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From the (Guest) Editor:

Welcome to the July/August 2021 edition of *Spire & Tower*, under the continued guest editorship of the Curate (who now has help from Christina Solou, as Assistant Editor).

First, apologies for the delay in publishing this edition of the magazine. As you may be aware I have been unwell, but I am on the mend now, thankfully. Well, I say I am on the mend. Another bug has now got hold of me. It is always less than reassuring to be told by a doctor that you are suffering from a "mystery" illness! However, it is also reassuring to be told there are no "red flags" either. So, either I will shake this off soon or else end up in a medical journal.

Thanks to everyone for contributing items for this edition. Thanks in particular to Julie and John Batsford-White for the children's section. Thanks to Mavis Cracknell for her lovely tribute to Mary Rice. Thanks also to our lovely wedding couples who allowed us to take photos for the magazine.

We have our usual regular items, including "A View from the Vicar" and "Previously in Your Parish Magazine" (featuring an account of the 1921 MayFair by a visitor from Somerset!). In addition, we have a profile of our newest Curate, Janice Price, who has joined us as a Distinctive Deacon.

Anyone feeling creative? This edition also features a parish photography competition (for more details see page 14) with prizes to be won. Winners to be announced in church and in the next edition of the magazine.

If you have an enquiry about the magazine I am on leave 25th July to 6 August (inclusive) and I will get back to you on my return.

The Reverend Michael Johns-Perring
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A View from the Vicar

“Deacon is a curious word: it comes from the Greek diakonos or diakone, which means ‘one who serves’”

As Janice Price arrives back in the parish, it is a chance to reflect about what ministry is, what the Church is, and what sort of community it attempts to be. For on June 27th, Janice was ordained a deacon in the Church of England. Deacon is a curious word: it comes from the Greek diakonos or diakone, which means ‘one who serves’. Scattered in the letters of St Paul one gets glimpses of characters who had importance in the early churches that were strewn across the Mediterranean: as well as the ‘main’ apostles, there’s Timothy, Apollos, Phoebe, Junias, Aristobulus, Stephanas and all the rest, often named at the end of a letter when Paul is giving name checks to people he wants to remember. Within this, there are references to two particular ‘offices’ in the Church: one is diakonos; the other is ‘episkopos’, which we translate as ‘bishop’ only because that’s the word we use in the Church today. If you were literally translating it, it means ‘scout’ or ‘overseer’. (There is a word for ‘elder’ or ‘priest’, presbus, but this word tends to be used metaphorically e.g. for ‘the priesthood of all believers’, rather than as a specific ‘office’ or job within the church.)

What’s notably absent is a word you might expect: ‘leader’. Even if there were church leaders, they aren’t called leaders: and it’s not that there aren’t words for this in Greek: there are, namely hegemon or strategos, but neither is used by the Church in the New Testament. That’s quite significant, I think. In a world of the Roman Empire, with its armies, emperors, praetors and pro-consuls, the Church was consciously trying to model a new way, where the significant people were called ‘servants’ and ‘scouts’; terms which underplayed importance rather than emphasised it. And the Church of England indicates this still a little in its terminology: I am not the ‘leader’ of St Andrew & St Mark, I am the ‘vicar’, a funny term which is linked to the word ‘vicarious’. When the bishop can’t get around, he leaves ‘vicars’, who can act vicariously for him; again, in a congrega-

tion, we have church wardens, rather than church leaders.

Clearly, there’s some leadership going on in any parish, but the Church is rightly careful of the words it uses. It recognises that people can get too big for their boots, and develop unhelpful egos. Now, those who’ve been around churches for a long time will be aware that egos still exist even here, whatever the nomenclature, but the terminology is, I believe, an attempt to guard against it.

Jesus taught us to serve; in being a deacon, in serving, Janice will aim both to be like Christ, and to help build up the body of Christ. ✕

The Reverend Robert Stanier is Vicar of St Andrew and St Mark, Surbiton



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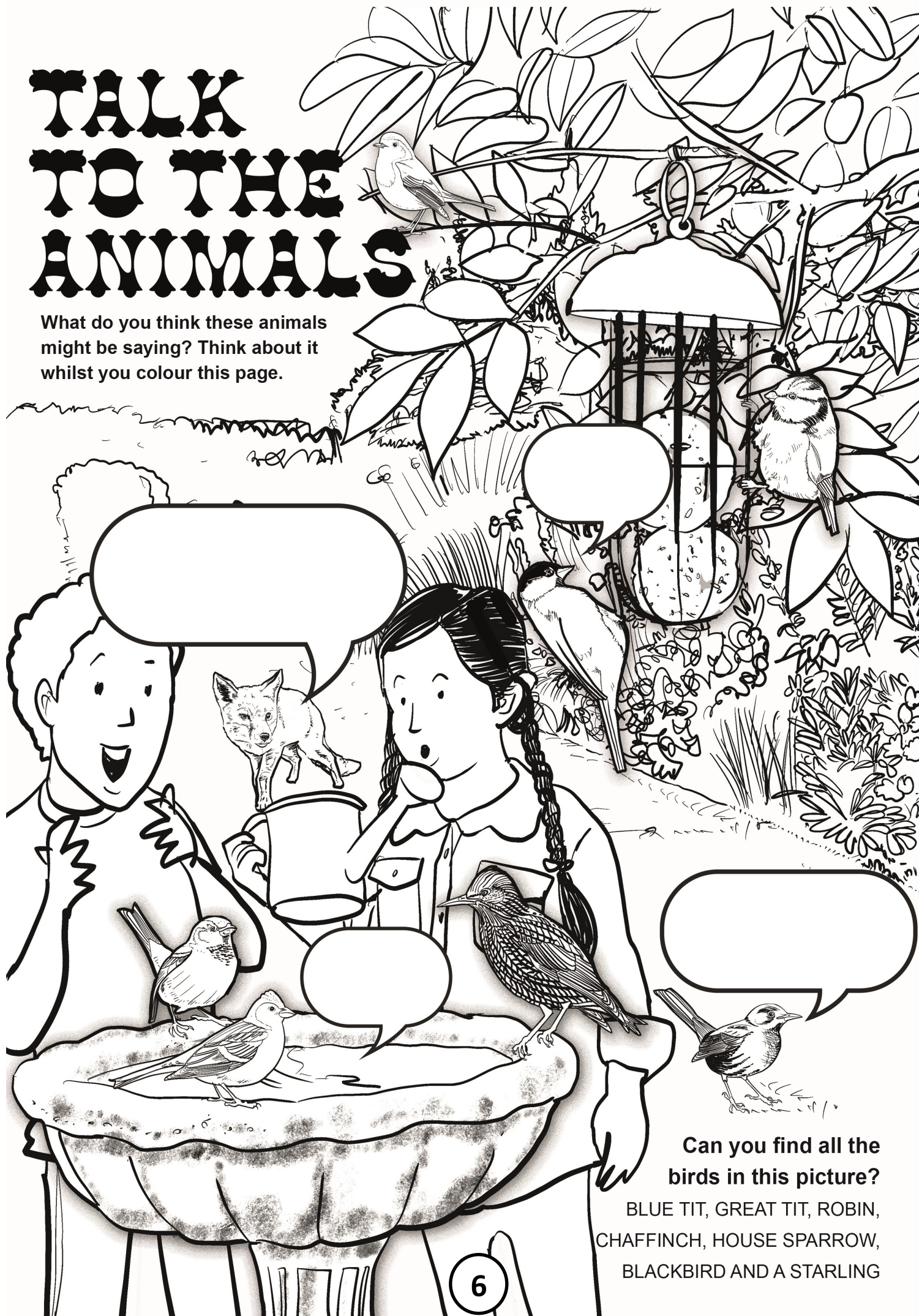
Our Distinctive Deacon



It was a case of welcome back to Janice Price, a familiar face at St Andrew's and St Mark's. But this time, Janice joins us as an Assistant Curate. She was ordained Deacon at Southwark Cathedral on Saturday 26th June, by Jonathan Clark, Bishop of Croydon. This photo was taken at the 11 o'clock Eucharist on Sunday 27th June. See more on the meaning of the "Deacon" in A View from the Vicar (page 3) and find out more about Janice in her profile (page 15) ✕

TALK TO THE ANIMALS

What do you think these animals might be saying? Think about it whilst you colour this page.



Can you find all the birds in this picture?

BLUE TIT, GREAT TIT, ROBIN,
CHAFFINCH, HOUSE SPARROW,
BLACKBIRD AND A STARLING

Caring for the Environment

Saint Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals and the environment. He lived in Italy a very long time ago from 1182 -1226. Yet even today people pray to him to help protect nature and the environment. He loved all creatures, and even preached to the birds. Legend has it that he spoke to a wolf near the village he lived in and persuaded the wolf not to harm the villagers of Gubbio. Kind Saint Francis considered all creatures his 'brothers' and 'sisters', and would look up at the stars at night and talk to 'Sister Moon'.

Saint Francis looked after the poor and lived a life that he felt Jesus would have lived. He wanted to follow Jesus' good example in all that he did. By caring for the environment he was following Jesus' love of nature and even the most humble of animals.

You, too, can follow in Saint Francis' footsteps. It doesn't have to be difficult, especially now that it is summer. If you have a garden feeder, put some bird seed in it to keep the birds fed during the hot summer. Look up online how to make a hedgehog home to attract this increasingly rare animal into your garden. Or just spend more time than usual with your pet. If you don't have a garden, take time to really look at the different leaves there are on trees in the park, the soft moss on old walls, or the flowers in the park or by the river. All this is a way of letting nature 'talk' to you, and revealing God's infinite powers of creation from the humble snail to the mighty oak.

You can do so much to help the environment in ways that Saint Francis would not have dreamed of. Try not to buy water in plastic bottles, and reuse plastic bags when you can. Perhaps you don't need that little plastic toy that much? When throwing things away, always recycle when you can. These are really helpful ways of helping to protect the oceans from being filled with plastic waste.

The world is full of natural beauty: it's free but it's precious. So when you are next talking to the birds like Saint Francis, remember to put some bird feed and water out for them if you can!

Saint Francis loved talking to the birds, who he considered his brothers and sisters. Find as many of the birds of the world as you can here.

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Eagle	Swallow
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Remembering Mary

Mavis Cracknell's Eulogy for Mary Rice (1928-2021), a much-loved member of our church community and former choir member

It is my great privilege to present this eulogy for Mary who was a person of many parts!

I have known her for approximately 45 years and it all began in this very Church in the new choir being set up by the then Organist, Tony Cooper. Music was a large part of Mary's life and as well as singing alto she was also a very good pianist. At this time she also began to have organ lessons and became capable in that instrument. She loved opera and enjoyed both live Opera and her large collection of tapes and CDs. Her time with the choir included singing alongside members of the choir group here today including Claire Pedder at her special request.

Mary enjoyed travelling worldwide and seeing new places. This included the choir visits to sing at many Cathedrals. It also included many visits to her American friend, Primrose, with whom she kept in touch throughout many years. She also very much enjoyed her visit to the Holy Land. She also visited us in Holland when she came on business. I remember one particular incident in Holland when she and I were visiting an Art Gallery in Rotterdam. We were waiting to check our coats in what we thought was an orderly queue when from the desk an English Voice shouted out 'are you two Brits going to stand there all day behind this crowd?' 'Come on through'. The crowd parted like the Red Sea and Mary and I, red faced, walked forward! Mary commented that there was something to be said for looking British! On her travels in England Mary drove her own car and passed her Advanced Motorist Test. This gave her great freedom to go on holiday and visit old friends.

Mary also loved her job as a Court Stenographer. It gave her opportunities to learn about many subjects and a chance to travel both in Britain and Europe. When our Son was hoping to join a Law firm in London her advice was invaluable. He took the advice and never regretted it. She kept in touch with people from her former employers and enjoyed the outings they arranged. As mobility became more of a problem Mary enjoyed the cinema and our visits to the Esher

Odeon with Joan Larkin were memorable. Sometimes we saw unexpected films if the one we wanted was on the upper floor and there are no lifts! We purchased our ice creams and settled in for an afternoon of varied entertainment. Mary also loved to read and was proficient in Knitting and Embroidery. This gave her much pleasure as she became less able. I'm sure many of us have the cards she embroidered for birthdays and Christmas.

Mary remained constant in her Church Life showing a lively interest in the Mothers' Union and in the refurbishment of both St Andrew's and St Mark's. The Thursday morning Communion Service was of great help to her and she was grateful to those who gave her transport. She was also grateful to those who bought her Holy Communion while she was in the Home of Compassion.

She was a good friend who kept in touch with people wherever she could both by letter and phone and then by Computer. She will be sadly missed by all those concerned. ☒

Michael, our Curate, adds:

Mary was one of the first people I visited when I arrived in parish. I would go on to visit her often, where she lived in the Home of Compassion in Thames Ditton, taking her Home Communion when I could. The last time I saw her when life was "normal", prior to the first lockdown, we watched some racing from the Cheltenham Festival together (seems a lifetime ago!). It would be a long time before I was next able to visit her in person, given restrictions on visiting—but when I did, we had a good chat about the state of the world and we sat outside, at a distance, in the sunshine. The last time I saw her, this time indoors, after a Lateral Flow Test, she was still sharp—and thinking of others. She spoke of her concern for all the businesses affected by this pandemic and asked that I pray for those who worked for them. Mary could be feisty, and she was a character, but she was, above all, a kind person. I am pleased I got to know her, however briefly. ☒

Notices & messages

If you would like a notice or a personal message included in a future edition of our magazine, please contact the Editor.

Come dine with us

Join us for our next Parish Lunch at Glenmore House (6 The Crescent Surbiton) on Sunday 3rd October at 12pm for 12.30pm.

£24 per person. Meat, fish and vegetarian options available, and gluten-free. Service charge included.

Michael, the Curate, went along to the July lunch and says “these lunches offer great food, at a reasonable price, and pleasant company—I would recommend this to all parishioners, old and new”.

Please book and pay by 25th September.

Contact: Olga Wickenden 07963 878 218

The Flying Circus Lunch Club returns

After some time off, and the odd virtual adventure, the Flying Circus Lunch Club will be returning this September. Look out for more details!

The art of flower arranging

Our flower arranging team is looking for new members. Contact Jackie Page for more information on how you can get involved.

Help for our furry friends

We would very much appreciate contributions to our bird feeders in the grounds of St Mark's. And if you would like to top up the bird bath that would also be appreciated. And if anyone would like to top up our 5* bug hotel with twigs and pine cones that would be great! Thanks very much.

Eco Committee

Answers to the “How well do you know the parish” crossword (June/July 2021):

Across

2 Name the other river that runs through/past the parish: Hogsmill

3 Two halls of residence from which university are in our parish?: Kingston

6 The Coronation Clock in Claremont Gardens commemorates the coronation of which monarch? Edward VII

7 The other station in the parish, besides Surbiton station: Berrylands

10 The WHAT is a park that contains the Richard Jefferies bird sanctuary? Wood

Down

1 Which Diocese borders our parish at Victoria Recreation Ground? Guildford

4 Guru Harrai Sahib WHAT is a Sikh Temple in our parish: Gurdwara

5 What's the name of the island in our parish?: Raven's Ait

8 Which Diocese is on the other side of the river? London

9 WHAT Walk Nature Reserve can be found on the edge of the parish? Rose



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Letters from previous Vicars

The Hardest Pilgrimage of All: 25 years ago

“One of our hardest pilgrimages and one I know we all understand and share is the pilgrimage into our own hearts and souls—the years spent searching—questioning—travelling—seeking a place where Christ can dwell in every aspect of our being. The words of a well-known hymn come to mind: “O come to my heart Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart for thee.

“As Christians, our pilgrimage is not a day out—a coach trip and a cream tea. It is a journey through life in the company of the Lord who walked the way before us. As we follow the example of his journey through this life and the pain and sacrifice he endured for us, it should be easier for us to return some of that love and commitment.

“Often, it is not until we reach the end that we realise what our pilgrimage has been all about. Nothing makes sense until we look back at the joy and suffering in our lives which makes them a real pilgrimage. Each day a step closer to God, a step nearer Our Lord and a small offering in thanksgiving for the road he walked before us to prepare the way.

Father Geoffrey”

(from July 1996 edition of *Spire & Tower*)

Bricks and mortar: 50 years ago

“At its last meeting on June 17th the Church Council learned of the discovery of wet and dry rot in wood and brickwork at eaves level in the east wall of the Lady Chapel where it adjoins the Chancel. We hope that this is a localised outbreak and immediate action has been taken to arrest it and to deal with whatever defect in the roof outside has allowed water to seep in and set this going.

“If a more detail survey at this point from the outside indicates that a more extensive survey of the roof at this level is desirable we shall have to consider whether to do this, and if so, how, in the light of estimated cost. The Council should not, could not and would not embark on a major operation of this kind without first consulting the whole Congregation. In any case, the Council felt, it is desirable to lay the whole prospect of future maintenance before St Andrew’s members and to take counsel together.”

“Your sincere friend, and Vicar.

Arthur W Holder”

(from July 1971 edition of *St Andrew’s News*)

Mayfair success

100 years ago

“My dear People,

Our issue this month is an enlarged special “Mayfair” number. So big and splendid an effort, in which so many enthusiastically worked together, ought to be worthily report. Hence our indefatigable Editor has collected together quite a number of impressions of Mayfair, the bulk of which appear in our columns. For my part, I want to put on record the one abiding effect of all my own impressions before Mayfair, during the great three days and after in the weeks that have elapsed since it has closed. It is that of real deep thankfulness to everyone of our huge body of Workers for all they did and the way in which they did it. All along from the moment of its inception at the Church Council Meeting to the day on which I write . . ., everyone has worked gladly and with a will. And not the least profit that is ours and one which the Balance Sheet will not show, is the good comradeship and the growth of corporate feeling that this joining together in this common task has resulted in.”

“Believe me to be, ever your affectionate friend
and Vicar, W J Margetson”

(from July 1921 edition of *St Mark’s and St Andrew’s Parish Magazine*)

Other news and views from 100, 50 and 25 years ago

Mrs Pollen, from Somerset, visits Mayfair (Marjorie Shillito, July 1921)

“Yus Miss, I bin to Lunnon, and aw ’tis a turble place though! What wi’ the crowds o’ folks, an’ all the motors an’ things fillin’ up the roads.

“Howsomever, I arrives to me daughters house at last-her what married Bill Dyke and lives in Surbiton yer know-an’ not sooner do I put foot inside the door than she do say as how there wur a big Fair goin’ on that day in Surbiton, an’ we must hurry on, or we should miss the openin!

“Wull, I wur feeling’ fair ’mazed loike after me journey an’ the noise an’ all, but she hustles me on, an’ I wur glad after, that she did, fer I wouldn’ have missed any o’ that Mayfair for anything’.

“Inside o’ a gurt tend wur lots o’ wonderful stalls, that yet could get most anything’ at. Then I sees writ up in big letters, “Competition Tent”, so I makes me daughter go ower there, thinkin’ p’r’aps there’d be an ironin’ competitions, or one to guess the ages’ o’ young pigs, but bless yer, there was nothing o’ the sort. In one Competition yer had to thraw cards in a basket. “Wull”, I thinks, “that do be ’asy enough fer sure,” but no sooner would I thraw a card, than a puff o’ wind came ’nd blew it sideways, ’till I got ’xasperated that I tied me handkerchief round the rest an’ threw ’em all together; but the lady wouldn’ count that.

““No more Competitions,” says I, so we goes up tother end o’ the groun an’ has a coker-nut shy. I pulls up we sleeves, an’ throws me hardest, an down comes a coker-nut so I didn’t wurry any more ’bout thrown’ the cards straight.

“Then Susan, she do say as I must go on the round-a-bout, but when I seed the folks a-perched on little wooden horses, an’ a whizzing’ round, I felt all giddy loike to see ’em; but when they stopped, Susan, she drags I forrad, an’ I clutches me coker-nut in one hand, an’ me skirts in t’other an’ somehow I wur hoist-

ed up. This wi’ a jerk that went nigh to rollin’ me off me horse, the machinery started, an’ then the music so as to drown the cries o’ any poor folks what fell off, fer the saddles wur that small an slippery. Oh! I’ll never forget that roide. I dropped me coker-nut, fer I thought either that or me life must go, an’ I put my arms round the horse’s neck, an’ set to screamin’ ’till I got on firm ground once more. Then feelin’ all dazed loike, we walked down the grounds agen, an’ saw some men on motorcycles, a roidin’ in an’ out of bottles, an’ a playin’ a kind o’ musical chairs. I enjoyed that foine!

“Well, then Susan says we must be goin’ on home, but a lady near heard her say it, an up an’ said as we must write our opinion of the Fair in a little book fust.

“Wull, I’d enjoyed me afternoon so much that I didn’t know how to be putting’ it all down, so I jist wrote, “It couldn’t have been done better in Somerset,” an’ that was the biggest praise I could give, wasn’ it, Miss?”

Ways and Means—“3d-Piece Scheme” (H.E.E., July 1971)

“With the gradual disappearance of the old 3d piece (one seldom sees the coin at all these days), some of us have come to the conclusion that in place of the old scheme, we might usefully rid our pockets and purses of the smallest of the new coins now circulating by introducing a “New Halfpenny Scheme”.

“These can be collected in bank envelopes in multiples of 50 (value 25p) in each envelope. A supply of these envelopes will be found on the table inside the Church.

“At a recent meeting of the PCC, a figure of 1,000,000 coins was mentioned as a possible target. This will ultimately involve the use of 40,000 envelopes.

“Shall we try to raise £5,000 in this way as soon as ever possible? As a Curtain Raiser to the new Scheme may I ask that on Sunday August 1st we all try to give one new 1/2p for each year of our age, with no questions asked! ✕

*Readers' Pictures:
Life Events and Life
in all its fullness*



Cover photo: Daisy and Sean



"The Marriage of Liz and Tom"
Photo credit the Editor



"The Baptism of Lyra ", photo contributed
We are currently hosting a number of Christenings as restrictions have continued to lift. If you interested in having your child baptised, please get in touch (contacts on page 23).

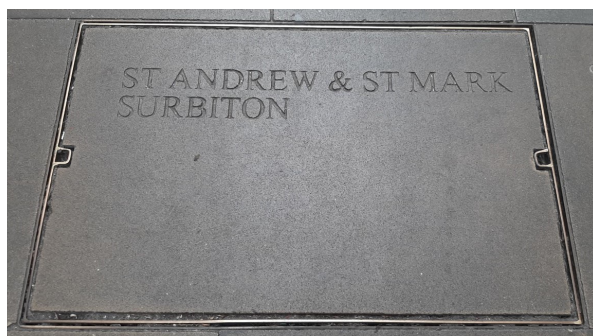


For marriage and baptism enquiries, please get in touch with a member of clergy or the parish administrator (see Directory on pg 23).

We would love to hear from you.



△ “Many happy returns”: Here, Michael is pictured visiting Rita, on her 103rd birthday, which she celebrated recently. To put that in



△ Where was this photo taken? Answers in e-mail please.



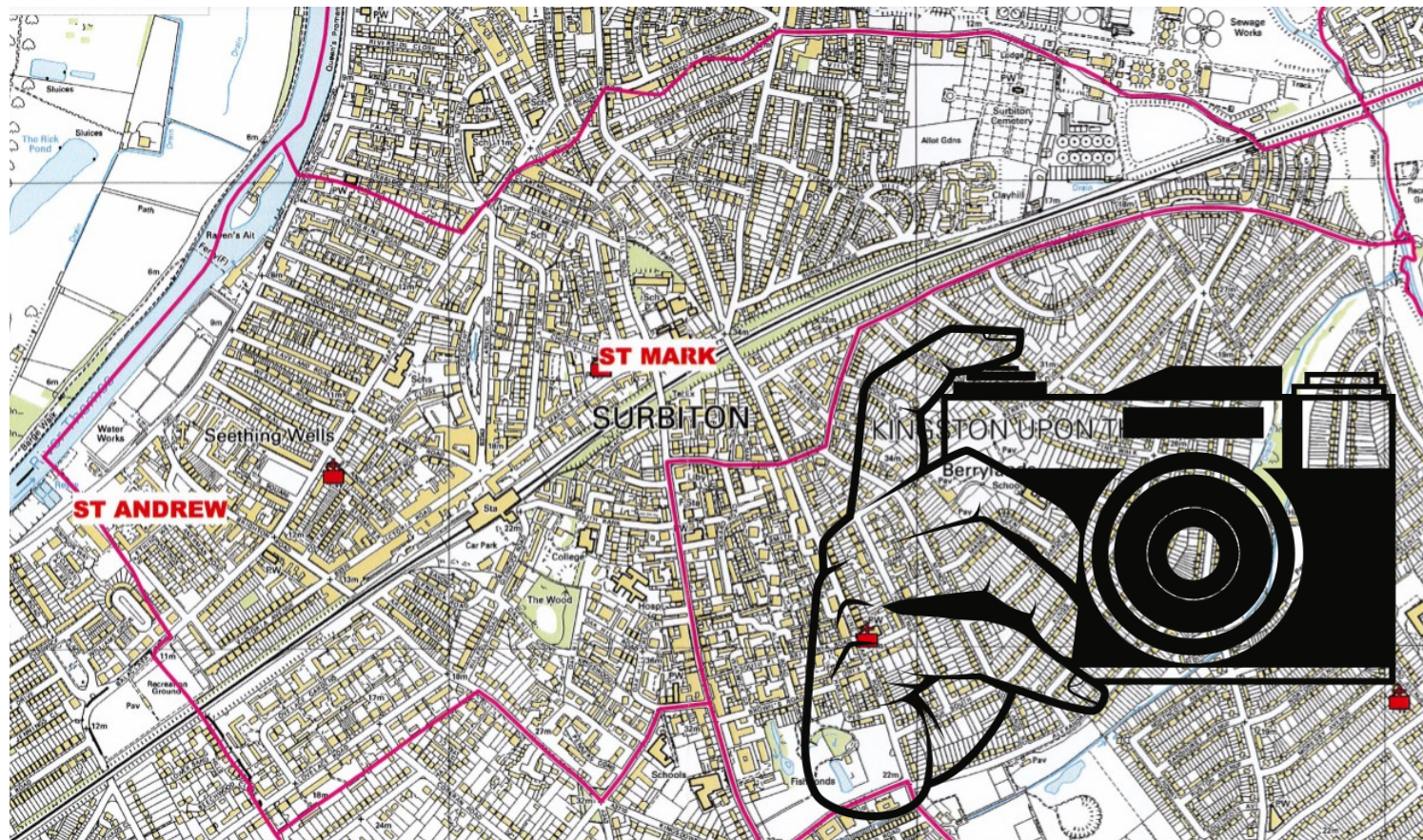
△ “Five star accommodation”: a sign for our bug hotel, designed by Isla and Penny Johns-Perring

▽ Remembering Commander Michael Vaughan Photo credit: the Editor



▽ “Howzat!?” Robert, Michael and Janice spent the afternoon at the Oval, recently, for a day of Surrey vs Somerset in the County Championship. They saw Jack Leach, the one whose glasses steam up even without a mask, get a “fifer”! Selfie credit: The Curate on the right





Get clicking: Parish photography competition!

We are inviting entries for our parish photography competition. Photographs can be of any subject, but must be taken within the boundaries of our parish (see map above—you can also consult the “A Church Near You” website for the parish boundaries). **We are looking for striking images that capture an aspect of our local community.** There are two entries: adults (18+) and young people (up to 17 years). The best photos will be published in our September/October magazine, with the winning photo by a young person going on the cover. The winning adult photographer will receive a certificate and a bottle of our church gin. The winning young person photographer will receive a certificate and an introduction to digital photography book.

Entries by e-mail to the Editor (sasmscurate@outlook.com) by 12 noon on Tuesday 21st September 2021.

No entry fee (although donations always welcome!). No limit on the number of photos one person can submit (within reason!). Please include details of what your photograph(s) is/are of, and a title for your photograph(s), if any, and whether you are 17 or younger (the task of submitting can be delegated to a parent or carer on your behalf) or 18 or older. Judging to be done by Editor and Assistant Editor.



Janice Price

Find out more about a familiar face and the newest member of the ministry team

Where were you born?

I was born in Exeter and soon after my Mum moved to Worcester.

What family do you have?

I have always lived in a large extended family though my Mum raised me as a single-parent. There were always lots of aunts, uncles, grandparents and cousins and we all lived near each other. Jan, my partner, has 4 children and 8 grandchildren and I have lots of cousins who are having their own families now so we live in a large, blended family.

What do you do in church?

In 1988 I was Licensed and Admitted as a Reader in Southwark Cathedral. Since then I have served as a Reader in urban, rural and suburban parishes in London, Worcestershire and Surbiton. In 2016 I sensed my vocation changing and I started the discernment process for ordination as a Distinctive Deacon. Now I am looking forward enormously to serving in this new capacity at St Andrews and St Marks.

How long you have been associated with St Andrews's & St Mark's?

When we were moving to this area I looked at the websites of all the local churches and was attracted to St Andrews and St Marks by its emphasis on inclusivity. That was the first clue that I might find a home here. Then I attended St Marks at Epiphany 2006 and heard John Kelly preach. He preached a theologically and Biblically insightful sermon and I knew this was a community I wanted to be part of.

How do you relax?

I like watching cricket and golf and I have recently started playing croquet. I'm also learning the art of doing cryptic crosswords. Jan and I like visiting gardens nearby and looking after the grandchildren – though that isn't always relaxing!!

What single thing would improve the quality of your life?

I'm very content with most things but seeing more of family and friends would improve life enormously.

What is your favourite meal?

I don't have a favourite meal but like lots of different foods and trying new things.

Most enjoyable book?

It has to be Barchester Towers by Anthony Trollope. Having spent a large part of my life doing church things I appreciate his astute and nuanced understanding of human nature as it works in the church. There is a lot of Barchester in the current C of E.

Favourite Bible verse(s)?

Philippians 4:4 'Rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice.'

Which English cricket captain do you identify with most?

I admire Mike Brearley out of all England captains. He wasn't always the best player on the field but led with enormous insight and got the best out of all his players. His book The Art of Captaincy is a brilliant study of leadership.

Where do you like to go for holidays?

Norfolk, Yorkshire and my native Worcestershire.

What is your idea of perfect happiness?

Sitting in the Pavilion at New Road, Worcester the home of Worcestershire County Cricket Club, drinking tea and discussing all matters cricket. Bliss!

What is the most important lesson life has taught you?

Not to think too much of myself. Others matter more.

Janice was questioned by the other Curate.

Next edition's profile: Toni Mitchell

Keeping it crafty

Michael, the Curate, recently hosted an introduction to Linocut printing session in St Mark's Hall. Here are some pictures from the evening. Many of those who attended were complete beginners, but the results were amazing! (And we only had to get the first aid kit out once!)



Toni and Moira (being quiet!?)
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Chris and Christina make their masterpieces
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Michael is planning another session, potentially in the autumn. Keep an eye out for updates.



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Serves 6

Ingredients

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300g leftover cooked ham
About 300g leftover cooked vegetables
About 300g leftover stuffing, if you have it
500g puff pastry
1 egg, lightly beaten, to glaze

For the velouté sauce

125g butter
115g plain flour
600ml hot ham stock (or giblet, chicken or turkey stock)
600ml double cream
2 heaped tbsp. wholegrain mustard
Sea salt and black pepper

Method

First make the sauce. Melt the butter in a saucepan, stir in the flour and cook gently for 2-3 minutes. Gradually stir in the hot stock, then bring to the boil, stirring all the time. Simmer for a few minutes, pour in the cream and bring back to the boil. Simmer for a few minutes longer, until you have a smooth sauce. Stir in the mustard, then taste and season as necessary – if you have used ham stock you probably won't need any salt.

Roughly shred the leftover turkey and dice the ham. Put the meat in a large pie dish with the vegetables and the stuffing, if using, pour over the sauce and mix well so everything is coated in the sauce. Push a pie funnel into the centre of the mixture, if you have one.

Preheat the oven to 180°C/350°F/gas mark 4. Roll out the pastry on a lightly floured surface to about 3mm thick. Brush the edges of the pie dish with a little of the beaten egg. Lift up the pastry on the rolling pin and use to cover the pie. Trim off the excess pastry, leaving a little overhanging the sides, then tuck under to give a neat edge. Press down with your thumb all around the edge to seal.

Brush the pastry with beaten egg and sprinkle with black pepper. If you haven't put a pie funnel in the pie, make a couple of small slits in the centre of the pastry with a sharp knife. Place in the oven and bake for about 40 minutes, until the pastry is golden brown and the filling is piping hot. If you have any cranberry sauce and gravy left over, you could mix them together, heat thoroughly and serve with the pie.

Have a recipe we
should all try?

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News from the Diocese

Renewed Environment Policy is unanimously approved by Diocese of Southwark Synod

The Diocese of Southwark's Synod recently unanimously approved its renewed Environment Policy, thereby continuing, and building on, the Diocese's commitment made at Synod in 2019 to register as an Eco Diocese and work towards achieving the Bronze Eco Diocese Award by 2025.

The Bishop of Kingston, the Rt Revd Dr Richard Cheetham, proposed the following motion: "This Synod welcomes and approves the Diocesan Environment Policy as the next step on our journey in line with the Fifth Anglican Mark of Mission (to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth)."

The motion was approved unanimously, which means that the Diocese is a step closer to applying for the Eco Diocese Bronze Award.

The renewed policy is rooted in the Bible, the Fifth Mark of Mission, and the Southwark Vision's imagery of a fruitful future.

24 New Deacons for the Diocese

As well as our very own Janice Price, 23 other candidates were ordained Deacon in Southwark Cathedral on 26th June, by the Bishop of Croydon. Those now serving their titles, include: Henry Akingbemisilu Thamesmead Team Ministry; Jane Andrews Putney Team Ministry; Simon Asquith Merton Priory Team Ministry; Dr Charles (Charlie) Bell St John the Divine w St James the Apostle, Kennington; Gemma Birt St John the Evangelist, East Dulwich; Timothy (Tim) Brunt Christ Church, Streatham; Daniel Burton All Saints, Carshalton Dr Sylvia Collins-Mayo Mortlake w East Sheen Team Ministry; Louisa Davies St Michael & All Angels w St Stephen, Wandsworth; Luke Demetri St Michael & All Angels w St James, Croydon; Leigh Engeham St Anne & All Saints, South Lambeth; Harry Frost Holy Trinity, Wallington; Christopher (Chris) Gaul St Peter, Brockley; Katie Kelly St Edward the Confessor, Mottingham; Capt Nicholas Lebey CA Tolworth, Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry; Carolyn Madanat St Paul, Kingston Hill; Max Marsh St Mary the Virgin, Lewisham; Jack O'Grady All Saints w Holy Trinity, Wandsworth; Dr Francesca Perlman Cheam Team Ministry; Janice Price St Andrew & St Mark, Surbiton; Charlotte (Charlie) Smith Richmond Team Ministry; Luke Whiteman Christ Church, Gipsy Hill; Susan

Wright Parish of Herne Hill; Helga Zunde-Baker All Saints, Hackbridge & Beddington Corner

New Priests

On 3rd July, the following were ordained priest.

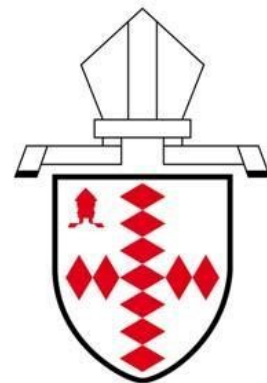
At Croydon Minster, by the Bishop of Croydon: David Atkinson Springfield Church, Wallington; Susan (Sue) Bosley Horley Team Ministry; Judith Brooks St Matthew, Redhill; Lisa Fairman-Brown Christ Church, Purley; Lotwina Farodoye, Oxted Team Ministry

At All Saints, Kingston, by the Bishop of Kingston: Ian Luke-Macauley St Barnabas, Clapham Common; Alastair Newman St Matthew, Wimbledon Team Ministry; Shavaun Shodeinde St Mary Magdalene, Wandsworth Common; Luke Steven The Ascension, Balham Hill

At St Peter, Walworth, by the Bp of Woolwich: Esther-Jael Olabisi (Bisi) Akano-Adesoye Thamesmead Team Ministry; Adelaide Davies United Benefice of Charlton; Rachael Gledhill St Barnabas, Dulwich; Delorine Green St Peter, Walworth John Henry Christ Church, Southwark; Robert (Rob) Slater-Carr St George the Martyr w St Alphege and St Jude, Southwark; Daniel Walker St Margaret of Antioch, Lee; Daniel Wyman Holy Trinity, Eltham

Can I still get The Bridge (our Diocesan newspaper?)

Yes you can, but it is currently available online only. It is available here: <https://southwark.anglican.org/news-events/news/the-bridge-newspaper>



From the national church

Bishop of London urges caution and pays tribute to vaccinators as restrictions lift

The Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally, has encouraged churches and individuals to continue to take precautions to protect the vulnerable from Covid-19. She was speaking as guidance was issued by the Church of England to help churches prepare for stage 4 of the Government's roadmap for the lifting of restrictions.

Bishop Sarah, who chairs the Church of England's Recovery Group, said: "The relaxation of restrictions on Monday is only possible because of the vaccination programme which has reduced the percentage of those with Covid who become seriously ill or die.

"We are indebted to all who have developed and administered the vaccines and we encourage anyone who has not yet done so to take advantage of the protection they offer.

"Many will welcome the possibilities now before us, not least increased numbers at life events and a long awaited return of congregational and amateur choir singing. However, this is a difficult point in the course

of the pandemic. Despite vaccination rates, cases are up, hospital admissions are up and long covid remains an ongoing concern. Therefore our approach needs to be cautious and careful.

"Taking personal responsibility means responsibility for our neighbour, not just for ourselves, and taking precautions to protect those more vulnerable than we consider ourselves to be. Local church leaders know their communities and their own circumstances, and we will support them making local decisions to keep themselves and their community safe. We would ask everyone to support those making local decisions and respect risk assessments, which are in place to protect everyone as we enter the next phase."

Topical prayer

Collect marking the return of Congregational Singing:

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Services for the remainder of July 2021

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SUN 25 July	0800	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's / Facebook
	0915	Family Worship	St Mark's
Trinity VIII	1100	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew's / Z + F
	1800	Evening Prayer	St Andrew's / Facebook
THU 29th July	1030	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's
FRI 30th July	0830	Eucharist	St Andrew's

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Holy Days/Commemorations for the remainder of July

25 James the Apostle

26 Anne and Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

27 Brooke Foss Westcott, Bp of Durham, Teacher of the Faith, 1901

29 Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Companions of Our Lord

30 William Wilberforce, Social Reformer, 1833

31 Ignatius of Loyola, Founder of the Society of Jesus, 1556

Where Holy Days and Commemorations fall on a Sunday, they may be observed on the following Monday



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Holy Days/Commemorations in August

4 Jean-Baptiste Vianney, Spiritual Guide, 1859

5 Oswald, King of Northumbria, Martyr, 642

6 The Transfiguration of Our Lord

7 John Mason Neale, Hymn Writer, 1866

8 Dominic, Founder of the Order of Preachers

9 Mary Sumner, Founder, Mothers' Union

10 Laurence, Deacon at Rome, Martyr, 258

11 Clare of Assisi, Founder of the Minors

John Henry Newman, Tractarian, 1890

13 Jeremy Taylor, Teacher of the Faith, 1667

Florence Nightingale, Nurse, 1910

Octavia Hill, Social Reformer, 1912

14 Maximilian Kolbe, Friar, Martyr, 1941

15 Blessed Virgin Mary

20 Bernard of Clairvaux, Teacher of the Faith
William and Catherine Booth, Founders of the Salvation Army

24 Bartholomew the Apostle

27 Monica, mother of Augustine of Hippo

28 Augustine of Hippo, Teacher of the Faith

29 The Beheading of John the Baptist

30 John Bunyan, Spiritual Writers, 1688

31 Aiden, Bishop of Lindisfarne, 651

Services in August 2021

SUN 1 August	0800	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's / Facebook
	0915	Family Worship	St Mark's
Trinity IX	1100	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew's / Z + F
THU 5 August	1030	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's
FRI 6 August	0830	Eucharist	St Andrew's / Facebook
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SUN 8 August	0800	BCP Holy Communion	Facebook Live
	0915	Family Worship	St Mark's
Trinity X	1100	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew's / Z + F
THU 12 August	1030	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's
FRI 13 August	0830	Eucharist	St Andrew's / Facebook
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SUN 15 August	0800	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's / Facebook
	0915	Family Worship	St Mark's
BVM	1100	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew's / F + Z
THU 19 August	1030	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's / Facebook
FRI 20 August	0830	Eucharist	St Andrew's / Facebook
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SUN 22 August	0800	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's / Facebook
	0915	Family Worship	St Mark's
Trinity XII	1100	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew's / F + Z
THU 26 August	1030	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's / Facebook
FRI 27 August	0830	Eucharist	St Andrew's / Facebook
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SUN 29 August	0800	BCP Holy Communion	St Mark's / Facebook
	0915	Family Worship	St Mark's
Trinity XIII	1100	Parish Eucharist	St Andrew's / F + Z

Please note: There are no Sunday evening services in August and no Thursday night online Compline services. During August our choir takes a well-earned break.

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