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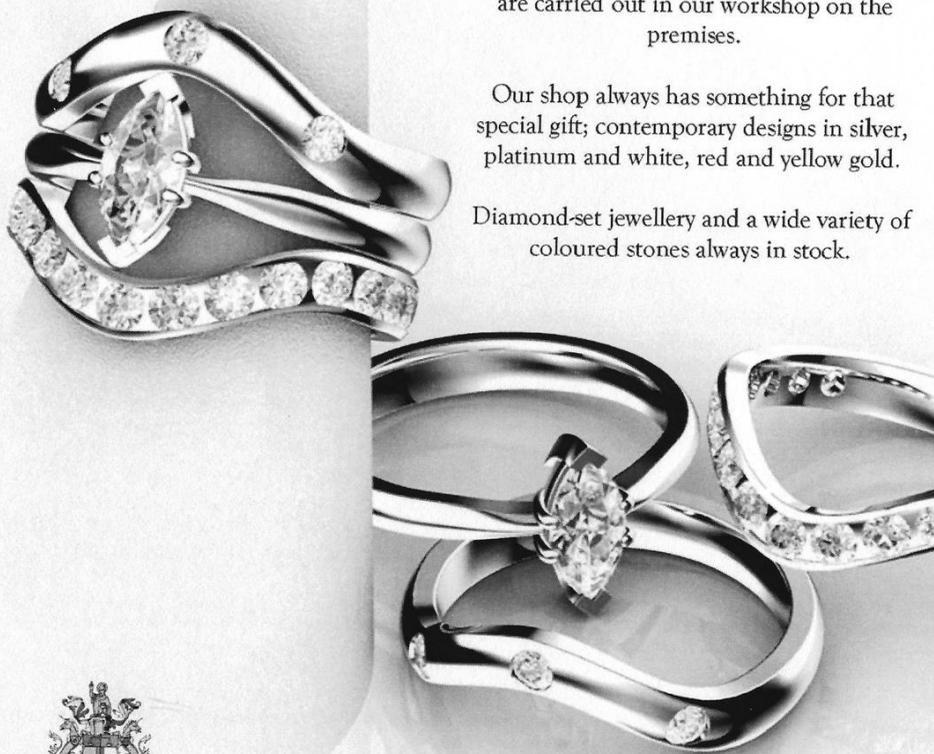
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## Foreword



This month, is increasingly observed by the Church as Creationtide, a time when we give thanks for the wonder and beauty of creation and commit ourselves afresh to being good stewards of the earth. This year, Creationtide has particular significance as the UK prepares to host the United Nations Climate Change Conference COP26 in November. Through prayer and action, we can all play our part in addressing this huge issue.

The culmination of Creationtide will be our harvest festival on 26<sup>th</sup> September. Harvest was a rather muted affair last year and I hope that this year's harvest can be a real celebration of God's abundant provision. Once again, we will be collecting non-perishable food for the Burngreave Foodbank. This makes a huge difference to hundreds of people in our city who struggle to get enough food.

This year, we also hope to have a harvest supper on 25<sup>th</sup> September with pie, peas and a quiz. As well as being an opportunity for us to gather together, the supper will be a chance for us to thank Brian and Sandie Parfett for all that they have done for St John's. Brian and Sandie are planning to move to Kent where they have family. Brian is stepping down as Churchwarden on 30<sup>th</sup> September and Sandie is handing over her work on the church's finances. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to them both and will miss them hugely.

Sadly, Brian and Sandie are not the only ones on the move. Debbie Timms is moving to Otley to be nearer to family. Again, we will miss Debbie very much. She is another of the church's 'doers' and has been

a great blessing to St John's. An interview with Debbie can be found in this magazine.

Fortunately, as well as marking the departure of some of our flock, we are also welcoming new people. It has been a great joy to see some fresh faces in the pews and it is a particular delight to welcome Philip Collin, our new Director of Music, and his family, who join us this month. I am hugely grateful to Derek Grover and the Music Team who have done sterling work since Edward Barbieri stepped down. I know that they are thrilled by Philip's appointment and that all of our musicians are looking forward to working with him in the coming months.

As I look around our Diocese, I am struck by how blessed St John's is in terms of people and resources. Though the past eighteen months have not been easy, we have much to give thanks for this harvest. Whether we are saying goodbye to much loved friends or welcoming new ones, we can do so with a great sense of gratitude to God. *The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord.*

**Matthew**



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3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> November

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## From the Editor's Chair



Well, it's happened! What? The end of lockdown? Hardly. Freedom? Not quite. I've travelled on a bus again? Not yet. We've had a holiday? Well, just recently. I could go on, but what has happened in my life is that I have bought a new (pre-loved) Kemble piano. No more playing honky-tonk, out of tune pieces, you'll be pleased to hear! I've finally bought what I promised myself twelve years ago upon retirement.

You will note that I don't make hasty decisions, but, in lockdown, I realised what I was missing. I wanted to go out and buy a replacement piano, but I couldn't. Now that I could, and did, it was coincidental that the following Sunday, in church, I heard these words spoken from the second reading (2 Corinthians 8:7 onwards): *"It is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even desire to do something – now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means."*

I am fortunate that I had the means to purchase my newly acquired piano. I am so pleased that I did it, but as we eventually emerge from lockdown - when Covid treated us all as equals - we need to be philosophical, but positive, going forward and strive to do something more with our lives. The passage from Corinthians continues with: *"As it is written, the one who had much did not have much, and the one who had little did not have too little."*

**Philip Walshaw**



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## The Licensing of the Reverend Alison Wooding



On Sunday 4th July, Mary Grover and I set out for Bradford to be alongside Alison as she was licensed as Team Vicar at Cullingworth church. Barbara, the Satnav, took us through Bradford and then out into the windy lanes of West Yorkshire . . . had she got it wrong? Beautiful rolling hills and open vistas.

Cullingworth is a small rural town, near Howarth, where the church is very much in the centre. Would you believe that it is also called St John the Evangelist? Alison will surely feel at home here! The church is one of four churches in one benefice and each church seems to have a very different identity. Alison's pastoral role, to work alongside the other team members in the benefice, would seem to have been made for her to use to the full her many gifts and warm personality.





It was a wonderful service led by Bishop Nick of Leeds. It was so moving to see the support that Alison received from the rest of the clergy team, the congregation and her family as she renewed her Ordination vows and

pledged the next part of her life to this community.

Mary and I both felt that Alison had really ‘come home’ and that she will help to ‘Build a house where all are welcome’ within the love of God.



Can we all keep Alison and her family in our prayers as she begins her new ministry.

**Sally Booker**

## Farewell to Debbie Timms

In bidding a fond farewell to Debbie, Gillian Stanley had one of her much-loved and highly regarded “Conversations” with Debbie, which she has written up for us:-



Debbie and I spent a couple of hours together in the garden, on what managed to be a passably fine afternoon. When I say “passably” I mean we kept our coats on but it didn’t quite rain, although it did try a couple of times. You have to seize the moment in these days of Covid and wet weather.

It was a time of surprises for me: I thought I knew Debbie, our children are similar in age and went to the same school, Tapton. Also, she has been part of the St John’s family since the 1980s, but as a congregation we

often only see one another on Sundays plus the few high days and holidays that encroach into the church calendar. We forget that each and every one of us has a life away from the Sunday services. And Debbie’s life has certainly been a full and interesting one, so far. “So far” because she is about to start on a new adventure, the next chapter of her life; she is moving further north to live close to her daughter.

So, what about those surprises? Well, the first was an assumption, on my part, that Debbie is a Londoner, (She says her accent is from 50 years of marriage to Dennis who was, indeed from London.) but, no, she was born and brought up in Cornwall. Her mother died when Debbie was only twelve years old, her father re-married a year later. As a self-confessed rebel, the relationship with her father was complex and volatile. She explained to me that he was a major influence on her life

and that she greatly admired his values. He was a doctor, a GP, but believed that his patients needed more than medicine, so he trained as a priest, the better to attend to their spiritual as well as their physical needs. I suspect he laid the foundation stone for Debbie's caring nature as she followed him on his visits to tend to patients, often in barely accessible locations.

Debbie herself trained as a nurse in Bristol. Her father vetoed the idea of training at a London hospital. He feared his headstrong daughter would come to no good in the big city. She got her own way in the end though as, once qualified, she moved to London to train as a midwife, fulfilling two ambitions at the same time; her career of choice and life in the metropolis. The Debbie of 2021 does not present as a rebel. To hear her make that declaration was my second surprise! Her father's worst fears were realised when Debbie announced that she planned to marry Dennis. Shock, horror! Dennis was an un-believer, was getting divorced, had three children and was thirteen years older than Debbie. That decision caused the inevitable family rift. But Dennis and Debbie were soul-mates, both very socially aware and had a shared desire to bring about a better life for the disadvantaged. Their children, Alison and David, were born in the early 70s and, as toddlers joined both parents on political marches and rallies. Thankfully, as the union was such an obvious success, Debbie's father was reconciled with his daughter. Then came the 80s and a major upheaval for the family when Dennis's job as a Civil Servant brought him to Sheffield with the Manpower Services Commission.

Time for my third surprise: Debbie is a life-long Guider, from the age of seven right up to the present day she has been part of the Guide movement. To put it in her own words (or do they come from Baden Powell?) "I am still doing my best to help others". Now for the last surprise: Shortly after the move to Sheffield Debbie applied for a job in Rotherham. It was for a Health Visitor/Contact Tracer in Sexual Health. There is no reason why this should be a surprise except that Debbie herself was surprised. She had no idea what the job would involve. Bear in mind that this was before any of us had heard of the new health scare that was about to dominate our television screens; AIDS. Very quickly

Debbie became the local expert in all matters of sexual health. As she said “I never imagined I would be part of a team advising the Department of Health on how to train people in the care of patients and families with AIDS. The job threw up new challenges and conflicts. “During this time my faith became an issue.” she said. “I started to attend St John’s and felt very much at home. Struggling with conflicts, St John’s was a haven of peace for me and has helped me over many a battle.”

Now she is ready for the next chapter in her life and who knows what surprises lie in wait? We will miss her but wish her every happiness in the sure knowledge that her life will never be dull.

**Gillian Stanley**



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## Welcome to Philip Collin: Our new Director of Music

It is with great excitement that I take up the post of Director of Music here at St John's. I'm looking forward to continuing the excellent musical tradition.



My wife, Katie, and I moved to Sheffield from London 4 years ago with our son Arthur (now 5, and very much looking forward to joining the choir here!) and we have since had Iris (2). We moved to Sheffield from London to be closer to family (I'm from Nottingham and Katie from Whitby) and to have more space, something that we were particularly thankful for during the recent lockdowns.

I grew up in Nottingham and was a chorister at Southwell Minster (under the direction of Paul Hale, who was consultant on the recent organ work here) before going on to be Organ Scholar at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge. While there, I slightly lost interest in playing the organ and really got into accompanying on the piano and subsequently went on to the Guildhall School of Music and Drama to do a post-graduate diploma in Piano Accompaniment. Since then, I've had a fairly varied career – I've played the organ on an Oscar-winning film soundtrack, been lead singer in a much less successful psych-punk band, been musical director of a site-specific opera company, taught musical theory and keyboards to DJs and MCs (including one fairly famous one) and singing to musical theatre students while also working as an accompanist and choir director.

I found myself coming back to the organ and to church choirs in my late 20s. I was Director of Music at St Peter's Church, Nottingham for 4 years and then moved back to London where I was at St Peter's, Streatham and then St Olave's, Hart Street. Meanwhile, I was taking a maths degree with the Open University and, on finishing it, decided I would like to become a maths teacher. This decision coincided with the decision to move to Sheffield so I started work at UTC Sheffield at the Olympic Legacy Park in 2017; I will be continuing to work there, on a reduced timetable, alongside my work here. As well as teaching maths,

I have gradually been doing more and more music and have been Director of Music at St Matthew's, Carver Street for the last couple of years and Conductor and Artistic Director of Halifax Choral Society. In my copious free time, I enjoy running – having done a couple of flat half marathons in recent years, I am going to attempt the Sheffield Half at some point soon...and love watching pretty much any sport. I will be taking Arthur along to Bramall Lane this season as he has decided that his team is Sheffield United, and not Notts County as I had hoped.

**Philip Collin**



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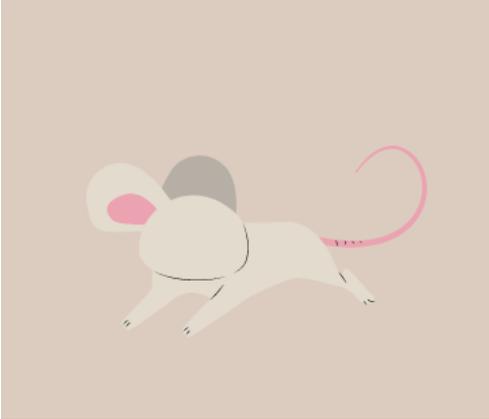
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### ***Continuing the Adventures of One Very Large Elephant and One Very Small Mouse***

#### **Part 6**



“What are you doing?” asked the mouse.

“Daydreaming.” Said the elephant.

“What are you daydreaming about?”

“Going on a grand adventure.” The mouse thought about this and asked:

“Where are you going to go adventuring?”

“I don’t know yet,” the elephant

admitted and looked over at the mouse. “I was waiting for you to get there first.”

#### **Part 7**

“Would you like some chocolate?” asked the mouse.

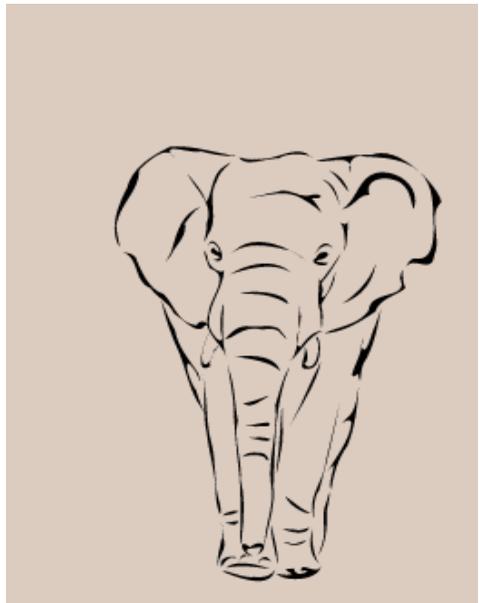
“No,” the elephant said. “I’m trying to lose some weight.”

The mouse stared at the elephant for a little while, twitching its nose in confusion.

And then it said:

“Would you like some chocolate?”

“Yes please.” Mumbled the elephant.



*@littlepoppypoetry*



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## **Eco Church News: COP26, Glasgow – 31st October to 12th November, 2021**

It will be hard to escape news of COP26 as we approach this event in November. The UK Government is hosting this meeting of world leaders with the aim of agreeing further carbon reduction targets to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2035. This is a great opportunity to make our voice heard by the politicians who will make these decisions.

This is particularly important for Christians, for whom the care of God's creation is central to our faith. At St. John's we have had the opportunity to be part of two programmes aimed at political influence on the climate emergency.

“Make COP26 Count” is a training initiative, hosted by USPG, aimed at equipping church members with lobbying skills, in order to meet with our local Members of Parliament. A number of us have attended workshops to help us talk effectively to M.P.s and to learn at first hand about the effects of climate change. We have had speakers from Churches in the Pacific Islands and Bangladesh about the effects on their lives of rising sea levels, which is something that's not easy to forget.

We are fortunate in Hallam Constituency because our M.P., Olivia Blake, has set up a Citizen's forum to help her draw up a Hallam manifesto on climate change to present to Ministers and Governments. She has recently been appointed a Shadow Minister for Nature, Water and Flooding. Although we don't always realise it, M.P.s take very seriously their role in presenting the views of their electors to Parliament and Government through Parliamentary Questions, letters to Ministers, Debates and Committees.

We have been able to contribute a Christian viewpoint, alongside other churches and faiths in a non-partisan setting on topics that include local transport and housing, green energy and industrial policy, over the last year. Our training with “MakeCOP26Count” has been invaluable in

understanding the role of M.P.s and how they work. I'm hoping the final manifesto will be available for us to report on in Inspire, before COP26.

If you want to get involved, it's not too late! Christian Aid has great ideas for prayer and action at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/pray/prayer-chain>. It includes lobbying MPs, which local organization Hope for the Future also supports at <https://www.hftf.org.uk/>. This all links with the Young Christian Climate Network relay to COP26, with walkers in Sheffield on 5<sup>th</sup> September for an event at the cathedral which we are supporting.

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*John Green*

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## Ranmoor's Organ Recital Series Is Back



This autumn sees the return of our popular organ recital series. The series is opening with an inaugural performance and illustrated talk by Paul Hale on Thursday 7th October. Paul is our organ consultant and has worked closely with our organ builders throughout the restoration. To mark the project's completion, Paul has

written a booklet about the organ – sharing its history, photographs of the organ and details of the work that has been undertaken. It is both an interesting read and an important record of our unique instrument. Copies of the booklet will be available to buy.

Although we've been using the organ for some months, it is now finely tuned and we are delighted to be hosting our inaugural recital on the newly restored organ. The evening will be a celebration of the completed project. It will include demonstrations of the organ and Paul will also share about the restoration process and the specification of our organ, one of the finest in the region.

The first recital will be ticketed and we'll be offering both in-person tickets and an online ticket for those wanting to join us from home. The tickets will include refreshments (for those in church) and a copy of the booklet and will be available from early September.

Recital dates for your diary:

- Thursday 7th October – Paul Hale
- Thursday 4th November – Darius Battiwalla
- Thursday 9th December – The organists of St John's.

***Sarah Beardsmore***

## Decorating the Church for Harvest Festival



We will be decorating the church with flowers for Harvest on Saturday 25th September from 9.45am – 11.45am. We usually make arrangements for the window sills, the font, the church porch and pedestals at the front of church, so we need lots of arrangers!

The theme for harvest this year is 'Nature', so we asking for an autumnal arrangement on the windowsills to which we will add

some additional information about some of our most endangered species.

If you would prefer to do an arrangement at home and bring it to church, we will be happy to accommodate that. We are able to provide a dish and oasis if you need it. Please get in touch by phone or email.

We would also like to recruit some more people to help us with the flowers. If you are new to flower arranging and are interested in learning we are a very friendly group of people and we'd gladly give you help and encouragement on the day or perhaps you might like to just come along and watch the arrangements take shape!

If you would like to help or be involved, please could you get in touch with me. Thank you.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sandra Green (Tel: 0114 2309180, Email: [sandra.green70@gmail.com](mailto:sandra.green70@gmail.com).)

## Restaurant Review: Tonco, 2 Dyson Place, Sheffield 11

I really like the Sharrow Vale area of Sheffield: the specialist individuality of the shops, the variety and quality of the many cafes and restaurants, the public houses, bank, school, the antiques trading emporia and even Hawley's Tyres premises provide a superbly eclectic phantasmagorical concept of a village within a city. Not much to do with restaurant reviewing - this paragraph that is - but I enjoyed writing it!



Some brief history about Dyson Place (which leads off Sharrow Vale Road just before the wet fish shop) and the Tonco restaurant before moving onto a more mundane rhetoric of starters, main courses, etc. Actually, I have just read that last sentence and I seem to have shot myself in the foot somewhat! Obviously, there's nothing

mundane about the culinary structure of restaurant menus, I just fancied using the phrase "mundane rhetoric". Keep reading, it gets better!

Allegedly, during the 18th century, Dyson Lane (as this small enclave was then known) contained a farm and some outhouses which were owned by a family called Dyson (pretty logical I suppose - the name that is - for those who may be struggling to follow this devious history). Sadly, all was not totally harmonious within this rather insular family unit as the wife, (Eliza Dyson), was murdered by her husband (name unknown) and this modest commercial enterprise became untenable causing Dyson Lane to become Dyson Place and gradually regress into an area for

stabling horses and sundry other activities (unspecified) and, in the big scheme of things, totally irrelevant.

So, onto Tongo: originated as a “Pop-up” (Google if you don’t know) and due to the efforts and enterprise of co-owners Joe Shrewsbury and chef Flo Russell, the “Tonco” manifestation appeared towards of end of 2019. Probably not the greatest time to start a new venture! Still, youth and determination triumphs (occasionally!) and with a determination to provide high quality, slightly offbeat meals whilst using seasonal and locally sourced ingredients, the current manifestation is now “up and running”. Sorry about the rather tawdry cliché but couldn’t think of an alternative.

## **The Meal**

At the risk of appearing somewhat pedantic, it is Friday evening, I am accompanied by G, travelled in the Mini Cooper, was able to park close by the restaurant with zero problems, arranged the booking the day before etc, etc. – all the usual preamble which will be recognisable to those who actually read this stuff, and who have been known to ask if the Mini is still alive, and if G is still around. Yes to both, thank goodness. Anyway, to continue, we were welcomed by the owner (Joe) guided to our table, given a brief chat, handed menus and arranged for the initial drinks (a glass each of a very acceptable Sauvignon Blanc at £5.00 for a fairly generous measure) to be served, and were then left to peruse the surroundings and the various culinary offerings from the above menu. All sounds pretty familiar, doesn’t it? Still, after 15 months of negative hospitality on the restaurant front, why not?

## **The Meal (part two)**

The interior is fairly simple in design – plain wood tables and chairs, a full-length kitchen and serving area which is great if you enjoy watching your meal being prepared – plus a complete glass frontage with views of the small paved outside area replete with more tables and chairs. Excellent for enjoying our warm sunny weather. Might happen – have faith! As mentioned, the menu is mildly unconventional so a possible

step into new territory (hopefully) could happen. Not immediately, as a bowl of olives (£3.00) seemed appropriate to nibble on whilst making the more serious culinary decisions. The olives were good - large and small, green and black, fresh and oily – exactly as a bowl of olives should be. No problems so far.

At this point, a pleasant young waitress appeared and offered “advice” as to how to choose from the food menu. The system apparently is based on selecting several items from the menu which will arrive in no particular order and hopefully provide a somewhat different culinary experience. I know you’ve done it all before with Sushi bars, Greek and Turkish restaurants, Chinese Dim Sum emporia etc., but this not quite the same. See what you think.

We ordered (to share): Charcuterie – coppa, finocchiona, prosciutto, crudo, bresaola – basically a selection of Italian meats thinly sliced, fresh, tasty and beautifully presented (£8.00); Lambs heart with French beans and chilli (£7.00) – a very tasty combination, although G struggled with the concept of eating “heart”; Roast chicken with tomato, labneh (me neither!) Again, very tasty although pretty steep at £14.00! Final dish (chosen by G): Summer vegetables with hazelnut gremolata (£12.00) which completed the main course offerings. An interesting but small sweet selection proved tempting, so we succumbed to blackcurrant leaf custard tart with poached cherries (£6.00), plus a good cheese board consisting of three British cheeses accompanied by homemade chutney (very good!) with crackers (fennel, oatcake and malt loaf) (£9.00).

## **Verdict**

Smart stylish restaurant providing an eclectic mixture of tasty “nibbles”. Not exactly a “Meat and two veg” establishment, more of a “Ladies who lunch” emporium. Would I return? Yes - but preferably for lunch on a sunny day.

**Roy Stanley**

## **Living in Love and Faith**

How do questions about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage fit within the bigger picture of the good news of Jesus Christ? What does it mean to live in love and faith together as a Church? These are important questions which the C of E is looking at and will be debating over the next year. To help us with this debate, the Bishops of the Church of England have commissioned a book called 'Living in Love and Faith' with an accompanying five-week course. Its purpose is to inspire people to think more deeply about what it means to be human and to live in love and faith with one another. Dealing with sensitive and complex questions of identity, relationships and sexuality, the course offers a variety of ways to learn, reflect and pray together.

In our Mission Area our churches will be joining together to run the LLF course, starting in the middle of September. There are four opportunities to take part in the Living in Love and Faith course (face to face or on Zoom). Each group is open to members of any of the churches across the Mission Area. The time and place where the courses will take place are listed below:-

Monday afternoon, from 2.30 at the Parish Centre St John's, Ranmoor, (20, 27 Sept; 4, 11, 18 Oct)

Thursday evening, from 7.30, at St Mark's, Broomhill (23, 30 Sept; 7, 14, 21 Oct)

Wednesday evening, from 7.30 on Zoom (22, 29, Sept; 6, 13, 20 Oct)

Friday evening, from 6.30, at St Mary's (24 Sept; 1, 8, 15, 22 Oct)

If you would like to take part in one of these groups, please email [office@stmarkssheffield.co.uk](mailto:office@stmarkssheffield.co.uk) to let us know which one you would like to join. We will confirm your choice and give further details closer to the start of the course. This will be a good way of both studying the areas in question, contributing to the debate, and getting to know one another better across the three churches. We hope you will join us for one of the courses offered.

**Sandra Green**

## Christian Aid Week, 2021

We have received the following note from Christian Aid after a very successful fund raising this year, and a very heartfelt thank you from Florence, in the form of a film on You Tube, in which she delights in the new earth dam and the support she has received from the Christian Aid Partners: *“We are delighted to share with you the incredible news that Christian Aid Week has already hit a milestone total of over £3 million and counting.*

Over the coming months we will continue to process a high volume of donations from fundraising such as church and house to house collections before we can share the amazing final result you achieved together. **Thank you so much for all your support this year** and for the generosity of communities, churches and individuals across the UK and Ireland.” The Christian Aid website is full of fundraising successes and is well worth a visit at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk>.

*Janet and Malcolm Anker*



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## Poets Quiz

compiled by Philip Walshaw



The answers to the clues below are the surnames of well-known poets. A prize awaits the person who submits the most correct answers. A bonus point will be awarded for identifying the poet featured. In the event of a tie, a winner will be chosen by a lucky draw. Send your entry by email to [jpwalshaw@gmail.com](mailto:jpwalshaw@gmail.com) or by post to 19 Cairns Road, S10 5NA to reach me by Friday, 17th September, 2021.

1. Skate around (5)
2. French wine region (6)
3. Snooker aids (7)
4. British Rail initially not leasing (8)
5. Poet revealed in mellow ending (4)
6. Throw changed, after remarks (10)
7. Protracted member of a learned society (10)
8. Seam changed sphere of interest (9)
9. District of Sheffield (7)
10. Yorkshire leader, seat adjusted (5)
11. Sonnet rewritten around New York (8)
12. Coming shortly after Special Air Service starts (7)
13. Great aim changed this modern poet (8)
14. Bird at home (6)
15. Appears in Lesotho mass gathering (6)

### Answers to July/August quiz:

1. Hastings 2. Lyme Regis 3. Margate 4. Poole 5. Cleethorpes 6. Minehead  
7. Walton on the Naze 8. Sheringham 9. Broadstairs 10. Budleigh Salterton  
11. Lowestoft 12. Westward Ho! 13. Exmouth 14. Ingoldmells 15. Ilfracombe.

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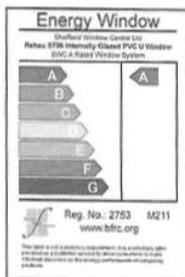
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Wednesday Lunch Club

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**10.30am Parish Communion**

**6.30pm Choral Evensong**

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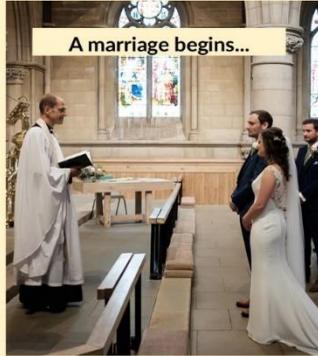
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