



CHURCH AT HOME

Issue 29: October 24th 2020

Welcome, brothers and sisters to the twenty-ninth edition of "Church at Home".

As you can see from this bulletin, we have some important roles to fill going forward. On page three you will see the proposals for a new finance team that is splitting the role of treasurer into smaller parts.

We welcome Peter Green as Warden. Each church should have two Wardens to look after the buildings and contents. Having one person makes the role much harder. If you would be willing to be our second warden, then please contact me.

At our APCM one or two people used the forum to point out how they feel I have failed them during this difficult period. I can assure you I have tried my best in extremely trying circumstances and have never been busier or under more pressure. A reminder that if you need something, I need to know. I am NOT a mind-reader. Please don't assume something you have mentioned to someone will get through to me.

That being said I would like to give my thanks to those who have taken the time to encourage me and the family, and for the treats that are regularly brought or left at our doorstep.

Follow the guidance, encourage each other, pray and stay safe.

Rev Clive

Church noticeboard

Church at Home

Church at home is taking a half term break next week but will be back on 7th November. Do send in pictures of your half term activities.

Stewards for Sundays in lockdown.

We need a rota of people who would be willing to be stewards at our 10.00am Communion Service. If you can help please contact Monica Lindridge.

New warden

Peter Green has been voted in as our church warden. If you would like to be our second warden so Peter isn't burdened with the two people's roles, please speak to Clive.

Thanks

From Eileen and Marjorie Hoare: We are very grateful and many thanks to everybody for all the lovely (90th) birthday cards received. We miss you all, but are grateful for the many years we were able to attend church. Thank you and God bless you all.

Bishop James Retirement

Bishop James has announced his retirement in July next year when he will be 65.

New Service Time

The 9am service has temporarily been moved to 10am.

Remembrance Sunday

There will be an act of remembrance starting at 10:50am at The War Memorial on Sunday 8th November.

Spring Harvest 2021

Booking is open. If you would like to be included in our group please fill in the form on the back page and return to Clive ASAP.

New Finance Team

As no one has come forward to be our church treasurer the role is now vacant. We have decided to try splitting the role into a number of smaller jobs.

Please consider prayerfully if you are able to fill one of these roles.

Banker (Incoming)

Co-ordinate the paying in of physical cash / cheques.

Oversee the Sunday counting team.

Send counting sheets and yellow envelopes to Gift Aid Secretary.

Co-ordinate any miscellaneous incoming payments to bank account. (i.e. non regular incoming payments).

Banker (Outgoing)

Pay bills.

Pay expenses.

Provide office petty cash when requested.

Pay Parish pledge.

Bookkeeper

Prepare monthly accounts for PCC.

Prepare draft budget.

Prepare annual accounts.

Send annual accounts to Diocese & Charity Commission.

If required send accounts to HMRC.

Record Keeper

Keep a financial record of incomings and outgoings.

Gift Aid Secretary (Role filled - Dot Turner)

Co-ordinate the claiming of gift aid from the government.

Please contact Clive for more details.

Join us via
Zoom,
see church
email for details

**ITS STILL NOT TO
LATE TO MAKE IT A
DATE!!**

**ST PAUL'S
VIRTUAL
QUIZ NIGHT
IN!!**

**SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER @
7.30PM**



Meeting ID: 840 9272 9164
Passcode: quiz

Community Notices

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Complete the Friends Against Scams awareness session today:
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Please tell us your name, age and what school you go to along with a contact email, address and phone number.

Or send a scanned copy to mayors.office@bexley.gov.uk

The designs will be chosen on 6 November 2020

Cllr James Hunt

Mayor of the London Borough of Bexley

regularly wash your hands for 20 seconds

self-isolate if you develop symptoms

2m keep a 2m distance in public

get a test if you develop symptoms

wear a face covering where advised

HM Government

NHS

MEET UP IN GROUPS OF NO MORE THAN 6

HM Government

NHS

Know the symptoms of coronavirus

- High temperature
- Loss or change in sense of smell or taste
- New, continuous cough

HELP US HELP YOU

NHS

What's new for this year's flu season?

30 million people are now eligible including:

- household contacts of those on the NHS shielded patients list
- children of school **Year 7 age** in secondary schools (those aged 11 years on 31 August 2020)
- all health and social care workers who have direct contact with the people they care for
- those aged 50-64 years later in the season

LOCAL COVID ALERT LEVEL

HIGH

Social Contact



1 household / bubble indoors. Rule of six outdoors.

Weddings and Funerals



Up to 15 guests for weddings and up to 30 guests for funerals. 15 for receptions, wakes and related ceremonies.

Overnight Stays



Overnight stays permitted subject to social contact rules.

Working from home guidance



Work from home where possible.

Shopping and Retail



Open.

Leisure and gyms



Open.

Hospitality



Open with some restrictions including 10pm closing time and table-service only.

Entertainment and tourist attractions



Open, except nightclubs and adult entertainment.

Education



Schools, FE colleges open. Universities must reflect wider restrictions.

Healthcare Services



Open.

Residential Care



Closed to external visitors other than in exceptional circumstances.

Travel and Transport



May continue to travel to open venues, but reduce number of journeys where possible. Avoid travel into Local COVID Alert Level Very High areas where possible.

Sporting Activity



Organised sport / licensed physical activity allowed in outdoor settings. Indoor organised sport must follow social contact rules (other than youth or disabled sport).

Worship



Open, subject to social contact rules.

Childcare



Registered and wraparound childcare. Supervised activities permitted in private homes. Children's groups permitted. Childcare bubbles for under 14s.

Youth Clubs and Activities



Permitted.

There are three simple actions we must all do to keep on protecting each other:



Wash hands
keep washing your hands regularly



Cover face
wear a face covering in enclosed spaces



Make space
stay at least 2 metres apart - or 1 metre with a face covering or other precautions

For more information and detailed guidance visit:
[gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

This week's prayer

**Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy
in this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may rejoice in your comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from
your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.**

Prayer

There are many who still need our prayers. Those who have asked for our prayers are: Ann Easter, Ann Batchelor (Reader at St Martin's), Grace Beazley-Long, Andrew Bennett, Charles Brooke, Ron and Joan Handy. For Marjorie and Eileen Hoare, Monica Lindridge, Christine Meaton and Christine Minns. For Carol & John O'Connor, John Ralph and Amanda Ralph. For Jane & George Stafford. For Karen Vaughan (Cameo), Jeanette Watts and Mark Williams.

Please keep in your prayers those who usually have received home communion but are unable to currently with the Church of England not allowing these to take place.

Access Church services online

A number of places are offering closed services online. If you are able why don't you try one of the following.

Holy Trinity Brompton – Nicky Gumbel

<https://www.htb.org/sundayonline>.

Freedom Church – Sim Dendy

<https://www.freedomchurch.uk>

All Souls Langham Place

<https://www.allsouls.org>

Watch on TV

TBN (Freeview 65 / Sky 582)

Hillsongs TV (Sky 595)

Resources for children and young people

Primary

VeggieTales (Netflix)

Superbook (Amazon Prime & Youtube)

Hillsongs: <https://www.youtube.com/user/hillsongkids>

Rend Collective: <https://rendcokids.com>

Bethel Kids

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLUmTiGOxKUOhwpvDtOI62mC4bs9JEUyFP>

Secondary

Bible society short videos - <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/study-the-bible/gnb-youth-edition/videos/>

Bible Game for Apple or Android - "The Guardians of Ancora"

<https://guardiansofancora.com>

What you're up to. – Pictures and messages



Linda Mayes & Carol O'Connor

I spent a lovely afternoon in Linda Mayes' garden and here are the photos to prove it!



Monica Lindridge & friends

Some of our U3A Walking Group socially distancing on a walk from Shipbourne on Thursday



William, Grace & Bill's Grandson

A picture of William in a field of pumpkins and some roses at Waterperry Garden near Oxford, where we met up with Andrew and family last weekend.



Wai Ming Martin



Jacob Beazley-Long

Jacob scored %82 in his Grade 5 Guitar Exam.



Chris Meaton

Down in Whitstable grabbing some Autumn sunshine.

Pick of the pics this week goes to William. We will send some story books for your grandparents to read to you.

Please send me your pictures and messages to each other. Let's encourage each other and stay in touch. It will be good to see familiar faces each week. revclive@hotmail.co.uk

Thursday 29th -
Saturday 31st
October

4-6pm

SATURDAY

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worship

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To make the most of all the HARVEST POP UP content, head to springharvest.org/harvest-pop-up and sign up for the online event platform. The schedule is all laid out with all the content during the week easily watchable in any browser.

There are also lots of extras within the platform for you to enjoy, like live interaction and a meeting hub. You will only be able to see the morning Worship Workshops from Creative Lab Academy if you have purchased a ticket, but everything else is open to all, with donations gratefully received.

MONDAY 26 OCTOBER	
8.00am	Psalm for the Day with Malcolm Corden
9.15am-12.30pm	Worship Workshops with Creative Lab Academy
TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER	
8.00am	Psalm for the Day with Malcolm Corden
9.15am-12.30pm	Worship Workshops with Creative Lab Academy
1.00pm	These Three Things - an expert offers three things they have learned in this 15 minute talk
WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER	
8.00am	Psalm for the Day with Malcolm Corden
8.30am	BIG START POP UP with Awesome Cutlery and Mike and Becky Peacock
9.15am-12.30pm	Worship Workshops with Creative Lab Academy
1.00pm	These Three Things - an expert offers three things they have learned in this 15 minute talk
6.30pm	BEDTIME BIBLE STORY with Gemma Hunt
7.00pm	BOOK CLUB - Read and discuss Ready to Rise by Jo Saxton
7.45pm	YOUTH - a new film on Worship from The Way
8.00pm	CELEBRATION - Unleashed, with words from Steve Uppal and worship from Martin Smith and Elle Limebear
9.30pm	Pub Quiz with Joe Fisher

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7.00pm	BOOK CLUB - Interview and Q&A with Jo Saxton, author of Ready to Rise
7.45pm	YOUTH - a new film on Worship from The Way
8.00pm	CELEBRATION - Unrivalled, with words from Lou Fellingham and worship from Noel Robinson
9.30pm	Music and laughs with Paul Bell

FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER

8.00am	Psalm for the Day with Malcolm Corden
9.15am-12.30pm	Worship Workshops with Creative Lab Academy

SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER

6.00pm	Pandamonium Praise Party - worship, magic and crazy fun for all ages with The Cheeky Pandas and a bunch of special guests.
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A Reflection on “Go Forth”

My dear friends,

These last months have been difficult for all of us, as covid 19 has altered our lives, bring fear and loss. We find ways of coping that bring pleasure. But we also need spiritual sustenance to sustains our faith and underpin our lives in a difficult, confusing, and fearful time.

I have found spiritual sustenance in a mixture of prayer, silence, Bible reading, the Daily Office, the Daily and Sunday Services on Radio Four, and the reflections from St Paul’s Cathedral and those which accompany the set lectionary readings for Morning Prayer. These have brought solace, comfort, delight and challenge. For the Daily Service on the 24th of September the Revd. Richard Carter did a meditation on seven phrases from the following collect.

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
help the afflicted; honour everyone;
love and serve the Lord,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit;

I have transcribed many of his words.

Go forth.

This is a prayer for our time and all times. Many of us have sacred places we love, a church, a community, a place for private prayer, a hallowed place that provide strength 1 reverence and beauty. We have felt bereft at being been cut off from these places where we have always prayed. Yet our benediction tells us to go forth to take our prayer with us out into the streets. We are not called to a private religion for ourselves but something to be shared, to be taken with us on the journey. It is a call to step through the door. To become prayer in the world.

Go forth into the world in peace

Peace is what we are told to take with us for this journey. It is a resurrection gift. Peace is the very first words of the risen Christ after the agony and trauma of the crucifixion speaks to his disciples when they are locked in the upper room would it not be a wonderful thing if we ourselves become the bearers and the instruments of that peace, breathing in the peace of Christ, holding the peace of Christ within us, breathing out the peace of Christ into the world, a peace beyond death itself.

Be of good courage

Courage that is the next word we take with us. Courage a word that echoes through the New Testament. A word vital for our times. Courage, courage says Jesus it is I. Courage do not be afraid. You see fear diminishes us; fear is a contraction. We not only lock down, we lock out. Fear makes us look down at our feet in case we fall. It builds its own prison within our own heart. It builds walls that shut others out. But courage is a life-giving word to take Jesus with us. He is walking towards you across the waves of your fear. He will not let you drown.

Hold fast to that which is good

Jesus calls us to hold fast to the good, to see not the curse, but the blessing. It is goodness that will provide us with strength for the journey. In our present times how easy it is to live with in a catalogue of anxiety rather than seeing any goodness. Hold fast to that which is good. Even wounds, through love can become signs of resurrection and hope. Look for the good around you in nature, in signs of normality, kindness, love, pleasure, the friendship that is a blessing, the moment of revelation, the silent prayer in your heart, the smile behind the mask. Hold fast says St Ignatius to the blessing. Look for the blessing, store them in your heart to uphold you in the times of desolation.

Give back to no one evil for evil

Evil, it is a word you are frightened to use in relation to self, but how compulsive and negative the spirit can become, how easy is it to become trapped in patterns of blame and the thousand judgements that crowd our minds. How easy it is for a hurt to become a hatred, then a growing bitterness, then a poison for our own lives and the lives of those who we believe have done something wrong. Our prayer causes us to break the cycle of destructiveness that leads us away from God.

Strength the faint hearted and support the weak

And now our benediction calls us into the place of compassion and love. How will we care for the most vulnerable? Don't think that compassion and love cannot change the world. It is the only thing that ever has. Mother Teresa said it is impossible to care for the masses. We have to begin with the one in front of us. That is where our love and support begins with the person in front of you where you are now.

Love and honour all

Our prayer is not a contraction, it is an expansion an intimacy with God, even intimacy with the whole world.

This helped me, I hope it helps you and encourages you to listen to the Daily Service or try the many other spiritual resources that are available, and to share resources that bless you.

Love Ann Norman

Ted Cobby – His Heritage

Many of you will remember Ted. This is an article from his son Ed on what he has found out about Ted ancestry.

After mum died in April of 2017, I set about a task that I had been meaning to do for several years and that was look at the family's ancestry.

Ted's father moved from Hastings to the London area in 1915 searching for work which he found at the Woolwich Arsenal. From June 1916 he was with the Royal Field Artillery spending time in Bulgaria apparently until December 1919. Returning to England he met my grandmother Edith Gwendoline Kidd (of 23 Percy Road!) and they were married in Hastings during the December quarter of 1922 (Ted was born in November of that year...?).

Dad had a second Christian name of Nelson; indeed, it was his father's given name, and I always thought it was a family name to honour Admiral Horatio Nelson because the family were seafarers and fishermen in days gone by. But no, it was to honour my grandfather's uncle, Nelson Edward Cobby who sadly died in January 1883 from a fall whilst helping to build St Mary Star of the Sea Roman Catholic Church in Hastings. Why Nelson Edward (born in 1856) was so christened is subject to conjecture as there is no earlier record of the name being used.

It was well documented that Ted's ancestors were very much involved in smuggling in the past. A certain John Cobby was hanged on 18th January 1749 for the murder of a Custom House Officer on 18th February 1748. However, I have not confirmed that he was directly related. A newspaper report of a meal provided by the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes on 21st February 1929 was attended by James William Cobby, Ted's grandfather where he divulged the activities of Thomas Cobby and Richard Cobby (James' grandfather and father) giving the revenue cutters the slip whilst smuggling goods onto the coast of Sussex. He also let slip that the family "could be traced back to the escape of Charles II to Spain (sic)".

When asked about our ancestry Ted had always said that we "came over with William the Conqueror". So, when the initial search found that a direct line of forebears born in Hastings went back as far as 1645, and only stopped there in view of the blank in information caused by the Civil War, I was somewhat intrigued. This became total bewilderment when the ancestry database then¹⁶ bombarded me with a host of documented historical facts because of the marriage of Richard Cobby (7 generations back) to Mary Bird Wingfield on 15th December 1751. That information really set the ball rolling as the information then cascaded backwards over the

Rolf Ganger Ragenaldson (Rollo) Duke of Normandy 846 – 932 ↓	Geoffrey of Anjou 1113 – 1151 ↓	Elizabeth Fitzalan Duchess of Norfolk 1366 – 1425 m. Sir Robert Goushill circa 1401 ↓	Richard Wingfield 1642 – 1690 ↓
William Longsword Count of Rouen 893-942 ↓	King Henry II 1133 – 1189 ↓	Elizabeth Goushill 1404 – 1491 m. Sir Robert Wingfield circa 1421 ↓	Nicholas Wingfield 1686 – 1735 ↓
Duke Richard I (the Fearless) 933 – 996 ↓	King John 1166 – 1216 ↓	Sir John Wingfield 1424 – 1481 ↓	Elizabeth Bird Wingfield 1729 – 1784 m. Richard Cobby 5/12/1751 ↓
Duke Richard II 970 – 1027 ↓	King Henry III 1207 – 1272 ↓	Sir Richard Wingfield 1469 – 1525 ↓	Thomas Cobby 1755 – 1838 ↓
Duke Richard III 997 – 1027 ↓	Sir Edmund Plantagenet 1 st Earl of Lancaster 1245 -1296 ↓	Thomas Maria Wingfield 1516 -1560 ↓	Thomas Cobby 1783 – 1861 ↓
Duke Robert I 1000 – 1035 ↓	Henry Plantagenet 3 rd Earl of Lancaster 1281 – 1345 ↓	Richard Wingfield 1559 – 1606 ↓	Richard Cobby 1815 – 1896 ↓
Duke William I "William the Conqueror" 1024 – 1087 ↓	Eleanor Plantagenet Countess of Arundel 1311 – 1372 m. Sir Richard Fitzalan 10 th Earl of Arundel 5/2/1345 ↓	Peter Wingfield 1585 – 1635 ↓	James William Cobby 1846 – 1935 ↓
King Henry I 1068 – 1135 ↓	Sir Richard Fitzalan 11 th Earl of Arundel 1346 – 1397 ↓	Richard Wingfield 1616 – 1679 ↓	Nelson James Cobby 1884 - 1953 ↓

These results I found somewhat fanciful and therefore very doubtful so I next commissioned a DNA test which I felt sure would blow the data received right out of the water. However, the test came up with the following breakdown.

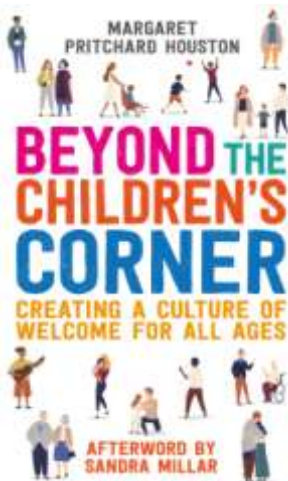
- 64% English
- 34.9% Scandinavian
- 1.1% Native American

Given that Rollo was of Viking descent and the known establishment of Viking settlements in North America I feel that maybe there is some truth in what history has thrown at me.

So, was Ted just speculating with the "came over with William the Conqueror" line or did he really know? I think not as great grandfather James would have been telling the world at that RAOB function in 1929. I know my father always had some sort of presence and most people found it extremely hard to dislike him, even when he appeared to be rude to them. Certainly, this was true of the numerous gatekeepers at every industrial plant he went to during his years behind the wheel of his articulated truck for Hercules Powder Company, as I was witness to the banter on many occasions as a youngster.

Books

This week's book suggestions come from Church House Publishing



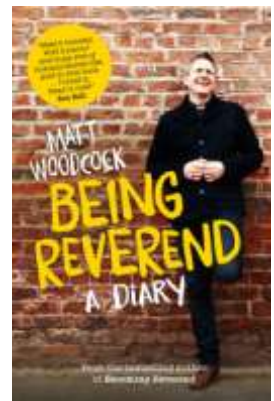
Beyond The Children's Corner by Margaret Pritchard Houston

Beyond the Children's Corner is a practical handbook to help churches become more welcoming to children and families in worship. It encourages PCCs and ministry teams to reflect on the spiritual needs of children, the pastoral needs of families, and how to remove barriers and manage change effectively. Based on multiple training sessions and extensive casework, informed by research by the Church of England's Life Events team and the Methodist Church.

Being Reverend by Matt Woodcock

Matt Woodcock returns with this sequel to the bestselling 'Becoming Reverend'.

Follow Matt's journey as he starts work at one of Hull's oldest, biggest and emptiest churches. It's a shadow of its former self, with a small congregation and huge bills to pay. Adding the entrepreneurial (and somewhat excitable) Matt to their clergy line-up is the last throw of the dice for this 700-year-old institution.



Comfort And Joy

Comfort and Joy is the Church of England's 2020 Christmas campaign.

Taking inspiration from a traditional carol service, it features daily reflections for the Christmas season from Kate Bottley, Jonathan Bryan, Bob Chilcot, Martha Collison, Stephen Cottrell, Guli Francis-Dehqani, Chine McDonald, Sally Phillips and Justin Welby.



Official UK Christian & Gospel Albums Chart

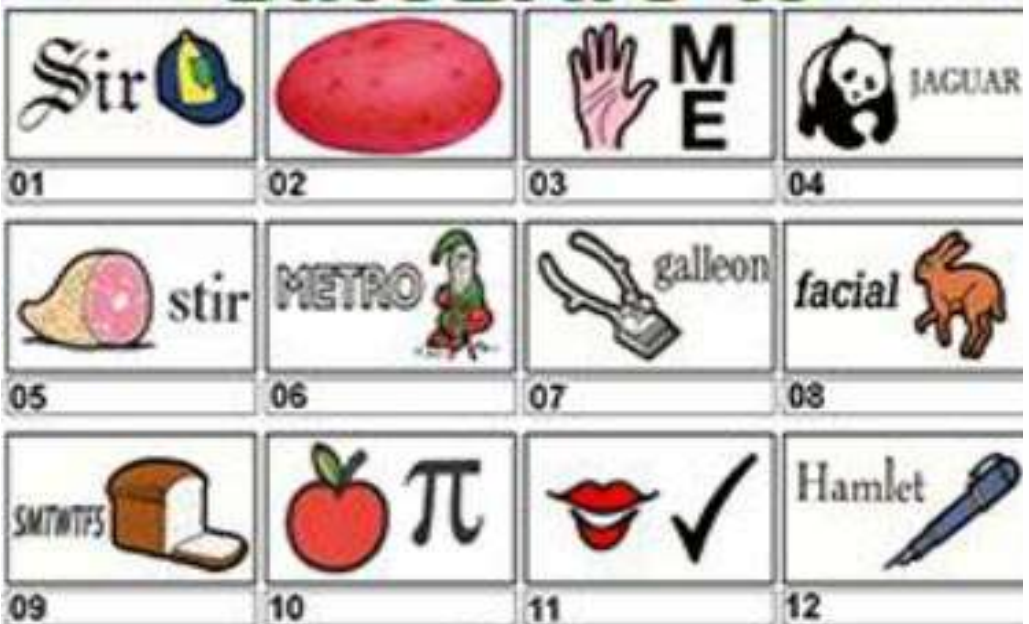
Top 20

Pos	LW	Title, Artist	Label	Peak Pos	Wks
1	1	 THE SEARCH NF	NF REAL MUSIC	1	63
2	2	 JESUS IS KING KANYE WEST	EMI	1	50
3	4 ↑	 VITAL SIGNS SKILLET	WARNER BROS	2	279
4	3 +	 LOOK UP CHILD LAUREN DAIGLE	CENTRICITY MUSIC	1	19
5	5	 MANSION NF	CCMG	1	165
6	7 ↑	 AWAKE SKILLET	ATLANTIC	2	344
7	6 +	 THERE IS MORE HILLSONG WORSHIP	HILLSONG MUSIC	1	131
8	8	 UNLEASHED SKILLET	ROADRUNNER	1	218
9	9	 AWAKE HILLSONG WORSHIP	HILLSONG MUSIC	2	52
10	11 ↑	 GRAVES INTO GARDENS - LIVE ELEVATION WORSHIP	ELEVATION WORSHIP	2	23
11	14 ↑	 VICTORY - LIVE BETHEL MUSIC	BETHEL MUSIC	1	89
12	10 ↓	 VICTORIOUS SKILLET	WARNER RECORDS	3	59
13	13	 PEOPLE - LIVE HILLSONG UNITED	HILLSONG MUSIC	1	41
14	12 +	 VICTORIOUS THE AFTERMATH SKILLET	ROADRUNNER	6	4
15	15	 LET THERE BE LIGHT HILLSONG WORSHIP	HILLSONG MUSIC	1	203
16	16	 GREATEST HITS (THE ATLANTIC YEARS) POD	ATLANTIC	6	87
17	20 ↑	 JUST BE HELD - CASTING CROWNS FAVORITES CASTING CROWNS	REUNION	16	37
18	17 ↓	 HOW CAN IT BE LAUREN DAIGLE	CENTRICITY MUSIC	9	119
19	18 ↓	 THE ESSENTIAL KIRK FRANKLIN KIRK FRANKLIN	VERITY	11	18
20	19 ↓	 NF NF	CCMG	9	40

General Knowledge

1. What is produced by the bacterial fermentation of milk?
2. Pigs are used to sniff out which delicacy in some parts of France?
3. Who had a hit in the '60s with 'The House of The Rising Sun'?
4. In which town did the Pied Piper play?
5. Which children's programme that started in the 1970's featured the characters Tobermory, Bungo and Orinoco?
6. Violet is the colour at one end of the rainbow! What colour is at the other end?
7. What is the connection between
A-Goatland and Whitby in North Yorkshire
B Plocton in Scotland
C Esholt in West Yorkshire
8. What is Lexicography?
9. How was The Earl of Chatham better known during the reign of George III?
10. Of what is Oenology the study of?

Dingbats



Poet's Corner

Diary of a Church Mouse by John Betjeman

Here among long-discarded cassocks,
Damp stools, and half-split open hassocks,
Here where the vicar never looks
I nibble through old service books.
Lean and alone I spend my days
Behind this Church of England baize.
I share my dark forgotten room
With two oil-lamps and half a broom.
The cleaner never bothers me,
So here I eat my frugal tea.
My bread is sawdust mixed with straw;
My jam is polish for the floor.
Christmas and Easter may be feasts
For congregations and for priests,
And so may Whitsun. All the same,
They do not fill my meagre frame.
For me the only feast at all
Is Autumn's Harvest Festival,
When I can satisfy my want
With ears of corn around the font.
I climb the eagle's brazen head
To burrow through a loaf of bread.
I scramble up the pulpit stair
And gnaw the marrows hanging there.
It is enjoyable to taste
These items ere they go to waste,
But how annoying when one finds
That other mice with pagan minds
Come into church my food to share
Who have no proper business there.
Two field mice who have no desire
To be baptized, invade the choir.
A large and most unfriendly rat
Comes in to see what we are at.
He says he thinks there is no God
And yet he comes ... it's rather odd.

I find this poem amusing but it reminds me
that we can feel slightly frustrated when we
see the church full on special occasions and
feel we have been faithful all the year round,
even through the boring bits!

Margaret Richards x

This year he stole a sheaf of wheat
(It screened our special preacher's
seat),
And prosperous mice from fields away
Come in to hear our organ play,
And under cover of its notes
Ate through the altar's sheaf of oats.
A Low Church mouse, who thinks that
I Am too papistical, and High,
Yet somehow doesn't think it wrong
To munch through Harvest Evensong,
While I, who starve the whole year
through,
Must share my food with rodents who
Except at this time of the year
Not once inside the church appear.
Within the human world I know
Such goings-on could not be so,
For human beings only do
What their religion tells them to.
They read the Bible every day
And always, night and morning, pray,
And just like me, the good church
mouse,
Worship each week in God's own
house,
But all the same it's strange to me
How very full the church can be
With people I don't see at all
Except at Harvest Festival.

Thank you

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Account Name: St Paul's Church.

Reference: your name

Quiz answers

General knowledge

1. Yoghurt; 2.Truffles; 3.The Animals; 4.Hamlin; 5.The Wombles; 6. Red; 7.Location of TV Series (Heartbeat, Hamish Macbeth and Emmerdale Farm;8.Dictionary Compilation; 9.William Pitt the Elder; 10.Wines.

Dingbats

1. Nightcap; 2.Hot Potatoe; 3. Hand me down; 4. Panda Car; 5 Hamster; 6. Metronome; 7;Clipper Ship; 8.Facial Hair; 9.Daily Bread; 10..Apple Pie; 11.Lipstick; 12.Playpen.



St Paul's Booking Form
Saturday 10th April – Thursday 15th April 2021
£285 adult / £265 Under 15*
Discounts available for low income families & individuals.

Minehead week two – Please Return this form by **September 20th** to get the discounted price shown.

In order to book you in we will need a deposit of £35 per person. This is not refundable after November 26th. Spring Harvest advises you take the optional insurance available which is an additional £25.

We need details of each member of your party. Please fill in the form below

Name	Address (*As above* if the same)	Postcode	Date of Birth	Telephone	(over 16) E Mail

Optional Extras

Insurance £25 Ground Floor Request £15 Cot £0

Signed _____ Date _____

* We will do our best to secure accommodation at this price. If we are unable to and you don't want to pay any extra then your deposit will be returned and your booking cancelled. We do our best at St Paul's to make sure anyone who wants to attend Spring Harvest can go. If you are worried about finances please speak to Clive confidentially.