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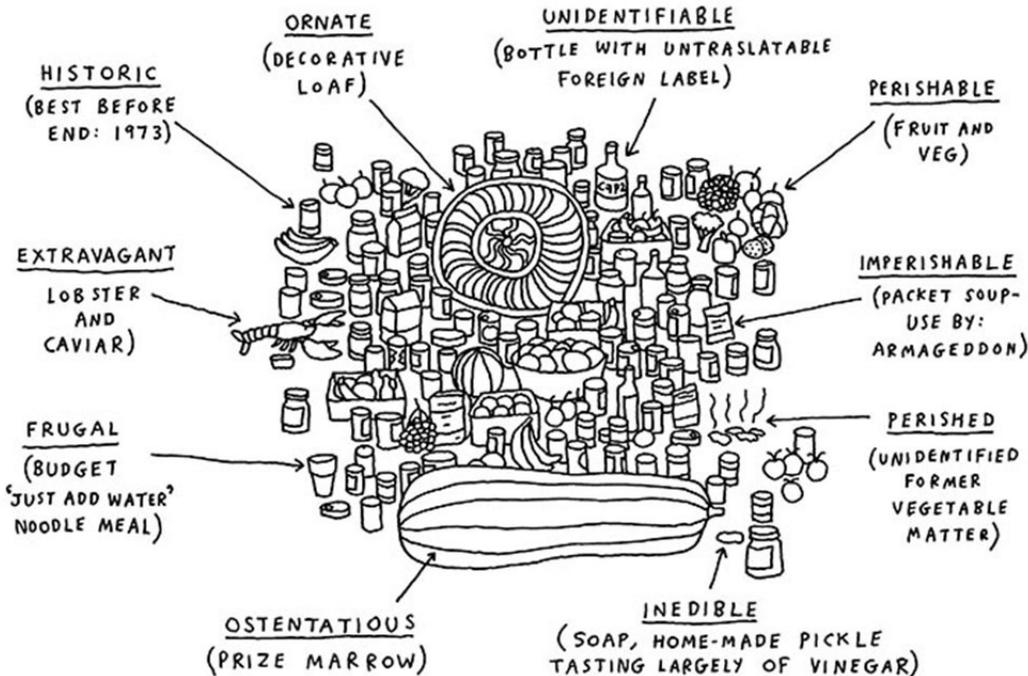
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THE HARVEST FESTIVAL

THE GIFTS, ARRANGED IN THEIR VARIOUS CATEGORIES



The Wall Safe



Needs to be clear.
A note of thanks.
This can be a source
of income to the church,
and even if it is not,
it is nice to say thank you.



Answers to *How well do you know your own mind?*

PENCIL

The answer is 50p. Notebook is £10 more than the pencil = £10.50. 50p + £10.50 = £11.

TAILOR

The answer is 6.

FISH

The answer is 23.

BIKE

If you overtake the person in 2nd place, you are now in 2nd.

In Appreciation of Church Cleaners

We continue our short series of extracts, in words and images, taken from *Handle With Prayer: A Church Cleaner's Notebook* by Graham Jeffery.



The Desk Inside

The West End can be as important as the east end.

Visitors come to see the church, or worship,
Not to see piles of old literature.

Too many appeals simply 'blur' the mind.
The church is the best advertisement for itself.
Visitors' book.

Cards. Need to be tidied daily.

A few books carefully chosen, can be helpful and appropriate.

Copies of the Four Gospels are probably best.



The Vicar's Letter

JAMES HUGHES



Dear Friends,

Over the last few weeks I have been reflecting a lot on how we do public discourse in the west, that is—how we discuss what should and shouldn't happen in our nation and in our world, and I don't think it makes for a very encouraging reflection.

It's probably the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh as supreme court judge that has got me thinking about this—by the time you read this the decision has been made; but whichever way it goes, the nomination process has not appeared from this side of the Atlantic to be a very wholesome one, with whether someone is believed or not seeming to depend more on prior political affiliation than on what the truth of the matter actually is. We have accusation and counter accusation, and sides lining up dressed (metaphorically) in either red or blue.

Or closer to home, we have the continued Brexit negotiations always in the background. Again, listening in to the debates it is often hard to hear a voice for genuine engagement with the issues; more often it appears that instead of debate we are given a restatement of long held views, often accompanied with ridicule of anybody who disagrees. Not so much debate then as flag waving. I long ago gave up on watching *Question Time*: in theory a great idea for a TV show, but in practice, more heat than light.

I'm sure I am not the only person that has observed this. And I am sure that if we

were honest with ourselves, we would all acknowledge our own capacity to engage in 'debate' in this way. It seems to be the way of the world at the moment. Is there a way out of this? How about this advice from Paul to the Christians in Ephesus in the first century:

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, (Eph. ch. 4, vv. 1–2, ESV)

Two things to notice here. First, notice the call to humility, gentleness, patience, and to bear with one another. It is a humility about our own ideas and a willingness to hear others with patience, and at least to understand their position, even when we disagree with it; that makes for good debate and good disagreement. We can still hold our views strongly and firmly. We can still think others are wrong. But we can do so with gentleness and humility.

And then second—notice that this call to behave in this way is a response, a response to a calling. The instruction is for Christians to live as they should in response to Jesus, who in all humility gave himself up for our sake, who bore with us and bore the sins of his people on the cross.

So let me encourage you to disagree well. And let me encourage you to find the one who in his humility shows us how to live, and died for us.

See you soon.

Yours in Christ,

October Services & Events



2018

MONDAY 1ST OCTOBER

2.00 pm **SONGS OF PRAISE**
Half-hour service, followed by tea/coffee/cake

SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Chapel
10.00 am **MORNING SERVICE**
"Living Stones"—1 Peter 2:4–10
6.30 pm **FIRST SUNDAY SPECIAL:** in the Church Hall
"Modern Idols: Sex"—1 Samuel 11:1–18

SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION** at St Paul's, Little Eaton
10.00 am **MORNING SERVICE**
"Sojourners and Exiles"—1 Peter 2:11–17
6.30 pm **HOLY COMMUNION**
"True Authority"—Deuteronomy 17:14–18:22

SUNDAY 21ST OCTOBER

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Chapel
10.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION**
"Our Example of Submission"—1 Peter 2:18–25
6.30 pm **CONFIRMATION SERVICE**



SUNDAY 28TH OCTOBER

8.00 am **HOLY COMMUNION** at St Alkmund's
10.00 am **MORNING SERVICE**
"Wives and Husbands"—1 Peter 3:1–7
6.30 pm **HOLY COMMUNION**
"A Resting Hand"—Deuteronomy 19–20

Safeguarding. Owing to the new Diocesan rule that Sidespersons need to have DBS certificates there are a large number of certificates in progress, and Jonathan and Ruth are willing to complete these. The offer was accepted with gratitude. Eight people were recommended to the PCC for appointment and were approved unanimously. The Vicar is seeking replacement PSL(s), but in the meanwhile procedures are in place and staff are aware of their responsibilities.

Paul Linford was sincerely thanked for organising the **Weekend at Woodland Grange** and for providing the Report. The overall feeling was of good 'hotel' facilities and good teaching and fellowship. The final bill came to £10,068 of which £6,800 was generated from paying guests with a PCC 'subsidy' of £3,268. This was more or less equivalent to the 'ministry cost' of funding the speaker and his family, our own ministers, and the children's workers. It was agreed that the subject should be raised again in January 2019, but there should not be an assumption that the event would take place every two years.

The next meeting of the Church Council will take place on Monday 12th November 2018. Any matters for discussion should be with the Chairman 14 days beforehand.

Marion Taulbut
Hon PCC Secretary
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How well do you know your own mind?

We all like to think we make decisions based on logic and reason, but the truth is our mind plays tricks on us more often than we realize. It makes us believe that we're thinking analytically when, in fact, we're acting instinctively. This series of puzzles puts this to the test.

Answers at foot of page 15.

- A notebook and pencil cost £11. If the notebook costs £10 more than the pencil, **how much does the pencil cost?** (Most people get the answer wrong and say £1.)
- If six tailors make six shirts in six hours, **how long will it take 100 tailors to make 100 shirts?** (Most get the answer wrong and say 100 hours.)
- Every day the number of fish in a pond doubles. If it takes 24 days to fill the entire pond with fish, **how long does it take to fill half the pond?** (Most get the answer wrong and say 12 days.)
- If you're in a race and you overtake the bike in 2nd place, **what place are you now in?**

A report of the Parochial Church Council Meeting

held on Monday, 24th Sept 2018
in Duffield Church



This meeting of the Council took place with the Vicar, the Revd Dr James Hughes in the Chair, and 13 members present or in attendance.

Resignations: Jonathan & Ruth Saunders; Ron Street.—All having resigned from the Council with effect from this day. The secretary was asked to write to Ron and Jeanette, thanking them for all they have done for us in the past and wishing them well in their new church, Christ Church, Derby. Jonathan and Ruth have carried out the Role of PSL for four years in exemplary manner and have earned the gratitude of the PCC and the Church.

There are now four vacancies on the PCC, one of which we hope will be filled by Will Hawley in November. There is also one vacancy in our representatives to the Deanery Synod, which could be filled by someone already on the PCC or by a fresh co-option.

Ministry Update

James began with two questions;

What kind of church are we? What kind of church do we want to be?

He said there are Encouragements and Dangers.

It is really important that we take time and make effort to behave as a family: knowing each other, bearing with each other, encouraging one another in the familiarity of small groups. At this point James referred to the Bible quotations 1 Peter 1:22, Acts 2:42 and Ephesians 4:11 as our Vision for the Future.

There is a call to respond, to be born again as a new family; Sons and Daughters, Brothers and Sisters; for many Church members this **IS** their family where they value the friendship they find. Our Salvation is in Christ and our **Mission/Vision Statement** is at present based upon Acts 2:42.

From Ephesians 4:11 we can see that the work of ministry is not just in speaking of Him but in building up the body of Christ so that the attraction of living together in Unity, Truth and Love can be seen from outside as an encouragement to be part of it.

James is working on a new **Mission Statement**.

Finance

The Treasurer reported that little had changed since the last statement. The number of givers had gone down. He hoped that the 2018 deficit would be kept to around £20K. It was acknowledged that church finance is our joint responsibility

The Revd. David Barnsley and family have moved to 31 Derby Road, Duffield, Belper, DE56 4FL. Their telephone number remains the same.

Regular Events:

SALT CAFÉ—Sunday 7th, in the Church Hall at 5.00pm. (For young people in school years 7–13)

BABES 'N' BOUNCERS—Mondays (1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd), 10–11.30am in the hall.

IMPACT (school years 7–9)—Mondays (1st, 8th, 15th & 22nd), 7–8.30pm in the hall.

IGNITION (school years 10–13)—Tuesdays (2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd), 7.30–9.00pm in the hall.

MEN'S 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL (at Ecclesbourne School)—Tuesdays (2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd) at 8.00pm.

MORNING PRAYER—Tuesdays (2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd) at 9.15am. Held in church for around half an hour.

MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING—Wednesday 3rd, 8.00pm in the hall.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY & LUNCH—Wednesdays (10th & 24th) at 10.00am in the hall.

GROWTH GROUPS—Normally Wednesdays (10th & 24th), at 8.00pm, at various locations (*see leaders for details*).

COFFEE, CAKE & CHAT—Monday 15th at 2.00pm in the hall. Recently started new group which meets on the third Monday of the month.

Special Events:

WEDDING BLESSING OF ROGER HILL AND JUDITH WILLIAMS—Friday 5th, at 12 noon.

CONFIRMATION CLASS—Sunday 7th, at 5.00pm in the hall.

GUIDING TREFOIL 75TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE AND TEA—Saturday 13th, at 3.00pm.

CHURCH COURSE: "THE WAY, THE TRUTH & THE LIFE"—Thursdays (4th, 11th, 18th & 25th), 10.00am or 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

BRING AND SHARE TEA—Sunday 21st, at 5.00pm in the hall. (Followed by Confirmation Service at 6.30pm.)

Half Term: Mon Oct 29—Fri Nov 2

Men's 5-a-Side Football

Tuesdays at Ecclesbourne
School at 8.00pm

This month:
2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd Oct

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Date	Parish Church	All Saints' Chapel
Oct 7	Marion Taulbut/Suzie Jeffery	Cynthia Dicks
14		
21	Peggy Evans	
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How Much Are We Missing?

In Washington DC, at a Metro Station, on a cold January morning in 2007, a man with a violin played six Bach pieces for about an hour. During that time, approximately 2,000 people went through the station, most of them on their way to work. After about 3 minutes, a middle-aged man noticed that there was a musician playing. He slowed his pace and stopped for a few seconds, and then he hurried on to meet his schedule.



About 4 minutes later:

The violinist receive his first dollar. A woman threw money in the hat and, without stopping, continued to walk.

At 6 minutes:

A young man leaned against the wall to listen to him, then looked at his watch and started to walk again.

At 10 minutes:

A 3-year-old boy stopped, but his mother tugged him along hurriedly. The boy stopped to look at the violinist again, but the mother pushed hard and the child continued to walk, turning his head the whole time. This action was repeated by several other children, but every parent—without exception—forced their children to move on quickly.

At 45 minutes:

The musician played continuously. Only 6 people stopped and listened for a short while. About 20 gave money but continued to walk at their normal pace. The man collected a total of \$32.

After 1 hour:

He finished playing and silence took over. No one noticed and no one applauded. There was no recognition at all.

No one knew this, but the violinist was Joshua Bell, one of the greatest musicians in the world. He played one of the most intricate pieces ever written, with a violin worth \$3.5 million dollars. Two days before, Joshua Bell had sold out a theatre in Boston, where the seats averaged \$100 each, to sit and listen to him play the same music.

Joshua Bell, playing incognito in the DC Metro Station, had been organized by the *Washington Post* as part of a social experiment about perception, taste and people's priorities.

This experiment raised several questions: In a common-place environment, at an inappropriate hour, do we perceive beauty? If so, do we stop to appreciate it? Do we recognize talent in an unexpected context? And not least, do we thank God for it?

One possible conclusion reached from this experiment could be this:

If we do not have a moment to stop and listen to one of the best musicians in the world, playing some of the finest music ever written, with one of the most beautiful instruments ever made.... How many other things are we missing as we rush through life?

From *THE CHRISTIAN FRIEND*

Music at Duffield presents Alma Trio



Friday 5 October 2018
at 7.30pm (doors open 7pm)

**MAIN HALL, Ecclesbourne School,
Duffield, Derbyshire, DE56 4GS**

PROGRAMME

Clark's Hornpipe	Sztajer/Krivo sadovsko
Bourrees	Jigs
The Great Hall/Sussex Waltz	Tomkins Toolbox/Daichovo Horo
Koster/The Pink House	Bishop of Chester's Jig/Winterbourne
Kettle Drum/Cuckoo's Nest	Slangpolska
Welsh set	Lounga/Um Saed

Inspired by fiddle traditions from England and across the world, at the heart of Alma's music is the joyful sound of fiddles playing in harmony. Each member brings their own style and influence, including John's work in the English Acoustic Collective, Emily's experience in early music and Adrian's knowledge of Eastern European music.

Ticket prices:

Adult £15, Concession £14, Student £7

Individual tickets are available at the door or from Caroline Morgan (Tel: 01332 843191) and also online at www.musicatduffield.com

For further details about Music at Duffield and future concerts please visit our website www.musicatduffield.com

HARVEST



The Vicar at Harvest Festival had arranged all the vegetables in front of the altar. He asked the children if they could name them. The replies were: potatoes, cabbage, carrots, broccoli, and swede. So he asked if they could use one word to cover them all. A little boy held his hand up and replied, "Gravy.!"

Points to Ponder

- Aspire to inspire before you expire.
- Frustration is trying to find your glasses without your glasses.
- "Let God have your life; He can do more with it than you can." D.L. MOODY
- "The human mind is like an umbrella—it functions best when open." WALTER GROPIUS
- "If you don't have wrinkles, you haven't laughed enough." PHYLLIS DILLER

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A Harvest Supper

took place at St Alkmund's Church Hall on Saturday 29th September. It was a sell-out event, to which attendees were invited to bring their own refreshment. Dress was country casual. Good food was served, and there was entertainment, games and quizzes. Also a "food for thought" talk was given.



Mike Stanier gets the event under way (right); diners enjoying the evening (below)

All photos by:
Pamela Ashworth &
Anna Maddison





Concentrated effort here.



Harvest Supper picture roundup



Three hands are better than two.



Emma entertains from her vast repertoire of songs.



Music, also, from Adam...



...and George



Quiz attempt in progress



Ann demonstrates a corn dolly craft activity



Now, am I doing this right? →