

# THE UNITED BENEFICE of ST LUKE'S, ENDON with ST CHAD'S, BAGNALL

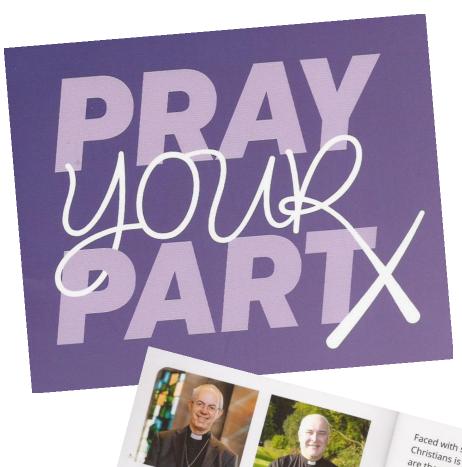


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**July 2024** 

#### **INTERREGNUM Month 49**



# OUR GENERAL ELECTION

on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> gives us the chance to have a say in the future of our nation. Rev Patricia has distributed 'PRAY YOUR PART' booklets so we can prayerfully consider where we place our cross.

from the Archbishops
of Canterbury and York

The coming General Election is critical moment in the life of our nation, which will shape our future.

This is a time for us all to ask important questions about what kind of country we want to build.

The world and our nation face deep challenges given us.

Injustice to the very future of the earth God has

Faced with such huge questions, our calling as Christians is to turn first to God in prayer. We dedicate the next few weeks as a time not just to think about the big questions, but also to pray part both as voters and, more broadly, as citizens. He Lord's Prayer, Jesus teaches us to pray earth as in heaven.'

This simple and profound prayer is our starting point during the days leading up to the General May God's will be done in our nation and in God's

Archbishop Justin Welby & Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

#### JUNE / JULY at ST LUKE'S

30<sup>th</sup> JUNE SUNDAY
9.15am MORNING WORSHIP –
Barrie / Roger
11.00am CONNECTIONS

7<sup>th</sup> JULY SUNDAY
9.15am HOLY COMMUNION – Rev
Philip
11.00am CONNECTIONS

14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY
9.15am MORNING WORSHIP –
Barrie / Roger
11.00am CONNECTIONS

21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY
9.15am HOLY COMMUNION – Fr
David Nicol
11.00am CONNECTIONS

28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY
9.15am MORNING WORSHIP –
Barrie / Roger
11.00am CONNECTIONS



## CONNECTIONS A FAMILY-FRIENDLY SERVICE

Sundays at 11am

at St Luke's CE Academy, Leek Road in the school hall. lasting about 40 minutes followed by games for the children and refreshments.

#### **ECUMENICAL SERVICES**

Wednesdays: Holy Communion at 9.15am

3<sup>rd</sup> July at St Luke's 10<sup>th</sup> July at Methodist Church 17<sup>th</sup> July at St Luke's 24<sup>th</sup> July at Methodist Church

#### JULY at ST CHAD'S

**7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY** 

10.45am FAMILY SERVICE – KH and team Rev Caryl will be licensed as Associate Minister to the benefice by Bishop Matthew. Folk from St Luke's warmly invited!

14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY 10.45am PRAYER & PRAISE – KH /MF

21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY

10.45am HOLY COMMUNION – Rev Barry 28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY

10.45am MORNING WORSHIP – KH / MF

#### ST LUKE'S CHURCH OFFICE

Unless involved with funeral duties Barrie mans the office on Mon, Wed, and Fri from 10.30am to 1.00pm using **07517 653370.** During these times the church is open for private prayer.

# WE SAY FAREWELL TO A GOOD FRIEND OF ST LUKE'S ...

Rev Eleanor writes...

I will be having my farewell service at Endon Methodist Church on **Sunday 14th July**, but it will be at the later time of 10.30am.

I hope that that means that you might be able to attend after your service, even if a few minutes late.

The invitation is to anyone who wishes to come.

Every blessing

Eleanor

#### **JAMES BENSON** Reader Emeritus

A service of celebration for the life of our James will be held at St Luke's at 2.00pm on Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> followed by interment in the lawn cemetery. All who knew James are welcome to attend and to join the family afterwards for refreshments at the Lockside, Stockton Brook Golf Club.

Ros has been overwhelmed with kind messages of condolence and extends a big THANK YOU to you all.



# CANDLE DEDICATIONS for JULY

For £2.50 you can keep the Candle of Hope or the Sanctuary Light burning for a week with a dedication. Thank you to all of you who have supported the candle dedications this year.

Please contact Shirley on 504089 if you would like a particular date.

July	CANDLE OF HOPE	SANCTUARY LIGHT
7 <sup>th</sup>	Ann Boulton in loving memory of Nicola	Barrie Jackson in celebration of Alice's birthday
14 <sup>th</sup>	Remembering the life and witness of Winnie Taylor and May Pointon	Barrie Jackson in celebration of Zac's birthday
21 <sup>st</sup>	Maureen Foster to celebrate the birthdays of her granddaughters Charlotte and Sophie	Ann Boulton in loving memory of Les
28 <sup>th</sup>	Anon in loving memory of Elaine Morrey on her birthday (25 <sup>th</sup> )	Sheila and Stan Hurst to celebrate their wedding anniversary



#### **BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS to**

David Morris (13<sup>th</sup>), Janet Bowyer (16<sup>th</sup>), Lyn Pickering (29<sup>th</sup>)

If you would like your own or a family birthday included here please contact Ros 504137

#### PASTORAL TEAM (Phone nos on back page)

#### HILLSWOOD LODGE CARE HOME: next visit Wed July 17th at 11.00am

Volunteers are welcome to help boost the singing. There is room for 6 or 7 of us. Please inform Shirley or Rev Patricia if you are able to come. The residents really do enjoy these services and the chats afterwards.

**HOME and CARE HOME VISITS:** Pastoral team members regularly visit folk who are no longer able to attend church. Do get in touch with Shirley if you know of anyone who would like a visit.

WALKS followed by refreshments: Listen up for details of the next walk. Do join us.

#### **MABEL McGRATH**

It was with great sadness that St Luke's received the news that Mabel had died. Mabel had been a long-standing member of our congregation until she was no longer able to attend church. She was visited regularly by Ann Boulton who was a good friend of hers and a member of our pastoral team. Our thoughts and prayers go to Mabel's family and friends who will miss her a great deal.



May was another relatively busy month, and significantly busier than the same period last year:

<b>Total vouchers fulfilled</b>	= 95	(78)
No. of Adults fed	= 129	(116)
No. of Children fed	= 83	(71)
Total no. fed	= 212	(187)

We are seeing an increasing number of clients whose financial situations seem to be "stuck", in that they have had a financial check from CA and budgeting advice, but there seems to be little that can be done to improve their ability to make ends meet. During May, I attended a Citizens Advice Insight briefing, entitled "Is the cost of living crisis really over?" not surprisingly, whilst there are some areas showing marginal improvements, the answer was a long way from being positive! A couple of very sobering statistics, (there were plenty more!) – Citizens Advice stated that more than half of the clients that they have helped with debt over the last year, were still in negative budget after those debts had been cleared. And in a survey carried out by the TUC, 80% of teaching staff stated that they regularly provided food for children who were hungry. We now have 38 clients who have had 3 or more vouchers in the last six months. We continue to work with them, and with their referral agents, but ultimately, when they run out of money before their next pay day, we are the only ones who are there to help.

It is very important for us to have as much information as possible regarding clients' individual circumstances, both to be able to offer the right support and to ensure that the hugely generous donations we receive are being used appropriately. This involves a few difficult questions, but is necessary for client wellbeing and Foodbank integrity. Figures for stock weighed in last month show that we purchased 23.73%, which compares, very unfavourably, with 12.91% purchased in May 2023. Whilst we are very fortunate that our financial reserves enable us to meet the shortfall in stock, we absolutely need to work to improve clients' situations so that they are not in such desperate need of our help. Here is our shopping list, all items very gratefully received:

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Longlife semi-skimmed milk Fruit squash

Rice – 500gm/microwave pouches

Pasta sauce Longlife sponge puddings

Tinned carrots/corn Tinned rice pudding Coffee - 100/200gm

Instant mash Tinned custard Tinned meat

Tinned tuna Tinned fruit Tinned rice pudding

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Tomato ketchup Chocolate biscuits/bars TOILETRIES

HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS

Shampoo and conditioner

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Washing up liquid

Toothpaste and toothbrushes

Multi surface cleaner

Deodorant

Cleaning cloths/sponges

Laundry liquid/capsules/powder Razors and shaving foam

The timing of the election has taken us all by surprise, and certainly the Trussell Trust, which had a whole summer of campaigning planned, both nationally and locally with their individual Foodbanks. Through the following link you can see a breakdown of the End of Year statistics, details of the Essentials Guarantee, and a link to Trussell Trust's Election Manifesto, all very interesting reading.

https://www.trusselltrust.org/2024/05/15/heres-what-needs-to-change-to-end-the-need-for-foodbanks/

We are the nominated charity for a week long food drive at Morrisons from 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July – our volunteers will be in store on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Hopefully these events will provide a much needed boost to our stock levels. Please pop in to see us on either of these days.

If you are a donor, please try to deliver your donations at the Foodbank on Tuesday and Friday between 10.00 am and 12 noon – as it gets very busy with clients after this time. Alternatively, you may use any of our Permanent Collection Points which are still available at various locations listed on our website <a href="https://leekdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/">https://leekdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/</a>.

If any of you would like to discuss anything relating to the Foodbank or arrange a visit, please contact me at <a href="mailto:projectmanager@leekdistrict.foodbank.org.uk">projectmanager@leekdistrict.foodbank.org.uk</a> or on 07916 005064. Thank you all for your ongoing support for all that we do. We are also able to collect any large donations - please contact the Foodbank to arrange this.

And, last, but by no means least I would like to give a massive shout out to our wonderful team who are "simply the best"! They give so generously of their time, are an absolute hilarious joy to work with, and are just the kindest, most compassionate bunch of people you could ever wish to meet. So, thank you to each and every one of you, you are the Foodbank and you make me so proud.

Lindsey Stockton Project Manager



- Every Sunday 10.00 Worship
- Mondays 10.00 − 1.30 Community Café (not bank holidays).
- Wednesdays 9.15 Holy Communion Alternately with St Luke's Parish Church

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- Thursdays 10.30 Fit-as-a-fiddle: Exercise, conversation and coffee
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 10am, and Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm for Afternoon Tea.
   Please book in advance with Rev Eleanor Smith
- Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Rev Eleanor Farewell Service
- Saturday July ? 0 -12 Coffee Pot Cafe (see noticeboard outside church for date)
- Friday 6pm 'Blast' youth club for 7-11 year olds (during term time)
- Holiday Club: Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th and Friday 26th July 10am 12noon.
   Please see separate notice

#### **ENDON FRIENDSHIP CLUB**

#### Coach trip to Llandudno on Thursday, 8th August

Pick up from The Black Horse, The Plough and the Village Hall at 9.00am. Return at 5pm.

Members £14.50. Non-members £15.50

To book a place please phone Eileen on 01782 76446



#### **Goodbye from Rev Eleanor Smith**

I will be leaving the Staffordshire Moorlands Methodist Circuit at the end of July and I want to say thank you. I was stationed to the circuit – which means I did not choose to come – to begin ministry on 1st September 2019 and as is usual in Methodism the appointment is for 5 years. I may not have chosen to come here but I have loved serving in this beautiful part of England. I did know the area because in the 1990s I worked in the Finance Department of Staffordshire

Moorlands District Council when we lived in Cheshire and before I trained for ordained ministry. It is now the right time to retire and to move to Derbyshire.

I have loved living in Endon and really feel part of the community and being so involved in the Well Dressing; I really will miss that. I have been grateful for links with St Luke's Parish Church and St Luke's Academy and singing in the Community Choir. We have done so much together as two churches, continuing those things that have been in place for some time including the weekly Holy Communion service, monthly services at Hillswood Lodge, the annual memorial service and lent groups. But also working together on new things; my swan song will be a 'Churches Together' marquee at the Leek Show, just two days before I move! Thank you to so many individuals at St Luke's who are as special to me as folk in the Methodist Church.

We are very fortunate in Methodism as we do not have an interregnum between Ministers. We knew last November that Rev Denise Williamson has been stationed to our circuit to begin ministry in September 2024. She has visited twice and met members of Endon Methodist Church; she will be living at The Manse in Endon.

I want to share a poem by Ruth Burgess of the Iona Community and used with permission. You may not be moving home but it is time to go into the unknown future, trusting in God:

Time to go now.

Time to discover what's round the corner.

Time to discover some of the answers to my questions.

Time to go.

Time to go now.
Time to share the love that's inside me.
Time to risk trusting Jesus.
Time to go.

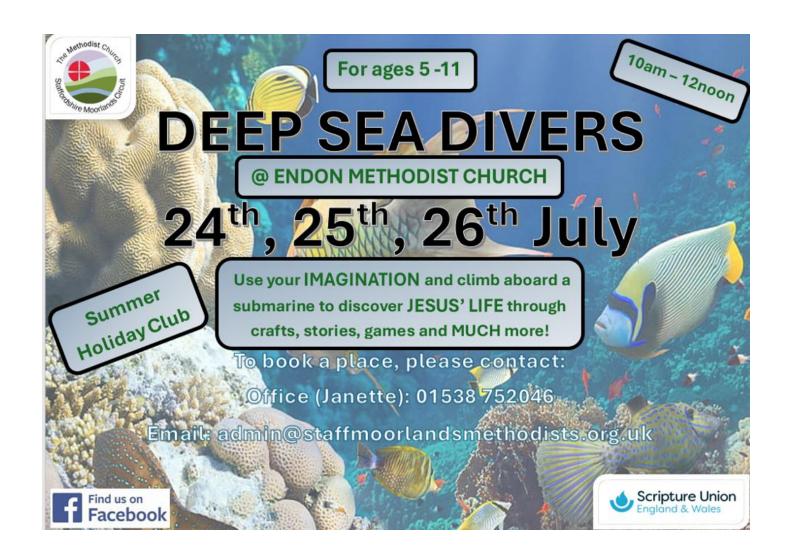
Time to go now.
Time to listen to the Holy Spirit.
Time to walk with friends and strangers.
Time to go.

Hey God, whatever time is
You made it –
Nights of it, days of it,
Seconds and moments and hours and weeks and years of it.
You made me to dance and cry and smile and rejoice in it.

You call me now – ready or not!

From 'Moments of our nights and days'. www.ionabooks

Thank you Eleanor for all your support for us here at St Luke's especially during our present interregnum. We pray the Lord's blessing on you in your retirement.





#### **EXCITING NEWS!**

The Churches in Endon are having a marquee at the **LEEK SHOW** on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

We are excited about this opportunity to be out in the community and we would love you to be excited too and come and help, just for a couple of hours. Please speak to Rev Patricia.

- Hot and cold drinks and refreshments
  - Crafts and a gifts of bottles of bubbles
    - Godly Play and Bible stories
      - A Prayer Tree and Christian literature

**ALL FREE!** 













## Come follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad

# PLACES OF WELCOME: MUCH MORE THAN JUST A CUPPA

Places of Welcome are a network of hospitality, safe spaces in the local community where people can connect, belong and participate. Registration to the national network is free, but the coffee morning or drop-in should fulfill five criteria to join.

- 1. PLACE: An accessible and hospitable building, open at the same time every week.
- 2. PEOPLE: Open to everyone regardless of their circumstances or situation, and usually staffed by volunteers.
- 3. PROVISION: Offering free refreshments (at least a drink and a biscuit) and basic local information.
- 4. PRESENCE: A place where people actively listen to one another.
- 5. PARTICIPATION: Recognising that every person coming to a Place of Welcome will bring talents, experiences and skills that they might be willing to share locally.

Places of Welcome are a place where everyone can go for a friendly conversation and free refreshments, if and when they need it, and although they all meet the five expectations – they can all be very different – reflecting the communities they are in and their experiences and interests.

In their simplest form, they provide conversation and companionship over a cuppa, but did you know that some of our Places of Welcome provide other activities and support services? Here is just a flavour of what our Places of Welcome communities offer: sewing, gardening, citizens advice, councillor surgeries, knitting, yoga, exercise, arts and craft, colouring, litter picking, debt advice, counselling, foodbanks, clothing banks, haircuts, quizzes, singing and games.

But whether it's chatting over a cuppa and biscuit, taking part in one of the many activities or just finding a bit of support – they are always welcoming and inclusive.

Please do seek out your local Place of Welcome at <a href="www.placesofwelcome.org.uk">www.placesofwelcome.org.uk</a>
or if you would like to host a Place of Welcome contact Carrie Blount at
<a href="mailto:strengtheningcommunities@lichfield.anglican,org">strengtheningcommunities@lichfield.anglican,org</a>

Places of Welcome within Lichfield Diocese are supported by Carrie and her colleague, Lesley Bovington. To find your nearest Place of Welcome and read stories from visitors and volunteers, visit <a href="https://www.lichfield.anglican.org/places-of-welcome">https://www.lichfield.anglican.org/places-of-welcome</a>





## **Here Be Dragons!**

Churchyards and cemeteries may seem strange places to look for animals which live in streams and ponds but actually they can be very good. Frogs, toads and newts all



spend much of their lives out of the water and whilst dragonflies are aquatic during their larval stage it is the adult, flying insect that we see throughout the spring and summer. Whilst dragonflies will be returning to water to lay eggs, they can be seen cruising quite far away.

Dragonfly larvae may live for several years within water but for only a few weeks as a flying adult. It's not clear why they are called dragonflies, but other old names include Devil's Riding Horse and Devil's Darning Needle! They are an ancient type of insect with giant dragonflies found in the fossil record, dating from the Carboniferous era. Some fossilized dragonfly species would have had a wingspan of about 70cm.

Adult dragonflies eat smaller insects such as midges and mosquitoes. They can fly fast – reaching 25 to 30 mph with a loud buzzing sound and have excellent eyesight, using their compound eyes to find and catch prey as well as spot potential mates. You may see them basking on a churchyard wall or monument in order to warm up, wait for good weather or finish digesting. Flying takes a lot of energy so they spend much of their time sitting still. If you are both patient and lucky, you may also see predators of dragonflies or the smaller damselflies such as flycatchers and frogs.

One reason that burial grounds are good for dragonflies is that they can be havens for their food – small flying insects. Those managing churchyards, chapel yards and cemeteries rarely if ever use pesticides and there are often areas where these insects can breed, such as long tussocky grass, deadwood and woodland soils with old leaves, bark and hummus.

Why not spend some time checking on monuments and see if you can spot any dragonflies. Take a photo of any you see to upload onto the iNaturalist app which will both help you identify them and also make a record so others can see what you've found.

All the best, Harriet

Diocesan Churchyard Environmental Advisor, harriet@cfga.org.uk,

<u>www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk</u> - individuals and groups in the diocese receive 20% members discount on all CfGA materials.

Use the discount code **diomem22** 

#### ST LUKE'S PCC

The next meeting of the PCC will take place on Wednesday 17th July in the chapter house at 7.30pm.

#### LIFE GROUP and OUR NEXT PRAYER BREAKFAST

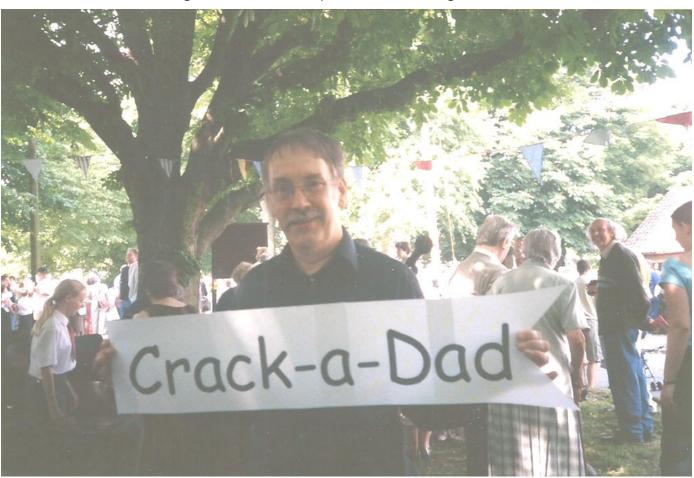
This is what used to be our Bible Study. In July we shall meet just once on **Thursday 18**<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm in the Chapter House to share fellowship and to deepen our faith through Bible study and prayer. This group provides an opportunity to raise questions about the Christian faith or particular aspects of faith. You will be very welcome to join us. Like to know more? Speak to Patricia at church or call 07854 418 488.

The next **Prayer Breakfast** will be on **Saturday 6th July** at 08.30 for breakfast and fellowship followed by prayer from 09.00 to 10.00.

#### **NEWS FROM ST CHAD'S**

#### Sheila T writes...

It's with great sadness that I have to report the death of James Benson on Sunday evening, the 9th June. James and his wife, Ros have been such a large part of St Luke's church, Endon for many years. James has had many visits to St Chad's and I had most dealings with him when he conducted some of the services for the crowning of the chestnut queens which I organised at the time.



#### Kathryn writes...

My association with James and Ros was PCCs, prayer meetings and his preaching at St Chad's.

"One lovely, faithful Christian man."
He was a popular speaker and enjoyed by all.

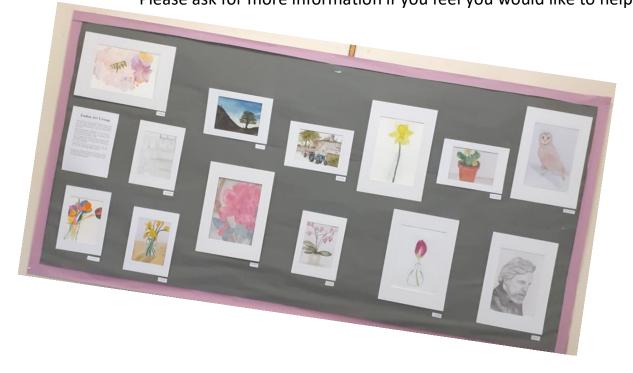
**Ros adds:** Thank you so much Sheila and Kathryn for your kind comments and thank you to everyone at St Chad's who has warmly welcomed us both over many years. I can't quite remember what 'Crack-a-Dad' was about but the Chestnut Queen Crowning was held on Fathers' Day that year. James was always willing to enter into the fun of the event.

FLOWER & CRAFT CLUB will be taking a break during July and August



## **ART GROUP** will meet on **Saturday 6th July** at 10.30 following the Prayer

Breakfast. If anyone is interested in learning the art of well dressing there is an invitation to help with the wells in Brown Edge. Our Art Group tutor, Nicola Shipley, has designed a well board and members of the group will be adding the petals, gravel, nuts etc from Sunday 7th to Friday 12th July. All are welcome to lend a hand at Steve Shirley's Barn. Please ask for more information if you feel you would like to help.





#### **QUIZ FOR JUNE...**

#### Well known Pairs ANSWERS. Well done if you got all 30!

1	MORECAMBE & WISE	Popular TV comedians
2	TWEEDLEDUM & TWEEDLEDEE	Roly poly fictional twins
3	STARS & STRIPES	US Flag
4	SALT & PEPPER	Table condiments
5	BAT & BALL	The basics of many games
6	DAVID & GOLIATH	Biblical hero and giant
7	BED & BREAKFAST	Boarding house provision
8	ROMEO & JULIET	Shakespeare's lovers
9	CLOAK & DAGGER	Secret and underhand
10	MARKS & SPENCER	High Street store
11	CROWN & ANCHOR	Pub sign, royal and nautical
12	SENSE & SENSIBILITY	Jane Austen novel
13	GIN & TONIC	Popular drink
14	SODOM & GOMMORAH	Cities of biblical divine judgement
15	THUNDER & LIGHTNING	Climatic polka
16	SKULL & CROSSBONES	The flag of piracy
17	POMP & CIRCUMSTANCE	Elgar's stirring march
18	ORANGES & LEMONS	St Clement's message
19	CATS & DOGS	Heavy rain
20	GILBERT & SULLIVAN	Writer and composer of operetta
21	WAR & PEACE	Tolstoy's epic novel
22	FISH & CHIPS	A favourite British meal
23	STRAWBERRIES & CREAM	Served at Wimbledon
24	LAUREL & HARDY	Old time comedians
25	UP & DOWN	Lifts go like this
26	APPLES & PEARS	Cockneys climb to bed
27	SAMSON & DELILAH	A biblical strong man and his downfall
28	PUNCH & JUDY	A seaside knockabout pair
29	NOW & THEN	Occasionally
30	JECKYLL & HYDE	A fictional split personality

- Why is a cake like the sun? Because it rises in the yeast and sinks beyond the vest.
- What jumps from cake to cake and tastes of almonds? Tarzipan
- Which monkeys like eating sweet cakes? Meringue-utans!
- What did the baby corn say to the mama corn? Where's pop?
- What did the nut say when it sneezed? Cashew!
- Why was the cucumber mad? Because it was in a pickle!
- What do you get from a pampered cow? Spoiled milk!
- What do ghosts eat on Halloween? Ghoulash!
- What does a mixed-up hen lay? Scrambled eggs!
- What did the skeleton order for dinner? Spare ribs!
- What do sea monsters eat for lunch? Fish and ships!
- Why do seagulls fly over the sea? Because if they flew over the bay they would be called bagels!
- Where do tough chickens come from? Hard-boiled eggs!
- How do you fix a broken tomato? With tomato paste!
- Why shouldn't you write with a broken pencil? Because it's pointless!
- Why couldn't the leopard play hide and seek? Because he was always spotted.
- What starts with E, ends with E, and has only 1 letter in it? Envelope

A few smiles this month borrowed from St Chad's!

## **July Prayer Focus**

- Our General Election and the next government
- An end to people trafficking and the ongoing problem of boats of refugees and asylum seekers crowding into unsafe boats to cross the Channel
- The families and friends of Squadron Leader Mark Long who died in an accident with his Spitfire as part of the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight display team
- The desperate plight of the people of Haiti suffering violence and anarchy brought about by gang rule
- The people of South Sudan enduring great hardship and near famine conditions
- The wife and family of opposition leader Alexei Navalny and the repercussions of his death in Russia and around the world
- Ukraine and the urgent need for arms and an end to the war now entering its third year
- Safety for shipping in the Red Sea and the financial consequences of longer journeys around the Cape
- Our king and the Princess of Wales as they undergo cancer treatment
- Those adversely affected by the recent storms, floods, doctors' strikes and rail strikes
- The families of all those whose loved ones have been murdered
- The truly horrendous situation in Israel and Gaza and especially the hostages
- A permanent cease-fire and the release of all hostages and for desperately needed aid getting into Gaza
- Climate change and the urgent need to combat its effects
- The serious consequences of shipments of grain being prevented from reaching their destinations, especially the African countries
- Those taken prisoner by the Russians
- Serious concerns about the growth of Artificial Intelligence and its influence on all our lives
- The current threat from China, Iran and N Korea supporting Russia in the war in Ukraine
- All aid agencies and volunteer recovery teams
- The problems of AI and managing them
- Those seeking justice for women in Iran and regime change
- All hostages in Iran awaiting release especially Morad Tahbaz and Mehran Raoff
- The huge problem of loneliness
- Refugees in Yemen and the US border with Mexico
- Loved ones and all in our parish who are currently unwell
- Improvements in the treatment of cancer, heart disease and neurological conditions
- Our church wardens and worship leaders during the interregnum
- The future of our benefice following nearly 4 years of interregnum
- Those affected by the recent upsurge in knife crime
- The widespread drug problem especially in Stoke-on-Trent
- Lou Macari's hostel for the homeless
- The problem of the millions of plastic bottles afloat in our oceans and the tons of 'space junk' orbiting our planet
- The problem of river pollution brought about by discharge of sewage
- All who have lost loved ones recently
- The Trussell Trust food banks still needed as much as ever

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For the duration of the interregnum the newsletter is available on-line as a PDF attachment and on the church website.

Paper copies are available for those without internet access.

Please submit notices for our next newsletter to Ros Benson

by **Tuesday**, **July 23**<sup>rd</sup> **2024** 

either by e-mail jandrbenson@btinternet.com or phone 504137.

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