

# Windsor Church News



**The Revd Canon  
Peter Johnson**

Dear Friends,

A recent newspaper headline set me thinking (not for the first time) about the use of words and the implicit, hidden suggestions that they can bring. Here are some examples:

“Reform”: literally this means to reshape, or reshaping. But in general usage it carries the implication of improvement, i.e. of a change that is beneficial. So we have the Reformation, the Constitution Reform Act 2005, the name of a political



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party. In each case, the unanalysed suggestion is of a better state of affairs.

“Progressive”: here again in general usage, since progress is understood as beneficial, some political parties use this term to describe themselves or their policies with an implicit claim that these are beneficial.

A different example: in mathematics, there are “real” numbers and “imaginary” numbers. Each of these designations refers to a logically constructed set which bears its name for historical reasons. But our ordinary sense of “reality” might fail in dealing with either of those standard designations: indeed imaginary numbers are vital in many practical applications of mathematics.

“Devout” (which is the word that got me thinking). What is a “devout person”? Are we devout if we attend church regularly? We often see reference to “devout Christians” or “devout Muslims” or

“devout Jews”. Is this code for those sections of the religious landscape which appear to have all the answers?

There is no word “undevout”. So if you or I are not “devout Christians” what are we? Surely we are believers if we are Christians who may be at various stages of our engagement with the mysteries of life – and above all as Christians with the mystery of God disclosed to us in the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now if “devout” is used as a shorthand indicator for “being certain”, then there is no room for the growth of understanding. Yet, as the hymn says, “Faith will vanish into sight”.

“I am not devout but I believe” was attributed to a certain high personage in the newspaper headline. But I dare to say that many of us are somewhere or other along that journey. For myself, that has been true in my life: I have had to develop,

A decorative banner for Easter Day services. It features a yellow background with a sun icon in the top right corner and a cloud icon in the top left corner. The text is centered and reads: "Services on Easter Day All welcome! 6am First Eucharist of Easter St Stephen & St Agnes Church (Vansittart Road) 8am Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Trinity Church (Claremont Road) 10am Family Eucharist All Saints' Church (Frances Road) 11.15am Easter Praise with Holy Communion St John the Baptist Church (High Street)". At the bottom, there is a small illustration of a church building on a hillside, with the text "THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND" next to it.

**Services  
on  
Easter Day**

*All welcome!*

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St Stephen & St Agnes Church  
(Vansittart Road)

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(High Street)

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

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and sometimes change, my understanding of various things in the Christian faith (as well as in life) as, I hope, I have reflected and studied more, and being both inspired and infuriated by the church catholic and its Anglican expression.

Just think of the claims made in our Creeds. Our creeds were not handed down ready written by an archangel; rather, they resulted from reflection by the church on the central conviction of Christians about God in Christ. The story of their formulation in the first five centuries is not one of pure theological reflection. There were doctrinal conflicts and political manoeuvring (to say the least) at times, and it is possible to see why alternative forms of understanding were rejected. But all this represents a journey, in every age, not a definitive conclusion as though there were no new questions. The Creeds act as signposts for us.

It was recently reported that the sale of Bibles has risen in recent years, and for some this is taken as a sign of religious revival. That is fine if the translation is a scholarly one; for the Bible is actually quite a complex collection of books with much internal dialogue and even contradiction. For me that makes it all more interesting as one can explore questions of faith and trying to understand why people expressed themselves in this way or that as they reflected on the many manifestations of God's revelation. But the bible needs study, not just simplistic quotation.

Then I learned that a subsequent report suggests that the sale figures may have been exaggerated, so should we perhaps not be too eager to look for signs?

It is such a pity that in the name of "true believing" or "Bible authority" parts of the Anglican Communion have effectively decided to sever their links with the See of Canterbury which, incidentally, has never pretended to a role analogous to that of the See of Rome for the Roman Catholic Church.

Such severance is particularly sad in the light of the service of Installation of the new Archbishop of Canterbury. The presence of so many ecumenical representatives, the fact that the Archbishop of Westminster read a lesson, and the presence of faith representatives side by side, was certainly a beacon of hope in our dark world. The hymn *Thy hand O God has guided* was certainly apposite, with its words "through many a day of darkness", "the gospel of redemption, sin pardoned, hope restored" and "thy mercy will not fail us".

So I am grateful for the Church of England, and for Anglicanism in most of its variety, and for "the faith handed on to us in the Catholic Creeds". I am grateful in both love and frustration as I think of St Cuthbert or St Bede, of Anselm, Thomas Cranmer, St John Henry Newman and so many others whose lives and thoughts have poured into the mix of Anglicanism, here and abroad. And let us all pray for a blessing upon the new Archbishop of Canterbury, battered as she will be by

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secular criticism on the one hand and fundamentalist pressure on the other, and give thanks for the vision of faith apparent in the Installation service.

Revd Canon Peter Johnson

## Archbishop of Canterbury



The Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally DBE was installed as Archbishop of Canterbury last month. Revd Sally was fortunate to be invited to be in the congregation and says "It was a great privilege to be in Canterbury Cathedral for the Installation of the 106<sup>th</sup>

Archbishop of Canterbury, a moment of history for the Church of England and of great joy for many people around the world. It was a day I shall remember with very much pleasure for many years." If you missed the service, you can watch the [highlights on the Church of England's YouTube channel](#) (which the image above is taken from).

## Mothers' UNION

### March 12<sup>th</sup> 2026 meeting

Our prayers as usual thanked God for our many blessings and strength for all those suffering loneliness and ill health. Man's inhumanity to man is unbelievable and we pray that God will give all MU members throughout the world the strength and courage to help in every way they can.

Penny Wells then ensured the quietness of the meeting. She makes it feel possible for us all to produce delightful craft. This time we all made beautiful Easter Cards which we will bring out at Easter together with the Easter Wreaths we made last year.

A beautiful afternoon completed by our normal tea and chat.

Our next meeting is at 3.30pm in All Saints' Hall on April 9<sup>th</sup> when Father Richard will recall his Ordination Day. It should be an extremely interesting afternoon.

You are all welcome to join us.....the only requirement is that you had a Mother!

Harmony of sound is Music  
Harmony of colour is Art  
Harmony of life is the Kingdom of God

*Estlyn Davies*

*Special thanks to Estlyn for this month's report as she has been unwell - we wish her a swift recovery.*

## St Mary and Pope Kyrillos VI Coptic Orthodox Church at Holy Trinity Church



The Egyptian Coptic Church have been holding a monthly service at Holy Trinity since last September. They prepare and set up from 8-9 am with the service lasting until about 11am, followed by breakfast afterwards in the Mountbatten room.

The service is conducted in English, Arabic and Greek and incanted using 1st century instruments such as triangle. Its the oldest practised liturgy in the world with a mixture of ancient Egyptian and Arabic and very meditative. The service is usually led by Bishop Morkos of Oxford and quite often we are delighted to be welcomed by Archbishop Angaelos

They are a warm and welcoming community and really pleased to have the opportunity to be at Holy Trinity. Their respect and enthusiasm for the

church are a delight. Steve, Brandon and I are always welcomed with love whether there together or individually.

*Penny Wells  
Holy Trinity Churchwarden*

*Thank you to Karim Wagdi for the joyous photograph (although it's small here, there are three familiar faces in it!). The Parochial Church Council are in the process of formalising the use of Holy Trinity Church, which is on ad hoc basis for the moment. Please do go along, if you can, on a third Saturday in the month (ie 18 April, 16 May etc).*

# Little People, Big Faith

A view from the children's corner



Dear Friends,

I first started serving at St Stephen's and St Agnes in October 2025. Before my first service I practised what I need to do with Jane, and I even took a candle home to practise holding still (we didn't want any singed clergy!). When I arrive at Church I go to get changed in to my cassock, we say a little prayer all together and then I pick up my candle as we walk in to the church. I follow all of my instructions as best as I can during the service, standing by my candle, holding my candle for the gospel and helping during communion. After

the service, I help everyone put all of the silver away and then I get to eat a lovely biscuit!

I really enjoy serving because I get to wear a fun outfit and I feel really special standing at the front as part of the service. I'm very grateful for all of my friends who help me as they give me great comfort when I'm feeling nervous.



At this time of year I've been reading my Easter Story book, told through the eyes of the donkey that Jesus rode in to Jerusalem. The little donkey served Jesus by carrying him faithfully in to Jerusalem even though he was a bit worried. He put his faith in Jesus and it

made him feel brave, and proud to carry such a good and kind man. I like to think of the little donkey when I am serving. He was a bit worried sometimes, but like him, I can trust in Jesus to help me feel brave when I feel nervous. I like reading the story as it reminds me that Jesus is beside me.

Over Easter time I'm looking forward to serving at lots of different services. I'm even allowed to stay up late to come to the service on Maundy Thursday!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the next services, and trying my best not to set anything a light with my candle!

With love,

Lyra

## Morning Prayer

A small group of us meet to say Morning Prayer at gam on weekdays on Zoom and some days also in a church. Please contact [Revd Sally](#) if you'd like a Zoom invitation. You can download the Daily Prayer app with the order of service [here](#) (there are also books available in churches).

Daily  
Prayer

Maundy  
Thursday  
2 April



Sung Eucharist

7.30pm

St Stephen &  
St Agnes Church

*All welcome*

## Remembering Gill Pengilley

*Gill was, for many years, a member of our church family. She died at the end of December and a memorial service was held at All Saints' Church for her last month. As her illness progressed, her faith seemed to remain inspirationally unwavering. If you would like to make a donation in Gill's memory to Alzheimer's Society you can do so via [her page](#) on [muchloved.com](#). Our thanks to Kate Newcombe for allowing us to share her words.*



### Tribute from Kate Newcombe, former Deputy Head, Upton House

I first met Gill over 30 years ago; I was invited for an interview at Upton House. I got an early train from Rugby, only to be stuck in Reading at 10am when I was supposed to be at school. I rang school and Gill said everything would be fine; she would change things around and told me to get there when I could. After the excitement of seeing the castle when I arrived at the station, I jumped in a taxi and arrived at Upton, where Gill met me. First impressions-kind, smiley, calm. She was so passionate about

Upton, the traditions, and the children. I was invited back for a second interview. Before my lesson observation, she pointed out that there were three Maddys in the group; she made me feel at ease. I was thrilled when I was offered the job in Transition, following in Gill's footsteps.

Gill was my mentor, my inspiration; she was always there for advice, support, she never judged, she always helped if she could. When I started Upton, she was Head of Pre-Prep, then she moved to Deputy Head. She was proud of the Upton traditions, which still remain today. She had high standards of behaviour, and uniform, and she had the most beautiful handwriting!

She put us to shame when the new IT room was opened, she set up all the tests we had to do to become proficient in Word, Excel, PowerPoint, she always led by example and was always there if any of the staff needed a hand. We had to get 90% to pass each section, of course Gill passed each one first time!

Gill was a very humble lady; she just got on with it. Being here in All Saints is full circle. Gill would organise the whole school for Harvest here and she led the Prep Carol Services at St John the Baptist Church near the castle. When she left Upton, we still saw her, she would come and read Bible stories to the children, and we would often see her at church services.

I loved working with Gill; she inspired me to work my way up to Deputy Head. My original plan was to be at Upton for 3 years, not 28! She saw me get married, get my first house, she even met my mum on the Greenline bus once when she and Pete were going into London.

Gill was a very special person and an inspiration to many of the children she taught and staff she looked after. I was proud to be able to call Gill my guide, my inspiration, and most importantly my friend.

### Regular midweek services

#### Mondays

9am Morning Prayer - All Saints' Church

#### Wednesdays

9am Morning Prayer - St Stephen & St Agnes Church

11am Holy Communion (BCP) - Holy Trinity Church

#### Fridays

9am Morning Prayer - Holy Trinity Church



**Friday 22 May  
4-6pm  
at  
All Saints' Church  
Frances Road**

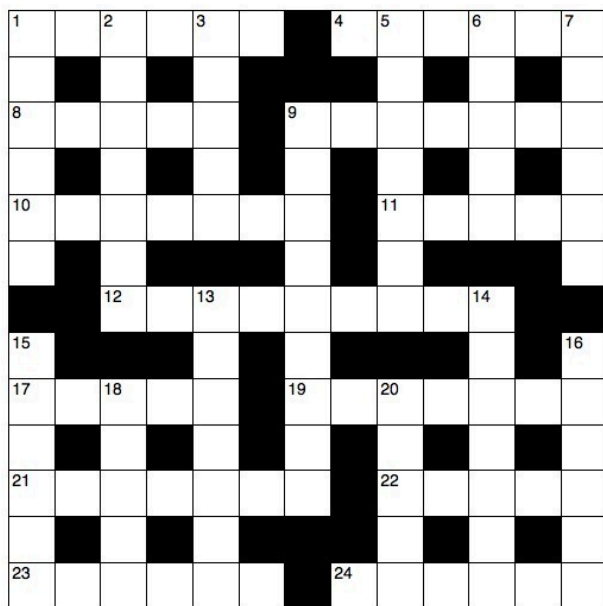
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# Puzzle Page



## Across

- 1 Relating to the whole universe (6)
- 4 The disciple who made the remark in 8 Across (John 20:24) (6)
- 8 'Unless I see the nail marks — — hands, I will not believe it' (John 20:25) (2,3)
- 9 He urged King Jehoiakim not to burn the scroll containing Jeremiah's message (Jeremiah 36:25) (7)
- 10 Baptist minister and controversial founder of America's Moral Majority, Jerry — (7)
- 11 'Look, here is — . Why shouldn't I be baptized?' (Acts 8:36) (5)
- 12 Repossessed (Genesis 14:16) (9)
- 17 Port from which Paul sailed on his last journey to Rome (Acts 27:3-4) (5)
- 19 'Moses was not aware that his face was — because he had spoken with the Lord' (Exodus 34:29) (7)
- 21 Roonwit, C.S. Lewis's half-man, half-horse (7)
- 22 Grill (Luke 24:42) (5)

- 23 'The lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the — apostles' (Acts 1:26) (6)
- 24 'I was sick and you looked after me, I was in — and you came to visit me' (Matthew 25:36) (6)

## Down

- 1 Coastal rockfaces (Psalm 141:6) (6)
- 2 Academic (1 Corinthians 1:20) (7)
- 3 Publish (Daniel 6:26) (5)
- 5 For example, the Crusades (4,3)
- 6 11 Across is certainly this (5)
- 7 He reps (anag.) (6)
- 9 Liberator (Psalm 18:2) (9)
- 13 Man who asked the question in 11 Across was in charge of all her treasury (Acts 8:27) (7)
- 14 They must be 'worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine' (1 Timothy 3:8) (7)
- 15 The human mind or soul (6)
- 16 'O Lord, while precious children starve, the tools of war increase; their bread is — ' (Graham Kendrick) (6)
- 18 'We played the flute for you, and you did not — ' (Matthew 11:17) (5)
- 20 Bared (anag.) (5)

The Bible used is the New International Version.



Even as Jesus ate that last Passover meal with his disciples, he warned them he was about to be betrayed. He took the bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them; he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them to drink. The Old Covenant, based on Law, was ticking away its final hours; the New Covenant, based on Christ's body and his blood, was about to be ushered in. Jesus prayed in Gethsemane that this fearful cup might be removed from him, but even more, that God's will might be done. And it was. From Easter onwards we can only approach God through his Son, Jesus Christ, not on our own merit.

Approach	Covenant	Jesus	Removed
Ate	Cup	Last	Thanks
Betrayed	Disciples	Law	Warned
Blessed	Drink	Meal	Will
Blood	Easter	New	Wine
Body	Gethsemane	Old	
Bread	God	Passover	

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# Pause for a Poem

I attended the recent lecture at St George's Chapel by Professor Catherine Clarke, "Meeting Faith in Poetry". Professor Clarke used three poems to illustrate her talk. The one that I found most impressive (though most disturbing) is "Ballad" by Anne Askew, which was written in Newgate Prison while she was awaiting execution for her faith. Anne Askew mentions Faith several times in her first few verses, and then Hope becomes her focus but, though she doesn't use the word explicitly, throughout it is her Love of Christ that shines through.

*Michael Bailey*

### Ballad

Like as the armed knight  
Appointed to the field,  
With this world will I fight  
And Faith shall be my shield.

Thou saist, lord, who so knock,  
To them wilt thou attend.  
Undo, therefore, the lock  
And thy strong power send.

I saw a rial throne  
Where Justice should have sit  
But in her stead was one  
Of moody cruel wit.

Faith is that weapon strong  
Which will not fail at need.  
My foes, therefore, among  
Therewith will I proceed.

More enmyes now I have  
Than hairs upon my head.  
Let them not me deprave  
But fight thou in my stead.

Absorpt was rightwisness  
As of the raging flood  
Sathan in his excess  
Suct up the guiltless blood.

As it is had in strength  
And force of Christes way  
It will prevail at length  
Though all the devils say nay.

On thee my care I cast.  
For all their cruel spight  
I set not by their haste  
For thou art my delight.

Then thought I, Jesus lord,  
When thou shalt judge us all  
Hard is it to record  
On these men what will fall.

Faith in the fathers old  
Obtained rightwisness  
Which make me very bold  
To fear no world's distress.

I am not she that list  
My anchor to let fall  
For every drizzling mist  
My ship substancial.

Yet lord, I thee desire  
For that they do to me  
Let them not taste the hire  
Of their iniquity.

*Anne Askew (1521-1546)*

I now rejoice in heart  
And Hope bid me do so  
For Christ will take my part  
And ease me of my woe.

Not oft use I to wright  
In prose nor yet in rime,  
Yet will I shew one sight  
That I saw in my time.

## A Year of Listening – an invitation

Central Windsor Parish invites you to join in its Year of Listening. As a new single parish we want to discern what God is calling us to be and do here in Windsor – and we want to hear what God is saying to you. Follow the QR code here (or click if reading an electronic copy of the magazine) to the website and you will find a Biblical listening process called Dwelling in the Word to help you hear what God is saying. There are guides and materials to support you. Let us know what you discover so we can plan for the next decade or so.



## Alma Beacon Trustee Vacancy

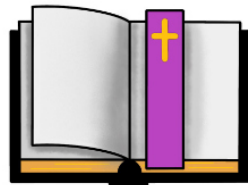
The trustees of Alma Beacon (Windsor Christian Action - Charity no. 11543080) are currently seeking a new trustee to join the Charity's Board. The Charity's projects, Windsor Foodshare, Windsor Homeless Project (including the Cold Weather Night Shelter) and Street Angels sit at the heart of our local community. The trustees play an active role in the affairs of the Charity. If you would be interested in finding out more about the role and joining our team, please contact our secretary, Jacoby Patterson, for more information: [secretary@almabeacon.org](mailto:secretary@almabeacon.org). You can also read more about it [here](#). The deadline for applications is 24<sup>th</sup> April.

## Vestry & Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

This will be held on Sunday **26th April** at 11.45am following the Eucharist at St Stephen & St Agnes Church. Churchwardens and PCC members will be elected at this meeting and there will be a review of 2025 with an opportunity to ask questions. This year, there are also elections to Deanery Synod. The meeting should last no longer than an hour and is open to all those on the Electoral Roll. The APCM is an important part of governance in the Church of England and all parishes are required to hold a meeting before 31<sup>st</sup> May each year. Please make every effort to attend.

## How well do you know the bible?

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, if you would like to know more about the bible, you are encouraged to join Revd Sally and Fr Richard for a new six session study group beginning on Sunday **26<sup>th</sup> April**, 4.30-5.30pm at St Stephen & St Agnes Church, and continuing on **3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> May** and **7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> June**. We would love to see you, but [please let us know](#) in advance so we can ensure we have sufficient resources.





Susan Piggott  
Musical Director



Gillian Dibden MBE  
Director

# Concert for the Children of Gaza

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**This month it was...**

400 years ago, on 9<sup>th</sup> April 1626 that Francis Bacon, philosopher and politician, died. He served as Attorney General of England and Wales (1613-17) and then Lord High Chancellor of England (1617-21). Known as the 'Father of Empiricism', as his works influenced the scientific revolution in Europe.

125 years ago, on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1901 that Richard D'Oyly Carte, theatrical impresario, died. He built the Savoy Theatre and the Palace Theatre in London, managed some of the most important theatrical stars of the era, and founded a touring opera company.

Also 125 years ago, on 15<sup>th</sup> April 1901 that Joe Davis, snooker and billiards player was born. He

co-founded the World Snooker Championship in 1927 and won the first 15 championships.

100 years ago, on 6<sup>th</sup> April 1926 that the Revd Ian Paisley, Baron Bannside, Northern Irish politician and Protestant evangelical minister was born. Leader of the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) from 1971-2008, and then First Minister of Northern Ireland in 2007-08.

Also 100 years ago, on 21<sup>st</sup> April 1926 that Queen Elizabeth II was born.

90 years ago, on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1936 that Roy Orbison, American singer, songwriter and musician was born. Best known for *Oh, Pretty Woman, Crying, Only the Lonely*, and more.

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**GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS**

**3rd April - 10:30am**

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80 years ago, on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1946 that Sue Townsend, writer and humourist, was born. Best known for her *Adrian Mole* series of novels.

Also 80 years ago, on 21<sup>st</sup> April 1946 that John Maynard Keynes was born. The most influential economist of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, his ideas formed the basis of the Keynesian economics.

75 years ago, on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1951 that General Dwight D Eisenhower (later US President) became NATO's first Supreme Allied Commander. He

assumed command of all Allied forces in the Western Mediterranean and Europe.

Also 75 years ago, on 17<sup>th</sup> April 1951 that the Peak District National Park was established. It was Britain's first National Park.

70 years ago, on 18<sup>th</sup> April 1956 that American film actress Grace Kelly married Prince Rainier III of Monaco and became Princess Grace of Monaco.

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65 years ago, on 10<sup>th</sup> April 1961 that South African golfer Gary Player became the first non-American to win the Masters Tournament in Augusta, Georgia.

Also 65 years ago, on 12<sup>th</sup> April 1961 that Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first person in space and the first person to orbit the Earth.

60 years ago, on 10<sup>th</sup> April 1966 that Evelyn Waugh died. This satirical novelist, biographer, and travel writer is best known for *Decline and Fall*, *A Handful of Dust*, *Brideshead Revisited*, and *Sword of Honour*.

50 years ago, on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1976 that the UK won the 1976 Eurovision Song Contest with *Save Your Kisses for Me* by Brotherhood of Man.

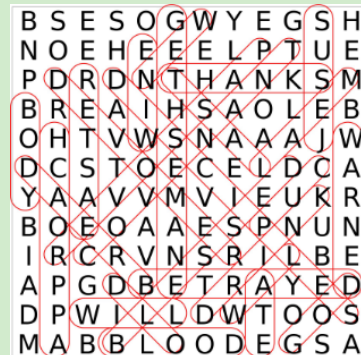
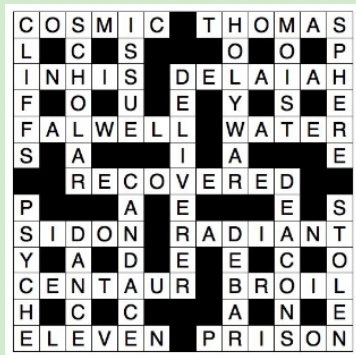
Also 50 years ago, on 7<sup>th</sup> April 1976 that politician John Stonehouse, who infamously had tried to fake his own death in 1974, resigned from the Labour Party, leaving the government in a minority. After his death in 1988 it was revealed that he had been a Czech spy since 1962.

40 years ago, on 11<sup>th</sup> April 1986 that Halley's Comet made its closest approach to Earth during its most recent visit. It will return to Earth's vicinity in 2061 and 2134.

Also 40 years ago, on 17<sup>th</sup> April 1986 that TV journalist John McCarthy was kidnapped in Beirut, Lebanon by the militant group Islamic Jihad. Released 1991.

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## Puzzle Solutions



# GOOD FRIDAY

3 April



*All welcome.  
Stay for the  
three hours,  
or come and  
go as you  
are able.*

## St John the Baptist Church

High Street, Windsor SL4 1LT

12-1pm

Music for Passiontide by J S Bach  
played by John Halsey (organ) and Sally Whale (cello)

1-2pm

Readings from "The Journey" by John Pritchard

2-3pm

Liturgy of the Cross

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Also 40 years ago, on 26<sup>th</sup> April 1986 that the Chernobyl disaster took place in Ukraine, then within the Soviet Union. It was the world's worst nuclear power plant accident, killing 31 people outright, and leaking radiation across the western Soviet Union and Europe.

25 years ago, on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2001 that NASA launched its Mars Odyssey spacecraft to search for evidence of water and volcanic activity on Mars. It found water and ice below the surface.

15 years ago, on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2011 that Prince William and Catherine (Kate) Middleton were married at Westminster Abbey in London. They were given the titles Duke and Duchess of Cambridge.

10 years ago, on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016 that Victoria Wood, comedian, actress, singer and songwriter died. Remembered for *Victoria Wood as seen on TV*.

Also 10 years ago, on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016 that the Paris Agreement on Climate Change was signed. It came into effect on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

*from Parish Pump*

### Happy Birthday Sally!

Congratulations to Sally Merrick who celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday last month. We enjoyed a beautiful cake and bubbles after the Sunday service.



### Palm Sunday

We had a wonderful procession, led by Dandy the donkey (accompanied by his friend, Peggy the pony) from All Saints' Church to St Stephen & St Agnes Church on Palm Sunday. We were also grateful for the weather (it rained later in the day!). There are a small number of palm crosses in churches, if you couldn't make it on the day and would like one.



### Windsor Community Poppy Project

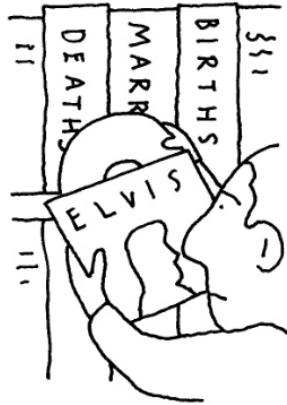
A large-scale community remembrance installation in Windsor is planned for this year. The Windsor Community Poppy Project is intended to bring the town together to create a powerful, town-wide act of remembrance through thousands of handmade poppies. Centred on St John the Baptist Church and forming the heart of a wider poppy trail including Clewer Memorial Recreation Ground, Spital Cemetery and, subject to agreement,

Broom Farm, the project invites residents of all ages to contribute. Led by Craft Coop CIC with partners including the Royal British Legion, schools and community groups, it aims to be inclusive, accessible and deeply rooted in community spirit. We also warmly welcome local sponsors and wool donations to help make participation possible for all. You can find out more [here](#).



# INSPECTIONS

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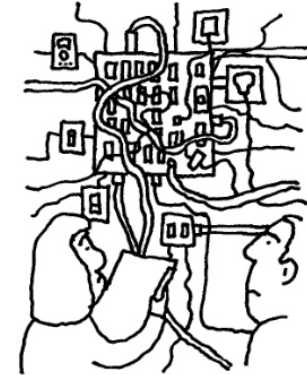
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BRIAN	✓		
MARGARET		✓	
PETER	✓	✓	✓
JOHN		✓	
CELIA			✓
VINCENT	✓		✓

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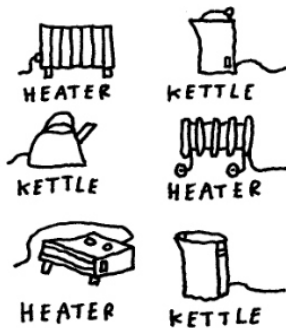
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# From the March registers...



## Baptisms

Archie Moyle - Holy Trinity  
Hayley Tucker - St John the Baptist  
William Jones - All Saints' Church  
Florence Hodgkinson - St Stephen & St Agnes Church



## Funerals

James Fowler - Holy Trinity Church

## Memorial Services

Gill Pengilley - All Saints' Church

## New Pathways

New Pathways is an informal bereavement group, which meets monthly, in the Mountbatten Room at Holy Trinity Church, 2.30-3.30pm, on the last Thursday of the month - do come along for a cuppa and a chat! Everyone is welcome, no matter whether your loss was recent or a long time ago.



## For your prayers this month

Anne Harding  
Steve Smith  
Colin Oakley  
Elena Hicks

## Church Opening Times

**St John the Baptist Church**  
High Street - daily, all day

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**St Stephen & St Agnes Church,**  
Vansittart Road - daily, all day

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**All Saints' Church,**  
Frances Road - Mon-Wed & Sat, all day

~  
**Holy Trinity Church,**  
Claremont Road  
- Wed, Thu & Fri, 10am-12pm

# Loving Care

Do you care for a loved one or friend?

Would you like to meet up with others in a similar situation?

Join us for tea and biscuits on the **second Thursday** of each month from **2pm** to 3.00pm in the Mountbatten Room (opposite the Car Park) at **Holy Trinity Church in Claremont Road**

All welcome



## Windsor Decorating Services

All aspects of interior/exterior

Domestic and Commercial

Property repairs & maintenance

Telephone: 01753 867920 Mobile: 07961 949969

# April

## 1 Wednesday of Holy Week

11am Holy Communion (BCP) – Holy Trinity  
7pm Stations of the Cross – St Stephen & Agnes Church

## 2 Maundy Thursday (Principal Holy Day)

7.30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper – St Stephen & Agnes Church

## 3 Good Friday (Principal Holy Day)

12pm Three Hours' Devotion – St John the Baptist Church

## 5 Easter Day (Principal Feast)

6am Dawn Eucharist – St Stephen & Agnes Church  
8am Holy Communion (BCP) – Holy Trinity  
10am Family Eucharist – All Saints' Church  
11.15am Easter Praise with Holy Communion – St John the Baptist Church

6 Monday of Easter Week

7 Tuesday of Easter Week

8 Wednesday of Easter Week

9 Thursday of Easter Week

10 Friday of Easter Week

1.30pm Marriage Blessing: Joseph Watson & Alaina Howard – St John the Baptist Church

11 Saturday of Easter Week

## 12 Second Sunday of Easter

10am Sung Eucharist – Holy Trinity Church

16 Isabella Gilmore, Deaconess, 1923

18 1pm Wedding: Charlie Keirl & Gemma Morgan – All Saints' Church

## 19 Third Sunday of Easter

10am Sung Eucharist – St John the Baptist Church

5.30pm Choral Evensong – All Saints' Church

21 Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher of the Faith, 1109

## 23 George, Martyr, Patron of England, c.304 (Festival)

24 Mellitus, Bishop of London, first Bishop at St Paul's, 624

*The Seven Martyrs of the Melanesian Brotherhood, Solomon Islands, 2003*

## 25 Mark the Evangelist (Festival)

## 26 Fourth Sunday of Easter

10am Sung Eucharist – St Stephen & Agnes Church

11.30 Annual Parochial Church Meeting – St Stephen & Agnes Church

4.30pm Bible Course Session 1 – St Stephen & St Agnes Church

27 Christina Rossetti, Poet, 1894

28 Peter Chanel, Missionary in the South Pacific, Martyr, 1841

29 Catherine of Siena, Teacher of the Faith, 1380

30 Pandita Mary Ramabai, Translator of the Scriptures, 1922

# Evensong for Eastertide

Sunday 19 April

5.30pm

Tea & cake from 4.45pm

All Saints' Church

All welcome