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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

Jun 2	Hilda Beswick	1977	Jun 15	Lily Hardy Cooke	1979
	Pauline Margaret Turnbull	1995		Eva Jones	1996
	Mollie Dorothy Darbyshire	2011		John Edwin Ratcliffe	2007
Jun 3	Marjorie Lofthouse	2015		Tessa Ruth Louise Meldrum	2006
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	Leonard Broadbent	1969	Jun 17	Sidney Cooper	1970
	Harry Bullock	2009	Jun 18	Margaret Parkinson	1897
Jun 6	Alfred Christian	1966		Renee Birch Hawley	2002
	John Ambrose Stephens	1979		Monica Ann Press	2005
	Thomas Smith	1987		Christopher Robert Pierce	2012
Jun 7	Minnie Jones	1987	Jun 19	Colin Wilson	2016
	William Webster	2002	Jun 20	Linty James	1975
	Dinah Hannah Dale	1984		Hilda Wilson	1984
Jun 8	Norman Ratcliffe	1984		Mary Tonge	1989
	Thomas Booth	2000		Dorothy Horner	2007
	Leslie Adnett	2012	Jun 23	Edward Cooper	1983
Jun 9	John Ollerenshaw	2013	Jun 24	Edith Spencer	1995
	Judith Dalton	2014		Hilda Holt	1979
	Florence Diamond	2019	Jun 25	Dennis Greenwood	1982
Jun 11	Gladney Swift	1950		Louise Pulm	2010
	Edward Jones	1985	Jun 26	Jack Williams	1998
Jun 12	Mona Coogan	1992	Jun 27	Edith Olive Hughes	1980
	Frank Prescott	1987		Andrew Christopher Taylor	1990
Jun 14	Gordon Alfred Trudgeon	2002		Charlotte Molly Ingham	2008
	David John Stevenson	2018	Jun 28	Mary Stephens Carter	1983
			Jun 30	Ann Humphries	1963

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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 £10 per entry

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS & FUNERALS

Marriages

15th May 2021 Heather Hirst and Stephen Barton 21st May 2021 Emily Rogers and Peter Bardsley 30th May 2021 Jodie Mitchell and Craig Clayton

Funerals

10th May 2021 Harold David Robinson





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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!!

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The Vicar writes...

June sees the church entering the long period of "ordinary time" over the summer months. The liturgical colour (for the altar frontal and the priest's robes) during this time is green.



As Kermit the frog from The Muppets says, "it's not easy being green" – and for many ordinary time can be seen as a rather boring church season without many feast days to bring colour and difference in our church celebrations, unlike the glorious days of Eastertide which we have just emerged from.

So why green? The Ecclesiastical Review once stated that the green of ordinary time should call to mind the "sight of sunlit meadow and shady woodland, all of which indicates the sense of hope and peace or of tranquil gladness."

Green is a colour which suggests growth, leaves, abundance – it suggests life and hope. Being "green" has also come to mean striving to be environmentally friendly and seeking to care for God's creation. The Church of England has committed to being carbon neutral by 2030, and so in the days ahead we will explore our part in this, as a church and as individuals.

Is it easy being green, liturgically or environmentally? Perhaps it can be! Liturgically in this season finds us rooted once more in the scriptures, learning, and growing, and in the bread of Holy Communion, nurtured and sustained. Environmentally, this is a great season to think about what changes we can make to be more green in our lives at home and at church.

Ordinary time is anything but ordinary! It is an opportunity to learn and grow in all kinds of ways, to embrace the here and now and to look to a hopeful, fruitful and abundant future found in our creator God.

With prayers and all good wishes,

Penny

Sundays

9am Parish Eucharist 10.30am Parish Eucharist in church

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please consider attending at 9am instead of 10.30am if you are attending on Sundays.

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)
6pm Sanctuary – Evening Prayers
(online and streamed to our Facebook page)

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

Funerals in church can continue with a maximum of 30 people (including children) and no congregational singing.

Please be in touch if you need to discuss arrangements for baptisms and weddings.

A full risk assessment is in place and regularly revised.
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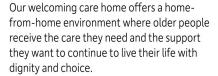
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Buddy's Challenge!! Buddy & Buddies' Sponsored Walkies 2021

Buddy, Rev. Penny's dog, challenged us to a sponsored dog walk over the 50 days of Eastertide. 17 humans and 9 dogs accepted the challenge and pledged to walk in excess of 2500 miles between them! The money raised

will be split 50/50 between Saint George's Church and TOG Mind, who offer support for people with all aspects of their mental health. They offer counselling, online wellbeing services and one-one support. You can find details of everything they have to offer on their website at Tameside Oldham and Glossop Mind (togmind.org)

We told you last month about Buddy's challenge for the 50 days of Easter – well the challenge has now come to an end and Buddy's buddies can now take a well-deserved rest.

We all walked separately in order to comply with Covid regulations. There was a total of 14 adults, 5 children and 14 dogs. They have walked in all weathers, and had many challenges along the way (Lynn even fractured her wrist in the process!) They have been incredibly dedicated and supportive of each other throughout the challenge, and have walked in excess of 2500 miles! In addition, they visited new places and gave each other ideas for walks.

Dogs and other pets are a great help with our mental health, offering unconditional love and a non-judgemental ear. In addition, the NHS, throughout the Covid pandemic, has been encouraging everyone to increase their activity and get out in the fresh air. Buddy's challenge combined the two and the participants have all benefited from getting out in the fresh air. In fact, some buddies enjoyed the challenge so much they have continued their walking even though it has finished.

So far they have raised over £2,000 which will be split between the 2 causes!! Huge thanks to all who have taken part and those who have sponsored. Final total to come!!

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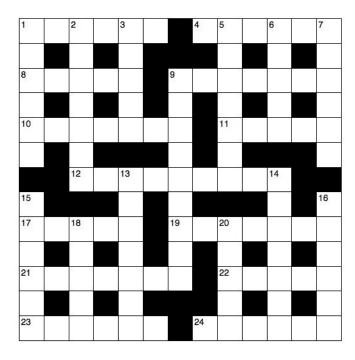
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After months of lockdown, the Sunday procession probably needed some practise.

June Crossword



Across

1 Military tactic used by Joshua to attack and destroy the city of Ai (Joshua 8:2) (6), 4 Place of learning (6), 8 'When Moses' hands grew — , they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it' (Exodus 17:12) (5), 9 Unpleasant auguries of the end of the age, as forecast by Jesus (Matthew 24:7) (7), 10 Stronghold to which girls in King Xerxes' harem (including Esther) were taken (Esther 2:8) (7), 11 Where Saul went to consult a medium before fighting the Philistines (1 Samuel 28:7) (5), 12 Propitiation (Hebrews 2:17) (9), 17 Turn away (Jeremiah 11:15) (5), 19 So clear (anag.) (7), 21 'I have just got — , so I can't come': one excuse to be absent from the great banquet (Luke 14:20) (7), 22 Long weapon with a pointed head used by horsemen (Job 39:23) (5), 23 Musical beat (6), 24 What the Israelites were told to use to daub blood on their door-frames at the first Passover (Exodus 12:22) (6)

Down

1 Fasten (Exodus 28:37) (6), 2 Art bite (anag.) (7), 3 'The people of the city were divided; some — with the Jews, others with the apostles' (Acts 14:4) (5), 5 Contend (Jeremiah 12:5) (7), 6 Possessed (Job 1:3) (5), 7 Sheen (Lamentations 4:1) (6), 9 'You love evil rather than good, — rather than speaking the truth' (Psalm 52:3) (9), 13 Large flightless bird (Job 39:13) (7), 14 They were worth several hundred pounds each (Matthew 25:15) (7), 15 'A — went out to sow his seed' (Matthew 13:3) (6), 16 How Jesus described Jairus's daughter when he went into the room where she lay (Mark 5:39) (6), 18 The part of the day when the women went to the tomb on the first Easter morning (John 20:1) (5), 20 Narrow passageway between buildings (Luke 14:21) (5)

Readings and Psalms for June 2021

Tues 1 st	10.30	1 Peter 1.10-16; Psalm 98.1-5; Mark 12.13-17		
Sun 6 th	1st Sunday after Trinity 10.30 Genesis 3.8-15; Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4.13-5.1			
Tues 8 th	10.30	2 Corinthians 1.18-22; Psalm 119.129-136; Matthew 5.13-16		
Sun 13 th	2nd Sun 10.30	unday after Trinity Ezekiel 17.22-end; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5.6- 10,14-17		
Tues 15 th	10.30	2 Corinthians 8.1-9; Psalm 146; Matthew 5.43-end		
Sun 20 th	3rd Sun 10.30	nday after Trinity Job 38.1-11; Psalm 9.9-end; 2 Corinthians 6.1-13		
Tues 22 nd	10.30	Genesis 13.2,5-end; Psalm 15; Matthew 7.6,12-14		
Sun 27 th	4th Sunday after Trinity - Feast of Dedication 10.30 Genesis 28.11-18; Psalm 122; 1 Peter 2.1-10			
Tues 29 th	10.30	Zechariah 4.1-6a,10b-end; Psalm 125; Acts 12.1-11		

May Crossword Solution

ACROSS: 1, Conscience. 7, Arrival. 8, Yours. 10, Tidy, 11, Restrain. 13, Quaker. 15, Gateau. 17, Athenian. 18, Amen. 21, Eliot. 22, Enables. 23, Impressive. **DOWN:** 1, Cured. 2, Nave. 3, Calver. 4, Egyptian. 5, Courage. 6, Earthquake. 9, Sinfulness. 12, Leinster. 14, Atheism. 16, Waters. 19, Milne. 20, Taxi

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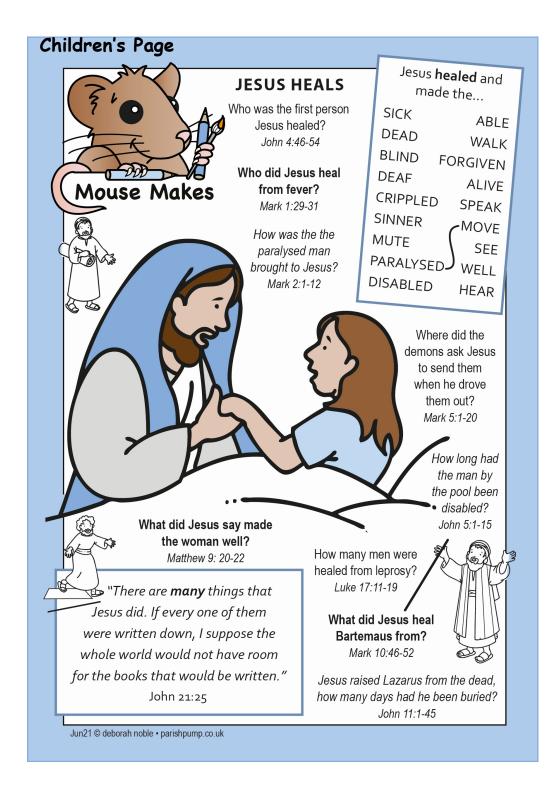
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Paws for thought

The sunshine is out and it seems to me that the human world is awake and active! Lots of lovely smells are coming from restaurants again and I'm enjoying seeing more of my human friends and family!

Looking back, I have learnt a lot over the past year – mostly things about human beings as I have watched and listened. You are a fascinating species, and it is remarkably interesting to see how you have evolved!



Here are some of the things about humans that I have learnt...

- You value your "pack" and thrive within it (from far or near)
- You persevere in adversity and are brave and courageous.
- You are faithful and care for one another.
- You mean well and try hard we all get it wrong sometimes!
- You really enjoy the great outdoors (when you have time to do so!)
- You need to be better at clearing up after yourselves (human litter is everywhere!!!
- You are loveable and you are loved.

You can always learn new tricks!

What did you learn about life in "lockdown" which might help us build the future?

We'd love to share some of these things so that we can learn from each other too! If you'd like to, please send Rev Penny once sentence in an email with anything you are happy to share about your "lockdown learning" and we will put it in next month's magazine (3)

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Lots of love, **Buddy**



APCM 2021

The APCM took place on Sunday 23rd May. We gave thanks for the past year and looked towards building the future.

The following were elected at that meeting:

Churchwardens 2021-2022: Valerie Fallows and Gillian Cotton

Assistant Wardens: Christine Crabtree and Janet Vidler

Elected PCC members 2021-2024 Christine Crabtree, Janet Vidler, and David McManus

Independent Examiner: Janice Roberts

Following on from that meeting, at the first meeting of the new PCC, the following appointments were made:

PCC Vice Chair Derek Redeyoff
PCC Secretary Lynn Moon
Treasurer Michael Davies
Electoral Roll Officer Julia Davies
Gift Aid Secretary Joan Catlow

Safeguarding Co-ordinator and representative for children and young people: Rose Hayward

Safeguarding deputy and representative for vulnerable adults:
Gillian Cotton

Standing Committee

The Vicar, Wardens, Treasurer and Rose Hayward

Joyce Hansell was elected by the PCC as **Deanery Synod rep**, filling the casual vacancy which has arisen since 2020.

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Junior Church at St George's

On Pentecost Sunday, Junior Church enjoyed a chilly but enthusiastic walk from Arlies Lane to Hartshead Pike, where they heard the story of Pentecost, sang, played a game and had some chocolate treats before heading off on the walk home!

Huge thanks to the Junior Church leaders and families for making this possible!

Junior Church will remain on Zoom for the remainder of this school year and will hopefully return in person in September!

A special Junior Church Prizegiving service, for the children and their families will be held in church on Sunday 18th July at 3pm

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

Services for Stamford Court

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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!



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.



June marks The Queen's 'official ' birthday. The Queen was born on 21 April in 1926 to King George VI and Queen Elizabeth and every year, The Queen marks her birthday twice: once on her actual date of birth, and then again on an "official", ceremonial occasion on the second Saturday in June.

The convention of an official monarch's birthday has been in place since 1748, during the reign of King George II. George's birthday fell in November, but he decided to change it so he could mark the occasion with a large-scale public celebration during the warmer months. He made the decision to combine his celebration with Trooping the Colour, an annual military parade in the summer. The Queen initially marked her "official" birthday on the second Thursday of June, the same day as her father, King George VI. However, she changed it to its current position in 1959, seven years into her reign.

The Trooping of the Colour, which was due to take place on 12 June, has been cancelled due to the pandemic, for the second year running and instead will be replaced with The Queen's Birthday Parade at Windsor Castle, as it was last year. Prince Philip was due to turn 100 on 10 June this year so it will be a good opportunity to focus on remembering him.