



CHURCH AT HOME

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Welcome, brothers and sisters to the sixteenth edition of "Church at Home".

I miss singing together in worship. For me that aspect of our lockdown worship is the most painful. I can happily belt out a few good worship songs in the shower, the car or in front of the computer but there is something powerful in the singing of praise songs when a group of believers join together. The Bible tells us that singing is good for us and God. See the Psalms or Colossians 3 for examples. It is a shame we can't resume our sung praise, but I trust the government has legitimate and valid reasons for the ban.

Regardless of the restrictions it was a relief to be able to return to church last week. The presence of the spirit was palpable and I felt a connection with all of you worshipping at home in different ways. We will continue to have our Communion services at 9am on Sundays and 9:30am on Wednesdays until we are able to do more and accommodate larger numbers at church. We also managed to video (nearly all) the service and will endeavouring to do so for at least the next few weeks! You can see the videos on our You tube channel (details on next page).

Follow the guidance, encourage each other, pray and stay safe.

Rev Clive

Church noticeboard

Birthdays

Congratulations to Jane Stafford who has her birthday this week. She sends her best wishes to everyone at St Paul's.

YouTube

We now have a YouTube channel. You can find it here - www.youtube.com/channel/UCyGRf-T_6vpzeD4G_bc8l4Q

Spring Harvest

Next years Spring Harvest dates have been announced. We will be taking a party to Minehead week 2 which will be **10-15th April 2021**. Post Easter next year because of the late School holidays. We will be taking bookings and deposits when we have the prices and more information.

Foodbank

As you can imagine we need donations for our foodbank. Tinned foods, cereal, squash, cakes, tea, coffee, toiletries, nappies, ladies products, soup, sauces, sugar, flour. Please make sure perishable items are in the suggested use by date. Please bring them to church on Sunday or Wednesday morning or contact Grace Allan for more information.

Facebook

Our facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsnorthumberlandheath> but with the recent changes it might be easier to go straight to the posts page which is <https://www.facebook.com/pg/stpaulsnorthumberlandheath/posts>

Social Media

Do you do Instagram, Twitter, Google +, Pinterest, linkedin, Vevo, snapchat, reddit, tumblr or vero? Would you like to manage a St Paul's page or content on one of those sites? Please let Clive know.

Church noticeboard (cont.)

Acting on Advice from the Church of England this is what to expect when you come to Church.

It is advisable for you wear a covering over your nose and mouth.

Before entering the church, your temperature will be taken remotely by a steward and unfortunately, if it is higher than the government recommendation, you and any members of your household won't be able to attend the service. We understand that this may be upsetting, but please help our stewards to keep you and the church family safe.

We are providing sanitizing gel and this must be applied on entering and leaving the church.

Please do not congregate at the entrance or in church, but move to your seats as directed.

Seating will be distanced, but of course, you may sit with other members of your household or anyone you have formed a bubble with.

Communion will be given in one kind only. You will be asked to keep a one metre distance whilst queuing and you will be required to use sanitising gel before receiving communion.

Unfortunately, at the end of the service it will not be possible to socialise in the church.

Please help our stewards, who have volunteered, to ensure that we can hold the service in safety and fellowship to the Glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Community Notices

Healthy Start

With Healthy Start, families on some benefits can get free vouchers every week to spend on milk, plain fresh, frozen fruit & vegetables, & infant formula milk. You can also get free vitamins. Check to see if you qualify - <https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk>

Allotments

The council has some allotments available to rent. Find out more at www.bexley.gov.uk/allotments

Bexley Council Magazine

The June edition of the Bexley magazine is available at the following address -

<https://www.bexley.gov.uk/sites/bexley-cms/files/2020-06/bexley-magazine-covid-19-special.pdf>

Diamond Jubilee Club

This is a social club for the more mature in our community, offering reminiscence therapy through music, chat, tea and cake in normal times. The DJ Club goes 'live' every Thursday afternoon between 3 and 4 pm.

It can be accessed via www.facebook.com/bexleydj

Memory Cafe

A new memory café is opening at Christ Church Erith. It is for those who are living with dementia. Meetings will take place over Zoom in the current situation on Thursdays 10.45-11.45am. Anyone wishing to join can email Jacki Clement for an invitation -

cceprojectworker@hotmail.com

National Book of Condolence

A national online book of condolence and memorial has been launched by St Paul's Cathedral, for those who have died of COVID-19.

You can find all the details on their dedicated "remember me" website. <https://www.rememberme2020.uk>

This week's prayer

Ever present God,
be with us in our isolation,
be close to us in our distancing,
be healing in our sickness,
be joy in our sadness,
be light in our darkness,
be wisdom in our confusion,
be all that is familiar when all is unfamiliar,
that now our doors reopen
we may with the zeal of Pentecost
inhabit our communities
and speak of your goodness
to an emerging world.

For Jesus' sake.

Amen

From Gloucester Cathedral

Prayer

There are many who still need our prayers. Those who have asked for our prayers are: Ann Batchelor (Reader at St Martin's) Andrew Bennett, Charles Brooke, Elizabeth Foster and Joan Handy. For Marjorie and Eileen Hoare, Monica Lindridge, Christine Meaton and Christine Minns. For Carol & John O'Connor, John Ralph and Amanda Ralph. For Jane & George Stafford. For Karen Vaughan (Cameo), Jeanette Watts and Mark Williams.

Please pray for Ann Easter this week who is having an operation on her 5 neck.

Access Church services online

A number of places are offering closed services online. If you are able why don't you try one of the following.

Holy Trinity Brompton – Nicky Gumbel

<https://www.htb.org/sundayonline>.

Freedom Church – Sim Dendy

<https://www.freedomchurch.uk>

All Souls Langham Place

<https://www.allsouls.org>

Watch on TV

TBN (Freeview 65 / Sky 582)

Hillsongs TV (Sky 595)

Resources for children and young people

Primary

VeggieTales (Netflix)

Superbook (Amazon Prime & Youtube)

Hillsongs: <https://www.youtube.com/user/hillsongkids>

Rend Collective: <https://rendcokids.com>

Bethel Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLUmTiGOxKUOhwpvDtOI62mC4bs9JEUyFP>

Secondary

Bible society short videos - <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/study-the-bible/gnb-youth-edition/videos/>

Bible Game for Apple or Android - "The Guardians of Ancora"

<https://guardiansofancora.com>

What you're up to. – Pictures and messages



Ann Easter

How do you like my mask? I think its cool!



Carol & John O'Connor

This one comes from a Weds morning walk in Danson Park.



Peter Mayes

Peter at Great Comp Gardens-today- a favourite spot of ours(& Grace and Bill!)



Monica Lindridge with Esme & Henry

"Our grandchildren, Esmé and Henry have been staying with us. Here they are adding to the pebble chain in Bursted Woods."



Bob Lindridge

We have been litter picking in Merewood Road by the park. Why don't people take their litter home?

Your
Picture
here

Please send me your pictures and messages to each other. Let's encourage each other and stay in touch. It will be good to see familiar faces each week.
revclive@hotmail.co.uk

All Age worship

Cheryl, Laura & Sarah from the Diocesan team have sent some ideas for worship at home.

Ministry @Home



These resources are to help equip & enable worship together as "family". They are intentionally intergenerational to allow space, conversation, activity & response together as the family of God. We encourage all ages to be participative & open, being responsive to God and each other.

Gather.....

- As you gather find a place that is comfortable and have the resources ready for the activities, prayer or response times ready.
- Choose 3 members to light the 3 candles (engage all ages)

Opening words of praise with lighting of 3 candles -

I will light a light
in the name of the Maker,
who lit the world
and gave everything life.

I will light a light
in the name of the Son,
who saved the world
and stretched out his hand to me.

I will light a light
in the name of the Spirit,
who is present everywhere in the
world
and gives me strength.

Together:
We will light three lights
for the trinity of love:
God above us,
God beside us,
God beneath us;
The beginning,
The end
and the Everlasting one.

Welcome.....

Song: Every Move I Make

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dqf1YzscBIE>

(can be sung or listened to)

Reflection time: Create an Obstacle Course, it can include:

- Blanket/chair tunnel they must crawl through
- Children's puzzle they must put together
- Bean bags they have to toss in a bucket
- Find a penny hidden in rice
- Balance beam tape line
- Limbo
- Move balloon from one bucket to the next

Those you gather with each pull a slip of paper out of a bowl to see what kind of "soil" they are going to play, prepare the choices so there is a good sampling of 'soil types'

- Hard path (no arms)
- Rocky (no legs)
- Weed/Thorns (blindfolded)
- Good (using everything no inability)

Run the game several times so people get the chance at being different types of soil. Share that Jesus doesn't want us to just listen to God's Word or know the stories, Jesus wants us to stick to God's Word and grow. He wants us to have an amazing faith, a faith that shares God's Word with others. Let's discover how we can do that.

Bible passage: Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

AND/OR watch

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V9IOhGPrRvY> OR

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bJvzmBn5NcA>

Jesus knew the importance of the condition of our hearts choosing to be like the good soil, hearing and taking Jesus' message to heart and living by it.

Interactive Learning.....

DIRT CUP DESSERTS:

Decorate a small cup with words from the Bible lesson today. Put a small amount of chocolate pudding in the bottom, then layer with chocolate mousse adding crushed cookies to look like the soil. Gummy Worms or sunflower seeds could be added to their snack! Enjoy together chatting through the questions below



SEED PLANTING:

Plant some seeds and watch them grow in GOOD SOIL for the next few weeks! Take a picture of those who you are gathered with in front of the NEW pots and then a picture of you all once again in front of the pots of flowers after they have grown. Discuss how the seeds will grow in GOOD soil and what are the lessons for us to be planted in good soil? Seed markers can also be made with the name of the seeds and key words from the bible reading.



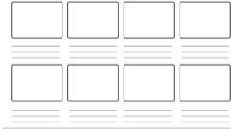
SEED ART:

Collect as many different types of seeds as you can and create a picture gluing the seeds on a piece of coloured paper or board to form "GOD'S WORD"! As you are creating it chat about the seeds in the story and how the seeds represent GOD'S WORD.



CARTOON STORY BOARD:

Create a cartoon story board of the Parable of the Sower. It could be set in a modern day setting or traditional setting. Discuss and include the key messages and themes of the parable. Chat about how Jesus used parables to teach people important lessons and share what are the important messages in this parable.



Flowers or Weeds:

Take a walk around the garden, local woods or park together, as you pass the plants guess **Flower** or **Weed**? Some may surprise you and you may have to use technology to help.

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/comm-on-weeds>

Talk about the WEEDS in our story and the effect they have on the SEEDS!



Whilst creating chat about the following questions & share stories....

1. Our hearts are like the soil- I wonder where you feel at the moment in relation to the story, the path, the rocky soil, feeling choked or the good soil.....
2. What kind of things do you want to see grow in your life?
3. I wonder how we can respond to God's word in our hearts.....

Reflection & Prayer Time.....

Song: My Jesus, My Saviour

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mqSQvoinDE4>

(can be sung/read aloud or listened to)

Song: Jesus all for Jesus

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H1Wa2msOq9c>

(can be sung/read aloud or listened to)

Encourage members to read silently or aloud their prayers. Other prayers can be said at this time, concluding with the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**



Celebration....

If any of your members celebrate a birthday within the next week – sing

Happy birthday to you
To Jesus be true
May God's richest blessings
Be showered on you.



Closing.....

The Grace (with "Messy" actions)

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all,
now and evermore. Amen.**

Closing Responses.....

Song: Tell the World

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0UQ7yn2WAFo>

(can be sung / read aloud or listened to)

From where we are
to where you need us.

Jesus, now lead on!

From the security of what we know
to the adventure of what you reveal.

Jesus, now lead on!

To make this world
look more like your kingdom,

Jesus, now lead on!

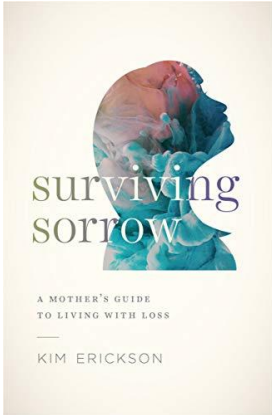
**Ask different members to blow out the
candles.....until you meet again**

Extra Ideas

- Activity Sheet
https://media.mywonderstudio.com/files/en/level-1/001-100/pdf/BibleSpaceTrekSower_en.pdf
- Watch a Godly Play story of the parable together
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ogbEmhltCM>
- Print and use these images to tell the story
<http://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/parable-sower/>

Books

This week's book suggestions come from Christianity Magazine



Surviving Sorrow by Kim Erikson

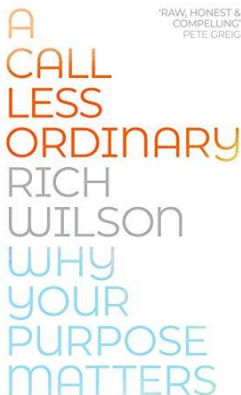
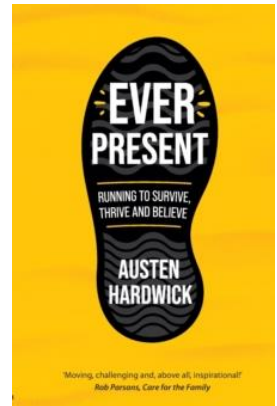
When Kim's three-year-old son tragically passed away, she found plenty of resources on grieving. She says what she really needed, though, "was someone who would give me advice for living, not just grieving.

Now, ten years later, she's written that book. With raw vulnerability, a deep well of wisdom, and the practical knowledge of someone who's been there, she walks grieving moms through the life-after-death process from how to plan the funeral to how to deal with friends, family, holidays, and birthdays.

Ever Present by Austin Hardwick

Austen Hardwick suffered three strokes in his forties. Running had always been part of his life, but now he was running to get his brain functioning again.

Weaving together personal testimony and biblical teaching, Austen shows how running is a metaphor for the Christian life, and how we can learn to live life in all its fullness. Through suffering and trials, we have an ever-present God who wants to know us and love us.



A Call Less Ordinary by Rich Wilson

What is my calling? It is a question wrestled with throughout every stage of life but perhaps felt most acutely by the twenty-something population. As Christians we might know that life to the full is experienced when we respond recklessly and wholeheartedly to the call of God. But how do we know what that is? And how do we pursue it once we do?

Back to Church



It's 8.30 am and it's Sunday morning. I am up, dressed and ready to leave the house (bit of an effort!). Colin has already left. I am excited to be going to meet and worship with other people from the church family. I know what it looks like inside the church, so it won't be a surprise to see how far apart the chairs are and how bare it looks.

I arrive at the church and cross the car park. The doors to the church are wide open, it looks so welcoming. Lauraine and Colin are waiting to greet me. As I approach, I slip on my face mask. I have my temperature taken (phew, it's normal!) and sanitise my hands. There is classical music playing, people are sitting quietly and expectantly waiting for the service to begin. The atmosphere is reverent and peaceful. The doors are open and there is a cooling breeze blowing through.

Clive starts the service promptly at 9. It is a traditional red book communion service. The familiar words resonate and touch the soul. The breeze catches the flags and they rustle and flutter happily. It feels like a sign that the Holy Spirit is at work. Clive's sermon is about healing - Bartimaeus' encounter with Jesus just before He entered Jericho. It is so relevant for us today, when many people feel bruised and battered and alone. Jesus can and will heal if we allow Him to.

During the administration of the communion more classical music is played and as we sit back in our seats, I do indeed feel that Jesus is present with us. After the blessing we leave the church quietly and thoughtfully to the theme tune from ET and indeed we do feel that we have come home. Socially distanced socialising takes place in the car park before we leave. We are all smiling. It has been such a positive and fulfilling experience. All our thanks go out to Clive, Lauraine and Colin for the preparation it has taken to make sure that we could worship together again in safety. God be praised!

Judy Smith



www.sparkinthepark.org.uk

Spark@home will be held Monday - Friday, during the last week of July (27th – 31st)

If you are unfamiliar with Spark, it is an event that is held each summer in Danson Park by local Churches. The purpose of Spark is to share the good news of Jesus with our community (and for everyone to have fun whilst we do it!)

Spark Kids:

Our children's programme consist of daily Bible stories, songs and crafts, all using the theme Mission:Deep Sea.

Spark Youth:

Our youth programme consists of Daily Bible teaching videos, online hang outs, online discussions and online group gaming.

Spark Extra:

Our extra programme will be running throughout the week and is open for everyone to enjoy.

It will consist of:

- drawing and photo competitions for all ages (details to follow).**
- Fifa football competition**
- Danson Park trail**
- Spark Stones - These will be hidden all over the local area. If spotted, the community are encouraged to take a picture of themselves with the stone and upload to Facebook using #SparkatHome.**

Ask Lorraine

Our resident theological thinker answers your questions.

This week's Questions is: Which woman in the Bible inspires you most?

I would have to say Dorcas. Who you might reply???

Dorcas is mentioned in Acts 9 (36 In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor.)

When I came to leave South Africa after my first visit, the 'mamas' at the project came to a tea I had arranged for them so that I could say goodbye to them all and 'thank you' for putting up with me and making me feel so welcome. My friend Vikki had asked all the ladies that she knew to donate any handbags and shoes they no longer used and I gathered some nice toiletries. All things that the 'mamas' loved but rarely could afford. I wanted to show how special they were not just to me but more importantly to God.

The mamas were so unused to having someone wait on them, let alone attend something in their honour. It was a lovely few hours. However, they also had a surprise for me, they had made me a card that they had all signed. Mama Elizabeth stood up and did a speech after I had done mine. I was the one surprised! She said that they had decided that my name should be 'Dorcas'. This was not a name that I was familiar with and said so. Mama Elizabeth explained that she was one who was known for her acts of kindness and that was how they saw me. They had been used to the idea that things could only get changed, achieved by people who had loads of money. I had, she said changed their way of thinking. I was at pains to say that I did nothing other than answer God's call for me to go there. She smiled and waved around her at the changes that had been made to the project from the time I arrived. We all laughed agreed that God was the one by whom it had all been possible even putting me in that place with a one-track mind to get things done.

I have since studied that passage in Acts, and yes, I did know her but only by the name of Tabitha, who was a devoted disciple of Christ and a Doer of Deeds. She was involved in servant evangelism.

God knows that simple acts done with great love will change the world. Those simple acts of servant evangelism done in love seem so small. Yet when we realize God is at work through them, they become eternally large.

Since that time, I have tried to live up to those mamas' name for me as I know that is what God expects. God is calling each of us to get up and to be involved in acts of compassion. In servant evangelism. To do the small thing to show the main thing: God's love.

We never fully know what small act of kindness will touch and transform a life. We receive eternal life not by what we do, but by what Christ has done for us and what he does through us. He empowers us. He challenges us to live out our purpose. not only in the big moments of life, but in all of its little ones as well. I remember our Lord's words to us: "Whatever you do for the least of these you do to me."

I know I am not always 'Dorcas', but that doesn't stop me trying.

Fruit

I have been reading day by Day with God and a this is a quote from that:

“Fruit is the outcome of servant-heartedness.

Serving is not about fulfilling a role or accomplishing

duties: It is about living life rooted in Jesus` love,

following his example of servant-heartedness & seeing

him bring forth fruit in your life. Quoted by day by day with God”

So, by Jesus` example we would want to serve people as Jesus,

see people the way Jesus does with compassion and love. Sharing the

Good News that Jesus died for us and rose again to save us from our

sins because he loves US, and wants US to be with him. Amen

Elaine Fermer



The last few months have been a season of great change. While it has been amazing to see and celebrate a united church that is reaching out in love to meet the needs of people across the UK, we must not forget that it has been a time of great uncertainty, pain, loss and grief.

In times of busyness, it is easy to keep rushing from one thing to the next. However, it is important to take time to stop, reflect and acknowledge what we have been through – the good and the bad, and practise lament as we contemplate the struggles and the suffering that we have faced.

Lament is such an important part of the Christian journey. We need to be able to deal with the harsh realities of coronavirus that we and others are facing. Our pain and loss can and will look different to those around us. Some are mourning the loss of normality, while others are mourning the devastating loss of family and loved ones. As Christians, we cannot ignore the hurts and pains of individuals; instead, we are called to stand by them and support them.

Through lamenting, we transition from a place of plea to refocus on the love of God. Our Father who can change the context of our experienced reality. God may not change our circumstances, but He will always walk alongside us, whatever we are facing. Through lamenting we can learn and show the difference Jesus makes to our lives, as we stand on the rock of ages in these sad and uncertain times.

It is good to be excited as we look ahead and are hopeful for what is to come, but let us not rush past this season. Let us reflect and bring our wounds, doubts, pains, and sorrows to our heavenly Father, and lament to the one who turns our mourning to joy and who comforts us.

Mission

Update from our mission partner Tearfund



Dear Friends,

We have all been affected by coronavirus and the lockdown in recent months. It has been a difficult time for everyone. But in times of trouble we turn to God, our refuge and our strength, for we know that he is always with us.

At Tearfund we have been continually encouraged by the generosity and prayers of our supporters despite the challenges. **Thank you so much - you inspire us every day!**

We are also inspired by the courage and commitment of our amazing partners around the world who continue helping those in most need despite the challenges of recent months.

Our picture was taken before the pandemic. **It comes from Tanzania and a project helping people build energy saving stoves.** Much of our work has been disrupted by lockdowns and the need to respond to this emergency, but projects like this are vital, particularly in the light of COVID-19.

Projects like this protect the environment, improve livelihoods and people's health. They help the most vulnerable communities become more resilient to shocks like coronavirus.

A Game of Cards

By A. Soule

It's often said that the key to success is knowing what to do and when; and if we are honest, we all struggle with that. Most of us go through life trying to make the best guesses, hoping those choices work out well in the end. And when we look back on what and when we did things, we often wish we knew then what we know now. But life is pretty



much a one-way street, you can't go back in time; you know what you know at a point in time and make decisions with that as best you can.

However, the desire to explain the why and how of life has always been there, and despite the plethora of philosophical explanations already out there, a new approach always arouses curiosity. An interesting approach doing its rounds lately is that of understanding life in terms of a game of poker - yes, a game of cards.

Poker is seen as a close comparison with how people deal with life - in areas where we are in control and where we are not, and how we compromise with what we cannot control. Players need to make the best decision based on what they think the cards others hold and how they would play. You play with the understanding that you will never have complete information, and that however well you make your decisions, you could still lose. Whilst a lot depends on the cards you get, there also remains the chance element, that despite the cards you hold, you could still win as a result of others making bad decisions - circumstances can change and everything stacks up in your favour.

The chance element, coincidence or whatever you wish to call it is a well acknowledged factor in the way things happen in life. A lot of autobiographies of actors and directors talk about accidentally being

in the right place or the right time, meeting someone by chance who put them in touch with someone, and the rest being history. Obviously, this does not discount the fact that in most cases they were extremely talented and had an obsessive determination to make it big; but chance too played a vital part in where they ended up eventually. And quite often, people looking back on their lives also seem to see some kind of a plan in the way life went for them; chance happenings which resulted in one thing leading to another, and things had to happen in that way only to end up in a certain way.

If you were to think of life moving to a pre-set plan out there; the problem remains that you still need to make specific choices on the basis of incomplete information. Plato, the ancient Greek philosopher at one point in his writings mentions that the human condition is similar to prisoners in a cave who perceive mere shadows at play as reality; for that is all they can see from where they are.



It is difficult to understand what reality or truth is philosophically, but such an abstraction can hold the mind in its thrall. Incidentally, this was something which played on Pilate's mind too when he asked Jesus, 'what is truth?', little knowing that he stood before the embodiment of truth; 'I am the way, the truth, and the life' (John 14:6).

As a Christian, this in its concreteness is the point at which the quest for truth and reality ends – in the person of Jesus as God on earth, for what he taught and his love for humanity. The God who has always loved us, known us from when we were in our mother's womb. We don't know what lies ahead but God does and trust in His love and mercy is what gives us peace and assuredness.

There is though no getting away from the responsibility we bear for taking decisions as a consequence of the free will we have. One can't possibly go through life with eyes shut to the consequences of the decisions one takes. You would make those decisions as intelligibly as possible using your skills, talents and opportunities for acquiring knowledge as gifts of God. But it is in the assurance of God's love that we make our choices, asking Him to guide us in our decisions, trusting that He knows what's best for us, even if we think we want something completely different.

Official UK Christian & Gospel Albums Chart

Top 20

Pos	LW	Title, Artist	Peak Pos	WoC
1	1	 THE SEARCH NF NF REAL MUSIC	1	49
2	2	 JESUS IS KING KANYE WEST EMI	1	36
3	3	 LOOK UP CHILD LAUREN DAIGLE CENTRICITY MUSIC	1	5
4	5 ↑	 VITAL SIGNS SKILLET WARNER BROS	2	265
5	4 ↓	 MANSION NF CCMG	1	151
6	6	 GRAVES INTO GARDENS - LIVE ELEVATION WORSHIP ELEVATION WORSHIP	2	9
7	7	 THERE IS MORE HILLSONG WORSHIP HILLSONG MUSIC	1	117
8	8	 AWAKE SKILLET ATLANTIC	2	330
9	9	 AWAKE HILLSONG WORSHIP HILLSONG MUSIC	2	38
10	10	 UNLEASHED SKILLET ROADRUNNER	1	204
11	11	 VICTORIOUS SKILLET WARNER RECORDS	3	45
12	13 ↑	 PEOPLE - LIVE HILLSONG UNITED HILLSONG MUSIC	1	27
13	12 ↓	 VICTORY - LIVE BETHEL MUSIC BETHEL MUSIC	1	75
14	14	 CHOOSE TO WORSHIP REND COLLECTIVE CCMG	1	14
15	15	 JESUS IS BORN SUNDAY SERVICE CHOIR INC	3	27
16	18 ↑	 HOW CAN IT BE LAUREN DAIGLE CENTRICITY MUSIC	9	106
17	17	 LET THERE BE LIGHT HILLSONG WORSHIP HILLSONG MUSIC	1	189
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Mrs T's quiz page

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16	RSPCA	17	Saucer U P	18	SOIL St. Pancras

Name the Nursery Rhymes

- (1) Even the army couldn't help on this occasion, but they said it was his own fault, he shouldn't have been so high?
- (2) She may have been Henry V!!! daughter, but I don't know which garden centre she bought her seeds from?
- (3) I think this person must have suffered from arachnophobia?
- (4) It's about time we had a cup of char, but sure that, that other girl doesn't switch it off again. We don't want a cold cup again?
- (5) With this virus about and you are dancing with these flower and suffer from hay fever and sneeze. Make sure that you use a tissue otherwise other people will drop to the ground?
- (6) They do a lot of this at the Henley Regatta?
- (7) They might not have been members of the R.N.I.B. but these was no need for what this country lady did to them. For those who follow The Archers, she was Dan Archers' wife?
- (8) The music was playing and the cocker spaniel thought it was so hilarious watching the bovine n the night sky that he didn't notice that he was losing thing from the kitchen that he was supposed to be guarding?
- (9) If this woman had been younger, she might have heard of the pill?

Ann's simple recipes for everyone

St Paul's resident culinary queen Ann Easter shares some of her recipes with you.

Meat Balls & Spaghetti

Ingredients

1lb/500g Beef Mince

2 Red onions

1 Egg

1 packet of bolognaise sauce mix

1 Tin of Chopped tomatoes

1lb/500g Spaghetti

Grated Cheese (to taste)



Instructions

Fry the mince and leave to cool.

Chop the onions finely and fry in a little oil.

When cooled put the mince and onions into a large mixing bowl.

Beat the egg and add to the bowl.

Using your hands bind the mixture together and then form your meatballs with your hands and put them in a baking tin.

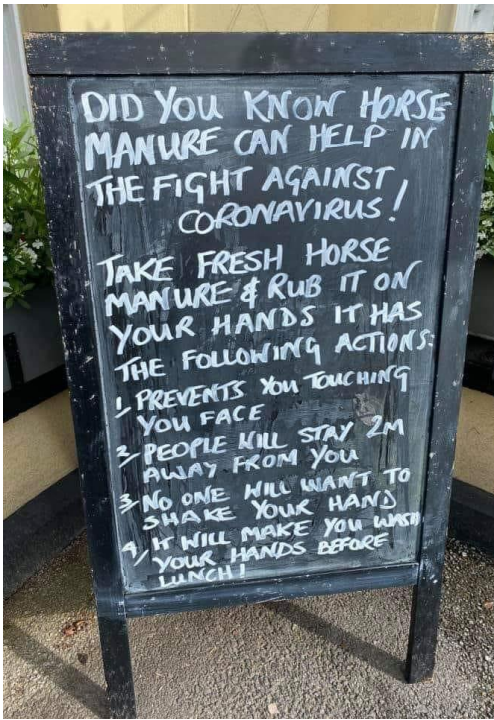
Mix the bolognaise sauce following the instructions on the packet.

Mix in the tomatoes and pour over the meatballs

Bake at Gas mark 5 / 180c for 15 minutes.

Boil the spaghetti until soft.

Mix everything together in a large bowl and serve topped with grated²² cheese.



The winner of this week Pick of the Pics is Carol & John O'Connor for their Danson park rock snake picture. A book is on its way to you.



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Blast from the Past

From "St Pauls Church News March 1969"

committee. May I remind members that we are responsible for decorating the church at Easter.

The meeting on March 11th will be our Lenten Service in Church.

Corporate Communion 26th March.

A.K.T.

ST. PAUL'S SOCIAL GROUP. These notes are being sent in a little too early to report on our events for February, but I can tell you about our programme in January last.

Now the Old Kent Road is celebrated, or notorious if you wish, for many things, among them the fact that just clear of this end of it the present writer came into being, and near the other end is the pub —'The World turned upside Down' which the writer must have passed on so many occasions, and duly noted.

It is said that what is in the blood must come out, and so far as I am concerned it came out on Tuesday evening the 28th January. We had a very representative and interesting slide show, enlivened right from the start by the way the writer, beating Henry Cooper, who also trains in the O.K.R., by turning Canada for Mrs. Lily Shoveller upside down, sideways, etc., etc., with no effort at all.

To be a little more serious we had twenty-four people there, and we did not have enough time to do real justice to the galaxy of sheer sun-drenched scenic beauty ranging from Canada, Somerset, Switzerland, Greece, Isle of Wight and so on. We certainly seem to get around a bit, don't we?

The previous Beetle Drive was, as always, a winner and requires no further comment.

Now for March—John permitting—Mr. McGinley is visiting us on the 11th with one of his cheerful chats, and on the 25th we are welcoming a few representatives from each of the other St. Paul's groups to a pot-pouri of our activities. Would like you all, but our Committee Room will not stretch that far.

See you then.

L.T.O.

PARISH PROFILE

The second of a series in which Len Hollingsworth finds out about people in the parish.

'... and thanks also to Ron Handy and his helpers, who erected the Christmas tree and made the Church look so attractive at this time.' ... 'collections in Christian Aid Week in our parish, which were arranged by Ron Handy with a team of assistants ...' 'If you wish to become a regular reader of the Church of England Newspaper, please see Ron Handy ...' These three announcements by the clergy, which have been made in church fairly recently, show the wide variety of opportunities for service in the church. But further, they typify the dedication of Ronald Arthur Handy. Ron, now 27, has been a member of St. Paul's for about six years and in October 1966 married another of the congregation, Joan (nee Roper).

By no means a gay socialite, Ron gets his satisfaction from

personal service and an utter dependability. A member of Erith A.C., he is one of the rare breed of humans who derives a real kick from doing cross-country runs every Saturday afternoon, in events up to the Parliament Hill Fields race standard. As a luxury he may cycle, and has toured Wales and France in this way. Suffering severely from the 'do it yourself' disease, Ron nevertheless admits to being an 'indiscriminate goggler' — 'the television's all right as long as it's switched off', he says. His bearded figure ('I like it—it grows on you' says Joan, ambiguously) is often seen as a sidesman and may have been the one who delivered the magazine you are reading. In addition to helping with the Thursday evening Pathfinders, Ron has done some quietly efficient, superbly dependable work on the Houseparty Committee as its treasurer. I myself have had great reason to be very thankful for this.

Ron started work as a post-boy in an office in London. After eight years, he left as an accountant and is currently in charge of the installation of a computer at a small engineering works in Plumstead. It's not surprising that he likes working with figures, and found the task of Houseparty Treasurership no worry ('except for the night when everyone paid in and I had £600 in the house over the weekend').

'What is your reaction to the currently fashionable idea that the future of the Church is in the home?'

'I wouldn't like to see the church building disappear, but I like the idea of meetings in the home. They, and events such as houseparties (I remember the Pitlochry houseparty particularly) provide a special atmosphere of fellowship. We try to use our own home for this purpose.'

'And what brought you into the Church?'

'It was through my brother, and coming to the Youth Club. It wasn't a sudden change; it was gradual, over a period of 3 or 4 years, through such events as Tom Rees rallies and houseparties.'

'Lastly, it sounds as though it was the result of a great deal of searching. So what advice would you give to anyone in that position?'

'To get guidance from someone of similar age and outlook and then to make up one's own mind from it.'

PARISH REGISTERS

We welcome into the fellowship of the Church in Baptism:

Jan. 19 Lucy Sarah, daughter of Barry and Penelope-Jane Parker.

We congratulate on their Wedding:

Jan. 25 William John Gilbert James Anderson and Linda Maisie Prior.

We extend our sympathy to the relatives of:

Jan. 15 William John Warren, 61 Luddesdon Road, aged 78 years.

17 Gertrude Mary Skelton, 15 Lochmere Close, aged 77 years.

23 Edith Sybil Mary Beadle, 41 Hurst Road, aged 73 years.

29 Alfred Henry Steel, 144 Bexley Road, aged 74 years.

Feb. 3 Ellen Matilda Maycock, c/o 48 Colindale Ave., aged 70 yrs.

--7 Alfred William Dudley, 55 Plaxtol Road, aged 73 years.

On TV this week

Freeveiw Sky Virgin Freesat BT

Saturday

09:00: Father Dowling Mysteries: CBS Justice (39 148 192)
20:00: Father Brown: Drama (20 143 130 158)
23:00: Cliff Richards: 5Select (54 153 152 133)
23:05: Father Ted: More4 (18 136 147 124)

Sunday

06:00: Hour of Power: Sky One (106 110)
09:00: Father Dowling Mysteries: CBS Drama (71 149 197)
13:15: Songs of Praise: BBC1
16:25: Sister Act: Sky Cinema Comedy (308 408 508)
18:10: Sister Act 2: Sky Cinema Comedy (308 408 508)
17:00: The Chase: ITV (Sally Philips)
21:00: Bruce Almighty: Comedy Central (112 132 307)

Monday

09:00: Father Brown: Alibi (132 126 312)
10:00: Corpus Christi: Sky Cinema Drama (310 410 510)
14:55: Joan of Arc: BBC2

Tuesday

09:00: Father Brown: Alibi (132 126 310)
22:00: This Country: Dave (19 111 127 157)
22:05: Derry Girls: E4 (13 135 145 122)

Wednesday

09:00: Father Brown: Alibi (132 126 312)

Thursday

09:00: Father Brown: Alibi (132 126 312)
21:00: Jane Austin: BBC4 (9 116 107 107)
21:00: Bruce Almighty: Comedy Central (112 132 307)
23:20: Father Ted: More4 (18 136 147 124)

Friday

09:00: Father Brown: Alibi (132 126 312)

09:00: Ben Hur: Sky Cinema Greats (304 404 504)

Radio programs

Prayer for the Day daily at 5.43am on Radio 4

Sunday Worship Sundays at 8.10am on Radio 4

Daily Service Monday to Friday at 9.45am on Radio 4
Longwave and DAB

Lent Talks Wednesdays at 8.45pm on Radio 4

Choral evensong- Wednesdays at 3.30pm and the same
service is repeated Sundays at 3pm on BBC Radio 3



Quiz answers

Dingbats

- 1.Archbishop;
- 2.Car Insurance;
- 3.Eyes wide open;
- 4.Frilly underwear;
- 5.High Tea;
- 6.Kings Cross;
- 7.On the open road;
- 8.See no evil;
- 9.The price is right;
- 10.Top gun;
- 11.Wait for nobody;
- 12.Wet behind the ears;
- 13.Burn the candle at both ends;
- 14.Down by the riverside;
- 15.First in the queue;
- 16.High society;
- 17."T" junction;
- 18.Underground Train Station.

Nursery Rhymes

- (1) Humpty Dumpty. (2) Mary, Mary quite contrary (3) Little Miss Muffet. (4) Polly put the kettle on. (5) Ring a ring of roses. (6) Row, row, row the boat. (7) 3 blind mice. (8) Hi diddle diddle. (9) There was an old woman who lived in a shoe.

