

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

March 2022

The Benefice Magazine 40p



The flowers are blooming, the time of birdsong has come! Song of Songs 2:12

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Parishes all over the country are seeing new houses being built. These range from a few houses to whole estates, meaning the shape of our villages and towns are changing. All developments, big or small will have an impact on their local community. Developments of less than 500 new homes will be expected to access existing amenities, while developers of over 1000 houses will often have an obligation to provide extra community provision. New housing can create enormous opportunity but also challenge to communities and churches. Some greatly welcome the opportunity to provide affordable, much needed housing and embrace the thought of new neighbours and relationships. For some it can be more challenging, and some struggle with the thought of stretched amenities or have concerns about environmental issues. How churches respond and engage with the new housing agenda will depend according to size and circumstances. There are many levels of engagement from dropping welcome leaflets right through to intentionally planting people to live within these new communities. There is a role for all churches to play in these new developments. Here are some simple ideas to consider.

Start now

Get involved as soon as you can to maximise your involvement in the earliest stages. Often land allocation and community/education provision are decided at an early stage. Your local planning authority is a good starting point. They can also support if you are thinking about using a new building for worship. At the stage when houses become occupied it can be useful to look at the demographics of the new estates. Are they being occupied by young couples commuting out, families, retired people?

Pray

Pray and encourage prayer for the new development at all stages. Prayer walking around the area is a good way of engaging existing congregations with the new estate.

Resources and gifts

Identifying who, in your existing congregations, are likely to be in or near these places and prepare them to be missional. Consider developing a strategic group, to identify future housing projects and to co-ordinate work and mission in the new developments.

Create a welcome pack

This could be anything from a leaflet with church information on, to community information and new house gifts. Tea, coffee, cake or new household items are all lovely to receive and give an opportunity to make contact with new residents.

Explore 'third space' places

Have a fresh look at your local community, both buildings, community spaces and open and outdoor spaces to look for potential places to engage with new residents or for potential new worshipping spaces.

Listen to the community

Moving into a new estate is different to an existing one and pioneering can become influential very quickly. If we want to bless the community, it is important to listen to what the community wants rather than imposing our own ideas.

If you would like to explore the area of new housing further, please contact Laura Edwards from the diocese's Mission team. Email Laura.edwards@lichfield.anglican.org or phone 07838127921

Hairy-footed Flower Bee

March can be a cold month and not one we associate with insects, the majority of

which will emerge a little later in the year. Bumblebees are amongst the first to

appear as their hairy bodies give them some insulation against the changeable

weather of March; but have a look for another bee, which looks at first glance like a small bumblebee, but which is actually the delightfully named Hairy-footed

Flower Bee. The males emerge first and can be found from late February onwards.

The male is a rusty brown with a yellow face and long hairs on the middle pair of its six legs. It is these long hairs that give the bee the name of 'hairy footed'. About two weeks later the females emerge, looking completely different. Females are mainly black with orange hairs on their back pair of legs which act like little brushes, collecting pollen as they visit flowers. Hairy-footed flower bees have a long tongue which they use to probe into flask- shaped spring flowers such as primrose and lungwort (or pulmonaria). It is worth checking primroses and lungworts for this little bee, they have a faster, more zippy flight than a bumblebee and also a shrill buzz.

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As spring progresses, have a look at the walls of your church or churchyard if they are lime mortared or cobb. The female will nest within the mortar of an old wall, making a small hole in which to lay eggs. These are 'solitary' bees, so they do not nest in a colony like honey bees and bumblebees.

Hairy-footed flower bees are a good example of the need to provide a range of flowers for pollinators, including both spring and autumn blooms. This bee is active until June and relies on early pollen to give them energy for their brief breeding season. Most churchyards contain primroses and perhaps you can include lungwort and comfrey in flower beds or planters as well. Please let us know if you see a hairy-footed flower bee, for those who love a phone or computer app, take a look at iNaturalist (uk.inaturalist.org) to confirm your identification and make a record of

All the best, Harriet Carty

your spot.

<u>Diocesan Churchyard Environmental Advisor, harriet@cfga.org.uk,</u> <u>www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk</u> - individuals and groups in the diocese receive

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From the Curatage

Back in September I attended a conference at which a bishop was speaking. During the question and answer session he was asked if there was a particular book he could recommend on spiritual matters. He thought for a moment and then said "The Lord of the Rings".

This might seem surprising to you. The Lord or the Rings is not overtly a book about faith. It's fictional. God is not mentioned. However, I think that I agree that significant spiritual themes are explored in it. And that fiction is an appropriate way of helping us to think through such things.

JRR Tolkien, the author of the Lord of the Rings, was a devout Catholic and in some ways the book is infused with themes relevant to his faith. He and friends at Oxford University formed a society that came to be known as 'the Inklings'. They would read extracts from books each of them who were in the process of writing to one another, and discuss the themes explored, sometimes critiquing each other's ideas. Other notable members were C.S. Lewis and Charles Williams, both Anglicans.

Tolkien denied that his own work was allegorical (which the Cambridge dictionary defines as 'which the characters and events represent moral, religious, or political qualities or ideas'). Lewis, however very overtly intended his Narnia novels and his 'Space Trilogy' to be allegorical, representing Christian themes and characters, most obviously with the character Aslan being a type of Christ. Williams is perhaps the most obscure of these writers - but wrote crime mystery, come sci-fi, come supernatural novels in which his theological ideas were quite central to the storyline. Unlike Lewis, Williams wrote rather little overt theology. In some ways, the theological themes explored were so strange or complex that representing them within fiction may have been the best way to lead others towards to understanding them. The suspension of disbelief inherent

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to engaging with fiction allowed Williams share with others theological ideas that they might have dismissed out of hand, if they were taught them in a straightforward manner. Now those trying to work out what theological views Williams held tend to start with his fictional works, rather than when he said or wrote directly about theology.

Another central aspect to these books (or in some cases things like films or TV programmes based on them) is they are supposed to be entertaining. And exploring spiritual themes or theological matters can be entertaining. One of the best lent groups I attended in the last few years involved watching an episode of the TV Series starring Sean Bean 'Broken' (a quite realistic and gritty representation of urban parish life) and then discussing it. Another way of exploring spiritual themes are fictionalised versions of biblical events or the lives of saints. For example I've begun

reading a fictionalised novel version of the life of St Francis, called 'God's Pauper' by Nikos Kazantzakis.

Lent begins in early March - and we will be running some Lent groups. These will use resources based on the life of St Winefride, which relate to a 70-mile pilgrimage from Holywell, Wales, to Shrewsbury that will take place in April and May 2022, led by Bishop Sarah Bullock from this diocese. We're not planning to join them in person but we will be using these resources via Zoom on Tuesday evenings during Lent (contact Fr John for details), and also during our Thursday 10am services at St Paul's Newtown alongside Celtic/Taize style worship. You would be most welcome to join us at either of them.

Fr David

Reflected Faith Series: the Ashing Service – Revd Dr Jo White

Such a strange name for a church service! Why would anyone be attracted to attend such a thing?

This year Ash Wednesday is close to the start of March; on the Second of the month. As the first day of Lent the service is used to physically place a sign of the cross on each person's forehead using ashes made from the previous year's palm crosses.

The use of ashes has a long history in Jewish and Christian worship; the Old Testament referring to sackcloth and ashes over twenty times.

There is clearly a visual link with the blackness of evil and sin but also the 'dirtiness' that spreads everywhere from it. We all know how a small amount of mud on the shoes walked into the house will soon go everywhere and take a much harder and longer clean-up operation than if it was wiped off before entering.

In Christian records, ashes are used for penitents by the sixth century, but it is not until the beginning of the eleventh century that the faithful took part in a ceremony on the Wednesday before Lent that included the imposition of ashes. Still later this came to be called Ash Wednesday.

Over the centuries the emphasis of meaning for the imposed ashes has changed, from a preparation for baptism, a renewal of baptismal vows, to an understanding of a community's preparation for the event of the Paschal mystery of rebirth at Easter.

It reminds of what is past and what is to come, and it encourages us to think again of how we can change that journey should we wish to do so.

This month

The Imposition of Ashes is a powerful nonverbal and experiential way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation. It is 'felt' in the heart and soul – as well as on the skin. And can be one of the most profound experiences of humility as we enter together as a Christian community across the globe our journey towards the Cross and the Resurrection.

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As the priest says the traditional words over you, "Remember that you are but dust, and to dust you will return. Turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. Amen." what will you be focusing upon?

God in the Sciences

This series is written by Dr Ruth M Bancewicz, who is Church Engagement Director at The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge. Ruth writes on the positive relationship

Science and a sense of the Transcendent

What is the difference between a cathedral and a physics lab? Are they not both saying: 'Hello'? - Annie Dillard

Scientists often speak of a reality beyond the objects they are studying, and for some this is encountered in powerful – if rare – episodes of wonder and awe. The Christian writer J.W. Sire quotes this line from Annie Dillard in his book *Echoes of a Voice*, which explores spiritual or 'transcendent' experiences.

In his analysis of these experiences Sire describes moments that are "emotional, intellectual, highly charged, usually sudden, unannounced, often odd, some weird, others glorious", and places them on three different levels:

A material object that points beyond the material reality. For example, someone might develop a sense of what is good and evil, based on the actions of others.

Experience of "something personal...just behind the surface of what we are directly experiencing, often something with which one feels at peace or even at one, or, perhaps, as dangerous or threatening."

Most of us are not scientists, but we may well have had experiences like this in different contexts. How can we, in our engagement with scientifically minded individuals, make connections through our shared experience of the transcendent? Can we listen as well as explain, finding some common points of connection?

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High Days & Holy Days for March 2022

- 1 St David's Day
- 1 SHROVE TUESDAY
- 2 ASH WEDNESDAY,
- 2 Chad Bishop of Lichfield and missionary c 672
- 4 Casimir
- 5 Eusebius
- 7 Perpetua and Felicitas

- 8 Woodbine Willie
- 8 Felix of Burgundy and Dunwich
- 9 Savio
- 17 St Patrick's Day
- 19 St Joseph of Nazareth (two options)
- 20 Cuthbert
- 21 Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, Reformation Martyr
- 24 Catherine of Sweden (1331 81)
- 24 Oscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, martyr 1980
- 25 The Annunciation
- 27 Mothering Sunday
- 27 Rupert
- 30 John Climacus
- 31 John Donne

31st March: John Donne, the metaphysical poet

John Donne (1572 – 1631) was an English poet, scholar, soldier, secretary and finally Dean of St Pauls Cathedral in London. But he is most remembered for his poetry, for he is seen as the greatest of the 17th-century 'metaphysical' poets.

Donne was born in 1572 into a Roman Catholic family in London at a time when the Church of England was the dominant faith, and those who remained Roman Catholic were considered second class citizens. Although Donne studied at both Oxford and Cambridge, because of his Roman Catholicism, he was denied a degree. So, in 1592 Donne went to London to study law at Lincoln's Inn.

In 1594 Donne decided to convert to the Church of England, and this opened up a whole new life for him. In 1596 he joined the naval expedition led by the Earl of Essex against Cadiz in Spain. When he returned in 1598, he was appointed private secretary to Sir Thomas Egerton, Lord Keeper of the Seal. All was going well, but then he fell in love with Egerton's 16-year-old niece, Anne More, and in 1601 he secretly married her. Egerton was furious, and Donne lost his job, and even ended up in prison for a short time.

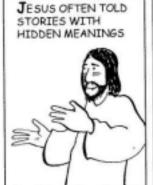
For several years after that Donne worked as a lawyer. Then in 1610 he wrote a book encouraging Roman Catholics to take the Oath of Allegiance to the king. The book caught the eye of James 1, who may have suggested that Donne go into the Church. Certainly, Donne was appointed as a royal chaplain only a few months after his ordination in 1615.

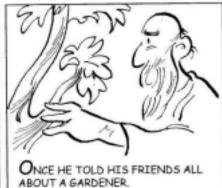
In 1617 Donne's beloved wife, Anne, died. In 1621 he was appointed the Dean of St Paul's Cathedral, and proved to be a much loved and inspiring preacher.

Throughout his working life, Donne continued to write poetry, though most of it remained unpublished until 1633. It was then mostly forgotten after his death, until early last century. Then, in the 1920s, both Ezra Pound and TS Eliot openly acknowledged their literary debt to him.

Donne's place as one of the greatest of the 17th-century 'metaphysical' poets is now assured. He wrote both sacred and secular poetry, with his main theme being that of human love and divine love.









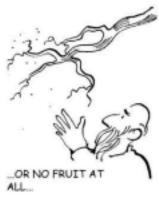


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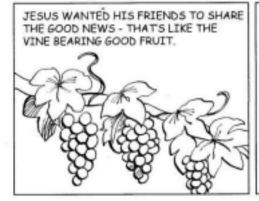
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HE WOULD LOOK AT EACH BRANCH CAREFULLY...



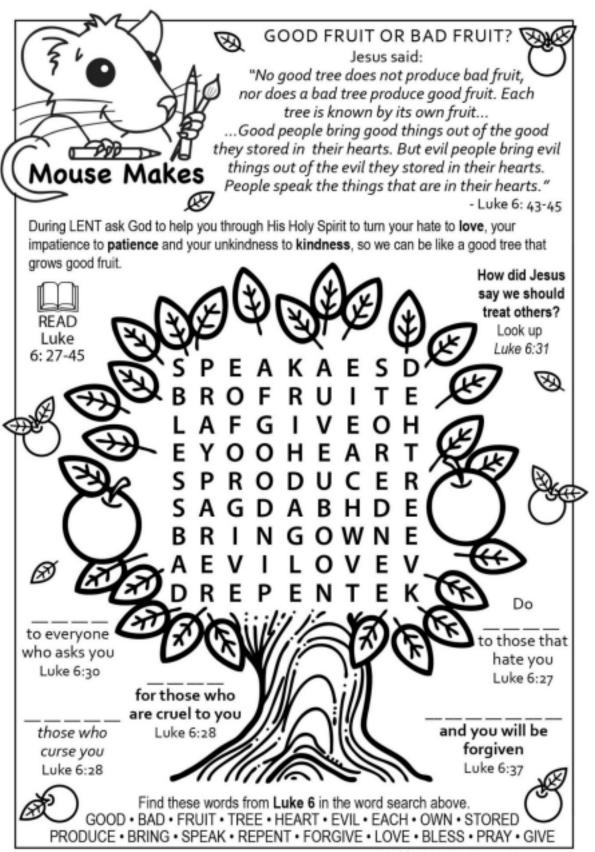








YOU CAN READ THIS SPECIAL PARABLE IN JOHN'S GOSPEL, CHAPTER 15.



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General Benefice News

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from whether mobile or landline and will give you options for the nearest Police Service.

101 For all non-emergency calls

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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.

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Please keep up the good work. Janet McNicol Tel: 01298 812053

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If you have any issues relating to footpaths or bridleways, please contact ALISON TURNER (Reapsmoor) on 01298 687424 or email ally.turner14@btinternet.com

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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.

Longnor

Birthday memories of a dear Dad, John Riley 24th March, From Brian and Christine. Thank you for the extremely generous donation left to St Bartholomew's from the late Mrs Mary Boam.

The funeral for the late Avis Evans led by Father John Baines took place on Thursday 10th Feb. Avis passed away on 19th January aged 85yrs. A very popular member of the village,this was reflected by the large congregation who gathered to pay their respects.

Avis served on the Church PCC for a good number of years. She took part in the numerous fund raising events, was a member of the choir and will be fondly remembered for her talent at flower arranging and being able to read a lesson very clearly.

Sadly, Avis lost her eldest son John at the very young age of seven. She took great pride in her two remaining sons Gary and Richard, daughters in law Sally and Catherine and grandchildren Sam, Grace, Luke and Holly.

Following the service Avis was interned in the church yard.

A memorial service led by Father David Green for the late Ellen Joyce Hanna(Joy) was held at St Bartholomew's on Saturday 19th February. Joy passed away on 1st February aged 93 yrs and was buried on Thursday 17th February with her husband Roy. During the service the eulogy was read by her granddaughters Claire and Phoebe and gave an insight into the caring devoted lady she was. Our thoughts are with all the family.

At the time of writing there are still several magazine subscriptions outstanding, your payments as soon as possible would be very much appreciated.

The following special services are being held during March:

Ash Wednesday 2nd March. 10am Mothering Sunday. 27th March. 11am

Thank you to Joan Gregory for her very generous donation.

Easter

We will be decorating the church once again for Easter

If you would like to purchase a daffodil in memory of a loved one please contact any member of the PCC.

Longnor Jubilee Celebrations

Thursday 2nd June - 9.45pm lighting of the beacon, this is being done across the country. Saturday 4th June - Jubilee themed 'bake off' followed by afternoon tea in church, time to be confirmed.

Sunday 5th June - 10am service of thanksgiving at St Bartholomews.

2pm village street party.

If anyone has any other ideas or would like to get

involved please come along to the next meeting at Longnor church on 21st March at 7pm, everyone welcome. Alternatively speak to Mrs Riley, Louise Storer, Helen Kidd or Father John.

If anyone would like to help making new bunting please speak to Helen Kidd or Jan Breeze at Longnor shop.

Quarnford

Funeral

The Funeral and Interment of Joel Carrington took place on January 29th . Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this sad time. We must mention at the interment the atrocious weather that hit the church yard. The strength of the wind accompanied by heavy rain was awful. The bearers did well not to lose their footing. Joel along with Angela was on the PCC at Quarnford Church for a good number of years in the past and their help was really appreciated by the church members.

Dates to put in your Diaries.

May 21st Rose Queen and Fete

The village Halls jubilee celebrations on June 2nd and Sunday a family picnic.watch this pace The flower festival June 18th to 21st

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Flash Village Hall Tea & Tots is a group providing a great opportunity for local parents and guardians to meet and mingle with the added social benefits of children making new friends.

Where: Quarnford Memorial Hall, Flash When: 10:30am, last Monday of the month Who: Parents, guardians and children aged 0-4 years

The group is free to attend but welcomes any donations towards maintaining the group (toys, good quality children's clothes, drinks, cake and biscuits)

The group can be found on Facebook @ Flash Village Hall Tea & Tots Group

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

Sheen

The stone flags leading up the path at St Luke's Church, Sheen appear to have been tampered with. This follows a theft of stone flags from the church at Grindon in February so could everyone please remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the police quoting incident number

WILD CHURCH -Saturday 5th March at 2pm at St Luke's. Last month we loved decorating our jars and then holding the wick while the wax was poured in. We also had a lovely story. Everyone is welcome please come and join us.

LENT LUNCH – Tuesday 15th March from noon onwards in Sheen Village Hall. Lunch will consist of homemade soup, warm bread cup of tea/coffee and good company. Cost just a donation.

MOTHERING SUNDAY – service will be held on 27th March at 9.30am all are very welcome.

DONATIONS – We would like to thank the following for their donations which are much appreciated Sylvia Woolley, F Shenton, Rodger Pegg and a donation made in the memory of Les Morson who passed away 18th February 1998 from Audrey and family.

WHIST DRIVE -our whist drives are going to start up again on Friday 18th March. They take place in Sheen Village Hall at 7.30pm admission £1.50 including refreshments. If anyone would like to donate prizes, please leave at back of church with a note on or see George Grindon your support is appreciated. Whist Drive dates for the remaining of the year April None due to Easter, 20th May, 17th June, 15th July, 19th August, 16th September 21st October, 18th November, 16th December.

CRAFT AND CHAT – Tuesday 8th and 22nd March at 1.30pm to 3.30 in Sheen Village Hall. Come and do some craft or just have a cup of

tea and chat Everyone is most welcome. Meeting will be held within covid guidelines.

MARCH 2022 100 CLUB
RESULTS— 1st 1 Kay Bennett £20,
2nd 33 Hilda Shann £15
3rd 84 Sonia Hicks £10,
4th 6 Terry Thompson £7.
Thank you to all who participate, this brings in

BRASS CLEANING - Gould Family

valuable funds for St Luke's.

SHEEN PARISH COUNCIL – to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee we are planning to give all children under the age of 16 and live in the Parish of Sheen a commemorative mug. We are purchasing our mugs from a British company Edward & Lockett. If anybody else would like to order one, please contact Pat Sutton for cost etc on 07974362676 or via email pat.sutton@hotmail.co.uk_before Monday 14th March.

QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE – how would you like to celebrate as a village? please come to a meeting being held at Sheen Village Hall on Monday 14th March at 7.30pm to voice your suggestions.

SHEEN VILLAGE HALL -would like to thank the Manifold Inn for their very generous donation of £350 it is very much appreciated.

SHEEN VILLAGE HALL – The 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.

Newtown

Our thoughts are with the family of the late William Gould, and also with the family of Avis Fletcher, whose family have been widely known for joinery in this area for many years.

We hope that everyone has kept safe and well through all of the severe storms we've experienced.

A Peak in History

For those local people young enough to

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remember, on February 14th 1964, despite a vigorous campaign, Newtown School closed its doors. It had remained active to the last, with 28 children on roll.

While the dark nights and rainy days are here, it is a good time to look through books and drawers for any memorabilia connected to the parish, from 70 years ago to the present day, or any connection with the Queen's 70 years' reign.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Saturday 4 June, commencing 1pm at St Paul's Church, Newtown

It's proposed that residents, and people with close ties to Newtown and Fawfieldhead, get together on Saturday 4 June to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Planning is at an early stage so ideas for the afternoon's activities will be very welcome but teas etc in the church will certainly be included.

If anyone has photos of our local people during the time of HM's reign, especially older photos, we'd love to scan and print them so that we can display them in the church on the day and hopefully produce a lasting memory in some form after the event. Please dig out your old pics and let Ged Fitzgibbon, Mark Broady or Neil Auchterlonie know so that we can arrange to collect them. Our contact details are below. We'll then scan and print them and return the originals to you within a few days.

We'll publish updates in the Benefice Magazine and on the notice board next to St Paul's Church in Newtown.

We're keeping an eye out for any grant funding that may be available, but if not, we will need some fund raising ideas, so thinking caps on everyone!!

We hope everyone will be able to attend and make it a really memorable day.

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Judy Prince Deputy Warden: 01298 84351 Services

6th Mar. 11 a.m. Holy Communion 20th Mar. 11 a.m. Holy Communion Mothering Sunday Service 9:30 a.m. 27th March 2022

3rd Apr.11 a.m. Holy Communion

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

If you are interested in joining a group to co ordinate the event, want to suggest an event or help at an event – please contact Rachel Moorcroft or Judy Prince.

We will have a Birthday Book, on the altar, over the weekend for you to add a greeting to the Queen. This will be sent to her, by the Vicar, after the weekend.

***URGENT* MAGAZINE MONIES**

No has contacted me regarding Magazines. In order to avoid unnecessary cancellations and disappointment. Please can you contact Emma Gould to confirm that you want a magazine this year – the church will then request one from the team – payment of £10 is also required, please. Thank you.

NOTICE A. P. C. M.

Warslow and Elkstones P. C. C's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on March 20th 2022 after the 11 a.m. Service. **All are welcome to attend**. Although you need to be on the Church Electoral Roll to vote – please contact Father John or Father David for more information.

Warslow

The Church is looking for new helpers and supporters – please come along to join in with the meeting and discuss how you can help to keep the Church alive in the village and for the village.

Altar Flowers

Our Rota is looking a bit empty – please can you contact Emma Gould 01298 687190 if you would like to volunteer to put flowers on the altar, once a year, or discuss what it entails. Thank you in

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advance.

Thank you to those who have called and volunteered – it means a lot – every little helps.

Candlemas Service

Thank you to Janet McNicol for officiating at the service, it was uplifting.

Elkstones

Although Elkstones has been officially identified as one of the most "isolated" Villages in the Moorlands (according to the Stoke Sentinel!), we certainly don't feel that way!

We have this excellent Parish Newsletter produced by Denise and her team, we have the equally great Butterton Community Newsletter from Trish and her friends, and we even circulate our own little Elkstonian Newsletter once per month – it has been particularly comforting in recent times to feel that we have friends and help all around us. Dr. Ashley Dawson and his team at Hartington Surgery have looked after us very well in spite of all the pressures and the Manifold School in Warslow is thriving although we don't have many school children in the Village at present. Milk is still delivered in glass bottles by Richard from Buxton and we are well looked after by the various delivery drivers who all manage to find their way here!

The only disadvantages are poor mobile signal and no broadband – although broadband is available in the Village thanks to the efforts and expertise of a local Village based company. Not sure what happens if the landlines are withdrawn as threatened....

Life is still very quiet – but that's why we live here! We're not quite back to normal but it's getting closer and we look forward to joining is more of the Benefice events and re-starting some of our own. Thank you all for your support.

DIARY DATES

Sunday, 27th March (Mothering Sunday) -Service at 1100 in St. John's Sunday, 10th April (Palm Sunday) – Holy Communion at 1500 in St' John's Saturday, 16th April (Easter Eve) - Service at 1830 in St. John's

Flash and Longnor community first responders

Belated happy new year.

Now covid restrictions have lifted a little I hope things are starting to get back to a more normal state. Please can I

thank you for your continued support. It has been very much appreciated. We have been continuing to respond all through covid. The good news is that during this time we have had a new recruit Charles, which is very welcome. There will also be an opportunity to be a responder so if you are at all interested please get in touch. As far as I know this will be the only recruitment this year. So if you are only slightly interested or just want more information please phone me on

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Please continue to look after each other and take care.

Marie



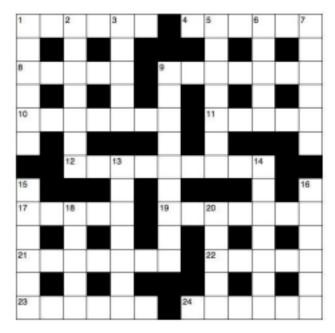
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Crossword Clues

Across

- 1 Arouse (Song of Songs 2:7) (6)
- 4 Extinguish (Isaiah 1:31) (6)
- 8 "They — ," you will say, "but I'm not hurt!" (Proverbs 23:35) (3,2)
- 9 Unhappiness (Nehemiah 2:2) (7)
- 10 Jewish (7)
- 11 Dirge (anag.) (5)
- 12 'A truthful witness gives honest —, but a false witness tells lies' (Proverbs 12:17) (9)
- 17 Paul quoted from the second one in his address in the synagogue at Pisidian Antioch (Acts 13:33) (5)
- 19 'Do not use your freedom to the sinful nature' (Galatians 5:13) (7)
- 21 'As you can see, he has done nothing to death' (Luke 23:15) (7)
- 22 Name applied by Isaiah to Jerusalem (Isaiah 29:1) (5)
- 23 'All the people — one man, saying, "None of us will go home" (Judges 20:8) (4,2) 24 Lazarus, who was carried by angels to Abraham's side when he died, was one (Luke 16:20) (6)

Down

- 1 Appalled (Job 26:11) (6)
- 2 'In an to escape from the ship, the sailors let the lifeboat down into the sea' (Acts 27:30) (7)
- 3 Expel (Acts 18:16) (5)
 - 5 'But I have a baptism to , and how distressed I am until it is completed!' (Luke 12:50) (7)
 - 6 'Of the increase of his government and peace there will be — ' (Isaiah 9:7) (2,3)
 - 7 Hurry (Psalm 119:60) (6)
 - 9 'For I desire mercy, not , and acknowledgement of God rather than burnt offerings' (Hosea 6:6) (9)
 - 13 One of its towns was Sychar, where Jesus met a woman at Jacob's well (John 4:5) (7)
 - 14 Shouting (Acts 7:57) (7)
 - 15 Arachnid (Isaiah 59:5) (6)
 - 16 One of Paul's first converts in Philippi was Lydia, a in purple cloth (Acts 16:14) (6) 18 Donkeys (5)
 - 20 Raked (anag.) (5)

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Sudoku Solution

Sadness. 10, Semitic. 11, Ridge. 12, Testimony. 17, Psalm. 19, Indulge. 21, Deserve. 22, Ariel. 23, Rose as. 24, Beggar.

DOWN: 1, Aghast. 2, Attempt. 3, Eject. 5, Undergo. 6, No end. 7, Hasten. 9, Sacrifice. 13, Samaria. 14, Yelling. 15, Spider. 16, Dealer. 18, Asses. 20, Drake

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