

# Church Services

## at St Andrew's Parish Church

### Sundays

- 8.00 am Holy Eucharist
- 10.00 am 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday All Age Eucharist (*with baptisms*)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Parish Eucharist  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Family Worship (*followed by a shortened Eucharist in the chancel at 11.15*)  
4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays Parish Eucharist  
(*Sunday Club - see Andy's & Nic's page*)
- 4.00 pm Andys@4 (*A Service for All the Family, followed by refreshments - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday*)
- 6.30 pm Sung Evensong, Ministry of Healing and Celtic Service  
(*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, in 3 month rotation - see Diary page*)

### Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday

- 8.30 am Morning Prayer

### Wednesday

- 8.00 am Morning Prayer

### Thursday

- 8.30 am Holy Eucharist

## at St Nicholas' Church, Tytherton Lucas

### Sundays

- 8.30 am Holy Communion (*2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays*)  
10.00 am Morning Service (*1<sup>st</sup> Sundays*)  
10.00 am Matins (*3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays*)  
3.00 pm Evensong (*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Winter months*)  
6.30 pm Evensong (*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Summer months*)

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Choir Practice	Friday, 7.30 pm	
Bell ringing	Practice night: Wednesdays 7.30 - 9.00 pm in the Tower	
Mothers' Union	First Thursday in month, 2.30 pm in St. Andrew's Lady Chapel	
Coffee Shop	Wednesdays 9.30 am - 12.00 noon in St Andrew's Church	
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Group	Thursdays 7.30 pm at 2 Baydon's Lane	
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## He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

I can't think of a better way to wish you all a Happy Easter than to share with you an anonymous poem that blew me away when I first heard it a few Easters ago:



### Because he is risen

Because he is risen, spring is possible  
in all the cold hard places still in winter's grip.  
And faith leaps to the head of the queue,  
elbowing fear from its place in the heart  
because he is risen.

Because he is risen, our future, once a short story,  
is now an epic novel and this but the first chapter.  
All is open-ended, "might be" becomes "shall be"  
because he is risen

Because he is risen, healing is assured and every  
disability will bow before the endless dance of his joy.  
Graves open, life is restored in the earth and in me.  
A frail tired body is no longer the final word  
because he is risen

Because he is risen, hunger will go begging in the streets  
and abuse will reach the end of its short shelf life.  
Poverty will become history  
because he is risen

Because he is risen, a fire burns within me,  
my eyes are open to boundless possibilities.  
Hope stirs in my heart like a whisper on the wind  
and the psalm that rises in God's people will not be silenced.  
Life ploughs the valley of the shadow of death  
with a bright new sunrise.  
Because he is risen

Wishing you Easter Joy!

Rod



## Parish Annual Report for 2017

As usual, the Annual Report and Accounts for our Parish of St Andrews with St Nicholas, Tytherton Lucas, will be published ahead of the Annual Parish Meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> April. The Parish

meeting is an important opportunity for the church to come together, to celebrate its life over the past year and look forward to the future. There is also important business to do, i.e. elect churchwardens, PCC and Deanery Synod members, as well as receiving the church reports and accounts.

Copies of the Annual Report will be available in Church and I hope you will take a copy to read. It sets out the Parish's achievements over the past year as well as giving a great deal of information about all the many activities of the PCC and our various Church groups. There is also a lot of detailed information about the Church's finances in the accounts section of the report, which is worth reading.

The requirement for an Annual Report and Accounts of this type arises because the Church is a registered Charity.

Jenny Norris

## St Nicholas' Church Tytherton Lucas



### Service Times at St Nicholas'

Care of the Church

1 <sup>st</sup>	April	10.00 am	Easter Eucharist	Rev. D. Copeland	All Together decorating the Church
8 <sup>th</sup>	April	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Canon B. Pettifer	
15 <sup>th</sup>	April	3.00 pm	Evensong*	Rev. R. Key	Petrina & Elizabeth
22 <sup>nd</sup>	April	8.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. R. Key	Petrina & Elizabeth
29 <sup>th</sup>	April	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer	Rev. R. Key	Petrina & Elizabeth

\* Dedication Service for the Alter Kneelers given by Anne and Bob Davies

### When you mix children and religion...

*You get some unexpected gems. The following are extracts from religious exam papers...*

- In the first book of the Bible, Guinness, God got tired of creating the world, so he took the Sabbath off.
- Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of Ark, because Noah built an ark. The animals came on in pears.
- Moses led the Jews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread which is bread without any ingredients.
- The Seventh Commandment is: Thou shalt not admit adultery.
- Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
- Jesus enunciated the golden rule, which says do unto others before they do one to you. He also explained a man doth not live by sweat alone.



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## The St. Nicholas Consort present BACH IN THE BARN



Left to right: Johann Sebastian Bach, Johann Christian Bach, Karl Philipp Emanuel Bach, Wilhelm Friedemann Bach. (Anonymous portrait 1730 from the Da Agostini collection.)

A concert of music by the Bach family in Bosmere Farm,  
Tytherton Lucas  
on  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 7.30pm.

Performed by Yvonna Nieuverf and Nicky Russell  
(baroque flutes), Luana Godwin (soprano), Lesley  
Shrigley Jones (violoncello), Christopher Kent  
(harpsichord).

Admission by programme £15, students and children  
free.

Refreshments will be served at the interval, our grateful  
thanks to all who helped. Proceeds in aid of The Friends  
of St. Nicholas Church and the Bremhill volume of The  
Victoria County History of Wiltshire. Thanks, are also  
extended to Ian and Jane James for the use of the Barn.



### Canon David Winter: The Way I See It : The return of hope

This month starts with Easter, which is a lovely thought. Whatever else, Easter speaks of new life, of fresh starts and the return of hope.

The whole traditional story is about darkness defeated by a light which can never be extinguished. That's why, in our hemisphere, Easter seems to fit in well with the changing season. Fresh flowers in the graveyard match the Easter hymns inside the church: *The Lord of life is risen today/ Bring flowers of song to strew his way*'.

It's a strange fact that all through the long history of mankind, despite the evidence of our eyes, people have stubbornly refused to believe that death is the end. They buried their dead with food and implements they would need in the next life, whatever name they gave it – Valhalla, the Elysian Fields, Abraham's Bosom or Nirvana. Jesus called it 'the kingdom of heaven' or 'eternal life'. The very idea of heaven is beyond our comprehension, because we can't image a life not lived in our familiar dimensions of space, time and physicality. But God lives beyond time and space, and Jesus said He is 'Spirit'.

It's good that there are some things to believe in which we cannot possibly understand now. Although one day, St Paul said, we shall. Until then we trust, and Easter hymns and flowers are signs of the annual return of hope.

### Some one-liners:

- What do you do if you see a spaceman? You park your car in it, man.
- 'The trouble with quotes on the Internet is that you can never know if they are genuine.'
- Tax collector: the person who has what it takes to take what you have.
- What is a smile? It's when you laugh in a whisper.

## Billy Graham – a godly man with a simple message



Billy Graham, the renowned American evangelist, was remembered with great fondness by Christians the world over when news of his death was announced on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February. He died peacefully in his sleep, aged 99.

Billy Graham leaves a unique legacy: he preached to more people in live audiences than anyone else in history – nearly 215 million of them, in 185 countries and territories. Hundreds of millions more were reached through television, video, film and webcasts.

Born William Franklin Graham on 7<sup>th</sup> November 1918, four days before the Armistice ended World War I, Billy Graham was reared on a dairy farm in Charlotte, N.C. He grew up during the Depression, working hard on the family farm.

In late 1934, when he was 15, Billy Graham was converted to Christianity through the ministry of Mordecai Ham, a travelling evangelist, who visited Charlotte for a series of revival meetings. He was ordained in 1939 by Peniel Baptist Church in Palatka, Fla. (a church in the Southern Baptist Convention) and studied at Florida Bible Institute (now Trinity College of Florida) and Wheaton College Illinois, before going into the ministry. He also married a fellow student, Ruth McCue Bell, daughter of a missionary surgeon to China.

Billy Graham's gift of evangelistic preaching was evident early on, but it was the 1949 Los Angeles Crusade which vaulted him into the public eye. He astonished the churches and people of Los Angeles by drawing 350,000 people over eight weeks, and leading 3,000 of them to make decisions for Christ. In the nearly 60 years of ministry that followed, Billy Graham preached the gospel in nearly every corner of the world. His last 'crusade' was at Flushing Meadow in New York in 2005.

Many Christians in the UK can trace their own faith in God back to Billy Graham's crusade to Harringay in 1954, or Earls Court in 1966

Perhaps your music group could visit us again for our choir's 2000<sup>th</sup> anniversary – which I suspect it will consist of the same people, as they are all tenacious of note, opinion and age.

Your loving uncle,  
Eustace

Middle age occurs when you are too young to take up golf and too old to rush up to the net.

F P Adams

**Mothers' UNION**  
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### Forthcoming Events

Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2.15pm

#### MU AGM

Followed by Lent Meditation by Aurea Hart, Diocesan President who will talk about her work

*Lady Chapel, St. Andrew's Church*

## St. Andrew's Mother's Union preparing posies for Mothering Sunday



## A Letter from Uncle Eustace

### When guitars meet Matins

The Rectory  
St. James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren,

It was kind of you to send your music group to us last Sunday morning while our choir had a Sunday off for its celebratory lunch. Miss Timmins' ninety-fourth birthday brought the combined choir's age to 1,000; which is quite a distinction for twelve people. Clearly, a Sunday commitment to 'Hymns Ancient & Modern', consumption of industrial quantities of peppermints and pleasant naps during sermons has a positive effect on longevity.

I had rather looked forward to hearing some Bach motets from your group, but now have learned that guitars, drums and choral Matins is not a marriage made in heaven. All your group lacked was a drum majorette leading the procession up the aisle.

It was quite obvious the music was going to be a little different when I arrived to see that the lectern, Lady Tadcaster's flower arrangement and the verger had all disappeared behind an amplifier. The only person not disconcerted by this was the verger, who realised it presented an excellent opportunity to do the crossword unobserved during Divine Worship.

Your display of the hymns on a screen was well intended, but did the screen *have* to be in front of the pulpit? I had to balance on several kneelers to be seen over it, and throughout the sermon could only think of how to look dignified should the whole pile collapse mid-sentence. The lack of hymn books also terrified the congregation – they had nothing to hold, and so resorted to clutching Kleenex or the pew in front of them.

But the worst moment was when the group gave its 'solo number'. (Couldn't it have been called an 'anthem'?) Half way through, dear Mrs Ffitch, who has always been somewhat excitable, felt called to do a spontaneous religious dance down the aisle. The congregation froze in horror. We all avoided catching her eye after the Service, but *what* do we say when we see her in the village tomorrow morning? Best to simply stay indoors for a few days.

or 1967, or to Mission England, in 1984, as well as other, shorter visits. Hundreds of men went for ordination because of his preaching.

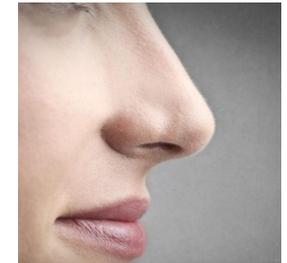
Billy Graham's son, Franklin, writes: 'My father's journey of faith on earth has ended. He has been reunited with my mother and has stepped into the eternal joy of Heaven in the presence of his Saviour, in whom he placed his hope.'

For more details on Billy Graham's life, please visit [www.billygraham.org.uk](http://www.billygraham.org.uk)

## Working too hard?

### An odd way to find out

Do you wonder if you are working too hard? There is a simple way to find out: how cold is your nose?



Scientists have recently discovered that when people focus hard on demanding mental tasks, their nervous system diverts blood flow into the brain, and extremities like the nose suffer first. In tests using thermal imaging cameras, it was discovered that those feeling mentally overwhelmed had a nose temperature that had dropped by about one degree centigrade. The research was carried out by doctors from the Bioengineering Research Group at Nottingham University.

So, if the old adage of 'cold hands, warm heart' is true, perhaps we could add another: 'cold nose, warm brain'.

**Crossword Answers**  
(Based on NIV)

**ACROSS:**  
1, Womb. 3, Agnostic. 9, Long ago.  
10, Fleet. 11, Horeb. 12, Yellow. 14, Deciftness. 17, Banish. 19, Towel.  
22, Boils. 23, Inferno. 24, Eternity.  
25, Defy.

**DOWN:**  
1, Will hide. 2, Minor. 4, Glory of Christ. 5, Offal. 6, The Robe. 7, City. 8, Zabba. 13, Psalmody. 15, Chal-ice. 16, Let off. 18, If son. 20, Worse. 21, Able.



## Phoncall

In the mid-1930's, a phone call cost two pence. 'Can you lend me tuppence to ring a friend?' a widely disliked MP once asked Winston Churchill. The great man scoured his pockets. 'Here's four pence,' he said. 'Ring them all.'



## Andy's @ 4

Come and join us for our monthly informal service for all the family

**April 8th**

at St Andrews church, Chippenham  
Stories - songs- prayers - refreshments

For more information phone

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## St George and Hiccup and the dragon

Have you seen the film *How to Train your Dragon*? It's set in a Viking village under attack from dragons, who steal livestock and burn down houses. Hiccup, the village Chief's son, invents a machine to capture dragons. However, when he catches one of the most dangerous dragons, he cannot kill it, when he sees that the dragon is just as frightened as he is. Through this friendship, the people and dragons eventually live in harmony.



This month we celebrate St. George, the patron saint of England. He is famous for slaying a dragon, a tradition which became popular in the Middle Ages. Whether he killed an actual dragon is open to question! However, we do know that the original George was a Roman soldier at the time of Emperor Diocletian. He refused to renounce his faith, as commanded by the Emperor, resulting in his death on 23 April 303 AD.

The contrast is clear: St. George slayed the evil dragon, while Hiccup refused to kill one. However, they also have something important in common. Both acted according to their conscience, defying the popular understanding of those around them and not worrying about the personal cost to themselves. St. George was martyred for standing up for his faith in Jesus before a pagan emperor, while Hiccup risked rejection by his father and village because of his compassion.

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**What's a hungry dragon's favourite day of the week?**

*Chewsday*

**What's big and scaley and bounces?**

*A dragon on a trampoline*

**What do you do with a green dragon?**

*Wait until it ripens*

## Sunday Club Diary

8<sup>th</sup> April

22<sup>nd</sup> April

not boiling, water. Place the thermometer into the chocolate and heat until it reaches 43C/110F. Take off the heat and cool to 35C/95F. Now it is ready to use.

3. Pour spoonfuls of the chocolate into each mould. Swirl around until coated, use the pastry brush if necessary and then remove excess chocolate. Leave to set, flat side down on a surface, like a large tray, covered in greaseproof paper. Fill each mould in the same way. You will have to repeat the process another two or three times to build up a good layer of chocolate in each mould. Wait for about 20 minutes for the chocolate to set in between layers. Draw a clean ruler or the flat edge of a knife across the chocolate to ensure a clean edge every time you add a layer. This is important so that the two sides of the egg stick together evenly. Leave to chill in a larder or cool place until set.

4. Carefully un-mould the egg halves and place on a clean surface taking care not to handle the chocolate too much as it will start to melt from the heat of your hands.

5. To stick the two edges of an egg together, heat a baking sheet and then place the edges of two halves on it for a few seconds, then gently push the edges together.

6. To decorate the eggs, sit an egg in a glass or small cup and use as a stand while you pipe your desired message on the egg. You can wrap your eggs in cellophane wrap and label them to give away or place them in a basket and offer them to guests.

## Tweet, tweet

A good dose of birdsong can cheer you up, boosting your mental well-being for more than four hours, a study has found. Seeing trees and the sky is also a help.

In a recent study, King's College researchers found that even short exposures to nature are hugely beneficial, especially 'to those individuals who are at risk of poor mental health.'



## Homemade Chocolate Easter Eggs



Forget big plastic boxes and cheap chocolate - make your own homemade Easter eggs for maximum taste (and fun!).

Equipment and preparation: You will need 8 x small egg moulds - (available from specialist kitchen shops).

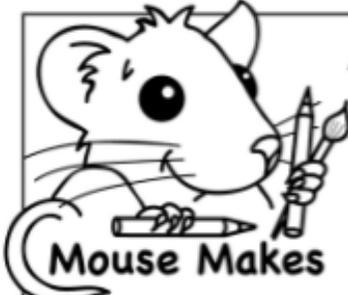
### Ingredients

300g/10½oz dark chocolate or milk chocolate  
icing for piping Easter eggs

### Method

1. Polish the inside of each mould with a piece of paper kitchen towel. Then dampen a piece of kitchen towel with a little flavourless oil, sunflower will do, and polish the inside of each mould with the oil. This ensures a highly polished finish to the chocolate and also helps to release the set chocolate from the mould.

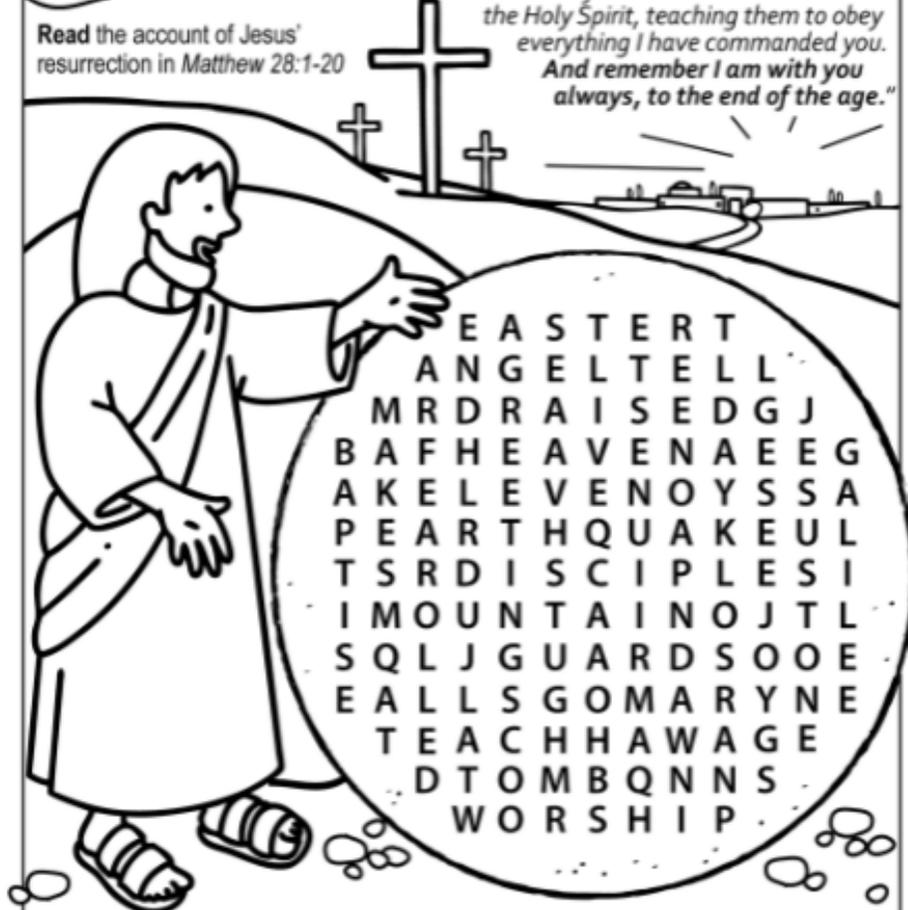
2. It is essential to temper the chocolate - this is a method of heating and cooling chocolate for coating or moulding. The heating and cooling separates the cocoa solids and ensures the set chocolate will have a high gloss and smooth finish. To temper the chocolate you will need a cooking thermometer, a heat-proof bowl and saucepan of hot water. Break the chocolate into small, even pieces and melt gently in a bowl over a saucepan of hot,



**Mouse Makes**

**JESUS IS ALIVE!**  
After Jesus had been raised from the dead He met Mary and Mary Magdalene "Greetings," He said, "Do not be afraid. Go tell my brothers to go to Galilee. They will see me there."  
When the disciples met Jesus in Galilee He said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And remember I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Read the account of Jesus' resurrection in Matthew 28:1-20



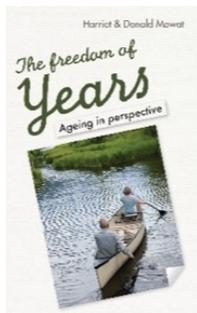
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## BOOK CORNER

### **The Freedom of Years - ageing in perspective**

**By Harriet and Donald Mowat, BRF, £8.99**



Here is a Christian perspective on ageing, developed within the UK's health and social care services over the past 40 years.

Addressing profound and critical questions – What is ageing for? Is old age included in the purposes of God? What does 'successful' ageing look like? – the authors offer wise, informed suggestions. 'In accepting our own ageing,' they say, 'we start the journey towards ageing well, and can thus help others to age well.'

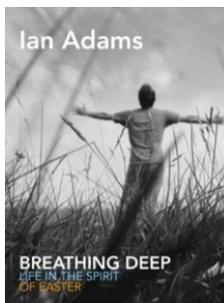
'We would argue that the successful ager, in every age, is he/she who manages to navigate a way through the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, both external and internal, and to find a balance that offers freedom and choice, rather than imprisonment and prescription. This is greatly aided by embarking consciously and purposefully on a journey of the soul or spirit, which at its core addresses meaning and purpose.'

### **Breathing Deep – life in the Spirit of Easter**

**By Ian Adams, Canterbury Press, £8.99**

Here is a gentle yet profound guide to seeing the world in the power of the Resurrection. Ian Adams draws on the Gospel stories of the resurrection of Jesus to create 40 'invitations', each one offering a path for the Resurrection to reshape how we live.

They challenge us to live in the spirit of Resurrection, when everything seems to gravitate towards death and destruction. The resurrection of Jesus has always been understood as a glimpse into the true nature of reality. This powerful series of daily meditations invites us to step into the new world brought about by the first Easter.



erative Gebana Afrique buys its dried mangoes from 17 different rural co-operatives in the south of the country where the vast majority of employees are women who rely on the regular wages they receive to support their families. Fair trade sales benefit the whole community, enabling the co-operatives to train farmers, build factory units, hold classes for children and adults, and provide bikes, cereal banks and new water sources for all in the area. While solar energy has always been important in the drying process, a project funded by Comic Relief since 2009 has helped develop biogas as an alternative energy source, helping to increase efficiency while tackling major problems presented by fruit flies.

The delightful illustrations on the 100 g packets of dried mango available on our St Andrew's stall tell us the whole story. There are pictures of women plucking, drying, slicing and transporting the fruit, alongside images of children in schools and out playing football. I have been known to give a packet - unwrapped - as a gift; no extra layer of wrapping paper could, in my eyes, add to the beauty of this product.

Wishing you every blessing for April!

Debbie Warren

## **Volunteers Wanted to join Magazine Team**

Would you like to help produce this magazine?

Could you write a regular for one-off feature?: say,

- Interview members of the PCC/congregation
- Give us a recipe
- Write about an interesting experience or holiday
- Or any other ideas you may have?

We would also like some-one to learn to use Publisher, the programme that we use to produce the magazine. It is quite straightforward for anyone who is used to Microsoft Word. We will share the responsibilities so that it is not too much work for one person.

It's a good opportunity to be involved in Church life. It's also very satisfying when you see the final result.

Contact Jenny Norris 01249 444541 if you are interested.

## SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY NOTICE BOARD

### Mangoes

There are two reasons why I've chosen to focus on fair trade mangoes this month. The main reason is that - had it not been cancelled - I would, at this very moment, have been attending an event organised by the Calne Fair Trade Committee featuring a mango farmer from the Gambia; the second, rather feeble but perhaps forgivable reason, is that it's cold and grey out there and the thought of the vibrant, colourful fruit of the mango tree is an optimistic, cheerful and energising one.



One of the snack products I sell on the Traidcraft stall is organic dried mango from Burkina Faso, which translates as *the land of honest people*. An old family favourite, this delicious fruit snack got our two sons interested in less well-known regions of Africa from an early age. I can still remember feeling a mixture of amusement and mild embarrassment at a school parents' evening when my son's year one class teacher told me

that when she'd asked if anyone could name a country in Africa, our young son had put his hand up and baffled his classmates by volunteering Burkina Faso. That's where our Traidcraft mango comes from, he'd added. That explained it then.

In this hot, predominantly dry country in West Africa, one of the poorest in the world, mango production forms an important part of the agricultural economy alongside production of peanuts, cashews, rice and cotton. Beyond its importance in terms of food security, the fruit is vital for offering employment in three main sectors: producing/growing; processing; marketing. The Fair Trade Coop-

## North Wilts. Friends of the Earth News

### Recycling Pens and helping WWT:

I recently came across a way to recycle all unwanted writing implements (apart from pencils & crayons) that is run by Terracycle in conjunction with BIC. It can also help raise money for various charities. Our nearest collection point is at Wiltshire Wildlife Trust in Devizes. For details see:

[www.terracycle.co.uk/en-UK/brigades/the-writing-instruments-brigade-r](http://www.terracycle.co.uk/en-UK/brigades/the-writing-instruments-brigade-r)

### Bring Back Heavy Metal: CIWM

Last year a campaign by Hubbub & Ecosurety was started to collect some of the 178 million used batteries hoarded in UK homes. Lead, mercury, cadmium, zinc & lithium are some of the metals found inside everyday single use batteries; these can be recycled into new batteries or repurposed for other uses. Lithium is a very useful metal for many electronics, & is at number 15 on the British Geological Survey's risk list of vital elements with threatened supply. Moreover, the standard AA or AAA battery is made of around 25 per cent steel, a resource which can be recycled infinitely.

<https://resource.co/article/bring-back-heavy-metals-recycling-batteries-says-new-campaign-12153>

### Diary

6 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Walk to Work Day
17 <sup>th</sup> Mar 7- 9pm	Monthly meeting Jubilee Rooms Chippenham
May	Walk to Work Month <a href="http://www.livingstreets.org.uk/what-you-can-do/campaigns/national-walking-month-2018">www.livingstreets.org.uk/what-you-can-do/campaigns/national-walking-month-2018</a>

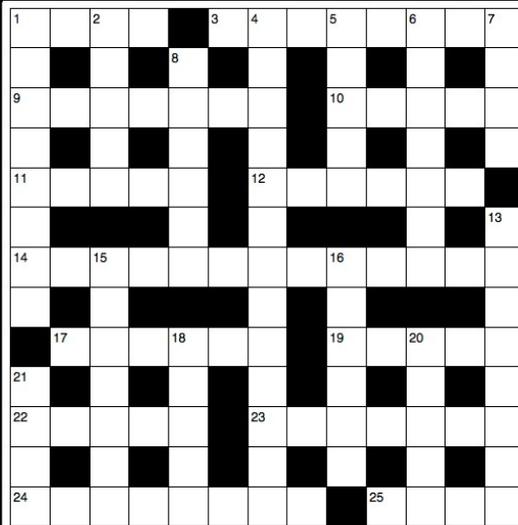


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## April Crossword



### Down

- 1 'I will become angry with them and forsake them; I — — my face from them' (Deuteronomy 31:17) (4,4)  
 2 Usual description of prophets such as Amos, Hosea, Micah, and so on (5)  
 4 'They cannot see the light of the gospel of the — — —, who is the image of God' (2 Corinthians 4:4) (5,2,6)  
 5 An animal's internal edible parts (Leviticus 4:11) (5)  
 6 Popular 20th-century religious novel by Lloyd C. Douglas, which became a 1953 film starring Richard Burton (3,4)  
 7 'A — on a hill cannot be hid-

### Across

- 1 'The baby in my — leaped for joy' (Luke 1:44) (4) 3 A 'don't know' in matters of faith (8)  
 9 In the distant past (Jeremiah 2:20) (4,3)  
 10 Armada (1 Kings 10:22) (5)  
 11 Where Moses was confronted with the burning bush (Exodus 3:1) (5)  
 12 Hair colour indicative of skin infection (Leviticus 13:30) (6)  
 14 'The worries of this life and the — of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful' (Matthew 13:22) (13)  
 17 Expel (2 Kings 13:23) (6)  
 19 What Jesus wrapped round his waist when he washed his disciples' feet (John 13:4) (5)  
 22 The sixth plague to afflict the Egyptians (Exodus 9:9) (5)  
 23 For nine (anag.) (7)  
 24 Where there is no time (Psalm 93:2) (8)  
 25 Goliath's challenge to the Israelite army in the Valley of Elah: 'This day I — the ranks of Israel!' (1 Samuel 17:10) (4)

- den' (Matthew 5:14) (4)  
 8 One of the exiles, a descendant of Bebai, who married a foreign woman (Ezra 10:28) (6)  
 13 Old Testament hymn-singing (8)  
 15 'And O what transport of delight from thy pure — floweth' (7)  
 16 Of felt (anag.) (3,3)  
 18 'So — the — sets you free, you will be free indeed' (John 8:36) (2,3)  
 20 Comes between 'bad' and 'worst' (John 5:14) (5)  
 21 'Neither height nor depth... will be — to separate us from the love of God' (Romans 8:39) (4)

**Answers on Page 7**

## St. Andrew's Coffee Shop



*Wednesday Mornings  
from 9.30 a.m. in Church  
Talk, Friendship, Refreshment*

On 18<sup>th</sup> April 1918: the first of the 50-year-old men were recruited. How long would they serve, people wondered? In fact, by the time they finished their training, the war would be over.

*Canon David Winter*

## How passion flowers got their name

Why is the passion flower known as the passion flower? This beautiful climbing plant that grows in many of our gardens is not native to the UK, but comes from South America. It was first discovered Spanish missionaries working there, centuries ago. Drawings were sent back to Europe, and in 1609 an Italian priest interpreted the flower to represent the crucifixion, otherwise known as the Passion.



He decided that the five petals and five sepals could represent the ten disciples who remained steadfast (Judas and Peter both abandoned Jesus). The corona could be seen as Jesus' crown of thorns. The stigma could be seen as the cross or nails, and the five stamens could be seen as the number of wounds Jesus received.

## St Andrew's 100 Club

**The winning numbers in March  
were 34 (£100) 63 (£40) 33 (£25)**

The next draw will be on  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April  
St Andrew's Coffee Shop  
Margaret Harrison (01249 652148)

## The Resurrection

The best news the world ever had, came from a graveyard.

*anon*

The empty tomb of Christ has been the cradle of the church.

*WR Nicoll*



THE GREAT WAR  
1914 - 1918

## Diary of a Momentous Year: April 1918: Stand firm and fight it out

April 1918 was possibly the last really low point in the War for the Allies. Casualties remained high – indeed, so high that it was felt necessary to extend conscription (compulsory military service) to all men up to the age of 50. There were setbacks on the Western Front, too.

Another German operation, bizarrely named ‘Georgette’, was initially successful, pushing the front line back across the river Lys and capturing the towns of Armentieres and Merville.

Mind you, those names are evidence of how static this War had become, because they had been part of the battle zone almost throughout the war. By the end of the month, and at great cost, some of this territory was recaptured. Field Marshall Haig issued a rather desperate call in a ‘Backs to the Wall’ speech, calling on the troops to ‘stand firm and fight it out’. There was at a high level a certain element of panic. Could the whole thing be lost after all those years of sacrifice?

Outwardly, Germany seemed surprisingly buoyant. They invaded Finland and had military gains in Russia, taking the city of Kharkov. Their Operation Michael in France had also had some success. No wonder the Secretary of State for War, Lord Derby, resigned, to be replaced by Lord Milner. British generals and politicians were apparently unaware that the morale of the German people was falling, as international trade collapsed and the cost of the war began to bite. In fact the ‘Michael’ campaign ended in defeat at the battle of Ancre. The pattern of the War hadn’t really changed: gains and losses were simply part of the stalemate, and both sides were approaching exhaustion.

There was, however, one historic first for Britain in this month, the birth of the Royal Air Force. I had an uncle who was in the Royal Flying Corps, which, with the Royal Naval Air Service, was now amalgamated in one fighting force. As if to mark the birth of the RAF, the most outstanding German pilot of the war, Manfred von Richthausen – known as the ‘Red Baron’ – was shot down and killed over the Somme. In the aerial dog-fights which were now a feature of the war, he had shot down no less than eighty British planes.

## ‘THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST’ COMES TO ST.ANDREW’S

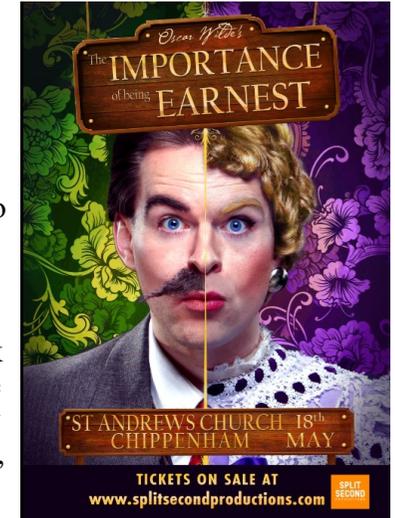
Oscar Wilde’s cherished ‘The Importance of Being Earnest’ is to tour the UK this Spring – but not quite as you may know it. The hilarious, two man re-imagining of the classic will visit over 20 beautiful venues across the country from Cardiff all the way to Leicester.

Already one of our nation’s funniest plays, the “exhilarating” Split Second Productions is making its unique mark with their “ingenious” re-telling of the story where two actors will play every single character. Rapid quick-changes, tap dancing, fabulous frocks and enough tea to sink a ship, audiences are in for a wildly waggish time. It's Oscar Wilde's classic as you've never seen it before!

The riotous tour will stop at St. Andrew’s, Chippenham on Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> May, at 7.30 pm. Split Second Productions gave a very enjoyable performance of ‘A Christmas Carol’ at St. Andrew’s at the beginning of December. This promises to be just as captivating!

**Bryan Hodgson** – the writer and creator of this innovative adaptation will co-direct the show, straight from acclaimed (and award-nominated) back to back productions in London. Alongside him is **Jaq Bessell**, who has worked across Europe, in London, at the RSC, The Globe and in New York.

For tickets see online at [www.splitsecondproductions.com](http://www.splitsecondproductions.com)



## Definitions

A recession is a period in which you tighten up your belt. A depression is a time in which you have no belt to tighten. When you have no trousers to hold up, it’s a panic.

## From the Registers

### Holy Baptism

4<sup>th</sup> February Douglas Tiner

*'Welcome one another, just as Christ has welcomed you'*

Romans 15.7

### Christian Burial and Cremation

1<sup>st</sup> February Kenneth Robson Harrison

9<sup>th</sup> February Paul McCorry

15<sup>th</sup> February Frances Noreen Hayden

*'I am the resurrection and the life'*

St John 11.25



## The Gloucester & Bristol Diocesan Association of Change Ringers Quarter Peals at St Andrew's Church, Chippenham



Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018

1344 Aberdare St Elvan Place Triples

1 Jane Ridgwell	5 Morley Bray
2 Debbie Stott	6 John Stott
3 Joanna Wheatland	7 Andrew K Woolley ©
4 Sara Bye	8 Rodney Brown

1st quarter peal in method - 2, 3, 4 & 6

*For evening service and in loving memory of Marjory Perkins 1930 - 2018, aunt of Joanna, and of Godfrey Godwin HLM SDGR Lyneham, who died on 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018*

## Some of Billy Graham's notable quotes

- ◆ I've read the last page of the Bible, it's all going to turn out all right.
- ◆ It is the Holy Spirit's job to convict, God's job to judge and my job to love.
- ◆ God proved His love on the Cross. When Christ hung, and bled, and died, it was God saying to the world, 'I love you.'

## Diary for April

Sunday 1	<i>Easter Day</i>	8.00 am Said Eucharist, traditional language, St. Andrew's Church 10.00 am All Age Eucharist, St. Andrew's Church
Sunday 8	<i>Second Sunday of Easter</i>	8.00 am Said Eucharist, traditional language, St. Andrew's Church 10.00 am Parish Eucharist, St. Andrew's Church 4.00 pm Andys@4, St. Andrew's Church
Sunday 15	<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	8.00 am Said Eucharist, traditional language, St. Andrew's Church 10.00 am Family Worship, St. Andrew's Church 11.15 am Holy Communion, St. Andrew's Church 6.30 pm Celtic Service, St. Andrew's Church
Sunday 22	<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	8.00 am Said Eucharist, traditional language, St. Andrew's Church 10.00 am Parish Eucharist, St. Andrew's Church
Tuesday 24	7.00 pm.	Parish AGM, St. Andrew's Church
Saturday 28	7.30 pm	Calne Choral Society Concert, St. Andrew's Church
Sunday 29	<i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	8.00 am Said Eucharist, traditional language, St. Andrew's Church 10.00 am All Age Eucharist, St. Andrew's Church 6.30 pm Young Musicians Concert, St. Andrew's Church

## Some hymns for people over 50

- Give Me the Old Timers' Religion
- Precious Lord, Take My Hand, And Help Me Up
- Just a Slower Walk with Thee
- Go Tell It on the Mountain, But Speak Up
- Nobody Knows the Trouble I Have Seeing
- Count Your Many Birthdays, Count Them One By One
- Blessed Insurance
- It Is Well With My Soul, But My Knees Hurt
- Leave us, Heavenly Father, leave us