

News & Views From St Mary's Church Ecclesfield



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First Words. . .

- **To celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday** we are holding an Afternoon Tea in the Gatty Hall after the Morning Service on Sunday 12th June 12pm - 3pm. Tickets are available from Church at a cost of £6 for adults and £3 for children. Do join us to celebrate this remarkable event – dress code 'posh', 'period' or just 'come as you are'.
- **On 19th June, Stephen Impey** will be with us in our Morning Service to bring us up to date with all that is happening with the project he is undertaking, with his family, in Ethiopia.
- **Don't neglect to cast your vote on 23rd June in the Referendum.** So much has been said, there are so many points of view. Pray that God will lead you to the right decision on that day.
- **In preparation for Tim Gill and his family coming to join us on 28th July,** we are going to ask you to sign up for an **In House Retreat.** Although this sounds daunting, it simply means that during June we will be asking members of the congregation to sign up for one day between 1st and 28th July. On that day we ask that you take a little time to pray for Tim and Mandy and their family and also to pray for whoever has signed up to pray for them on the next day. Your prayers may be as brief or as long as you wish and take whatever form you wish and be wherever you wish. It simply means that we will be holding Tim and Mandy in our prayers as they leave their parish in Liverpool and move house, before Tim's Induction Service on 28th and that we will also be praying for each other at this time of transition.

Jeni Fryer



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Thought for the month

How good is your memory? Some of us are getting older and often laugh together about the aging process – to laugh is a choice we make about what can be an embarrassing situation. We laugh about going upstairs and then forgetting why we have gone up there, about losing names of people, even people we have known for such a long time, or losing words, or perhaps forgetting where our keys or glasses are. C'est la vie – that's life, but getting older does have many compensations too, so don't feel too sorry for us you young ones!

This morning I was reminded of one thing we must never forget. Reminded because a quite small picture frame which lives on a shelf in the corner of our bedroom fell over, seemingly for no reason, inviting me to look at it again. Sometimes things become so much part of the scenery that we dust them and pass on to the next thing. This pretty little frame was given to me as an ordination gift more than twenty years ago and contains words which we must never forget. Verses 1 and 2 from Psalm 121.

*“I lift up my eyes to the hills
where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord.”*

These ancient words from the psalms must have reminded many a person, held in the grip of some terrible circumstance of life that God truly is with us, never abandoning us or leaving us without resource to his love.

As I write this, we have just celebrated Pentecost when the early church first came together as a body, experiencing the presence of God in new ways through the Holy Spirit's power falling upon them. It is easy to think that they had it easy but just a little imagination reminds us that they didn't. All the sadness of life which torments us, all the fear for our loved ones, sickness, death, happened to them too, just as two thousand years later it happens to us. The words of psalm 121 would have been such a comfort to them, as they can be to us.

These words inform our thinking and more importantly our actions. God's loving Spirit is shown through people, through others, who do indeed help when we hit hard times of whatever making. Sometimes the situation cannot change

but for a person to listen, a hand to be held, a shoulder to safely cry on can make all the difference as to how we cope. We may be the giver or the receiver in this.

When we gathered for our outdoor service at Pentecost last week, some of the Rainbows and Brownies and Guides helped plant a bed of forget-me-nots by the main gate from Church Street. This is to remind us that God, through our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit never, ever forgets us, and to encourage us not to forget that this love is there for us at any time. So as you walk through the Church Yard in these next weeks, look for the new growth sprouting in that bed and remember his love – just as he remembers you – eternally.

Jeni Fryer



Heavenly Father,
as we celebrate the ninetieth birthday of Her Majesty the Queen,
receive our heartfelt thanks
for all that you have given her in these ninety years
and for all that she has given to her people.
Continue, we pray, your loving purposes in her,
and as you gather us together in celebration,
unite us also in love and service to one another;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

On the struggle for life in a rectory

The Rectory
St. James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

Ah, the joys of June! At last I can return to the Rectory without putting on my overcoat before going inside. For the next four months, all windows and doors are left open in order to let the heat in. If anyone else tells me how lucky I am to live in a 12-bedroom Queen Anne house, I shall have them excommunicated.

You will soon stop complaining about your one bedroom flat should you ever have to live in a rural rectory; the days of wandering about the house in shirtsleeves will become a distant memory. In my first winter here, I had the central heating on full blast 24 hours a day. The house was almost warm, even if the boilers sounded like the Queen Mary coming into port. But that quarter's gas bill needed a substantial grant from the International Monetary Fund to cover it, so ever since, for six months of the year, I live in the kitchen. Parishioners find it either touching or sad that I sleep with my Labrador. It never occurs to them that I need her for extra heat.

It does mean that evening meetings at the rectory on winter evenings can be un-Christianly satisfying. Watching committee members fighting – with infinite politeness - to get nearest to the one-bar electric fire is highly entertaining. They hold on to their coffee cups less for refreshment, more for a little extra warmth. At least it means that meetings are short.

My predecessor was a model railway enthusiast and so several bedrooms were taken up with a system of such complexity that it made Crewe Junction seem trivial. He also found it helpful to put his teenage son in the turret bedroom, where he could play his drums without anyone else in the house being able to hear a thing.

Nowadays, all these extra rooms are filled with cribs and nativity play costumes, Easter gardens and spare choir cassocks. It is remarkable how all these things used to be stored quite satisfactorily in the church vestry until the parish acquired a single priest; now the empty rooms in the rectory have become vital storage space. I so hope my successor has a plethora of children, so that parishioners have to find alternative accommodation for all the detritus vital to church life.

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Bishop's Letter - Young minds matter

Posted by Bishop Steven Croft Bishop of Sheffield on 17th May 2016



When was the last time you thought about mental health and young people?

There is a major issue. As many as 1 in 10 children and young people (aged 5-16) have a clinically diagnosable mental health problem. The problems include depression, anxiety, and conduct disorders. The problems are often linked to what is happening in their lives.

Last month I attended the annual Civic Breakfast organized by Church Action on Poverty in Sheffield. This is an annual event which brings together Church leaders and faith leaders across the city with local councillors, heads of services, MPs and charities.

The subject this year was the connection between mental health and poverty. Common mental health problems such as depression and anxiety are distributed according to a gradient of economic disadvantage across society. The less well-off you are, the more likely you are to suffer from a range of common mental health problems.

We had a moving presentation at the breakfast from a woman in her twenties who described the mental health problems she experienced as a teenager, the care she received and the real difference it made. In the discussion which followed, several people contributed stories from their own families. We had expert opinion from people who work as advocates for those with mental health issues and from General Practitioners.

The most striking statistic was this (from a mental health commissioner):

“Mental illness accounts for 25% of mortality and morbidity in Britain but only 11% of the NHS budget is spent on these issues”.

We are not tackling this part of the problem. During the last parliament, funding for mental health services were cut by 8.25%.

It's impossible to read the four gospels and not be aware of Jesus' compassion for those who are suffering and his care for the whole person. In the first chapters of Mark, Jesus heals a man with an unclean spirit, a multitude in Galilee, someone declared unclean by his society, a man who is paralysed and full of guilt, another multitude by the lakeshore and a man with a withered hand. Read on further and you will find that Christ ministers to children and young people and the elderly with both physical and spiritual diseases. The gospels do not have our vocabulary for mental illness but it is impossible to read them and not find evidence of these conditions and of Jesus' care for those who have them.

What can we do?

Christians and Christian congregations can help by raising awareness of mental health issues, especially among the young. We can help by listening to one another: the first line of support and help. We can help by reducing any stigma around mental health so that people feel able to talk about the problems they may be facing, whether that is anxiety or depression or another serious illness. When was the last time you heard a sermon or a presentation in church on these issues?

We can help by taking seriously our responsibility to care for the young and invest in children and young people. It is encouraging to see the number of workers employed in our Centenary Project increasing month by month. If you are part of a church in this Diocese, has your church explored this project yet?

We can help by working to relieve poverty and suffering, both in acts of kindness and charity and in our campaigning for justice. Part of that campaigning will be working to ensure that mental health support increases rather than decreases year by year in line with other spending on health.

We can help by offering our time and gifts through the Samaritans, to Mind, in local visiting and support for those in need.

The Civic Breakfast helped open my eyes and ears again to the fragility of many young people and the need for care and support. As followers of Jesus Christ, let's take care to be informed and compassionate and involved.

+Steven



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Will You Remember Them June 2016 Tanzania

Third Church in Four Months Burnt Down in North-West Tanzania

On Monday 2nd May, yet another church was burnt down in north-west Tanzania. The church's minister, Fortunatus Bijura, said, "Those who think that destroying our church means we won't pray, they are wrong - We have a big tree near the church and will continue meeting there for prayers." No group has yet claimed responsibility for the attack.

This is the third arson attack on a church in the area since January. Since 2013, there have been 13 such attacks on churches in the area and no-one has yet been held accountable for them. Although Christians and Muslims in Tanzania traditionally lived together in peace, in the past few years tensions have been high. In February 2013, for example, a pastor was beheaded in the town of Buseresere, in NW Tanzania, following the opening of a non-Muslim butchery. Two months later, two Christians in the town of Tunduma, on the border with Zambia, were killed after a row over the slaughter of animals.

The following years witnessed yet further attacks, including two incidents in June 2015. A Christian man was killed by a group of over 50 radical Muslims who saw him carrying Bible. A Christian family was attacked while they prayed together at home. Two people were seriously injured in the attack.

Tanzania is 35% Christian, 35% Muslim and 30% African traditional religions. The attacks on Christians appear to be linked to two Islamic groups - "Uamsho", which ostensibly seeks to create an Islamic state with strict sharia enforcement on Zanzibar but has also been active on the mainland, and a group calling itself "Muslim Renewal". The latter claims to have links to Somalia. In recent years, Tanzania has been helping train the Somali army in their fight against al-Shabaab militants.

The attacks on Christians in recent years in Tanzania are a sign that jihadist violence in North East Africa is increasingly moving southwards.

Please Pray.

- For all Christians in Tanzania, that they may know the Peace of Christ in their lives and along with others seek for solutions to the ways of violence.

MU - "Family Fun Day"

As well as being the Queen's 90th Birthday this year, 2016 is also the 140th anniversary of the founding of the Mothers' Union by Mary Sumner.

To celebrate this milestone here in Sheffield Diocese, we are having a "Family Fun Day" on Saturday June 18th at Clifton Park, (Garden Room Area), Rotherham, from 11.0am — 3.00pm.

There will be various stalls; Cakes & Preserves, Children's Toys and Books, Bric-a-brac, Bottle Tombola, Teddy Tombola, and Raffle, as well as specific things for children such as a Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, and a number of free activities and games, and a small area where toddlers and parents can play and relax.

Homemade Refreshments will be available all day and an Ice Cream Van will be on site too. There will also be a programme of entertainment running throughout the day.

Please do come and have fun whilst supporting the work of the Mothers' Union both here and abroad.



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MU May - Home-Start

Our talk this month was from Home-Start. Many people may have heard about it but not know exactly what it does. The organisation began 45 years ago with army families who were separated from their families and friends and needed a friendly person to turn to in order to cope with isolation as they experienced the birth of a child and the joys and traumas this can bring.

Today it involves visiting families in their homes who are experiencing isolation, bereavement, multiple births, illness disability or who are just finding parenting la struggle. The volunteers provide non-judgemental support helping to build a family's confidence and ability to cope. A Home-Start volunteer needs to be able to give 2-3 hours a week to a family which may be initially for a year but this is open ended depending on each family and the volunteer. Six weeks training is given, age, sex or race is immaterial. Clearance from the police is required before training can begin.

The families are recommended for help by Social Services, Doctors and Health Visitors. Many volunteers are people who have benefitted from the service in the past. Funding comes via the Lottery Fund and Sheffield City Council but many other avenues are explored. 97% of families would recommend Home-Start to their friends.

During the past year over 1,000 children have been supported through 278 families. There are 190 volunteers and 189 group sessions have been held. No food, shelter or money is given but people are put in touch with relevant agencies. Volunteers benefit knowing they have helped and that gives a boost to their self-esteem.

All parents know the early years before school are vital in a child's life and Home-Start believe parents play a vital role in creating a secure childhood, it is just that some need a little more help to do this - you could be that person!

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8.30 am Holy Communion (BCP) - On 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month

10.00 am Services

1st Sunday of the month - Parish Communion with organ and choir

2nd Sunday of the month - Service of the Word with music group

3rd Sunday of the month - Parish Communion with organ, choir and music group

4th Sunday of the month - Parish Communion with organ, choir and music group

5th Sunday of the month - Sunday Celebration Services

12:00 pm Baptism Service

Baptism Service 1st Sunday of the month – (Except: August no baptisms)

4.00 pm Living Stones Service

An interactive service for children and families 3rd Sunday of the month

6.30 pm Evening Service

Except: 2nd Sunday of the month Holy Communion and 4th Sunday of the month
Prayer and Praise

Midweek Holy Communion – Thursdays at 9.30 am

Eva Ratcliffe Service - Wednesday at 10.30am

St Mary's - Activities & Groups

Church Office Opening times

Tuesday 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Wednesday 9:30 am to 11:30 am

Thursday 9.00 am to 12.00 pm

Coffee Shop

Tuesday 10.00 am to 12.30 pm

Friday 10.00 am to 12.30 pm

Bell Ringers

Tuesday 7.30 pm Bell ringing practice

Friday 7.30 pm Silent Bell ringing practice

Choir Practice

Friday 7.30 pm Choir practice in choir vestry

Music Group Practice

Thursday 7:30 pm Music group practice in church

Wedding Bookings

Thursday 7.15 pm to 8.45 pm wedding booking evening

Church Diary Items to Note for June 2016

Day and Date	Time	Item
Wednesday 1 st	10.30 am	Service at Eva Ratcliffe House
Monday 6 th	7.30 pm	PCC Meets in Church
Wednesday 8 th	10.30 am	Service at Eva Ratcliffe House
Thursday 9 th	2.30 pm	Service at Hartwell House
Wednesday 15 th	10.30 am	Service at Eva Ratcliffe House
Saturday 18 th	8.00 am	Prayer Breakfast in Chu
Monday 20 th	7.30 pm	Outreach Team Meets in Church
Wednesday 22 nd	10.30 am	Service at Eva Ratcliffe House
Sunday 26 th	6.30 pm	Prayer and Praise Service
Monday 27 th	7.30 pm	Ignatian Prayer in Church
Wednesday 29 th	10.30 am	Service at Eva Ratcliffe House
Thursday 30 th	7.30 pm	Finance Team meet in Church

From the Registers

Baptisms

1st May	Phoebe Grace Twycross
1st May	David John Patricic Ramsden
1st May	Daisy Alexander Doolan

May they know the love of God in their lives and may all things of the Spirit live and grow in them.

Weddings

7th May	Colin Henry Lowry & Josephine Anne Beech
21st May	Jonathan Knight & Tracey Ann Roberts

May each be to the other strength in need a comfort in sorrow and a companion in joy.

Funerals

9th May	Sylvia Constance Pendry	72
23rd May	Anthony Robert Shipman	71
25th May	Michael John Richards	

Grant them, O Lord, refreshment, light and peace.

Flower Rota June 2016

5th	Vacant	19th	C. Ambler
12th	S. Johns & S. Dale	26th	K. Lonsborough & P. Clarke

The Guides, Brownies and Rainbows May Queen for 2016

This year the Queen was Cody Hoey Queen Wisteria who was attended by Lauren Liggins and Ellie Topham, the small attendants were Lucy Ball, Lola Proctor, Scarlett Walker and Isobel Hudson.

The May Queen concerts were from 12th to the 14th May in the Gatty Hall. This Years performances were absolutely wonderful with all the girls enjoying taking part in what was felt as one of the most engaging concerts ever. The costumes were lovely, the leaders and mums having worked very hard to stage it all, with songs, dances and sketches accompanied by Mr David Smith on the piano. The second half was opened by moving camp fire songs followed by the procession of Queen Stargazer Lily – Isobel Talkes and the abdication of Queen Periwinkle India Buckley. There followed the Procession and Crowning of Queen Wisteria – Cody Hoey, It was beautiful, with the Queen leading the Prayers, followed by the Guide and Brownie Promises.

Then came the morning of Sunday 15th with the Pentecost Procession from the Co-op to St Mary's Church for the Whitsunday Service. Luckily this year we were able to have it outside, accompanied by the Music Group. During the service the girls planted forget-me-not seeds in the church yard.



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The Gardening Year - June 2016

The sun is at its strongest during June and every care must be taken to keep down weeds and to maintain soil moisture. Pests and diseases must be checked whenever they show the first signs of invading the garden. Early action can do much to keep these enemies under control.

A Summary of the Months' work: Lawns: apply a supplementary fertiliser is not given in May. Between June and October regulate the height of mower blades according to the weather, during drought raise the blades and cut without the box: the clippings will help to maintain moisture.

Roses: many hybrid tea roses have flowering shoots on which two or three side buds are produced in addition to the main bud at the top, if you want quality blooms or blooms with long stems for cutting remove the small side buds as soon as it is possible to pick them off with finger and thumb, this is called disbudding.

Hardy Herbaceous Plants: where early flowering kinds are fading cut them off within 3in. of ground level and clear away any support sticks. This encourages a fresh crop of foliage which will provide ground cover for the rest of the summer.

Chrysanthemums: plants grown for decorative purposes will give good results if the growing tips of the plants are removed at the time when the little breaks are just showing in the leaf axils of the main stems. Do this at any time between the middle of May and the middle of June the earlier the better for the plants which are to flower in the open, do not delay this stop later than June 21st otherwise the flowers will be of poor quality and too late to avoid the autumn frosts. Sow wallflowers at the end of the month or early in July, seeds of wallflowers and Sweet Williams can be sown in drills in their flowering positions. This is a convenient method if they are to be used for cutting the following spring: sow thinly later removing surplus plants by chopping them out with a hoe or knife.

Greenhouses and Frames: this month pay particular attention to watering. Plants in pots and grow bags may need two or more applications daily during hot weather. Maintain a humid atmosphere by frequent damping down, otherwise red spider mites may prove troublesome. If you are growing potatoes you must spray against potato blight, potato blight also attacks tomato plants so these must be sprayed as well. Spray as soon as the potato plants touch each other in the rows. Spray at weekly intervals for three weeks. Pests and diseases can be even more troublesome than in April or May. The aphids multiply more quickly and moulds or mildew spreads very fast, so keep up the weekly spraying.

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Tuesday 28th June 2016 at 7:30pm - Emma Johnson MBE (clarinet), John Lenehan (piano) & Paul Clarvis (percussion) in a programme entitled “Clarinet Goes to Town”

Wednesday 29th June 2016 at 7:30pm - Tine Thing Helseth (trumpet) & Kathryn Stott (pianist)

Thursday 30th June 2016 at 7:30pm - Julian & Jiaxin Lloyd Webber with Rebeca Omordia (accompanist)

Friday 1st July 2016 at 7:30pm - Phillip Dyson (international concert pianist)

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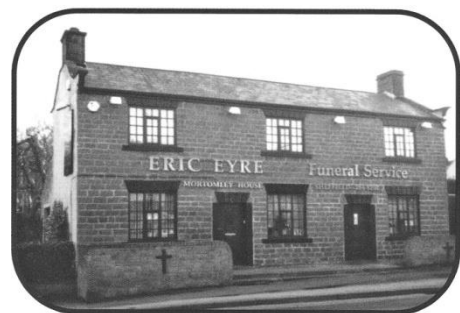
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Saint of the Month – St. Petroc – 4th June

St. Petroc – the founder of Padstow

If you are going to Cornwall this summer in search of peace and quiet, Petroc is the saint for you. Especially if you find Padstow a bit too crowded for your liking! He would have sympathised.

This 6th century abbot is Cornwall's most famous saint. Petroc set sail from South Wales, landed at Haylemouth, and founded a monastery at Lanwethinoc – now called Padstow, after him (Petroc's Stow).

Padstow must have been popular even in those days, because about 30 years later Petroc, in search of some peace and quiet, moved on to build another monastery at Little Petherick (Nanceventon). Here he must have decided to try some 6th century equivalent of 'Fresh Expressions', because he engaged with his local community by building a mill and a chapel.

In time, Petroc began feeling crowded again. So he tramped off to the remote wilds of Bodmin Moor, where he lived as a hermit – until some 12 monks turned up to join him. Firmly, Petroc kept them all housed in a monastery on a hilltop, while he enjoyed his private space in a cell by the river.

But even here Petroc was not alone. One day a terrified stag came rushing through the woods, pursued by the hunt. Petroc flung open the door of his cell, and the panting animal took refuge. When the huntsmen arrived on the scene, they did not dare to argue with the famous holy man, and went their way. The stag's gratitude made him tame, and Petroc would come to be portrayed with a stag as his special emblem.

Petroc was buried in the monastery in Padstow but in c.1000 his shrine and relics, including his staff and bell, were translated to Bodmin. Here they have stayed ever since, except for a short, unplanned trip to Brittany in 1177, when they were stolen and carted off by a naughty Canon of the Church. Henry II intervened, and everything but a rib of Petroc was eventually returned.

Editor: The Flag of Devon is dedicated to Saint Petroc. This flag, designed by Ryan Sealey, was the winner of a competition organised by the BBC in 2003, and represents the traditional county. It has been used by residents, and since October 2006 by Devon County Council.

Whitley Hall Cricket Club



The 1st XI has experienced a real struggle in the early games of the season, being knocked out of the main cup competitions and only succeeding in one full win in the league.

The 2nd XI is in better form but still with a tough season ahead. Do come and support your local club and cheer them on to some success during June

Senior Home Games at Cinder Hill Lane

28 th May	2 nd XI	v	Sheffield Hallam
4 th June	1 st XI	v	Doncaster Town
11 th June	2 nd XI	v	Barnsley
18 th June	1 st XI	v	Treeton
25 th June	2 nd XI	v	Norton Woodseats
2 nd July	1 st XI	v	Sheffield Collegiate
9 th July	2 nd XI	v	Rockingham

First XI league matches start at 12.30, 2nd XI and cup matches at 1.00.

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Crossword Puzzle (Solution is on page 21)

Clues Across

- 1** Military tactic used by Joshua to attack and destroy the city of Ai (Joshua 8:2) (6)
- 4** Place of learning (6)
- 8** ‘When Moses’ hands grew — , they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it’ (Exodus 17:12) (5)
- 9** Unpleasant auguries of the end of the age, as forecast by Jesus (Matthew 24:7) (7)
- 10** Stronghold to which girls in King Xerxes’ harem (including Esther) were taken (Esther 2:8) (7)
- 11** Where Saul went to consult a medium before fighting the Philistines (1 Samuel 28:7) (5)
- 12** Propitiation (Hebrews 2:17) (9)
- 17** Turn away (Jeremiah 11:15) (5)
- 19** So clear (anag.) (7)
- 21** ‘I have just got — , so I can’t come’: one excuse to be absent from the great banquet (Luke 14:20) (7)
- 22** Long weapon with a pointed head used by horsemen (Job 39:23) (5)
- 23** Musical beat (6)
- 24** What the Israelites were told to use to daub blood on their door-frames at the first Passover (Exodus 12:22) (6)

Clues Down

- 1** Fasten (Exodus 28:37) (6)
- 2** Art bite (anag.) (7)
- 3** ‘The people of the city were divided; some — with the Jews, others with the apostles’ (Acts 14:4) (5)
- 5** Contend (Jeremiah 12:5) (7)
- 6** Possessed (Job 1:3) (5)
- 7** Sheen (Lamentations 4:1) (6)
- 9** ‘You love evil rather than good, — rather than speaking the truth’ (Psalm 52:3) (9)
- 13** Large flightless bird (Job 39:13) (7)

14 They were worth several hundred pounds each (Matthew 25:15) (7)

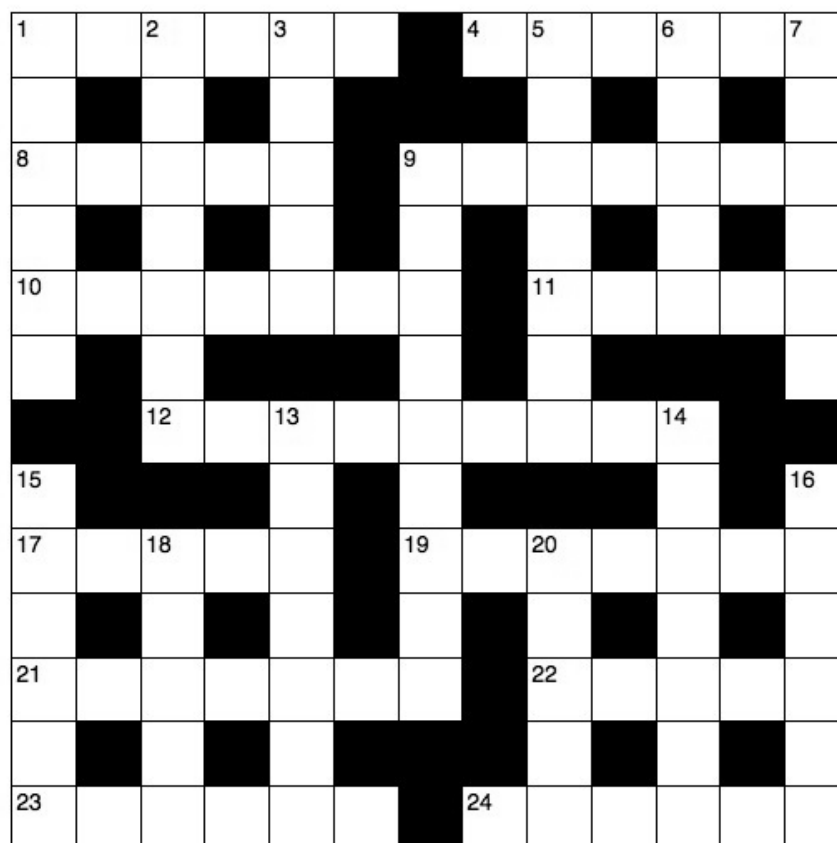
15 'A — went out to sow his seed' (Matthew 13:3) (6)

16 How Jesus described Jairus's daughter when he went into the room where she lay (Mark 5:39) (6)

18 The part of the day when the women went to the tomb on the first Easter morning (John 20:1) (5)

20 Narrow passageway between buildings (Luke 14:21) (5)

Solution is on Page 21



E.P.P.i.C. Theatre Coffee Morning
Saturday June 11th
With entertainment from: John Snook

John Snook is a Patron of Ecclesfield Priory Players. Known as 'Welsh John' at the folk clubs, (for obvious reasons), John sings with the Millhouses Community Choir and also in local folk clubs - mainly the 'Booit Straps' folk club based at the Commercial Inn on Station Road, Chapeltown. Everyone is welcome, so even if you are not a regular at our Coffee Mornings, please feel free to come along and have a coffee (or tea) and biscuits. The timing is flexible, but will probably start around 11.00am. Admission is free.

E.P.P.i.C. Theatre, Well Lane, Ecclesfield, S35 9TP

Prayers and Poems Page

Prayer of thanks for the Queen

Father,

We thank you for our Queen, for her ninety years of life – and still counting! Thank you for her example of commitment and service; for her perseverance through sunshine and storm. Most of all thank you for the wisdom she has to know that her security and significance come from you alone. You are her Lord and King and Saviour – and you are ours. May we all, Sovereign or Subject, put our trust in you and walk more closely with you day by day, in thankfulness for Jesus Christ, who makes that relationship possible. Amen.

By Daphne Kitching

The Sun has got his hat on

The sun has got his hat on
Hip-hip-hip- hooray!
The sun has got his hat on
But we exclaim “I say!”

The sun has got his hat on
Yip-yip-yip yippee!
There’s beaches to be sat on
But too much flesh to see!

The sun has got his hat on
We are most impressed!
The sun with his fine hat on
Is the only one who’s dressed.

By Nigel Beeton

Elizabeth our Queen

Through hope and trial, peace and strife
For ninety years she’s been
A vital part of national life
Elizabeth our Queen.

The language that I’m writing
Our hills of vibrant green
Our pealing bells, delighting
Elizabeth our Queen.

Old houses, thatched, appealing
Old England’s rural dream;
A Royal house, revealing
Elizabeth our Queen.

The guards’ red coats are glorious
Their horses are pristine
They cry, “Send her victorious!”
Elizabeth our Queen.

Our country, land of beauty
Would be half of what it’s been
But for ninety years of duty
So sing, “God save our Queen!”

By Nigel Beeton

Editor: Nigel Beeton writes: ‘I was born in 1960. Britain has changed a lot in that time, but some things haven’t changed....beautiful landscapes, thatched cottages, soldiers in bright red uniforms, and the Queen. Like anyone younger than 64, I have never known another monarch, and frankly I find it hard to imagine Britain without her. Happy Birthday, Ma’am!’

72nd Annual May Queen Concert

Ecclesfield Guides have recently performed their 72nd Annual May Queen concert. This year nearly 100 Guides, Brownies & Rainbows took part in the show and they all took the audience on a visit to the cinema - both past & present. The Rainbows performed to the themes of bugs, sea & magic. Brownies had us guessing which films famous quotes came from, reminisced about classic family films as well as singing songs about toys and aliens. The Guides were for once silent, ribbon danced to Chick flicks & reminded everybody of movies which involved the Army. Just before the Dirty Dancing finale, the Leaders became Ghostbusters complete with marshmallow man.

During the second half of the show our New May Queen was crowned. This year we are pleased to announce that Cody Hoey was crowned as Queen Wisteria. Cody chose Lauren Liggins, Ellie Topham, Lucy Ball, Lola Cook, Isobel Hudson & Scarlet Walker to be her attendants.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who came to support us and we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

If anybody is interested in their Daughters joining our Rainbow, Brownie or Guide units within Ecclesfield, please feel free to contact any of the leaders or send a message via any of the current members.

Contact Numbers for Local Groups ☎

Ecclesfield Rainbows

Gatty Hall
Tuesday 4.45 pm to 6.00 pm
Leader - Mrs B Travis
Tel: TBA

Ecclesfield Brownies

Gatty Hall
Monday 5.30 pm to 6.45 pm
Leader - Mrs J Hutchinson
Tel: 0114 257 8609

Ecclesfield Brownies

Gatty Hall
Tuesday 6.15 pm to 7.45 pm
Leader - Mrs A. Kendall
Tel: 0114 246 8866

Ecclesfield Guides

Gatty Hall
Thursday 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm
Leader - Mrs C Topham
Tel: 0114 246 1289

Ecclesfield Priory Players

EPPIC Theatre
Monday 7.30 pm to 10.00 pm
Wednesday 7.30 pm to 10.00 pm
Secretary –Carol Travis
Theatre Tel No. 0114 240 2624

Ecclesfield Community Garden

Ecclesfield Park - Located between
Ladycroft bridge/stream and Bowling
greens. Open Wednesday + Saturday
10 am to 12 noon
Tel : Angela 0114 2461095

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Tel: 0114 246 3651
email: ecclesfieldlib@gmail.com

Ecclesfield Cubs

Scout Hut (off Yew lane)
Wednesday 4:45 pm to 6:15 pm
2nd Pack 6.30 pm to 8.0 pm
Leader - Mrs A Hancock
Tel: 0114 245 2780

Ecclesfield Beavers

Scout Hut (off Yew lane)
Monday 6.00 pm to 7.15 pm
Leader - Mrs J Steel
0114 246 0218
Thursday 6.00 -7.15 pm
Rachael Otter 0114 246 1752

Ecclesfield Scouts

Scout Hut (off Yew Lane)
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Leader - Bryony Hemming
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John Otter Tel. 0114 246 1752

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Thursday 9.00 am to 12.00 pm 245 0106

Church Choir Practice in Church

Friday 7:30 pm - Contact: Don Knott 246 8430

Music Group Practice in Church

Thursday 7:30 pm - Contact: Andrea Whittaker 246 0746

Mother's Union in Gatty Hall

1st Wednesday of month 1:00 pm

Contact: Maureen Lambert 246 9690

Ecclesfield Ladies Group in Gatty Hall

Thursday 7.30 pm - Contact: Anne Rostron 245 5492

Bell Ringers meet in Church Belfry

Tuesday 7:30 pm Contact: Phil Hirst 286 2766

Gatty Hall Bookings,

Contact: Margaret Roberts 246 3993

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This year the Queen was Cody Hoey Wisteria who was attended by Lauren Liggins and Ellie Topham, the small attendants were Lucy Ball, Lola Proctor, Scarlett Walker and Isobel Hudson.