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The magazine for St George's Tuffley and St Margaret's Whaddon

Worshipping, Caring, Pioneering





at St George's

Daily from 9.30am until 1.45pm on 22nd to 24th August

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	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
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	4 th Sunday	Parish Communion at 9.00am
	5 th Sunday	Parish Communion at 9.00am
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ST GEORGE'S TUFFLEY WITH ST MARGARET'S WHADDON

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DEREK WRITES...

Reflections on a busy life.

I often give a guide to help when leading prayers for something or someone. In some recent intercessions you were invited to pray for those who had a profound impact on your life, who had given you the right word at the right time, or some wisdom or guidance. You will recall those people or events that influenced you and this will include clergy and longstanding friends.

Some have long lasting effects – a very early one in my case involved my best friend's father who had built his own oscilloscope [this was around 1959] and seeing my voice traced on the screen had a lasting effect on me, including my career choice at 16 as an apprentice at GPO telephones [now BT]. Two years up poles, down holes and in the following 9 months specialising in transmission, the field my friend's dad was in. After a few years I joined him on microwave radio maintenance at the tower at Ozleworth and when he retired, I had his job. Reflecting on this and a long career I have many things I can look back on and smile and be thankful for.

You will have your own stories of your history and life choices, friends, careers and partners and if you ponder and look back there will be many things to be grateful for.

These will be individual memories for each of us, but when it comes to church we have many shared memories, the variety of clergy and their gifts, many of you will have memories of Hedley, Brian and the pirate ship holiday club [we couldn't do it today with risk assessments etc], the circus theme with Roly Bain, Hugh and the Local Ministry Team, David and the start of Messy Church, and now we are making new memories with Rachel.

In the community outside church, we provide opportunities for the "people in the porch", quizzes, the family fun day, fun and free Tuesdays, Messy church activities, shared meals and special services e.g., Time to Remember.

The thread that runs through these shared memories is that of faith, prayer and collective worship. Faith in the trinity and the teachings from the bible that are still relevant to us today; prayer and the God of surprises, and worship together,

remembering the last supper and the instruction "do this in remembrance of me".

The baton of faith has been handed on and now rests with us, we must nurture it, care for it and be ready to hand it on with loving prayer when the time comes.

DEREK KINGSCOTE



FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

St George's

Archie James Hooper

WEDDING

St George's

Brian David Morris & Jenny Victoria Bodimeade

IN MEMORIAM

Caroline Edith Lane RIP Evelyn Deborah Scott RIP Margaret Hopkins RIP

IN MEMORIAM

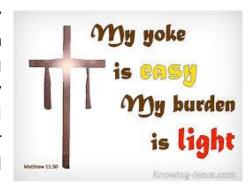
Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure.
You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure.

Anonymous

MY YOKE IS EASY

On 9th July we heard the passage from Matthew 11, which includes Jesus's famous words: "my yoke is easy, and my burden is light".

Rachel spoke about the yoking of oxen, and my mind went back to a holiday Carol, and I had in Northern Portugal in 2000. We were motoring around rural areas, and my camera was pretty busy. We found the people very friendly and happy to pose, if asked. A surprising number spoke a little French, so with a mixture of that and a few phrase book bits of Portuguese, we got by.



Use of animals for light haulage, and on the land, seemed to be fairly common, but I daresay it has declined since then. One day we were driving along a quiet country road and passed a man evidently heading home after working his ox team. I stopped the car a little way ahead and grabbed a camera.

The farmer was a little surprised, but stopped the animals and happily waited while I took photos in black and white and in colour, before shaking hands and saying goodbye. He carried a long stick in his right hand and over his left arm was a black umbrella. It was a showery day, and presumably he was able to control his animals while using one hand to hold the brolly!

The animals needed just a single word from him to stop, and to restart. An amazing partnership of man and beast. As to the yoke - its design no doubt based on centuries of experience, and likewise the harness to the foreheads of the oxen. A massive shackle dangles loose from the draw strap. I wonder what they had been hauling - most likely a single furrow plough. A hard way to earn a meagre living.

As Rachel reminded us, the yoke which Jesus offers us does not mean our lives will be easy. But we have the satisfaction of trying to carry out Jesus's teaching into our daily lives. One interpretation of his words is that his instructions were simple, compared with the impossible complications of Jewish law, as taught by the scribes and Pharisees.

No one could carry out all those requirements, and yet failure in any detail was seen as condemnation. Jesus's yoke is to love God and to love our neighbour as ourselves. A clear and straightforward objective, but let no one say it is easy to achieve.

Anyway, here is my picture of a seemingly contented team with their yoke and their master.







Team oxen at Vinhas 2000

JONATHAN

LOGO THOUGHTS

I've attached some examples that our PCC quite liked, we anticipate receiving soon the one with hands in the design to have St George's and St Margaret's wording rather than branches round it.

Can you think about what non church people would recognize, as St George's and St Margaret's (either jointly or as church separately) to help us work out what should be on the logo.













Please consider and let Rachel, Darrell or Dawn know what your thoughts are, the above are not the only options we remain open to any other suggestions.

Many thanks CONNECTIONS TEAM



THE GUARDIANS OF ANCORA HOLIDAY CLUB from 22nd to 24th AUGUST 2023

Ancora needs you! Plans are well underway for our three-day holiday club for children school years R-5 and children are booking in!!! We do have space still so if you have any children in your family or who live near you do please share about the club with their parents and get them a form from Rachel, Susan or Laine to sign up!

Looking for: Clear up /Set Up Team

- 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 Do let Laine know if you can help with set up/clear up.

Team will need to come to our last pre club meeting Tuesday, August 15th at 1.30pm. This is where we will learn all the songs, crafts and games we will use

and when you will learn everything you need to know about being part of the club team.



The main thing we need to do now is PRAY:

Pray for children to book in

Pray for the team prepping in advance

Pray for the team helping over the 3 days

Pray for safety

Pray for Fun

Pray for children and families to come to know more of Christ's love for them.

This is such an exciting outreach opportunity! Can't wait to get started!!

LAINE



That to have your **SEPTEMBER** 2023 CROSSROADS

ready for publication on

SUNDAY 27th AUGUST 2023...

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

If you can get your articles to the Editors earlier than the above date, we would be eternally grateful as Darrell is still recuperating from a medical procedure.

Thank you for your help in this matter

ST GEORGE'S ENTERTAINERS



Puss is shining his boots ready for this year's pantomime. It's still a little way off yet, but we're busy practicing our evil laughs, accents, and dance moves. By the time Puss and the gang hit the stage on November 17th and 18th, it's going to be purrfect! So, put the dates in your diary, and join us in the Village of Tuff for "Puss in Boots". If you have any questions or would like to get involved on or off stage, please speak to Linda Brown, our chair and producer.



St George's Centre, Grange Road
6.30pm for a 7.00pm start to include sherry reception.
2 courses for £18.00
There is a payment scheme in place
so, you don't have to pay the ticket price all at once
See Sylvia Evans or Dot Martin for details
Book early, as only 60 places available.

Saturday 7th October

HARVEST SERVICES 2023

Sunday 8th October

9.00am Harvest Parish Communion at St Margaret's
 10.30am Harvest Parish Communion at St George's
 4.00pm Harvest Family Praise at St Margaret's



Please keep an eye out for any amendments to the above information in Signpost and Crossroads.



Don't wait until January 2024 to make a New Year's resolution to start going to Slimming World; do it now. Slimming World meets in St George's Centre on a Wednesday and hold sessions at 3.30pm, 5.00pm and at 6.30pm. Contact Michelle on 07816 142261 for more information.





ST GEORGE'S CHURCH CLEANING

Saturday 5th August at 10.00am

Well, we had a goodly number of helpers last month who were rewarded with not only tea/coffee and cake but there was also a tin of Coronation biscuits available too. So, now who would like to join us this month? To flick, push, clean, tidy and sweep? We meet at 10.00am but if that's too early for you we can wait! As always, no previous experience is necessary, and on-the-job training is always available. Unfortunately, I shan't be able to be a member of the cleaning team in August as I shall still be on crutches so I'm targeting the first Saturday in September to do some flicking etc.





PLACES IN ENGLAND



Birdbrooke, Braintree, Cambridge, Gloucester, Ipswich, Lancaster, Liverpool, London, Newmarket, Norwich, Nottingham, Saffron Walden, Staffordshire, Stowe, Toppesfield, Warwick

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

The answer is printed later in Crossroads

Seen in a restaurant in Wales recently:

We only serve the very best locally resourced foods so...

Feed Me Now and Evermore

"Wherever you go, go with all your heart." - Confucius



OVER THE HILL

By Tony J

Three Score Years and Ten, still plodding on I'm often told my best years, have now unfortunately gone That might be said, for the teeth, hearing and eyes But I've no control over time, that just quickly flies Before you know it, everything begins to creak Haven't got a clue, what I did only last week Repeat medication, highlight of the day Just like my Bus Pass, I don't have to pay Still got a landline, can't download that damn App The car is for short journeys when I don't need a map I seem to be selected, for a regular scammers call Their interest fades when I tell them, I'm still on the dole I really love my Tele, but I hardly hear a thing And stand up for the Anthem, but I'm told we've got a King I'm soon to get a pension rise, of 25p a week Perhaps I'll do the lottery, now I'm on winning streak The garden needs a tidy up, it's supposed to be maintenance free Which doesn't help my gout, or the arthritis in my knee I'll have to face the fact, I'm over the proverbial hill And have vino instead of water when I take another pill

Editors' note: It's been a while since we last had an offering from Tony, but we already have another poem for our September issue.





Questions based on the Gospel readings for June

- 1 How many disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them?
- 2 The last words Jesus spoke to His disciples started, "And remember, I am with you always, to the end....". What 3 words complete this sentence?
- 3 Jesus gave a Commandment to his disciples which can be summed up in 3 words. Which 3 words?
- 4 Jesus also said, "I do not call you servants any longer...". What 1 word did He use to describe his disciples?
- 5 Jesus went about curing every disease and every sickness. When He saw the crowds he had _____ on them. What is the missing word?
- 6 He described the crowds as being h_____ and h____. What are the two 'h' Words?
- 7 Jesus then listed the names of the 12 disciples. Who was the first to be listed?
- 8 When sending out the 12 Jesus gave the instruction, "Go nowhere among..." Which groups of people were the disciples to avoid?
- 9 Jesus said, "A disciple is not above the _____". What word is missing?
- 10 Jesus did not come to bring peace to the earth. What did He bring instead?

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

THE CHARTER BAND

Do you or have you, played a wind instrument, woodwind, or brass? Would you like to dust it off and start playing again?

The Charter Band who practices on a Thursday evening in St George' Centre would like to hear from you or even better meet you. Come along on a Thursday at 7.30pm to our small hall and introduce yourself. It is possible that the Charter Band may have a break during the summer. But if you prefer you can contact Glenda in the Church Office and your details will be passed on to the Charter Band's secretary.

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



Events: What's On at Tuffley Library This Summer



28th July 15:00 - 16:00

Make a Musical Instrument: Arts and Crafts

3rd August 15:00 - 16:00

'Rocky & Jazz Make Some Noise!' Performance by Cheltenham Everyman

8th August 15:00 - 16:00 Silent Disco

14th August 12:00 - 13:00

Try the Violin with Gloucestershire Music 17th August 15:00 - 16:00

Musical Maestros Lab Workshop

24th August 15:30 - 16:15 Musical Book Scavenger Hunt

29th August 14:30 - 15:30

Try the Ukulele with Victoria Ukulele Group

31st August 14:30 - 15:15

Dance Workshop with Ellie Maynard

Suitable for Ages 3 -12 All Events FREE

Booking is essential for these events.

Please scan the QR code, visit gloucestershire.spydus.co.uk or enquire at the library for more info:







Margaret and Max Tel 01452 522160 tuffleylibrary@gloucestershire.gov.uk



OUIZ

- 1 On the 21st August 1911, what was stolen by Vincenzo Peruggia who had hid in a broom cupboard?
- 2 The month of August is named after Augustus, emperor of ancient Rome, what number month was August in the original Roman calendar?
- 3 Which astrological star sign covers July 23rd to August 22nd?
- 4 Which well-known term do they call the 12th of August, the start of the grouse shooting season?
- 5 'August' is the tenth solo studio album by which musician?
- 6 Anne Frank penned the last entry into her diary on August 1st of which year?
- 7 Augusta, named after Princess Augusta of Saxe-Gotha, mother of King George III, is the second largest city in which American state?

8 Auguste Dupin is a fictional character in which Edgar Allan Poe short story? 9 What made news headlines on August the 8th 1963?

10 Which 1882 marble sculpture by French sculptor Auguste Rodin features an embracing couple?

The answers to this quiz are printed later in Crossroads



JILL'S JOTTINGS

from St Margaret's

Well, it's me once more, that ever moaning person who does at St Margaret's, Whaddon. It's been Dianne and me for afew weeks now as Marilyn is still looking after her sister Ann.

Dianne and I have changed jobs, I'm now on brass cleaning and Di is on doors and floors. We still have a nice cup of coffee and put the world to rights, as you do!.

I have spoken with Marilyn to ask how things are; Ann is doing alright but can't wait to get back toher own home and do things for herself. Ann has been very glad to have her own personal nurse over the past weeks. Here's hoping that Ann will be at home soon and continues to improve. I know what it's like to look after a sister, It's a good job we can laugh about all the things which go wrong and how we put them right again.

Di and I are always looking to see where the spider's webs are, we can only go so far up the wall with the wall brush we have; but it does help to keep the spiders at bay. Recently a gentleman came along and gave us a hand with the walls, he must have been about 7ft tall because he could almost reach the top of the wall. We're very grateful for his help because we're very short and will get vertigo if we stood on a chair. He only popped in to see what we were doing! Marilyn and I were in fits of laughter as our wall mop was taped to two

runner bean sticks probably by Malcolm or perhaps Mike. The mop was taped to the two sticks with black tape and it was such a job to get it out of the vestry so we split the sticks with the mop on one of them and our helper was giggling along with us. He was so kind and said that he hadn't enjoyed himself so much for ages. I'm glad the cobwebs are down as I don't like spiders. But he was a tall and not bad looking gentleman and helped us so much.

We wait to see if Marilyn can be with us soon, but until then we wish everyone all the best and hope that we'll all be together in the near future. So until then I'm going to lie down in a darkened room and gather my strength ready for the next time, so it's good bye from me, Dianne and Marilyn.

Jill Ponter

OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

Maya, Maya, where are you, Maya? Trix, I'm over here underneath this bush. What you doing under there Maya? Trix have you noticed how hot it is? Yes, Maya, I have noticed, but why is it so hot all of a sudden? I don't know Trix? Maybe it's because the sun is shining! Well Maya I don't understand all that but I do know that not only is my body hot, so are my feet, and when I walk anywhere my feet hurt! Trix, everytime you open your mouth your feet hurts, or your back hurts or



something or other hurts. I know Maya, but everything does hurt right now. Maybe it's because we don't get the right kind of breakfast or dinner. Trixie, you do talk a load of tosh at times, you eat up all your breakfast and tea, your dish is always empty. Well that's because you've got your nose in my bowl as well as your own! I am aware Trixie, but your biscuits are so much nicer than mine. Maya, they all come out of the same bag. I know that Trixie, but they do taste so much beeter than mine when I eat them. Oh Maya! You are such a pain at times and one of those times is now! I'm going to find a nice quiet place to lie down and snooze, see you later Maya. Ok Trixie.

Trix! Maya! Where are you girls hiding? For goodness sake. Oh Harry, there you are, I was wondering where you were. I've been under this bush staying out of the sun. I know Maya, it's hot everywhere. So where is Trixie hiding? I'm not quite sure Harry. She normally goes across the road under those trees. Give her a shout, Harry, she'll come if you shout load enough! Ok! Here goes Trixie!

Trixie! TRIXIE, TRIXIE!! WHERE ARE YOU TRIXIE!!!. Oh hello, Harry, you don't have to shout, I'm not deaf!! Stay where you are Harry. Oh, blimey another car is coming, see you in a bit! Oh here I am Harry, how have you been? It's been one of those weeks, first of all I had to see the lady doctor as she wanted to look at my scar as it had been playing up a bit! She gave my human some cream to rub on my scar. She blamed it on the sun drying out the scar! Then I met up with the two Gingers, and you know how they are once they get together! We went all the way down the road on the other side of the fence and met up with all sorts of felines and a fox cub wanted to play with us. So we did that for a while until we saw a great big green thing which hopped all over the place, it was horrible! It was so loud and its mouth swallowed its face at one point. We made a sharp exit from there! I brought a present back for Yasmin, but she took one look at it and screamed. I mean, I gave her the most delicious mouse and she nearly had a heart attack! What is a bloke supposed to do for his best girl? Harry, maybe you should have brought her a bit of sausage or fish. Maya, why would I do that? I'd gone out of my way to give her something that I had caught, and what did she do? Just threw back at me! What's a fellow supposed to do? Harry, not every girl wants a mouse as a present, just go round to her and take some salmon, I know that Yasmin love Salmon! And pray tell me where do I get salmon from? Ah, Harry use your noddle a bit, get one of those tins that are in the kitchen cupboard, she will like that! Maya, you are a gem, thank you so much. But, Maya, how do I get the tin open? Harry I'll leave that to your imagination.

Say cheerio to Harry, Trixie. Tata Harry. Oh Trixie you're such a grump today. I know Maya, I think I'll join you under that bush and have a nice sleep, so good bye everyone and it's cheerio from me until the next time, stay safe.

Maya and Trixie Ponter



GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

1 Eleven: 2 of the age: 3 love one another: 4 Friends: 5 compassion: 6 harassed and helpless: 7 Simon (or Peter): 8 Gentiles & Samaritans: 9 teacher: 10 a sword:

THROUGH THE WINDOW



Hi everyone, I'm sorry I didn't write anything last month but I forgot. Mind you my Mum didn't leave the book and pen out for me so I couldn't have done anything about it.

Never mind, here we go. I had to go to that horrid place again. It only seems like

yesterday that I last went, but it's a year. So, I had to go for a booster and check up. I had a pin jabbed in me which I didn't like; then I had some stuff put on me to stop fleas, ticks and nasty things like that. Mind you, I gave my Mum and Auntie Jill the run around, I hid under my Mum's bed!

I was then shoved in a box and put in a vehicle, I moaned all the way there and all the way back home again. I turned my back on my Mum and Auntie Jill. It doesn't take me long to come round though and forgive them. Now, I've been put on short rations, because my Mum says I've put on too much weight. So, I'm a little bit porky (whatever that means?).

I'll just have to grin and bear it. Mind you I was shut up in my Mum's bedroom because that dog was coming and I don't do dogs! My Mum tells me that I am a wuss and Holly wouldn't hurt me, but I'm not so sure. She had a pussy friend at home, so she's used to cats but I don't want to know. Holly would probably chase me but I'm not taking any chances and I would have to defend myself and I wouldn't wish to hurt Holly.

It's been very warm recently, all I did was flop about and hide in the cool. I didn't want to come in at night because it was so warm. Now it's a bit cooler so I can sleep in my Mum's bedroom again. She doesn't like me being out all night because she worries about me. But she still shouts at me sometimes especially if I wander around her feet!

I do talk with Maya and Trixie now and again. Trix was told off by Auntie Jill because she was doing a roly-poly in the middle of the road and a car was coming. She had to shout at her to stop her getting run over. I do my roly-poly in the garden which makes my Mum smile. I will close now, so 'bye for now.

JoJo (Miss)

WORDSEARCH ANSWER



AUGUST QUIZ ANSWERS

1 Mona Lisa painting: 2 It was the 6th month (until Augustus' rule, it was called Sextilis (the Latin word for six is sex): 3 Leo: 4 The Glorious Twelfth: 5 Eric Clapton: 6 1944: 7 Battle of Actium: 8 The Murders in the Rue Morgue (widely considered the first detective fiction story): 9 The Great Train Robbery: 10 The Kiss:



ST GEORGE'S CHURCH AND CENTRE

JULY

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
Mon 31	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 the 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	3.30pm	Messy Church - tbc	St B	
	7.30pm	Entertainers	МН	
Sat 5	10.00am	Karate	МН	
	10.00am	Church Cleaning	St G's	
		Party – tbc		
Sun 6		TRINITY 9		
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage	St G's	
		followed by coffee		
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's	
Mon 7	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom	
Tue 8	9.30am	Coffee Pot	St G's	
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's	
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel	St G's	
	8.00pm	Karate	MH	
Wed 9	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom	
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH	
Thu 10	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's	
Fri 11	7.30pm	Gardening Club	MH	
	7.30pm	Entertainers	SH	
Sat 12	10.00am	Karate	MH	
Sun 13	TRINITY 10			
	September Crossroads deadline			
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's	
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage	St G's	
		followed by coffee		
Mon 14	10.30am	Aphasia-Now – tbc	SH	
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom	
Tue 15	9.30am	Coffee Pot	St G's	
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's	
	1.30pm	The Guardians of Ancora Holiday Club helpers'	St G's	
		meeting		
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel	St G's	
	8.00am	Karate	MH	
Wed 16	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom	
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH	
Thu 17	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's	
Fri 18	7.30pm	Entertainers	MH	
Sat 19	10.00am	Karate	MH	
Sun 20	TRINITY 11			
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Banns of Marriage	St G's	
		followed by coffee		
	2.00pm	Private let - tbc	SH/SL	
Mon 21	9.00am	The Guardians of Ancora Holiday Club		
		set up		

	5.00pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom	
Tue 22	9.00am	The Guardians of Ancora Holiday Club	MH	
	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH	
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's	
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel	St G's	
	8.00pm	Karate	MH	
Wed 23	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom	
	9.00am	The Guardians of Ancora Holiday Club	MH	
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH	
Thu 24	9.00am	The Guardians of Ancora Holiday Club	MH	
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's	
Fri 25	10.00am	The Guardians of Ancora Holiday Club		
		clear up		
	2.30pm	Quiet Prayer Group	St G's	
	7.30pm	Entertainers	MH	
Sat 26	10.00am	Karate	MH	
Sun 27		TRINITY 12		
		September Crossroads available		
	9.00am	Parish Communion	St M's	
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's	
	4.30pm	Charles Igbo let	SH	
Mon 28		BANK HOLIDAY		
Tue 29	9.30am	Coffee Pot	SH	
	10.00am	Parish Communion	St G's	
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in the Lady Chapel	St G's	
	8.00pm	Karate	MH	
Wed 30	8.15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom	
	3.30pm	Slimming World also at 5.00pm & 6.30pm	MH	
	7.00pm	Gardening Club Committee	SL	
Thu 31	10.30am	Parish Communion	St M's	
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Fri 1	7.30pm	Entertainers	MH	
Sat 2	10.00am	Karate	MH	
	10.00am	Church Cleaning	St G's	
Sun 3	TRINITY 13			
	10.30am	Parish Communion	St G's	
	10.30am	Messy Church	GB	
	5.00pm	Evensong	St M's	

St G's = St George's Church, St M's = St Margaret's Church, V = Vicarage, LC = Lady Chapel, MH = Main Hall, SH = Small Hall, SL = Softley Lounge, EM = English Martyrs Catholic Church, St B's = St Barnabas' Church, GB = Grange Baptist, HP = Holmleigh Park

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOUR TO FINISH WITH...

Jack was walking in the desert with his horse and his dog when the dog says, "I can't do this. I need water." Jack says, "I didn't know dogs could talk." The horse says, "Me neither!"

Jill walks into a psychiatrist's office in a state of great distress. The doctor asks her what the matter is, and she replies, "Well, I keep having these vivid hallucinations that I'm a dog! You've got to help me doctor, it's ruining my life!" "Settle down," replies the psychiatrist, "Just lie down on the couch over there, and maybe we can start to get to the bottom of this." "Oh no, I can't do that," says Jill, "I'm not allowed on the furniture!"

A pair of cows were talking in the field. One says, "Have you heard about the mad cow disease that's going around?" "Yeah," the other cow says. "Makes me glad I'm a penguin."

"Your mother has been with us for 20 years," said Jack. "Isn't it time she got a place of her own?" "My mother?" replied Jill. "I thought she was your mother."

Jack and Jill ran into each other at the door of their psychiatrist's office. "Hello, there," said Jill. "Are you coming or going?" "If I knew that," said Jack, "I wouldn't be here."

At a party, Jill admonished Jack, "That's the fourth time you've gone back for ice cream and cake. Doesn't it embarrass you?" "Why should it?" answered Jack. "I keep telling them it's for you."

A grasshopper walks into a bar. The bartender looks at him and says, "Hey, they named a drink after you!" "Really?" replies the grasshopper. "There's a drink named Stan?"

Every time a little boy went to a friend's house, he found the friend's grandmother deeply engrossed in her Bible. Finally, his curiosity got the better of him. "Why does your grandmother read the Bible so much?" he asked. "I'm not sure," said his friend, "but I think she's cramming for her finals."

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