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An Autumnal welcome...



The nights have begun drawing in. Despite the burst of an Indian Summer there has been a slight chill in the air. Or perhaps its because our central heating boiler has been on the blink, but I have been wearing my cardigan a bit more and the gas fire is on in my office. Putting my cardigan on reminded me of our visit to Wales last year where we visited Cardigan – which my Welsh-speaking auntie would have known as *Aberteifi*. While we were there, we saw an enormous hand-made cardigan which had been constructed by the ladies of the town. I rather liked this – it was clearly an artwork and very well made but felt slightly bonkers in that very British kind of way that encourages people to go bog-snorkelling or cheese-rolling. Its probably why I enjoy watching grown men waving hankies and shaking bells while engaging in Morris Dancing.

All these quirky things serve to remind us of how we celebrate and commemorate the seasons. In the church the Autumn season leading up to Christmas is these days often referred to as the *Season of Invitation* because it is that time when the major public commemorations of Harvest, Remembrance, Advent and Christmas fall in close succession. For many people it is a time to reconnect with the church – to respond to the invitation to mark the year in thanksgiving and remembrance.

The first Sunday of this month is our Harvest Festival. Unlike previous years we won't be able to do the things we usually do in our services; no Harvest Supper and no singing of familiar hymns. But there will still be services in both our churches, which will be decorated with flowers. However, we would like to use this as a time to collect food that we can give to the local foodbanks where it is much needed. So please bring tinned and dry goods, especially tinned meats and pies. It is possible to donate some fruit and vegetables but these should be packaged to avoid the transmission of the virus.

Our services on Sunday morning continue at Burghwallis and Campsall by Zoom recorded early in the morning and then at Burghwallis at 10.00 and then at Campsall at 11.00. Unfortunately, there is no singing and we abide by the current restrictions. As you can see from the picture this means that our vestments are slightly modified – I realise that we were

standing closer than we should for the picture but during the service I can assure that we do maintain our social distancing.

You will be pleased to note Fr Chris has now been licensed as Associate Priest Bishop Sophie and that Christine has also now begun training for ordination at St Hild's at Mirfield. All are signs Church life goes on even while pandemic continues.

Please think about how you respond to this season of invitation. Keep safe and be assured of a warm – if slightly distant - welcome.



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Fr Richard

Annual Parish Meetings

I am pleased to be able to report that our much-delayed Annual Parish Meetings have taken place. This also means that we have elected Churchwardens for the coming year. This is an ancient civil office that carries with it the power of arrest (in very limited circumstances). We welcome Christine Tickle as a new Warden at Campsall.

Our churchwardens are:

- Burghwallis:** Colin Bowes and Shirley Gill
- Campsall:** Jenny Lister and Christine Tickle
- Deputy Warden: Alan Troop

Their badge of office is the Churchwarden's wand which they carry on ceremonial occasions although I always feel we ought to present them with a long clay pipe.

Barnscan

It's a great pity that, in view of the current situation, we are unable to hold our Autumn talks. The Leader Brothers were due to make their annual visit in December with another of their Mystery Boxes. When I

contacted them to say that we would have to cancel, they said how sad they were not to be coming: "This Christmas meeting has been one of our friendliest of gatherings which we look forward to each year." They said, however, that they weren't surprised as all their bookings for this term had been cancelled. It is heartening, in these difficult times, to remember the good times we've had in the past and to hope that in the not too distant future, we will be able to enjoy them again.

We had an excellent, interesting programme of talks planned for 2020-21 and hopefully it won't be too long before we can all meet up again. We will continue to review the situation and, as soon as it is safe and practical, we will let you know that we are resuming our programme.

Take care and stay safe, everyone.

Janet Millward on behalf of Barnscan

The Parish Magazine

You will realise that we have returned to distributing the Magazine by hand but an electronic version is also available. If you know of anyone who would like to receive the magazine please contact:

Shirley Troop on 01302 707544.

Alistair Owens reminded me the magazine can be seen on the Burghwallis parish website:

www.burghwallis.org.uk

Which is particularly helpful if you want to browse the back issues!



Burghwallis Parish Council

Parish Council Meetings

The next 2 parish council meetings are **Tuesday, 13th October** and **Tuesday, 24th November**, both at 7.00 pm, in The Burghwallis pub. The number of PC members are such that we can still meet in person within the latest Covid guidelines, and although members of the public are entitled to attend, they would have to adhere to strict distancing guidelines.

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3rd Tuesday of each month –
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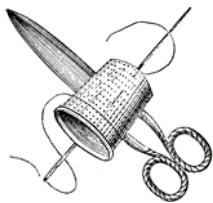
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I think that Jill has captured some of the frustrations and thoughts we have all had in recent months as we have done our best to comply with the changing regulations and requirements related to the pandemic.

RW.

Some Thoughts from Mona Lott...

When I was little, Mum used to call me Mona Lott, after a character on the radio. One shouldn't moan, but sometimes you just have to, don't you think?

Like everyone else, by the time September came I was fed up of lockdown. Cupboards and drawers tidied back in March are in a mess again; the flowers planted have bloomed and died, and the little frog in my garden pond has made itself scarce. I was looking forward to some return of normality.

Campsall and Norton village hall committees had worked tirelessly to jump through every hoop they'd been confronted with. Volunteer-run public buildings had all been issued with reams of guidance and rules, individual risk assessments were being carried out every hiring group. Campsall 4a Trust's risk assessments on the halls were completed on the evening of 9th September. I sat back with a sigh of relief before taking an early bath. In the morning, we could start making plans to re-start the Parent and Toddler Groups and Lunch Club within the next few weeks.



The bishops had formed a 'support bubble' all on their own.

I switched on the 10 o'clock news as I climbed into bed. What I heard was the Prime Minister, solemnly announcing that, for the foreseeable future, we must not meet in groups of more than six, indoors or out. The Rule of Six now applies. I lay awake most of that night, trying to get my head round the implications, not just for our own villages but for the entire country. The future looked bleak.

I'm no Mary Poppins, but within a day or two, my moaning was ever-so-slightly tinged with thankfulness. We can be thankful that when the pandemic is over, these public buildings and volunteers will be there for us. We can be thankful that we are not under bombardment in a refugee camp, or imprisoned in a far-off land for a crime we didn't commit. Those who have lost a loved one over the last few months can, perhaps, be thankful for memories of happy times shared over the years.

One thing I really like to have a moan about is ***The Blame Game***. There's been a lot of that going on and if we're honest, we've probably all played it a few times. But playing ***The Blame Game*** makes us sour. Does God play ***The Blame Game***, I wonder.?

Jill Shaw

Remembrance Sunday – November 8th

The Covid-19 pandemic has served to disrupt all our lives but it should not be a reason for forgetting the sacrifice made by so many in wars and conflicts.

It is still planned to hold Remembrance Day Commemorations on the 8th of November but clearly, we shall have to pay heed to any government regulations that will be in force by then.

Currently it is planned to hold a reduced Ceremony at Burghwallis in the park followed by wreath laying at the War memorial. Further details will be given in next month's Magazine.

Consecration of the Bishop of Doncaster Rt Revd Sophie Jelley

Along with many others in the diocese, I was able to watch the livestream of Sophie Jelley's consecration as Bishop of Doncaster at York Minster on Monday 21st September. Despite everything, it was a simple yet moving service conducted by the Archbishop of York the Most Revd Stephen Cottrell. The Rt Revd Sophie Jelley previously served as Director of Mission, Discipleship and Ministry in the Diocese of Durham and Canon Missioner of Durham Cathedral. Before joining Durham, she ministered in the Dioceses of Bradford, Guildford and Chichester, and in Uganda with the Church Mission Society.



It has been a delight working with Bishop Sophie over the past few months since her appointment and we wish her well for her coming years of ministry in the Diocese of Sheffield.

Our prayers are also with the 10 people ordained deacon and 12 people ordained priest at Sheffield Cathedral during the Michaelmas Ordinations. This should be a sign, in these difficult times, that the church is looking to the future and that God is rewarding our faithfulness.

The tale of the RICH FOOL



JESUS OFTEN TOLD
STORIES WITH
HIDDEN MEANINGS

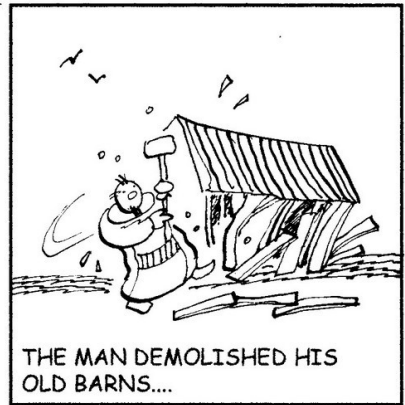


ONE STORY WAS ABOUT A MAN
WHO HAD LOTS OF LAND WHICH
GREW WONDERFUL WHEAT.

I HAVEN'T ANYWHERE TO
KEEP ALL THIS FOOD

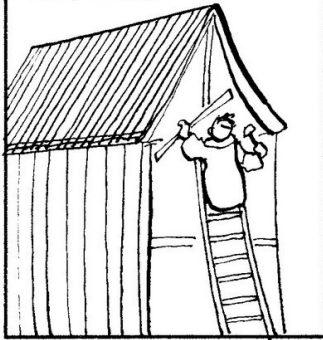


I KKNOW! I'LL PULL DOWN
MY BARNs AND BUILD
BIGGER ONES



THE MAN DEMOLISHED HIS
OLD BARNs...

...AND BEGAN TO BUILD
NEW ONES.



SOON I'LL BE THE RICHEST
MAN IN THE TOWN!



I'M SO LUCKY - I CAN
EAT, DRINK AND BE
MERRY!



BUT THAT VERY NIGHT,
THE MAN DIED!



WHAT GOOD WERE HIS
RICHES NOW?



JESUS EXPLAINED - IT'S NOT
YOUR WEALTH THAT MATTERS,
IT'S HOW YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE
THAT'S IMPORTANT

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Matthew 24:44-51, Luke 12:40-46

Jesus warned his disciples to be always ready for his return at the end of time by telling the story of two servants

The good servant



While I am away, I am putting you in charge of the food

My master could be away a long time; I will work as if he was here.



When the servants came for their food, he had it ready



He made sure everyone got their full amount every day.



Then his master came back



Well done!

I am putting you in charge of everything I have



The bad servant



While I am away, I am putting you in charge of the food

My master could be away a long time; I can do what I want!



When the servants came for their food, he chased them away!



He had friends come round, and they ate and drank as much as they liked.




Then his master came back



and punished him.

Jesus said



This is the difference between those who follow me and those who only say they do.

St Francis Preaches to the Fish

He gave us eyes to see them: 'St Francis of Assisi preaching to the fish'

On 4th October we give thanks for one of the most loved saints in the church - Francis of Assisi. He died in 1226, but his example and witness have lived on to inspire Christians through the centuries.

His was a life focused on the crib and the cross, Lady Poverty and the stigmata, suffering and transfiguration. But also, it was a life marked by a deep love of creation: St Francis had a special nearness to all creatures great and small. As we read the stories of Thomas of Celano, we learn how he tamed a wolf in Gubbio, how swallows would chirp and fly around his head, how lambs would come close and gaze with delight, how his faithful donkey wept as the saint approached death, and in this month's painting, how fish would come to the shore to hear him preach.

Thomas relates how Francis returned some fish that had been caught to the water, telling them not to be caught again. They lingered near the boat, listening to the saint until he gave them permission to leave.

The sermon to the fish is portrayed in this work by Luc-Olivier Merson, a French artist who lived from 1846 to 1920. He is better known for his work with designs for banknotes, postage stamps, and the basilica of Sacré - Coeur in Montmartre. Here in this canvas, we see St Francis with followers young and old, a faithful dog and the fish at the water's edge.



What was the saint telling them? I think that they were loved and valued as part of the rich tapestry of God's creation, and they must return that love. It is the mood of the Benedicite where all things that move in the earth, the skies and the seas are exhorted to praise the Lord and magnify him forever. St Francis captures that mood in his own Canticle of the Sun.

In the weeks and months of lockdown many of us have had the time to look afresh at our relationship with the world of nature as we have journeyed through the seasons of spring and summer. We have learnt to wonder at the richness and variety of creation. We need to take that lesson into the 'new normal' as restrictions are gradually relaxed. The clock and the complexity of life may easily take over again, but St Francis is inviting us to journey with him in simplicity and joy as we praise God with all His creatures:

'Let all things their Creator bless
and worship Him in humbleness.'

The Revd Michael Burgess

Crosswords Clues and Answers

Across

1 He must be 'the husband of but one wife and must manage his children and his household well' (1 Timothy 3:12) (6)

4 'For we must all — before the judgement seat of Christ' (2 Corinthians 5:10) (6)

7 'They reeled and staggered like drunken men; they were at their — end' (Psalm 107:27) (4)

8 See 19 Across

9 It concerned who among the disciples would be the greatest (Luke 9:46) (8)

13 Formed by the Jews in Thessalonica to root out Paul and Silas (Acts 17:5) (3)

16 'He has sent me to bind up the — ' (Isaiah 61:1) (6-7)

17 Moved rapidly on foot (Matthew 28:8) (3)

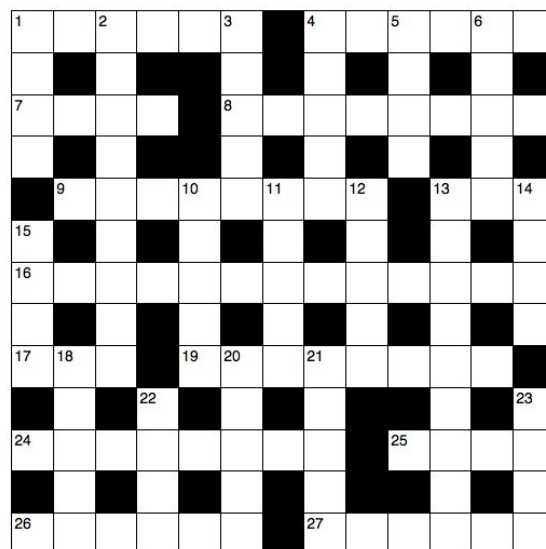
19 and 8 ' — a great company of the — host appeared with the angel' (Luke 2:13) (8,8)

24 Hindrance (Romans 14:13) (8)

25 Comes between Luke and Acts (4)

26 Empower (Acts 4:29) (6)

27 'Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a — !' (John 2:16) (6)



Down

1 Sunrise (Psalm 119:147) (4)

2 The part of the day when Cornelius the Caesarean centurion had a vision of an angel of God (Acts 10:3) (9)

3 He was one of those who returned with Zerubbabel from exile in Babylon to Jerusalem (Nehemiah 7:7) (5)

4 'No one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born — ' (John 3:3) (5)

5 Animal hunted or killed as food (Ezekiel 22:25) (4)

6 'He encouraged them — — remain true to the Lord' (Acts 11:23) (3,2)

10 Ruses (anag.) (5)

11 Jewish priestly vestment (Exodus 28:6) (5)

12 Visible sign of what had been there (Daniel 2:35) (5)

13 This was the trade of Alexander, who did Paul 'a great deal of harm' (2 Timothy 4:14) (9)

14 'This is my — , which is for you; do this in remembrance of me' (1 Corinthians 11:24) (4)

15 One of Noah's great-great-grandsons (Genesis 10:24) (4)

18 Traditionally the first British Christian martyr (5)

20 Relationship of Ner to Saul (1 Samuel 14:50) (5)

21 Jacob had one at a place he named Bethel while on his way to Haran, fleeing from Esau (Genesis 28:12) (5)

22 Bats (anag.) (4)

23 'You strain out a — but swallow a camel' (Matthew 23:24) (4)

Answers

ACROSS: 1, Deacon. 4, Appear. 7, Wits. 8, Heavenly. 9, Argument. 13, Mob. 16, Broken-hearted. 17, Ran. 19, Suddenly. 24, Obstacle. 25, John. 26, Enable. 27, Market.

DOWN: 1, Dawn. 2, Afternoon. 3, Nehum. 4, Again. 5, Prey. 6, All to. 10, Users. 11, Ephod. 12, Trace. 13, Metalwork. 14, Body. 15, Eber. 18, Alban. 20, Uncle. 21, Dream. 22, Stab. 23, Gnat.

Parish Register

Funerals

4th September Rita Agnes Bearstall

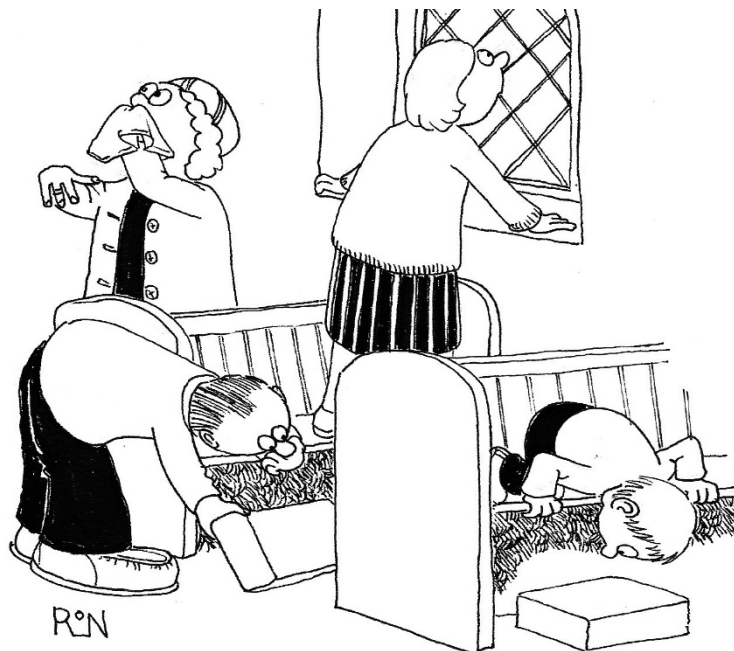
9th September Marjorie Wood

14th September Erin Ruby Moran

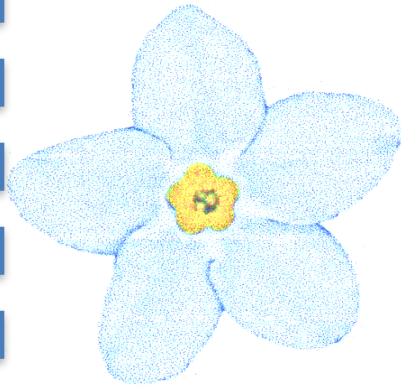
22nd September June Wilson

Parish Office

We have now returned to holding the parish office in Church on Thursday Evening between 6.00 and 7.00pm where Baptisms and Weddings can be booked. It is also an opportunity for families to come and discuss holding a memorial service for departed loved ones.



They knew it was left over from the Harvest Festival, but not what it was, or where...



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Usual Pattern of Sunday Services in the Benefice

<p>St Mary Magdalene, Campsall</p> <p>11.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month 11.00 Family Service</p>	<p>St Helen, Burghwallis</p> <p>9.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month 8.00 Holy Communion</p>
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