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Autumn/Winter Edition 2022

Remembering Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

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Editorial

By Teresa Stewart-Barlow

Welcome to the Autumn Issue of Boulton St Mary's Church and Community Magazine.

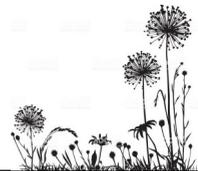


.....and Breathe

What a roller coaster ride of emotions I imagine many readers will have had over these past couple of months.

As a glorious rainbow arched across the sky we heard the news our beloved Queen Elizabeth had died. We have a new Sovereign, King Charles III and in the midst of all that for our family came the wonderful gift of a baby grandson Harry. Never has the continuing circle of 'death' and 'new life' been brought home so much to me, as in that one week, back in September.

It is a reminder of how our time here on earth is so very precious. However long or short we must live our kindest life. Give thanks to God for the gifts we have been given and nurture them, for the sake of unity and of peace.



Editorial

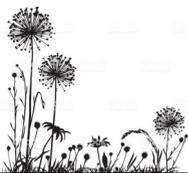
By Teresa Stewart-Barlow

We've seen the celebration of Harvest Festival September/ October. The annual produce the farmers have sown and reaped has never been more relevant than in these current times, as we seek to help feed those going without. Towards the end of that month, we hopefully put the clocks back, and yes, two consecutive years running now, I did!

Hallowe'en or All Hallows Eve (Feast of All Souls) is a time we remember those dear departed. The Festival of Light as it is sometimes now known, commemorates this special time of year.



Before we know where we are it's November leading us into Remembrance Sunday (see the Church Services section). A time when we can reflect on all those who gave their lives, to try and make this a better world. As we look to December, we recall the events that take us to the birth of Jesus our Saviour and rejoice, serving as a reminder that He still walks with us in Spirit until the very day we will meet Him, face to face



The Church Warden Writes

By Paul Baxter



At home the "C" word is currently banned. Now before you get any funny ideas it is because my good wife does not like "Christmas" to be discussed before December. She hates the fact the shops start in September filling their shelves with "C" word related items and refuses to put up decorations until just before the main event. However as church leaders we have to consider these things early so that services etc can be organised.

As you read this the Churchwarden and Readers will be very busy ensuring one of the biggest festivals in the Christian year is celebrated well. You will find all the dates for special services and events in this magazine and we would love to have you come along to as many of them as you can. The annual Christmas Fair should be as good as ever and decorating the church is always good fun as anyone is warmly invited to come and make the church sparkle.

There is no further news on the re-ordering front, as despite the council giving us planning permission for the new doors, which did not make the diocese happy, the diocese have still not said yes. It is very frustrating as we really do need to upgrade the facilities at the church. The heating system is inefficient and ineffective, we need improved toilet facilities and a kitchen that is fit for purpose. What we need is someone to come forward to really drive this project forward, as I do not have the time to do so, working as I do as a lone churchwarden.

The Church Warden Writes

By Paul Baxter

Regarding a new vicar the PCC will be meeting with the Archdeacon soon to discuss the vacancy. However don't expect anything to happen quickly – it has after all taken over three years to get a meeting! In the meantime your lovely Readers keep the church running brilliantly and we are blessed by visits from Rev'ds Paul Sanford and David Bracewell every month.

I will keep you all updated when I can but be mindful that if you want BSM to continue as an active place of worship in this community you need to keep coming to services and supporting the church financially. It is a sad fact that some churches have and will be closed and I'm sure you, like me, want BSM to be a part of this community for years to come.

"C" word

THE ~~CHRISTMAS~~ CHECKLIST FOR CHURCHES



DIG OUT THE CRIB FIGURES



DECORATE THE TREE AND CHURCH



CHOOSE PEOPLE TO READ THE LESSONS



MAKE SURE THE CHOIR IS READY



DELIVER THE CHRISTMAS PUBLICITY LEAFLETS



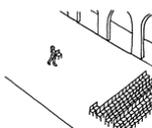
CLEAN EVERYWHERE



DECIDE WHICH CLERGY DO WHICH SERVICES



BUY PRESENTS FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED HARD



CARRY IN EXTRA CHAIRS



REHEARSE THE NATIVITY PLAY



WRITE ALL OF THE SERMONS



PREPARE THE CANDLES



MAKE THE CHRISTINGLES



COPY THE ORDERS OF SERVICE



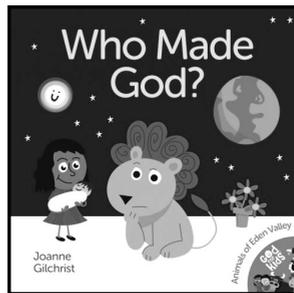
ORDER SUPPLIES FOR VICAR'S POST-CHRISTMAS BREAK

Book Review

God in number 10 – Mark Vickers

“This carefully researched and well written study reveals the religious faith of our Prime Ministers, or lack of it, in vivid colours. Prepare to be shocked and surprised as the author Mark Vicars lays bare their souls.” Sir Anthony Seldon

The book considers the role of religion generally in the political classes, the reasons for the declining influence of faith in the public forum and the relationship between the Church and State. Amongst others mentioned, it offers intriguing insights into Margaret Thatcher’s legendary ‘Sermon on the Mound,’ Tony Blair’s perception of Jesus as a Moderniser, and Winston Churchill’s involvement with Astrology.



Who Made God – Joanne Gilchrist

Roar the Lion, like most kids is curious about God. On his 10th Birthday he wonders

How old is God? Was God born? If God made me then who made God?

Join Roar as he explores the most popular kid’s questions and looks at what the Bible says. Read how Roar’s Eden Valley friends help him to understand that God is forever – the timeless uncreated Creator.

Final Farewell to The Queen

By Rachael Dunn

I had a mad dash to get home from work on Wednesday 14th September as I needed to catch the 17.09 train from Derby to London. Me and my mum were making the journey to go and join 'The Queue' to see our late Queen Elizabeth II Lying in State in Westminster Hall. We made sure we knew where to join by watching the regular updates on YouTube as to where the back of the queue was. Thankfully, we joined relatively early on at just 2.6 miles long which meant we were headed for London Bridge. As soon as we joined we made a friend, a lovely lady who is a volunteer at Hull Minster and chatting to her made the first few hours pass quite quickly. As we approached the London Eye we were given our all important wristbands but we still had a long way to go! It was night time now in London and it was wonderful seeing the famous landmarks all lit up, we took many photos to remember this.



Once we got into the grounds of Westminster Hall we had several hours of the queue snaking backwards and forwards but we did manage to have around an hour to sit down and rest as they had closed the hall to clean and also to rehearse the processions ready for the funeral. When we started moving again there was a loud cheer from the thousands of queuers who, at this point, were very tired, aching and cold, but still determined to pay their respects to our Queen. We got through the security checkpoint and made our way into Westminster Hall and the atmosphere completely changed. The only sounds were the distant music of the marching bands outside (still rehearsing for the funeral) and the quiet prayers and 'thank yous' as people bowed and curtsied when they passed the sparkling crown jewels atop the coffin of Her Majesty. Me and my mum were hugging as we left the hall and still wiping away our tears. Such a sad moment but it was one I will never forget and I am so grateful to have been able to make the journey in person. Afterwards we walked through the eerily quiet streets of London (it was around 4.30am) towards Green Park to view the floral tributes and to lay flowers on behalf of our church members. We chose a fitting red, white and blue bouquet and left it amongst many Paddington Bears by a beautiful tree. The whole experience was one I was hoping would never happen, the Queen was such an important part of my life but as Her Majesty once said 'grief is the price we pay for love'. I loved her, and I still do.

News from the Pews

By Julie Barker

As most of you know, I was diagnosed with cancer two years ago and I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone at St. Mary's for their continued love, prayers and support.

It means such a lot to me and has helped me so much on my journey this far. I have been given the strength to carry on and don't know what the future holds but I know you will all be with me.

I can't tell you what a difference it has made with your thoughts and prayers for me and God's love.



God bless you all.

'Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer'

Romans 12:12

History

An extract from an article by Royden Green, 1953

The chancel was rebuilt in 1887, the cost being borne by the Lay Rector. Five years later the north wall of the Chancel was opened and the vestry (now the chapel) extended to its present size to accommodate the new organ.

Further extensions were made in 1908 when the South Aisle was added. This necessitated the removal of the Porch and South Door.

The South Door was rebuilt stone for stone as the original and so its claim to be of Norman origin may be upheld. Let us look at those parts of our church which have a just claim to antiquity.

The South Doorway and Choir Vestry (now chapel) Doorway are of Norman origin. The Windows in the South Aisle, the East Window, the South Chancel Window and the South Vestry Window are all early English, probably 15th Century.

The Porch is probably 550 years old. Much of the old stonework was trimmed and reused in several restorations.



Reflections

Found scratched on the wall of a prison cell in Cologne, WW1:

I believe in the sun, even when it does not shine.

I believe in love, even when I cannot feel it.

I believe in God, even when He is silent.

Charles Seymour Robinson:

*There are times when God asks nothing of his children except
silence, patience and tears.*

Anonymous:

You can give without loving, but cannot love without giving.

Broken relationships do not have to mean broken lives.

Let love be the motivation for what you do and how you live.

God can mould the most unlikely people into wise and gifted leaders.

One person can change the course of a Community.

The Lord can make beauty from ashes.

Church Services

Bookings

Are you looking to book a baptism or a wedding?

Our vestry is open on the first Saturday of each month between 10am and 12pm to discuss these special events.

Services

6th November

Morning Prayer @ 9am Morning Prayer @ 10.30am Prayze @ 7pm

13th November

Morning Prayer @ 9am Remembrance Service @ 10.30am

Messy Church @ 4pm

20th November

Morning Prayer @ 9am Holy Communion @ 10.30am Advent Sunday

27th November

Holy Communion @ 9am Holy Communion @ 10.30am

4th December

Morning Prayer @ 9am Blue Christmas @ 10.30am Prayze @ 7pm

11th December

Morning Prayer @ 9am Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

Christingle @ 4pm

18th December

Morning Prayer @ 9am Holy Communion @ 10.30am

Nine Lessons & Carols 4pm

24th December

Christmas Eve Candlelit carols @ 6pm Midnight Mass @ 11.15pm

Christmas Day

Worship @ 10.30am

1st January

Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

January 8th

Morning Prayer @ 9am Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

Messy Church @ 4pm

15th January

Morning Prayer @ 9am Holy Communion @ 10.30am

22nd January

Morning Prayer @ 9am Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

29th January

Morning Prayer @ 9am Morning Prayer @ 10.30am

Activity Page

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PRAYER	FISHERMEN	TEACH	JUDAS
BOAT	FOLLOW	DISCIPLES	PREACHING
GALILEE	JOHN	SIMON	PHILIP
NETS	THOMAS	PETER	ANDREW
JAMES	MATTHEW	BARTHOLOMEW	

Notice Board

Need an Ark built?

Call me...

I Noah guy!

How does Moses
make his coffee?

Hebrews it.

My friend decided to
use her salon as a
centre for religion
on weekends. I'm
going for a faith lift
on Sunday.

Got a technical
problem? Call
Moses. Afterall, God
did trust him with
two tablets.

What is a Dentists'
favourite hymn?

Holy, Holy, Holy

Why didn't anyone
want to fight
Goliath?

It seemed like
a *giant* ordeal!

Celebrations

Congratulations to Lisa and Leigh on their marriage!



Congratulations to Katie and Steven on the safe arrival of baby Harry!



Do you have an upcoming special date you would like to share?

If you have a birthday, are engaged, getting married or are expecting a child, please send us your details so we can celebrate these special occasions.



Spotlight

By Grant Wright



Age/Place of Birth: 74, in Littleover, Derby

Which Bible do you own? New International Version and also The Holy Bible dated 1879

Favourite Hymn: "Oh to See the Dawn"

Favourite Passage: Matthew 11 v 28

Favourite Hobbies: Photography and long walks

Favourite Food: Bacon cob

Favourite Smell: Freshly baked bread

Favourite TV Programme: Home and Away

First record/CD ever bought: Probably Bob Dylan's "Times they are a changing" album

Which mags/papers do you read? Transport magazines

Name your favourite holiday destination: North Wales

What are your likes? Going out for meals with friends

What are your dislikes? People doing stupid or dangerous things

Best thing about coming to St Mary's: Being with God and my church family

If money no object what would you treat yourself to? A new home

What was your best subject at school? History

Did you have a nickname at school/work? At school "Dove Dale" or "Grunt"

Who or what makes you laugh? Friends saying or doing funny things

My 3 items on a desert island: A comfy bed, red wine and chocolate

Favourite Actor: John Nettles

4 words to describe yourself: Caring, friendly, supportive and a bit mad!

Artist Corner

By Paul Brown

'Worthy of every song we could ever sing.

Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring.

Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe, we live for You.'

As a worship leader I am always deeply moved when I sing the opening line of this song, and the lines that follow sum up even more about how I want to respond to God when I am worshipping myself or leading others in worship.

The lyrics are taken from the song 'Build My Life' written by Pat Garrett from the worship band, Housefires, and Brett Younker from Passion City church.

When asked about the writing process, Pat Garrett said that it actually took around two years to put the song together! The bridge of the song came first and it was a response to some big changes in his life (the birth of his first child) and also to some struggles he was having with his faith journey at the time.

He started asking big questions about what was really important in his life, what was the foundation of his belief and how he would respond to triumph or tragedy – if I could build my life after being given a fresh start or a clean slate then what truly holds? The answer is Jesus.

Ok, the song has got a great bridge but it took a journey two years later, to a worship conference in Scotland, to come up with the chorus.



Artist Corner

Brett Younker talks about having a revelation about the holiness of Jesus. When we see who Jesus is, when we put Him at the centre of our lives, our response is to go out into the world carrying His love.

To complete the song, Pat actually emailed Matt Redman (how great to have friends like that), who helped him come up with the two simple verses.

Brett also talks about the simplicity of the song - three simple sections that can be sung over and over. I love to transition between the sections when I am leading worship too. It is wonderful to be able to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit whilst you are in the middle of singing a song.

To me, Jesus is worthy of every song I could ever sing, worthy of all my praise and worthy of my every breath. I pray that I can continue to build my life upon His love.



Sue Gardner

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Community

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37 th St Mary's Cubs	Zac	07913 120 785
137 th St Mary's Beavers	Alan	07968 415 854
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172 nd Scouts	Jo	enquiries @172scouts.org.uk
172 nd Cubs	Cameron	
172 nd Beavers	Sarah	

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NHS (non-emergency)	111
Police (non-emergency)	101
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Derbyshire County Council	01629 533 190
Royal Derby Hospital	01332 340 131
Alvaston Medical Centre	01332 755 990
Alvaston Library	01332 718 140
Boulton Children's Centre	01332 574 902
Food 4 Thought Alliance	01332 346266
Domestic Violence	08000 198668
Community Action Derby	01332 227 743
Alcoholics Anonymous	01159 417 100
National Gambling Helpline	08088 020 133
The Red Cross	08081963 651

Need debt advice? Help with benefits? Someone who will listen to you and help you?

Come along to a Jubilee Advice session to speak to someone in confidence. Sessions run every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at Osmaston Allenton Children's Centre, Cockayne Street North, DE24 8XB



Did you know?

By BBC Music Magazine

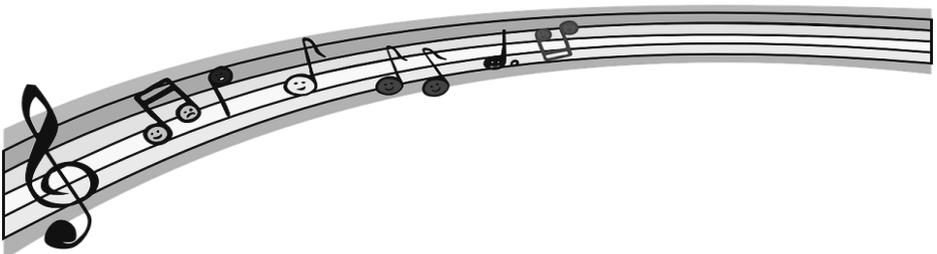
I Vow to Thee My Country

Played at Prince Philip's funeral, the hymn 'I Vow to Thee My Country' describes the ways a Christian's loyalties are divided between a person's homeland and God's kingdom.

Diplomat Sir Cecil Rice wrote the poem between 1908 and 1912. It was originally titled 'Urbs Dei' ('The City of God'). In 1921, Gustav Holst set the words to a specially adapted version of 'Jupiter' from his suite The Planets. Five years later he added harmonies so it could become a hymn to be sung in church services. It has been popular at Armistice services ever since.

*I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;
The love that asks no questions, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.*

*And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.*





We Will Remember Them

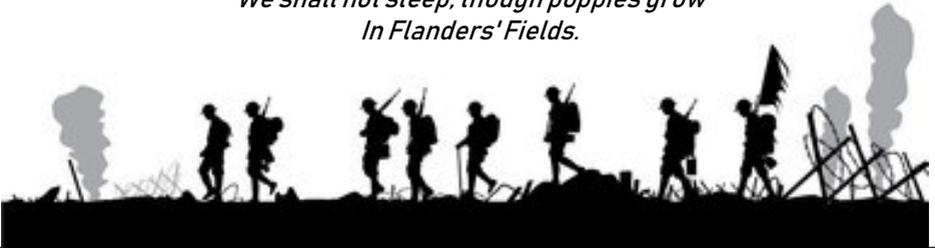
Remembrance Day is on 11 November, the date the First World War finally ended in 1918, and is also known as Armistice Day. Remembrance Sunday is the second Sunday in November when the country unites and attends services to remember those who lost their lives in military conflict since 1914. Both Remembrance Day and Remembrance Sunday serve to remember those who have died in military conflict and are honoured throughout the Commonwealth and beyond.

In Flanders Field by John McCrae

*In Flanders' fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders' fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe;
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high,
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders' Fields.*



Community



Mark Zawisza's Digital Clinic

Mark has kindly offered to assist anyone in church once again who is having problems with certain computer technology e.g. mobile phones, tablets and personal computers (but NOT Apple computers as this is not his field of expertise).

If you have a concern, please come along and see Mark on the above date in church who will try and help sort out your problem.

Saturday 5th November 10.00am - 12.00 noon in Church.

Bob's Bus Trips

Thank you Bob for a really interesting and enjoyable year of trips!
See you next spring!!

Community

By Cheryl Baxter

Tripping around The Peak District

Saturday 17th September a full coach set off for a lovely day out.

Our first port of call was Fairview Garden Centre just outside Ashbourne. It has been voted as the best one in the Midlands for 2022 and you can see why. Lots of wonderful plants, garden and gift items, as well as a fabulous breakfast. I managed the full 8 items and it was great!

Next stop was Carsington for a quick wander around - working off all those breakfast calories of course. It was quite a shock to see just how low the water level was after the beautiful warm and dry summer we have had, but equally it was lovely that we were still enjoying that lovely weather.

It was then time to go to Hartington where ice cream had to be enjoyed, there was a Jubilee trail around the churchyard to complete (needing to work off the ice cream as well now) and of course cheese had to be purchased at the shop to take back for the husband.

Finally we travelled across to Marsh Farm where we all enjoyed a fabulous tea and a quick wander around the garden, before returning back to BSM Church around 7pm.

It really was a super day spent amongst wonderful company and all our thanks go to Bob for organising it. Health permitting Bob will be organising a further programme of outings next year and Rachael and I are certainly looking forward to booking on as many as we can.



And Finally...

By Cheryl Baxter

We have been in an extended vacancy for over three years and during that time have had little diocesan support. As the Archdeacon pointed out at a recent meeting, that is partly due to the fact that we have worked so well together as a leadership team to do an excellent job running the parish. That said we do realise that in our mix of gifts and talents we are missing a priest who can make it easier to facilitate Holy Communion regularly, as well as baptisms and weddings. They will also free up the Readers to expand their own ministry areas again and thus bring the Good News of the gospel to many more people.

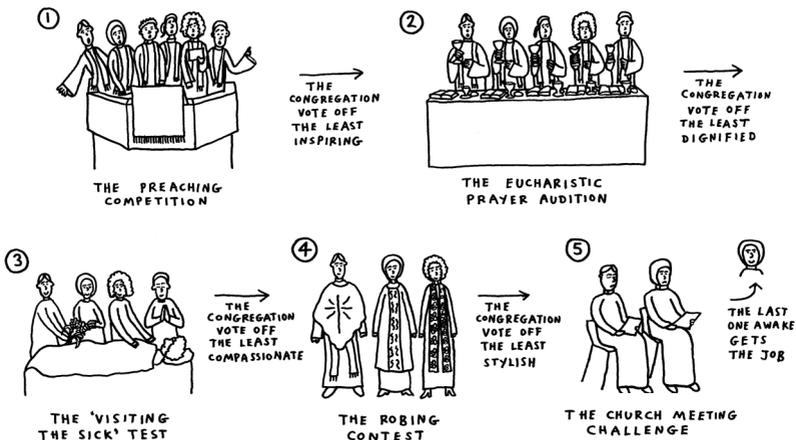
We are therefore really happy to announce that we have been given the green light to prepare what is effectively a job advert for a fulltime priest at Boulton St Mary's. When that advert will be put out will depend upon how quickly we can prepare the parish profile. It is however a job that cannot be rushed if we are going to produce a document that will entice the very best candidates to apply.

In the meantime we ask you all to continue to pray that God will already be stirring the heart of the right person to join the leadership here at Boulton St Mary's. We also ask that you continue to support the church as much as possible, volunteering where needed especially, so that those who need to can focus on creating our parish profile.

P.S. The appointment process isn't quite like this but maybe it should be

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CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER

Boulton St Mary's Church Hall
Doors open 11am
Lots of stalls and hot food