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2	Sung Communion	St George's	1000
9	Said Communion	All Saints	0800
	Sung Communion	All Saints	1000
16	Sung Communion	St George's	1000
	(followed by Extraordinary Parish Annual Meeting)		
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From Katy Carter LLM

Dear Friends

The schools have broken up for six weeks, Parliament is in recess and the diary is virtually empty of meetings. It must be August. Traditionally, a time for summer holidays, for journeys to new destinations and for new experiences. Although, of course, we mustn't forget those who, for various reasons, are unable to take a holiday.

Perhaps you will be going on holiday during this month of August, or perhaps, like us, you've already had your holiday, so that you're available to look after grandchildren in the school holidays.

If you are going away, I wonder what part of your holiday you most enjoy? For some it's the anticipation of what they will find at their destination – will that holiday rental or hotel live up to expectations? For others it's simply being on holiday that's important. Away from work, from the phone, the internet and the emails – though many of us find it impossible not to look at our emails when we're on holiday!

For some people it's the actual journey that they relish - the sheer excitement of travel itself – except, of course, when you're stuck in a traffic jam or at the airport for hours!

Throughout our lives we go on so many journeys – short ones, long ones, happy ones, sad ones, ones we would love to relive, others we would much rather forget. But wherever those journeys take us there are opportunities for discovery. Opportunities to discover more about God's world, more about those we travel with or more about ourselves

The Bible is full of stories about journeys, about people on the move. Abraham journeys from Ur to the Promised Land. Generations later, Abraham's descendants journey from slavery and oppression in Egypt to the land of Israel. Many generations after that, they journey back to the Promised Land after their forced exile in Babylon. In the New Testament, Jesus himself journeys through Palestine, preaching the Good News of the Kingdom of God. After the Resurrection, Paul and the apostles journey all over the Roman Empire, and their message reaches to the ends of the earth. And here we are, millennia later, continuing our own journeys.

Life itself is often thought of as a journey and, every day on that journey there are so many opportunities. Opportunities for discovery. Opportunities to wonder at the beauty of God's creation or the skill and ingenuity of our fellow beings, opportunities to build relationships with those we meet, opportunities to discover more about ourselves and opportunities to strengthen our relationship with God.

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Many prayers have been written on the theme of journeys, but the following is one of my favourites.

God of the journey, may your footsteps guide us.

In our journeying to work and returning, may your footsteps guide us.

In our leisure time, may your footsteps guide us.

In difficult situations and conflict, may your footsteps guide us.

As we stumble on the way, may your footsteps guide us.

As we place our trust in you, may your footsteps guide us.

In all our travelling, Lord, may it be your footsteps in which we place our feet.

Amen

With love



Extraordinary Annual Parish Meeting

This will take place on Sunday 16 August at St George's immediately following the 10am service.

The business will be to elect churchwardens as none were elected at the Annual Meeting on 31 May.

A very big THANK YOU

I want to say a HUGE thank you to everyone who made my first Eucharist, which was at All Saints, so special.

Thank you to Becky, Neil and the Parish Office team for their overwhelming support - to Rev Michael Camp, Rev Pat Clegg for their nurture and wisdom and Pat for preaching - to our fantastic Lay Team - to the wonderful flower team who made the church look so beautiful - to Annaliese and Toby for their creative contributions and to the whole congregation for your kindness, cards and prayers.

Peace and blessings.

Revd Sophie

Pause for Thought

This group will meet again, every Wednesday in August starting on 5th, and we will discuss the questions raised by the current sermon series.

If you would like to join us we start at 7.30pm at the Rose and Crown.

Matthew Stone LLM

WHAT IS HAPPENING OR NOT HAPPENING IN AUGUST

There is NO First Wednesday Talk at the Parish Hall in August and NO Film Night at the Social Club BUT Salisbury Folk Club IS meeting as usual on Wednesday 12 August (see page 21).

ALSO Harnham Harvest Table is back for the Summer every Saturday morning from 1 August, 10 am – 12 noon.

The venue will alternate between the Parish Hall Field and the Cricket Pavilion on Harnham Recreation Ground, as below for August dates:

Saturday 1 August:	Parish Hall Field
Saturday 8 August:	Cricket Pavilion
Saturday 15 August:	Parish Hall Field
Saturday 22 August:	Cricket Pavilion
Saturday 29 August:	Parish Hall Field

So if you have surplus fruit or vegetables from your garden or allotment, bring them along to share. If you don't, no problem, just come along and take what you can make use of.

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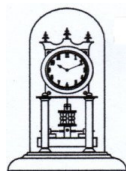
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*'Come to me, all of you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest.'* Matthew, 11:28

For many of us August is a time to enjoy a holiday or a change to our routine life, whilst for others it's a busy harvest time or family time. Whatever the circumstances we find ourselves in let us take our lead from our Founder, Mary Sumner, and pause to pray before we rush into action. On 9 August we celebrate our Founders legacy – 150 years of faith in action. We are reminded of how she responded to the real needs of her time with love, faith and courage. As she saw the struggles of women and families in her time she offered practical help, spiritual support and a place of belonging. May her example inspire us to walk in faith, speak with courage and serve with joy.

Mary Sumner's Prayer

All this day, O Lord,
 Let me touch as many lives as possible for Thee;
 And every life I touch, do thou by Thy Spirit quicken,
 Whether through the word I speak,
 the prayer I breathe or the life I live
 Amen

Future Dates

Sunday 9 August - Mary Sumner Day

Sunday 20 September - Community Tea 3pm – 4.30pm

Tuesday 22 September - 12 noon, Holy Communion, Salisbury Cathedral

Thursday 24 September - Mothers' Union Meeting, Parish Hall 2.30pm
 Caroline Probert, Chair of Salisbury Women's Refuge

N B Our 150th Anniversary Celebratory Party (postponed twice due to heatwave 2 and 3) will now take place on Thursday 17 December.

If you require transport, please contact Katharine Callard on 01722 501200.

I hope you will find time this August to be still and rest, and be refreshed ready for future faithful actions.

With love
 Pat Davidson



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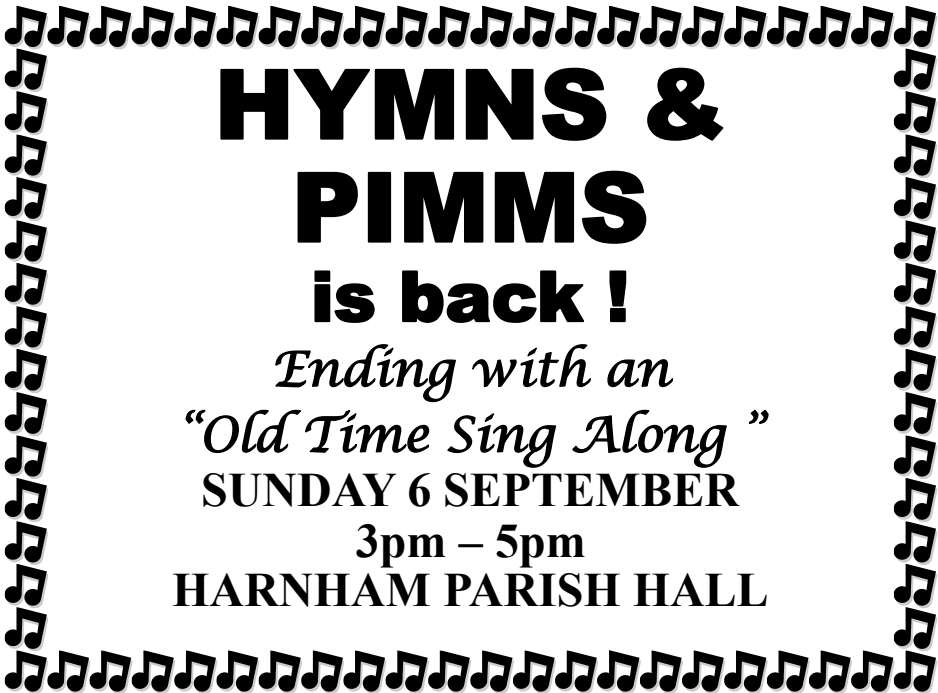
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**SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER
3pm – 5pm
HARNHAM PARISH HALL**

Some people will remember the Hymns and Pimms events organised a few years ago when we gathered to sing our favourite hymns, and enjoy a glass of Pimms (or something softer). You'll be glad to hear that Hymns and Pimms is back, on 6 September, and you have a chance to put in your hymn requests in advance by filling in forms that will be available in both churches, and in the Parish Hall, or you can email your hymn requests to David Baker on david.baker1204@outlook.com.

So don't delay, choose your favourite hymns, and then come along and sing your heart out! There will be no charge, but donations will be gratefully accepted. All proceeds will support the work of Harnham Parish Churches – registered charity no: 1193766.

If you felt like adding a bit of harmony to the singing, and meeting for one practice beforehand, please let Charles Woodd know on 07962 213494 or charleswoodd46@gmail.com.

Tortoise

Martin was a slow-working employee and found it difficult to hold a job. Finally, he found work at the Zoo. The zookeeper, aware of his reputation, assigned him to the tortoise section. Later, the zookeeper dropped by and found Martin standing by an empty enclosure. “Where are the tortoises?” the zookeeper asked.

“I can't believe it!” said Martin. “I just opened the door and then ... Whoooooosh!”



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The Harnham Water Meadows Trust

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on Saturday 15 August from 2pm to 5pm.

Meet at Rose Cottage on the Town Path near The Old Mill for refreshments and short guided tours of the meadows. Well behaved dogs on a lead are welcome. Study footwear is essential as the ground is very uneven and may be wet. Having legs covered is recommended because the grass is long in some places.

The recently refurbished information boards in the Cottage will be on display. A very informative and entertaining sheepdog demonstration is planned during the afternoon.

Up-to-date information will be on the home page of the website: salisburywatermeadows.org.uk under events and on the sign outside Rose Cottage.

When John Lennon said the Beatles were 'more popular than Jesus'

It was 60 years ago, on 4 and 5 August 1966 that US newspapers and radio stations quoted John Lennon as saying his Beatles band was "more popular than Jesus." It provoked widespread protests across America.

The story had really begun some months earlier, when in March Lennon's comment was originally published in the London Evening Standard, as part of an interview that he had given at his home in Weybridge. He had told the reporter: "Christianity will go. It will vanish and shrink. I needn't argue about that; I'm right and I will be proved right. We're more popular than Jesus now. I don't know which will go first, rock 'n' roll or Christianity. Jesus was all right, but His disciples were thick and ordinary. It's them twisting it that ruins it for me."

Lennon's views passed without much comment in London, but five months later, when his comment was reprinted in the American teen magazine *Datebook*, he sparked an enormous wave of fury across America, especially in the Bible Belt. Many radio stations refused to play Beatle's records, and protestors held public burnings of Beatles records.

Lennon apologised on 12 August, at the start of the Beatles final tour of the USA, saying that he had not meant to say that he was divine, but only that his band was now more popular than Jesus was.

Such a claim did not soothe American sensibilities. Throughout the tour, the band faced pickets and protests and even death threats.

By the end of the American tour, the controversy had driven the band to a big decision. There would be no more live tours, but only studio recordings. Just over three years later, in September 1969, John Lennon left the Beatles for solo work, and the following Spring, Paul McCartney followed him out. The Beatles had reached the end of the road.

FROM THE VICAR

Dear Friends

I write the week after I read the following announcement at All Saints:

'The acting Bishop of Salisbury, on behalf of the Team Patronage Board, is delighted to announce that Revd Canon Becky Roberts has been appointed as Team Rector of Bridport. We had a thorough appointment process last week and it became clear at the end that Becky had all the necessary gifts and skills to take the Bridport Team into its next stage of ministry.'

My last main Sunday service in Harnham will be on 13 September at 10am. Neil and I will be moving to Bridport shortly thereafter. I will be instituted and inducted as Team Rector of Bridport on Tuesday 6 October at 7pm. Do come along if you can to either of the above.

I am grateful for my time in Harnham, in fact it is the longest I have lived anywhere in my adult life. This says much about the sense of community. I arrived on a snowy January in 2013 – and people still came to welcome me – some walking down the hill with crampons on their shoes and balaclavas on their heads! I wondered what I had let myself in for. Were 'Harnhamites' really that eccentric?! As I reflect on the years here, I would say yes and no!!!

I am appreciative of many people's lives that have entwined with both mine and Neils. There are so many people that we have encountered and got to know – whether dog walking on the slope, visiting staff and residents of care homes and sheltered accommodation, running the youth group, or being part of other groups that meet in Harnham and of course the various members of the church congregations. It has been a joy to have seen children and adults grow in new skills, confidence and faith. It has also been a privilege to have walked with so many people in times of difficulty and pain.

As someone who came to Harnham after living in various larger cities, I leave having not only been changed by people but the landscape – such beautiful surroundings – woodpeckers, kingfishers, pipistrelle bats, dragonflies and of course the All-Saints' butterflies. I keep walking along the Harnham Slope to absorb the magnificent views!

I hope that I have brought a sense of curiosity, fun, faith and deep loving care and that those values will remain. Thank you for *your* trust, support and care over many years in the countless moments we have shared. Change brings uncertainty, and I know your strong foundation of being appreciative, prayerful and investing in the wider community will continue.

I also hope that as the first woman incumbent in Salisbury Deanery and the first female Rural Dean of Salisbury I have been a good role model for others. I know some people were unsure at first!!!

St Paul often writes blessings at the end of his letters. I've not quite gone so far now, I leave you with another part of his wisdom 'Now faith, hope and love remain. But the greatest of these is love.'

Revd Becky

What happens to Harnham Churches when their Incumbent leaves?

Much of what happens remains the same- the congregation of the church communities continue to worship and reflect the life of Christ in their words and actions in the community.

Harnham is fortunate to have many congregation members who can preach and lead in the community. As Licenced lay ministers, Katy and Matt are licenced to lead and preach services of the Word. There are also many clergy attracted to the area in their retirement many of whom have what is called 'permission to officiate' - over 59 in the Salisbury area alone! It may mean that you will see and listen to a variety of clergy.

Harnham is also fortunate to have Lay worship leaders Jacqui and Debbie and Lay pastoral assistants Jean and Debbie, who will continue to support pastoral care in the community and work alongside others to lead learning groups.

Revd Sophie, who is now a priest, will continue as curate of the Cathedral and Harnham, leading worship on the fourth Sundays of the month. She will continue to support Harnham Junior School as a foundation governor. Her role this past year has been to care for Christening families and the bereaved. She will lead weddings and wedding blessings as the year progresses.

Monica Wilson, the new parish coordinator will continue to support the administration of the hall and the parish. Harnham is blessed with a few paid workers and so many willing volunteers.

The Parochial Church Council will appoint a lay chair at their next meeting who will ensure good governance continues. There will also be an extraordinary Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday 16 August after the 10am morning service at which churchwardens will be formally elected (as no one stood on 31 May). The churchwardens' role is to ensure that services continue well, buildings are looked after with the guidance of the Archdeacon, Louise Ellis.

in due course, the Archdeacon will also advise on the way forwards, taking into consideration the wider context of the Salisbury Deanery, the ability to pay parish share and the context of the Harnham locality and wider mission especially with the growth in population.

All of the above will be underpinned by prayer.

Revd Becky

Reverend Becky's institution and induction as Team Rector of Bridport Parish will take place in St Mary's Church, Bridport on Tuesday 6 October at 7pm.
All are very welcome at this service.

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Carbon Emissions

*The earth dries up and withers, the whole world withers and grows sick;
...the earth itself is desecrated by the feet of those who live in it.*

Isaiah 24 v 4

In 2020, the General Synod (the governing body of the Church of England) voted to reduce its carbon emissions to net zero by 2030. Unfortunately, the Church now knows it is not possible to reach this target. The current report acknowledges that making meaningful and lasting reductions in carbon emission is hard and requires sustained action over the long-term involving investment in capital works as well as human capacity and skills development to enable all parts of the Church to act.

Here in Harnham we started our Eco journey in 2017 and signed up with the charity A Rocha in 2018 to help us review and improve our relationship with God's creation. This involved looking at our energy suppliers, cleaning materials, recycling regimes, office paper, to name but a few of our target areas.

At the APCM Richard presented the meeting with the current data, which demonstrates that since 2020 the annual net carbon emissions for all three church buildings have dropped from 10 tonnes of CO₂ to 0.6 tonnes. We have done well with reducing our electricity usage by controlling our heating, installing LED light bulbs and changing our suppliers so now all our electricity is green. Added to this we now have solar panels, so besides generating electricity for the hall, we can offset some of our emissions. The culprit is the boiler at St George's, which emits 1.37 tonnes of CO₂. However, I am of the opinion, that we can still reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2030 if we are prepared to all pull together.

The global UN supported by A Rocha with other faith organisations and conservationists are encouraging churches to return 30% of its land to nature and promote further biodiversity by 2030. Again, if we can all pull together, perhaps we can reach this target too.

In Harnham we encounter the beauty of nature on a daily basis, which if we allow it, will awaken in us a sense of wonder, gratitude and responsibility. **A responsibility to listen to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.** The climate crisis affects everyone, but not equally. Those who have contributed least to global emissions are often the first and hardest hit by droughts, floods, food insecurity, displacements and environmental degradation.

We have a responsibility to stand alongside vulnerable communities, speak truth to power, and advocate for policies that place human dignity above short-term economic interests.

*Blessed is the one who considers the poor!
In the day of trouble, the Lord delivers him."*

Psalms 41v1

Joanna Woodd



‘What has Salisbury Listening Place achieved this year?’

This question gave rise to a lot of thought amongst Listeners because, what is obvious to us, is not necessarily appreciated by others.

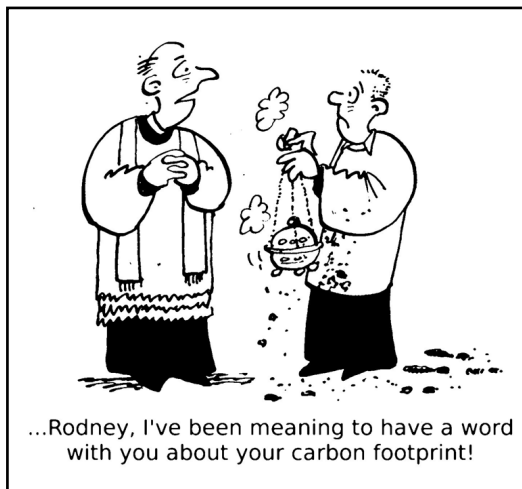
“We keep basic data but, unless a client returns and tells us what happened after they were listened to and what a difference it made to their lives, we simply don’t know what our ‘achievements’ are!

Some clients do let us know of course, but years can pass before they do! What we do know for certain is that the vast majority of people who use our service value being given time, space and privacy to express their thoughts and feelings without interruption or judgement. Being listened to by our team of trained Listeners is very different to talking with friends and family. You are not given solutions or well-meaning advice. Your feelings are acknowledged and respected. Being truly listened to and heard is often a new experience which can lead to enlightenment.

Even if there is no action taken as a result of the listening experience, most people feel better afterwards. If clients go away feeling happier, more confident, less anxious or angry then that is the achievement of Salisbury Listening Place.”

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What's the Big Idea?

An Introduction to the Books of the New Testament:

2 Thessalonians

Paul wrote 2 Thessalonians from Corinth, after Silas and Timothy had returned from delivering 1 Thessalonians, in AD 51/52. His purpose in writing this letter was largely the same as the first, as the situation in the church remained largely unchanged. He writes to encourage new believers facing persecution (1:4-10), to correct a misunderstanding concerning the Lord's return (2:1-12) and to deal with the problems caused by some who refused to earn their own living (2:13-3:15).

The theme of the second coming of Jesus dominates 2 Thessalonians as with his first letter. When Jesus comes, He will defeat the '*man of lawlessness*' (2:8) and bring justice to oppressed Christians and judge their persecutors and unbelievers (1:5-10; 2:9-15). Paul was challenging the false belief that '*the day of the Lord has come*', leaving the Thessalonians shaken and frightened (2:1-2). As they were undergoing intense persecution, they thought that the second coming was imminent. Furthermore, the community contained believers who refused to work. They may have decided to stop working and await the second coming of Jesus. However, they may have been exploiting wealthier Christians' generosity in order to avoid work.

Paul's prayer for the Thessalonians is one that we can truly share in our own circumstances, as we also live in an uncertain world: *'With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may count you worthy of His calling, and that by His power He may fulfil every good purpose of yours and every act prompted by your faith. We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.'* (1:11&12).

Last Minute Reminder!

Don't look at the weather forecast, just come along to the Harnham Parish and Harnham Scouts Halls and Field on Saturday 25 July for the Harnham Fun Day and Parish Fete!

Come at 2pm and have some fun! There will be a free climbing wall and facepainter, children's disco and PERFORM workshop for the youngsters, performances of Morris Dancing and Folk Music, and all kinds of stalls.

You can get a cream tea or a hot dog, or both, and beer or Pimms at the bar. There's plenty of chances to win, on the raffle, bottle tombola, and water into wine, and opportunities to try your skill on hook-a-duck, coconut shy, splat the rat etc.

Also Harnham Harvest Table will be launching its summer season.

So see you there this Saturday!

What do they teach them in school these days?!

The following excerpts are answers by 10 and 11 year olds to history tests and Sunday school quizzes. They were collected over a period of three years by two teachers. Read carefully and enjoy the grammar, misplaced modifiers, and of course, the spelling!

The greatest writer of the Renaissance was William Shakespeare. He was born in the year 1564, supposedly on his birthday. He never made much money and is famous only because of his plays. He wrote tragedies, comedies, and hysterectomies, all in Islamic pentameter.

Writing at the same time as Shakespeare was Miguel Cervantes. He wrote Donkey Hotel. The next great author was John Milton. Milton wrote Paradise Lost. Since then, no one ever found it.

Delegates from the original 13 states formed the Contented Congress. Thomas Jefferson, a Virgin, and Benjamin Franklin were two singers of the Declaration of Independence. Franklin discovered electricity by rubbing two cats backward and also declared, "A horse divided against itself cannot stand." He was a naturalist for sure. Franklin died in 1790 and is still dead.

Johann Bach wrote a great many musical compositions and had a large number of children. In between he practiced on an old spinster which he kept up in his attic. Bach died from 1750 to the present. Bach was the most famous composer in the world and so was Handel. Handle was half German, half Italian, and half English. He was very large.

Beethoven wrote music even though he was deaf. He was so deaf that he wrote loud music and became the father of rock and roll. He took long walks in the forest even when everyone was calling for him. Beethoven expired in 1827 and later died for this.

The nineteenth century was a time of a great many thoughts and inventions. People stopped reproducing by hand and started reproducing by machine. The invention of the steamboat caused a network of rivers to spring up.

Louis Pasteur discovered a cure for rabbits but I don't know why.

Charles Darwin was a naturalist. He wrote the Organ of the Species. It was very long, people got upset about it and had trials to see if it was really true. He sort of said God's days were not just 24 hours but without watches who knew anyhow? I don't get it.

Karl Marx was one of the Marx Brothers. The other three were in the movies. Karl made speeches and started revolutions. Someone in the family had to have a job, I guess.

Moses came down with the Ten Amendments, which were God's Bill of Wrongs.

Doctors automatically know what's wrong with you. They have a sick sense

Courtesy Parish Pump website

All in the month of AUGUST

It was:

250 years ago, on 2 August 1776 that the formal signing of the US Declaration of Independence took place.

175 years ago, on 12 August 1851 that the American inventor Isaac Singer was granted a US Patent for his sewing machine. Since then, well over 100 million various models of Singer sewing machines have been sold worldwide.

Also 175 years ago, on 22 August 1851 that the first America's Cup yacht race was held. That first event was a race around the Isle of Wight, won by the American schooner *America*. The trophy was then named in honour of the first year's winner. The race is the oldest still-operating international sporting competition in any event.

150 years ago, from 13 to 17 August 1876 that the German composer Richard Wagner's complete Ring Cycle (*Der Ring des Nibelungen*) was performed for the first time, over four nights, at the Bayreuth Festspielhaus.

125 years ago, on 4 August 1901 that Louis Armstrong, American jazz trumpeter and singer, was born.

100 years ago, on 17 August 1926 that George Melly, British jazz/blues singer, critic and writer on art history, especially Pop Art and Surrealism, was born.

90 years ago, on 1 August 1936 that Yves Saint-Laurent, Algerian-born French fashion designer, was born. (Died 2008)

80 years ago, on 13 August 1946 that H G Wells, British science-fiction novelist (*War of the Worlds*, *The Time Machine*, etc) died.

Also 70 years ago, on 27 August 1956 that Britain's first nuclear power station, Calder Hall in Cumbria, began operating. It was the first nuclear power station in the world to generate power on an industrial scale and formed part of the Sellafield complex. Closed in 2003.

65 years ago, on 13 August 1961 that East Germany sealed the border between East and West Berlin with barbed wire to prevent an exodus of refugees to the West. Construction on the Berlin Wall began on 15th August. The border reopened in 1989.

60 years ago, on 1 August 1966 that the Cultural Revolution began in China. Intended to preserve China's Maoist Communist ideology, millions of people were persecuted or displaced. It ended after Mao Zedong's death in 1976.

Also 60 years ago, on 4 and 5 August 1966 that US newspapers and radio stations quoted John Lennon as saying his Beatles band was "more popular than Jesus." He provoked widespread protests, and many radio stations refused to play Beatles' records. Lennon apologised on 12 August, at the start of the Beatles final tour of the USA.

50 years ago, on 7 August 1976 that NASA's Viking 2 spacecraft went into orbit around Mars. In two years it orbited Mars about 700 times and sent back 16,000 images.

40 years ago, on 9 August 1986 that the rock band Queen performed its final live concert at Knebworth Park before the death of singer Freddie Mercury.

30 years ago, on 23 August 1996 that Saudi Arabian-born terrorist Osama bin Laden issued a fatwa entitled *A Declaration of War Against the Americans Occupying the Land of the Two Holy Places*. Few people knew who he was, and his declaration received little attention.

Also 30 years ago, on 28 August 1996 that Prince Charles and Princess Diana were divorced after 15 years of marriage.

15 years ago, on 21 August 2011 that Hurricane Irene hit the Caribbean and then North Carolina. 49 people were killed and more than \$14 billion worth of damage was done.

10 years ago, on 29 August 2016 that Gene Wilder, American film actor, died. (Films include *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* and *Blazing Saddles*.)

Wordsearch for August

Remembering John Bunyan (1628-1688)

After the Bible, John Bunyan's Christian allegory, the *Pilgrim's Progress*, is one of the most celebrated and widely read books in the English language. It has been translated into more than one hundred languages around the world and is a Christian classic. Names of people and places from its pages are known wherever English is spoken: Mr Great-Heart, Mr Valiant-for-Truth, Giant Despair, Madame Bubble, the Slough of Despond, Vanity Fair, the Delectable Mountains, the Hill Difficulty and the Celestial City.

Bunyan was a popular preacher of Baptist conviction, but because of his opposition to the Established Church and because he did not have a Church of England preaching licence, he was imprisoned in 1661. It was in prison that he wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*. He is remembered by the Church of England with a lesser festival on 30th August.

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For Better or For Worse x2

What a rotter Horatio Nelson was. Christine Mason treated members of Spire u3a to the results of her wide-ranging research into the life of Nelson's wife, Fanny. His 'affectionate' letters home told one story and reports by others of his relationship with, not just Emma Hamilton, told another. Fanny was clearly a better wife than he was a husband; faithfully caring for Nelson's elderly father and looking after her husband's interests at home in England.

As well as a monthly meeting Spire u3a nurtures a number of small interest groups (IGs). Many of these IGs meet in Harnham & two meet in the Library (Wednesday Morning Reading Group and Creative Writing). Most groups get together once a month....poetry reading, scrabble, table tennis etc. Further information at <https://spire.u3asite.uk/groups/>

Ten people have already signed up for the new Exploring AI which is due to start at the end of the summer: "For better or worse, this new know-how, 'generative AI', which emerged rather unexpectedly some three years ago, is now maturing into a remarkable set of abilities, accompanied by some enormous challenges for society.

"I hope we will discuss both the good and the bad but develop our skills more towards enabling the good and preventing the bad! The first few monthly meetings will aim to give a rounded introduction as to what AI is, how to use it and how to use it wisely."

In July the Art & Craft Group took the bus to Romsey to view the wonderful exhibition of quilts there in the Abbey and URC. In August there will be a further trip, in the ctsw minibus, to look round the Fashion Museum at Blandford and to partake of tea in the fine tearoom there. It is what summer is for.

Our speaker on Monday 10 August will be our very own Juliet ten Doeschate with more wonderful photos: Brilliant Mini Beasts part 2. Doors open at The Memorial Hall at 10am. Visitors welcome; non u3a members are invited to make a donation for refreshments.



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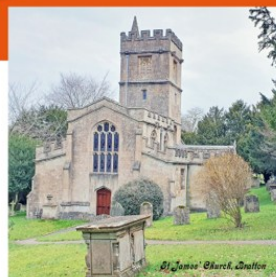
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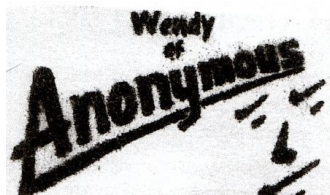
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Parish Prayer Diary for August

- 2 Harnham Garden Society
Charities supporting Net Zero aims including A Rocha, Earth Care,
World Wildlife Fund, Operation Noah and Green Christians
St Georges Road and Upper Street
- 9 All who work at the Ambulance Station and all First Responders
Berkshire Road and Mere Close
- 16 The John McNeil Centre - its staff and children and families supported
Munks Close and Old Meadows Walk
- 23 Harnham Trading Estate and all who work there
St Andrew's and St Michael's churches
Richards Way and Stephens Close
- 30 Harnham Infant and Junior Schools - teachers, ancillary staff, pupils
and governors
Middle Street and Turner Close

Prayer for August

Dear Father,

In this summer month of August, help us to be aware of Your presence. If we are away on holiday, if we can't have a holiday, on our journeys, in our homes, with our families or friends, when we're alone, when life is sweet, when it's like an obstacle course.

At all times and in all circumstances, help us to know that You are in it with us, sharing our ups and downs and offering Your love, peace and hope when we connect with You through putting our trust in Your Son, Jesus.

Thank You Lord. In His name, Amen.

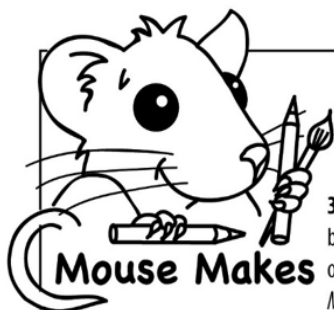
By Daphne Kitching

Christian Aid Week

I am pleased to report that the total amount collected in Salisbury during Christian Aid Week in May was £9,132.57. Of that, our contribution in Harnham was £2,296.23 (plus a further £456 by way of Gift Aid) which was even more than last year so a great result!

Sincere thanks to all volunteers who kindly gave up their time to help with distributing and gathering in envelopes and of course to everyone who donated. All donations will go towards vital projects to alleviate poverty in Kenya and elsewhere around the world.

*Tim Clayden,
Harnham Rep for Salisbury Christian Aid Committee*



1. To which city did God send Jonah?

Jonah 1:1-2



2. Where did Paul travel to after seeing a vision?

Acts 16:9-10

MOAB

3. Which sea did Jesus walk beside before he went up on the mountain?

Matthew 15:29

5. Which town did Naomi and Ruth travel to after leaving Moab?

Ruth 1:22



6. Where did Paul and Barnabas go after being persecuted in Antioch?

Acts 13:51

4 across

After Paul was stoned, where did he travel to with Barnabas?

Acts 14:19-20

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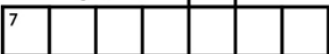
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Where was Saul travelling to when Jesus appeared to him?

Acts 9:3



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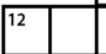
JERUSALEM

7 across

Where did the Church in Jerusalem send Barnabas?

Acts 11:22

10 JOURNEYS



JUDEA

7 down

Where did Noah's ark come to rest after its journey?

Genesis 8:4

9. To which city did Philip travel to proclaim Christ?

Acts 8:5

10. To which river did people travel out to to be baptised?

Mark 1:5

11. After a five day journey where did Paul arrive?

Acts 20:6

GALILEE

12. Which sea did Moses walk through to get away from the Egyptians?

Exodus 15:4

8. To where did Mary and Joseph flee to get away from Herod?

Matthew 2:13



13. Where did Paul travel to after he left Athens?

Acts 18:1



READINGS FOR AUGUST

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| 2 | Ninth Sunday after Trinity
Jonah 3 & 4 | John 13:1-5 |
| 9 | Tenth Sunday after Trinity
Acts 2:42-47 | Matthew 16:13-20 |
| 16 | Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
1 Corinthians 13:8-13 | Mark 9:1-10 |
| 23 | Twelfth Sunday after Trinity
1 Corinthians 12:12-16 | Matthew 10:29-31 |
| 30 | Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
TBC | |



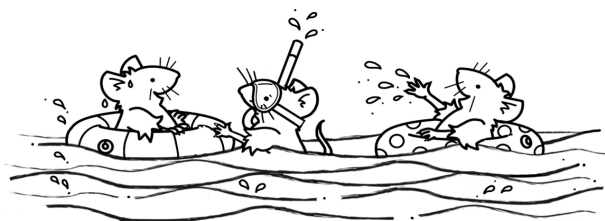
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 Wellbeing Walk (30mins) 1st and 3rd Wednesdays 1000 from Parish Hall
 Pause for Prosecco in Field View Room 2nd Thursday 1930

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| 1 | Harnham Harvest Table in Parish Hall Field | 1000-1200 |
| 5 | Pause for Thought at Rose and Crown | 1930 |
| 8 | Harnham Harvest Table in Recreation Ground | 1000-1200 |
| 10 | Spire u3a meeting in Memorial Hall | 1000 for 1030 |
| 12 | Bubble Fest with Revd Sophie at Harnham Social Club playground | 1000 |
| 12 | Salisbury Folk Club at Harnham Social Club | 1900 for 1930 |
| 12 | Pause for Thought at Rose and Crown | 1930 |
| 15 | Harnham Harvest Table in Parish Hall Field | 1000-1200 |
| 15 | Harnham Water Meadows Trust Open Afternoon | 1400-1700 |
| 16 | Extraordinary Annual General Meeting after St George's 10am service | |
| 19 | Ecumenical Prayers for peace in Cathedral Trinity Chapel | 1200 -1230 |
| 19 | Pause for Thought at Rose and Crown | 1930 |
| 22 | Harnham Harvest Table in Recreation Ground | 1000-1200 |
| 25 | Magazine Collation in Field View | 1230 |
| 26 | Pause for Thought at Rose and Crown | 1930 |
| 29 | Harnham Harvest Table in Parish Hall Field | 1000-1200 |



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