, Wendy and family for their donation to St Bartholomew's in memory of Edwin.

John and Mavis Gilman have very kindly given a new stapler for use when producing the magazine for which we are very grateful.

Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival will be back to normal this year.

The service will take place on Sunday 26th September at 6-30pm

The Harvest sale will be on Monday 27th September at 8-00pm.

Hope to see you there!

**The above news was unfortunately missed out of the September issue – My fault, my apologies....Denise**

Thank you for the following donations:

From Marion Ashmore in memory of the Wardle family.

To the Flower festival from George and Pauline Grindon

To the Church yard mowing from John and Mavis Gilman

and to Church funds from Alice Heywood and family.

To William Gould.

Your support is very much appreciated.

The funeral service for the late Florence "Mary" Boam who passed away on Tuesday 16th August aged 81 years took place on Tuesday 31st August led by Father David Green.

Mary spent all her life between Summerseat and Waterhouse farm. She attended Longnor school and then Westwood Hall in Leek. It was here that she met Phyllis who was to become her lifelong friend.

A very experienced farmer, she married her husband Geoff and together they had their three children Julia, Michael and Andrew. Sadly Geoff passed away in 1985, but Mary carried on with the farm work as well as raising the children

Mary was a devoted member of Longnor Church. For many years she was secretary to the PCC.

If there was any fund raising taking place Mary was there, making jams, pickles and cakes. She was invaluable at the Autumn Fair with her fantastic array of homemade produce. Each year it was her ambition to make a bit more money on the cake stall and we generally always succeeded.

Mary took great pride in her Grandchildren Adam, Beth, Violet, Dougie and Lily by whom she will be very fondly remembered.

She was lovingly cared for at home by her devoted family and our thoughts are with her brother Gilbert, Julia, Michael, Andrew and all the rest of the family.

Following the service Mary was laid to rest with her husband in the Church yard at Monyash.

St Bartholomew's Church are very grateful for the very generous donation of £670 in memory of Mary from family and friends.

The Wakes Service followed by a hymn at the well was led by Father David. We are very grateful to Tony Berrisford for the brilliantly painted "Well", which was erected for the Service. Unfortunately, due to covid Hollinsclough Silver Band were unable to attend. Thanks to Ged for stepping into the breach.

Early notice. We are hoping to hold our annual Autumn Fair on Saturday 13th November. More details next month.

## Quarnford

St. Paul's apologises to all those that came to find that the harvest was not taking place on the 12th September. This was due to a misunderstanding with the dates at a difficult time.

Parking at St. Paul's has never been a problem until this summer. Please be aware that all visitors to St. Paul's can park on the road and visitors have every right to park on the roadside. Also the same applies to visitors to the churchyard. Park on the road as you always have done. Visitors have a right of way into the churchyard as it has always been. This applies 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The only change is that the small gate, which was used by people no longer applies. The large gate is the correct one to use. Some people have been told that the path by the school, through the large gate is not the way into the churchyard. The large gate is the correct way into the churchyard. We hope that this clears the misunderstanding up for everyone.

Congratulations and Happy 90th Birthday to Lois Wood.

The Scarecrow and Harvest is taking place on 21st to 26th September. A report will be in the October news.

Flash Village Hall is available for hire  
Suitable for Parties, concerts, Club meetings etc  
Hire rate is £8.50 / hour (minimum 2 hours)  
To book the hall contact:  
Sue on 07773881761  
or email: [flashvillagehall@outlook.com](mailto:flashvillagehall@outlook.com)

## Sheen

**FLOWER FESTIVAL** – Our flower festival was excellent as always, many thanks to our flower arrangers especially this year. Thank you to all that baked and made sandwiches for in church and for our afternoon tea (which was very delicious). We would also like to thank the Rev Nicola for a lovely service and Ged playing the organ, also for those who sat in church and gave

raffle and tombola prizes. Flower festival raffle winners are as follows – Whisky- Hilary Higton, Bacardi- Jean Kirkham, Port- Olive Holmes, Heroes- Nanette Riley, Wine- Louise Storer, Chocolate Box- Ian Smith, Body Spray- Liz Cope, Bassett's Allsorts- Roger Deville, Tea Bags David Twigg.

Thank you to everybody who sponsored a window, and we would like to acknowledge receipt of flower festival donations from Dyllis Johnson and family and 1 anon  
We raised £2,399 once again thank you for your support it makes it all worthwhile.

**DONATION** – We have received a donation to church funds from Audrey Morson.

**WILD CHURCH** – Our wild church once again was very good but not quite as many children. It is open to all, so come and enjoy. The next one will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct at 3pm so wrap up warm.

**WAKES SERVICE**– Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 11am followed by Sunday Lunch in the village hall at Noon to book ring Ann on 01298 84396 before Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

**WAKES COFFEE MORNING** – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October held in Sheen Village Hall 10am to Noon. Games, Cakes, Raffle and Coffee. Come and see old friend for a catch up. We would welcome tombola prizes which could be left with Jean Belfield or any Church PCC member and Raffle prizes which can also be given to a PCC member or left in the back of church marked for Wakes. We appreciate all your donation and support. Due to covid restrictions we are **unable to take** white elephant items.

**CRAFT AND CHAT IS BACK** – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm to 3.30 in Sheen Village Hall everyone is very welcome to come along you can bring your own craft if you want or just come for the chat.

### **OCTOBER'S 100 CLUB RESULTS–**

1st 127 Ian Banks £20  
2nd 70 Rose Gregory £15  
3rd 102 Julie Willis £10  
4th 3 Janet Belfield £6

Thank you for all your ongoing support with the 100 Club. New members are always welcome contact a PCC member the cost is £12 for the year 50% is given out in prize money and 50% to church funds.

**BRASS CLEANING – Pam and Linda**

**SHEEN VILLAGE HALL –** is now open for bookings at very competitive rates for more information please contact Pam Belfield 01298 84809 we are operating to covid guidelines.

**PLEASE STAY SAFE AND GOD BLESS**

## Newtown

Firstly, may I say all our thoughts are with Julia, Michael and Andrew and their families, on the death of their mother Mary. As a family, when Julia, Michael and Andrew were children they attended Newtown church.

And now on a lighter note, how great it is to see Newtown Church repaired and decorated, and looking so lovely for the Harvest Festival. So thanks to all those involved, especially Mark, Alex and helpers; it is a credit to you all. A huge thank you also to all those who donated and decorated the Church for the Harvest Festival, and contributed on the night of the sale. Thanks also to Father David for a lovely service and for being present on the night of the sale. As always John did a fantastic job with the auction. A lovely evening was had by all. The surprise of the evening was that it was John Gilman's birthday – so Happy Birthday was sung.

It would have been nice to see Father John at the Harvest Service, but we hope he makes a speedy recovery and he is back with us soon.

Harvest Collection £131.53.

Harvest Donations £335.00. Thanks go to John and Wendy; Bev and Hanno; Caroline Farmer; Les and Nannette; Joan and Marjorie; Rex and Neil; John, Mavis and Christopher; Cheryl, Vic and family; Brian Hudson; Min and Steve; David and Norma Twigg; Charlie Cope; Cyril Moya Hudson and family.

Amount from the sale £260.71

A record Harvest total £727.23

*Peek from the past in 1902.*

*The Vicar wrote in the Parish Magazine of the Harvest Festival. The collection was £2.00. Contributions of 6d 2/6 and 10d. The sale raised £1.16.2d making in all £4.00.*

The 13<sup>th</sup> of October we have a member of our parish who celebrates her 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. So all best wishes to ??

October donation in loving memory of Andrew from Mum, Dad, Daniel and Jedd.

## Hollinsclough

### Hollinsclough Academy

The children have settled brilliantly back into school life (along with some new faces, which is wonderful), and they continue to astonish us with their thirst for learning.

Academy Photographers visited to take photographs of individuals and siblings during our first week back, and the children looked very smart.

We have completed our baseline assessments so that teachers can better tailor the children's learning, and the classes are now enjoying us getting down to the real business of teaching and learning. The topics in each class are 'This is me!', 'Transport' and 'The Vikings', which the children are finding interesting and stimulating.

Port Vale Football Club are supporting us this year for after school sports, active learning and part of the year for PE also. We also continue to offer Forest School for part of the year, which the children continue to love.

Our after-school clubs this term, as well as sports with Port Vale, are Latin and Makaton, which we hope will be well attended and enjoyable for all.

Harvest is approaching but we're making the most of the late summer sunshine - collecting signs of the season, and discussing what it means for us as humans and Christians, and what it means for life around us. The children are impatiently waiting for conker season to arrive with the children watching the conker tree outside school with enthusiastic anticipation. Of course we will be having our Harvest Service - this year it will be on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October with the vicar, and Lord and Lady Hollinsclough are planning to join us too.

We always welcome prospective new families to our school to look around - please call the school office on 01298 83303 if you would like to arrange a visit or if you would like more information about our school.

# Warslow

## Warslow & Elkstones Parish Council

**Position of Clerk:** We are looking to appoint a Parish Clerk and would invite anyone who may be interested in the role to discuss with any of the councillors below. Full details available on request.

Mr Ian Astle 01298 84800  
Mrs Amy Wardman 01538 304512  
Mr Stuart Gould 01298 687190  
Miss Laura Gordon 01298 84984  
Mr Phil Moakes 01298 687238  
Mr Nik Searson 07790 354330

### Services

The wearing of masks is optional and Holy Communion will be as normal, communicants can now take wine. Hand sanitiser is still to be used.

### FLOWER FESTIVAL

We are just waiting to stage our Flower Festival and Harvest weekend. We do hope the sun shines and our community supports us! Thank you to everyone who has helped or attended the events. Remember us e it or lose it!

### REGULAR GIVING

As we have lost over a year's income from fundraising and services, the sustainability of our Church is, therefore threatened for the future. On this note, we would value and appreciate, anyone who can make a regular donation to our Church by way of regular giving, all donations however, small will make a difference to our Church and help to keep the Church in our village, open for important moments in our lives. If you are a Tax Payer you can Gift Aid your donation, which means that the church will receive extra money at no extra cost to you. If this is something that you are interested in – please contact the Treasurer – Emma Gould on 01298 687190 or [gouldemma80@gmail.com](mailto:gouldemma80@gmail.com), all donations are treated in the strictest of confidence and will make such a difference. Thank you in anticipation.

### THANK YOU

Thank you to Sean and Louise, who have kindly taken on the tidying of the Church Path and plants. What a difference it makes to the appearance and an extra pair of able hands is always appreciated... Many hands make light work.....

### ILLNESS

We are sorry to hear that yet more of our community have suffered with Covid 19 over the last few months. We hope that they will be rehabilitated quickly – we all need to play our part protect each other and look out for each other.

If anyone wants to talk to somebody in confidence or just for a chat, because they are lonely or anxious, please contact a member of the church team. We all need each other, never more than now in these uncertain and challenging times.

### Church Yard Mowing

As summer is slowly drawing to a close, we thank Steve Bentley and his time for their hard work in keeping the Church Yard in such an excellent condition. If you are interested in volunteering to help next year – please contact Steve. Thank you!

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### Bingo

Bingo is restarting at Warslow Village Hall on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm. All proceeds towards the upkeep of the hall. Any enquiries contact Pam on 01298 687452.

### Annual Christmas Fayre

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2021

12-4pm

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Order of the day TBC

Slightly smaller scale than previous years due to COVID but we will be back to normal in 2022.

### **Warslow Christmas Lights Competition**

Let's spread a little Christmas cheer this year by lighting up your homes and make Warslow a place to visit.

Decorations/lights to be up by 18<sup>th</sup> December-1<sup>st</sup> January.

Judging to take place during this period.  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes up for grabs.

If your home would like to take part, contact Laura on 01298 84984 to add you to the map.  
Good Luck!

### **Warslow Silver Band Christmas Concert**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021  
7pm start, doors will open at 6.30pm  
Raffle and bar available  
Tickets £7 each including supper  
Tickets will be on sale from 25.10.21  
Capacity of 80 people.  
Strictly first come, first served basis.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

We've found some lost property in the Village Hall toilets at the beginning of September. If you think you might have left something behind, please contact us on 01298 84984 and give us a description of your item.

### **Yoga Classes**

Yoga classes have restarted at Warslow Village Hall on Monday mornings, 9.30am-11am (term time). £6 per class. Bring your own mat or hire a sanitised mat for £1. Beginners most welcome. Drop-in class (22 spaces max)

See [www.yogamania.co.uk](http://www.yogamania.co.uk) for more details or call Louise on 0773 6351257 if you wish to discuss.

### **History Live**

History live is a friendly group which meets at Warslow Village Hall at 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm) on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month between September and May to listen to knowledgeable and entertaining speakers and enjoy sharing an interest in local history. Entrance is £3 per meeting including a hot drink and homemade cake.

October 6<sup>th</sup> 2021-Calke Abbey and the Harpur Crewes.

### **Air Ambulance Clothing Bin**

We now have an Air Ambulance clothing bin situated on the Village Hall carpark. 100% of the proceeds raised from the sale of these items goes

directly back into the charity. Please do not leave any clothing or bags by the side of the bin. If you notice that the bin is full, please contact 01509 670989.

It's that time of year again where we're looking for donations of raffle or tombola prizes for our forthcoming events. Any prizes would be much appreciated, please drop them into Holly Bank or contact Laura. Thank you.

Happy 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday Charlotte!

Happy Anniversary Tony and Sheila!

### **Children's fancy dress Halloween party**

31st October 3pm-5pm at Butterson Village Hall

Prize for best fancy dress

£3 per child including hot dog and cake

Proceeds to Manifold Pre-School

Book tickets by messaging the pre-school Facebook page or call 07460 255221

## **Elkstones**

### **Elkstones News**

At long last the Village is coming back to life after a long, long lockdown. Our first major event was the Harvest Festival and Sale – lovely to see so many friends and neighbours back with us and we hope that people will continue to join us.

Myrtle's Pea & Pie Supper, Liz M's Raffle, the Sale and all the donations raised a total over £870 for our Church funds. Thank you to everybody who attended the Service and the Sale, and thank you very much to everybody who helped, contributed, and donated especially Myrtle who organized the cleaning and decoration of the Church, Liz M for the Raffle, and David who ran his 40<sup>th</sup> Auction !

Next event is our AGM of the Elkstonian Society when we need to think about our future direction.

Sadly, two of our most active couples are leaving the Village so one or two people who thought that they had retired have been dragged back to keep things going whilst we recruit some more Members.... ( the definition of a "Volunteer" is a person who didn't understand the question ! ).

We are looking to resume our monthly Coffee Mornings (we held some by video last Winter but it's not the same) to welcome our new Villagers and we are open to suggestions for new activities to get the Village going again.

Diary Date – Elkstones Christmas Carol Service.  
7pm on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> December, in St. John's Church

### **Flower of the month OCTOBER**

"Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness  
....." Psalm 65

#### **MICHAELMAS DAISY - Aster species**

The plant known to most of us, with daisy-like flowers, was first introduced into this country from North America at the start of the eighteenth century and became very popular in the mid-Victorian period, often grown with naturalised Golden Rod to form a spectacular show of colour. It has widely naturalised in waste places (there is a large patch growing beside the quarry at Brierlow Bar). It particularly likes railway embankments and the pastel shades from palest blue to mauve continue throughout October and well into November.

Our native Michaelmas Daisy is the Sea Aster, but this is usually only found on saltmarshes – not here in the Moorlands.

Michaelmas is the feast day of St. Michael (the archangel) and All Angels on 29<sup>th</sup> September. He is the patron saint of soldiers, the sick and the city of Brussels. Michael is known as the greatest of the archangels in Christianity. The biblical angel who is identified as the protector of the Israelites and the conqueror of the satanic dragon. He is one of only three angels who are also venerated as saints. Numerous churches are dedicated to him and he is also celebrated in countless placenames, such as St. Michael's Mount in Cornwall, linked with stories of visions of St. Michael witnessed locally.

Michael appears several times in the Hebrew scriptures and is also honoured in Islam for his role in carrying out God's plan.

The act of giving Michaelmas Daisies symbolises saying "farewell" – perhaps in the same way as Michaelmas Day is seen as saying farewell to the summer, and welcoming autumn.

The name "Michaelmas" comes from a shortening of Michael's Mass, just as Christ-mass and Candle-mass.

"The Michaelmas Daisies, among dead weeds,  
Blossoms for St. Michael's valourous deed: And  
seems the last of flowers that stood, Till the feast  
of St. Simon and St. Jude .....

An early kalender of English flowers.  
Anon.

J.Mc



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You can follow The Farming Life Centre on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

## Crossword Solutions

### ACROSS

1 dare; 3 cherubim; 9 son Tohu; 10 yield; 11 ranch; 12 enlist; 14 Baalah of Judah; 17 Edward; 19 Sheol; 22 media; 23 open air; 24 apostasy; 25 Eton

### DOWN

1 describe; 2 run in; 4 household gods; 5 royal; 6 blessed; 7 MIDI; 8 Joshua; 13 children; 15 added to; 16 Jasper; 18 await; 20 exalt; 21 YMCA

### Sudoku Solution:

7	5	3	1	4	9	8	2	6
4	9	8	6	2	3	5	7	1
6	2	1	8	5	7	3	9	4
1	7	9	2	3	6	4	8	5
8	4	6	5	7	1	9	3	2
5	3	2	9	8	4	1	6	7
9	1	5	3	6	2	7	4	8
2	8	4	7	9	5	6	1	3
3	6	7	4	1	8	2	5	9

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM HARTINGTON SURGERY

The last 18 months have been the most testing time in history for our NHS. In order to manage risk and ensure patient, and staff, safety it was necessary to explore different ways of working. The Surgery has been operating a system where patients were initially offered a telephone, or video, consultation. If it was necessary for them to be examined by a Clinician, they were then booked in for a 'face to face' appointment at the Surgery. Nursing appointments have continued 'face to face' at all times. The Surgery was able to greet pre-booked patients at the door and complete a brief covid screen before they entered. The Dispensary has, successfully, devised a new, safe, more streamline and efficient, prescription collection system from the external sliding window and covered hatch. All these important, precautionary, measures have ensured that the Surgery has remained fully operational throughout the pandemic. The time has come to look to the future and consider a more flexible appointment booking

system and open front door. With effect from **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October**, the front door will be open for pre-booked Surgery patients and enquiries. If you require an appointment, from this date, you will be asked if it can be managed over the phone within a telephone consultation. If this is the case you can still have a telephone consultation and will not have to travel to the Surgery. If you do not think that your appointment can easily be managed over the telephone, then the Receptionist will be able to arrange a 'face to face' appointment at the Surgery. You will be asked some details regarding your visit in order that you can be booked with the most appropriate person and within the most suitable timescale. You will be asked to confirm that you do not have a new persistent cough, a loss of taste or smell or a fever/high temperature. If you do have any of these symptoms, or any other respiratory symptoms, which could potentially be Covid-19, you will, initially, be offered a telephone appointment and appropriate follow up will be re-arranged. If you do develop any of these symptoms before your 'face to face' appointment you must inform the Surgery and arrange a PCR Covid test online or by calling 119.

When visiting the Surgery, please wear a face covering. Please do not arrive early for your appointment. If you do, please wait in your car, or outside, until your appointment time. Please do not bring anyone with you, unless you require a Carer, or Chaperone. Please sanitise your hands immediately upon arrival.

There will be limited seating inside the waiting room. If the waiting room is full, please wait outside until a seat becomes vacant. There will be a sanitising station with hand sanitiser and wipes to wipe down your chair if you wish.

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Prescription collections, and Dispensary enquiries, will continue to operate from their new external window collection point and the internal Dispensary hatch will be closed.

If you are booked in for a flu, or Covid vaccination, please continue to wait outside until you are called for your appointment to avoid, unnecessary, congestion in the waiting room.

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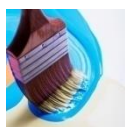
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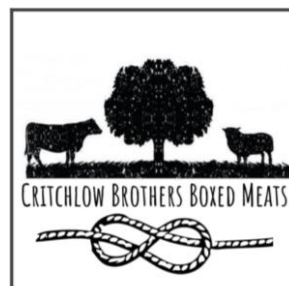
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# Services in the Benefice – October 2021

*There is a service every Sunday somewhere in the Benefice, if you're willing to travel!*

Date:		Longnor	Quarnford	Sheen	Newtown	Reapsmoor	Warslow	Elkstone	Hollinsclough (Methodist)
3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2021			11am Pet Blessing**		6:30PM LL				
10 <sup>th</sup> October 2021		11am HC	9:30am BCP HC						
17 <sup>th</sup> October 2021				11am Wakes	9:30am HC			3pm HC	
24 <sup>th</sup> October 2021		6:30pm LL		11am Baptism		9:30am HC			
31 <sup>st</sup> October 2021			6:30pm (All Souls)				11am HC (All Saints)		
7 <sup>th</sup> November 2021				11am HC				3pm HC	
<b>KEY:</b>		<b>HC</b> = Holy Communion; <b>MP</b> = Morning Prayer; <b>EP</b> = Evening Prayer; <b>FF</b> = Flower Festival Songs of Praise; <b>BCP</b> = Book of Common Prayer; <b>WD</b> = Well Dressing Service; <b>LL</b> = Lay Led Service (usually Evensong)							
Zoom Services and Wild Church:		Morning Prayer every Thursday 10am, Newtown. Wild Church Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October, 3pm at Sheen.							

\*Planned Holy Communion services may be Morning or Evening Prayer if no priest is available.

\*\*Pet Blessing – to celebrate St Francis of Assisi