

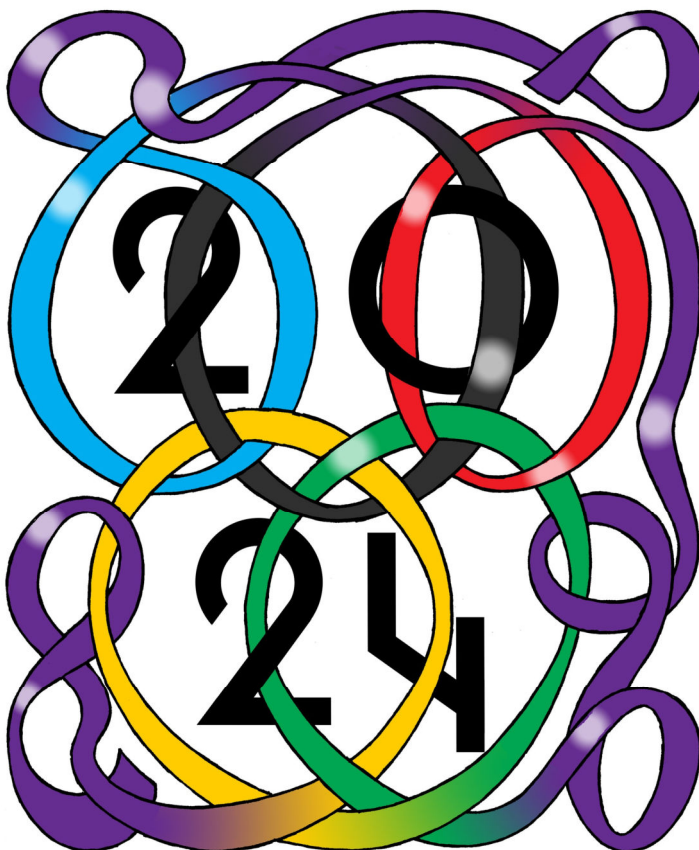
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,



I hope you're enjoying our British Summer! Following the article, I wrote for our June magazine about Ordinary Time or Trinity Season, I had a conversation with someone about it. This person had read what I'd written and said that a phrase they found very helpful, that wasn't in the article, was 'God's peculiar people.' These words summed up or expressed a special way of thinking about ourselves and God. We are God's 'peculiar' people. That word 'peculiar' nowadays, of course, carries with it the implication of strange or odd (which may well be true of some us!), but in Scripture 'peculiar people' means something very different.

You'll find versions of this phrase in Deuteronomy 14.2 '*the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself*'; 1 Peter 2.9 '*But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people*'; and Titus 2.14 '*and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works*', in the Authorised Version of the Bible. There may well be more instances of this phrase but from the three I've quoted I hope you can understand why it's a favourite. We are being told how special we are to God; how much God loves us; how we have been given a special, a peculiar, place in God's heart and plan for salvation.

For the person I was speaking to this phrase was a reminder of this wonderful gift and blessing from God. A reminder that we are precious and incredibly special in God's sight. We are 'peculiar', particular, chosen, perhaps even set apart by and for God.

I wonder which words or phrases from scripture speak to you in the same way?

Yours in Christ,

Revd Denise

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Service Details

Sundays

10.30am Parish Eucharist with hymns and Junior Church
every 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sunday in the month.

10.30am Worship for All - a simple Sunday service for everyone
of all ages, including Holy Communion,
every 4th Sunday in the month

**Please note the above service times will change to 9.30am
from Sunday 4th August 2024**

Tuesdays

10.30am Holy Communion

**For baptisms, weddings, funerals and all other enquiries please contact
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Welcome to Saint George's

It doesn't matter if children wriggle about or move
around or make a noise.

It's ok for your child to have a snack in Church,
we really don't mind.

If we can help in any way, please let us know.

You can speak to Revd Denise after the service,
or contact her on:

therevd.downen@yahoo.co.uk
or 0145732193

Or speak to the warden, Val

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Change of Service Times

You may be aware that the times of our services will be changing in the coming months. I intend to introduce the change in August. So, the first Sunday with the new service times will be 4th August.

The pattern of services on Sundays will be 9.30am at St George, Stalybridge and 11.30am at St George, Mossley. The pattern of worship at St John the Baptist, Roughtown is still to be confirmed, but there will be a service of Holy Communion at 8am once a month on the first Sunday.

I know these are big changes and some of you may be unhappy with the new arrangements, but, I'm afraid they have to be made.

I hope over time as we settle in to the new worship pattern we will get used to worshipping together at these different times, and find that God continues to bless us and, we pray, calls more people to join us.

You'll notice that I'm using the word *worship*. This is, of course, deliberate because this is what we do and are as the Church.

We worship God and we seek to serve God. This is not changing!

Please pray for our churches as we look to the future and to what God is asking of us.

Revd Denise

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Readings and Psalms for July 2024

Tues 2 nd	10.30	Amos 3.1-8,4,11-12;Psalm 5.8-end;Matthew 8.23-27
Sun 7th	6th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	Ezekiel 2.1-5; Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12.2-10; Mark 6.1-13
Tues 9 th	10.30	Hosea 8.4-7,11-13; Psalm 103.8-12; Matthew 9.32-end
Sun 14th	7th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	Amos 7.7-15; Psalm 85.8-end; Ephesians 1.3-14; Mark 6.14-29
Tues 16 th	10.30	Isaiah 7.1-9; Psalm 48.1-7; Matthew 11.20-24
Sun 21st	8th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	Jeremiah 23.1-6; Psalm 23; Ephesians 2.11-end; Mark 6.30-34,53-end
Tues 23 rd	10.30	Micah 7.14-15,18-20; Psalm 85.1-7; Matthew 12.46-end
Sun 28th	9th Sunday after Trinity	
	10.30	2 Kings 4.42-end; John 6.1-21 <i>Worship for All</i>
Tues 30 th	10.30	Jeremiah 14,17-end; Psalm 79.8-end; Matthew 13.36-43

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Prayer for July 2024

Father,

Thank you for summertime, when thoughts turn to holidays and relaxation. July is a month of endings for many; the ending of the school or college year and for some a moving on to the next stage of education or work. Often, there is uncertainty or trepidation about the future.

Whatever stage of life we are at, whatever season of the year it is, we can feel uncertain and concerned in a world which seems increasingly secular and confusing.

Remind us Lord, of Your promise to be with us always, every step of every way, when we put our trust in You, through Jesus.

Thank you that in the ups and downs of life, You never change. You are the rock on which we stand securely, eternally. Help us to move forward confidently, trusting in that truth. Thank you, Lord.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH DEMENTIA CAFÉ

I am pleased to report that our Dementia Café goes from strength to strength. We enjoy a hearty lunch and some great entertainment be it visiting artistes, Sounds Familiar, Tameside Community Voices and St Stephens School choir have all performed for us, or crafts, Play Your Cards Right, Darts, Bowling, Dominoes, Animal Bingo, hand massage and much, much more! We also provide a listening ear to those carers who are struggling.

Sadly, by the very nature of the disease we have lost quite a few of our members, meaning that we now have availability for new guests. If you or someone you know is interested in joining us, then give me a ring on 07714 235736. Our guests must be accompanied by a carer and have received a diagnosis of Dementia. Due to limited space, you **MUST** ring to reserve a place.

Chris Crabtree

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LEAP YEAR MONEY BOX

You may remember that on 29th February, to celebrate Leap Year (and to raise some much needed funds for church!) we launched the Leap Year Money Box. The idea is to save just one coin per day, any denomination of your choice, for the whole of this leap year, ending on 28th February 2025.

This is just a gentle reminder that, as of 1st July, you should have 122 coins in your collection. We're one third of the way there!! It's not too late to start! I'm sure Andrew, our Treasurer, would be very grateful if you were to change the coins and pay in a cheque or bank transfer to church, however, we have more than enough volunteers to count your cash!! Any contributions will be very gratefully received!

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Some dates for your diary - July 2024

Mon	1st	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
Tues	2nd	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Wed	3rd	6.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Brownies Guides
Thurs	4th	7 a.m.—10 p.m.	General Election Voting
Fri	5th	11.30 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Dementia Café - please book places on 07714235736
Sun	7th	10.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist with hymns Junior Church
Mon	8th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
Tues	9th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Wed	10th	6.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Brownies Guides Informal Meditation and Prayers, St John's, Roughtown
Thurs	11th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m. 1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Tiny Tots Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities Tameside Community Voices Practice
Sat	13th	7 p.m.	Summer Concert at St Paul's Church, Stalybridge
Sun	14th	10.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist with hymns
Mon	15th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
Tues	16th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Wed	17th	6.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Brownies Guides
Thurs	18th	9 a.m. - 11 a.m. 1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Tiny Tots Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities Tameside Community Voices Practice
Fri	19th	11.30 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Dementia Café - please book places on 07714235736
Sun	21st	10.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist with hymns
Mon	22nd	9 a.m. - 11 a.m.	Tiny Tots
Tues	23rd	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Thurs	25th	1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities
Sun	28th	10.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist with hymns
Tues	30th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion

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Favourite Prayers

Do you have a favourite prayer? Here's one I turn to quite often. It comes from a book called *The Edge of Glory* by David Adam. He was vicar of Lindisfarne in Northumbria, also known as Holy Island, and writes in the Celtic tradition of Christian spirituality.

Before Prayer

I weave a silence on to my lips
I weave a silence into my mind
I weave a silence within my heart
I close my ears to distractions
I close my eyes to attractions
I close my heart to temptations

Calm me O Lord as you stilled the storm
Still me O Lord, keep me from harm
Let all the tumult within me cease
Enfold me Lord in your peace



I hope you enjoy this prayer and find it as helpful as I do.

Revd Denise



The SWAN Project at Tameside Hospital

We have received an email thanking our churches for our help with their SWAN model of End of Life Care in Tameside Hospital and the Stamford Unit. People have knitted and crocheted hearts, teddies and blankets, and have also donated toiletries, and these have been used to provide comfort to dying patients and their families.

The Team at the hospital still need donations of:

knitted or crocheted knee blankets, approximately 40 by 36 inches in size
knitted or crocheted dolls or teddies approximately 12 to 15 inches tall
small hearts (preferably in matching groups of 4 for larger families)
small toiletries

If you have helped in the past, a big 'Thank You.' We understand these small items have brought comfort to families in distressing circumstances.

If you could help by making more hearts, dolls, teddies or blankets the Team at Tameside would be very grateful. If you need patterns, please see Revd Denise or Rose Hayward, and thank you to Rose for being the link between the churches and hospital.

Rose also a link with an organisation that gives 'Twiddlemuffs' to residents. Again, if you can help or need a pattern, please ask.

Revd Denise

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Remembering the faith of Eric Liddell – 100 years ago at the Paris Olympics

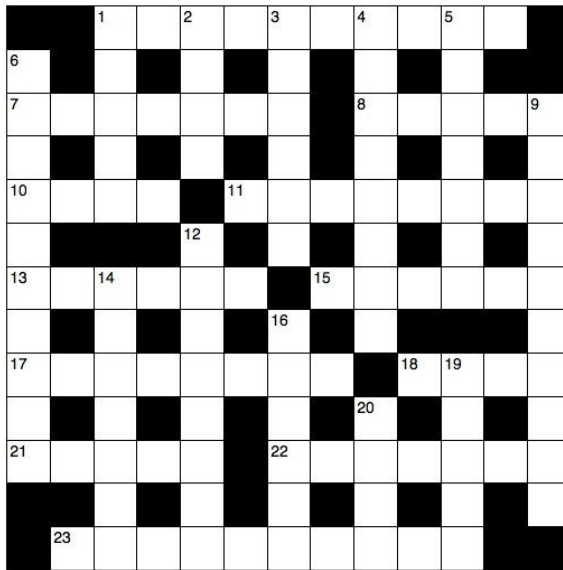
The 2024 Paris Olympics (26 July – 11 August) will soon be here. It was 100 years ago this summer, also at the Paris Olympics, that a young science student at Edinburgh University, Eric Liddell, ran an astonishing race that caught the imagination of millions worldwide.

Liddell had been born in China in 1902, to Scottish missionaries there. Early on, he had made a deep commitment to Jesus Christ, and sensed he was being called to spend his life in serving others. But Liddell was also an outstanding sportsman, playing rugby for Scotland before settling on athletics.

When he was chosen for the Paris Olympics, he expected to run his preferred 100m. But then came the news that the race would be run on a Sunday, and Liddell refused. Quickly, he trained for the 200m and 400m. He took bronze at the 200m, but no one expected much from him at the 400m. Instead, he won, and even broke the world record in the process.

After the Olympics, Liddell felt God calling him to his life's work. He went back to China, to teach in a Christian college. As the Second World War loomed, he sent his wife and children home, but stayed on himself. By 1943 Liddell was confined to a brutal prison camp, where he shone among the fellow prisoners – encouraging them, teaching Bible classes, and praying for both his fellow inmates and the prison wardens. Deeply malnourished, his health failed and in 1945, just months before the war ended, he died, aged only 43. In 1981 his story was made into the Oscar-winning film *Chariots of Fire*.

July Crossword



Across

1 Relating to the Jewish day of rest (10), 7 Point of view (Matthew 22:17) (7), 8 20th-century Brethren philanthropist whose construction company became one of the UK's biggest, Sir John — (5), 10 Girl's name (4), 11 Peter was accused of being one in the courtyard of the high priest's house (Luke 22:59) (8), 13 The fifth of the 'seven churches' (Revelation 3:1–6) (6), 15 'Now the famine was — in Samaria' (1 Kings 18:2) (6), 17 Banned by the seventh Commandment (Exodus 20:14) (8), 18 Insect most closely associated with itching (1 Samuel 24:14) (4), 21 Bantu tribe which gives its name to tiny landlocked country in southern Africa (5), 22 Familiar material in churches that use an overhead projector (7), 23 Last book of the Bible (10)

Down

1 The young David's favourite weapon (1 Samuel 17:40) (5), 2 'Your vats will — over with new wine' (Proverbs 3:10) (4), 3 Once yearly (Exodus 30:10) (6), 4 Milled it (anag.) (3-5), 5 Region north of Damascus of which Lysanias was tetrarch (Luke 3:1) (7), 6 Comes between Philippians and 1 Thessalonians (10), 9 Lake where the first disciples were called (Luke 5:1–11) (10), 12 Abusive outburst (8), 14 Are loud (anag.) (7), 16 Printing errors (6), 19 'Take my yoke upon you and — from me' (Matthew 11:29) (5), 20 Jacob's third son (Genesis 29:34) (4)

15th July St Swithun (or Swithin) - saint for a rainy day



If you think our weather is bad it's St Swithun is apparently the saint you can blame for rainy summers. It is said that if it rains on his special day, 15th July, it will then rain for 40 days after that. It all began when Swithun was made Bishop of Winchester in 852 by King Ethelwulf of Wessex. It was an important posting: Winchester was the capital of Wessex, and during the 10 years Swithun was there, Wessex became the most important kingdom of England.

During his life, instead of washing out people's summer holidays, and damping down their spirits, Swithun seems to have done a lot of good. He was famous for his charitable gifts and for his energy in getting churches built. When he was dying in 862, he asked that he be buried in the cemetery of the Old Minster, just outside the west door.

If he had been left there in peace, who knows how many rainy summers the English may have been spared over the last 1000 years. But, no, it was decided to move Swithun. By now, the 960s, Winchester had become the first monastic cathedral chapter in England, and the newly installed monks wanted Swithun in the cathedral with them. So finally, on 15 July 971, his bones were dug up and Swithun was translated into the cathedral.

That same day many people claimed to have had miraculous cures. Certainly everyone got wet, for the heavens opened. The unusually heavy rain that day, and on the days following, was attributed to the power of St Swithun. Swithun was moved again in 1093, into the new Winchester cathedral. His shrine was a popular place of pilgrimage throughout the middle ages. The shrine was destroyed during the Reformation and restored in 1962. There are 58 ancient dedications to Swithun in England.

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Sun	18th	9.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist with hymns
Tues	20th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Thurs	22nd	1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities
Sun	25th	9.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist with hymns
Tues	27th	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Thurs	29th	1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Come Together Café for coffee, chat & activities

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June Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 1, Ambush. 4, School. 8, Tired. 9, Famines. 10, Citadel. 11, Endor. 12, Atonement. 17, Avert. 19, Oracles. 21, Married. 22, Lance. 23, Rhythm. 24, Hyssop.

DOWN: 1, Attach. 2, Biretta. 3, Sided. 5, Compete. 6, Owned. 7, Lustre. 9, Falsehood. 13, Ostrich. 14, Talents. 15, Farmer. 16, Asleep. 18, Early. 20, Alley.

July Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 1, Sabbatical. 7, Opinion. 8, Laing. 10, Olga. 11, Galilean. 13, Sardis. 15, Severe. 17, Adultery. 18, Flea. 21, Swazi. 22, Acetate. 23, Revelation.

DOWN: 1, Sling. 2, Brim. 3, Annual. 4, Ill-timed. 5, Abilene. 6, Colossians. 9, Gennesaret. 12, Diatribe. 14, Roulade. 16, Errata. 19, Learn. 20, Levi.

August Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 1, John. 3, And James. 8, Near. 9, Omission. 11, Theocratic. 14, Asleep. 15, By-path. 17, Stalingrad. 20, Backbone. 21, Baca. 22, Whose eye. 23, Seth.

DOWN: 1, Jonathan. 2, Heavenly. 4, No meat. 5, Justifying. 6, Maid. 7, Sins. 10, Acceptable. 12, Marriage. 13, Shadrach. 16, Plenty. 18, A bow. 19, ECHO.

Readings and Psalms for August 2024

Sun 4th	10th Sunday after Trinity	9.30	Exodus 16.2-4,9-15; Psalm 78.23-29; Ephesians 4.1-16; John 6.24-35
Tues 6 ^h	10.30		Daniel 7.9-10,13-14; Psalm 97; 2 Peter 1.16-19; Luke 9.28-36
Sun 11th	11th Sunday after Trinity	9.30	1 Kings 19.4-8; Psalm 34.1-8; Ephesians 4.25-5.2; John 6.35,41-51
Tues 13 th	10.30		Ezekiel 2.8-3.4; Psalm 119.65-72; Matthew 18.1-5,10,12-14
Sun 18th	12th Sunday after Trinity	9.30	Proverbs 9.1-6; Psalm 34.9-14; Ephesians 5.15-20; John 6.51-58
Tues 20 th	10.30		Ezekiel 28.1-10; Psalm 107.1-3,40,43; Matthew 19.23-end
Sun 25th	13th Sunday after Trinity	9.30	Joshua 24.1-2a,14-18; Psalm 34.15-end; Ephesians 6.10-20; John 6.56-69
Tues 27 th	10.30		2 Thessalonians 2.1-3a,14-end; Psalm 98; Matthew 23.23-26

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200 Club

June winners

1st prize £25 no 32 Karen Watkins; 2nd prize £15 no 10 Michael Davies;
3rd prize £10 no 26 Jean McManus

Thank you for your continued support of the 200 Club. There are still some numbers available so if you would like to join the club please speak to Rose. The cost is £12 per number you hold for the full year.

A note from Larry



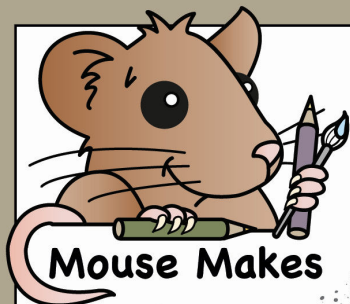
Dear Everyfurr,

It's me Larry! Look at my photo. Does that look like a happy Larry? No, it doesn't. The outside has changed! It is wet, water is coming down from the sky. Mummy says it's called rain, but I don't like it. It makes me all wet and the ground is all muddy. Mummy says rain is a good thing as it makes creation grow and look beautiful and green. Although it can rain too much sometimes and cause a lot of problems. I don't really know about that. I only know I like the warm sunshine more.

Guess what! I caught a birdy!! Yum. Yum. Mummy was really, really shouty when I brought it home. It was delicious, so why mummy wrapped it in paper and threw it away, I'm not sure. Mummy says we have to look after birds because there aren't as many as there used to be. I don't think kitties have made birdies disappear, I think hufurrs have done it by taking away their food and their homes. Mummy says God has given us a lovely place to live, called 'earth', and we should make sure we look after it. I try my best but I'm quite little and have no thumbs, so I can't do a lot. Can you?

Yours purfully,
Larr T Catte

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Mouse Makes



What was carried along behind the priests?

The _____
Joshua 6:4

How many days did the Lord tell Joshua to march around the city of Jerico?

Joshua 6:3

What did the priests carry that were made from rams' horns?

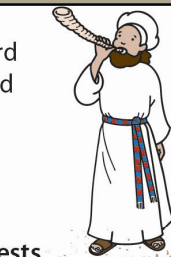
Joshua 6:4

On the seventh day how many times did they march around Jerico?

Joshua 6:6

Who was saved from Jerico along with her family?

Joshua 6:17



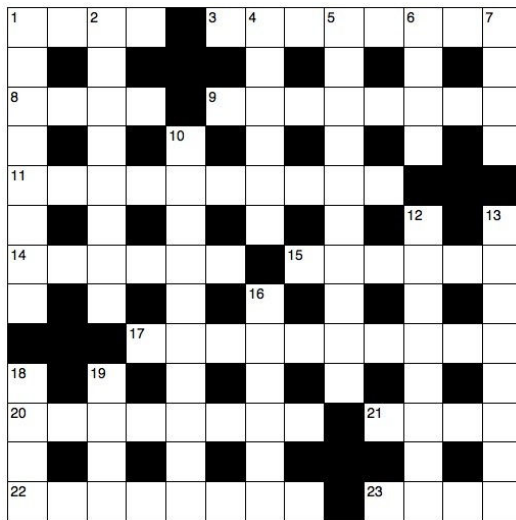
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August Crossword



Across

1 and 3 Two of the disciples who witnessed the transfiguration of Jesus (Luke 9:28) (4,3,5), 3 See 1 Across , 8 'Let us draw — to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith' (Hebrews 10:22) (4), 9 O Simon is (anag.) (8), 11 Form of government under the direct rule of God or his agents (10), 14 How Jesus found his disciples when he returned to them after praying in Gethsemane (Luke 22:45) (6), 15 In The Pilgrim's Progress, the name of the meadow into which Christian strayed, which led to Doubting Castle (2-4), 17 Glad sin rat (anag.) (10), 20 Spinal column (Leviticus 3:9) (8), 21 Valley of the Balsam Tree with a reputation of being a waterless place (Psalm 84:6) (4), 22 'The oracle of Balaam son of Beor, the oracle of one — — sees clearly' (Numbers 24:3) (5,3), 23 Adam and Eve's third son (Genesis 4:25) (4)

Down

1 David's great friend (1 Samuel 20:17) (8), 2 'The Lord... will bring me safely to his — kingdom' (2 Timothy 4:18) (8), 4 'I, Daniel, mourned for three weeks. I ate no choice food; — — or wine touched my lips' (Daniel 10:3) (2,4), 5 Seeking to vindicate (Job 32:2) (10), 6 Female servant (Isaiah 24:2) (4), 7 'For Christ died for — once for all' (1 Peter 3:18) (4), 10 'Offering spiritual sacrifices — to God through Jesus Christ' (1 Peter 2:5) (10), 12 Jesus said that some people had renounced this 'because of the kingdom of heaven' (Matthew 19:12) (8), 13 One of the three men thrown into the furnace for refusing to worship Nebuchadnezzar's golden image (Daniel 3:20) (8), 16 'You have — of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry' (Luke 12:19) (6), 18 'There before me was a white horse! Its rider held — — , and he was given a crown' (Revelation 6:2) (1,3), 19 Equipment to Charity Hospitals Overseas (1,1,1,1)



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The wonderful world of Ladybird Books...

An exhibition is currently touring the country and has already been staged in cities from Canterbury to Northumberland and is at the St Albans Museum until 8th September. It's a fascinating exhibition that has prompted joyful memories of childhood for many older people – and maybe remind them of when they first learnt about Jesus.



‘The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Artists’ aims to “uncover the story of the talented artists who illustrated Ladybird books for more than 30 years.” The organisers say: “This colourful, family-friendly exhibition includes rare books, original artwork and artefacts, and reveals how illustrators played such an enormous role in Ladybird’s extraordinary success.”

Ladybird Books also played a vital role in thousands of Sunday Schools and churches in the UK and many other English-speaking countries from the 1940s until well into the 1970s. For many children and young people, these books were their first introduction to the Bible, with numerous parents, grandparents and carers reading them as bedtime stories. ‘Easy Reading’ versions helped many children read about Jesus for themselves.

Some of the Bible-based copies of the Ladybird books are available from local charity shops, with titles such as ‘Stories about Jesus the Helper,’ ‘Children of the Bible’ and ‘Two Stories Jesus Told,’ featuring the classic parables, the Good Samaritan and The Prodigal Son. These books feature faithful retelling of the Bible stories, with lovely illustrations. These colourful books were a staple of many Scripture classes and Sunday School prize-giving and helped form the Biblical understanding of a generation of children. Today, the books have become very collectible, with prices on the rise.

Ladybird books were, naturally, a product of their times with, for example, the skin tones of Jesus and the apostles often lighter than what reality might have been. The books were produced for a time when Bible stories were more widely known, and families were routinely depicted as mum, dad, a son and a daughter.

In recent years, more bizarre incarnations of Ladybird Books – such as ‘The Ladybird Book of the Zombie Apocalypse’ – have introduced new audiences to the Ladybird style, with an ironic, comic twist— but the originals are still the best!

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Jul 2	John Benson	2015	Jul 19	Hilda Saville	1986
Jul 4	Norman Carter	1966		James Arthur Wright	2009
	Leonard Haigh	1976	Jul 23	Gladys Potter	2021
	Doris Hotchkiss	2013	Jul 25	Joseph Jones Davies	1949
	Mary Thomas	2021		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		Leslie Clarke	2021
Jul 11	Florence Reynolds	1997	Jul 27	John Whalley	1970
	Lily Margaret Stanley	2004		Beatrice Buckley	1992
Jul 12	Robert Smyth	2004	Jul 28	Robert Docherty	2008
	Eric Leigh	2010	Jul 29	Matthew Gordon Wood	1981
	Harold Kershaw	2016	Jul 30	Alan Jackson	1988
Jul 13	Andrew Liepins	1981		Minnie Millin	1994
Jul 15	Fred Holt	1951		Alice Connor	2007
	Mary Emma Grimshaw	1975	Jul 31	Clara Cope	1961
	David Fred Harding	2006		Marjorie Tetlow	2000
Jul 16	Margaret Mary Noonan	1997		Florence Cooper	2002

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1 Aug	Norman Wood	1956	16 Aug	Walker Ratcliffe	1938
	Jesse Brierley	2000		Colin Mark Press	1982
	Jim Powell	2018		Gertrude Ireson	1997
2 Aug	John David Southerin	1991		Joan Etches	2016
	Patricia Anne Southerin	1991		Becki Horner	2021
3 Aug	Florence Newton	1982	17 Aug	Arthur Cottrill	1985
	Anthony Wray	1982	18 Aug	Elizabeth Beatrice Hirst	2020
	Ellen Cooper	1996	20 Aug	Fred Wrigley	1998
	Doreen May Winifred Tomlin	2015		Rose Kemp	2003
4 Aug	William Smith	1990		Richard Arthur de Yarburgh-Bateson	2006
	Agnes Swindells	2013		(6th Lord Deramore)	
5 Aug	George Buckley	1956	21 Aug	Richard Grantham	1979
	Thomas Hudson	1984		Adele Ann Clifford	1981
6 Aug	Norman Holt	1976		Mary Maddock	1997
	Mary Turner	1998		Stanley Joseph Quest	2019
	Margaret Butterworth	2015	23 Aug	Jack Mitchell Wadsworth	1964
8 Aug	Olive Greenwood	1988		Charles Horner	1997
	Esther Mary Osgood	2013	24 Aug	James Hotchkiss	2016
	Rosemary Alice Webster	2018		John Darbyshire	2017
9 Aug	Ethel Rebecca Hirst	1989	25 Aug	Florence May Gee	1975
	Elsie Andrews	1993		Ernest Lomas	1991
	May Longden	2013		Harry Swindells	1994
10 Aug	Louis Vickers	1997	26 Aug	Adam Kirk Gordon Tye	1988
11 Aug	Amanda Jane Sedgwick	1951		Frederick Cook	1998
	Joseph Parkinson	1958	27 Aug	Martin James Sweeney	1966
	Bernard Gudgeon	1987		Joan Roberts	2001
	Beatrice Newton	1990		Joan Cathrine Hartnett	2004
	Albert Simpson	2022		Owen Bartley	2007
	Erika Maria Pratt	2020	29 Aug	Frank Charlesworth	1981
13 Aug	Vera Lydiate	1990		Marion Styan	1994
14 Aug	Edward Barlow	1975	30 Aug	Peter Steven Turnbull	1982
	Hugh Darbyshire	2006		Harold Davenport	1999
	Mildred Standing	2009		Mona Jones	2010
15 Aug	William Frederick Ireson	1942	31 Aug	John Cowman	1989
	Ellen Mawdsley	1985		Diane Bardsley	1994
	Ann Dunn	2007		Jean Cooper	2010
	Michael John Turnbull	2022		William Beard Hadfield	2013

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