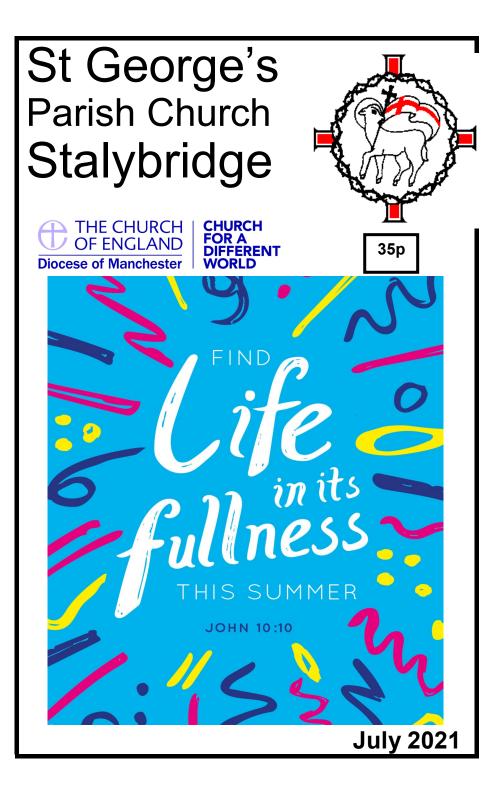
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To receive Communion at home when you are sick or housebound, or to have the name of a departed friend or relation entered in the Book of Remembrance, please contact the Vicar.





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 the vicar or one of the wardens. The cost for the inscription is $\pounds 10$ per entry

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

JUNE

Funerals in Church 18th June Christine Gilligan



Services for Stamford Court

We are delighted to have been asked to provide a monthly service for residents at Stamford Court.

With visiting restrictions still in place, for the time being this service is recorded by Rev Penny at church and then delivered via DVD and YouTube to Stamford Court residents, alongside printed orders of service and sometimes a little gift – last month, a Cross in My Pocket.

We are looking forward to being about to visit in person to share in worship together!



After Buddy's sponsored walk, we now have 57 supporters on easyfundraisng – that's up from the 19 we had at the start of March! Welcome if you are a new supporter, and thank you!!

Remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! Over 4,000 shops and sites will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up – since joining last year £278.05 has been raised JUST by people using easyfundraising when they shop online!!

Please sign up to support us at <u>www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/</u>



The Vicar writes...

It has been wonderful to enjoy some sunshine recently and see the natural world flourish as summer draws on. The sunshine warms our hearts, encourages us to see the good and beautiful, and leads us forward in hope.



On a sunny Saturday In June, a team of 12 people gathered for our churchyard working party, seeking to care for the space entrusted to us, and looking for potential to maintain and enhance that beautiful space to the glory of God, faithful to the memory of those interred within and for the good of our local community.

Various ideas have been shared recently - there is talk of the young people amongst us making a "bug cathedral", the addition of bird boxes and wildflowers. We have recently learnt more about the owls in the churchyard at night and thanks to a local wildlife videographer we hope to have some footage of their night-time antics too!

Being outdoors has been good for hearts, souls and minds over the past 15 months and we have been able to pause a little and see the glory of God's creation around us – let's hold on to that!

Alongside the sun, clouds and rain are inevitable too, and where would we be without them! The rainbow has been such a powerful symbol throughout these challenging months – that sign of God's promise and God's love for all creation.

This summer, we pray that we might continue to know God's goodness in the sunshine and the rain!

Wishing you a joyful and peaceful summer, come what may.

With prayers and all good wishes,

Penny

"I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else." ~ C.S. Lewis An update will be given on the situation after the expected easing of restrictions on 19th July and the implications of this for church life. We await Government and Church of England guidance on this.

<u>Sundays</u> 9am Parish Eucharist 10.30am Parish Eucharist in church

There are 2 services in order to help us to socially distance. If the building's capacity is reached, we cannot permit others to enter.

12.15pm Junior Church (online) until 11th July First Sunday of the Month: 6pm Sanctuary – Evening Prayers (online and streamed to our Facebook page)

<u>Tuesdays</u> 10.30am Eucharist in church

Baptisms, weddings and funerals in church continue. Currently our number limit for baptisms, weddings and funerals is 40. Please be in touch if you need to discuss arrangements for baptisms and weddings.

A full risk assessment is in place and regularly revised. We continue stringent hygiene and social distancing procedures. Please take your seats immediately as you arrive and leave the building at the end of worship, when directed.

YOU MUST NOT ATTEND if you are unwell, self isolating or showing any symptoms.



PARISH EMAIL NEWSLETTER

To help us keep in touch we have a weekly email parish newsletter with bible readings and prayers for Sundays, information, updates, activities for Junior Church and announcements

If you don't already receive the e-newsletter and would like to, please email <u>revdpennywarner@outlook.com</u>,

send your email address by text or WhatsApp to 07393 420763 or sign up via our church Facebook page or website.

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Buddy's Challenge



As you know, a dedicated group of dogs and humans accepted the challenge made by Buddy, to walk as far as possible during Eastertide. Some pledged to walk 200 miles, some pledged to walk 10 miles, some did it as a joint event with a family member, and some said they would simply do the best they

could. Well, they managed to walk a staggering 2500 miles between them. The sponsor money is now in and the final total is $\pm 2500!$

We really cannot thank everyone enough for their generosity during this challenging time. The money is being split between TOG Mind and Saint George's Church. We are hoping to arrange a special event where a representative from TOG Mind will receive their cheque, and give a short talk about the work they do.

Huge thanks to all who have taken part and those who have sponsored.

Val



Midnight Wander

The famous Willow Wood Midnight Wander is back!

It will take place on Friday 23rd July, starting at 9pm and is expected to finish at midnight. The change in time is to make it more family friendly and it is hoped that people of all ages will join in.

A group of nine from Saint George's are taking part – so if you happen to be around on 23^{rd} , give us a cheer and a wave – all encouragement will be gratefully received.



Couch to Out and About!!

Five brand new "talking benches" have been placed around Stalybridge to give residents a place to rest and enjoy a sociallydistanced chat as they take a walk. Copies of a leaflet with walking routes and details of organised walks will be available in church and around the community. There is an encouragement for us all to get out and about and enjoy our local surroundings, something that many of us have discovered to be such a great blessing on daily exercise in lockdown.

The locations of the five benches are:

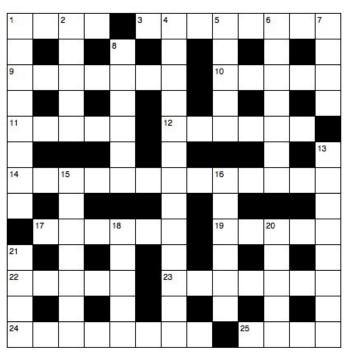
Park Street entrance to Cheetham's Park The entrance to Springs Lane off Darnton Road The Baptist Church, Ambleside Norman Road Near Stalybridge Fire Station, Rassbottom Street

Thank you all who have been knitting and crocheting flowers, butterflies and bees to "yarn bomb" or decorate the benches, bringing colourful summer joy! There are some patterns available but feel free to use your own – bright colours are best with extra length of wool so that each piece can be tied on to the bench.

Keep knitting and encourage others to join in too! You can bring them to church or be in touch if you would like your creations collecting!



Here is the bench at the Baptist Church, Ambleside with flowers and butterflies created by members of St George's Church



ACROSS

Sent out three times on a reconnaissance mission from Noah's ark (Genesis 8:8–12) (4),
'The vilest — who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives' (8),
Described by the 19th-century MP Sir Wilfred Lawson as 'the Devil in solution' (7), 10
'Whoever — his life for my sake will find it' (Matthew 10:39) (5), 11 King of Gezer (Joshua 10:33) (5), 12 Gideon's home town (Judges 6:11) (6), 14 The area under the jurisdiction of a primate, for example, Canterbury, York (13), 17 To him God promised that David would be king (1 Chronicles 11:3) (6), 19 A descendant of Aaron who was not allowed to offer food to God (Leviticus 21:20) (5), 22 'If any of you — wisdom, he should ask God' (James 1:5) (5)
I gain me (anag.) (7), 24 Relating to the armed forces (1 Chronicles 5:18) (8), 25 Title given to 2 Down (abbrev.) (4)

DOWN

1 Greek coins (Acts 19:19) (8), 2 Church of England incumbent (5), 4 What Epaphroditus was to Paul (Philippians 2:25) (6-7), 5 Mother of David's sixth son (2 Samuel 3:5) (5), 6 'We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in — ' (2 Corinthians 4:8) (7), 7 It destroys treasures on earth (Matthew 6:19) (4), 8 It threatened Paul in Jerusalem (Acts 21:35) (3,3), 13 Well-known Reference Bible that espoused dispensationalism (8), 15 Where the choir sits in a parish church (7), 16 Real do (anag.) (6), 18 'Martha, Martha... you are worried and — about many things' (Luke 10:41) (5), 20 'One man considers one day more sacred than another; another man considers every day — ' (Romans 14:5) (5), 21 A place with twelve springs and 70 palm trees where the Israelites camped (Exodus 15:27) (4

Readings and Psalms for July 2021

Sun 4 th	5th Sunday after Trinity		
	10.30	Ezekiel 2.1-5; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12.2-10; Mark 6.1-13	
Tues 6 th	10.30	Genesis 32.22-end; Psalm 17.1-8; Matthew 9.32-end	
Sun 11 th	6th Sun 10.30	day after Trinity Amos 7.7-15; Psalm 24; Ephesians 1.3-14; Mark 6.14-29	
Tues 13 th	10.30	Exodus 2.1-15; Psalm 69.1-2,31-end; Matthew 11.20- 24	
Sun 18 th	7th Sun 10.30	day after Trinity Jeremiah 23.1-6; Psalm 89.20-37; Ephesians 2.11- end; Mark 6.30-34,53-end	
Tues 20 th	10.30	Exodus 14.21-15.1; Psalm 105.37-44; Matthew 12.46- end	
Sun 25 th	8th Sun 10.30	nday after Trinity - James the Apostle Jeremiah 45.1-5; Psalm 126; Acts 11.27.12.2; Matthew 20.20-28	
Tues 27 th	10.30	Exodus 33.7-11,34.5-9,28; Psalm 103.8-12; Matthew 13.36-43	

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.

<u>200 Club</u>

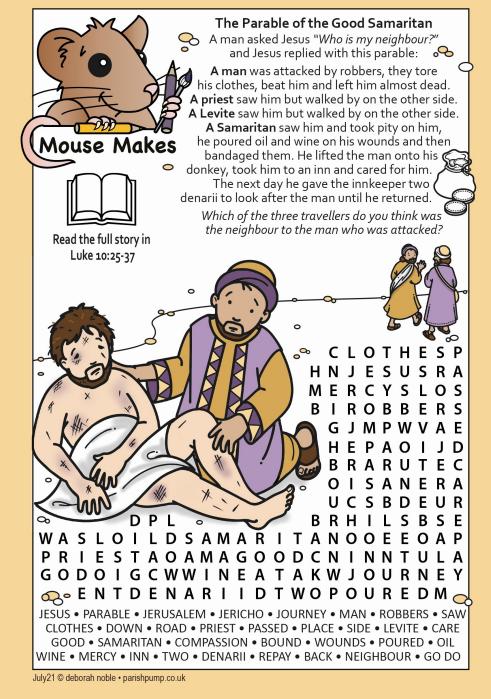
June Winners

1st prize £25 no68 Chris Crabtree; 2nd prize £15 no 61 Janet Meredith; 3rd prize £10 no58 Joan Catlow



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Children's Page



Paws for thought

Why do dogs have eyebrows?

This is not a joke - it's a serious question with a fascinating answer!

I have wondered about it since I have noticed that

you human beings are communicating with one another differently since you have had to wear masks. There is much more eyebrow action going on - you are smiling (and frowning) more with your eyes as people are unable to see your mouths! You are doing really well at it too!

But what about a dog's eyebrows? Well, I learnt this week that in a study published in 2019 by Portsmouth University, research showed that the eyebrows of domestic dogs have evolved to help us to communicate with human beings – that's why you human beings talk about our "puppy dog eyes".

The study showed that the muscle involved was absent in wolves, suggesting that the eyebrows of domestic dogs have evolved to communicate with humans, to be more appealing, and of course, to help us get what we want – whether it be extra treats or cuddles! Most of us dogs use our "puppy dog eyes" to our full advantage but we also use them to communicate our affection, love and devotion to our human beings.

What do you convey to those around you and how do you do it? Do you use eyes, ears, hands, hearts, time and care? Is it conscious or subconscious? Is it to build one another up and flourish together?

Lots of love,



"For beautiful eyes, look for the good in others; for beautiful lips, speak only words of kindness; and for poise, walk with the knowledge that you are never alone." Audrey Hepburn





Confirmations 2021 Sunday 10th October at 3pm St George's Church, Stalybridge

The Bishop of Middleton will be coming to confirm candidates at St George's on this date.

Details of confirmation preparation for children and adults to follow. If you or a member of your family would like to be confirmed, please be in touch with The Revd Penny Warner.



Penny & David (& Buddy & the hens) invite you to Afternoon Tea in the Vicarage Garden

at St John's Vicarage, Carrhill Road, Mossley, OL5 OSA

(The house is situated in the grounds of St John's Church, on Carrhill Road. Limited parking is available in the grounds of the church)

Saturday 14th August 2021 2pm-4pm

All are welcome! (No dogs please – Buddy wants the attention for himself!)



Junior Church Prizegiving 2021 Sunday 18th July at 3pm



A special service for Junior Church members and their families in thanksgiving for the past year.

Junior Church will remain on Zoom for the remainder of this school year (the last online session will be Sunday 11th July) and will hopefully return in person in September!

Please continue to hold our young people in your prayers and especially:

Those undertaking end of year exams and tests Those preparing to move to a new school Those preparing for confirmation

Huge thanks to the Junior Church, their leaders and families for their commitment and perseverance throughout this academic year, in meeting together virtually, supporting one another and continuing to pray, learn and have fun in challenging circumstances!



