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SATURDAY 15th JULY at 12.00noon

ST GEORGE'S	Sunday	Parish Communion at 10.30am
	Monday	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 5.00pm
	Tuesday	Parish Communion at 10.00am
		Evening Prayer at 5.00pm
	Wednesday	Morning Prayer at 8.15am on Zoom
ST MARGARET'S	1 st Sunday	Evensong at 5.00pm
	2 nd Sunday	Parish Communion at 9.00am and
		Family Praise at 4.00pm
	3 rd Sunday	Evensong at 5.00pm
	4 th Sunday	Parish Communion at 9.00am
	5 th Sunday	Parish Communion at 9.00am
	Thursday	Parish Communion at 10.30am

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OUR VICAR, RACHEL, WRITES...

The ministry of all God's people

In the annual report, I stressed the importance of each and every person to the life of our community at St George's and St Margaret's. We are all part of the body of Christ from the moment of Baptism (Christening) and we all have our part to play in continuing the mission and ministry of Jesus. When we hear the word 'ministry' we can often think of official roles and positions in the Church, but this is not the full story. All Christians have a ministry and vocation from the moment of baptism. Some of my favourite words of the baptism service are the Words of Commission, which are said after the moment of Baptism to sum up what has happened and what the baptised person (be that a child or an adult) is called to.

N, today God has touched you with his love and given you a place among his people.
God promises to be with you in joy and in sorrow, to be your guide in life, and to bring you safely to heaven. In baptism God invites you on a life-long journey.
Together with all God's people you are called to explore the way of Jesus and grow in friendship with God in love for his people, and in serving others.

We live out this commission to grow in relationship with God, and in love and service to others in different ways. For some this involves taking on official roles, whilst for others it involves quiet, understated ways, such as everyday generosity and kindness. We are made beautifully unique by God, with different gifts and talents, purposefully – we need one another, we all have our part to play, and we are called to encourage one another.

Recognising the part others play and giving thanks are important ways of encouraging one another. On Monday 19 June, Malcolm Martin was recognised and thanked, not only by our local communities, but by the Diocese of Gloucester for the remarkable service he has given over the years. Malcolm was admitted to the Company of St Kyneburga in a fabulous service at the Cathedral, where he was presented with a certificate by Bishop Rachel, given a

medal by the Dean, and interviewed by Bishop Robert during the service! Malcolm served for 35 years as churchwarden of St Margaret's, which is distinguished service. The years must be nearer 50 that Malcolm has served both church communities though in a variety of ways, not least helping to instigate and put in place many improvements and practical resources, such as the toilet and shed block at St Margaret's and the amazing kitchen at St George's. There are so many other ways Malcolm has served God and the people of our parishes over the years; and some of these ways will have gone unseen by most. For this remarkable service, we say thank you to Malcolm, and we give thanks to God for him.

Let us continue to give thanks for one another, to encourage one another in our Christian mission and ministry of loving God and loving one another. This naturally involves serving God and one another as we see through the life of Jesus. For as Archbishop Justin described in his sermon at the Coronation, service is love in action.

With my thanks and love to you all, RACHEL





FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

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Each Tuesday in term time from 1.30pm

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Took place on SUNDAY 21st MAY 2023 after the morning and evening services

At St George's APCM the outcomes were that...

Mike Brammer and Sylvia Evans were elected to serve the parish as Churchwardens

Darrell Stevens, Derek Kingscote, Dot Martin and Susan Scothern were appointed as Deputy wardens

Derek Kingscote was elected to the Deanery Synod for another 3-year term

The members elected to the PCC for a 3-year term were Jonathan Tamblyn and David Westcott. The makeup of the PCC for the ensuing year would therefore be Darrell Stevens, Linda Medwell, Dawn Dolphin, Roger Meadows, Stuart Mitchell, Jocelyn Blunt, Jonathan Tamblyn, David Westcott, alongside ex-officio members, Mike Brammer, Sylvia Evans and Derek Kingscote.

At the first PCC of the new church year the following were elected: Lay Chair - Roger Meadows
Treasurer - David Westcott
Acting Secretary - David Westcott
The following were appointed:
Electoral Roll Officer - Margaret Barber
Parish Safeguarding Officer - Lynne McEwan-Berry

At St Margaret's APCM the outcomes were that...

Jonathan Mackechnie-Jarvis and Mike Smith were elected to serve the parish as Churchwardens

Malcolm Martin and Jill Ponter were appointed as Deputy wardens.

Lorraine Best was elected to the Deanery Synod for another 3-year term

The member elected to the PCC for a 3-year term was Jenny Watts. The makeup of the PCC for the ensuing year would therefore be Rose Haill, Jenny Watts, Georgina Wood, alongside ex-officio members Jonathan McKechnie-Jarvis, Mike Smith and Lorraine Best

Georgina Wood was elected as PCC Secretary

The Treasurer & Safeguarding Officer positions will be joint benefice ones

Hans Rackham was thanked for carrying out the many roles on behalf of St Margaret's. His time in those offices was greatly appreciated.

QUESTIONS, QUESTIONS...

Thank you so much for the questions entered via the boxes in both churches. For everyone's interest, here are some of the questions:

- Do all Christian faiths have their own creeds?
- Do the words holy, catholic and apostolic church cover all faiths?
- As well as love, faith, respect and obedience why does God require constant thanks, praise and worship?
- Some events in the Gospels were witnessed only by Jesus and one other person, for example, the woman at the well or Nicodemus coming by night. Can we trust these accounts or are they largely what the gospel writer put together?
- Before joining the Church of England, I thought "crossing oneself" a very "Catholic" practice. Could more teaching on why, when, and how be given on this, as I've noticed some people do it as part of their worship and I'm curious.
- Some people (not at our churches nowadays) make the sign of the cross at the "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord". Why is this?

- How does the Anglican Church justify giving £100,000,000 in reparation for historic involvement in the slave trade when there are so many much more deserving cases in the world and many churches are desperately short of essential funds?
- Why do all Anglican churches have to conform to a standard liturgy?
- Why are there so many words in the Eucharistic Prayer?

There will be opportunities to explore these questions in a variety of ways in the coming weeks and months, including through sermons, articles in Crossroads, and possibly through home group discussions... Watch this space!

RACHEL



THE HOLY MYSTERIESCORPUS CHRISTI

It's curious that the Church calendar gives us in a space of just five days, two festivals, each focusing on a profound mystery of our faith. Trinity Sunday makes us ponder the nature of God, the One in Three, then Corpus Christi focuses on the mystery of the Eucharist.

Corpus Christi started in the Middle Ages. To this day in Catholic countries it is a major festival, with processions of the Blessed Sacrament, embroidered canopies, carpets of flowers, rose petals, incense and music. Five hundred years ago, Martin Luther was very critical of the whole business! Nevertheless, the festival remains an important date in the Anglican church, where it is known as 'A day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion'. It is a good opportunity to think about what we do at communion, what happens and what it means for us.

Around the world, the Churches have made things very complicated. Catholic teaching is that while the bread and wine are unaltered physically, they transubstantiate into the body and blood of Christ. At the other end of the scale, the Plymouth Brethren say that the communion is no more than a symbolic re-enactment of the Last Supper.

Between these two poles, many churches including the Church of England, accept a real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, although people differ widely on what this means - is it a physical reality, or a spiritual presence? Most denominations have their own variations, both of doctrine, and of the way of doing Communion.

I wonder how this affects you week by week? Are you happy to leave it to the theologians, (wishing perhaps that the Churches could agree to differ, and just get on with growing the Kingdom)? We cannot however brush aside all the questions raised in scripture.

Paul's familiar words in 1 Corinthians 11 are the earliest account of the Last Supper, and form the basis of our act of remembrance (and Jesus didn't speak of 'consecration' did he?) It is interesting that in John's gospel there is no description of the meal at the Last Supper, but he does record at length words of Jesus which are of profound relevance. In the passage from John 6, 51-58, Jesus speaks of our eating his flesh and drinking his blood. This is challenging, to say the least, to those on the fringes of church life, and incomprehensible to those outside. What are we to make of them?

The essence of John's gospel is that Jesus is the mind of God, become a person like you or me. If we believe that, then we must absorb Jesus's teaching into our lives. Jesus spoke of abiding in us, and us abiding in him. Abiding, remaining, him being part of us, and us of him. I am sure that this is what Holy Communion is about, and I would go so far as to say that it transcends arguments about what happens when a priest consecrates wine and wafers.

As to the idea of eating the flesh and drinking the blood, we need to remember that two thousand years ago the idea of animal sacrifice as part of worship was quite normal. Most of the meat of the animal would be shared between the priest and those who had brought it, and there was a belief that the meat was made holy by the process and that those who consumed it became holy. So Jesus's words may not have seemed quite so strange to his hearers then.

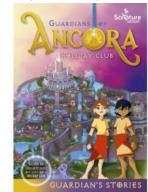
Perhaps we need more chances to discuss and learn from the eucharist. It is central to our worship and our life of faith. But how clear are we really on what we are doing?

JONATHAN

THE GUARDIANS OF ANCORA HOLIDAY CLUB from 22nd to 24th August

Ancora needs you! Plans are well underway for our three day holiday club for

children school years Reception to 5. We have our planning team, we have teaching material from Scripture Union, we have a timetable, and we are collecting resources but now we need you!! We have various roles available without which the club can't happen! There has been a full sign-up sheet at the back of Church since Sunday 21st May but in the meantime please read these roles and descriptions



and start praying about where God can use you to tell our local children about Jesus!

Lots of people have mentioned they are worried about not knowing what to do. I promise everything will be explained, there will be demo's and written instructions. We will go through everything at the meetings and I can see people individually too so that everyone feels comfortable.

Resource Team: In advance during the months of July and August cut out / prep items for activities. This can be done in your own time and home, and everything will need to be ready by Sunday 19th August.

Registration Team: You must be able to smile! You will be the first people the children meet! You will be seated and need to tick their name of the list, give them their name badge and a collection token to the adult collecting them. We will need you for three days ideally but even if you can just do one day we

would love to have you! Times for registration team are between 9.00am and 10.00am. You are welcome then to join us on another team for the rest of the morning or you can go home.

Snack Team: You must be able to smile! You will prepare the snacks and drinks in the kitchen and serve them from the hatch or a trolley and then clear up. We need you between 9.00am and 11.15am We will need you for three days ideally but even if you can just one day we would love to have you! You are welcome then to join us on another team for the rest of the morning or you can go home.

Kids Teams: You must be able to smile, be friendly and get involved. There are three age groups: 5's and 6's, 7 and 8's and 9 and 10 and we need people for each. Just join in what's happening and help anyone who needs it. We will need you for three days ideally but even if you can just one day we would love to have you! Times for kids' team are between 9.00am and 12.30pm.

Clear up /Set Up Team: 3 options for you here:

- 1) Help set up Monday 21st August between 10.00am and 12.00noon
- 2) Help clear up Friday 25th August between 10.00am and 12.00noon
- 3) Help daily (or any days as you can) between 11.30am and 1.00pm

So, there you go! Lots of options lots of variety. Don't forget the essential session for all holiday club volunteers in the St George's Church on Tuesday 15th August at 1.00pm. Even if you can't make this meeting please volunteer and I will make you a cuppa and fill you in on another day.

This is an exciting outreach opportunity! Can't wait to have you join us!

LAINE





BENEFICE FAMILY FUN DAY SATURDAY 15th JULY 2023

from 12.00noon until 4.00pm



This event will be full of fun and games for all the family. We're looking at many types of stalls, but mainly the fun and games type. We're looking at food stalls (hot dogs, burgers, ice creams, strawberry teas, teas, coffees and squash and possibly canned pops) face painting, a cake competition, a

nail bar, skittles. We are also thinking about some demonstrations by Centre users and others.

Please put the date in your diaries, and share the date with your friends, families, and neighbours (and please pray for good weather!) Would you have any ideas and suggestions to 'throw into the pot'? Please let Rachel, Darrell, Dawn, Jonathan T, or Sylvia know. We would love to have you on board to add your input.

We are ready now to receive donations for the Raffle, a bottle stall, a family tombola as soon as possible (we have the storage space!)

The Fun Day Group will meet again soon in the Vicarage to carry on with the planning. So, look out for the date and let us know if you can help out.



To have your AUGUST 2023 CROSSROADS ready for publication on SUNDAY 30th JULY 2023...

...ARTICLES NEED TO BE WITH THE EDITORS' PREFERABLY BY EMAIL BEFORE, BUT NO LATER THAN... ...Thursday 13th JULY 2023

If you can get your articles to the Editors earlier that the above date, we would be eternally grateful as Darrell is going into hospital for a procedure.

Thank you for your help in this matter

ST GEORGE'S ENTERTAINERS



We have started rehearsals for our take on the 'Puss in Boots' story. Still early stages yet... There are some accents which will need some work; but there is time!

Performance dates will be Friday 17th November at 7.30pm: 2.30pm and 7.30pm on Saturday 18th November. So put these dates in your diaries now and let's ensure that we have the numbers in the audience that we had for last year's production.

I'll keep you upto date with how matters are progressing on an occasional basis, but if you have any questions

about joining us or helping out in any other way, please do speak to or see Linda Brown, the secretary of St George' Entertainers.



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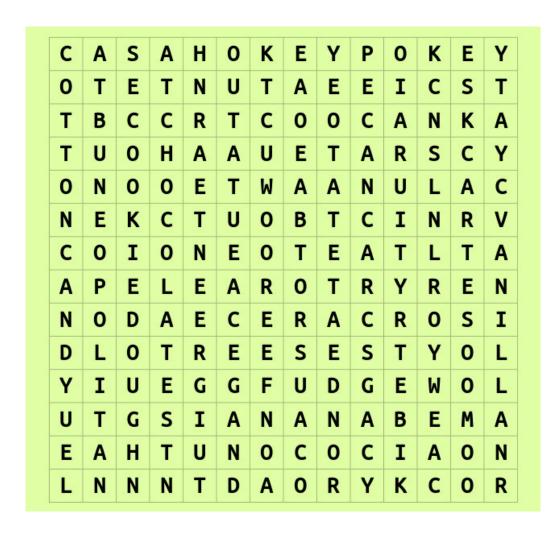
These are the dates and venues of the next litter picking sessions: -

Saturday 1st July at 10.00am at Holmleigh Park School Saturday 29th July at 11.30am at English Martyrs

Please come along and join us



ICE CREAM FLAVOURS



Find the following words in the above puzzle. Words can go in any direction. Words can share letters as they cross over each other.

Banana, Chocolate, Coconut, Cookie Dough, Cotton Candy, Fudge, Green Tea, Hokey Pokey, Moose Tracks, Neopolitan, Pecan, Reeses, Rocky Road, Strawberry, Tiger Tail, Vanilla,

The answer is printed later in Crossroads



ST GEORGE'S CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 1st July at 10.00am

Yes, we continue to meet on the first Saturday of each month at 10.00am and flick dusters, push hoovers around (other makes are available), change light bulbs, clean windows and sweep away cobwebs. Although some of our merry band do arrive at a time more suited to their Saturday morning regime, so we would be pleased to see at whatever time you can make it. If you have a favourite cleaning implement, bring it along, even if it's your wife or your husband. We'll find a job for them. They and you will be made very welcome. No previous experience is necessary, and on-the-job training is always available, as is tea/coffee and possibly, but not always, cake!

Our numbers have declined in recent months so let's see if we can beat the 10 flickers, movers, washers, changers and shifters we had in the quite recent past!

DARRELL

BEING AN ECO CHURCH IS EASIER THAN YOU THINK

With more churches signing up to A Rocha's Eco Church Award scheme, we love to follow their journeys to achieving Bronze, Silver or Gold Awards. We all can make a difference, and it's often taking the small steps that add up to create the big change. From simple things like using hymns that celebrate God's creation to creating a wildlife area in the churchyard, you never know, you might qualify for an Eco Church Award already.

Find out more: gloucester.anglican.org/living-faith/environment/eco-church-in-an-hour



OUR DRAW IN JUNE DIDN'T MAKE ANYONE A MILLIONAIRE BUT...

Our 1st prize winner was Mike Clift who won £30.00
Our 2nd prize winner was Katie Brown who won £20.00
Our 3rd prize winner was Mike Brammer who won £10.00
our next draw will be on Sunday 10th September
So, have you got numbers in our next draw?
What, you still haven't got any!!

See Darrell as soon as possible! £1.00 per number per month DON'T MISS OUT AGAIN!"

I will sort out your membership in time for you to be a part of our next draw A full set of rules is available upon request.

Please talk to the promoter Darrell as soon as possible

If you are already a member and would like to increase your chances of winning you can see me to purchase further numbers.

Also, don't forget to pay at least your first quarter's fees before the date of the draw.

GARDENING GROUP BRIGHTENS UP GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL

Every week, volunteers from across the Diocese meet at the Cathedral to care for the gardens and develop their life and social skills. The Gardening for Wellbeing group was formed to enable adults of all abilities to learn more about gardening, build community and achieve qualifications in basic skills. Open to anyone, the group has been particularly appreciated by those who are looking for a way to boost their health and wellbeing.

Read more: gloucester.anglican.org/gardening-for-wellbeing-group-brightens-up-gloucester-cathedral



Questions based on the Gospel readings for May

1 Who said, "Lord, we do not know where you are going"?
2 Which disciple said, "Lord, show us the Father"?
3 What 4 words complete the following, "If in my name you ask me for
anything"?
4 Jesus said, "If you love me you will keep my"?
5 Jesus went on to say, "I will not leave you"?
6 Jesus prayed, "And this is eternal life that they may know" Who did Jesus
name?
7 In John 17 which group of people did Jesus pray for?
8 Scripture says, "On the evening of the first day of the week, and the doors of
the house where the disciples had met were locked". Why were the doors
locked?
9 Jesus entered the room. What did He say?
10 After He said this Jesus identified Himself to the disciples. How did He
identify Himself?

Answers to this month's Gospel Truth Bible Quiz are printed later in this issue

AN EVENING WITH JONATHAN VEIRA THE UNLOCKDOWN TOUR

8th July 7.00pm to 10.00pm St John's Church, St John's Avenue, Gloucester, GL3 2DB International singer Jonathan Veira is coming to Churchdown as part of his Unlockdown Sessions Live Tour. Jonathan is known from his appearances on Songs of Praise and at Spring Harvest and many other events.

gloucester.anglican.org/an-evening-with-jonathan-veira-the-unlockdown-tour



Please remember your local Foodbank when you do your big shop of the week

Check out the Donation Genie for upto date information on what your Foodbank is in urgent need of at www.donation-genie.co.uk/

At the time I'm preparing this issue of Crossroads, Donation Genie advises that the following Non-food items are currently being accepted...

Toiletries: deodorant, toilet paper, shower gel, shaving gel, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, hand wipes.

Household items: laundry liquid detergent, laundry powder, washing up liquid.

Feminine products: sanitary towels and tampons.

Baby supplies: nappies, baby wipes and baby food.

COFFEE POT in St George's small hall



Every Tuesday from 9.30am Tea, coffee and a chat, what more could you want!

TUFFLEY LIBRARY NEWS AND EVENTS



THIS YEAR'S THEME IS MUSIC.

We will have a performance from the Everyman Theatre, an opportunity to hear and try a violin, and other events and activities throughout the summer. Call in or go online to find out more!

https://gloucestershire.spydus.co.uk/

Our current regular groups are:

Baby Bounce and Rhyme: Thursdays from 10.30am until 11.00am

Computer Club: Thursdays from 11.00am

Lego Club: Saturdays from 10.30am until 12.30pm. We cater for all ages as we have Duplo too so make it an outing for the whole family. Just turn up to discover this week's theme and let your imagination run wild!

OUR BOOK GROUP for adults meet on the second Thursday of every month at 2.00pm. Next two titles are:

One Minute Out by Mark Greaney on 13th July Silverview by John Le Carre on 10th August

It is an informal friendly group, relax with tea and cake and make new friends!

OUR COMPUTER BUDDY is available for FREE one to one sessions on a Thursday morning. Bring your own device or use a library computer. Sessions must be booked in advance! Tel 01452 522160

As ever we have books, audio books and a home delivery service. If you know of anyone who can't get out and would appreciate a book or spoken word delivery, do please let us know.

If you haven't already, check out the Gloucestershire Libraries website.

https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries/

You will find eBooks, eMagazines and a comprehensive virtual reference library. Remember too that the library space is available as venue hire for your club or meeting when we are closed. It is here for you all.

We hope to see you soon.

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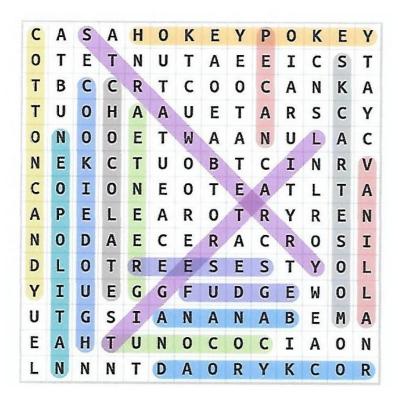


- 1 The month of Quintilis was renamed July in honour of which historical figure?
- 2 Delphinium is a genus of about 300 species of perennial flowering plants, which are toxic to humans and livestock; by what common name is this plant known?
- 3 Bastille Day is celebrated in France on which date?
- 4 On which British ship did Napoleon Bonaparte surrender to Captain Frederick Lewis Maitland on the 15 July 1815?
- 5 In the poem, The Garden Year, in the line 'Hot July brings cooling showers, apricots, and gillyflowers', which modern day flower is a gillyflower?
- 6 Fourth of July', is a slow ballad on which singer's Butterfly album? (Hint: it was released in 1997)
- 7 St Swithin's Day falls on which date every year? And if it rains on St. Swithin's Day, for how many more days will it continually rain?
- 8 Which musician once said: 'Kiss is a Fourth of July fireworks show with a backbeat'?
- 9 Neil Armstrong became the first man to step onto the moon on July 21, in which year?
- 10 What name is given to the hot, sultry days of summer that are said to begin in early July?

The answers to this quiz are printed later in Crossroads



WORDSEARCH ANSWER



GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

1 Thomas: 2 Philip: 3 I will do it: 4 commandments: 5 orphaned: 6 God and Jesus Christ: 7 His disciples: 8 For fear of the Jews: 9 Peace be with you: 10 He showed His hands and his side:

JULY QUIZ ANSWERS

1 Julius Caesar: 2 Larkspur (the birth flowers of July are the Larkspur or the Water Lily): 3 14th of July: 4 HMS Bellerophon: 5 Carnation: 6 Mariah Carey: 7 15th of July and 40 days (Note: St Swithin was bishop of Winchester in the 9th century): 8 Gene Simmons (bassist and co-lead singer of the rock band Kiss) 9 1969: 10 Dog Days:



ST GEORGE'S CHURCH AND CENTRE

JUNE

Sun 25	TRINITY 3 Crossroads available		
	9.00am Parish Communion		St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee	St G's
	10.30am	Messy Church	GB
	12.30pm	Baptism followed by a Party	St G's
	4.30pm	Charles Igbo	SH
Mon 26	10.30am	Aphasia-Now	SH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies	МН
	6.00pm	Rainbows	SH
	7.15pm	Guides	MH
Tue 27	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	1.30pm	Fun & Free	МН
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Lady Chapel	St G's
	6.30pm	Cubs & Beavers	МН
	8.00pm	Karate	МН
Wed 28	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	12.00noon	Mothers' Union Deanery Lunch	SH
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
	7.00pm	Gardening Club Committee	SL
Thu 29	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	6.30pm	Clubbercise Zumba	МН
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 30	2.30pm	Quiet Prayer Group	MB
	7.30pm	Entertainers	МН
JULY			
Sat 1	10.00am	Church cleaning	St G's
	10.00am	Litter Pick	HPHS
	10.00am	Karate	МН
	11.30am	Litter Pick	St B's

МН

3.00pm Private let – tbc

Sun 2	THOMAS THE APOSTLE / TRINITY 4			
10.30am		Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage	St G's	
		& followed by coffee		
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's	
Mon 3	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom	
	5.00pm	Brownies	MH	
	6.00pm	Rainbows	SH	
	7.15pm	Guides	MH	
Tue 4	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH	
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's	
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	6.30pm	Cubs & Beavers	MH	
	8.00pm	Karate	MH	
Wed 5	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom	
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH	
Thu 6	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's	
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL	
	6.30pm	Clubbercise Zumba	MH	
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH	
Fri 7	3.30pm	Messy Church	St B	
	TBC	Wedding Reception set up	МН	
	7.30pm	Entertainers	SH	
Sat 8	3.00pm	Wedding of Brian and Jenny followed by	St G's /	
	-	Reception	MH	
Sun 9		TRINITY 5		
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's	
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage	St G's	
		& followed by coffee		
	4.00pm	Family Praise	St M's	
Mon 10	10.30am	Aphasia-Now	SH	
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom	
	5.00pm	Brownies	MH	
	6.00pm	Rainbows	SH	
	7.15pm	Guides	MH	
Tue 11	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH	
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's	
	1.30pm	Fun & Free	МН	
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Lady Chapel	St G's	
	6.30pm	Cubs & Beavers	МН	
	8.00pm	Karate	МН	

Wed 12	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
	7.00pm	PCC meet	SH
Thu 13	August Crossroads deadline		
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	6.30pm	Clubbercise Zumba	MH
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 14	7.30pm	Gardening Club	MH
	7.30pm	Entertainers	SH
Sat 15	12.00noon	Family Fun Day	St G's
Sun 16		TRINITY 6	
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage followed by coffee	St G's
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's
Mon 17	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
	7.15pm	Guides - tbc	МН
Tue 18	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	1.30pm	Fun & Free	MH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Lady Chapel	St G's
	6.30pm	Cubs & Beavers	MH
	8.00pm	Karate	MH
Wed 19	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	3.30pm	Slimming world also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
	7.30pm	Refresh	EM
Thu 20	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	6.30pm	Clubbercise Zumba	MH
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 21	7.30pm	Entertainers	MH
Sat 22	10.00am	Karate	MH
Sun 23	TRINITY 7		
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee	St G's
Mon 24	10.30am	Aphasia-Now	SH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
	7.15pm	Guides - tbc	МН
Tue 25	Last day of Summer Term		
	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH

	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Lady Chapel	St G's
	6.30pm	<u> </u>	МН
	8.00pm	Karate	МН
Wed 26	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
	7.00pm	Connections meeting Signpost and Website	V
Thu 27	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Thursday Club	SH/SL
	7.30pm	Charter Band	SH
Fri 28	2.30pm	Quiet Prayer Group	Tbc
	7.30pm	Entertainers	MH
Sat 29	10.00am	Karate	MH
Sun 30		TRINITY 8	
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's
	10.30am	Parish Communion followed by coffee	St G's
	10.30am	Messy Church	GB
	4.30pm	Charles Igbo	SH
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
AUGUST			
Tue 1	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Lady Chapel	St G's
	8.00pm	Karate	MH
Wed 2	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH
	7.00pm	Gardening Club Committee	SL
Thu 3	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's
Fri 4	7.30pm	Entertainers	MH
Sat 5	10.00am	Karate	MH
	10.00am	Church Cleaning	St G's
		Party – tbc	
Sun 6	TRINITY 9		
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage followed by coffee	St G's
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's

St G's = St George's Church, St M's = St Margaret's Church, EM = English Martyrs Catholic Church, St B's = St Barnabas' Church, GB = Grange Baptist, MB = Matson Baptist,

LC = Lady Chapel, MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall, SL = Softley Lounge, V = Vicarage, HPHS = Holmleigh Park High School, Tbc = To be confirmed.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOUR TO FINISH WITH...

Last week Jack and Jill went to the cinema but because of two women loudly chatting together who were sitting in the row in front of him, Jack was unable to hear the dialogue clearly. Jill leaned forward and said in a stage whisper, 'Excuse me ladies but we can't hear.' 'I should hope not,' stormed the woman, 'this is a private conversation.'

A Police Officer thought that he had found the perfect place to set up his speed trap. His boss was very pleased with his list of fined drivers and speed awareness course attendees. One day, the PC was amazed when everyone was under the speed limit, so he investigated and found the reason. A 10-year-old boy was standing on the side of the road with a huge hand painted sign which said, "Radar Trap Ahead." A little more investigative work led the PC to the boy's accomplice, who was about 100 yards beyond the radar trap with a sign reading "Tips" and a bucket, full of loose change.

After his return from Rome, Jack couldn't find his luggage in the London Gatwick airport baggage area. So, he went to the lost luggage office and told the woman there that his bags hadn't shown up on the carousel. She smiled and told him not to worry because they were trained professionals, and he was in good hands. 'Now', she asked Jack, 'has your plane arrived yet?'

Nat asked the teacher, Jill, to help him get his shoes on at the end of school. After quite a struggle with the shoes, which were a little tight, Jill finally got them on. 'They're on the wrong way round, Miss,' mumbled Nat. Jill realises that Nat is right; they are on the wrong feet. Staying calm Jill swaps them over for him. 'They're not my shoes, Miss,' Nat murmurs again. Jill fights hard to keep her cool and asks Nat why he hadn't told her before. Then Jill kneels down again and helps him pull the shoes off. 'These aren't my shoes; they're my brother's and my Mum told me not to tell anyone.' At this point Jill can feel tears welling up but she helps Nat back into his shoes. Jill gets him into his coat and wraps his scarf round his neck. 'Where are your gloves, Nat?' asks Jill quietly. 'Oh, Miss, I always put them in my shoes! In case I lose them!'.

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