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SIGNPOST



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Aug/Sept 2018

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, STRANTON CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday

8.30am. Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

10.30am. Service (with children's groups for 3-14s)

1st Sunday of the month will be Holy Communion

2nd Sunday of the month will be Morning Worship

3rd Sunday of the month will be Holy Communion

4th Sunday of the month will be Lighthouse Service

11.00am. Morning Worship at Burbank Community Church,
at Ward Jackson School.

7.30pm Youth Fellowship (14 years +)

On the Third Sunday of each month, **Messy Church** takes place at St Matthew's Community Centre at 4.00pm. This is a time for parents/ carers and children to have fun together, doing crafts and various activities, based on a bible theme.

Occasionally, (2 or 3 times a year) the congregations at Stranton and Burbank all come together for the 10.30am service, and this is followed by a bring and share meal.

Wednesday Morning

10.00am. Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
at St Matthew's Community Centre.

Please note that the next **Messy Church** will be on **16th September 2018** and will continue to take place on the **Third Sunday of each Month**

Calling Me? I Think You Have The Wrong Number!

My field of work before I went to Cranmer was 18 years in the field of Domestic Abuse work. I worked in Refuges, Outreach and facilitated training events for Specialist Domestic Abuse Police Officers and Social Workers. I also facilitated the first awareness raising course for teachers and pupils at several schools in Dorset as part of the PHSE curriculum.

In 2014 my sending church acquired funding for an Advocacy and Empowerment Outreach worker and I was asked to consider applying for the post. It was a post which I felt privileged to undertake. The clients I worked alongside were some of the bravest and most resilient people I have ever had the privilege to meet. I saw the Holy Spirit move powerfully in the lives of some of the most broken and vulnerable families on the estates during my time there. I had often given talks on our God being the Father of the Fatherless, but to actually see what that looks like in action blew me away. It was during this time I made the decision to explore my vocation.

If someone had told me 5 years ago that the discernment process was going to be one of the greatest experiences of my life to date, I would have probably laughed in their face. I was so unsure of myself and so sure that God had the wrong number. But with encouragement and affirmation from some of my closest friends and my spiritual director I decided to step out in faith. I am so very glad that I did because the whole process has been a great source of self-discovery for me. I have grown in my faith and as a person throughout the discerning and formational process.

I am not saying it has been an easy walk, but it is one that is exciting and life giving. It has given me the chance to explore whose I am and who I am plus what God's call is on my life. I began my formational training thinking it would be about making me a little more 'Church of England' and a little less me. In truth it has turned out to be about becoming more of the me God had created me to be. I was so unsure of myself during the initial process, but with my DDO's support I started to feel my confidence in Christ begin to grow.

Initially when I was asked to write a Faith and Life Journey (a requirement in the discernment process) it was daunting to say the least. I have lived a wide and varied life (and that's putting it mildly), so I was stuck on where do I start? After speaking with my mum I decided to start right at the very beginning and I'm so glad I did. That piece of work turned out to be the most life-giving thing I had ever done. My faith, hope and confidence were renewed and reinforced in a way that changed my very character.

It showed me clearly how faithful, merciful and patient our beautiful Abba Father had been with me all my life; and just as importantly it left me with a knowledge that I had been called not in spite of me being a 'gobby northerner', but because of it. I remember reading in one of the first books I read on ministry in the C of E that If you were a woman, working class or black it might be a difficult journey. Because I fulfil all three of those criteria, I am so very glad to say that this outlook is definitely changing and I have felt fully embraced and encouraged during my training.

I would encourage anyone who feels they may be called (and we all have a calling) to speak to someone about it and start the journey of discernment rolling. It is a journey that, if travelled authentically, pressing in to God all the way, cannot fail to enrich and expand your faith experience.

Michelle Delves

MOTHER`S UNION

First of all a big thank you to all members who helped to set up, serve and wash up for their guests at our Summer Strawberry Tea on 9th July. This was in aid of the "Follow in the footsteps of Mary Sumner – Summer of Hope Appeal". This is to make hope blossom for families and communities. We raised over £80 towards this project and will decide and let you know what particular part of the project we give this donation to. Once again thank you.

On the day before the Strawberry Tea I went to Ward Jackson School where Burbank Church was holding its joint service. I sat chatting to a friend just inside the entrance before the service began. A beautiful picture on the opposite wall caught my eye. Underneath the picture was a caption – a Bible verse. It said:-

"We can make our plans but the Lord determines our steps." Proverbs 16 v9
Um....I thought, Mary Sumner! After the Strawberry Tea the following day at bedtime I usually read the Bible verse and passage for the day on my i-pad. The verse was:- "In his heart a man plans his course but the Lord determines his steps." Proverbs 16 v9 - a different version but the same verse! I'm waiting now for the verse to appear again....

There is a Celebration Day in Durham to remember Mary Sumner at St Nicholas' Church (Market Place) at 2.00pm on **9th August** (Thursday).

We have no meeting in August but restart on **10th September** at St Matthew's Community Centre at 2.00pm in the Asda Room.

There have been lots of changes around us. Congratulations and welcome to our newly ordained Deacons – Clive Hall (already known to most of us) and Michelle Delves – who is newly arrived in Hartlepool and has already met lots of people in our church. We hope to see them at our meetings soon. Please pray for them in their new walk of service as they go along their journey of faith.

Enjoy the summer break and return refreshed, renewed and ready for what God has planned for us in the Autumn.

Remember to pray for our branch and All Saints here in Hartlepool, plus our sister churches in the town. Remember too how wonderful that MU is involved in so many outreach actions around the world and give thanks.

God Bless

Ann Courtenay

From the Home Front

Life is always unpredictable, full of ups and downs, times for rejoicing and times of despair. At times we lose God in it all and feel overwhelmed, yet at other times His grace and mercy seem to overflow.

The roller coaster of emotions can leave us exhausted on occasions. Take this last week....

After a much better night's sleep I woke feeling refreshed. I managed my exercises and felt as if I was making steady progress with my walking after my recent knee replacement. An email popped into my inbox telling me that Ward Jackson Y6 children had done brilliantly in their SATs results - even better than hoped for in our wildest predictions – I cried with joy for all the rewarded hard work, dedication and effort of staff and pupils.

Later news came in of the rescue of the last four Thai boys and their coach from the caves where they were trapped in Thailand – answers to prayers from around the world – what relief and happiness for all concerned – frightened parents and determined rescue workers. People working together as a team and overcoming seemingly impossible odds.

Later in the day I went for my hospital physio appointment, taken by a kind friend. I was devastated to find I had not made the progress I thought I had and my knee was not bending as it should. The physio worked me hard, but she fears scar tissue may be preventing the bending. I was so upset – my physical problems seem miniscule compared to others close to me, but at this point I just felt defeated. So much to be thankful for - yet I was wallowing in self-pity. So I have given myself a good talking to. I am gritting my teeth and trying to push myself through the pain barrier to force the scar tissue to break up and my knee to bend properly. I am trusting in God that it will be successful as I don't want to have to have manipulation under anaesthetic!

For many months people have prayed for work for my other half. He did get a job in January but his work conditions and situation were very poor and he felt totally demotivated. But God has rewarded obedience, persistent prayer and trust by sending along someone to 'headhunt' himself from a company for which he had worked freelance before – proper work conditions and a better use of his qualifications and experience. Grateful thanks.

A text popped onto my phone telling me about a colleague's young daughter who has been on our prayer sheet for the last 3 years had just been declared cancer free!

My family has had to rally round my brother who is suffering from the cumulative side effects of chemotherapy. But that is what we need to do to get him through this awful time – with love, care and prayer he will improve over the next few weeks.

So keep trusting in God, be faithful in the hard times and rejoice when prayers are answered. But remember Our Father is with us in the bad as well as the good.

J.A.R.

Ordinations Sunday 1st July

A large number of families, friends and members of congregations gathered in Durham Cathedral to witness the ordination by Bishop Paul, of ten Ordinands as Deacons in the Church of England, amongst them were Clive Hall, Stranton's Community and Family Worker and Leader of Burbank Church and Michelle Delves. Both are to serve their curacies in Stranton Church and Hartlepool. Hymns included Ye holy Angels Bright, Guide me O thou Great Redeemer, The Lord's My shepherd I'll Not Want, When I Survey the Wondrous Cross and Christ triumphant ever reigning. Angela Hall read the First Reading – 2 Corinthians 4:1-12 (treasure in clay jars). The Gospel Reading was Matthew 25:31-46 (I was hungry and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, sick and you took care of me). The sermon was given by Bishop Mark using this passage to emphasise that these deacons were to go out into the community and serve the marginalised and forgotten, taking the word of Christ with them. Bishop Mark, who retires in the Autumn, had led the retreat prior to the ordinations. After the declarations of suitability and faith, the ten were ordained with the laying on of hands by the Bishop and then were vested by their Training Incumbents (that was Norman for Clive and Michelle) and given a Bible by Bishop Paul. The newly ordained Deacons were then welcomed by rousing applause. Holy Communion was then distributed to the whole congregation with the Deacons assisting.

Everyone congregated outside the Cathedral in the sunshine for individual congratulations and photographs. It was a wonderful service and the culmination of sustained prayer and trusting in the Lord to bring Clive and Michelle to this point.

It was wonderful to see Mike and Jenny Gilbertson with Duncan, John and Heather McPhee, Alan and Catriona Robertson join with members of Burbank and Stranton Churches, plus the Texas Mission Team, alongside Clive's family and friends from Huddersfield and around the country, joined by all of Michelle's family, friends and supporters.



Clive Hall ordained



Michelle Delves ordained deacon – with supporters

Everyone returned to Stranton Church for a lovely buffet lunch and drinks. It was a time to socialise, catch up with old friends and make new ones. Norman led a short service to welcome Clive and Michelle. Richard Hetherington the minister from Oxford Road Baptist Church was invited to pray for Clive and Angela, while Jean Waller was to lead prayers for Michelle. Davis Akers Headteacher at Ward Jackson CE School prayed for the Texas Mission

Team as they prepared for a busy week in the school and on Burbank Estate.

An amazing cake depicting Clive and Michelle in their vestments and with a Bible declaring “Feed my sheep”, was cut by the pair. Clive thanked all those who had been with him on this faith journey and for the support of so many during the last few years. Please continue to pray for and support both Clive and Michelle as they work in Stranton Parish and amongst the people of Hartlepool.

Friends and family gather from far and wide



Burbank members and Ward Jackson Head enjoy lunch together



Familiar faces past and present enjoy lunch



Joseph and Benjamin Hall with their Dad on this proud day

Visitors from Texas join in the worship



Richard Hetherington from Oxford Road Baptist Church prays for Clive and Angela



Jean Waller prays for Michelle with her daughter Trinity and supporters



Prayers led by David Akers for the Texas Mission Group as they embark on their week of working in the Burbank area.



A spectacular cake for Michelle and Clive – which is which?



Clive and Michelle cutting their to mark their ordination as deacons and the start of their curacies

Rebecca Henderson

So many prayers have been answered – Rebecca's latest scan showed she was free from cancer and is now in remission. Alleluia.

We continue to pray for her shortened leg to be fully healed and for her now to be strong enough to fully engaged with her secondary education.

Ward Jackson CE Primary Update



On Friday 6th July, we said goodbye to our Year 6 children as they move on to the next exciting stage of their education. They have been a credit to themselves, their families and the school and we are all very proud of them.

There are 2 thoughts we just want to leave with you that we have thought about in our times of worship this year:

“Be the change that you want to see in the world”

“Those that hope in the Lord will rise on wings as eagles”

Go and live life in all its fullness and let the world see how amazing you all are!

SATs results

Congratulations to Y6 children and to their hard working teachers on the excellent SATs results announced on 10th July. The children worked hard and were a credit to their own focus and determination plus the staff's unwavering faith in their ability. Well done.

J.A.R.

Congratulations to all involved in Ward Jackson Primary school. The recent SATs results, received in July, were a fantastic reflection of all the hard work that the teachers and staff have put in this year.

The initial results in Year 6 for those reaching ARE (Age Related Expectations) are:

Reading 100%	Writing 77%	Spelling & Grammar 82%
Maths 82%	Combined Maths and English (CME) 77%	

These results are a significant improvement and compare favourably with national results (eg CME 64%). The school continues to welcome and include children regardless of their background or circumstances and helps them to grow and develop as much as they can. Well done to all involved and enjoy the summer break.

**Norman
Chair of Governors**

Tanzania Day

Grace and Festo Kanungha from St John's School Kilimatinde spent 13th June in school. They met with all the classes from Reception to Y6. The school used Tanzania for a themed approach to the day. Rev Norman Shave talked with four classes about his experiences in East Africa. Norman and the Kanungha family also ate lunch with the children. A display of the Tanzania Day is now in school.

America Day

The Texan Mission Team working on Burbank Estate went into Ward Jackson School and organised a full syllabus covering science, history, geography, sport, music and art for their 4th July visit. It was a day for broadening cultural horizons! The visit was followed by a community barbeque on 5th July attended by over 150 people.

'Blessing Burbank'

A big thank you to the team from Nassau Bay Baptist Church who spent a week with us involved in various outreach activities. After decorating the hall in the Burbank Community Centre they went on to work in Ward Jackson Church of England Primary School. The picture on previous page on the left shows the team involved in an after school children's club. The one on the right is just a few of the many folk who attended the community BBQ. On 4th July the team spent the whole day in school talking about various aspects of 'America day'. I think all who were there learnt something about the 'Land of the Free'.

My times are in your hands. Ps 31:15

What a time I have been having!

In the last 6 weeks I have had my last lecture, last weekend of training as an ordinand, last essay to hand in (what a relief that was). I had a special service of swearing my vows to the Queen and the Bishop, followed by dinner at the Bishop's house.

I was interviewed for two Radio Shows and photographed for the Church Times. I went on a retreat - which was mostly in silence, and that made my other senses more acute. Food tasted better too! I did also manage to stop and know that 'God was God' He encouraged my heart. Then on to a very special service in the Cathedral. This was made so much more special because of the number of family and friends who came to share it with me. This was followed by a great reception back at church and not enough time for me to speak to everyone (sorry if I missed you...).

Monday morning I was up at 7:00am to drive a mini bus of Americans to do a painting job - after morning prayer of course! Then after school clubs, also a BBQ to remember with over a 100 burgers cooked - I was worried about my contact lenses melting at one point! Then my first Sunday service, which was meant to be open air, however due to a refurbishment of Burbank play area, this service turned into a NOT open air service inside Ward Jackson School. This was made memorable again by lots of people attending from Stranton Church plus from the Burbank estate and also from the school itself.

I could not have imagined that my life would have travelled down this path. So there is a part of me that feels surprised at where I have now arrived. Yet I also know that with the title of the page, 'My times are in your hands', when you put your faith and trust in God and open yourselves to his leading, He may just take you somewhere that you did not expect to go. He may also not take you on this type of journey - He is the God of all creation at the end of the day!

'You hold me by my right hand.' PS 73:23

As the song says in 'Our God is a Great Big God' that 'He holds us in his hands'.

As you look at this picture, imagine yourself holding God's hand. Feel the affection a hand hold makes.

Notice that if you're the child, then the parent will guide you to where you should go.

Trust in the one who is holding your hand.

God Loves you and wants to be with you in all your journeying

Clive Hall.



The Burbank and Stranton Church Worship Service Sunday 8th July

Despite the fantastic weather the annual Burbank Open Air Service had to be held inside Ward Jackson CE School due to construction work in the Burbank Street Garden!

It was lovely to see the school hall full with members of Stranton Congregation, with many of our refugee and asylum seekers complete with translators, Burbank Congregation and some new faces from the Burbank Estate, Ward Jackson School staff and Rev Maggie Vigor complete with a group of Sunday Club children.

The newly ordained, Rev Clive Hall led the service - introducing Rev Michelle Delves to everyone, giving thanks for the support they had both received on their Christian journey. Angela Hall and Jenny Hart led the worship with: To God be the Glory, Praise is Rising, Come set Your Rule and reign and Love Divine all love excelling. Clive preached on the Gospel reading Mark 6 v 1-13. He encouraged us to think about the role of our faith in healing and miracles.

The service ended with Burbank's usual joining together of hands for 'the Grace'. Rev Maggie and the children sang a version of thanks for food and everyone then enjoyed a lovely picnic lunch with plenty of fellowship as the photos show!



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The Central Hartlepool Churches – a proposal

Aim

“To agree an interim arrangement of about 2 years, in which to grow our collaborative working and trust, so that we are in a position to adopt a more permanent arrangement when we know the outcome of the RC bid.”

Key Values

Mission the clear priority.

Fostering best collaborative working between and within the churches.

Positive celebration of the distinctive traditions of the 5 churches.

Some Practicalities

Required change from 3 to 2 stipends.

Resource Church bid will fund more staff but still only provisional and will be temporary.

Resource Church bid will come to and for the Group of churches.

The future is still unclear so it is better not to go for too formal a structure now.

A Proposal

That as of January 2019 :

the 5 churches (3 parishes) will come together and form a Group Ministry. This should include a formal agreement about collaborative working and some light but definitive structure – a Group Council/ PCC shared conversations/Joint Staff meetings – whereby collaborative working is established and progressed.

the churches in the Group engage in collaborative mission and spirituality and worship.

the Revd Norman Shave becomes interim priest in charge of St Luke's as well as continuing as Vicar of All Saints Stranton and co-ordinating priest for the RC bid.

the Revd Gemma Sampson becomes interim priest in charge of St Aidan's and St Columba's.

the clergy of the Group, and other ministers, will minister across all the churches.

that the Group be reviewed in the second half of 2020, or after the Resource Church bid is determined, whichever is earlier to reflect on its working and so to plan for the appointment of a priest in charge to the Group.

nb 1 in a group ministry: 'The incumbent of each benefice in the group has authority to minister throughout the group, and to perform those offices and services which may be performed by an incumbent in all the benefices. However, in a benefice other than his or her own the incumbent must act in accordance with the directions of the incumbent of that benefice.'

Nb 2 Interim Ministries can be for a period of 3 years, renewable once. The review can still happen in 2020 which would give time for planning for the next stage.

Nb 3 'To set up a Group Ministry, the request comes from this process (if it has consent from each parish) to Paul Stringer and me, he creates a Pastoral Scheme which goes to Bishops Council and is then circulated officially to all the PCCs and clergy involved for their formal agreement. Once that is received, a date is set and it becomes a Group. (The next BC is 20th Sept, so we could be drafting this in July/Aug.)'

This was the proposal presented by Rev Alan Bartlett to the Joint Parishes Meeting in St Columba's Church on 10th July. This proposal for the group will be refined further following comments expressed by those at the meeting.

Strantonians and The Great War

John Fall Summersgill

John Fall Summersgill worked as a yeastman's assistant prior to joining up and he served in the North Staffs regiment and then the 4th Battalion Manchester Regiment. He was 25 years old when died on the 8th August 1918.

He is buried at Etaples Military Cemetery which is the largest Commonwealth Cemetery in France with over 10,000 WW1 soldiers buried there.



L/Cpl John Mitchell



John Mitchell was living in Stockton when he joined the army. His family lived at 24 Alderson Street, West Hartlepool. John Mitchell served in the 7th Battalion the East Yorkshire Regiment.

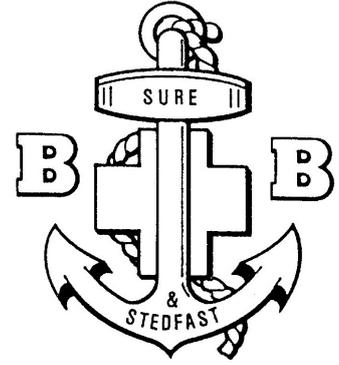
He died on September 18th and is remembered on the Vis-en-Artois Memorial panel No.4.

Private John James King

Private John James King was a labourer prior to joining the Durham Light Infantry. He served in the 18th Battalion and died on 30th September 1918. He is remembered on the Tyne Cot Memorial in Belgium.



Boys Brigade



We are starting our new session of Boys Brigade in September.
We have three sections:

Anchors for 6 - 8 year olds, who play games and do crafts. Meet Friday 6.00 - 7.00pm.

Juniors for 8 - 11 year olds, who work towards badges, play team games such as 5 a side, hockey and lots more. Meet Mondays 6.30 - 8.00pm.

Company for 11years plus, who play in national competitions, a drum band, gymnastics, do drill and also have the opportunity to attend camp. Meet Fridays 7.15 - 9.30pm.

All meetings are at St Matthew's Community Centre.
If you know anyone who would like to join please send them along.
You can see some of our activities on our Facebook page.
We have room in all three sections for new members.

George Bainbridge

Gift Day

At the July PCC we agreed to hold a gift day on 30th September.
More details to follow but the proceeds will be shared between work to improve the church building (two thirds) and support to build new class rooms at St John's School, Kilimatinde (one third).

We have safely arrived in Penang!

Since June 3rd we have been on our way here. We have tried to make it a journey somewhere in between a fun holiday and an educational trip, since the boys are in between schools, between countries and between educational jurisdictions. The gap between school years is quite big. First stop was Singapore and reconnecting with St George's Church and friends there. We spent time in the Singapore Science Centre (which included an "impossible mirror maze" amongst other things), as well as a couple of visits to the Flower Dome and Cloud Dome with a recreated Rainforest, from tallest canopy flowers to lowest ferns. A visit to "Little India" introduced the boys to spicy vegetarian meals and Indian lassi drinks. Second stop was Kuala Lumpur, capital of Malaysia. This was more of a challenge to get around by public transport, although we got the hang of it. There seems to be a huge construction boom at the moment, so our impression was of navigating lots of building sites. Their Tube stations were not always easy to find. We visited the Petronas Science Centre, which had so many exhibits for the boys to explore we ended up in there for 4 hours. The Petronas Towers are a huge amazing double structure that look like twin spaceships. Last stop was at 6000 feet in the Cameron Highlands, where it was actually possible to feel cold. This was useful to learn living in an apartment as we were there for several days. Again, the boys learned about forest craft – unusual insects, which leaves to apply to leech bites to stop the bleeding (a useful skill), how to make tea from the original leaf, and how amazing God's creation appears from the top of the original Malaysian rain forest. We shared that first because being in transit for such a long time has not always been easy.

There has been a lot of travelling by (nice) coach with which Aden and Thomas have coped remarkably well, with the occasional "are we nearly there?" At times it was difficult but we (and all our luggage) got here safely. The welcome here in Penang has been great and we are just beginning to settle in. We have reached our new apartment home, which is on the ground floor: it's like living in a bungalow. The boys are delighted with their new bedrooms – "they're brilliant!" (a lot bigger than in Chesham). We have visited DALAT School and have begun to meet our new colleagues. We received a "mysterious" gift of toys labelled for "Smith boys" which, after packing up our old home and travelling 'light'

for these weeks, was for them a bit like an early Christmas.

Thank you for remembering us thus far – over the next few days we meet more Dalat people and get essential items for the apartment. Please pray that the boys will begin to settle in and calm down. We have seen the Grade classrooms and the Library, so are beginning to appreciate working here in Dalat. Work starts in a week or so with Staff Orientation. Term starts on August 15th. I am teaching classroom, Ros is shadowing her librarian role for a year.



A Blast from the Past! Recipes from Mary Baines

Chicken Seville

4 chicken joints
1 oz butter
1 large onion peeled and sliced
1 clove of garlic peeled and ¼ teaspoon of garlic puree
2 heaped teaspoons marmalade
½ pint hot water
1 chicken stock cube
Large tin tomatoes
1 small green pepper seeded & finely chopped
½ teaspoon marjoram (fresh or dried)
Salt and pepper to season



Grill joints on both sides & place in a casserole dish
Melt butter in frying pan, add onion, garlic and cook till soft
Add marmalade, hot water with stock cube, drained tomatoes, green pepper and marjoram, plus seasoning. Stir well, pour over the chicken in the casserole.
Cook gently for about 45-60 minutes and serve with rice or noodles.

Banana Pecan Loaf

12 oz bananas
7 oz self-raising flour
2 oz pecan nuts
¼ teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
½ teaspoon salt
3 oz butter
6 oz light brown sugar
2 eggs beaten
3 oz bought marzipan



Grease and line a 2lb loaf tin
Peel & chop bananas – mash finely
Reserve a few nuts for decoration & then roughly chop the rest
Sieve flour with bicarbonate of soda and salt
Cream the butter & sugar until fluffy, then beat in eggs
Beat in pecan nuts and bananas
Fold in the flour mixture
Roughly chop the marzipan. Stir into mixture.
Turn the mixture into prepared tin. Smooth, level and decorate with the remaining nuts
Bake for about 1 ¼ hours at Gas 4, 180C until well risen & golden brown
Cool in tin for 10 minutes then turn out onto a cooling rack
Serve plain or spread with butter. Wrapped in foil this cake will keep for a week.

Ordination Wordsearch

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AFFIRMATION

BISHOP

DEACONS

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FAITH

HANDS

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OATH

OBEDIENCE

ORDINATION

PETERTIDE

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PRESENTATION

REGISTRAR

WELCOME

CELEBRATE!

August & September HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

to

August

Lorelai Anderson
Steph Boyd
Michael Cartwright
Ruth Smith
MelanieLee
Andrew Milner
Arthur Moore
Linda Southgate
Rohan Wanduragala
David Wilson

September

Karen Davison
Joan Herbert
Katie Herbert
Jack Hanlon
Mel Hutchinson
Angus Kerr
Hazel Roberts
Maureen Wilford



Congratulations on your Wedding Anniversary

August

Tim & Vikki Craig
Andrew & Jacqui Rogers
Angela & David Craig
Rebecca & Christopher Dean
Jeni & Peter Hart

September

Alan & Catriona Robertson



If you have something to celebrate we would love to share it - email
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All entries to be in by the 16th of the month.

Dates for the Diary

Dates August to early October

Tues 14 th Aug	7.30pm New Beginnings, Fulthorpe Chapel
Wed 22 nd Aug	7.30 pm GDPR working group, The Vicarage
Mon 3 rd Sept	7.30 pm Standing Committee, The Vicarage
Wed 5 th Sept	7.30 pm Buildings and Finance, The Vicarage
Mon 10 th Sept	5.30 pm Pastoral Group, St Matthew's CC 7.30 pm Lighthouse Planning, 40 Browning Ave
Tues 11 th Sept	7.30 pm New Beginnings, Fulthorpe Chapel
Sun 16 th Sept	4.00 pm Messy Church, St Matthew's CC
Mon 17 th Sept	7.30 pm PCC, Fulthorpe Chapel
Wed 19 th Sept	1.30 pm St Matthew's Committee, ASDA Room
Tues 25 th Sept	7.00 pm Deanery Synod, Hart Church
Wed 26 th Sept	7.30 pm Buildings & Finance, The Vicarage (tbc)
Sun 30 th Sept	Gift day
Tues 2 nd Oct	7.30 pm Standing Committee, The Vicarage
Sat 6 th Oct	Organ Recital with Daniel Cook

Harvest Weekend

Saturday 13th October Harvest Ceilidh 6.30pm -10pm, St Matthew's

Sunday 14th October Harvest Services, Parade service at 10.30am

Sidespersons

	8.30am	10.30am
5 August	I Walker	N Poffitt A Craig
12 August	B Butcher	S Shepherd K Shepherd
19 August	M Hutchinson	D Greenwood B Greenwood
26 August	P Porritt	J Lawson K Lawson



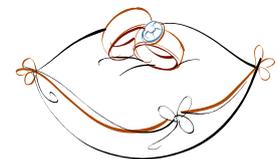
Baptisms

15 July	Seeley Jens Bruce
22nd July	Leon Ethan Coe Lysander Rufus Robson



Weddings

15 June	David Carter & Bethany Hayhurst
30 June	Geoffrey Angus & Natalie Donnison



Funerals

2 July	Dorothy Brackstone
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