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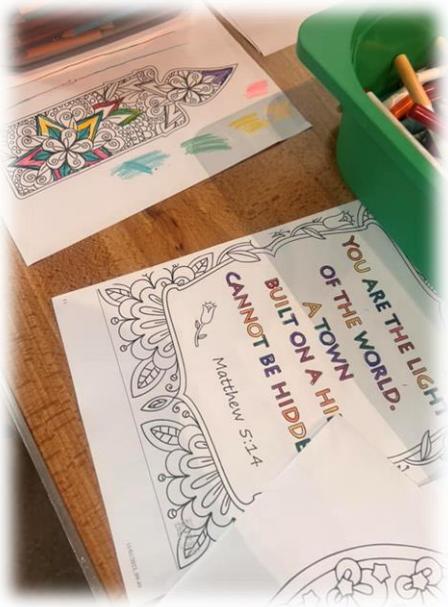
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Foreword



During Lent we journey with Jesus in the wilderness as he prepared himself for his public ministry. The forty days of Lent echo the forty years that the Israelites spent in the desert learning what it meant to be God's people before they entered the promised land. Jesus used the forty days to withdraw from the world and listen to his Father's voice. In this season we may wish to spend more time in prayer and reading the Bible as we think about our relationship with

God. Some of us will be taking part in the Lent groups, looking at the Book of Acts.

In the wilderness, Jesus left behind many of the things that filled his life and tried to live more simply. This is something else we might want to think about. One of the particular challenges of our time is that we can be in constant communication with the world. Though this is a great blessing in many ways, it can also be a cause of stress and anxiety. So during Lent we might choose to have technology free times or areas of our homes, perhaps switching to 'airplane mode' or opting to read from books rather than screens.

The Gospels tell us that Jesus fasted in the wilderness. Over the centuries, Christians have reflected this by giving up meat and dairy foods during Lent or keeping fasting days. Some of us might choose to have meat free days or even go vegetarian for a while. There are all sorts of ways in which we can follow Jesus' example while benefitting the planet.

The word 'wilderness' suggests an empty space but of course, as we know from nature programmes, wildernesses are often full of life, particularly at night-time. In Mark's account of Jesus' time in the wilderness we are told that he was with the wild animals. The artist Stanley Spencer represented this in a wonderful picture of Christ in the wilderness with a scorpion. While we might want to avoid scorpions (!) there is a lot to be said for spending time in the great outdoors as spring arrives. We are blessed to have some fantastic wildernesses on our doorstep and these are also places where we can encounter God.

Though we observe Lent collectively as a church, I am also conscious that Jesus's time in the wilderness was solitary. As we grow in self-knowledge, each of us must find our own way to follow in Jesus' footsteps. Whatever you choose to do, may I wish you a Holy Lent.

Matthew

Floral decorations in Church for Easter



We will be decorating the church for Easter on **Saturday 8th April at 9.45am** and would be grateful if anyone is able to help us. We are mindful of the environment and are hoping to create the arrangements in the porch and on the windowsills without the use of floral foam

(oasis). We would also love to recruit some more people to help us with the flowers throughout the year!

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 us. Thank you.

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From the Editor's Chair



I listen to the radio quite a lot; I'm of that generation! One day, I might purchase an *Alexa* but, in the meantime, Radio 4 is my channel of choice. Classic FM slightly edges out Radio 3, despite its commercials and the more popular classical music it invariably plays. Radio 2 also has its place (especially Ken Bruce and the legendary 'Popmaster' quiz at 10.30am!). Sometimes, however, the radio is left on and it drifts into the Jeremy Vine Show at midday.

Now, I've nothing against Jeremy, it's just the listening public who contact the show. I shouldn't generalise, but many callers always seem to want to complain about others. One such example that irritated me recently was a parent complaining about teachers going on strike and asking why their child should do their homework if the teachers can't be bothered to turn up for work. Well, I gave the radio an answer and then switched it off.

Some people, including those in high places, don't seem to realise "perhaps it's me that's the problem, not them!" They seem to think it's always the other person who's got it wrong/not doing what they should/doing what they shouldn't. I could go on...but I shouldn't. After all, who am I to pontificate, as I remind myself of the words "judge not, that you be not judged". Is this a quotation from the bible or a Shakespeare play? It's from the bible, of course (Matthew 7:1) but Shakespeare used it as a backdrop to one of his plays – and that's a trailer for this month's quiz on page 30.

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Social change and the future of the Church of England

by John Green

As I started thinking about this article in early February, the 2021 Census results reported that those declaring themselves Christian dropped below 50%. A drop in declaring does not necessarily mean a decline in church attendance. Many declared Christians attend only one or two services per year. What was interesting about the data was the age distribution. The World War 2 generation have mostly passed away and they were the last generation of “lifetime Christians”, as Matthew described them in a recent sermon. My generation, the post-war “Baby Boomers” largely rejected faith but following generations including “Millennials” (born since 1980) seem to be more interested in the Christian faith and the churches that I attend, that are growing, have young congregations.

The world of us “Boomers” is disappearing, accelerated by Covid and the cost of living crisis. Whatever happened to dinner-dances, weekly cinema-going, cheap air fares and weekend city-breaks, 2nd or even 3rd holidays? Mega supermarkets, large shopping malls and department stores are all losing appeal, leading to deserted city centres.

The Church of England’s current concerns about attendance and the viability of the Parish Church network mirror those of the 1980s and 90s. The arrival of Sunday opening and extended opening hours for pubs, clubs and the “cafe culture” of the Blair years, became the norm and shopping became a leisure activity, as consumerism took hold. The decline of team sport in schools and the rise of weekend sport, especially playing football, became a major part of family weekends. In the same week as the Office of National Statistics reported on the 2021 census, John Lewis announced the conversion of some of their large stores into flats, having already closed more than 12 stores (including ‘Coles’) in the

previous year. The Partnership model made it difficult to raise capital and the “Never Knowingly Undersold” pledge was no longer sustainable in the face of internet shopping and next day delivery.

All this has accelerated the decline of city centres which are trying to re-brand themselves as places for experiences - hence the rise of bars and cafe’s that offer indoor games in Sheffield city centre - “axe-throwing” anyone? The advance of consumerism received a major setback as the 2008 financial crisis led to austerity and incomes that have stagnated over the last 15 years. Covid and cost of living crisis have completed this change away from ‘retail therapy’ and consumerism and we have lost our “happy places” like ‘Coles’, not least because we are spending less and get the type of shops we can afford. Older generations may have looked askance at clothes bought from jumble sales or second-hand shops but younger generations think nothing of buying ‘vintage’ or ‘pre-loved’ clothes. Interestingly the arrival of young, affluent Chinese students in the city seems to have changed the mix of shops at Meadowhall with many more high-end fashion stores.

If the last 30 years have seen a major decline in participation in organised religion, overtaken by consumerism and Sunday sport, what’s going to be the next social change that reflects people’s values and beliefs? Younger generations have to be the ones pointing in a new direction. War in Europe and the cost of living crisis are hopefully short term drivers but what seems to energise younger generations is the Climate Crisis. They are the ones that will live with the results of our attempts to reach net-zero by 2050 and rightly the most concerned about the lifestyle choices older generations have made in food, shopping and travel.

So what’s this got to do with Eco-Church? - the answer has to be - ‘Everything’. The C of E was described by Ian Parkinson, the Associate Archdeacon, at our recent PCC workshop as “one generation away from extinction”. St. John’s may not exist in 10 to 20 years’ time if we fail to attract more children and families and become more relevant to the needs of our community. These have to include environmental as well as social issues and grounding our “offer” to the community in care

for creation seems to be the way to bring the circle of social change back to faith. The search for meaning and purpose in people's lives, centred on care for creation, gives a common purpose and language that bridges generations. We are all getting used to terms like net-zero, carbon emissions, carbon footprint and concepts like "Reduce - Re-use - Re-cycle".

It can be helpful to find out what area of your life is having the biggest effect on the environment so you can think about change: the results can be surprising! You can use the World Wildlife Fund online tool to calculate your environmental/carbon footprint at footprint.wwf.org.uk. We will be using this at our Eco Church-themed All Age service on 5th March. The Anglican Church has five 'Marks of Mission' and the 5th mark calls on us to safeguard the integrity of God's Creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth. As a Silver Eco Church we are taking this seriously and hope this will resonate with younger generations who will be most affected by the environmental emergency.

Christian values of tolerance, moderation, social concern, love for neighbour and creation and less regard for possessions and status reflect much of what we see in young people. Perhaps we all felt that idealistic in our youth but at this time, in the life of our species, they are essential survival tools for us all.

Easter Lilies



If anyone would like to make a donation towards the purchase of a lily in memory of someone who has died, this will be incorporated in one of the flower arrangements in church on Easter Sunday. We will also be placing a list of the people to be remembered at the back of church. A suggested donation is £2.50. Please contact Sandra Green 2309180 or Jackie Lowe 2303999

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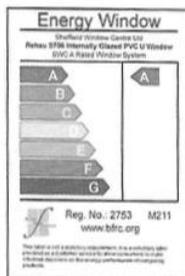
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Throughout Holy Week this year we are going to be focussing on a book by Paula Gooder called 'Women of Holy Week' which was published in 2022.

Holy Week is a time when Christians across the world travel together as companions on the way in reflection and in prayer, focused on Jesus, the one whose suffering and death, whose resurrection and new life draws us together and makes us one. It is together, as God's people, that we accompany Jesus in this last week of his life, and as we do so we join countless others who have trod this way before us. One of the powerful features of Holy Week and Easter is that our remembrance of the events in the last week of Jesus' life joins us with those who were there with him and invites us to imagine what it might have been like to have seen the events for ourselves.

Although the Gospel stories tend to be dominated by men, women were there too. The stories in the book draw attention to the women who were there, lurking in the background, key characters but often overlooked. The stories we will look at during Holy Week are from the perspective of these women.

The week will begin at Choral Evensong on Palm Sunday when the sermon focuses on Miriam's story. Then on Tuesday and Wednesday evening at 8pm in church there will be a more reflective service when we will listen to the stories of Anna and Susannah. We will enjoy a time of silence and finish with the short service of Compline, a beautiful way to end the day. On Maundy Thursday Matthew will incorporate Joanna's story into the sermon at the service at 7.30pm.

On Good Friday at 12 noon we will begin the three hours with three half hour reflections using Salome's story. There will be time for quiet meditation and there will be prayer stations to explore. We will come

together on the hour and half hour to sing a hymn. At 1.30pm we will be joined by the choir for the Good Friday Liturgy. After this there will still be some time for quiet reflection and you will be able to use the prayer stations as you wish. We will end at 3pm in prayer.

I hope this can be a special time for us as we journey together with Jesus and those important women of Holy Week who were with him to the end.

Alison Wragg

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Jessica recalls that 'One year, we had no rain. The scorching sun burnt my crops just as they were about to bloom. It was so painful and disheartening.' It's unjust that drought, exacerbated by the effects of conflict and the global pandemic – robs Jessica of the power to provide for her family. Her husband is unwell, so she's the only breadwinner. Her children look up to her, but she has nothing left to give. Once before, when things were desperate, Jessica asked her neighbours for food but she came home with nothing. Jessica is anything but helpless. Hope is in her eyes. In the face of drought, her love for her family gives her courage to stand strong - and we stand with Jessica. My children give me the power to go ahead. I pray they have a better future.

For this year's Christian Aid Week, we stand with the resilient women - like Jessica - who are determined to lift their families out of hunger.

We raise our voices to call for climate justice. We pray that families will stay strong during times of drought. Together, we hope to restore justice to our world, and protect the future for our children and grandchildren. With every gift, every action, every prayer, every one of us can change lives. Your gifts could help Jessica set up water taps on her farm, learn to grow food, and provide seeds that thrive in drought – giving her all she needs to turn her dry, dusty land into a garden of hope. For the first time in a generation, global poverty is rising.

The combined effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, conflict, and drought have robbed communities like Jessica's of the power to provide for their children. It's unjust. Here, at St.John's, we shall be seeking to deliver Christian Aid envelopes to every home in the parish, with information about how to give, and an invitation to our events during that week, at which donations will be invited. There will be a Parish Walk on Sunday 14th May, a concert of Talents on Friday 19th and A Big Breakfast Fair with many stalls, including books, plants and cakes.

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Thursday 2nd March – 8pm
Organ Recital - Peter Siepmann

Sunday 5th March – The 2nd Sunday of Lent

10.30am All Age Service - Environment theme
6.30pm BCP Communion

Wednesday 8th March: 10-12.30pm
Foodbank Collection

Sunday 12th March – The 3rd Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 19th March – Mothering Sunday

10.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

Monday 20th March

7.30pm PCC meeting in the annexe

Wednesday 22nd March: 10-12.30pm

Foodbank Collection

Sunday 26th March - The 5th Sunday of Lent

10.30am Parish Communion
(*Sheffield half marathon – note road closures*)
6.30pm Membra Jesu Nostri

Monday 27th March

7.30pm Sanctuary

Other services during the week:

Holy Communion: Every Wednesday at 11.30am in the side chapel

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Our thoughts and prayers are with all the friends and families of those names listed.

Young People's Page

Episode 35 of the Adventures of the Elephant and Mouse:



The mouse climbed on top of a rock and turned in a complete circle. "You know what," it said in wonder. "I think I've found the top of the world." "Have you?" The elephant wandered a little closer. "How do you know?" "Because I can see everything in every, single direction!" The elephant stood beside the rock. For the first time ever, it was perfectly eye level with the mouse.

"This is how I see everything all the time," the elephant commented. "I never realised it was because I was on top of the world." "I don't think it works like that," the mouse said, a little disgruntled to be sharing its view. "I think the top of the world can only be found when you're on top of something."

"Oh" The elephant deflated somewhat. "Well, I'm not very good at climbing." "That's alright," and the mouse extended a comforting paw, "I can describe to you everything I see." "Oh, that's good," the elephant sighed in relief. "I was worried I was going to miss out."



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**Restaurant Review:
Nonnas, 535 Ecclesall Road, Sheffield I I**



I guess you will have heard this incredibly ancient “joke”: Man in restaurant calls to waiter: “Waiter, waiter there’s a hair in my soup!” Waiter replies: “Please be quiet sir or everyone will want one” Pretty funny, unless you are the unfortunate punter in possession of the afore mentioned hair. I suppose it’s obvious why I started with this vintage “chestnut” as my first (and only) visit to what was then a recently opened Nonnas was enlivened by the addition of the above-mentioned hair. Not actually in a bowl of soup as I recall, but whatever dish it enhanced resulted in a complaint, refusal to pay for whatever had been ordered, followed by a swift exit from this sorry establishment – never to return.....until a couple of weeks ago

Persuaded by G to re-try Nonnas (apparently a favourite establishment of visiting daughter) with a view to engaging in a pleasant family evening at this amazingly long established venue - and let bygones be bygones.

Not sure what that means, but seems to fit the mood! A little research reveals that the original owner – entrepreneur Maurizio Mori – still owns Nonnas, and far from withering away following my unfortunate first contact with this dubious emporium, it has expanded in size and seemingly (via the ubiquitous “Trip Adviser” – Google if you’ve never heard of it) was a culinary Oasis nestling in the desert of the Ecclesall Road plethora of eating establishments. In fact, a major claim to gastronomic excellence was based on a visit from Sylvester Stallone some years ago. I’m not sure that “Sly” (as the management coyly referred to their new chum) is actually an epicurean connoisseur! Still, he was apparently very impressed with the various offerings sampled.

The Meal

Initial impressions were good. Spacious interior with pleasant lighting illuminating various dining areas - well-spaced to allow adequate privacy - but not removed from the acceptable “buzz” of a harmonious society imbibing the atmosphere - as appreciated by the great Sylvester Stallone! If you’ve no idea what I’m writing about, or are wondering who Mr. Stallone is, don’t worry, the “food” bit is coming up next.

From an eclectic (and at first glance a somewhat pricey) menu, it was decided to share the Fresh bread accompanied by Olive oil dish as a “nibble” (£5.50), and to ease the pain of financing the rest of the meal a bottle of Nonnas (own label) Merlot red wine (at a not too unreasonable £27.00 a bottle) was also ordered and gently consumed. Not a bad wine - slightly “rough” but certainly drinkable.

Sifting through the main menu is quite tricky. Previous history (memories of hair in soup) induced a feeling of caution, but the Grilled Seabass on a base of saffron mash accompanied by clams, cherry tomato with white wine butter and micro herbs (tiny herbs?) at a fairly hefty £23.00 read well - and actually was very good indeed. G, an experienced Nonna diner, chose a known favourite: Mixed Seafood Risotto (£16.50) which was a well presented concoction of mussels, squid and prawns steamed with cherry tomato and parsley. The dish looked pretty good and was accompanied by a correctly cooked risotto rice which

complemented the various elements salvaged from the ocean depths - (mussels, prawns etc. if the meaning is lost in the rhetoric!) Well so far so good - to use a well-worn cliché. Perhaps condemning this establishment some many years ago could have proved to be rather hasty. Final test was a Rum Baba (£7.50) which re kindled pleasant memories of the 1950s. It was good – suitably spongy, sticky and rum flavoured. Great!

Verdict

Well, Nonna has certainly moved on since the hair tasting days. I suppose the fact that this eating establishment has survived the “Ecclesall road restaurant graveyard scene” for so many years, and is still pulling in the punters is testament to its quality. Another major factor in Nonna’s ongoing success is a rather brilliant manager/ maitre’d/ front of house person in the form of Stefano Buralli. Stefano apparently has been with the establishment from day one and still meets and greets all who enter the auspicious portals. So, a good evening in a very smart (but fairly pricey) restaurant, worth a visit, worth the money – but keep an eye open for any unwanted hairs!

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Rambling On

with Philip Walshaw

Stoney Middleton is one of my favourite villages in the Peak District, despite the busy main road that just about accommodates the heavy traffic that rumbles through it. As you will know from reading previous walks that I have written, it harbours a lot of interesting historical features. This three-mile walk starts from the now closed Grindleford to Eyam road. To get there, you drive through Grindleford towards Calver and turn right on the brow of a hill (it's a blind summit) and drive up the Eyam road to the road closure signs.



After parking the car, walk along the road past The Manor House. It is a large old building but I have not been able to trace any history attached to it. Keep on walking until you reach the road closure barrier and look for the well-hidden footpath on the left. Squeeze through

the gap in the wall and follow the initially steep path that goes through the wood until you reach a stile. Follow the yellow marker signs through the fields down past a farm until you reach some houses. Follow the track into Stoney Middleton where you will see the Wesleyan Reform Chapel which was built in 1829 and was the first building in the village to have electricity in 1931.

It was further altered in 1946 and only last year was extended into the newly paved garden and seating area. Turn right down to the main road where you will see the only grade 2 listed fish and chip shop in Britain. This tiny building was the old Toll Bar. Cross the main road and climb





up some very steep steps by the school. At the top, turn right and continue uphill for 40 yards and then turn left on Eaton Fold towards the Old Vicarage. Go through the left-hand gate and follow the left-hand path over more stiles down to where the playground is. Cross the wooden

footbridge over a stream that seems to have disappeared and cross the road leading into Coombs Dale. Walk up the steps through the old quarry which was closed many years ago and sort of landscaped but still reveals many an old glass bottle, should you care to search for any. At the top of the steps, walk left up the field and then left at the top to follow the pleasant path down to Calver, where you can look across to where you have walked from. This path finishes up adjacent to a private drive. Turn left and follow the main road to Grindleford across Calver Crossroads.

Keep on the pavement and then the grass verge on the left hand side until you reach a gate that leads into the Stoke and Calver Marshes Nature Reserve, where the old information boards will tell you to look out for Water Shrew and, further along, the Marsh Orchid. I hope you are more successful than me! The path leads out into the west side of Stoney Middleton, where you can visit the octagonal church and old Roman Baths if you haven't done so before. Turn right



for the final part of our walk which takes us up a sunken lane past the old lychgate that leads into the cemetery. The lane winds uphill to where the walk started, with commanding views over to Froggatt Edge and Curbar Edge.

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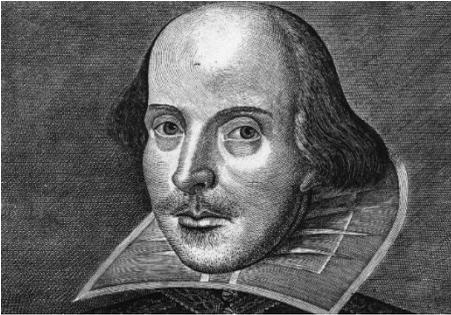


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Quiz: Shakespeare Plays

compiled by Philip Walshaw



The answers to the clues below are the titles of plays by William Shakespeare (some with or without the definite article). A prize awaits the person who submits the most correct answers. In the event of a tie, a winner will be chosen by a lucky draw. Send your entry by email to

jpwalshaw@gmail.com or by post to 19 Cairns Road, S10 5NA to reach me by Wednesday, 15th March, 2023.

1. Foreign trader (8,2,6)
2. Berkshire ladies intoxicated (6,5,2,7)
3. Scottish queen (7)
4. Season's late change (7,4)
5. Mistaken humour (6,2,6)
6. Small piece of pork? (6)
7. A G Kilner re-made this play (4,4)
8. Caring works missing (5,7,4)
9. Thing changed after umpteenth time (7,5)
10. Dan's tunic or suit jumbled up (5,10)
11. Old Testament greeting (7)
12. Made new arrangement for only patron at a dance (6,3,9)
13. One finding another (6,3,6)
14. Your favourite way (2,3,4,2)
15. Judge not, that you be not judged (7,3,7)

Answers to February Quiz: 1. Scotch Corner 2. Knutsford 3. Forton 4. Lancaster
5. Washington 6. Beaconsfield 7. Thurrock 8. Woodall 9. Trowell 10. Watford Gap
11. Tibshelf 12. Bridgwater 13. Woolley Edge 14. Gordano 15. Leicester Forest

Entries were received from: Janet and Malcolm Anker, Pam and Ian Dall, Michael and Rosemary Hannon, Alan and Pauline Heath, Lynn and Steve Lawless, Jackie and Peter Lowe, John and Brenda Staniforth, Marion Taylor, Barbara and Peter Wozencroft

The winners were Jackie and Peter Lowe, who receive a box of chocolates.

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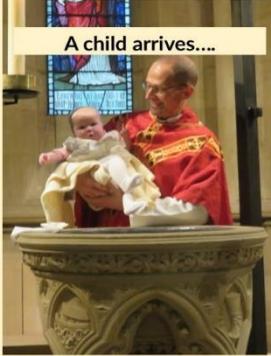
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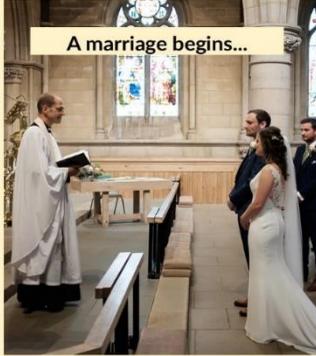
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