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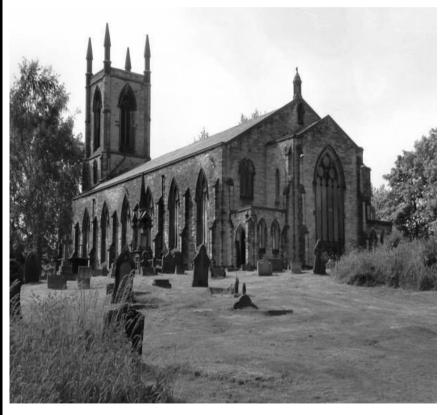
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**July 2019** 

# St George's Church Stalybridge





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# Worship Sunday

10.30 a.m. Sung Communion and Junior Church

(4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Family Service)

18.00 p.m. Occasional Special Services as

announced

Tuesday

10.30 a.m. No service during interregnum

To receive Communion at home when you are sick or housebound, or to have the name of a departed friend or relation entered in the Book of Remembrance, please contact one of the Wardens.

For Baptisms, Marriages or Funerals please phone the Warden, Derek Redeyoff on 0161 338 4779. Baptisms are usually conducted at 12.30 pm on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

# From Our Book of Remembrance

Jul 1	Kenneth Gee	2008	Jul 17	Lorraine Whalley	2008
Jul 2	John Benson	2015	Jul 19	Hilda Saville	1986
Jul 4	Norman Carter	1966		James Arthur Wright	2009
	Leonard Haigh	1976	Jul 25	Joseph Jones Davies	1949
	Doris Hotchkiss	2013		Constance Marshall	2002
Jul 5	Jason James Brander	2007	Jul 26	Joseph Sidney Holt	1954
Jul 6	Derek Arthur Castle	2003		Dorothy Thomson	2003
	Kathleen Hague	2007		Arlene Lesley Lancake	2006
Jul 7	Denis Ireson	1980		Elsie Mary Walton	2017
July 8	Barbara Partington	2013	Jul 27	John Whalley	1970
Jul 11	Florence Reynolds	1997		Beatrice Buckley	1992
	Lily Margaret Stanley	2004	Jul 28	Robert Docherty	2008
Jul 12	Robert Smyth	2004	Jul 29	Matthew Gordon Wood	1981
	Eric Leigh	2010	Jul 30	Alan Jackson	1988
	Harold Kershaw	2016		Minnie Millin	1994
Jul 13	Andrew Liepins	1981		Alice Connor	2007
Jul 15	Fred Holt	1951	Jul 31	Clara Cope	1961
	Mary Emma Grimshaw	1975		Marjorie Tetlow	2000
	David Fred Harding	2006		Florence Cooper	2002
Jul 16	Margaret Mary Noonan	1997			



## **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

To have the name of a loved one entered into this special book, and remembered in our intercessions for their anniversary please have a word with one of the wardens.

The cost for the special inscription is £10 per entry



If anyone would like to take up the bread and wine at the offertory—to celebrate a special occasion, in memory of a loved one or just to take part, please have a word with one of the wardens for any Sunday this year.



# Ladies! ...

time to get your glad rags on St George's is holding a

# Ladies Day

with a
Traditional Afternoon Tea and 'bubbly'
on Saturday 10th August 2019
2pm - 4pm

Ladies will be encouraged to wear hats or fascinators.

The list is now available in the church lounge and numbers are limited to 40. Last year's event was very successful so get your

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# Smile Lines ......

# Those teenagers around your house this summer...

Have you ever thought how much they have in common with cats?

- 1. Neither teenagers nor cats turn their heads when you call them by name.
- 2. No matter what you do for them, it is not enough. Indeed, all human efforts are barely adequate to compensate for the privilege of waiting on them hand and foot.
- 3. You rarely see a cat walking outside of the house with an adult human being, and it can be safely said that no teenager wants to be seen in public with his or her parents.
- 4. Cats and teenagers can lie on the living-room sofa for hours on end without moving, barely breathing.
- 5. Both cats and teenagers eat some very odd things at very odd hours.
- 6. Cats are obsessed with themselves and their appearance. Teenagers....!
- 7. Cats have nine lives. Teenagers act as if they did.

# With holidays in mind...

## Don't know nothin'

When Columbus started out, he didn't know where he was going. When he got there, he didn't know where he was. When he got back, he didn't know where he had been. And he did it all on other people's money. Can't help thinking that Columbus reminds me of some teenagers who go on family holidays...

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On Tuesday, 1st May 2018, the Come Together group was formed. It resulted from the Time and Talents forms that were filled in by our congregation as part of our Mission Action plan, where people stated what they could offer to enhance our fellowship.

The format of the Come Together sessions was based on the kind of activities people suggested on the forms and we tried to cover as many interests as possible. This resulted in the following structure:

1st and 3rd Tuesdays 'Singing for Pleasure' plus Bible Study

2nd and 4th Tuesdays 'Craft' and informal natter time

Each session has refreshments half way through and there is no charge as its all free and open to anyone and everyone.

The Singing for Pleasure started rather tentatively at first with a warm up of our voices followed by a general sing song of well known pieces. This has since developed into more of a gospel focus with many songs now in 2 or 3 part harmony. We have had the privilege of sharing a couple of these items in the morning service on special occasions, where we have been joined by our Junior Church children. These have been very well received and we hope there will be further opportunities to share items in the future.

The first of the Bible Study series focused on the Armour of God (Ephesians chapter 6 verses 10 - 17) and we looked at each piece of armour to explore the meaning of how each part protects us against spiritual assault. This proved to be very challenging and rewarding as we encouraged each other to make sure we are equipped to face whatever lies ahead for us in our day to day lives as Christians in the 21st century.

We are currently studying the book of 1 Peter which covers such topics as having good reason for hope, living as God's holy people and not letting suffering take us by surprise.

We are also being challenged to learn verses from the Bible by heart in order that our witness to others may be more effective and to build up our confidence when sharing our faith.

The intervening weeks have given the group the chance to make props for Junior Church, cards, poppies etc. in a relaxed and caring atmosphere of fun and friendliness together with the additional benefit of free refreshments.

As you can see, the Come Together group is now an established weekly church activity and although the numbers are relatively small at present we know that each time we meet God blesses us richly with his presence and love. The only time there isn't a session is if there are 5 Tuesdays in the month then we cancel the 5th one.

May I take this opportunity to invite anyone who may be reading this article to come and give it a try if you are free any Tuesday afternoon from 1.00 - 3.00pm and you would be most welcome.

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The Rev Paul Hardingham considers the benefits of a holiday.

# **Holy Days or Holidays?**

Some porters were hired to carry a group's possessions on a trip through the jungle. The pace quickly increased until the head porter called a halt: 'We've come so far, so fast we need to take a break and allow our souls to catch up with our bodies!'

How often do we feel like this? July is a month when many of us take a break. Jesus and His disciples often took time to withdraw from the crowds: 'because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, He said to them, 'Come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.' (Mark 6: 31,32).

Jesus saw how tired and stressed His disciples were and wanted to give them a break from their busy lives. He loved them and cared about their wellbeing. He longs to do the same with us, so we can restore the balance of work, rest and play in our lives. Going on holiday or taking time off gives us an opportunity of letting go the burdens of everyday life and renewing our rest in Him. This enables us to entrust Jesus with our issues and concerns, as we take time aside declare a *holy day or holiday!* 

The story is told of the aged Apostle John playing with doves. A passing hunter expressed surprise at what a man as pious as John was doing. John pointed to the bow in the hunter's hand and asked him why he carried it with a loosened string. The hunter replied, 'it loses its strength unless it is given the chance to unbend'. John replied, 'why are you surprised that a servant of Christ should not relax to keep himself stronger for his work?'

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# **CHURCH FINANCES**

# June 2019 Weekly Giving

Date	Sunday	Open Plate	Envelopes	Total	Monthly Shortfall
02 Jun 2019	7th Sunday of Easter	£36.90	£213.40	£250.30	
09 Jun 2019	Pentecost - Whit Sunday	£24.00	£458.00	£482.00	
16 Jun 2019	Trinity Sunday	£43.90	£270.00	£313.90	
23 Jun 2019	Feast of Dedication	£37.16	£278.00	£315.16	
30 Jun 2019	2nd Sunday after Trinity	£	£	£	
Star	nding Orders etc		£940.00	£940.00	
	Monthly Total	£141.96	£2159.40	£2301.36	-£1164.64

<sup>\*</sup> Assuming £10 per adult per week needed for running the church this means we need £3,466 per month

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# **200 CLUB**

The 200 Club winners for June 2019 are:

1st Prize	£25	67	Ann Hanson
2nd Prize	£15	60	Pat Booth
3rd Prize	£10	107	Ann Winstanley

The cost of the 200 Club is £12 per year per number and there are still some spare numbers available and new members are always welcome.

If you would like to join please see Rose Hayward or ring 303 1731.

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# Saint of the Month Thomas More, Scholar, Reformation Martyr 1535

The accounts of Thomas More's happy home life at Chelsea, recorded after his death by his son-in-law Will Roper, the growth in More's popularity following his canonization by Pope Pius XI in 1935 and Robert Bolt's

1960 play *A Man for All Seasons*, with its widely popular film version, have left a delightful but anachronistic picture of an enlightened twentieth-century family man trapped in the political bear garden that was Tudor England.

The real Thomas More was born in London in 1478, the son of a judge, and educated at Oxford and Lincoln's Inn. Called to the Bar in 1501, elected to Parliament in 1504 and appointed under-sheriff of London in 1510, the young More was left a widower with four small children. He subsequently matried the Middleton, a widow, to provide his children with a mother. An articulate Renaissance humanist, More's best known work was *Utopia* (1516), a satirical account of life on the fictitious island of Utopia where conditions there are contrasted favourably with those of contemporary English society. Encountering the growing force of the Reformation, More had no sympathy with either the Reformers or their beliefs. He endorsed the burning of heretics and conducted an acrimonious pamphlet war with William Tyndale.

More came to the attention of Henry VIII and the two men became friends, the king greatly valuing More's company, conversation and advice. More's rise in the royal favour was indicated by his becoming a member of the Privy Council in 1518 and being knighted in 1521. Two years later he became Speaker of the House of Commons and in 1529 Lord Chancellor, the first layman to hold the post. His fortunes changed, however, when he refused to support Henry's divorce from Catherine of Aragon, his religious principles making him unwilling to support any defiance of the Pope. He resigned from the Chancellorship in 1532 and withdrew from public life at great personal financial cost.

But a private life did not exempt More from the requirements of the 1534 Act of Succession and he refused to take the accompanying oath since it would have involved a rejection of papal authority. After a trial at Westminster Hall, More was condemned to death and was beheaded on Tower Hill on 6 July 1535, declaring himself on the scaffold to be 'the King's good servant, but God's first'.

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# Readings and Psalms for July 2019

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.30 No Service

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> 3rd Sunday of Trinity

10.30 Isaiah 66.10-14; Psalm 66.1-8; Galatians 6.7-16; Luke 10.1-11,16-20

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> 10.30 No Service

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> 4th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Deuteronomy 30.9-14; Psalm 25.1-10; Colossians 1.1-14: Luke 10.25-37

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Tues 16<sup>th</sup> 10.30 No Service

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> 5th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Genesis 18.1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1.15-28; Luke 10.38-end

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.30 No Service

Sun 28<sup>th</sup> 6th Sunday after Trinity

10.30 Genesis 18.20-32; Luke 11.1-13 *Worship For All* 

Tues 30<sup>th</sup> 10.30 No Service

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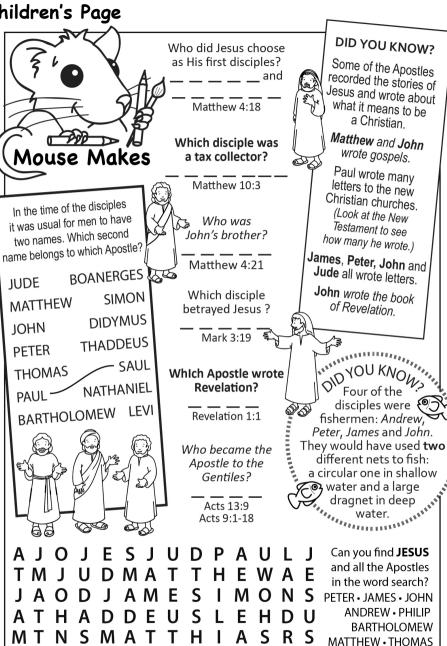
#### June Crossword Solution

**ACROSS:** 8, Grandchildren. 9, Pro. 10, Marvelled. 11, Strut. 13, Startle. 16, Babysit. 19, Orate. 22, Eucharist. 24, Map. 25, Commissioners.

**DOWN:** 1, Egypt's. 2, Favour. 3, Edomites. 4, Thorns. 5, Blue. 6, Armlet. 7, On edge. 12, Tea. 14, Adoption. 15, Lot. 16, Breach. 17, Become. 18, This So. 20, Armles. 21, Expose. 23, Avid.



Children's Page

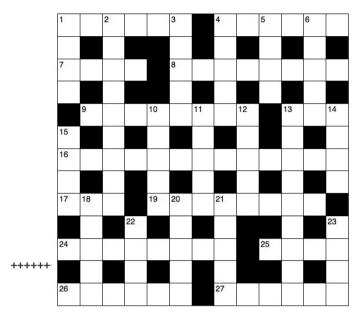


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# **July Crossword**



#### Across

1 'I pray that out of his glorious — he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being' (Ephesians 3:16) (6), 4 'Saul's father Kish and — father Ner were sons of Abiel' (1 Samuel 14:51) (6), 7 'Praise the Lord, O my — ' (Psalm 103:1) (4), 8 See 5 Down, 9 Laws (1 Kings 11:33) (8), 13 'Who of you by worrying can — a single hour to his life?' (Luke 12:25) (3), 16 Artistry (Exodus 31:5) (13), 17 'Your young men will see visions, your — men will dream dreams' (Acts 2:17) (3), 19 How David described his Lord (Psalm 19:14) (8), 24 'If this city is built and its — — restored, you will be left with nothing in Trans-Euphrates' (Ezra 4:16) (5,3), 25 'The holy Scriptures, which are able to make you — for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus' (2 Timothy 3:15) (4), 26 Intended destination of arrows (Lamentations 3:12) (6), 27 Eve hit (anag.) (6)

#### Down

1 'For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find — for your souls' (Matthew 11:29) (4), 2 Where Peter was when he denied Christ three times (Luke 22:55) (9), 3 Remarkable early 20th-century Indian evangelist, a convert from Hinduism, — Sundar Singh (5), 4 'Now the king had put the officer on whose —— leaned in charge of the gate' (2 Kings 7:17) (3,2), 5 and 8 Across — The Lover describes this facial feature of the Beloved thus: 'Your — is like the tower of Lebanon looking towards — ' (Song of Songs 7:4) (4,8), 6 'Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled — your waist' (Ephesians 6:14) (5), 10 Trout (anag.) (5), 11 Easily frightened (1 Thessalonians 5:14) (5), 12 The ability to perceive (Ecclesiastes 10:3) (5), 13 One of the clans descended from Benjamin (Numbers 26:38) (9), 14 "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who — bread into the bowl with me"' (Mark 14:20) (4), 15 Resound (Zephaniah 2:14) (4), 18 Traditional seat of the Dalai Lama (5), 20 Precise (John 4:53) (5), 21 Build (Ezekiel 4:2) (5), 22 Beat harshly (Acts 22:25) (4), 23 Darius, who succeeded Belshazzar as king of the Babylonians, was one (Daniel 5:31) (4)

# Some dates for your diary - July 2019

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Tues	2nd	1.00pm- 3.00p.m. Come Together Café
Thurs	4th	9.00am Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30pm Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sun	7th	3rd Sunday after Trinity - Proper 9
		10.30am Parish Eucharist and Junior Church
Tues	9th	1.00pm- 3.00p.m. Come Together Café
Thurs	11th	9.00am Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30pm Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	13th	2.00pm - 4.00pm Fair Trade Afternoon Tea
Sun	14th	4th Sunday after Trinity - Proper 10
		10.30am Parish Eucharist and Junior Church
Tues	16th	1.00pm- 3.00p.m. Come Together Café
Thurs	18th	9.00am Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30pm Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sun	21st	5th Sunday after Trinity - Proper 11
		10.30am Morning Prayer and Junior Church Prize Giving
Tues	23rd	2.00pm to 3.00pm Councillor Adrian Pearce - Surgery
Thurs	25th	9.00am Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30pm Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sun	28th	6th Sunday after Trinity - Proper 12
		10.30am Worship for All - no Communion.
_	004	Karen Beale preaching
Tues	30th	9.00am Summer Holiday for Time 4 Fun (0 to 5yrs)
		7.30p.m. Summer Holiday for Tameside Community Voices

For more information please go to our website www.stg.org.uk

Practice

# A Grand Day Out.

June the 6th this year marked the 75th Anniversary of D-Day. But it also marked the day that Wingco Brian Reynolds became one of those magnificent men in a flying machine.

Brian had invited me as Tail End Charlie, to travel with him to Wellingborough where we stayed at a hotel just a few miles from Sywell Aerodrome. The airfield is set in the heart of Northamptonshire.

Sywell is one of the best General Aviation Airfields in the United Kingdom and hosts a variety of public and private events that are held at the Aerodrome and adjoining facilities throughout the year. There are flying schools for Microlights, helicopters plus other aircraft.

The Aviator Hotel located at the aerodrome that in the early days would have been the Departure and Arrival lounges, was built in the Art Nouveau style. The conversion work in later years resulted in numerous en suite bedrooms and function rooms. Walking through the building seems to catapult you back in time to the glamorous days of flight. It needs be mentioned that during the war years Sywell was used by the Royal Air Force for pilot training and where Wellington bombers were repaired.

Wingco Reynolds training began with an introduction to the pilot ex Sdn Leader 'Parky' Parkinson, this was followed by a briefing session that included where to find the 'sick' bag in case of emergency! The briefing also consisted of safety instructions and how to deploy the parachute.... made me wonder about the condition of the aircraft! No worries there, the Spitfire is excellently maintained by professional technicians.

The Spitfire as you will see on the photograph is called 'Elizabeth' and once flew with 411 Sdn of the Royal Canadian Air Force. During the briefing, Brian, plus another daredevil', were told about the flight plan that included route and of course, what I call, the 'loop de loop' and 'victory roll' which was only undertaken if asked for. Yes, the brave Wingco Reynolds volunteered to participate in both.

Sadly, I didn't witness that event. However, the pilot came to chat with me after landing his aircraft reporting Brian's description of the aerial manoeuvre as 'ruddy marvellous' or something like that!

It was smashing to see my chum standing there in his flying suit & boots grinning like the proverbial Cheshire cat. As for me, it was pure joy to be out on an airfield again reliving very many memories. Brian was still flying high when we returned to our hotel an hour or so later. The day was rounded off when Brian's daughter & granddaughter turned up. G&T's all round!

Yes, it most assuredly was a 'Grand Day Out'!

# Colin Spencer



