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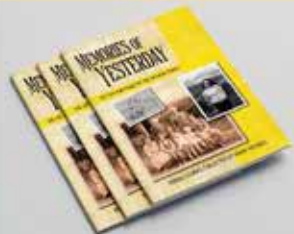
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From the Editor..

Welcome to the final edition of Hutton Parish Link for 2021.

You will see a number of changes to the format and content of the magazine henceforth. To begin with, the fact that you are probably holding it in your hand is something that I began to despair of ever happening. Not only did we have the Covid-inspired problems of lockdown and social distancing that prevented us from producing print copies since the reintroduction back in April 2020, but when we were allowed – and felt sufficiently confident – to provide ‘hard’ copies, the office printer conspired against us. No ink, no staples, poor colour settings: you name it, the printer contracted it for every edition. But now, at last, we believe we’ve overcome all the gremlins. However, if you’re still having to read this online, then you will know that our optimism was misplaced!

At the same time we decided to make the magazine shorter and ‘pithier’. A 40-page tome was deliberate on my part, reasoning that for the many who were unable to get out during the bleakest days of the pandemic, a thick magazine would give them something to keep on the coffee table and browse through from time to time during its two-month life-span. Now, though, most of us are feeling more comfortable with going back to church and to the various activities that take place there and so the magazine will become more of an “Informative and Invitational” publication to keep you up to date with the many things that have happened in the church life over the past couple of months and what there is to look forward to in the next two months – including a full list of services at both of our churches, together with the name of the person leading those services and another list of ‘forthcoming events’.

And some of the regular features of the magazine, such as Chris Thomas’s biographies of saints, and Tino’s agendas for the Bible Study group, will be moved to our website, www.huttonparish.com to appear on or just before the days to which they relate.

I am indebted to many individuals for providing me with articles promoting all these activities. They are all extremely busy with their family lives as well as their church lives yet they still find time every eight weeks to write excellent and informative pieces for this magazine. And without Neil’s ability and willingness to burn the midnight oil in the days leading up to publication there would be no magazine.

I was forewarned before I embarked on the resurrection of the church magazine that expecting the rank and file of our parishioners to volunteer articles for inclusion was naïve, and I wasn’t misinformed. But ***please***, if you have something that you’d like to share with the rest of us, or something you want to get off your chest or seek clarification of, either email it to me or drop it into the office for me. Even a short message telling me what you think of the magazine – good or bad – would be welcome: at least I’d know it was being read by one person!

May I take this early opportunity to wish you all a blessed and peaceful Christmas, and a happy and healthy new year.

Malcolm Webb

Editor

From the Rector

Dear Church Family,

Welcome to this December and January edition of the Parish Magazine, as we move from the preparations of Advent into the Christmas Season and into the New Year, where we celebrate the early years of Christ, Epiphany and Candlemas.

It is a pressurised time, perhaps even more so after the upheaval of last Christmas. Nevertheless, Advent has always been my favourite season of the Church year with the sense of anticipation and build-up, the knowledge of the good things up ahead, for the opportunities it offers to share time, joy and the story of Jesus with others.



Barbara Brown Taylor writes: " Christians are asked to measure time differently from the dominant culture in which we live. We begin our year when the days are getting darker, not lighter. We count sunset as the beginning of a new day. However things appear to our naked eyes, we trust that the seeds of light are planted in darkness, where they sprout and grow we know not how. This darkness is necessary to new life, even when it is uncomfortable and goes on too long."

Our preparations are both brimming with joyful anticipation and tinged with some uncertainty, as the news of new variants makes us catch our breath. Advent and the New Year ahead is also a chance to reconfigure and take stock in the midst of ongoing coronavirus, quarantines, political divides, shortages, climate crises and all the ways the world is broken. It is a season of waiting, of expectancy, of darkness, we turn our attention back to God who didn't stay distant but came to be with us through the birth of Jesus.

We look forward to welcoming you to the many Advent and Christmas events and services planned across the Parish and pray this will be an opportunity for you to connect with the church community. We're living in the tension of continuing to gather for worship, community and celebration whilst not being 100% certain that all we've planned will be able to happen. But we remain hopeful and have various contingencies in place!

Please take note of the service details over this period as some will require booking in advance – do visit www.huttonparish.com for details.

I'd particularly love to draw your attention to our Advent Windows Community Art project, the map for which is opposite and can also be found on www.huttonparish.com/advent .

Thank you to all those who have contributed to decorating their windows to showcase the Christmas message and to offer a little Advent hope and light into our community. I encourage you to wrap up warm, meet a friend and make a plan to visit some of the houses which will launch each week.

A very Happy Christmas to you and your household from The Rectory

Andy +

Advent Windows

2021

Join us at 4:45pm on each launch date, [facebook LIVE](#) @huttonparish

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6 The Spinney
10 Normanhurst
175 Rayleigh Road
48 Fielding Way
16 Grays Walk
23 Tennyson
10 Lordship Close
2 Windy Hill
16A Silver Birches
36 Abenberg Way

Week 1

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5 Kelvedon Close
57 Chelmer Drive
31 Hutton Village
2 Hutton Hall Cottages

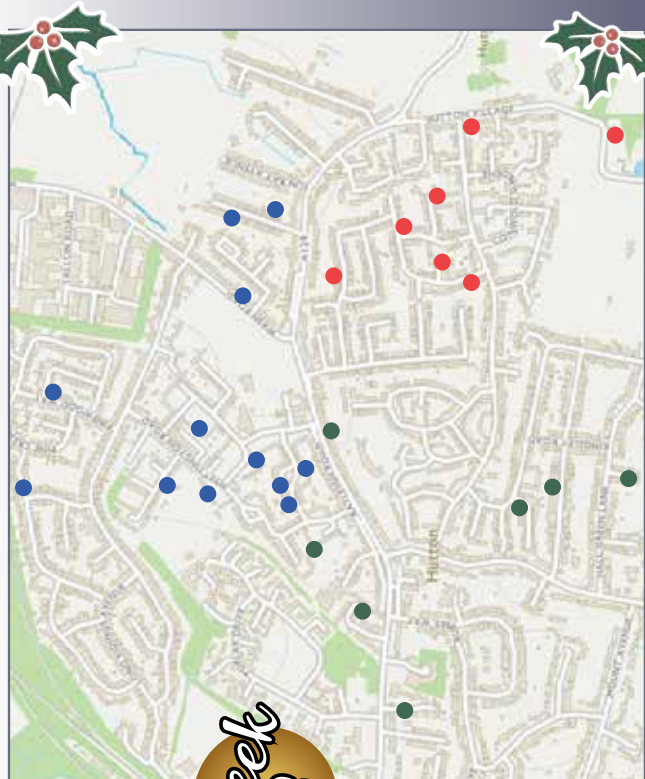
LAUNCHES 10TH DECEMBER

3 & 28 Mount Pleasant Ave
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4, 22 & 37 Birkbeck Road
13 & 26 Coram Green
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30 Colef Road
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8 Shaw Crescent

Week 2

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Week 3

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WEDDINGS – LOVE, LOVE, LOVE!

We are nearly at the end of an extraordinary year and with two more wintery weddings in December, we will have held thirteen weddings and two wedding blessings at All Saints since national restrictions were lifted in July 2021.

We had four wedding couples from this parish and two from the Rooted community. We celebrated Gary and Julie's Ruby anniversary with a thanksgiving marriage service.

We are also very happy to hear that one of our couples that got married under License due to Covid last year, has had a baby. It is truly God's blessing to share so much joy.

As the wedding season comes to a close, it is good to pause, reflect and give thanks. Let us remember the wonderful words of Paul in 1 Corinthians 13:13 – "Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. ... And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."

If you need any information about getting married in our churches, please contact me. My details can be found on the "Useful Contacts" page later in this magazine.

Annie Bayley
Weddings Co-ordinator



We've had a very exciting month at Daily Bread. The food hub continues to operate Monday to Saturday, 10am to 12 noon, plus its satellite branch at St Georges Church, Brentwood, on Saturday morning. If you need help to feed your family, just turn up and there is fresh, frozen and tinned food on offer. If you are able to help, then volunteers are always needed (contact sarahdailybread@gmail.com) and donations are welcome.

In October, Daily Bread was presented with a Star of Brentwood award from Brentwood Council at a glitzy event at the Brentwood Centre! This was attended by Lisa Whymark, Michelle Yarwood, Cheryl Benson, Christine Bennett, Sarah Robbshaw, Karalyn Stevens and me. Although we would have loved to have taken all our 200+ volunteers, numbers were limited, but the award was accepted on behalf of all of the amazing people who give up their time each week to keep us running.



Last Saturday, our satellite site at St Georges's hosted Manna Meals for one of their regular coffee mornings. These are always well attended and a great opportunity to meet other people on a weekend and enjoy sandwiches and cake with a cuppa. The food hub at St George's continues to be well attended, and a great option to collect food for those who can't get to us in Hutton.

On Tuesdays, the Job Club is continuing under a new name: **Daily Bread Computer Hub**. As well as coming in to get help with CVs and looking for work, people can also have access to technology that they may not have at home to fill in forms, apply for benefits, or gain/improve some computer skills. The hub is run by volunteers so if you think you have skills to offer, please contact karalyn.dailybread@gmail.com.

Our Arts and Crafts sessions have been hugely popular, especially during half term, with T-Shirt painting, Christmas crafts and drawing available for our younger customers. Découpage continues on a Wednesday alongside volunteers making beautiful items to be sold on stalls at the Shenfield and Brentwood Christmas pop-up events. We have recently welcomed the Colouring Cafe on a Tuesday, led by Vicky Davies.

A great opportunity to meet other people and chat while doing some mindful colouring. The knitting group continues to meet every Wednesday and has expanded over two tables now.

Do come along if you love to knit or crochet and join in with a project or get help with one you are struggling with. We are also hosting a Christmas lunch for anyone who attends either of these groups, or the Gardening Club. Please email karalyn.dailybread@gmail.com for details.





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COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT



Our Volunteers, has done a marvellous job transforming the side and front of the churchyard. The vegetable patches are already yielding delicious goodies for volunteers to take home or to be used in the café. The team also tackled a very overgrown garden belonging to one of our local residents (and foodbank/café customer), as you can see from the pictures!



On Fridays the club have been going for walks in the local area, meeting back at the café to warm up with tea/ coffee and cakes. if you love to be outdoors and would like to meet more like-minded people, do come along. It's a great way to improve your wellbeing, and provide a community space for all to enjoy.



Little Fishes babies and pre-school group on Thursdays 10 to 11am has been very busy and a great place for parents or carers to meet for a cuppa and a chat while the children play.

For those with older children, Daily Bread provided free hot meals during half term to help alleviate holiday hunger.

Last year we distributed around 200 hampers to people in our community. Christmas is still going to be incredibly tough for many of our local residents so we are running this campaign again this year. If you think you could bless someone with a hamper and would like to be involved, please email dailybread@huttonparish.com for details.

To keep in touch, the best way is to follow Daily Bread Serving Our Community on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/dailybreadservingourcommunity>) or via Instagram. Regular posts are made to keep everyone abreast of what is going on. Please look out for a post on Christmas opening times at the beginning of December.



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	CAFE 9am-1pm	CAFE 9am-1pm	CAFE 9am-1pm	CAFE 9am-1pm	
	ARTS & CRAFTS 10am-12pm	ARTS & CRAFTS (Decoupage) 10am-12pm	LITTLE FISHES (Babies/Preschool) 10am-11am	ARTS & CRAFTS 10am-12pm	
	COLOURING CLUB 10am-12pm	GARDENING CLUB (Chat 1st) 10am-12pm	UNITED IN KIND COFFEE MORNING (Fortnightly) 10am-12pm	GARDENING CLUB (Chat 1st) 10am-12pm	
	JOB CLUB/ COMPUTER ACCESS 10am-12pm	KNITTING GROUP 10am-12pm	BLUE FLOWER DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP (1st Thursday) 10am-12pm		
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ADVENT AND THE O ANTIPHONS.

The liturgical year of the Church begins on Advent Sunday and starts that period of weeks before Christmas which can be summed up in two words - watching and waiting.

The time when we watch and wait for the coming of Christ in various ways.

Traditionally for the coming of Christ in glory to 'judge the living and the dead' - the Dies Irae of the Church.

The coming of Christ as a baby in Bethlehem - the Incarnation.

And the coming of Christ each and every day to those who open their eyes and ears and hearts to Him.

Most of the world seems to do little "watching and waiting" with the festivity and sometimes excess of the season starting earlier and earlier when we are bombarded with advertising, constant noise and the encouragement to spend, spend, spend to have the "best Christmas ever".

If you feel the need for a quiet 'oasis' in the midst of all this rush and turmoil - if you need 'praying days' rather than 'shopping days', then All Saints Church on four Thursdays of December might be the place for you.

**At 7 pm on Thursday 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd December
I shall be offering a quiet service of Compline at All Saints
which will include meditations on the O Antiphons.**

Many of you will be familiar with the words of the Advent hymn "O come, o come, Emmanuel" written by John Mason Neale as a 'précis' of a Latin hymn of the 12th century - itself a version of the O Antiphons.

These O Antiphons were meditations on verses of Scripture sung before and after the Magnificat, the song of praise by Mary, at Vespers - the monastic equivalent of Evensong - on the seven days leading up to Christmas.

They allude to promises made about the longed-for Messiah: promises we need to hear as much today as did the ancient people of Israel.



The Antiphons are the great truths of what God is - wisdom; mighty Lord of time and eternity; the one who opens up meaning and freedom; who banishes darkness; the King of the nations but who is nevertheless always 'with us'.

In the first week we shall meditate (using a picture or icon as illustration and a poem, and where appropriate some music) on the first two:

O Sapientia (Wisdom) and O Adonai (Mighty Lord)

In the second week on

O Radix Jesse (Root of Jesse) and O Clavis David (Key of David)

In week three on

O Oriens (Morning Star) and O Rex Gentium (King of the Nations)

And on the final week we shall bring them all together with O Emmanuel (God with us) as we draw very close to Christmas Eve.

Christ came not just for 'us' the Church, but for the whole world and He came not just on that first Christmas Day; nor will He come only in judgement, but we trust with mercy at the end of time. But he comes now. today. each hour and each minute if only we give Him attentive Advent watching and waiting.



A BRIEF HISTORY OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH

We have previously explored how All Saints Church had survived for 575 years or so from when it was built as a recognisable church to the start of the Victorian era. In that time it had seen wars, civil wars, rebellions, abolitions and restorations of monarchies, monasteries and the Roman Catholic Church, as well as countless 're-builds' of the original building.

That it – and the Church of England as we know it today – survived at all is something of an achievement, and the fact that All Saints seemed to enjoy a quiet couple of hundred years or so leading up to the start of Queen Victoria's reign was probably most welcome to those connected with it.

The start of the Victorian era, towards the middle of the 19th Century, coincided more or less with the "Gothic Revival", which as its name suggests, sought to restore 'modern' buildings – particularly churches and cathedrals – from their neo-classical design to their original Gothic style. The movement was driven by the belief that there was an increasing level of Anglo-Catholic nonconformism since the Reformation, and restoring churches to the Gothic style was an attempt to reinvigorate the 'true' English church. The movement quickly took hold and parish churches across the country were systematically 'restored'.

Although it had never had many Gothic features, All Saints was not immune to this enthusiastic programme.

It so happened that in 1869, when the Gothic Revival was in full swing, that a new Rector took over. He was Henry Holme Westmore, a wealthy clergyman who had been attached to a modern parish in Manchester and was, apparently, less than impressed with the look of All Saints. Rev. Westmore promptly set about raising the funds necessary to transform the church back to the peaceful and reverent place of worship that it had been in its early life and that he thought was more in keeping with its rural setting. He started the ball rolling with a donation from his own pocket of £500 (approximately £65,000 in today's money), and he tapped up equally wealthy relations of his who lived in Kensington, as well as his previous ministry in Manchester and various local businessmen. He even managed to persuade the poorer parishioners to make regular donations by having collecting cards on which were marked their regular donations of threepenny bits - a forerunner of our Planned Giving scheme of today, I suppose.

The outcome of this fundraising scheme was the mighty sum of £2,600. And to put that figure in perspective, one of the first purchases was a new pulpit (the one we see today) which cost £2.2s.6d (£2.12).

In actual fact, the first bit of renovation or alteration to the church had taken place a number of years earlier, when the south porch was bricked up. I can find no records to give any indication as to why it was permanently blocked: presumably the powers-that-were at the time regarded two entrances as a bit extravagant for a building of that size, and of course it would have restricted the number of parishioners who could have worshipped in the church at a time when church attendance was *de rigueur*.



In any event, it took the best part of four years to finish all the alterations that Rev. Westmore had in mind. It seems that his first ambition was to make the most of what space the church interior offered, and the early work entailed a fair bit of re-positioning. The rector treated himself to a new vestry on the north side of the church – and mindful no doubt of how chilly churches could get in winter, had a small fireplace installed, whilst still leaving room for the piscine, a small niche in the wall containing a stone basin for washing up the communion utensils and the like. A coal-fuelled boiler was also installed in the body of the church to create as much warmth as possible for the congregation: surely a bold move, since if they got too warm there must have been a chance that many of them would have fallen asleep during his sermons!

A new chapel was constructed where the small hall used to be on the south side; likewise a new chancel. The small gallery below the bell tower was ripped out and the organ chamber was also moved to create more space. Indeed, it would appear from plans that have survived that the useable area of the church was increased by some 35%. And throughout the work the rector made sure that his builder, a Mr John Cross, salvaged and re-used as much of the original materials as possible. At the height of the re-building work, in 1873, All Saints was temporarily closed and all Sunday services (usually three per day) were held in the village schoolroom.

Once the heavy work was completed, Rev. Westmore started on the fixtures and fittings. Seventy new chairs were purchased to replace the wooden benches that had lasted since the 17th century. Eventually the chairs were replaced by the fixed pews that we

A BRIEF HISTORY OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH

see now – but that happened a lot later. As mentioned earlier, a new pulpit was installed, and even the windows were replaced. Funds must have been running low by this time since most of the new windows were donated by local families in memory of loved ones, and the anticipated new organ (to replace a harmonium) wasn't bought for a few more years. It cost some £230, which would have been not far short of £30,000 in today's terms. An even later acquisition was a new font (approx. 1892) to replace the original, mediaeval font which was then recycled as a horse trough! But at least the church bells didn't need to be replaced. They were removed and re-hung during the re-building, and doubtless to the Rector's relief were found to be sound.

Once all the works had been completed the church was rededicated by the Bishop of Rochester, in whose See Hutton was at that time. By a strange coincidence, the Bishop's brother was a vicar by the name of Piers Leopold Claughton, who was, a few years later, to follow the Rev. Westmore as All Saints' incumbent. Rev. Claughton remained in position from 1881 until his death in 1939 and was without doubt the most popular, eccentric, generous and best-loved minister that Hutton had ever known (well, until four years ago, at any rate!!) One of his last acts of benevolence was the distribution in 1938 of a bread ration every week for the twenty weeks of winter for 42 needy families in the village, along with a hundredweight of coal for them all at Christmas. Once again there are clear and obvious comparisons with the work of our Food Hub 80 years later.



So by the end of Rev. Westmore's ministry All Saints was as modern and 'state-of-the-art' as it could be whilst still holding on to many of its original features. And that is how it remains, largely, to this day. It did suffer a small amount of damage in the Second World War when a jettisoned bomb landed a bit too close for comfort (pilots on both sides were prone to get rid of unused bombs in the countryside after a raid, particularly if their 'plane was in difficulties) but it just required a new window in the north vestry, which fortunately was empty at the time. Then not long after the war electricity was introduced to the building (the electric heaters arrived much later) and the 1873 chancel was tweaked a bit to incorporate a new and larger vestry.



But the population of Hutton had exploded. New estates were created for families from the East End who had lost their homes in the Blitz; Hutton and Shenfield were becoming part of the 'commuter belt' for City workers, and it was clear that the local infrastructure had to grow to meet the increase. So it was that in 1959 a sister church to All Saints was built: St Peter's. In Cloughton Way.

Malcolm Webb

Much of my research for this and subsequent continuation articles has involved a number of sources, not least of all old church magazines, various writings of the late Mary Kenyon, M.A., and information gleaned from the website of Hutton Preservation Society, all of which I freely and publicly acknowledge and express my gratitude.



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Little Fishes, the babies and preschooler group has enjoyed lots of babies recently, some as young as three weeks!

It is wonderful to create a warm and relaxing space for young families and their carers, including grandparents. People have commented how kind everyone is and what a lovely space it is at St Peters.

In November we celebrated a baptism and a birthday in our group. The wonderful Sharon kindly led us through a 'sing-and-sign' session and we are looking forward to our Little Fishes Christmas Singalong party.



The children made poppy pictures and quietly stood and observed the two minute silence on the 11th November. You can check out the pictures on the Children's church display board at St Peter.

As always, it would be wonderful to have more volunteers to support us. Please get in touch with Annie, even if you can only commit to the occasional Thursday morning – contact details are at the back of the magazine. Full training will be given!



Jenny, Jan, Annie & Sheryl

REACHING OUT AND CONNECTING WITH OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH THE POWER OF PLAY.

Bible Study

Over the next few weeks we shall be looking at Paul's letter to the Philippians. I will start with a brief background to the letter.

Philippians

Author: Paul

Purpose: To thank the Philippians for the gift they had sent Paul and to strengthen these believers by showing them that true joy comes from Jesus Christ alone.

Date written: About A.D. 61, from Rome during Paul's imprisonment there.

Historical background: Paul and his companions began the church at Philippi (an important Roman colony in northern Greece) on his second missionary journey. This was the first church established on the European continent. The Philippian church had sent a gift with Epaphroditus (one of their members) to be delivered to Paul. Paul was in a Roman prison at the time.

Paul wrote this letter in return which had at least 4 motives: -

- 1) It served as a "thank you" to them for their love and partnership in the Gospel.
- 2) He wanted them to know that he was not discouraged even though he was in prison.
- 3) Reports of how false teachers were bringing their damaging doctrines into the church prompted him to warn them to stand firm against these errors.
- 4) He was concerned about a serious clash between two women in the church whose disagreement was apparently affecting the unity of the whole body of Christ.



Characteristics: The letter to the Philippians radiates with joy in the Lord and with love for these old friends and warm supporters. Paul's joy when in prison flows from his awareness of Jesus' presence, his confidence that he is in Christ's hands, his pleasure over the advancement of the Gospel and his single-minded desire to know Jesus. His concern is that the Philippians reflect the same attitudes through a life of mutual service, steadfastness in the truth and dedication to the things of Christ.

Chapter 1


(v 1-11) Timothy was with Paul when they first visited Philippi some ten years ago and established the church there.

Paul writes to the Philippians with great affection. His prayer reaches across to them in love and fellowship, and looks ahead to the day when God's salvation will be complete. The Philippians are his partners in proclaiming the Gospel. He longs that they should know God more and more deeply, to understand his ways, grow in holiness and share his love.

(v 12-26) Paul has been through a terrible time. He was arrested in Jerusalem on the false charge that he had taken a Gentile into the Jewish part of the temple. He was only saved from being killed by the intervention of the Roman authorities.

Paul was taken into custody, partly for his own safety, and held at Caesarea for 2 years. During this time various governors tried to defy the Jewish leaders, hoping for a bribe to release him. Finally, Paul claimed his right as a Roman citizen to have his case heard by Caesar in Rome.

The apostle has every reason to be frustrated and angry. Precious years of his life have been lost through the lies, cowardice and incompetence of other people. His great vision of taking the Gospel to other lands and cultures has been thwarted – certainly delayed and perhaps abandoned altogether. And yet Paul is able to assure his friends that what has happened to him has actually helped to spread the Gospel! Paul was chained to the Roman soldiers and had plenty of time to make the Gospel known. Christian soldiers will take the Gospel with them wherever they go.



At the same time, Paul's example had encouraged other Christians in Rome to witness more boldly. Some of these were preachers who saw themselves as rivals to Paul. They were probably Jewish Christians who wanted to insist that Gentile Christians should keep the Jewish law. But Paul rises above these disputes. What matters is that Jesus Christ is being proclaimed, whatever the motive.

Paul hopes to survive his present suffering. Even if he doesn't, he knows that death is the gate of glory. This is his winning perspective. If he remains alive, he can continue to serve the Lord and encourage his fellow Christians. If he dies, then he will go to be with the Lord, which he longs to do. With Christ, even the worst will turn out for the best.

Questions on Philippians chapter 1

(Verses 1-11)

- 1) What mail do you open first: Bills? Official looking letters? Personal mail? Junk mail?
- 2) Which ONE word best describes Paul's feelings for the Philippians?
- 3) What word would describe the feelings you have for your church?
- 4) How is God at work in a believer's life according to (verses 6 and 9-11)? How does this produce uncertainties in your life?
- 5) Who was the "apostle Paul" in your life, who introduced you to Jesus Christ and cared about your spiritual growth? Who is your spiritual cheerleader now?

(Verses 12-30)

- 1) When you have had a bad day, what do you do?
- 2) Are you the kind of person who sees the glass half-empty or half-full?
- 3) Paul was in prison but joyful. Have you ever dealt with difficult circumstances yet been joyful because of Christ?
- 4) What has happened as a result of Paul's imprisonment?
- 5) What effect did Paul's situation have on most of his fellow believers? (v14)

- 6) What negative result did Paul's situation have on others in the church? (v15-17)
- 7) What does this passage say about what your attitude should be toward Christians whose motives you might question? (v15-18)
- 8) Where has God been able to use bad for good in your life?
- 9) Which option (life or death) does Paul personally desire? (v22-23)
- 10) Why does Paul feel it is more necessary for him to do the opposite? (v24-25)
- 11) What difference has your personal faith in Jesus Christ made in your attitude toward death and dying?
- 12) Since churches often divide along denominational, cultural and theological lives, what would it mean to apply verse 27 in your community in concrete ways?

The afternoon Bible Study class takes place at St Peter's Church on the first Monday of every month at 2pm.

The evening Bible Study is also at St Peter's, and meets every first and third Wednesday in the month, starting at 7.30pm.

In future, Tino's "briefing notes" will be published on our website in advance of the classes at which they will be discussed. If you are unable to access the website or would prefer a printed copy of the notes, please contact Tino.

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Tea Break

CHRISTMAS ANAGRAMS

The following is a list of words closely associated with Christmas Day, but in anagram form. The anagrams are in alphabetical order to make it a bit more difficult.

As it's coming towards Christmas, we're turning this into a **PRIZE COMPETITION!!**

Complete the anagrams, write the answers on a sheet of paper in the order that they appear on the list, and either drop them through my letterbox (156a Hanging Hill Lane) or into the office at St Peters. Alternatively you may email the answers to me – malcolmofmmwebb@btinternet.com. Either way, please make sure you add your name and contact details.

The names of everyone who gets all twenty anagrams correct will be put into a hat and a winner drawn at random at the "Beer and Carols" evening on Saturday, 17th December.

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9th Oct	BRUNNING, Patricia Mary - Funeral service at Bentley Crematorium
24th Oct	HEARD, Peggy. Funeral at Bentley Crematorium
30th Nov	GUTHRIE, Beryl. Funeral at Bentley Crematorium

Weddings

1st Oct	Lucy Pearce and Bradley O'Callaghan
8th Oct	Richard Tweed, and Amy Hyde
16th Oct	Lauren Hutchison and Jake Tyrell
22nd Oct	Thomas Wong and Laura Impey
23rd Oct	Ben Brewer and Caroline Logan

Ruby Wedding Anniversary Renewal of Vows

14th Nov	Gary and Julie Hills
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Funeral Arrangements

Should you need to book a funeral for someone, please contact a member of the Ministry Team in the first instance, and they will arrange for you to be talked through what needs to be dealt with. In normal circumstances this would include funeral arrangements, pastoral care, a visit from a member of the Bereavement Visiting Team, if appropriate, and information about interment of ashes, plaques on the Memorial Wall, Book of Remembrance, and anything else that you would like to know.

Baptisms

When life returns to normal again, we shall be able to resume conducting baptisms (or Christenings, as they are often called) at both All Saints and St Peter's Church, during an appropriate Sunday service. Any child or adult who lives in the Parish may be baptised in our churches.

In the first instance please contact the Parish Office. The Parish Administrator will liaise with the Clergy to establish a date suitable to all parties and you will be sent an application form and information leaflets about the baptism itself and the other facilities available for you and/or your child to become involved with, all of which are mentioned elsewhere in this magazine.

Contact details for all the people mentioned above can be found on the "Useful Contacts" page at the back of the magazine.



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