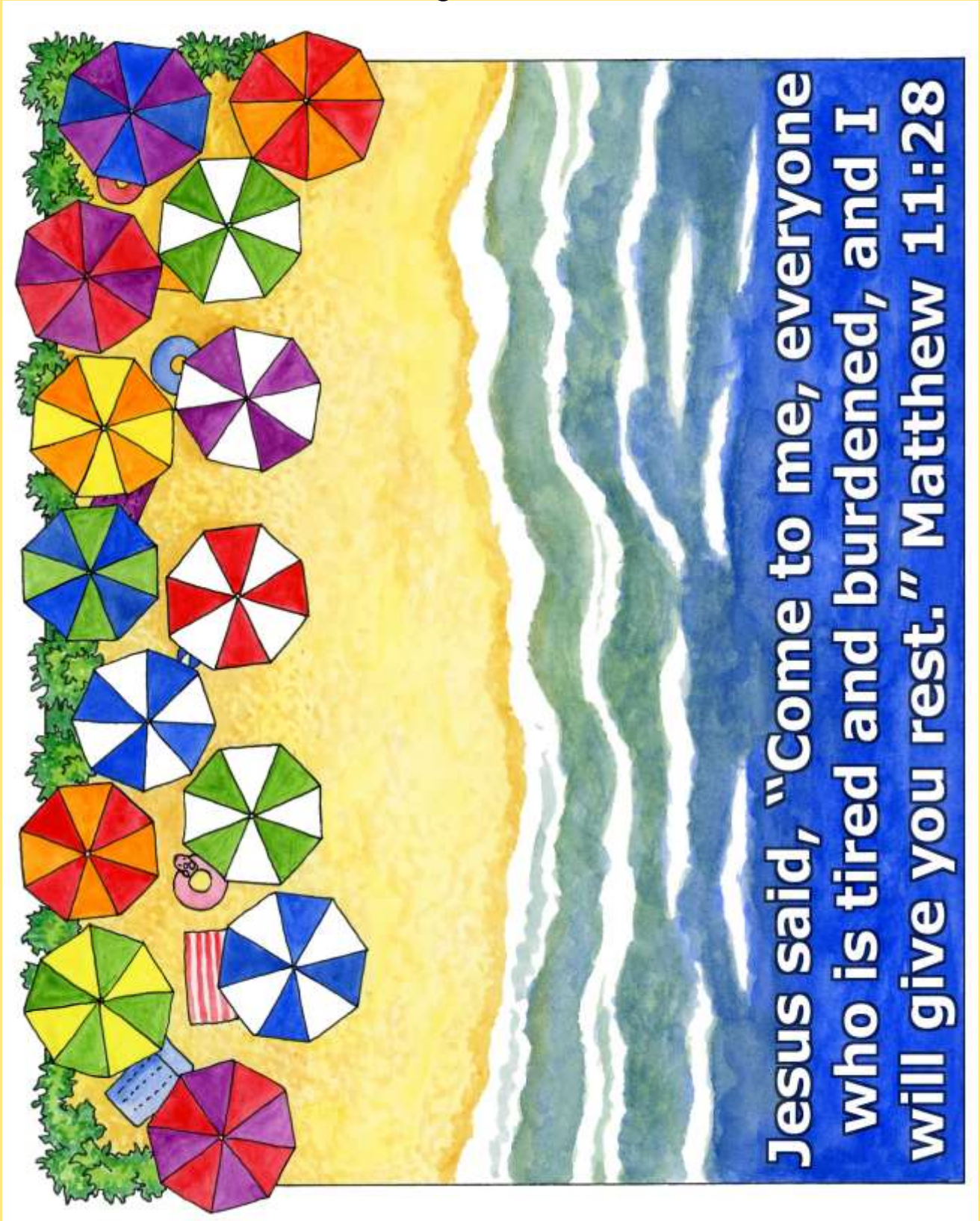


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Sunday Worship in Church

8am Holy Communion BCP
(First Sunday of the Month)

9.45am Parish Communion

11.30am Family Service
(Third Sunday of the Month)

Weekdays

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Monday, Wednesday and Friday

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August 2023

Revd. Canon Miriam writes:

Dear Friends,

My childhood memories of August are long, hot, sunny days filled with adventure and maybe a holiday near the sea. It always seemed as if summer lasted for ever and I sometimes wish that I could recapture that sense of timelessness. Nowadays, time just seems to rush by as we struggle to fit things in to each day. Being busy all the time is not good for us. Busyness drains our physical and mental wellbeing leaving us tired and frustrated. How often people have said to me 'I wish there were a few more hours in the day.' August, with its longer warmer days and memories of school holidays is perhaps a reminder or even a prompt to us all to take a step back, to change our pace of life, to have some time out, perhaps even time away. August calls us to stop, rest and allow ourselves to be re-energised and renewed. Recently someone shared with me a reworking of Psalm 23 which I hope might speak to you...

*The Lord is my pace setter, I shall not rush
He makes me stop for quiet intervals
He provides me with images of stillness
which restore my serenity.*

*He leads me in the way of efficiency
through calmness of mind
and his guidance is peace.
Even though I have a great many things
to accomplish each day,
I will not fret, for his presence is here
His timelessness, his all importance
will keep me in balance.*

*He prepares refreshment and renewal
in the midst of my activity
by anointing my mind
with his oils of tranquillity
My cup of joyous energy overflows
Truly harmony and effectiveness
shall be the fruits of my hours
for I shall walk in the pace of my Lord
and dwell in his house for ever.*

(A version of Psalm 23 from Japan, as reprinted in Mother Teresa, Life in the Spirit: Reflections, Meditations, Prayers, ed. Kathryn Spink)

In my letter last month, I reflected a little on the outcome of the Parish Half Day which we had in June. Prayer and waiting on God was a recurrent theme in our discussions and a small group of us reflected on this at a recent Pastoral and Evangelism group meeting. A few days before this meeting, as I prayed about it, I felt God directing me to words of scripture from Jeremiah 29 which were ‘*Then you will call on me. You will come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and you will find me because you will seek me with all your heart.*’ When I looked up this passage in the Bible I was amazed to find that they follow on from words that have been such an encouragement over the last few years which I hope are familiar to you... ‘*I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. Plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster, plans to bring about the future you hope for.*’

This seems to me to be more than a pure coincidence. It is God perhaps wanting to fulfil his desire for us and that we need to stop and spend time praying, reading the Bible and listening. So over the coming months this will be our focus. Instead of looking to what our next big project might be, we are going to wait on God, to allow Him to guide us forward. Can I encourage you all to join in with this time of praying and waiting? We are planning to set aside one Sunday evening a month, for those who are able, to come together for corporate prayer.

More important than that is your commitment to holding our Church in prayer whether it is collectively or in your prayer time at home. I will endeavour to put some resources and ideas for prayer into my weekly letters to help you with this. I feel that we are moving into a really exciting time in our journey as a Church community and in our own personal relationship with God as we seek to discern where and what he is calling us to as individuals, a community of faith, and a Church serving the community of Croxley Green.

May you enjoy a restful August and may God bless you and renew you in mind, body and spirit.

With my love and prayers

Miriam

Parish Register and Records

23rd July 2023 Isla Victoria OLIVER, Edward Derik OLIVER
and William James OLIVER

Smile Lines *from Parish Pump*

Blessings

The student was writing to the head of the mission in England who had founded his local school in the African bush. He wanted to end with a blessing, ‘May heaven preserve you.’

Not being quite confident of his English, he looked up the word ‘preserve’. When the letter reached the head of the mission, it ended with the words: ‘And may Heaven pickle you.’

August Readings

Sunday 6th August

9th Sunday after Trinity

Luke 9 v 28-36

Sunday 13th August

10th Sunday after Trinity

Matthew 14 v 22-33

Sunday 20th August

11th Sunday after Trinity

Matthew 15 v (10-20) 21-28

Sunday 27th August

12th Sunday after Trinity

Matthew 16 v 13-20



Virtual Balloon race result

1st place : Gordon Pell

Balloon name : Jemima

2nd place : Roger McKeague

Balloon name : Head Gardener

3rd place : Pam Brownsea

Balloon name : Panda

Thank you all for your support. We sold 120 balloons and raised £487.80 profit towards the Hall Refurbishment.



Dear All,

Whilst exploring the call I felt God was placing on my life I started taking on-line courses through St Albans Cathedral. The SACT (St Albans Certificate in Theology) classes took place in the evenings over zoom and have covered a range of topics over the last three years. I have really found my love for learning again and I can't wait to continue in September when I start my ordinand training.



Through the SACT course there is the opportunity to work towards the certificate. To do so, you write a 2500 - 3000 word essay for the modules which are assessed. This was a great way to cement what I had learnt and also do further reading and deepen my understanding.

I am delighted to say I have passed all my essays and will receive my certificate at the Cathedral in September at a special evensong to celebrate all the learning that has taken place there.

It would be lovely to see you there and celebrate together.

The service will be at 6pm on Sunday 24th September if you would like to save the date.

I will put a sign up sheet out nearer the time and we can then share lifts, and I can let the SACT coordinator know how many people to expect.

If anyone is interested in knowing more about the SACT please do ask Miriam or me. The sessions have been superb and I've met some great new friends through it

More information can be found here:
<https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/certificate-in-theology>

Sam Jones



Dedication Sunday 25th June

In preparation for our Dedication Service on 25th June, flower arrangements were created at Friday morning coffee on 23rd June to decorate the Church.

As you can see, a lot of concentration was required. The hard work paid off as the Church looked, and smelled, beautiful for our 'birthday'.



Just a little note to say how happy I felt joining in with helping with the flowers at the Friday cafe for All Saints' Birthday. Everyone was very kind, supportive and welcoming. It was a wonderful event.

Alice Tims

Smile Lines *from Parish Pump*

Rainbows

Q: Where do rainbows go when they're bad?

A: Prism, but it's a light sentence.

Social and Fundraising Committee Diary

Harvest Festival BBQ – Sunday 17th September

We are very excited as, after a four year break, the Parish BBQ is back! In a change with tradition, we have decided to have the BBQ to coincide with Harvest Festival on Sunday 17th September starting at 12 noon.



Tickets will be on sale very soon and will cost £6 for adults or £3.50 for children under 12.

This will be a fundraiser for the Bishop's Harvest Appeal so any proceeds, after costs, will be donated to the Appeal (see page 22).

Make sure you book your tickets for this lovely and much missed social event!

Beer Festival – 20th to 22nd October

Following on from last year's very successful Beer Festival we are delighted to be holding our second Beer Festival from Friday 20th October to Sunday 22nd October.



Further details will be in next month's magazine.



Christmas Market – Saturday 18th November

It may still be summertime, but plans are already under way for this year's Christmas Market which will be held on Saturday 18th November.

We have already got some lovely stalls booked and have got some great prizes lined up for the Grand Prize Draw including a £350 cash First Prize!

As always, in order for the Market to be a success, we will be asking for your help so please put this very important date in your diaries now!

Further details will be available soon.

Ann Palmer

The Festival Chamber Orchestra

Summer Concert

15th July 2023

After the success of the concert last summer, Vicky Iveson was asked if she would organise another one this year. The Orchestra members gave up their time to rehearse and perform for us and we would like to thank them, and Vicky, for all their hard work.



Between the rehearsals and the performance, the members of the Orchestra enjoyed a meal together.



Soloist, Rebecca Boyle.

Our Church is such an amazing backdrop for events like this and the acoustics are very good too. This all added up to create a wonderful atmosphere for the audience.





Deep in
concentration

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The
Orchestra
taking a well-
earned bow.

An audience of well over a hundred people attended the concert and, as well as listening to some wonderful music, enjoyed strawberries and cream, Prosecco and Pimm's in the interval.

Thank you very much to everyone who helped to set up Church, serve refreshments and wash up afterwards. And, of course, thank you once again to the members of the Orchestra.

Not only was this an evening of wonderful music, it was also a successful fundraiser and £671.80 was raised for Church Funds.

Pets' Corner

I have often seen Rae and Leo walking along The Green so it was lovely to sit in Church recently and chat with Rae about him. It seemed very strange to be there with Rae but without Leo because I know he loves to come into Church.



Rae told me how she was always very reluctant to be a dog owner but when her daughters, Sarah and Louise were small they were really keen to have a dog as their pet. Eventually they managed to persuade their mum to take them to the animal welfare trust at Bushey 'just to have a look'.

As they walked around the pens there was one with puppies in it and one of the puppies came right up to the front of the pen and looked longingly at Rae and the girls who, of course, instantly fell in love with him. They asked the staff if they could have the puppy but were told that anyone who lived in their house had to come to the centre and be seen by the staff before anything could go ahead. So their dad, Jack, was duly taken for a visit and on going into see the puppy it jumped straight into Jack's arms. So the family knew it a meeting that was meant to be and 'Robbie' came to Croxley to be part of their family for 15 very happy years. Rae said he was a lovely little dog who looked just like a little fox cub.

When Robbie died, Rae and Jack decided that they wouldn't have another dog. That is until, some time later, they knew of a family who had to move into different accommodation and their pets had to be fostered out as they couldn't take them with them. They knew that little Leo was very unhappy with where he was and asked Rae if she would consider looking after him, which she was reluctant to do, until history repeated itself and Rae went to see Leo and immediately a bond was established between them.

When Rae got home, her grandsons were so excited when they realised that Leo was going to stay and become part of their family as he has been for the past 11 years.

During that time he has developed so many funny little ways. He loves having a shower and readily jumps in to have a wash and gets very excited when Rae is watering the garden with the hose. He thinks its great fun to chase the water and get very wet. He loves classical music. His particularly favourite pieces are Nessun Dorma, but only when Pavarotti sings it, and The Pearl Fishers by Bizet. When you think he is fast asleep, if these pieces of music come on the radio he suddenly sits up tall and howls along to the music. He loved the long walks that Jack used to take him on through the winding paths of Croxley and over into the corn fields. He has now become a bit arthritic and doesn't like to go too far afield. His favourite place to visit though is our lovely Church. If Rae is walking with him past the Church, he won't go past the gate until he has taken Rae inside and they have sat down and shared a prayer together. He found it very difficult to understand that during lockdown he wasn't able to go inside the Church and he would sit outside just waiting for someone to open the gate so that he could go in. Leo is such a gentle little dog who loves to be stroked by anyone. I often feel when I meet him that he is looking at me and having a conversation or is concentrating hard on the conversation that Rae and I are having. Rae said he is a wonderful companion. He is always waiting to greet her when she arrives home and he likes nothing more than to sit and have cuddles with her, watch the TV and bark at the animals that come on the screen by way of saying hello to them.

Fran Bennett

Smile Lines *from Parish Pump*

Not late

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for church. As she ran she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!"

While she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again.

As she ran she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! But please don't shove me either!"

August Prayer Diary

| Date | In our Church Family |
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| 1st | Brian and Jennifer Clemow |
| 2nd | Maureen Cliff |
| 3rd | Jane Colbourne |
| 4th | Anne and David Dougans |
| 5th | Kathryn and Jemima Duffy |
| 6th | Pamela Evans |
| 7th | Chris Fagan |
| 8th | Shirley Ford |
| 9th | Pat Foster |
| 10th | Janet Francis |
| 11th | Sylvia Furzey |
| 12th | John Galloway |
| 13th | Simon, Tracy, Ian and Charles Galloway |
| 14th | Sarah Gardner |
| 15th | Liz Gowshall |

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| 16th | Ben, Sarah, Abbie and Joshua Guest |
| 17th | Richard and Patricia Hall |
| 18th | Anne Harris |
| 19th | Clare Hearnshaw |
| 20th | Gretel and Ron Hibbert |
| 21st | Francis Hilsden |
| 22nd | Matthew, Sarah, Emily and William Hilton-Dennis |
| 23rd | Phil and Linda Hobbs |
| 24th | Val Hunt |
| 25th | Karen, Paul, Amelie and Olivia Jarvis |
| 26th | Carly, Paul, Lucas, Oliver and Finley Johnson |
| 27th | Sam, Simon, Carys and Nerys Jones |
| 28th | Valerie Kendle |
| 29th | Margaret and Roger Kircher |
| 30th | Anni and Tom Lowery |
| 31st | Lorraine, Nigel and Isobel McCobb |



Hall Refurbishment Update

The refurbishment of the Hall will start at the beginning of August and will last until 6th September so the Hall will be out-of-bounds during this time. Work will start with removing the radiators for them to be painted. The lights on the ceiling and walls are being replaced and some extra electric sockets are being fitted. The ceiling and walls are being redecorated and finally a new wooden floor will be laid. When all this work is done we will be choosing new curtains to complete our fresh new look.

Do not worry...Friday Coffee will continue but we will be meeting in the Church instead. That does mean that you will have a walk (and a few steps) to negotiate to go to the toilet and you cannot take a short-cut across the Hall because the workmen will be in there.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support in our fundraising for this refurbishment to take place. We are not quite there yet and have a few more events planned to raise the last bit of money we need. There is a Tea Dance in September (details below) and we have more sales tables arranged at Friday Coffee once a month starting in September.



Afternoon tea and dance

at All Saints Church Hall



in aid of the Church Hall refurbishment fund

Music by Alex

Saturday 16th September ~ 2.30 – 6.30

Raffle

tickets £10 each ~ from Barbara Loose on 01923.720509

Notes from PCC Meeting on 5th July

Sam Jones : Ordination Training

The PCC heard with pleasure that Sam has been accepted to train for ordination.

She will be following a context-based course at St Mellitus College, involving college, study and part-time work in the parish. The PCC resolved to reimburse her expenses including travel and to ensure that she was fully covered under the Parish's insurance policy.

Church Clock : New Electric Mechanism

The PCC was informed that a new electrically operated winding and control mechanism for the clock would be installed on 17-19 July. This will replace the manual winding and adjustment which Alick Burge has faithfully undertaken every week for many years.

Mission Action Plan

The Pastoral and Evangelism Committee on 3 July had considered the responses to questions posed at the MAP Parish Action Day. They felt that after a time of great activity a period of reflection would be helpful. They recommended that on one Sunday per month, for at least six months, a half-hour period of evening prayer should be held where people can gather together to seek God's will for the future of our Church, with periodic reviews. The PCC accepted the recommendation and dates will be organised.

Hall Refurbishment

The Hall Committee has been meeting weekly to pull together a full timetable for the works to be done and to fix the dates of closure and re-opening. A grant of £1,000 has been received from the John Laing Charitable Trust and, to date, income of about £9,000 has been raised from donations and fundraising events during the spring and summer. Sam Jones, Chair of the Hall Committee asked for thanks to be expressed for all the contributors for their generosity. Since the meeting, it has been announced that the hall will be closed from 3 August to 6 September.

Finance Report

Andrew Nobbs reported that the income and expenditure during the first six months was broadly in line with the budget. The Hall Fund,

including grants and donations, stood at £26,370 at the end of June. The closure of the Hall during the refurbishment would affect bookings income but the improvements might enable an increase in future income. Energy costs were increasing however. It was agreed that a Stewardship Sunday will be held to review ways and levels of giving.

Safeguarding

The PCC conducted its annual review of the Safeguarding Policy and the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy Statement and resolved to re-adopt them. Sam Jones, Assistant Safeguarding Officer, reported that in 2022 the PCC had completed the requirements of Level 2 of the Church of England's Safeguarding Action Plan and could now progress to Level 3, the highest level for parishes. Miriam thanked Anne Oke and Sam, the Safeguarding Team, for their excellent work in ensuring that All Saints' was carrying out all its safeguarding commitments.

Merger of Parish Charities

Chris Fagan reported that two parish charities registered with the Charity Commission, the George Gurney Charity for the Sick Poor and the Croxley Green Annuity Fund, have been merged to form a single charity using the name of the George Gurney Charity. The Charity Commission has accepted the merger proposal and has de-listed the Croxley Green Annuity Fund. The next step will be to transfer the bank account assets of a third Parish charity, the All Saints' Croxley Green Charities to the merged Charity. The trustees consider that a single charity focussing on support for local health provision and the general relief of poverty will best be able to meet current patterns of need. It is also planned to adopt a new name for the unified charity of 'The All Saints' Croxley Green Church Charities Fund'.

The Church Organ

John Galloway has discovered that Bishop and Son, who built the original organ, are still in business. The PCC agreed to ask them to quote for providing a professional assessment of its condition, on the cost of works to restore it and also for tuning it.

Family Services

Dates of the Family Services will change from the third Sunday to the first Sunday of each month and will start at 12.00 noon in the Church. In addition, on the third Sunday, the 9.45 service will feature an age-inclusive sermon.

Junior Singers : Arrangements for Practices

The PCC is keen to encourage young singers to take part in singing at services. Some children are keen to sing but there are some issues regarding days and times when children and an accompanist/trainer can meet. If you have a young singer in your family, have a word with Miriam, Anne Oke or David Heath and let them have your views on the most convenient days and times for practice.

Storage of Chairs and Other Equipment

A considerable number of chairs are stored in the Committee Room, the Youth Room and on the stage. Other equipment stored in the Committee Room are the table football and the popcorn machine. These items reduce the potential of the Committee Room as a meeting venue for hire. PCC members will meet on Sunday 30 July to review our future storage needs and capacity.

Chris Fagan
PCC Secretary

Smile Lines *from Parish Pump*

Conversation

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.





8th August Dominic the saint who believed in learning

If you enjoy reading the Bible and in encouraging others to have faith in God, then Dominic is the patron saint for you. His passion for helping Christians to learn and proclaim their faith led him to found the Order of Preachers, or Black Friars, because of the black cape they wore over

white habits. They are also known as the Dominicans.

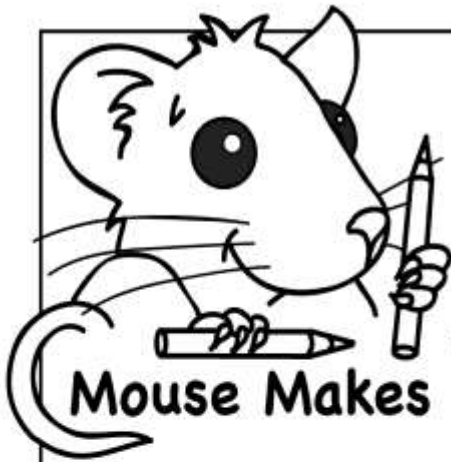
Dominic was born in Castile in 1170, the youngest son of the warden of the town and nephew to the archpriest of Gumiel d'Izan. Becoming an Austin canon of Osma cathedral, Dominic spent seven years as a priest, devoted to prayer and penance. In 1201 he became sub-prior to his community.

In 1208 the Papal Legate was murdered. It sparked a crusade or 'holy war' against the Albigensian heretics. Dominic worked for reconciliation, refusing to join in the violence and massacres against them. Instead he used instruction and prayer to woo the heretics back, which led to him playing a leading role in founding Toulouse University. That became the foundation for his work in establishing the Friars Preachers at Toulouse in 1215, which occupied the last seven years of his life. (Three times he refused a bishopric, believing that this work was more important.)

Dominic's 'order' provided communities of sacred learning, with monks devoted to study, teaching and preaching as well as the usual prayer. Dominic believed monks should do more than just commune with God; they should proclaim God's love to others. Dominic was an excellent organiser, and soon his order spread rapidly all over Italy, Spain and France. It met an acute need in the medieval church, and in time the Black Friars became a pioneering missionary force in Asia and even (much later) the Americas.

Dominic travelled widely from 1216 until his death in 1220. His simple tomb was later embellished by Michelangelo, and his usual attributes in art are a lily and a black and white dog, which is a pun (Domini canis) on the name of Dominic. The dog holds a torch in its mouth as a herald of the truth.

Parish Pump



Mouse Makes

After Jesus miraculously fed 5,000+ people from two fish and five loaves, he sent his disciples off in a boat across the Sea of Galilee before going up a mountain by himself.

Later in the night, as the boat was being blown and buffeted by the wind, Jesus came miraculously walking on the water towards them...

Read the story in: *Matthew 14: 22-27,*
Mark 6:45-56 or John 6:16-21

What did Jesus do when he went up on the mountain?

Matthew 14:23

What was the boat struggling against?

The ----- and the -----

Matthew 14:24



What did Jesus say to his disciples?

Do not be -----

Matthew 14:27

What did the disciples think Jesus was when they saw him walking on the sea?

A -----

Matthew 14:26

Who walked out on the water to Jesus?

Matthew 14:29

What did Jesus say to Peter?

Oh you of little -----
why do you -----

Matthew 14:31

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Wordsearch

23rd August The Transfiguration

In August the church calendar commemorates the Transfiguration. The story is told in Matthew (17:1-9), Mark (9:1-9) and Luke (9:28-36). Jesus took Peter, James and John, his closest disciples, up a high mountain. It may have been Mount Tabor, or else one of the three spurs of Mount Hermon.

Suddenly, Jesus is transfigured. His face shone, his garments became white and dazzling. Elijah and Moses appeared, and a bright cloud overshadowed the disciples. A voice spoke out of the cloud, saying that Jesus was His beloved son, whom the disciple should 'hear'.

Then, just as suddenly, it is all over. What did it mean? Moses represented the Law, and Elijah the Prophets of the Old Covenant. But now the Law and the Prophets have found their fulfilment in Jesus, the Messiah. The written Word and the spoken Word have handed over to the Living Word.

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Bishop of St Albans' Harvest Appeal Cracking Food Poverty Together



This year's Harvest Appeal supports [Mission Direct](#) in their work in Kumi, Uganda, by providing materially poor families with chickens. These give them a sustainable and low cost food source, and also provides them with a new income stream because they can sell some of their eggs and new chicks that hatch.

Their first hatchlings are returned to the project so that another family can benefit. Depending on how much money is raised, some funds might also support other food poverty projects, like planting orchards for schools to supplement the diets of their pupils.

Bishop Alan's message:

Dear Friends,

I am delighted that this year's Bishop's Harvest Appeal is being run in partnership with Mission Direct.

The project will provide families and schools in Uganda with chickens. These will produce eggs for food, which will help to alleviate food poverty and malnutrition. An important part of the project is that the first hatchlings will be given back to the scheme so that they can be passed on to another school or family, thus spreading the benefits.

There is huge scope for involving people of all ages but especially young people and children. We are providing a range of resources with ideas and suggestions for local involvement.

This is a programme richly deserving of our time and commitment and I commend it to you.

*So, please give your imagination free range, and **let's get cracking!***

+Alan





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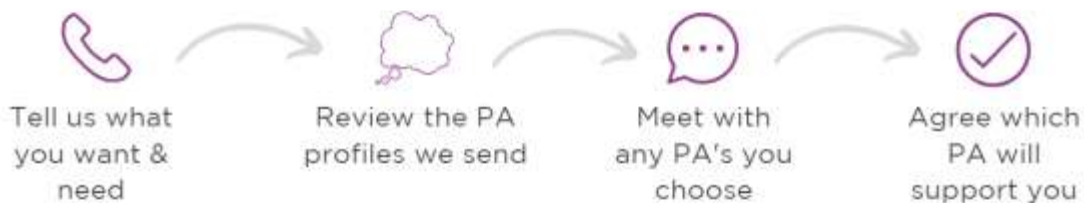
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