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Baptisms

May their lives be long and happy.

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29th May 2022

St Michael's Church, Breinton
Clementine Eloise

12th June 2022

Holy Trinity Church
Ava Jane Ann

Weddings

*May their
lives together be long and happy.*

Funerals

*Please remember the departed their
family and friends in your prayers*

20th April 2022

Hereford Crematorium
Yvonne Williams

13th May 2022

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Gillian Lawson (72)

19th May 2022

Hereford Crematorium
Brenda Price (77)

Funerals

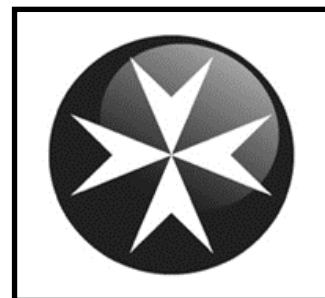
*Please remember the departed their family and
friends in your prayers*

A long time ago and far away (well, Sheffield in the 1960s) I was a St John Ambulance cadet. In those days we wore grey shirts, ties and berets not green “service uniform”, and there was a fair bit of drill. But the best bits were of course learning all about first aid – and we got to take part in city competitions. Someone would be made up as a casualty and each team had to swoop in in turn and work out what was wrong them and give the right aid. Poor casualties! My speciality was being the friendly little guy who knelt by their head and kept chatting with them so they wouldn’t pass out and felt a bit happier about it all. No wonder I became a vicar... And we won prizes!

Before COVID struck the then Lord-Lieutenant, Lady Darnley, glided up to me at a tea party and asked if I would be interested in being the County Chaplain for St John in Herefordshire. The Diocesan Bishop had obviously marked my card as a new chap in town with time to spare, but what neither he nor Lady Darnley knew was my own past as a Cadet, so for once I just said “yes” without enquiring too much about what was involved. It was time to give something back. (And in lots of ways my “Platinum Generation” have had the best of life, and feel that giving something back is important. Do you?)

One thing that turned out to be involved is devising and leading a couple of county St John services each year, and in May I was delighted to be able to bring the spring Red-dedication one to Holy Trinity. The thriving Hereford cadet unit now based at the Widemarsh St HQ is called “Holy Trinity” and used to meet in the church hall before it was sold. We’ll be back again next year when that unit celebrates its 75th anniversary. If any of you have memories of it, do get in touch – and all will be welcome.

We based the May service around the St John Maltese or Amalfi Cross. Its four arms traditionally stand for Temperance, Prudence, Justice and Fortitude – which sound very old-fashioned and don’t mean quite what we might think now . Temperance for instance is not staying off the booze but moderating our desire and action. But if we talk instead about Desiring well, Deciding Well, Distributing Well and Daring Well we can see they encapsulate values that apply to a large part of our experience.



They date in fact all the way back to Aristotle and were adopted by the church in the Middle Ages as its Cardinal Virtues. Whether there are some deep values or virtues like these that we should all try to follow is a real question in public life today. It’s tempting just to be pragmatic or political, or to come up with our own ideas of values (but then so does the person next door and theirs may not be the same, and the person with the most power gets their way). I wonder why we shy away so much from our long inheritance of thinking about these things, and prefer to do our own thing?

Can we go deeper still? We are now in the Pentecost season, trying to follow the first disciples in living as the people of Jesus Christ and live like him, inspired and helped by the Holy Spirit he has breathed into us. Perhaps in the end our deepest value is to live in the Spirit of Jesus, loving like him.

St Augustine famously said. “*Love – and do what you like,*” which sounds outrageous at first, until you realise that anything done truly in love will be to “do what Jesus would have done”, and you can’t go deeper than that. It’s no get-out-of-jail-free card but the deepest of challenges to that impulse in us to “do a Sinatra” (“I did it *my way*”), calling us instead to follow the example of the one whose life and teaching has been The Way two thousand years, the Way that leads to Truth and Life.

David Thomson



Price's Chapel.

Just a little way along the road from Holy Trinity towards the town centre is Bricknell Close, which is a complex of Alms Houses that are managed by the Hereford Municipal Charities. There are houses, bungalows and apartments with attractive open spaces and gardens. The oldest alms houses front Whitecross Road and are about 350 years old. At one end of this block of terraced cottages, there is a small chapel – Price's Chapel.

In the time before Covid, there used to be a monthly service conducted by the chaplain to the Alms Houses, but these services were suspended due to the pandemic. The chaplain left the area, and so when the trustees were looking to re-open the chapel for worship, they needed a new chaplain. They were not very successful in their search for a replacement though, as the only person who expressed an interest in taking up the post was me. I had worshipped regularly at the chapel with two other members of the Holy Trinity congregation for 3 or 4 years when Lynne, the previous chaplain, was minister, so it will not be a hard task to take up this aspect of her role.

There will be a monthly mid-week service at the chapel, and it would be good if some other members of our benefice community could join us, and we become closer to our neighbours living in Bricknell Close. I would also like to encourage residents of the close to become more involved in our life at Holy Trinity. Some of our activities such as Chatt would be ideal for them to come to.

Look out for details of the service and we would love to see you.

Stuart Vince, Reader

CHATT

Have a cup of tea and a break.

There's good company and cake.

Every month there are sandwiches, cakes, tea and company in Holy Trinity Church for anyone who would like to come. It is very informal and just lets anyone who pops in enjoy conversation and fellowship for an afternoon. It starts at 2.30 and we put the tea pot away at 4.30. We welcome anyone from across all 4 parishes – whether you worship with us or not. The dates for the first part of this year are:-

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In our present Covid dominated and shaped world it is a timely reminder if we needed it that as Christians we have a hope beyond present circumstances.. I have learned in the Christian life to be prepared for surprises. One of those for me was discovering that the 1662 Prayer Book language can be both inspiring, deeply moving and have a depth of spirituality that when taught liturgy in my training college and curacy never revealed. I accept it will never be everyone's cup of tea and more importantly often needs to be explained or translated for our modern ears and audiences. Cranmer wrote it to provide liturgy in the language of the people and to make worship available and accessible to all, not just a few well-educated people who understood Latin! He certainly would not expect us to be using those words in the same way just over 350 years later! Worship needs to reflect the time and context of the people of our own time and we have many creative liturgists in our own day who seek to make our worship accessible and awe-inspiring

.However, one prayer that was written originally in sixteenth-century English is still particularly helpful. It was shared with me by a colleague who died last year and who sent me this prayer on my ordination as a priest. I found his letter recently when I was looking for something else and once again I was reminded of its power. It isn't actually from the Book of Common Prayer and it is attributed to Sir Francis Drake although there is doubt that he wrote the whole thing. It is likely to be based on something he wrote in a letter, whatever its true pedigree it struck me as both encouraging and deeply faith-filled

Disturb us, Lord, when
We are too well pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true
Because we have dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to the shore.
Disturb us, Lord, when
With the abundance of things, we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.
Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,
To venture on wider seas
Where storms will show your mastery;
Where losing sight of land,
We shall find the stars.
We ask You to push back
The horizons of our hopes;
And to push into the future

In strength, courage, hope, and love. Amen

AD Derek

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Young Minds – Working towards a world where no young person feels alone with their mental health

Holy Trinity Church supports Young Minds, a charity which seeks to support young people's mental health. YoungMinds is calling on the Government to force social media companies to take action on the addictive effects of its platforms on young people. The charity found more than a third (34%) of young people want to leave social media sites at least once a week but feel like they can't.

The research, carried out with 2,000 16-24-year-olds, is published as the Government lays out its proposals for tech companies to clean up their act. The charity is also calling on politicians to involve more young people in the legislative process.

YoungMinds found more than a fifth of young people (22%) are automatically shown distressing content by social media platforms, based on their previous online activity, at least once a week.

The research, which was carried out with young people with and without mental health problems, also revealed that many find social media helpful for their mental wellbeing.

The vast majority of young people use social media to talk about mental health, with one in three doing so every week or every day. Six in ten (58%) said they take part in supportive conversations about mental health at least once a month, and a third (33%) said they did this at least once a week.

"It is completely unacceptable that young people are routinely shown harmful content and feel trapped on social media sites, so we are glad that the Government has published plans to force tech companies to step up their responsibilities to younger users. However we are deeply disappointed that an overarching duty to protect young people from the impact of features like addictive algorithms has not been included. We want young people to feel empowered through their online experiences and to be able use these platforms in a way that works for them.

"We are also concerned that young people's views have not been given significant enough weight in this process and this must urgently be addressed as the Bill progresses. Young people tell us they want the Government to listen to their experiences online. We need to know more about what young people find distressing, as well as the positive parts of social media that they want to protect.

"It is indisputable that social media impacts young people's mental health and they want it to be easier to leave these sites, so companies do not need to wait for this legislation to take action now to make these platforms safer. There is no excuse to delay. "

Emma Thomas, Chief Executive of YoungMinds

Adapted from Young Minds Press release, 17 March 2022

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St Nicholas' Flower Festival 26-28th July



During the week of the Hereford Three Choirs St Nicholas' Church have often created a flower festival to provide something different, but equally creative, for visitors to enjoy in between concerts. This year the flower festival will run from Tuesday 26th July until Thursday 28th July. In addition to the traditional floral displays, we are expanding our festival to feature local artists, poets and contributions from our local schools. The contributions will explore our theme: 'Gardens'.

From 'The Garden of Eden' to 'Beer Gardens' there will be something to delight and amuse everyone. And if you're tired of all the looking and listening then refreshments will be available to purchase. We look forward to welcoming people for a change of pace during the festival week.

Events like these are wonderful ways to welcome in visitors and our local community, but they do not run themselves! The organising team would be pleased to hear from anybody who would be interested in stewarding, assisting with refreshments, or helping with 'behind the scenes'. There is no need to be involved for the whole event, any time which you are able to offer would be helpful! If you want to get involved, or would like to know more, please contact Rev'd Lois Beynon

(revd.loisbeynon@gmail.com) or
Liz Tompkins
(liztompkins@hotmail.com)



Living in Love and Faith

If you have taken part in a Church of England project Living in Love and Faith group or looked at any of the material that has been published as part of it, could we ask you to complete a questionnaire that has been issued nationally? You can find the questionnaire on the Church of England website. Select resources and then Living in Love and Faith.

Stuart Vince

A new Team Vicar for the West Hereford Team Ministry!

We are delighted to finally be able to announce that The Reverend Jae Chandler has been appointed as Team Vicar in the West Hereford Team with a focus on creative outreach, and with particular responsibility for the churches of All Saints and St Nicholas'.

Jae is currently finishing her Curacy in All Saints Church, Fishponds in Bristol Diocese. She brings with her a wealth of experience, particularly in the areas of creative worship and prayer, social research, and outreach into un-churched communities. You can find out a bit more about Jae below. We are very excited to see how God will work through Jae during her time here and will confirm the licensing date, which is likely to be over the summer, as soon as we can. Please pray for her as she finishes her curacy, and prepares to move and start her post with us.



20 Questions with the new Team Vicar - Rev. Jae Chandler

When were you ordained and what has your ministry been like so far?

I was ordained a deacon in June 2019 at Bristol Cathedral and priested at All Saints church in Fishponds in December 2020. Until now, I've been serving as Curate in the benefice of All Saints and St Mary's in Fishponds, which is in east Bristol. The two churches are very different worshipping communities, and so it has been such a fantastic joy to be able to be part of the life and ministry of those churches within their respective traditions and amongst their diverse communities – everything from BCP Evensong right through to Muddy Church! Alongside traditional parish ministry, part of my focus has been towards people who are not part of the church. Over the last few years, that has found me amongst some amazing people from a range of alternative subcultures and spiritualities, leading various creative and alternative worship, getting involved with mission in the area of creation care and being involved in offender and ex-offender ministry.

Where did you train for ministry, and what did you enjoy most about your training?

I trained at Trinity College in Bristol with my context church at St Mary's in Shirehampton. Being part of that church family was brilliant! Study-wise, I really enjoyed learning about doctrine, church and biblical history, liturgy, Old Testament poetry, animal theology and pastoral ministry.

What did you do before training for ordained ministry?

Immediately before, I spent five very happy years working for the Diocese of Bristol. My role was to manage pastoral reorganisations and closed churches. Before that, I had two 'careers' running alongside each other. One was in the music business as a singer-songwriter, solo recording artist and studio owner, and the other was as a social researcher and policy specialist, which had me working for all sorts of organisations as an employee as well as a freelancer - local authorities, charities, universities and government departments. An unusual, but interesting mix!

Where are you from and where have you lived?

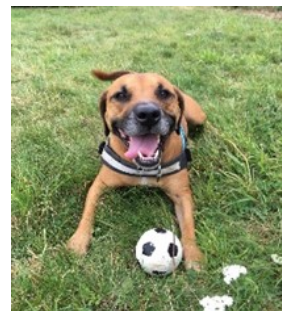
I was born in Isleworth, which at the time was Greater London, but is now part of Middlesex. When I was very young, my family moved to Devon and then to Somerset where I spent most of my childhood and young adult life. As an adult I lived in Australia for just over two years and eventually settled in Bristol.

Who are your family?

Derek (dad), Susan (mum) and Lee (younger brother). My parents are both retired and live in Somerset. Lee lives in Bristol with his fiancée, Charlotte – we're all looking forward to their wedding later this year! Lee's a freelance hair-dresser and tennis coach, so it seems like hybrid careers run in my family! My older brother, Ian, very sadly died in 2002. I have a big extended family – both my parents are one of five siblings, and so I have over 20 cousins, mostly still living in the southeast of England.

Do you have any pets?

I have a dog called Reginald Barleycorn (Reggie to his friends).



What’s the best advice you’ve ever been given?

Be unapologetically yourself.

What music do you like?

I like quite a few genres of music, but I mostly listen to alternative, metal, choral, orchestral or ambient music. Some of my favourite pieces of music are:

- Forty-six and Two – Tool
- Hear my Prayer Oh Lord – Henry Purcell
- Science – System of a Down
- Miserere mei, Deus – Gregorio Allegri
- Pet – A Perfect Circle
- O Magnum Mysterium - Morten Lauridsen

What book(s) are you currently reading?

A Life-giving Way (a contemplative commentary on the Rule of St Benedict), by Esther de Waal
Evangelii Gaudium, (The joy of the Gospel) by Pope Francis

If you could be any fictional character, who would you choose?

Luna Lovegood from the Harry Potter series.



What’s the weirdest thing you’ve ever eaten?

Chocolate digestives dipped in Moroccan hummus.

Do you collect anything?

un-buns! As a kid, I was obsessed with rabbits, and had a couple of favourite rabbit soft toys. Over the years, they have just been added to, and I now have what I call a ‘Dynasty of Bun-buns.’ It has also grown over the years into something of a menagerie of other soft animals, which includes a thylacine and a wombat from my time in Australia.

What’s one of your fondest memories?

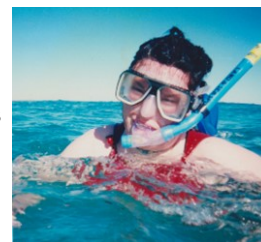
Snorkelling in the Ningaloo Reef at Coral Bay in North East Australia. Breathtakingly beautiful.

Have you ever done a bungee jump or skydive?

No way! I had the chance to bungee off the Victoria Falls Bridge in Zimbabwe and declined. The nearest I’ve got to anything like that is abseiling.

What are you looking forward to about being our Team Vicar in West Hereford?

I’m really looking forward to getting to know you all and finding out more about your lives of faith, the journeys you’ve been on as God’s people - and to coming alongside you in that journey and seeing where God takes us together! I’m also really looking forward to being in Hereford – I love the area and have gravitated there for many years for weekends, holidays and visits with friends. I feel so blessed to be able to actually make my home among you and am looking forward to me and Reggie becoming part of the life of your communities as well as the wider Diocese



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FAITH IN ACTION

The Rev Jill Talbot-Ponsonby led the second of two sessions on Pastoral Care and its role in the Christian Community on Monday 6th June. The session was carefully structured into:

1. Where
2. When
3. How

Many practical examples were given as to how pastoral care may work well.

The session began with the group looking at examples of Jesus' care in the New Testament. Obviously there are numerous examples in all of the Gospels.

Be aware of the need for some important ground rules. Times of visiting need to be agreed and adhered to.

The aim of such visits is to build up trust. In this confidentiality is of the utmost importance. However, if you feel that there are serious concerns arising from a visit, then these cannot be ignored. These need to be referred to either a pastoral team leader, Parish Safeguarding Officer or a member of the clergy. There are no ifs and buts about these situations.

Listening is an essential skill. Such skills can be learnt but paying full attention to the person is one of the most respectful things that can be done for another person. One skill is to repeat back to the person what they have told you, either paraphrased or by direct repetition. The conversation can also be summed up. The desire by the listener to give advice to that person should be avoided. This can lead to all sorts of problems.

The listener also needs to be aware of their limitations. If they feel that they do not wish to visit the same person again, for whatever reasons, say so. Remember the story of the Good Samaritan. He did what he could and then passed the man on to someone who could help him more.

To sum up: this is not about the visitor / listener but the person they are visiting or caring for. Secondly, do not forget the power of prayer – surround yourself with it, before, during and after any caring or visiting.

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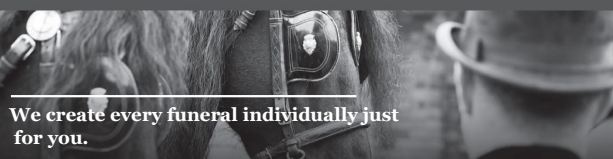
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Family ministries have had some pretty exciting developments since last issue!

The **YOUTH GROUP** has officially launched! We have 12 registered students who are either currently in Year 6 or already in secondary school. This youth group is open to ALL students, regardless of religious beliefs, financial capabilities or transport availability. The aim of the youth group is creating a safe space for new connections, friendships and personal growth.

We hosted a free **PIZZA & GAME NIGHT** on the 11th June, which included table tennis, air hockey, jenga, Domino's & more!

We also have organised a free **YOUTH GROUP SUMMER CELEBRATION** at Dinedor Outdoor Centre for Sunday, 7th August from 10am until 4pm. With gratitude to our church neighbours and community partners at **Eignbrook URC**, this event has been sponsored to also include free transport to and from Dinedor! To register your student, or find out more information about upcoming service projects, residentials, socials and activities please visit our website:

www.westherefordteam.org.uk/wht-youth-group

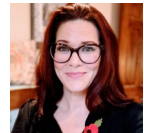
HOW CAN YOU HELP? Do you currently have a DBS and a willing spirit to volunteer? Please get in touch! If you would like to help, we can help you with the DBS application through the Diocese.

Another practical way of helping is through community contacts and monetary donations; the more opportunities the youth group has available for free, the more doors will open for them!

July Schedule **Sunday 3rd July - Check website for 4pm Families Activity**

Sunday 10th July - Picnic, Play & Pray 4-5pm

Playpark near Halo Leisure Centre, bring a picnic blanket and food to enjoy! There is plenty of room for our little ones and big kids to play and run!



Sunday 17th July - **No 4pm family activities**

Sunday 24th July - 4-5pm Outdoor Church. The families will be helping organise for and beautify St. Nicholas Church in preparation for the following week's Flower & Art Festival.

Monday 25th July - 10 until noon Youth Group "flower" display. We will be getting together at St. Nicholas' Church in order to create gigantic, oversized flowers for outside in order to promote that week's Flower & Craft Festival! Lunch & refreshments to be included for our youth group students.

Genevieve

Choir Church: The Pilot



We are really excited to have been running a pilot of Choir Church in two of our local schools over the last half term. Pupils from Lord Scudamore Academy and St Thomas Cantilupe have been singing their hearts out every Wednesday afternoon accompanied and encouraged by Jack Pickford and David Evans. These pupils will gather on 8th July at

Holy Trinity Church to lead a service of Evensong which will include the pieces of music they have learned over the last few weeks.

At its heart Choir Church has three aims:

- to encourage singing and the learning of choral music with a wider audience
- to teach the bible through music
- to encourage pupils to put into practice what they have learned

A typical Choir Church session might involve some warm up vocal exercises, followed by learning the pieces of music for the Evensong towards which the pupils are working. During a break from singing, pupils are encouraged by local clergy or others to consider what they are singing (our theme for this half term is: Jesus is the light of the world who is always with us in the darkness.) Towards the later weeks, the pupils are asked to think about how they might put what they have learned into action through a social action project; for example thinking about those who may need us to be a little bit of light in their lives, and finding ways to respond to that, be it a collection for the foodbank, writing to welcome a family of refugees, or perhaps singing what we have learned for those who feel lonely.

We very much hope that Choir Church will continue in September and that we might be able to offer it in even more schools in the future as we, the clergy of the West Hereford Team, work together with the Cathedral and others to encourage this Singing for the Soul!

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July

- Mon 4 2.30 MU meeting
Thurs 14 Midday Prayers, Cathedral

August

- Mon 1 No meeting of St Nicholas' Branch
Tues 9 2.30 pm Mary Sumner Day Service, Bishops Castle
Thurs 11 2.30 pm Mary Sumner Day Service, Ross on Wye

September

- Mon 5 2.30 AGM & Eucharist, St Nicholas' Church, Revd Lois Benon
Thurs 8 Midday Prayers, Cathedral
Mon 19 Trustee Meeting, Conference Room Hereford

October

- Mon 3 2.30 MU meeting, St Nicholas'
Mon 17 Diocesan Council, Kimbolton
Thurs 13 Midday Prayers, Cathedral,

November

- Mon 7 2.30 MU meeting, St Nicholas' House
Thurs 10 Midday Prayers, Cathedral
Mon 21 Trustee Meeting, Conference Room
Sun 27 Advent Sunday

December

- Mon 5 2.30 MU meeting, St Nicholas'
Tues 6 St Nicholas Day
Thurs 8 Midday Prayers, Cathedral



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If you want more details please contact me, 07988 750673, annnewman57@hotmail.com, or just turn up at one of our meetings!

Anne Newman,
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St Nicholas Notebook 6



The area called 'The Friars' was a triangular piece of land at the side of St Nicholas, at the foot of Barton Road before entering Victoria Street. It is I think where the municipal car-park is now. Here there was a terrace of houses where in the 1851 census many families lived. Possibly the two houses nearest the town ditch were the first listed and here lived a butcher and a tallow chandler.

Not far from where cattle were sold in Broad Street, Matthew Collins (46), a butcher, had probably set up a shop on The Friars, soon after the new church had been built. In 1841 he had been on Maylord's Lane but by the time of the census in 1851 he had moved to The Friars. He is living with his wife Ann (46) and they have three children Sarah (25), Matthew (21) and Ann (20) and all must have helped him with his business. The Butcher's shop would have had many carcasses hanging outside and probably a gutter filled with blood leading to the town ditch, for Matthew would have slaughtered his own meat and killed the animals at his own premises and then salted and stored the meat in a cellar beneath the shop as ice boxes didn't come into use until the end of the century. As there were no refrigerators, salting and smoking meat was a common method for keeping meat longer. Victorians liked their meat a little aged, and sausages were hung in the window longer than they are today as it was thought they tasted better. Fresh sawdust would be put down each morning to soak up the spills of blood which was cleared away at the end of the day. Tiles weren't fitted until the end of the century and so hygiene from our point of view was always a problem.

Matthew's business must have been difficult because he moved on. In Cassey's Directory of 1858 he is listed as a Butcher in Widemarsh Street and indeed in the 1861 census he is living with his family at 8, Widemarsh St and not far from the Guildhall. The Guildhall, in Widemarsh Street, was used for the city police court and city petty sessions which were held every Monday and Thursday at 11am, and contained the council chamber. By 1871 his wife Ann (60), 'married' not 'widowed' calling herself 'Retired Butcher' is living with her daughter Sarah (35) and son Matthew (33) 'Butcher' at 12, Maylord St. Perhaps Ann and Matthew have separated as there is a Matthew Collins (67 'married') 'lodger' living at the Railway Bell on Bluecoat School St. Life as a butcher and butcher's family could not have been easy!

Their next door neighbour at The Friars in 1851 was William Watkins (67) 'Tallow Chandler' and his wife Elizabeth (64) and son Edwin (27). Living next to a butcher possibly ensured that William had an endless supply of animal fat from beef or mutton which was rendered to make the 'Tallow' for candles and soap. William was living at a time of massive technical changes in the candle industry for in 1834 a machine was invented which could produce about 1,500 candles an hour by a moulded candle process replacing the dipping method. Wicks which had been made from twisted cotton now could be made from braided strands of cotton and were known as 'self-trimming' or 'self-consuming' wicks. Finally in the mid 1850's paraffin wax was produced, distilled from coal and oil shales, that formed candles of high quality that burned with a far pleasant odour than candles from tallow.

But William was at the end of his working life and in the 1861 census he (78), 'Retired Tallow Chandler', is living with Elizabeth (72) in Abergavenny which is where Elizabeth had been born. Their son Edwin (38) is still a 'Tallow Chandler' living as a lodger in Monmouth. I wonder how he got on and whether he had to change his trade?

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Pastoral care

The Rev Jill Talbot-Ponsoby led the first of two sessions on Pastoral care and its role in the Christian Community on Monday 23rd May.

She began by defining what Pastoral Care is. Jill stressed that life is about relationships, some of which work and some do not. A positive relationship enables us to grow into the person that God created us: a poor relationship can destroy our self-confidence.

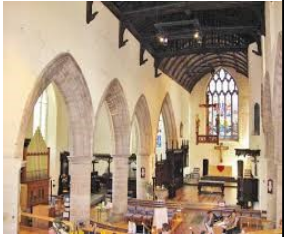
Many churches have pastoral care teams. Their primary role is helping church members discover their own special uniqueness. Central to this is the idea of unconditional love, the idea of walking alongside someone without making judgements about that person.

Jill then moved on to the question of why pastoral care. She led a discussion about examples of pastoral care that can be seen in the Old Testament (the New Testament examples will be used in the second session) of which there are many.

The group then look at issue of whom we might be pastorally caring for. The list, as you may imagine, is a lengthy one. It ranges from the lonely to the mentally ill.

The session was interesting and illuminating.





Traherne and All Saints Church

Canon Maureen Palmer is a good friend of both Hereford Cathedral and All Saints Church and celebrates the Eucharist at both regularly. She is also a member of a select group of scientist priests who meet annually in the Lady Chapel at All Saints and at other times elsewhere in the country. She was therefore an excellent choice of preacher at the Association's Eucharist on 29th May. She also celebrated the Eucharist in an unusually full church.

She had done her homework thoroughly and knew all about Thomas and his probable baptism in All Saints Church. Her sermon concentrated on the Traherne writings and the natural world. His ideas are so in tune with modern worries about climate change, pollution and conservation. Canon Palmer had prepared a bookmark for each of us with an appropriate illustration. Members were able to see the board commemorating Traherne's bequest to the All Saints' charity.

Kalyani Menon

***God calls his people to follow Christ, and forms us into a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, to declare the wonderful deeds of him who has
called us out of darkness into his marvellous light...***

At the start of July, my first year as a priest will be drawing to an end whilst Lois' first year as a priest is just beginning. The journey to ordination is often long and often hard. And it can be easy to think of the ordination as a goal in itself. Those being ordained priests (ordinands) make several declarations, which are put to them by the Bishop. These reflect the length of that journey: *"We trust that long ago you began to weigh and ponder all this"*.

The 'calling' of a priest is sometimes described as a combination of 5 roles: servants, shepherds, messengers, watchmen and stewards. The Bishop also presents the would-be-priests with a great list of offices and services to perform. Each one of them will know which they are looking forward to, and which they are dreading. Each one of them will bear the mantle slightly differently.

However it is performed, being a priest is consuming. The ordination service charges us to: *"devote yourself wholly to his [Christ's] service"* and *"grow into his likeness"*. Properly undertaken it will leave the lives of these new priests forever changed. After just a year of priestly ministry I am still discovering what this means, and that discovery will continue for the rest of my life!

Priestly ministry requires us to be both strong and vulnerable, and to live as public figures whilst sharing in some of life's most intimate moments. It is weighty, as the Bishop will remind the new priests *"You cannot bear the weight of this calling in your own strength, but only by the grace and power of God."*

It is a sobering reminder that we come to be ordained not because of our own merits but because God has called us *"out of darkness into his marvellous light"*. A priest is often called upon to be a jack of all trades and master of none - we lead services not because we are the best orators in the congregation, but because we have been called to occupy that space. We sit by the bedside of the dying and in the sitting room of the bereaved not because we have wisewords to bestow, but because we have been called there too. It is by God's grace we are there, and only through God's power that we can remain in place.

When we forget our reliance on God, we are cast adrift, more buffeted than ever by the currents of the community. We are setting ourselves upon a high horse, ready to fall.

I am still learning how to hold that humility in one hand, whilst holding in the other my confidence in God and in my calling. I am learning that being a priest is not the achievement of standing in a particular spot, or saying particular words, but in the tightrope walk between humility and confidence, between strength and vulnerability. And, as tightrope walkers must, we cannot stop until we have reached that distant shore, the one to which God calls us all in due time.

Rev'd Jo Jennings



Faith in Action

"Working for the glory of God by sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ, responding to the needs of the community, and uniting the parishes of West Hereford in mission." The group has met twice in recent months, once in April and then in May.

The April meeting was attended by Genevieve Barker, the Families Worker. She outlined the various activities that she had been introducing since starting work last year as Families Worker:

The Easter activities programme had been very popular with 50 children and 25 adults being involved
A programme for May and June has been developed
It is hoped to have at least two residentials per year
It is also hoped to set up a youth club
It is also hoped that more adults will be encouraged to assist with the programme

The committee fully endorsed the range of activities being provided and raised the question as to how the Faith in Action could support these activities.

The meeting was also attended by Liz Mackay Church and Society Link Officer for the Diocese. She was able to offer the following suggestions following on from her work in the diocese:

Have an understanding of the needs of local communities
Attempt to meet those needs by becoming outward facing
Start with a small project which will be of benefit to local communities

Abi Weller was able to report that the Easter trail had been a success with a good variety of displays. School involvement had been positive with Lois Beynon being praised for her work with Lord Scudamore. It was hoped that the trail would be repeated in 2023 with the trail being possibly more walkable with displays being nearer to each other wherever possible.

The May meeting took a number of these ideas of possible community involvement further. The discussion that took place was focused on a number of possible ways forward:

Eco church
Food share
Memorial / Remembrance garden
Talk Community Hub
Art and Flower festival during Three Choirs week
Christmas Tree Festival

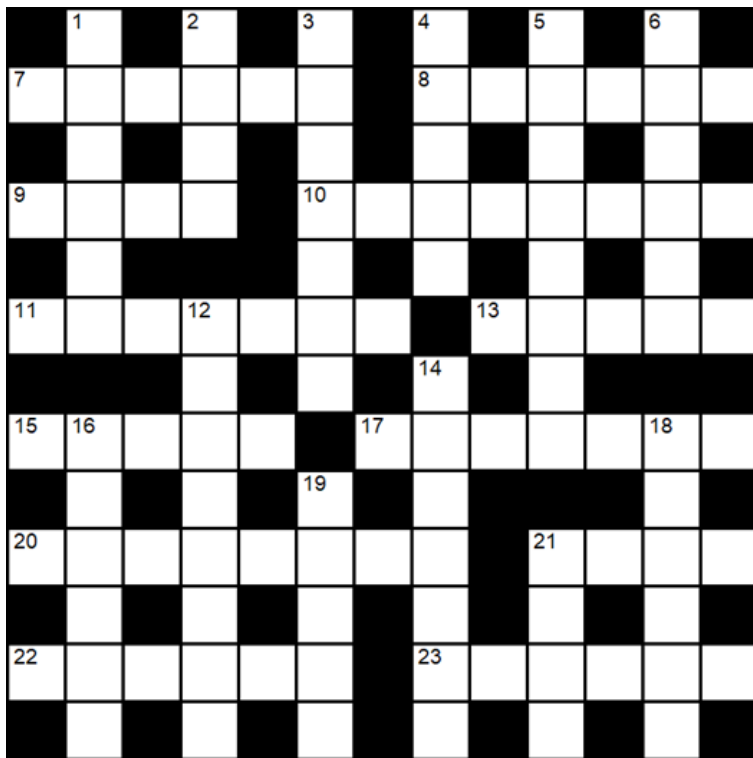
Eco church is an award scheme for churches in England and Wales who want to demonstrate that the gospel is good news for God's earth. A survey has to be completed on five key areas of church life:

Worship and teaching
Management of church buildings
Management of church land
Community and global engagement
Lifestyle

A church can go through various stages to achieve Bronze / Silver /Gold status dependent on what they have achieved. Faith in Action agreed to do further work on Eco church by filling in the questionnaire to work out where churches currently are.

The group also made a commitment to research Food Share. Food Share is an initiative to source nutritious food and arranges delivery to all struggling food supplying organisations. Local supermarkets are associated with this scheme though a request has come from the link person for the scheme who is associated with Waitrose.

Two group members will meet with the link person and then report back to the group. These are small but exciting steps with the potential to move things forward..



Summer Special by Wanderer

It's a General Knowledge puzzle this time – and all the answers have something to do with Hereford or the church, so dive in and have a go. Our tester managed it in *half* a cup of coffee: can you do better? The solution will be found elsewhere in the magazine. Enjoy your solving!



Across

- 7 Assistant cleric in parish (6)
 8 Prophet of the birth of Jesus (6)
 9 Name for rounded east end of a church (4)
 10 Thomas _____, famous Herefordshire poet (8)
 11 Where Bible readings are given from in church (7)
 13 A Methodist cleric may live in one (5)
- 15 John _____, famous early mapper of Herefordshire (5)
 17 Name for the Trinity: "Veiled in flesh the _____ see" (7)
 20 Of, or in, the Bible (8)
 21 Unusual street name leading west from central Hereford (4)
 22 Person who cares for a church and walks in front of processions (6)
 23 _____ of Wales (1146-1223) was a famous historian and Prebendary of Hereford (6)

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- 1 Colour worn by bishops (6)
- 2 Name for main part of a church (4)
- 3 Where a cleric might live (7)
- 4 Parish cleric, originally one put in when there was no rector present (5)
- 5 Street off Whitecross Road: the artist Brian Hatton lived on the corner (8)
- 6 Name of the Roman fort that was near here before Hereford grew up (6)
- 12 Word for the study of beliefs about God (8)
- 14 The Vicars Choral lived in one of these at the Cathedral (7)
- 16 _____ Hospital is the name of the old almshouses near Holy Trinity (6)
- 18 Heavenly messengers: " _____ from the realms of glory" (6)
- 19 A blue one is worn by readers (lay ministers) when robed in church (5)
- 21 Before he became King, Harold Godwinson was _____ of Hereford (4)

SAINT OF THE MONTH: ST SWITHUN (July 15th)

Most of us have heard of St Swithun's Day, but who was Swithun, and why is his day so important for the weather?

Swithun was a Bishop of Winchester in the ninth century, though little is known of his life from contemporary records. He was later remembered for his simple lifestyle and care for the poor, and for having asked to be buried 'humbly' outside so that "the sweet rain from heaven may fall upon my grave", and not in a great shrine and, when he died on 2 July 862, his request was fulfilled.

A hundred years later though, Æthelwold, the then bishop, decided to build a new cathedral with Swithun as its patron, and to move Swithun's remains indoors to a grand new shrine (tourist attraction, recoup astronomical building costs, plus ca change ...). There were dire warnings that moving the bones would bring about terrible storms, and indeed it apparently rained for forty days as a result (or so a later legend claims):

St Swithun's day if thou dost rain

For forty days it will remain

St Swithun's day if thou be fair

For forty days 'twill rain na mair



Nevertheless, miracles soon began to happen, and his cult flourished. Æthelwold ordered the monks at Winchester, whenever they heard of a miracle, to stop what they were doing and go into the cathedral to give thanks. When this was happening several times a night they tried to rebel but Swithun appeared and warned that if they stopped, so would his miracles, so his fame continued to grow, and has lingered on even to modern times. Now, what is the forecast for the 15th?

PS. That great fount of knowledge *Wikipedia* tells us that, "There is a scientific basis to the weather pattern behind the legend of St. Swithun's day. Around the middle of July, the jet stream settles into a pattern which, in the majority of years, holds reasonably steady until the end of August. When the jet stream lies north of the British Isles then continental high pressure is able to move in; when it lies across or south of the British Isles, Arctic air and Atlantic weather systems predominate."

Illustration: Swithun in the Benedictional of St. Æthelwold, Winchester, 10th century. British Library MS 49598 fol. 97v. Re-leased as pd by BL
David Thomson

The Whitecross Chronicles No: 13



Miss Katherine Haynes Yeomans stands in the back row of the January 8th 1907 and 1908 photograph in Norman Owen's book *Holy Trinity Hereford*. She was a Sunday School teacher in 1902 and became Superintendent of the Sunday School for more than 25 years. She died in 1937 and in June 1939 a picture was put on the west wall in the church, by the font, to commemorate her dedication to the Sunday School. It is a picture painted by Constance Grant, a friend of her family, which shows Jesus in the centre with arms open wide, surrounded by children of different ages and from different ethnic backgrounds looking up at him. It is not a picture that I like, as I find the subject romantic and idealised. However, she had seen a photograph of a similar painting and had 'admired it, pointing out how the children on the canvas seemed, 'so like so and so,' of the children of her Sunday School'. In the sermon preached when the painting was dedicated, the Vicar, the Rev Harold Fowler told how he had met a man who told him, 'How well I remember the Sunday School and what Miss Yeomans taught me when I was a kiddie.' It seems that she not only knew the individual children well but they responded and remembered her teaching later in life.

She joined the Sunday School with two other women on January 2nd 1902 at the annual Sunday School Tea when '201 children sat down to tea at 4.30' followed by a prize giving for attendance. (HT magazine HARC). Not only was she remembered in the Sunday School but she also was leader of the Mothers Meeting, Secretary of the Provident Club and a District Visitor. She didn't just attend church on Sunday but was involved in providing a link between the church and the community of Whitecross all her adult life.

Walking from town towards the Whitecross roundabout, you will find 'Graiseley House' where she lived on the right, past the turning to Baggalley Street. In the 1901 census the house was 167 Whitecross Road where she (aged 29) was living with her mother Elizabeth (72) and her sister Caroline (30). It was here at Graiseley House that she died on 11 June 1937. The house has a name and date plaque above the front door, where we learn the house was built in 1871. 'Graiseley' is an unusual name and may be connected with Graiseley Hall in Wolverhampton. Certainly in the 1881 census Eliza Cook (70), a widow with her widowed daughter and two grandchildren is living in a house on 'Conservative land' (there is no name or number of the house recorded), who was born in Wolverhampton.

Katherine, however, was born in Stretton Sugwas in 1872 and I have found her family at Stretton Court Farm where her father William was the farmer of 680 acres employing 19 men and 2 boys in 1861 before she was born. William (44) and Elizabeth (33) had seven children which is almost one child a year from 1852 when the first son John H (9) was born in Ledbury, the youngest being Arthur R (1) born at Stretton Sugwas.

Twenty years later in the 1881 census, I think I have found her living with this brother Arthur (21) now a 'farmer' at Easington Farm, Longden, on a farm of 220 acres. She is there with her sister Sarah (25), two other sisters and a brother Alfred, the same age as her (9) but her mother Elizabeth is not with her. Ten years later I think I have found her at 'Quarry House' Burghill with her mother Elizabeth, widow (62) and two sisters Elizabeth (33) and Caroline (24) where she is (19). It is all quite confusing as there was a large family.

If my findings are right I can see why she enjoyed being Sunday School Superintendent surrounded by children which must have felt secure for her, like her childhood, when she was surrounded by siblings.

Jean Thomson

Pledge form for contributions towards the Families Worker Project

*We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power,
and the wonders he has done. Psalm 78: 4*

As we give thanks to God for the appointment of a families worker in the West Hereford Team, we also recognise our part in sharing the Good News of Christ with those who will come after us. There are many ways in which to support the project: prayer, welcoming families and the Family Worker, listening to our families, and finding out what happens in the groups. This form is specifically for those who would like, and are able, to contribute to this project financially. Our 5 year Families Worker project will aim to encourage whole life discipleship in families, through focused activities, the sacraments and pastoral care. With focused leadership we hope to be able to develop this investment in the future generations of the Church.

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Our **coffee mornings** are now held regularly on the first Saturday of the month between 10.30 and 12.30. Light refreshments are available.

The next event is on **2nd July** when there will be a **demonstration of spinning**.

Answers to your questions on Climate Change and what it means to you, as well as the regular book swap and children's activities will also be there.

Don't forget that the Village Hall has free and fast Internet access!

More Regular Events at Breinton Village Hall—SEE BELOW

And last but not least there will be a **QUIZ** on **September 9th at 7pm**

Hand Bell Ringers	Tuesday mornings 11am – 1pm	Contact Muriel on 01981 551973.
Parish Council	Every 2 nd or 3 rd Wednesday evening of the month	Contact Emily Godsall 07501293 457 clerk@breintonparish.co.uk
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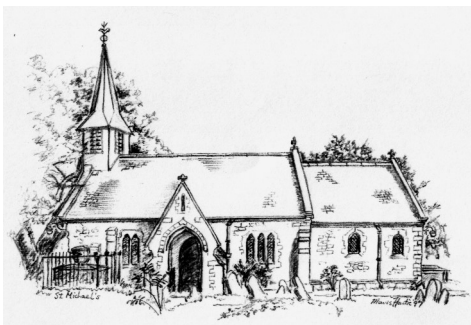
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ST MICHAEL'S BREINTON

Services resume at normal times. Please see the back of the magazine.

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BHG - July Meeting

The July meeting of the *Breinton History Group* will be held in Breinton Village Hall on **Monday, 18 July 2022, at 7.30 pm**, when Bill Jackson and Jason Hodges, will present an illustrated talk about Walenty Pytel, the renowned local sculptor.

We are sure this will be a most entertaining and informative evening.



New members and visitors are more than welcome.



BREINTON COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 2nd July

10.30am -
12.30pm

- Enjoy coffee, tea, soft drinks, cakes and biscuits
- Enjoy chatting to community members and share ideas
 - Peruse the Book Swap bookcase
- Use your own internet device* (* internet provided by Gigaclear)
 - Activities for children including Minecrafting with Jo
 - Ventilated, Socially Distanced

POSTPONED!

Dear Friends,

As the 'new' (ish) gates at St Michael's are to be dedicated on Sunday July 3rd at 3.00pm, I hope all of you who still remember Pat and/or myself will join me and members of my family for a slice of cake and a cup of tea in Breinton Village Hall afterwards. You can always record the middle Sunday of Wimbledon!

Best wishes to all, John Courtney.

UNFORTUNATELY JOHN HAS **POSTPONED** THE DEDICATION OF THE GATES DUE TO ILL HEALTH.

WE WISH HIM A SPEEDY RECOVERY AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HIM SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE.



Breinton Church needs your help!

For many, the Church is still a cornerstone of the community.

It is where we gather to celebrate at Christmas and Easter. Our parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins have been married or christened here. We have mourned the loss of friends at funeral services, and our family members have been laid to rest in the churchyard.

Perhaps we hope to be buried here ourselves, or we imagine our children and grandchildren celebrating here in the future.

Perhaps we walk by here when we visit the river or the Springs and enjoy the sight of the spire peering over the trees in the old orchard.

If you've stopped and looked up at the church lately, then you might have seen the gaps where slates are missing and notice the stonework which is now in need of repair. And if you were to pop in and spend a few moments inside the church, you might notice a large patch of plaster missing from the ceiling near the West door.

The congregation of St Michael's Church have been noticing these changes with concern. We have been checking on the church after the winter storms, picking up pieces of shattered slate and sweeping up the plaster which has fallen from the ceiling.

As I'm sure that many of you know, holes in the roof don't fix themselves! We know that the situation will continue to deteriorate, but like so many community groups and organisations, our finances have suffered over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic, and we will need help to carry out these vital repairs and – quite literally! – keep a roof over our heads.

We are still waiting on a list of the necessary work from the architect, and need to get an estimate from the builders, but we already know that the work will cost many thousands of pounds. Once we know the scope of the work we will launch a fundraising campaign.

If the church is a part of your community, if you want it to be a place where you and your loved ones can be baptised, married and buried, then we need your help.

If you are able to donate to our fundraising campaign, help us write funding bids or give your time and energy to a fundraiser then we'd love to hear from you. You can speak to Rev'd Ruth Hulse, Rev'd Jo Jennings, Grahame Sherfield or any member of the church.



Pet service at St Michael's



Join us on the 17th July at 4pm for our pet service.



Furry, and non-furry,  friends of all  kinds are  welcome to join us.

For the safety of all, please make sure that pets are kept under control at all times (on leads or in carriers/containers).

Weather permitting, we will hold the service outside with a time of blessing for all the animals.

All welcome, whether they have pets or not!

JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Jubilee Cakes and bunting

Best dress

Best behaviour

Maybe we can keep it up
For an hour

She kept going for a lifetime
Our Queen

Jenny Sherfield



THE CORONATION 1953

So young and so solemn

She stole our hearts

As we watched the crowning

On a tiny screen

Bewitched by images in black and
white

Of golden coaches and other royalty.

Seated on a throne in that great Abbey

The crown was settled upon her head

So heavy the weight of it in every way

Physical yes, but mental and spiritual
too

Remember the mystery of her retreat

To be anointed with holy oil

And her emergence to the enormous sound

Of the organ and the cheers of a million peo-
ple.

Our new Queen- Elizabeth the Second

Bronwen Wild, May 2022



The Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II 1952 - 2022

Elizabeth became our Queen
in 1952

And now her reign of 70 years
in 2022.

She's seen a lot of changes,
Travelled many a mile,
Shaken many different
hands,
And always with a smile.

A life of Duty and of Service
Of Faith and Dedication.
Promises made — so strong and true,
She pledged these to the nation.

"Lead by example" is her theme,
A constant for us all,
She has not faltered all this time,
And stayed true to her call.

Now 96, and still our Queen,
We'll celebrate and plant a tree.
Food, fun and parties everywhere,
For her Platinum Jubilee!!

Ann Powell (June 2022)



A Platinum Reign Poem

From golden
coach to limou-
sine

Glittering in sun-
shine, very clean

The crowds wait
for hours for days

To glimpse the
procession see
the wave

Subjects gather
along the streets

Waving flags
sharing treats
Gleaming
horses clatter
by

Overhead the jets
will fly

Children raised on
parent's shoulders

A memory for
when they are
older Celebrities
form a line

A smile a chat,
their chance to
shine

The gilded cage
was not for you

You love your
horses, racing too

Your reign has
covered many
miles And after all
you still smile

Susan Preece



Home

Home is where the heart is,
that's what they always say.

Home is where the heart is,
it's for living day to day.

Home is where the heart is,
come rain or come shine.

Home is where the heart is,
to some it is a shrine.

Home is where the heart is,
it's where you laugh and where you cry.

Home is where the heart is,
from when you're born to the day you die.

Home is where the heart is,
it's all that really matters.

Home is where the heart is,
when the world about you
matters.

Home is where the heart is,
I could go on all day.

Susan Chapple



For the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

If I was the Queen I would resign,
70 years on duty is a very long time,
Long, long ago it may have been fine,
Way back in Elizabeth the First's time.



Then Kings and Queens had lots of power,
Now chopping heads off won't get you far,
What are the perks I would like to know?
Apart from having lots of dough.

Always in the public eye,
It would make me want to cry.

Does it really compensate
By being
Head State?

I urge you take the plunge,
Release yourself, throw in the sponge.
Now you have achieved your dream.
The world's longest reigning Queen.

Abdicate M'am, it will give you time,
To join us writers who love to rhyme.

Pat Grieves

The poems shown on these pages were part of the Jubilee Display in Breinton Village Hall and were written by members of the writing group.

Jubilee Jollity!

The Jubilee Weekend was a busy one in the West Hereford Team, with services and socials taking place to mark the special occasion.

There were, necessarily, lots of preparations to do before the festivities began. Both the hall and the churches were beautifully decorated by a host of volunteers. There were reams of bunting, and the tables at the hall looked very smart, whilst the church was be-decked in red, white and blue flowers. Thank you to all those who turned out to decorate the hall, as well as the Flower Guilds across the Team Churches.

The weekend then got off to a good start with lovely weather – and I'm sure that many people enjoyed watching the broadcasts of events such as the Trooping of the Colour.

On Saturday, Breinton Coffee Morning was well attended. Marshalled by Gill Rivers, Anne Chapman and Ann Powell, the tables were laden with Jubilee cakes, memorabilia and patriotic flower arrangements - including a crown! There were activities for the children, supervised by Jenny Watkins, and at least one (toy) Corgi made an appearance. Beyond the usual coffee morning hot drinks, there were glasses of bubbly (courtesy of the Offleys) on hand to toast to Her Majesty – the first of several! If browsing the memorabilia and perusing the specially written poems wasn't sufficient entertainment, then there was also a Royal Jubilee Quiz to get stuck into, prepared by Jenny Sherfield.

Phil Chapman was on hand to take plenty of photos.

After a quieter afternoon (Did anyone need a lie down? Or perhaps they explored other events throughout the city), the celebrations picked up again on Sunday morning.

There was a West Hereford Team service at St Michael's Breinton. This had been optimistically scheduled as an outside service. Sadly, the weather proved typical of an English Bank Holiday weekend on Saturday leaving the ground too wet to sit out and the threat of rain continuing into Sunday.

The service was hastily moved into the church (which had already been amply, beautifully and faithfully decorated) and was no less jolly for the change of scene. Members of all four churches joined together to worship and lead the service. The Rev'd Lois Beynon preached an excellent sermon, and she and the Rev'd Ruth Hulse were joined at the front of church by several young servers.

Following the service there was a picnic lunch at the Village Hall, with another chance to enjoy the memorabilia and activities.

Over at St Nicholas' Church, there was a Jubilee tea in the afternoon, which was followed by a special evensong. There was plenty more cake to share, and they also celebrated a significant birthday for a member of the congregation (although it's rude to tell a lady's age!) The choir, led by Paul Tompkins, did an excellent job, as always, in leading the evensong. This brought our Jubilee celebrations to a fitting end – rooting our celebrations in that faith which has been such a source of strength to Her Majesty.

Rev'd Jo Jennings



Breinton Village Fete



We are delighted that the Village Fete will be returning after a two-year hiatus! The Fete will be held hosted by the Churchward's, at Breinton House, on the 4th September 2022.

If you would like to be involved in the organisation of the Fete please do come along to the Fete Meeting in Breinton House on the 5th July, at 7pm.

We will be running the popular bric-a-brac stalls and the auction, so we are in need of donated items of all kinds! The Bric-a-brac is being collected by the Wallace's (Sunnyside, Breinton Common) and more substantial, or more valuable, items are being collected by Ann Powell (Parkfield, Breinton Lane) for the auction.

JUBILEE TEAM SERVICE
AT ST. MICHAEL'S,
AND
JUBILEE TEA AT
ST. NICHOLAS'





A Platinum Jubilee Thank You



to everyone who made the Breinton Village Hall Saturday Coffee Morning and Sunday Picnic such special community-spirited events!

So many people helped out and joined us to celebrate our Queen's Platinum Jubilee that it is impossible to name everyone, so thank you to all those who made bunting, wrote poems, devised quizzes, planned and delivered activities for children (and adults), arranged flowers and made delicious cakes and desserts.

Thank you to those who came along on the Friday afternoon to decorate the Hall and to put up royal displays, lay out royal memorabilia and set out chairs and tables.

Thank you to those who came along on the Saturday and Sunday to cheerfully undertake kitchen serving and washing up tasks and who helped to clear up afterwards.

Thank you to all those who came along to the events to take part in activities, deliver toasts to the Queen and make memories and, on the Sunday, (despite the weather) brought magnificent picnics to share and chat over with family, friends and community (and not a marmalade sandwich in sight!).

Thanks also go to Breinton Parish Council and Breinton Village Hall for supporting these celebrations

We hope this community get-together was enjoyed by everyone who came along, from the eldest (born in the early 1930s) to the youngest (born just last year)!

Please put our next date in your diaries:

Breinton Village Hall Community Coffee Morning

On Saturday 2nd July

10.30 am – 12.30 pm

Come along to enjoy a drink, cake and a chat with your neighbours and friends. Activities for children and come and see Sara's demonstration of spinning .

AND while we are talking about THANKS a big Thank You should go to Anne and Phil who worked so hard to bring everything together!!

WELL DONE , BREINTON!!!

VACANCY – Voluntary Advertising Co-Ordinator

After many years of co-ordinating the advertisements within Teamtalk, Nikky Eyles resigned last year. She has done a wonderful job for many years. We thank her wholeheartedly and are very sorry to see her go.

This leaves an opportunity for someone to become involved with the production of the Teamtalk magazine. Arranging for the advertisements is an essential part of the production of Teamtalk as they provide the majority of its funding. The task entails contacting advertisers at the end of the year to arrange the regular advertisements, then keeping track of payments. There will also be occasional one-off advertisers through the year.

If you are interested to know more about this voluntary position please contact the Team Office on 01432 273086 or office@westherefordteam.org.uk

Jigsaws

Several lovely one thousand piece jigsaws.

Bought during lockdown.

I'd like to pass them on anyone interested?

Tel 07950 998636 or contact Judy Higginson via St Nicholas' Church



Collection of Plates

A donation of a collection of plates has been made to the West Hereford Team. There are about 50 altogether (possibly more) and we have been advised that it would be wise to have them valued rather than sell them at a local fête!

Would anyone be interested in taking on this task?
If you think you might like to do this, please contact the Team Office on 01432 273086.

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Sunday Services in July 2022

	All Saints	St Michael's	Holy Trinity	St Nicholas'
3rd July <i>Third Sunday after Trinity / St Thomas the Apostle</i>	10.00am The Reverend Lois Beynon's First Eucharist at St Nicholas'	10.00am The Reverend Lois Beynon's First Eucharist at St Nicholas' 3.00pm Dedication of Churchyard Gates	10.00am The Reverend Lois Beynon's First Eucharist at St Nicholas'	10.00am The Reverend Lois Beynon's First Eucharist 6.30pm Evensong
10th July <i>Fourth Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.30am Parish Mass	9.30am BCP Communion 2.30pm Baptism	11.00am Parish Eucharist with Baptism	11.00am Parish Eucharist 6.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
17th July <i>Fifth Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.30am Parish Mass	9.30am Parish Eucharist 4.00pm Pet Service	11.00am Parish Eucharist	11.00am Morning Prayer 1.00pm Baptism 6.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
24th July <i>Sixth Sunday after Trinity</i>	9.30am Parish Mass	9.30am Parish Eucharist	11.00am Parish Eucharist	11.00am Parish Eucharist 6.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
31st July <i>Seventh Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Nicholas' with Bishop Michael Westall	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Nicholas' with Bishop Michael Westall	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Nicholas' with Bishop Michael Westall	10.00am Team Eucharist with Bishop Michael Westall 6.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Online Team Services in July

and August 2022 email the office for details and link: office@westherefordteam.org.uk

Sunday	6.30pm Evening Prayer (except first Sunday of the month)
Monday - Friday	8.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday Services in August 2022

	All Saints	St Michael's	Holy Trinity	St Nicholas'
7th August <i>Eighth Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.00am Team Eucharist at Holy Trinity	10.00am Team Eucharist at Holy Trinity	10.00am Team Eucharist 1.30pm Baptism	10.00am Team Eucharist at Holy Trinity 6.30pm Evensong
14th August <i>Ninth Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.00am Team Eucharist	10.00am Team Eucharist at All Saints	10.00am Team Eucharist at All Saints	10.00am Team Eucharist at All Saints 6.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
21st August <i>Tenth Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Michael's	10.00am Team Eucharist	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Michael's 1.30pm Baptism	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Michael's 6.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
28th August <i>Eleventh Sunday after Trinity</i>	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Nicholas'	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Nicholas'	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Nicholas'	10.00am Team Eucharist 1.30pm Baptism 6.30pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Regular Week-Day Services in July and August 2022

	All Saints	Holy Trinity
Monday	12.10pm Rosary Group	8.15am Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
Tuesday	12.10pm Said Mass	8.15am Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
Wednesday	12.10pm Said Mass	8.15am Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
Thursday	12.10pm Said Mass	8.15am Morning Prayer and Holy Communion 10.00am Holy Communion

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