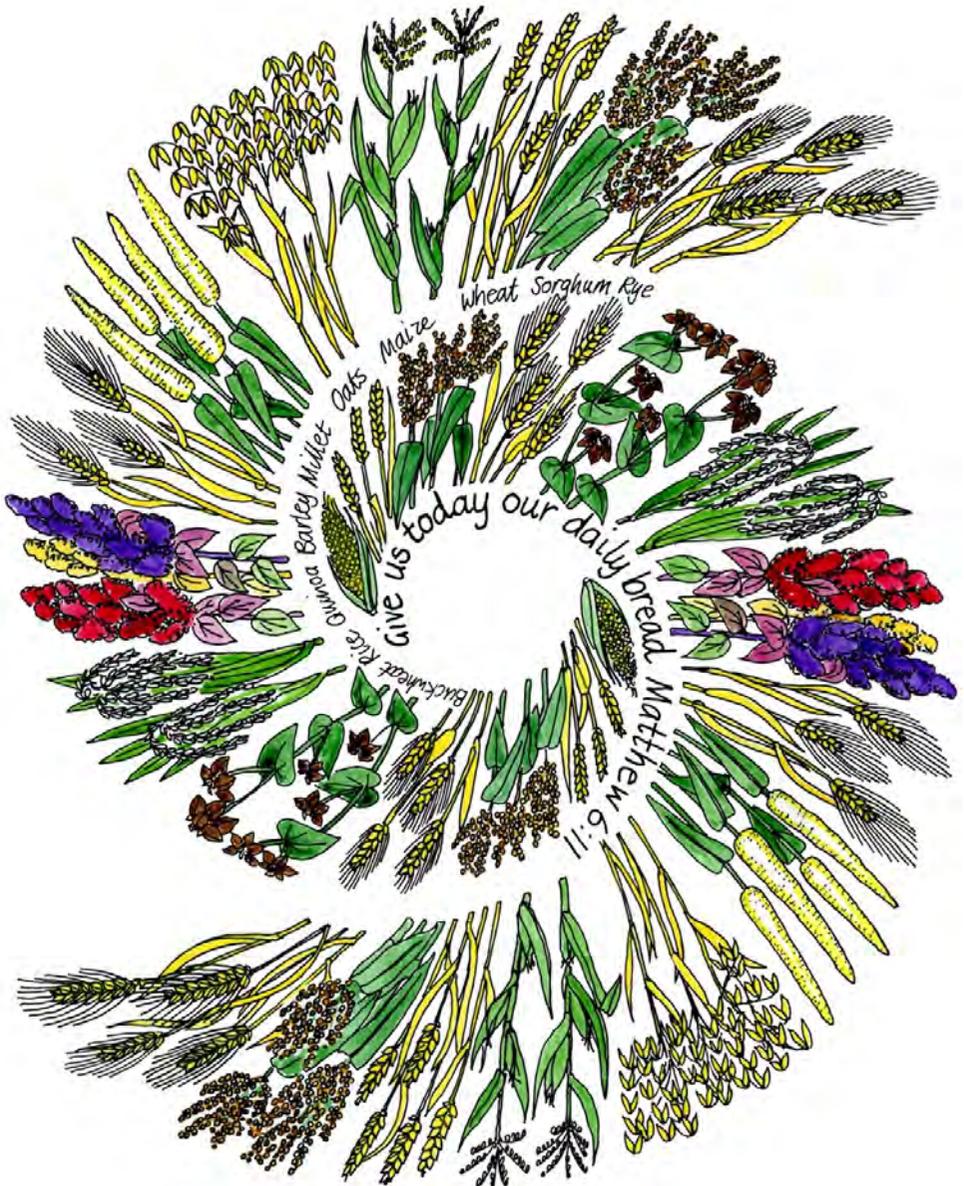


# Radyr Parish News

Autumn 2016

Christ Church, Radyr

St John's Church, Danescourt



# The Parish of Radyr

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## Sunday and mid-week services

### Christ Church, Radyr

Sunday	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	11.00am	Sung Eucharist and Sunday School
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer and Sermon (fourth Sunday of the month Eucharist, fifth Sunday of the month at St John's)
Tuesday	7.30pm	Simply Church
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Eucharist

### St John the Baptist, Danescourt

Sunday	9.15am	Holy Eucharist and Sunday School (Family Eucharist first Sunday of the month)
	6.00pm	Café Church (Fifth Sunday of the month)
Thursday	11.00am	Holy Eucharist

*Arrangements may be made with the Rector for baptisms,  
weddings and the publication of banns of marriage.*

## The Rector writes:

My dear friends

The season of Harvest is a time to count our blessings.

Here in the parish, we give thanks for the work of repainting the interior of both churches, now completed, and with it, the blessing of freedom to worship with others in God's house.

All around us, we see what the Prayer Book describes as 'the works of nature bringing us to a deeper understanding of God's love'- the blessing of beauty and plenty.

And in ourselves and our communities we seek to grow the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self control: the blessing of the harvest of righteousness. All this means that counting our blessings is inseparable from sharing them.

May every one of us find time and opportunity to do both.

**Jenny Wigley**  
Rector



## All sorts of worship



Here in Radyr, we recognise that different people have different worship needs, so across the parish we aim to offer services over a range of days, times and styles. People who may have been attending the same service 'slot' for many years don't always realise what else is happening, so here is a quick guide.

The main **Sunday morning services** at Christ Church and St John's offer busy, lively services with a sermon and music, and set out to provide for all ages. Sometimes they're led by the children or young people when we have particular celebrations - Harvest, for example, or Christingle, or Mothering Sunday. Sunday School meets during the 9.15 and 11am services, and the children come to join us for a blessing at the end, and to present something of what they have learned. There's always tea, coffee and squash afterwards.

The **8am and 6pm Sunday services** at Christ Church are quieter, reflective opportunities with a smaller group of worshippers. When there are five Sundays in a month, we use the fifth evening for **Café Church**, coffee and conversation in groups of four or five people in the tranquil setting of St John's church. If you've never been to our Café Church, you've missed a treat!

**Mid-week mornings** are simple short communion services (Wednesday 9:30 at Christ Church, Thursday 11am at St John's). It's a chance for 20 minutes or so of gentle thoughtful worship - and a rather longer time of coffee and fellowship afterwards.

**Tuesday evening's 'Simply Church'** is held in Christ Church Lady Chapel at 7.30pm. This a new venture, providing a different opportunity to be quiet and thoughtful in a small group using the framework of the new Church in Wales' Evensong. Each 30 minute act of worship is led by one of our lay people, with a time to reflect at the heart of the service. It may be someone sharing thoughts on a picture, a piece of music or a bible reading. You may ponder one of the 'big questions' of faith, or share prayers focussed on the week's news.

Why not come along and try something different from time to time? Even better- pass this magazine on to some who might just like to try something new in church for themselves - and come along together!

## Clearing the Shed - with a mission!

....or the attic, or under the stairs, or the garage. You know, that sorting and clearing job you simply must get around to because you've just spent ages looking for that tool or item of equipment. Or maybe you just can't find the exact screw that you need in the huge tin of nuts, bolts, washers, fuses, etc. That tool or screw or whatever is somewhere in all that stuff that 'will come in handy one day' - but rarely actually does - but which you also just can't bring yourself to throw out - it would be such a waste...and it *just might* come in handy...



Over the years I have inherited lots of tools and screws and fixings and I have bought lots of them too and, yes, occasionally I have been able to find (after much searching) just that nut and bolt I needed. But I realised a few months ago that I'd only actually used about 5% of all the fixings I'd stored for decades and I was never again going to use about a third of the tools that used up space in my garage and shed.

But I just couldn't throw them away. It would be such a waste! Well there's a solution, as I found out recently. It's called '**Tools with a Mission**' (TWAM). It's a Christian charity that sends tools all over the world to enable people to earn a living and to support themselves.

TWAM started over thirty years ago, and has since then provided this help by collecting and refurbishing tools and equipment no longer required in the UK and sending them overseas.

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They have workshop/collection points all over the UK. Our nearest is in Penarth and there, in a very organised, large lock-up garage, a group of volunteers take in, sort and re-furbish a whole range of items (of any age, but not broken ones) that can be of much more value overseas. These include:

Power tools

Hand tools - carpentry, building, electrics, plumbing

Motor mechanics' tools including trolley jacks etc.

Sewing and knitting machines

Knitted items

Haberdashery items

Computers

Gardening tools - including petrol lawn mowers

School books

So a little while ago, I had a garage clear-out. I kept a small selection of tools and fixings but the rest, along with a pile of excess hand tools, gardening tools and a couple of power tools, I took to Penarth one Thursday morning. They were very gratefully received - even the two plastic tool-boxes full of screws, nuts, bolts, washers which, I was assured, would be given to the man who does nothing all day but sort screws, nuts, bolts, washers etc.

While I was there I was asked if I might be willing to occasionally - two or three times a year - collect items from the Radyr area as they need volunteer collectors to pick up stuff from donors - a request to which I readily agreed.

So, if you have - or anyone you know has - an excess of any of the above items, please get in touch with me and I will collect them and take them to Penarth where they will begin their journey overseas to be put to good use in places where they are much needed. Have a look at [www.twam.co.uk](http://www.twam.co.uk)

And I haven't missed **any** of the items I donated!

Thank you.

**John Kiff 029 2084 3055**

# TWAM

## Tools with a Mission

### So what happens to the tools?

1



Donated tools are received  
Your donated tools are collected by our volunteer van drivers and taken to one of our Refurbishment Centres

2



Tool refurbishing in the depot

The collected tools are then lovingly refurbished, cleaned, sharpened, sorted and packed into kits by volunteers ready to send overseas

3



Container loading to go overseas

Finally all tools, equipment and kits are collated at the Ipswich centre. Shippers are booked, paperwork meticulously completed and it's all hands on deck to get the container loaded

4



Sailing the high seas

The container is loaded onto a ship to steam across the seas to our excited and expectant partners.

6



Lives are transformed

Young and old alike break free from the despair of poverty forever

5



The tools arrive in Africa

The container arrives at its destination for unloading and distribution to our charity and mission partners

A Christian charity sending tools across the world

## Tools with a Mission

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**I wonder how much you know about Mothers' Union, a worldwide organisation that is celebrating its 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year?**

Our aim is the advancement of the Christian religion in the sphere of marriage and family life. In order to carry out this aim, our objectives are:-

- To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and to promote its wider understanding;
- To encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church;
- To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service;
- To promote conditions favourable to stable family life and the protection of children;
- To help those whose family life has met with adversity.

Quite a commitment, but through the organisation's work in the UK and throughout the world, much has been achieved through a huge variety of structured projects. In our own Diocese, the major project is our 'Away From it All' caravan in Porthcawl, which is used by families who are experiencing stress. Families are able to spend time together away from their stressful situations at home, engage in activities together and have fun. They often experience healing in their relationships by spending this quality time with each other. We are in the process of raising money to pay for a replacement caravan ready for 2017.

In our own Branch, we continue to support national projects, as well as providing Christmas gifts for the residents of Hafan Flats, putting together hospital emergency packs and collecting ring pulls from cans. We also support our own parish in many different ways, but in the immediate future we shall have a Harvest Cake Stall after the 11.00am

service on 2<sup>nd</sup> October at Christ Church, the money raised going towards the purchase of baptism gifts for the children of the parish.

We have just published our new, varied and interesting programme for 2016/17. Our next meeting will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2.00pm at Christ Church. Why not come along?

**Nicky Webber**  
Branch Leader  
2084 3582

## Operation Christmas Child 2016

Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's project, run by the Christian relief and development organisation, Samaritan's Purse. It aims to meet critical needs of victims of war, poverty, disease and natural disaster. The aim is to fill a shoebox with items suitable for the age you have chosen. For many children this will be their only Christmas present.

This year our Shoebox Sunday is 20<sup>th</sup> November. There are full guidelines on the leaflets and we have flat-pack shoe boxes available at 50p. Both leaflets and boxes are available at Christ Church, St John's and from me.

Last year we had a brilliant collection with a total of 273 wonderfully packed boxes. If anyone is interested in joining in this project, please contact me.

**Anne-Marie Phillips**  
Ty Gwyn  
1a Kings Road  
Radyr  
2084 2526



## All Saints' Day

All Saints, or All Hallows, celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> November, is the feast of all the redeemed, known and unknown, who are now in heaven. When the English Reformation took place, the number of saints in the calendar was drastically reduced, with the result that All Saints' Day stood out with a prominence that it had never had before.

This feast day first began in the East, perhaps as early as the 5<sup>th</sup> century, as commemorating 'the martyrs of the whole world'. A Northern English 9<sup>th</sup> century calendar named All Hallows as a principal feast, and such it has remained. Down the centuries, devotional writers have seen in it the fulfilment of Pentecost and indeed of Christ's redemptive sacrifice and resurrection.

The saints do not belong to any religious tradition, and their lives and witness to Christ can be appreciated by all Christians. Richard Baxter, writing in the 17th century, wrote the following:

He wants not friends that hath thy love,  
And made converse and walk with thee,  
And with thy saints here and above,  
With whom for ever I must be...

As for my friends, they are not lost;  
The several vessels of thy fleet,  
Though parted now, by tempests tossed,  
Shall safely in thy haven meet....

The heavenly hosts, world without end,  
Shall be my company above;  
And thou, my best and surest Friend,  
Who shall divide me from thy love?\*

Thousands of churches were dedicated to All Saints, a number only surpassed by those dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

\*(Maurice Frost (ed.), Historical Companion to Hymns Ancient and Modern (London: Clowes, 1962), no. 274, verses 1,3,6.

## The Indispensable One?

Some time when you're feeling important  
Some time when your ego's in bloom,  
Some time when you take it for granted  
You're the best qualified one in the room.

Some time when you feel that your going  
Would leave an unfillable hole;  
Just follow these simple instructions  
And see how they humble your soul;

Take a bucket and fill it with water,  
Put your hands in it up to your wrists,  
Pull them out - and the hole that remains  
Is a measure of how much you'll be missed.

You may splash all you please when you enter;  
You may stir up the waters galore,  
But stop, and you'll find in a minute  
That it looks just the same as before.

The moral of this is quite simple -  
You must do the best that you can.  
Be proud of yourself, but remember -  
There is no indispensable one.

*Submitted by Heddwyn Richards*



## Family Fun Day

Our carnival-themed Family Fun Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> July was a great success. Many thanks to everyone who was involved. The inflatable slide, ball pit and bouncy castle were in constant use, and the games and stalls were enjoyed by all those who came. There were freshly-cooked burgers and hot dogs from the BBQ and delicious lunches, not forgetting the Welsh cakes and all the home-made cakes from the cake stall. The event ended with the piñata, which was hit with a wooden spoon until it burst, with its contents falling to the ground for the young people to gather up.

We are now beginning to plan our annual Get Ready for Christmas event which will be held on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Please put the date in your diaries!

**Rubina Davison**





## Christ Church Sunday School

The summer term gave us an opportunity to enjoy some lessons outdoors. Term ended with Prize Giving following Sunday School on 17<sup>th</sup> July. Jenny presented the Best Attenders with books for their excellent attendance over the year:

**Crèche** Alice, Ben, Bethan, Cari, Evan, Ffion D-S, Ffion J, Harriet, Ioan, Jack, Mabli, Oliver and Rupert

**Class One** Charlie, Gwen, Matthew, Nia, Sara, Seren and Sophia.

**Class Two** Angharad, Bronwen, Catrin, Emily, Emily Mae, Evan, Gwen, and William.

**Class Three** Anna, Bethan, Cameron, Gwilym and Joe.

**Overall Best Attenders** (32 weeks) Emily Azzopardi and Evan Williams.

As the last Sunday of the Summer term was wet once again, the picnic was held indoors. This didn't spoil our fun—the food was wonderful, the weather improved and the children were able to play outdoors before going home.

We are now looking forward to a busy Autumn term - the children are learning a new Harvest song and will help to lead worship at the 11am Harvest Festival service. Families will be busy filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child and enjoying all the fun at 'Getting Ready for Christmas'. The children will be singing at Nine Lessons and Carols and leading worship at the Crib Service on Christmas Eve.

The Vicar of Nibbleswicke photo display has now been turned into a photobook and will soon be available to borrow from the library at Christ Church. Pop-Up Church will be popping-up again with an Advent/Nativity craft at the Radyr Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. Look out for the Parish of Radyr gazebo and come along and join in the fun.

We'd love you to come along and join in the fun learning about how much Jesus loves us. We meet every Sunday in term time at 11am for an hour. Ages 5 - 11 (Crèche for pre-school children).

**Julie Davies**  
2084 2923

## Thank you, Dr Luke!

‘Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, bless the bed that I lie on’ - my grandma taught me that one. At least it meant I never forgot the names of the writers of the four Gospels. Luke, the writer of the third of them, has his feast day on 18<sup>th</sup> October.

He was, we learn from the letters of St Paul, a ‘physician’ - an educated man and probably the only one of the writers of the New Testament who was not a Jew. In modern terms he was Turkish. Paul took him as one of his missionary team on a long journey around the Middle East, and they clearly became close friends. Under house arrest later in his life Paul could write, ‘only Luke is with me’.

However, it is his Gospel which has established him as a major figure in the history of the Christian Church. Mark’s Gospel may have more drama, Matthew’s more prophetic background and John’s a more profound sense of the mystery of the divine, but Luke offers us a Jesus who is utterly and believably real. This man turned no one away, reserved his harshest words for hypocrites and religious grandees, cared for the marginalised, the poor, the persecuted, the handicapped and the sinful. His Gospel is full of people we can recognise - indeed, in whom we can often recognise ourselves.

He was also a masterly story-teller. Try, for instance, the story of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32). Read it (this time) not as a sacred text, but as a brilliant piece of story-telling: subtle repetitions (‘your son, this brother of yours’), believable characters, drama and profound emotion. There is the older brother, so cynical about his sibling’s alleged reformation, the ‘prodigal’ himself, so hesitant about throwing himself on his father’s mercy after the folly of his earlier behaviour, and there is the father, of course, abandoning the dignity of his role in the family and actually running to welcome his wretched son’s return.

There are more women in Luke’s Gospel than in any of the others, but also more poor people, more lepers, more ‘sinners’ and tax-collectors, more ‘outsiders’ who are shown to be ‘inside’ the love of Christ. This, for many of us, is the great Gospel of inclusion and compassion. Here is a Jesus for the whole world and for every one of us. Thank you, Dr Luke!

**David Winter**

## St John's Sunday School

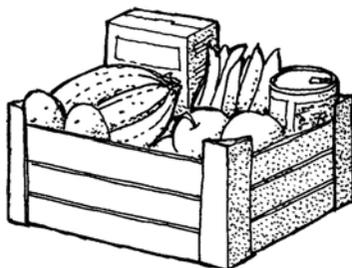
It was lovely to welcome a large group of Sunday School children back after the summer holidays. When they joined us in church, they were all wearing animal masks, the adult helpers too. The masks were all in pairs and Kaiden told us that they had been learning about Noah and the ark. Jenny did her best to identify all the animals and they looked wonderful at the front of the Church. It was good too to have the Sunday School orchestra back to accompany our final hymn, 'This little light of mine' which was finished with a lovely flourish by our organist James. What a great start to the Sunday School term!

We are now using a new set of lessons to help us learn about the Bible and what it has to teach us. We start off looking at characters from the Old Testament, the people who over many years paved the way for Jesus. Like Noah, they all have some really interesting stories to tell. Then after half term we have a series of lessons called 'Christmas is coming' where we will follow events leading up to the Christmas story.

We also have a couple of very special services this term which we will celebrate in St John's. On October 2<sup>nd</sup> it is Harvest Festival and we will be bringing gifts for the Cardiff foodbank. The church will be decorated and looking its beautiful harvest best and will be open on October 1<sup>st</sup> for people to come along and have a look. Persuade your family and friends to pop in and have a look and make the angels smile!

Our other very special service is on December 4<sup>th</sup> when we will be in church for Christingle. This is when we really start to get ready for Christmas and it is always a lovely service. Please come along, collect your Christingle and help us to make it a proper celebration.

St John's Sunday School meets in the church hall at 9.15am and joins the congregation in church for the end of the service. Please come along and join us, we would love to see you.



Anne Jones 2055 4749

## Caring for our buildings

To quote from Haydn's *The Creation*: 'Achieved is the glorious work; The Lord beholds it and is pleas'd'. The work of redecorating our two churches - inside and out - is complete.

My thanks go to the members of the Building Committee and all the many parishioners that made it happen. The emptying and refilling of Christ Church of all the various books and paraphernalia were done with such joy and cooperation that it made a potentially complex task look easy. And the interim arrangements for services in the New School Rooms worked perfectly. In truth, it was quite nice to get a slightly different perspective on our worship.

There is not much else to report at this time except, perhaps, to note that, thanks to the generosity of The Llandaff Society, the lychgate at St John's has been restored and now has a splendid new cross. We really need to thank Roald Dahl for that, of course, as the work was done in conjunction with his 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations. Sometimes it is nice to have friends in the right places.

Do let us know if you spot anything that needs doing in our buildings.

**Nick Hawkins**

**Chairman, Buildings Committee**

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### Parish News subscriptions

If you have enjoyed reading this magazine, why not take out an annual subscription? Receive four copies a year, delivered to your home if you wish, for only £2.50!

Speak to Malcolm May at St John's, or Alun & Deb Redwood-Knight at Christ Church (contact details on page 23).

## The story behind the hymn 'Praise my Soul the King of Heaven'

Praise my soul the King of heaven,  
To His feet thy tribute bring;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Evermore his praises sing.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

*Henry Francis Lyte*

This stately poetic paraphrase of Psalm 103 has been included in probably more solemn ceremonies than any other hymn in the English language. It was even chosen by the Queen for her wedding in 1947.

Henry Lyte (1793-1847) was a brilliant theological student at university in Dublin, with a gift for composing verse. After graduation he moved to a tiny and remote parish in County Wexford to serve his curacy. It was here, when he was about 25, that Henry had a religious experience which would transform his life.

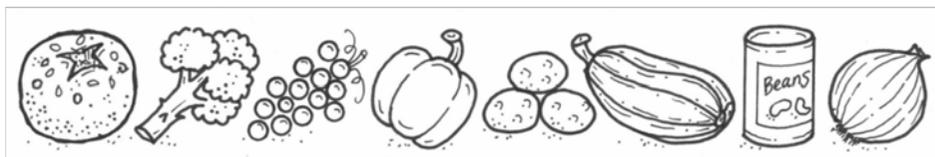
A close friend of his, another clergyman, had fallen ill, and was clearly dying. Henry went to visit him. The friend was not as distressed as Henry had imagined he would be. Instead, the friend confessed that he had been re-reading the New Testament, with an eye on eternity, and had made a great discovery. There was no need to rely on religious duties and formalities and good deeds to gain peace with God. Instead, we can trust completely in the mercy of Christ and his saving power.

Henry was sophisticated and had been very formal in his ministry. But this encounter with his friend's faith at death's very door, made him reconsider his faith. He wrote later that his dear friend 'who died happy in the thought that there was One who would atone for his delinquencies' made him 'study my Bible and preach in another manner than I had previously done'. And soon after, this hymn appeared in 1834.

Lyte rejoices in the majesty and wonder of the living God, who in turn loves us. He captures the measure of the psalm in enduring lyrics, which combine time, eternity, God and man all swept up into one embrace. Its last verse summons all of the created order to join in a great act of joyous praise - surely a preview of eternity!

## Dates for your diary

- 1<sup>st</sup> October **Harvest Display** with refreshments  
St John's Church 10am-4pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> October **Harvest Celebrations** including Bring and Share  
Harvest Supper at Christ Church.
- 4<sup>th</sup> October **Simply Church** Christ Church 7.30pm  
(new weekly service)
- 30<sup>th</sup> October **All Saints Sunday and Parish Gift Day**  
Café Church St John's Church 6pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> November **All Souls Service** 7pm: united parish service at Christ  
Church to commemorate the faithful departed.
- 13<sup>th</sup> November **Remembrance Sunday**
- 20<sup>th</sup> November **Shoebox Sunday**
- 26<sup>th</sup> November **Get Ready for Christmas** Christ Church 11am-2pm
- 27<sup>th</sup> November **Advent Sunday**
- 4<sup>th</sup> December **Christingle** St John's Church 9.15am



# From the parish registers

## Holy Baptism

Jack Christopher James Odgers  
Laurence Haydn Shand  
James Lewis Tucker

*Born of water and of the spirit*

## Joined in Holy Matrimony

David Cadogan & Lorraine Tanner  
Anthony Dunford & Hannah Lewis  
Kyle King & Rhian Williams

*Joined together as one*

## The faithful departed

June Archer  
Alan Avery  
Colin Davies  
Glenys Howell  
Alan Paterson

*May they rest in peace*



## ***From the archives***

*The following is an extract from the parish leaflet of October 1953*

### PAROCHIAL NOTES

General Certificate of Education Examinations: successful candidates:- Andy Matthews, Prys Morgan, Colin Jackson, Rosalie Tucker, Jennifer Stephens, Susan Roberts, Janet Harvey, Gillian Russell - hearty congratulations.

Hearty congratulations to Trevor Lewis who has been awarded a Technical State Scholarship in order to pursue a degree course.

Gilbert Kirkpatrick leaves Radyr for the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, this month.

Mothers' Union Devotional Service and Address at 2.30 pm on Monday 5th October in Christ Church.

### AN ESPECIALLY GOOD CAUSE

October, with its Feast of St Luke, is the month which has particular connections with healing and therefore with Medical Missions. The Week's Good Cause Appeal of the BBC will be for this purpose on October 18<sup>th</sup>. It is said of the first medical missionary, 'he opened up China to the Gospel at the point of his lancet.' Thousands who owed their lives to him came to know the Master, 'who went about healing.' The development of the Welfare State in our own country would be a very sad thing were it to make us indifferent to the sufferings of others in more backward parts of the world. The Appeal will be made by Dr Mary Gibbons, who has given outstanding service in Central Africa.

### IS THERE A DOCTOR?

Recent much publicised remarks suggest that we are becoming a nation of hypochondriacs who resort to the doctor on every possible occasion and demand a 'bottle'. India has no chance at present of falling into the same error. For Dr Clare Thompson has said: 'while it is estimated that 90 per cent of the population in India lives in the villages, 90 per cent of the doctors work in the towns. The supply of medical help is therefore very inadequate. The expectation of a child at birth is 27 years as compared with 65 here in England.'

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## SEED TIME AND HARVEST

Ours is the seedtime; God alone  
Beholds the end of what is sown;  
Beyond our visions, weak and dim,  
The harvest time is hid with Him.

*J G Whittier*

## BIRTHDAYS

Many Happy Returns of the Day

Richard Bowen 1<sup>st</sup> October; Paul Beeson 3<sup>rd</sup> October; Christine Henderson 11<sup>th</sup> October; Christine Thorley 19<sup>th</sup> October; Alan Williams 23<sup>rd</sup> October; Ann Llewellyn 28<sup>th</sup> October; Elizabeth Ruth Williams 30<sup>th</sup> October.



The harvest produce was taken to the old people's bungalows

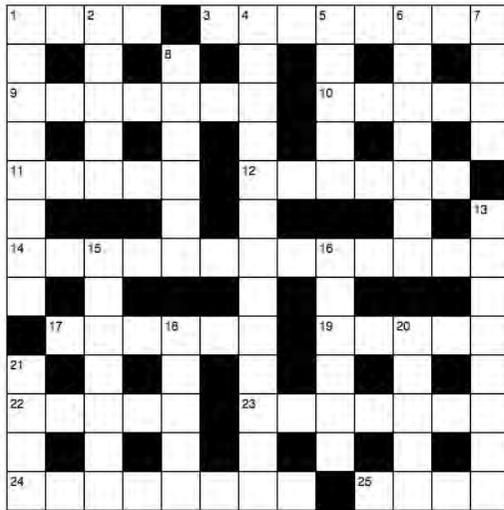
Solution to the crossword in the last edition.

## Parish activities

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Sunday School, St John's Church</b> Anne Jones 2055 4749
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Sunday School, Christ Church</b> Julie Davies 2084 2923
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Whatever! Christ Church</b> (first Sunday of month, term time) Rector 2084 2417
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Mothers' Union, New School Rooms</b> (second Monday of month) Nicky Webber 2084 3582
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Evergreens, Parish Hall</b> Doreen Thomas 2055 5634
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10.00am</b> (term-time)	<b>Parent &amp; Toddler Group, Parish Hall</b> Donna Wilson 07703 179090
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10.00am</b> (term-time)	<b>Parent &amp; Toddler Group, Parish Hall</b> Donna Wilson 07703 179090
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Choir Practice, Christ Church</b> Pat Jones 2084 2813
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Bell-ringing Practice, Christ Church</b> Trevor Lewis 2033 9449

## Other useful contacts

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### Across

- 1 Sent out three times on a reconnaissance mission from Noah's ark (Genesis 8:8-12) (4)
- 3 'The vilest – who truly believes, that moment from Jesus a pardon receives' (8)
- 9 Described by the 19th-century MP Sir Wilfred Lawson as 'the Devil in solution' (7)
- 10 'Whoever – his life for my sake will find it' (Matthew 10:39) (5)
- 11 King of Gezer (Joshua 10:33) (5)
- 12 Gideon's home town (Judges 6:11) (6)
- 14 The area under the jurisdiction of a primate, for example, Canterbury, York (13)
- 17 To him God promised that David would be king (1 Chronicles 11:3) (6)
- 19 A descendant of Aaron who was not allowed to offer food to God (Leviticus 21:20) (5)
- 22 'If any of you – wisdom, he should ask God' (James 1:5) (5)

- 23 I gain me (anag.) (7)
- 24 Relating to the armed forces (1 Chronicles 5:18) (8)
- 25 Title given to 2 Down (abbrev.) (4)

### Down

- 1 Greek coins (Acts 19:19) (8)
- 2 Church of England incumbent (5)
- 4 What Epaphroditus was to Paul (Philippians 2:25) (6-7)
- 5 Mother of David's sixth son (2 Samuel 3:5) (5)
- 6 'We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in – ' (2 Corinthians 4:8) (7)
- 7 It destroys treasures on earth (Matthew 6:19) (4)
- 8 It threatened Paul in Jerusalem (Acts 21:35) (3,3)
- 13 Well-known Reference Bible that espoused dispensationalism (8)
- 15 Where the choir sits in a parish church (7)
- 16 Real do (anag.) (6)
- 18 'Martha, Martha... you are worried and – about many things' (Luke 10:41) (5)
- 20 'One man considers one day more sacred than another; another man considers every day – ' (Romans 14:5) (5)
- 21 A place with twelve springs and 70 palm trees where the Israelites camped (Exodus 15:27) (4)