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First Words

It is already October; Autumn has arrived and we are looking ahead to the last months of 2022!

Every Thursday we will be having our usual mid-week Communion at 9.30am.

On **Saturday 1st October** we have a **wedding** in Church at **1.30pm**.

On **Sunday 2nd October** in our **10am** service we will be celebrating the feast of **St Michael and All Angels**.

On **Monday 3rd October** there will be a **funeral** in Church at **12 noon**, and on the same day at **7.30pm**, the **PCC Meeting**, postponed because of the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be held in Church.

At **10.30am on Thursday 6th October** there will be a **burial of ashes** in the Churchyard.

On **Saturday 8th October** we will be having our monthly **Prayer Breakfast at 9am**, finishing by about 10.30am.

Our **Harvest Festival** will be on **Sunday 9th October at 10am**.

Wedding Rehearsal in Church on **Tuesday 11th October at 1pm**.

On **Wednesday 12th October at 2pm** there will be a meeting, open to anyone who wants to come along, to **plan hymns and services** for **November and December** - including the Christmas Services. This will be followed at **4.30pm** by a meeting of the trustees of the **Ecclesfield Welfare Charities**.

On the afternoon of **Thursday 13th October at 2.15pm** there will be a **funeral** in Church.

On **Friday 14th October at 2pm** there is a **wedding** in Church and in the evening we have our **Harvest Supper** - see the weekly Notice Sheet for more details.

On **Sunday 16th October at 12 noon** we have **baptisms** in Church.

On **Wednesday 19th October** we will be welcoming Ecclesfield Primary School into Church at **11am and at 1.30pm** for their **Harvest Service**.

At **4pm** on the afternoon of **Sunday 30th October** we will be holding our annual **“All Soul’s” Memorial Service**.

God bless,
Tim

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# Reflecting Faith: the Cross in our churches

*Editor: The Revd Dr Jo White considers aspects of Christianity.*

I recently read a web article which was wondering if Christians actually need a 'cross' in our church buildings; or indeed if they were unhelpful in our worship. The major argument against having one, it seems, was that it could become the focus of our worship, and it is not okay to worship idols.

To me this argument is nonsensical. The cross is a graphic reminder of what Jesus Christ has done for us in His death. No one in their senses would dream of worshipping a cross itself, as it was the most humiliating and debasing form of capital punishment – it was a means of gruesome execution.

Christians use crosses in churches to remind people of just how far Jesus was prepared to go to rescue us from what St Paul called 'the dominion of darkness'.

So this Sunday, why not have a look around your local church building, and count how many crosses there are?

I would expect there to be 'hidden' crosses where the building was consecrated, and also under the altar itself. There will also be various paperwork, service books, sheets and hymnals which all have the sign of the cross on their covers.

Perhaps you have candle holders with crosses sculptured into them. And in most Protestant churches you will see a cross on or above the altar table itself.

Many processions of choir and clergy will be led by a raised cross bearer. And in churches where the Bible is processed into the nave for reading during a service, a cross is also carried.

People turn to face these processions as they travel without necessarily understanding which part they are facing: the Cross, the Bible or the Person?

The answer is – we follow the Word of God – the Bible - not the cross.

The same is true in any procession. We stand to honour the clergy in their role as Christ's servants, not the cross which may be held aloft before them.

*This month*

Have a look around your church building – both inside and outside for crosses. What materials are they made from? How extravagant or glamorous are they? Are they Crosses (an 'empty' cross) or Crucifixes (this has a representation of Christ hanging on the cross)? How do they aid you in your worship and how much do they reflect your faith?

*Editor* - The Feast of the Cross is an important Christian feast. One of the twelve Great Feasts in Orthodox Catholic is the Exaltation of the Cross on September 14, which commemorates the consecration of the basilica on the site where the original cross of Jesus was reportedly discovered in 326 by Helena of Constantinople, mother of Constantine the Great. The Catholic Church celebrates the feast on the same day and under the same name (In Exaltatione Sanctae Crucis), though in English it has been called the feast of the Triumph of the Cross.

# Agatha Christie's Mousetrap

It was 70 years ago, on 6th October 1952, that the world premiere of Agatha Christie's play, The Mousetrap, opened in Nottingham. It then opened in London on 25th November, and is still going, making it the world's longest-running play.

Originally a short radio play written as a birthday present for Queen Mary, it was broadcast in May 1947. The stage play, a murder mystery, has been performed more than 28,000 times – the only break being, because of the Covid pandemic, between 16th March 2020 and 17th May 2021

The play also made theatrical history by having an original "cast member" survive all the changes since its opening night. The late Deryck Guyler can still be heard, on a recording, reading the radio news bulletin in the play. There have been many physical alterations, with the set being changed in 1965 and 1999, but one original prop survives – the clock above the fireplace in the main hall.

Christie regarded detective fiction as a distinctively moral genre because it deals with questions of guilt and justice that are at times almost theological. The society and milieu of her stories are distinctively Christian. She was baptised into the Church of England and kept her mother's copy of The Imitation of Christ – a spiritual handbook – by her bedside. Its flyleaf carried a quotation from Romans, beginning "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?"

At her memorial service in 1976, her publisher William Collins described her as having a "gentle Christian spirit".

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## Saint of the month - Elizabeth Fry - 12th October

Elizabeth Fry had endless compassion and endless energy – and together with a steadfast determination to do God's work, this outstanding philanthropist became one of the foremost promoters of prison reform – not just in Britain, but in all of Europe.

Elizabeth was born in 1780, far from any prison. The family lived in Norwich, where her father was a wealthy Quaker banker and merchant. In 1800 she married a London merchant, Joseph Fry.

Elizabeth could have spent her life safely at home, raising her many children. But instead, she felt compelled to help the desperate social needs of the time.

There was a good reason for this. Back in 1798, when she had been attending a Quaker meeting in Norwich, someone had spoken what Elizabeth felt was a prophetic word for her life. As she noted in her diary at the time:

'Deborah Darby then spoke... she addressed part of it to me; I only fear she says too much of what I am to be. A light to the blind; speech to the dumb; and feet to the lame; can it be? She seems as if she thought I was to be a minister of Christ. Can I ever be one? If I am obedient I believe I shall.'

And she was.

Elizabeth was accepted as a Quaker 'minister', and her good works in London began. But it was not until one day in 1813, when she visited Newgate Prison in London, that Elizabeth's life changed forever. That day she witnessed such horrors of the circumstances in which women and children were kept, that she knew she had found the focus for her life's work.

Soon her daily visits to the prison, where she read the Bible and taught the women to sew, grew into a campaign to achieve basic rights for the women prisoners. She fought for the classification of criminals, the segregation of the sexes, female supervision of women, and some provision for education.

In 1817 she created the Association for the Improvement of Female Prisoners, and then lobbied Parliament. By 1818 Elizabeth had raised such a storm that she was called to give evidence to a Parliamentary Select Committee who was examining conditions in prison. They accepted many of her proposed reforms.

In 1820 Elizabeth tackled the huge problem of destitution in London. She opened a 'Nightly Shelter for the Homeless in London', which became the first of many. She founded a society to help released prisoners with rehabilitation. And she was certainly a 'hands-on' sort of lady; it was said that for the next 20 years she personally inspected every single ship containing women convicts before it sailed to Australia.

Between 1838 and 1842 Elizabeth visited all the prisons in France, reporting to the Interior Minister. She then inspected prisons in Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Germany, Denmark, Scotland and Ireland.

# God in The Arts

*Editor: The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series with a look at 'Morning in the Riesengebirge'. It now hangs in the Schloß Charlottenburg, Berlin.*

## I WILL LIFT UP MINE EYES UNTO THE HILLS

"The artist should not only paint what he sees before him, but also what he sees within him." These are the words of a German romantic painter, Caspar David Friedrich, who lived from 1774-1840.

The inspiration for most of his paintings was the countryside and the world of nature around. As he looked at its beauty and grandeur, it awoke in him feelings of wonder and awe, which he expressed through his art.



At the age of 34 he painted a cross in the mountains as an altarpiece for a church in Dresden: the first time a pure landscape had been used for an altar. Later in 1811 he painted a similar, but more profound and more moving work: 'Morning in the Riesengebirge.'

Friedrich was a great walker and climber, and he loved the mountains of East Saxony depicted here. The first rays of the sun are coming over the horizon to illuminate both the beauty of the hills, and the tall crucifix placed on the mountain top. Friedrich looked at the glory of nature at sunrise and saw there a sign of God the Creator, and God the one who sent His Son to redeem that Creation.

Like Caspar David Friedrich, and like the psalmist, we can look to the hills and see the glory and greatness of God. This will be the theme for many of us this month with Harvest celebrations. But we give thanks for creation and the bounty of the world at a time when we hear reports of glaciers melting, water levels rising, greenhouse gases warming up our planet, and resources of food and fuel wasted and depleted. It is too easy to take this world for granted and imagine it is here solely for us.

Caspar David Friedrich invites us to look at the world, its beauty and greatness, as a gift to cherish, not to manipulate and exploit for our own use. As we look at this earth with eyes of wonder and gratitude, then we shall find the God who created and redeemed it, and ask what service and stewardship we can offer Him in the world.

*Editor: Caspar David Friedrich* - Is best known for his mid-period allegorical landscapes, which typically feature contemplative figures silhouetted against night skies, morning mists, barren trees or Gothic ruins. His primary interest was the contemplation of nature, and his often symbolic and anti-classical work seeks to convey a subjective, emotional response to the natural world. Friedrich's paintings characteristically set a human presence in diminished perspective amid expansive landscapes, reducing the figures to a scale that, according to the art historian Christopher John Murray, directs "the viewer's gaze towards their metaphysical dimension". Friedrich was born in the town of Greifswald on the Baltic Sea in what was at the time Swedish Pomerania. He studied in Copenhagen until 1798, before settling in Dresden. He came of age during a period when, across Europe, a growing disillusionment with materialistic society was giving rise to a new appreciation of spirituality. This shift in ideals was often expressed through a re-evaluation of the natural world, as artists such as Friedrich, J. M. W. Turner and John Constable sought to depict nature as a "divine creation, to be set against the artifice of human civilization".

# St James the Least of All

*Editor: The Revd Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace'...*

## On publishing my book

The Rectory  
St. James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren.

After all these years, who would have believed it: to have my own book printed! I must admit, I had imagined a leather-bound volume with gold leaf lettering on the spine – perhaps even titled 'Volume One', implying future delights when further work would appear. A paperback, held together with glue was a slight disappointment. The publisher's reason for a print run of 50, saying that it meant fewer would have to be dumped in cut-price bookshops, was not what I had expected either.



He seemed to think that my commentary on Eusebius's tables for cross-referencing the gospels, as explained in his letter to Carpianus, would not have mass interest. While I concede it will be unlikely to dent the sales of Harry Potter, and that I am unlikely to be involved in negotiating the film rights, I had hoped for slightly more enthusiasm for this stride forward in global knowledge.

The excitement of the book launch and signing was also tempered when only the bishop arrived, expecting a free copy, so he could mark it for theological errors. My suggestion that he take a copy to colour it in did not go down well. I suspect I will not now be asked to deliver a paper on it at the next clergy conference.

I was briefly excited when several parishioners came into the shop. But it turned out that one wanted to book a baptism with me, and another wanted to complain that at his recent wedding, I had nearly married the best man to the bride. I was tempted to tell him that the time may come when he wished that I had, but decided that would be another sale lost.

I could not even console myself with a free drink. The publisher had only brought two bottles of that particular white wine, of unknown origin, that seems specially reserved for book launches and retirement parties. I suspect it derives less from a vineyard and more from a laboratory. One bottle he kept for himself and the other disappeared after my Confirmation class came in to ask whether the book would be serialised on TV.

In the end, I bought all 50 copies myself, placed a note in the bookshop window saying that, due to exceptional demand, the print run had been entirely sold out. It has also solved the annual problem of Christmas presents; in your case, a second copy will probably arrive for your birthday too.

Your loving uncle,  
Eustace



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## Thought for the Month

One of the things that has most worried me about Britain in recent years is how divided we have become. It seems as if we are more bitterly and deeply divided than I can ever remember. We no longer seem to listen to the views of those with whom we disagree, much less do we try to understand them, to see things from their point of view.

One of the reasons why this worries me is something that Jesus said: "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand." (Matthew 12:25)

For years I have been praying for the healing of our land, for a common vision to inspire us, something to unite us as one people. Often as I have prayed for unity and healing, I have wondered what, if anything, could bring together such a deeply divided nation.

Then, while I was away on annual leave, came the news that Queen Elizabeth had died at her Scottish home in Balmoral. The news was sad, of course. My immediate thoughts and prayers were for the Royal family, especially for Prince Charles who had not only lost his mother but would be expected to take on the office of king.

As the news unfolded we began to see something remarkable. The whole country united. We saw people of every ethnicity, of every orientation, of every political persuasion, people of the north and the south, people of all of the nations of the United Kingdom, joining together in an outpouring of grief and admiration. It seemed as if the last gift of Queen Elizabeth to Great Britain was to show us that we could actually be one nation, one people, diverse, but united.

It struck me that this is one of the strengths of our rather odd political system. We have political parties, and they are important, but they divide us. If we had an elected president as head of state instead of a constitutional monarch, we would never unite behind them. President Blair or President Johnson would always be divisive figures.

A Queen, or a king, does two important things. Firstly they remind us of our past, of our history, and knowing where we come from helps us to find our way ahead. Secondly a monarch reminds us that beyond the things that separate us, we are still one people, one nation. It struck me on the day that the whole country stopped to pay our respects to the Queen that for the first time for many, many years we are a United Kingdom.

As we continue to give thanks for Queen Elizabeth, as we remember her life of dedicated service of God and neighbour, we pray for this nation and we pray for King Charles. knowing that whatever the future holds for Great Britain we can face it better together.

God bless the Queen.

God save the king.

## Mothers' Union

We welcomed two firefighters to our meeting. They began by telling us how difficult their work had been during the heatwave with over 1,000 calls. Sadly many of these could be traced back to the public being careless. They went on to describe how they had tackled the fires; how dangerous they were and often how difficult it had been getting to the sites of the fires. Certainly not an easy job.

They went on then to explain the kind of work they were often involved with - home fires the most frequent and what we can do to help ourselves. The need for a fire alarm and a carbon monoxide alarm in every home and ideally tested every week. There are other alarms for the deaf and City-Wide Alarms will notify those who are ill or have dementia if they are registered with them.

There is one engine per station but usually two engines will attend a fire. In South Yorkshire there are 420 firefighters (4 men to each engine)? Each station has a designated specialism decided on the type of fire. The firefighters have continuous training. People's vulnerability is increased by the use of smoking, drugs or drink and some health issues and medication can also make people vulnerable. Some creams are highly combustible.

We all need to remember to switch off all plugs when we go to bed or go on holiday. Many gadgets still use power when not switched off at the plug. How can we help ourselves- close doors at night when we go to bed to stop any fire spreading. Keep a mobile phone at the bedside. Ring 999 and ask for fire, then give your name and address and say how you feel. Keep in contact with them until a fire engine arrives. Ideally, we should take the house keys to bed with us. Other ways we can help is to make sure everything is safe. We need to plan a way out if there's a fire, windows should be easy to open. Plug in air fresheners need taking out of plugs. Multiplugs should not have more than 13/ kw load. No tea towels on chip pans just switch off heat and let it' burn out remember to shut windows and doors for the smoke. The Fire Service will do safety checks in your home. We came away enlightened and aware of the dangers.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of October. 1.30 in the Gatty Hall.** Our speaker will be from the Children's Society. If you would like to come along just to hear about this important work, please do. You don't have to be a member.

On **Wednesday the 2nd of November 1.30 in the Gatty Hall** the speaker is from **Artworks** a creative arts organisation inspiring and helping adults with learning disabilities develop Important life skills through creative workshops and placements

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## Henry Ford's secret

When the late Mr and Mrs Henry Ford celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, a reporter asked them: "To what do you attribute your fifty years of successful married life?"

"The formula," said Ford, "is the same formula I have always used in making cars – just stick to one model."

# From the Registers

## Baptisms

Sunday 18th September

Chad Johna Cooke; Flynn Kevin Glasby

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

## Marriages

Saturday 24th September

Peter Illingsworth & Alice Toone

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

## Funerals

Thursday 1st September

Brian Atkinson

Monday 26th September

Irene Mary Hartley

Wednesday 28th September

John William Daniels

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

## Why walking a small dog may win a woman's heart

Men who walk small dogs are seen as less threatening to women than men who walk large or even medium sized dogs.

Using cute little dogs to appeal to women is a well-known tactic on dating apps, but now scientists at the University of Jaen in Spain have found that even just walking a small dog can attract women to a man.

It seems when women see a man walking a small dog, they remain relaxed because they feel safe, and calm because they do not fear losing control of the situation. And if the dog is really cute, then a conversation may even begin!

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# 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 between Science and Christian faith. Picture copyright: Dr Ruth M Bancewicz

## Continuing the Celebration!

On 9th-16th October this year many people around the world will be celebrating the Jewish festival of Tabernacles, or Sukkot. They will celebrate the Harvest, and also remember God bringing the Israelites out of Egypt and through 40 years in the desert.

The biblical book of Deuteronomy contains a description of what Tabernacles should have been like back then. “Celebrate... for seven days. Be joyful... you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, and the Levites, the foreigners, the fatherless and the widows who live in your towns.”



These festivals were not just a celebration, but also an expression of gratitude to God: “celebrate the festival to the Lord your God...For the Lord your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete.” Tabernacles was a proper holiday, with two whole days off normal work and seven days of feasting.

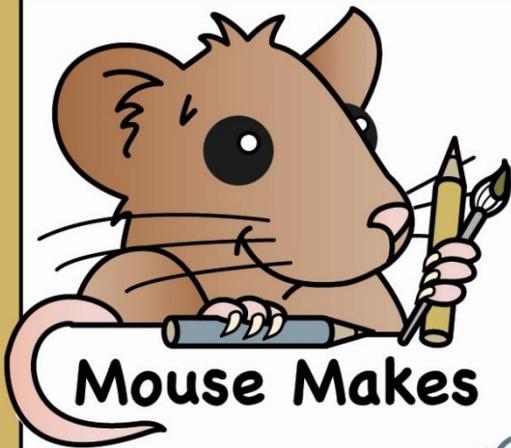
Farming looks very different today. Very few of us have had to sweat long hours over crops, so we’re not as ready for (or deserving of) a rest and a party as our ancestors were at this time of year. That might be even more the case in future, as the agri-tech revolution unfolds. For example, small autonomous tractors are already becoming available that do less damage to the soil and make better use of steep or oddly shaped fields.

Many arable farms already hire contractors to do the routine work with large specialist GPS-equipped machinery. In future years those people might find themselves using very different kinds of high-tech kit, acting more as land-management advisors, helping farmers to gather data and to find ways of improving soil quality, biodiversity and the water cycle.

I’m very grateful for the food that arrives on my shelves. Instead of worrying about whether or not we earned it, our modern-day Tabernacles or Harvest celebration could include ways of encouraging those involved in agriculture and developing new agricultural technologies, as well as enjoying how we can learn about and benefit from God’s creation through Science.

So, after you celebrate Harvest at church, why not follow it up with a trip to a local farm this month? Why not learn from the ancient Israelites, and follow it up with a meal together? It stands to reason that those of us who live in countries where food is plentiful and cheap could do with being proportionately more generous in our gratitude and giving. Should we throw better parties? Probably!

See also: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sukkot>



# Mouse Makes



Everyone who hears Jesus' words and **does** them will be like a



Everyone who hears Jesus' words and does **not** do them will be like a

The \_\_\_\_\_ fell,  
The floods came and the  
\_\_\_\_\_ blew.

Matthew 7:25



On what did he build  
his house?

Matthew 7:24

On what did he build  
his house?

Matthew 7:26

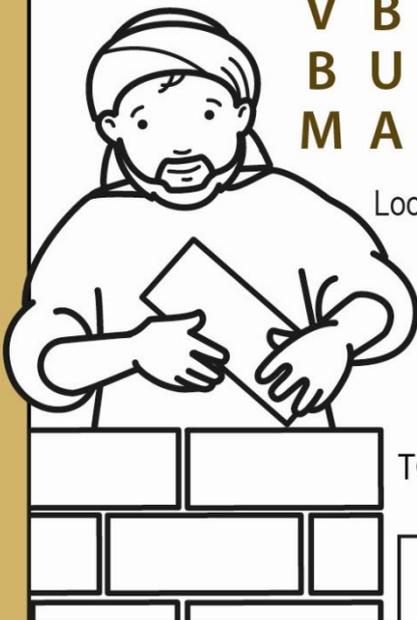
  
Matthew 7:24-27  
and  
Luke 6:46-49

What  
happened  
to the  
houses?  
Read  
Matthew  
7:25 and 27

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What was  
the reaction  
of the crowd  
to Jesus'  
teaching?  
Read  
Matthew  
7:28-29



Look up the Bible references to find the missing words then look for them and the words below in the word search

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DOES • BUILT • FOUNDATION • MAN  
DUG • DEEP • SOLID • GROUND  
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# Editor's Humour

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One of my neighbours owns several cats. On a recent visit she introduced them to me: "that's Astrophe, that's Erpillar, that's Aract, and that's Alogue." "Where on earth did you get such unusual names" I asked. Oh, those are their last names," she explained. Their first names are Cat."

British Tea Translations: "Cup of tea?" = Welcoming a guest, "Tea?" = I find this situation a little awkward, "Pot of tea?" = Trying to impress, "I'll make some tea." There has been complete and total devastation.

Ma'amalade sandwich Your Majesty?  
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# Prayer for the Month - The Prayer of Habakkuk

## ***The Prayer of Habakkuk***

*Though the fig tree does not blossom,  
and no fruit is on the vines;  
though the produce of the olive fails  
and the fields yield no food;  
though the flock is cut off from the fold  
and there is no herd in the stalls,  
yet I will rejoice in the Lord;  
I will exult in the God of my salvation.  
God, the Lord, is my strength;  
he makes my feet like the feet of a deer,  
and makes me tread upon the heights.*

We are living in strange and difficult days. Most of us are worrying about the coming winter and the cost of food and heating; we see people struggling already. We see crisis after crisis afflicting the whole world - from war in Ukraine to the oppression of women and girls in Afghanistan, to the looming environmental disaster already bringing flooding in Pakistan and drought in China, as well as the fires that devastated areas of mainland Europe and the US over the summer.

We can all think of things to do - we support foodbanks, we support the people of Ukraine, we can use our voice and vote in a democratic country to influence the decisions of our government. But my question is - how do we pray in such times as these?

Trying to find a prayer for difficult times made me think of one of the more obscure and often neglected prophets of the Hebrew Bible, Habakkuk. His short book, only three chapters, and the prayer with which it ends is about living by faith, it is a guide to prayer in hard times.

Sometimes believers think that because they are chosen and loved by God, somehow we will get favourable treatment, be exempt from the difficulties and storms of life. But experience tells us that this is not the case! That Jesus' followers don't get preferential treatment often comes as a surprise. But, of course, one look at Jesus, one glance at the Cross, should warn us not to be surprised.

Habakkuk, who also lived in hard and perilous days, speaks our words to God. He gives voice to our concerns and fears, to our bewilderment and even to our disappointment with God!

More than speaking our words and prayers to God, Habakkuk does something even more important: he waits and he listens, and Habakkuk's waiting and listening turns into prayer. And his prayer for believers in difficult days is a prayer of trust.

His prayer is without condition, it does not depend on God doing what Habakkuk wants Him to do, it doesn't depend on things getting better, or problems being resolved.

Even if things continue to be hard and confusing, even if God does not answer the prayers of the people, "yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will exult in the God of my salvation."

It is a prayer of total trust in God.

It is a prayer that I find myself praying. Whatever situation I find myself in I will trust in God, I will be faithful, because faith is not a transaction, it isn't a bargain or a deal. Faith is a relationship. Inhabiting the prayer of Habakkuk reminds me of this important truth at a time when I most need to remember. Amen.

## A Poem for the Queen

*Editor:* Nigel Beeton writes: Her Majesty had a very long life, didn't she? I kind of stupidly didn't really ever come to terms with the obvious fact that she would always be my Queen! But we prayed 'Long live our noble Queen' every time we sang the National Anthem, and God really did answer that prayer, and we should give thanks for that.

### A Long Life is Ended

An aged heart flutters  
And ceases to beat  
A long life is ended  
But not in defeat!  
For ninety-six years  
Of duty and love  
A long life inspired  
By her God above!



For seventy years  
The crown she did wear  
And "Long live the Queen!" –  
God answered our prayer!  
But now she is with Him  
God's true to His word  
We'll ask Him for guidance  
For King Charles the Third!

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## Help needed in the church garden

If you can, mow, weed, strim, sweep, pickup sticks, rake leaves or drive a sit on mower, we need you. If you can spare just one or two hours a week it would be a great help. Not only will the church look good, but you might even feel your spiritual and physical well-being improve and in our small way help the environment. We come to the churchyard every Tuesday and Friday afternoon (weather permitting) followed by a drinks and biscuits, sometimes even a cake.

Any help most welcome. Thank you. Pat Wood

# Whitley Hall Cricket Club



The 2022 season has now finished with the 1st XI ending by beating Wakefield Thornes at home on 3rd September to earn them 6th position in the final table with Appleby Frodingham as Premier League Champions and Cawthorne and Whiston relegated.

The 2nd XI also finished the season with a win at home beating Doncaster 2nd XI and finishing the season with 5th place in League 1 with Darfield 1st XI finishing champions and 3 teams relegated.

The 3rd XI had a really good season and finished only 6 points off the 3rd place which would have earned them promotion – very disappointingly, their final match against Green Moor was cancelled due to the weather and Penistone 2nd XI took the 3rd place and promotion. A win was all they needed. There was some compensation as the 3rd XI triumphed in the Billy Oates Memorial Cup having beaten Thorpe Hesley and High Green 1st XI in the semi-final and then by beating Upper Haugh 3rd XI in the final at Fishlake on 28th August, winning by 70 runs.

See you again next April

Contact: Joe Webster, Secretary: 07969 014592 or Email [whitleyhall@yocspl.co.uk](mailto:whitleyhall@yocspl.co.uk)

**Andrew Robinson**

## Remembering Coleridge

Samuel Taylor Coleridge was born 250 years ago, on 21st October 1772. He co-founded (with William Wordsworth) the Romantic Movement of poetry, but he was also a philosopher, theologian and literary critic. He is best known for the long, compelling ballad, The Rime of the Ancient Mariner, and the mystical Kubla Khan.

Born in Ottery St Mary, Devon, Coleridge was a prodigious reader as a child; his father John was vicar and head of the local grammar school, and Samuel's school friends there remembered him for his unusual memory and willingness to express coherently his opinions and beliefs. He was however – especially during his adult life – subject to anxiety and depression and may have been bipolar. He was treated with laudanum and became dependent on it.

He did however have a strong belief in the existence of a powerful “life consciousness” in all created beings, and this idea prompted Wordsworth's creative approach to nature. Coleridge also worked as a Unitarian preacher between 1796 and 1797, though he eventually returned to the Church of England.

Kubla Khan was composed in a lonely Somerset farmhouse when the poet by his own admission was under the influence of laudanum. It is a remarkable and spiritual poetic fragment. Much easier to understand (but also much longer), The Rime of the Ancient Mariner is an imaginative and complex exposition of his belief that all life is sacred.

Coleridge is remembered largely for the work of his brilliant youth, and he later became disillusioned by the failure of both his marriage and the French Revolution, lapsing often into obscure argument and confusion – something his addiction clearly did nothing to alleviate.

# The Gardening Year – October

**Blueberries and Cranberry** plants are particularly suitable for containers because they require the type of soil rarely found in gardens. Both are compact plants and great fun for novices to grow. Suitable containers, Blueberries and Cranberries need fairly large containers (18inch) should do the trick. You may get away with growing Cranberries in a hanging basket or window box if you can manage to keep the compost moist enough. Soil, Blueberries and Cranberries need moist, acidic soil, so you will need to buy ericaceous compost from a garden centre. Blueberries like a very coarse texture compost, so mix ericaceous compost with woodchip conifer chippings.

**Care and Position**, both fruits need to be watered with rainwater to prevent the PH of the soil being altered, so only plant them if you have a way of gathering rainwater, such as a small Barrel, unless you have a tiny pot try to have more than one Blueberry plant to allow them to cross pollinate and ensure a better crop. Both Blueberries and Cranberries like full sun in a sheltered spot, against a south facing wall is ideal but they will tolerate partial shade if necessary. Feed the plants every month during the growing season.

**Pruning**, Blueberries fruit on two-year-old wood, if your plant has woody branches with no fruit buds on it, cut it out. The harder you prune Blueberries the better fruit you will get. Varieties, sunshine blue is a very reliable Blueberry and is bushy and compact, reaching three foot tall. Top Hat is a great Blueberry for containers because it is a dwarf variety. The mature bush reaches a maximum height and spread of just(24inches) yet it produces a heavy crop. Pilgrim is a variety of Cranberry that can be planted to tumble from the side of a hanging basket. Early black, is reported to be one of the easiest Cranberries to grow.

**Pest and Diseases**, Blueberries and Cranberries are pretty trouble free when it comes to pest and diseases, just be aware that once the fruit is ripened, you will need to protect them from birds. Harvest, during late summer the fruit swell and reach their wonderful colours. Pick the Blueberries before the frost comes and freeze or use fresh. Cranberries can be made into Cranberry jelly ready for Christmas, and Blueberries make a delicious addition to muffins.

**Colin Williams**

# Eat the Seasons – October

**Vegetables** - Artichoke, Beetroot, Broccoli, Butternut Squash, Celeriac, Celery, Chicory, Chillies, Fennel, Garlic, Horseradish, Jerusalem Artichoke, Kale, Kohlrabi, Leeks, Lettuce & Salad Leaves, Marrow, Parsnips, Potatoes (Maincrop), Pumpkin, Radishes, Rocket, Runner Beans, Salsify, Shallots, Swede, Sweetcorn, Tomatoes, Truffles (Black), Truffles (White), Turnips, Watercress, Wild Mushrooms

**Fruit** - Apples, Bilberries, Blackberries, Elderberries, Figs, Grapes, Medlar, Pears, Quince

**Herbs** - Almonds, Brazil Nuts, Chestnuts, Chives, Cob Nuts, Hazelnuts, Parsley (Curly), Rosemary, Sage, Sorrel, Thyme, Walnuts

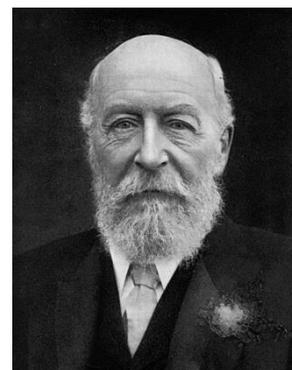
**Meat** - Beef, Duck, Goose, Grouse, Guinea Fowl, Hare, Lamb, Mallard, Partridge, Pheasant, Rabbit, Turkey, Venison, Wood Pigeon

**Fish** – Clams, Cod, Coley, Crab, Dab, Dover Sole, Grey Mullet, Gurnard, Haddock, Halibut, Hake, Herring, Lemon Sole, Lobster, Mackerel, Monkfish, Mussels, Oysters, Pilchard, Plaice, Pollack, Prawns, Red Mullet, Sea Bass (Wild), Sea Bream, Skate, Squid, Turbot, Winkles

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## George Cadbury – the chocolate man with a heart for welfare

One hundred years ago, on 24th October 1922, George Cadbury died. He had transformed his father's failing chocolate and cocoa business into one of the world's most successful companies and provided low-cost housing and improved working conditions for his employees. George was the third son of John Cadbury, a Quaker who founded Cadbury's cocoa and chocolate company. With his brother Richard, George took over the family business in 1861 and founded the chocolate producer Cadbury Brothers. But his consuming interest was in the welfare of his employees and others: having taught in an adult school he was aware that poor housing was a major problem.



One of his first moves was to relocate his factory to a greenfield site south-west of Birmingham with access to canals and the new railways. It was here that he later founded a Quaker higher educational institution – now the Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre.

But apart from his chocolate he is best known for his creation of a rural factory village (designed by architect William Alexander Harvey), called Bournville after the nearby river Bourn. The houses – not exclusively for factory employees – were never privately owned, and they remain attractive and affordable to the present day: a huge change from the poor living conditions in town.

Cadbury was a keen proponent of Quaker values. In 1901 he bought the Daily News (later the News Chronicle), where he campaigned for improved working conditions and social security. He was prominent in setting up the Birmingham Civic Society in 1918, and he gave a country park to the people of Birmingham, as well as a large house to the Crippled Children's Union to use as a hospital. It is now the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital.

Family life - George Cadbury married twice. In London, Middlesex, on 14 March 1872 he married Mary Tylor (born March 1849 at Stamford Hill, London; died June 1887 at Newton Abbot in Devon), daughter of Quaker author Charles Tylor and wife Gulielma Maria Sparkes. She was the mother of George Jr, Mary Isabel, Edward, Henry, and Eleanor Cadbury. In Peckham Rye, Southwark, London, on 19 June 1888 he married Elizabeth Mary Taylor. They had six children together: Laurence John, George Norman, Elsie Dorothea, Egbert, Marion Janet, and Ursula.

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### Crossword Puzzle - Solution is here

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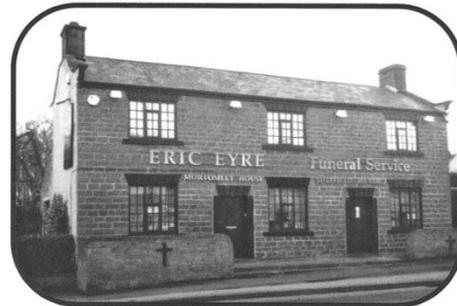
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# It is time to eat Crab

In sandwiches, with pasta, in salads, with chilli - there are a multitude of ways to enjoy this most versatile of seafoods. White crab meat (from the claws) rivals, or exceeds, lobster for flavour and succulence and needs very little fiddling with to create masterful dishes such as Crab Salad. Crabs first evolved in the Jurassic period (the horseshoe crab dates back over 200 million years). They have been caught and eaten throughout human history.



Crab is a good source of a number of trace minerals including selenium, which counteracts cancer and chromosome damage as well as increasing our resistance to viral and bacterial infections. It contains useful amounts of B vitamins, iron and zinc.

## Crab Cakes

These little beauties are easy to make and not too much trouble. It is, however, important to use both the brown and white crab meat, not just the white meat. The brown meat adds a depth of flavour that can't be bettered. Serves 4 as a starter or 2 as a main dish.

- 130g (4oz) crab meat
- 130g (4oz) poached or microwaved cod (flaked and cold)
- 130g (4oz) mashed potato (cold)
- 1 red chilli, deseeded and finely chopped
- 1 spring onion finely chopped
- A squeeze or 2 of lemon juice
- 50ml (heaped tablespoon) mayonnaise
- 250g/8oz fresh white breadcrumbs
- A good pinch of sea salt
- 2 grinds of black pepper
- 150ml/5fl oz clean rape seed or corn oil (for cooking)



Place the crab meat, flaked cod and mashed potato into a bowl, add the chilli and spring onion, fork through to distribute evenly. Now add the salt, pepper and lemon juice and repeat. Finally, add the mayonnaise and stir very well to combine.

Form the mixture into 8 balls and place on a tray. Chill for 30 minutes to allow the mixture to firm up slightly.

Spread the breadcrumbs evenly on a board and roll the crab cakes in them to coat thoroughly and evenly, leaving them shaped like a patty. Return to the fridge until you're ready to cook them.

To cook, pour the oil into a large frying pan and place over a medium heat. Allow to heat up, the ideal temperature in which to deep fry is 160C-170C/325F-340F; you can test if the oil is ready by dropping a little bread into the oil – if it sizzles and browns, the oil is ready to use.

Now add in the crab cakes and cook for three to four minutes – turn halfway through the cooking to ensure they are evenly brown all over. Remove from the oil and drain on paper towels. Serve while still piping-hot, though they will retain their heat for some time.

Serve with a dressed salad of your choice, lemon and a little sweet chilli dipping sauce.

# Crossword Puzzle

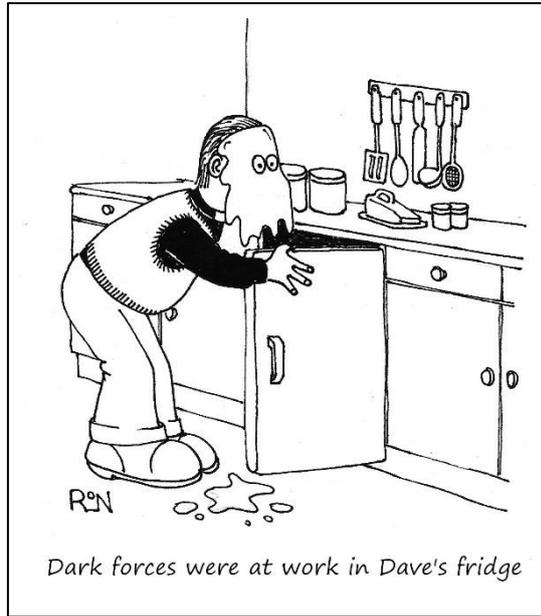
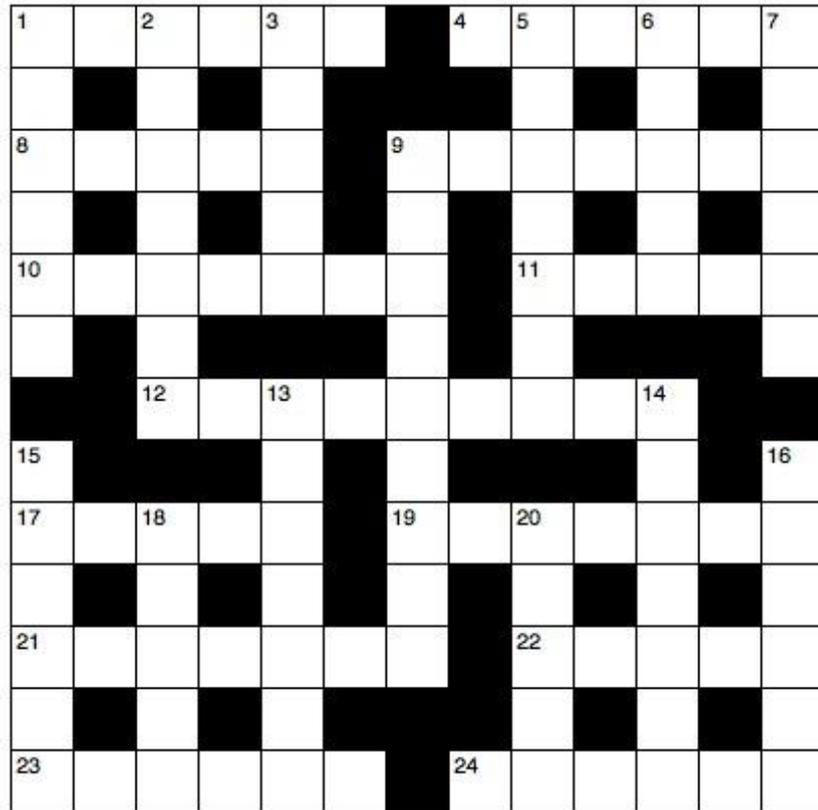
## Clues Across

- 1 Tertullus, who presented the high priest's case against Paul in his trial before Felix, was one (Acts 24:1) (6)
- 4 As balm (anag.) (6)
- 8 Having explored Canaan, he and Joshua urged the Israelites to take possession of it (Numbers 13:30) (5)
- 9 On becoming king of Judah, he had all six of his brothers killed (2 Chronicles 21:4) (7)
- 10 'Even the — has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself' (Psalm 84:3) (7)
- 11 Banishment (Jeremiah29:1) (5)
- 12 'And now I will show you the most — way'(1Corinthians12:31) (9)
- 17 'Titus did not exploit you, did he? Did we not —— the same spirit and follow the same course?' (2 Corinthians 12:18) (3,2)
- 19 Mice den(anag.) (7)
- 21 How Egypt is often described in the Old Testament: 'the land of —' (Exodus 13:3) (7)
- 22 One of the first Levites to resettle in Jerusalem after the exile in Babylon (1 Chronicles 9:15) (5)
- 23 'As a sheep before her shearers is —, so he did not open his mouth' (Isaiah 53:7) (6)
- 24 Paul's birthplace (Acts22:3) (6)

## Clues Down

- 1 Ravenous insect inflicted on Egypt in vast numbers as the eighth plague (Exodus 10:14) (6)
- 2 Well-being (Philippians 2:20) (7)
- 3 Small piece of live coal or wood in a dying fire (Psalm 102:3) (5)
- 5 Sportsman or woman (2 Timothy 2:5) (7)
- 6 The original name of Abraham's wife (Genesis 17:15) (5)
- 7 'So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each — belongs to all the others' (Romans 12:5) (6)
- 9 According to Peter, a wife's beauty should not come from wearing this (1 Peter 3:3) (9)
- 13 'For God did not send his Son into the world to — the world' (John 3:17) (7)
- 14 'The Lord of heaven and earth...does not live in — built by hands' (Acts 17:24) (7)
- 15 'If your hand — you to sin, cut it off'(Mark9:43) (6)
- 16 Something like these fell from Saul's eyes as soon as Ananias placed his hands on him (Acts 9:18) (6)
- 18 Track (Job41:30) (5)
- 20 Religious doctrine (5)

Solution is on Page 23



## A prayer for McDonald's

Editor – if you shop in Hillsborough Barracks you will understand...

As my five-year-old son and I were heading to McDonald's one day, we passed a car accident. Usually when we see something terrible like that, we say a prayer for whoever might be hurt, so I pointed and said to my son, "We should pray."

An instant later a fervent prayer was heard in the back seat. "Dear God, please don't let those cars block the entrance to McDonald's."

# Chapeltown & District Probus Club



We paid respect to our late Sovereign, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2<sup>nd</sup> at the meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> September and also we welcomed 2 new members. Our guest speaker, Sheila Dyson, gave a fascinating illustrated presentation about the Faroe Islands. Covering the history, the complex blend of national identities and people and how the people now mix very old traditions with modern technology, an extremely interesting presentation. Afterwards, we went to Wortley Hall for an enjoyable lunch.

New members are always welcome and if you may be interested, you are welcome to come as a guest. Please make contact with the Secretary, Trevor Winslow (see below).

## **Upcoming meetings at 10.00 in Grenoside Community Centre (followed by lunch at Wortley Hall):-**

|                           |                       |                                                      |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 12 <sup>th</sup> October  | David Templeman       | “The Queen That Never Was”                           |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> November  | Vice Chair Nick Tovey | “Japanese Garden Design”                             |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> December | Paul Adey             | “The Battle of Jutland” followed by Christmas lunch. |

### Other Events

|                                  |                                               |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October  | Visit to Newark Air Museum                    |
| Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October | Autumn lunch at Wortley Hall – Guests welcome |

Contact details: E-Mail [chapeltown.probus@gmail.com](mailto:chapeltown.probus@gmail.com),  
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***Andrew Robinson***

## Hymn or maths?

A father had taken his small son to church.

The boy listened attentively without saying a word until the clergyman announced: “We will now sing hymn two hundred and twenty-two: ‘Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand’, two hundred and twenty-two.”

Alarmed, the little boy nudged his father. “Do we have to work this one out?”

## Sunday school lesson

Very lively little Dora had returned from Sunday school, where she had been for the first time. “And what did my little girl learn this morning?” asked her father indulgently.

“That I am a child of the devil,” was the beaming reply.

# Prayers and Poems Page

## **Prayer for October - By Daphne Kitching**

Loving, Creator God,

Thank you for your wonderful creation. In these days of concern about climate change and the damage caused by modern lifestyles and choices, help us to be more aware. Help us to make good choices. Help us to be good stewards of Your creation.

You are so generous Lord. You provide for us – more than enough to meet the needs of all people. Help us to play our part in making sure there is fair distribution of all Your provision. Help us to reflect Your generosity, Your compassion, Your justice. Help us to care for Your world and Your precious children.

In Jesus name,

Amen

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## **Five senses - By Nigel Beeton**

It seems sometimes we live our lives  
Within our walls and fences  
So nothing of the world outside  
Can breach our strong defences;  
So fully do we concentrate  
On stresses and expenses  
We fail to quite appreciate  
Our five God-given senses.

Just touch and stroke a cat's soft coat  
And smell a fragrant flower,  
The taste of honey in your throat  
A song's inspiring power!  
The sight of rolling countryside  
Of nature, gently thrilling  
Just let your senses be your guide  
To daily joys fulfilling.

For sometimes, through our ailing health  
Our senses are denied us  
No doctor's skill or plenteous wealth  
Can put them back inside us;  
So if you have your senses, five  
Thank God – and daily use them  
Part of the joy to be alive -  
And one day we may lose them.

## **Petition at Rising**

O holy Father of truth adored,  
O kindly Father of mercy poured,  
Deliver me from the spells that harm,  
Deliver me from each evil charm.

Allow no stain to blemish my soul,  
Allow no spot to my body whole,  
Allow no taint my breath to defile,  
Father of tender and lovely smile.

For now, and for henceforth unto me  
In my life, in my death, do thou be,  
O Son and Abba Father of love,  
And Holy Spirit of grace above!

*From an ancient Celtic prayer from South Uist*

## **Love and protection**

The love and affection of angels flying,  
The love and affection of saints undying,  
Heaven's love and affection satisfying,  
O your guarding and cherishing let them be,  
Your so loving protection eternally.

*Ancient Celtic prayer for protection*

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## **A prayer for morning... and for evening - From the Leonine Sacramentary, 5th century**

O God, who divides the day from the night, separate our deeds from the darkness of sin, and let us continually live in Your light, reflecting in all that we do Your eternal beauty.

O God, who gives the day for work and the night for sleep, refresh our bodies and our minds through the quiet hours of night, and let our inward eyes be directed towards You, dreaming of Your eternal glory.

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Leader - Mrs A. Kendall  
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### **Ecclesfield Guides**

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0114 246 0218  
Thursday - 5.45 - 7.00 pm  
Shane Porteous  
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### **Ecclesfield Scouts**

Scout Hut (off Yew Lane)  
Thursday 7:15 pm to 9:00 pm  
Leader - Bryony Hemming  
[25theecclesfieldscouts@gmail.com](mailto:25theecclesfieldscouts@gmail.com)

### **The Grenoside Singers**

Practice Monday in St Mark's  
Church Hall at 7:30 pm  
Secretary: Judith Gill Tel: 0782 411 2584  
[www.grenosidesingers.co.uk](http://www.grenosidesingers.co.uk)

### **Whitley Hall Cricket Club**

Matches every Saturday and some  
Sundays and weekdays.  
Please make contact if you wish to play or  
learn. Secretary: Joe Webster:  
[whitleyhall@ycspl.co.uk](mailto:whitleyhall@ycspl.co.uk)  
Website:  
[www.whitleyhall.play-cricket.com](http://www.whitleyhall.play-cricket.com)

### **Chapelton and District PROBUS Club**

Meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in the month  
in Grenoside Community Centre  
All retired and semi-retired gentlemen welcome  
Contact the Secretary: Trevor Winslow  
[chapelton.probus@gmail.com](mailto:chapelton.probus@gmail.com)  
We are now on face to face see  
[www.chapelton-probus.org.uk](http://www.chapelton-probus.org.uk)

If you would like your local group advertised, please contact:  
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Tuesday 9:00am to 1:00 pm

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245 0106

Thursday 9:00am to 12:00 pm

**Groups:****Times and Days:****Phone:****Choir Practice in Church**

3 pm on the first Friday of each month

Contact:

**Music Group**

7:30 pm Thursday Practice in Church

Contact: Andrea Whittaker

246 0746

**Mother's Union in Gatty Hall**

1 pm 1st Wednesday of the month

Contact: Stephanie Hartshorne

245 9435

**Ecclesfield Ladies Group**

7:30 pm Thursday in Gatty Hall

Contact: Anne Rostron

245 5492

**Bell Ringers**

7:30 pm Tuesday in Church Belfry

Contact: Phil Hirst

286 2766

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