

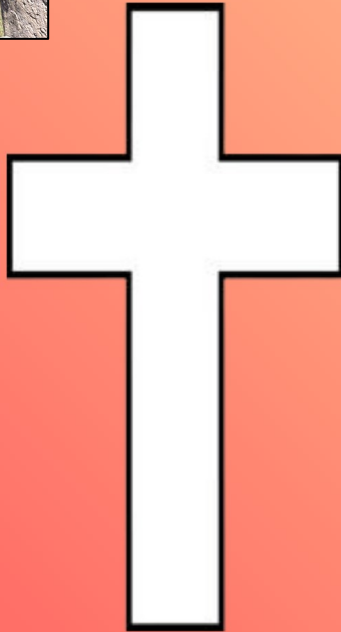
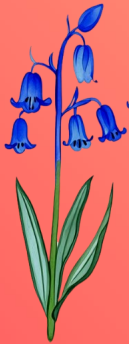


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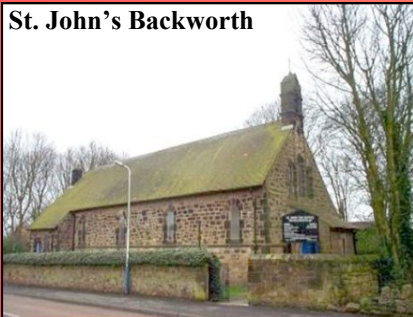
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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

May 2026

Hello everybody,

On Tuesday, April 21st, on the same thirty-minute news bulletin, I heard the following three items...

- ◆ A teenager had been arrested for trying to set fire to a Synagogue in London. It feels as if 'someone' paid the teenager to do this. He claimed he didn't know it was a Synagogue. The suspicion is that Iran could possibly have been behind this action.
- ◆ In Lebanon, an Israeli soldier was photographed smashing a statue of Jesus. This statue, of Christ on the cross, had been pushed over onto its back. The soldier was taking a sledgehammer to it.
- ◆ In the UK, Home Secretary Shabana Mahmood refused entry to an American citizen. This person, a fundamentalist Christian, had publically burned the Koran. She is on record as saying she wants to see an end to Islam.

There's a depressing circular nature to these news stories. In the first, Moslems pay for an attack on Jews. In the second, a Jew smashes a Christian icon. In the third, a Christian is considered a risk because of her attitude to Moslems.

It's not that long since 'new atheists' like Richard Dawkins, were hoping/expecting to see religion withering on the vine. 'It's all a load of fairy tales', we were told. 'Humanity will soon grow out of it'.

Yet actually the opposite has turned out to be the case. A supremely confident kind of religion has come roaring back. US 'Minister of War' Pete Hegseth publically prays in the name of Jesus that the American military show no mercy to those who deserve no mercy.

So yes, a certain kind of religion is on the rise. But what good is that, if all it does is spawn hatred? Wouldn't the world be better off without it? 'By their fruit you will know them', said Jesus. And look at this fruit – a Synagogue burnt... the Koran burnt... a statue of Jesus smashed up.

I have little doubt that in writing like this, I'm preaching to the converted. If you're holding a copy of this magazine, it's likely that you think of yourself in some way as 'religious'. So what can we do? How best to act when these violent forms of religion are on the rise?

Let's go back to basics. It is all about love. Without it, I'm nothing. If my religion doesn't send me to bed a more loving person than when I get up, I need to ask myself why.

When Jesus was asked what was the greatest commandment, he couldn't give only one. He gave two, because they're fused at the hip: 'Love God, and love other people'. He went on to tell the story of the Good Samaritan. Its message? 'My neighbour is any human being in need, regardless of race or creed'.

And for Jesus, these were no empty words. When Roman soldiers were nailing him to the cross, he prayed that God would forgive them. And speaking of Roman soldiers, Luke's Gospel remembers for us a lovely incident to hold onto in these troubled times. A Roman centurion has a servant, who is very sick. This 'pagan' asks 'some elders of the Jews' to go and ask Jesus to heal him. The Jews say of the pagan Roman 'this man deserves to have you do this, because he loves our nation and has built our synagogue'.

There. Let's have more of *that* kind of religion. A 'pagan' who builds the 'Jews' a synagogue, out of love. A Jesus who crosses racial and religious boundaries to bring healing.

Yours with love in the name of Jesus,

Tim.

Holy Week Stress

by Joan Armstrong

For several days, a happy and colourful pheasant couple visited my garden, stepping out in their new found playground, enjoying the many grubs and bugs to eat there.

On Monday of Holy Week Mr Pheasant was in the front garden pecking at the yellow forsythia.

On Tuesday of Holy Week Mrs Pheasant was in the back garden squarking and Mr Pheasant still in the front garden. It then became very clear that everything wasn't well. Had they had an argument? No worse than that, Mr Pheasant was not walking! He couldn't stand on one leg because of his rotund body so moving was more of a crawl come stumble. I took out a bowl of water and scattered peanuts round him. These were the bird sort of nuts and not roasted or salted. He ate and drank readily. I thought he would improve as the day went on having rested his leg but the next day he was still there in his little nest of dog daisy foliage. More peanuts given and a greater sense of urgent care was needed.

Firstly RSPB came to mind - They would be eager to help..... No... an automated response “~We do not have anyone to call out to birds”. Next RSPCA..... Automated response.....No one to help.

What next? Judith Wallace the Independent Councillor had just put a notice through my door so I texted and emailed her numbers. Within a very short time she responded to me very positively with a number for the Blyth Wildlife Rescue Centre. Great! so I gave them a call. My heart fell as yet again I got an automated reply..... BUT within ten minutes I received a call back asking for more details and telling me that a volunteer would be round to collect the bird. She would let me know when the volunteer was coming.

I had just walked back into the house after talking to Mr Pheasant and telling him that help was on its way, when a car drew up and a lady with a towel got out. She lived just a street away and had come immediately she got the call out. It was then that Blyth Centre rang to say she was coming. Isn't that a wonderful caring service!

She put the towel over the bird's back and picked it up encased in the towel.

I said my goodbyes to my friend Mr Pheasant and wished him well and a safe journey, having been told that he may not survive. He was taken to the vet who has a duty of care for all wild animals. I was very sad.

Within 30 mins there was a ring on the door bell and my kind volunteer was standing there with a tail feather from my friend. He had a severely broken leg, a damaged beak and was all skin and bone..... So here endeth my Holy Week Saga.

As with all Holy Weeks it ended with Easter Sunday and the joyful Resurrection Day when Jill wore the hat she had made in memory of Mr Pheasant using his tail feather.

Thanks to Judith Wallace 07804184154 and Blyth Wildlife Rescue 0330 229 1710



Annual Meeting

The Earsdon and Backworth Annual Meeting will take place in St Alban's, following the 10.30 service. Grab a coffee from the kitchen hatch, and find a good place in church where you can see the screen.

Electronic copies of the agenda and Annual Report have been sent out. There are hard copies available in both our churches.

We are grateful to Joanne Gale, Colin Gallantine, Barbara Golightly and Pam Tomlinson, whose three year terms on the PCC ended recently. Please pray for Jean Bingham, Catherine Chandler, Keith Slone and Max Taylor as they stand for election. Our grateful thanks, too, to Rob Gowdy, who has generously agreed to serve at least one more year as churchwarden. Please pray for Craig Thornton as he prepares to stand for election as warden alongside Rob.

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Holy Week 2026 saw St Alban's host three evenings focusing on the Stations of the Cross. In groups, the wooden carvings were taken from the walls and arranged on the altar. Using music, silence, prayer and imaginative reconstructions, we reflected on each Station in turn, lighting a candle before each one. The carvings were handed around the group: a special element was being reminded of all the names of donors carved into the backs of each station.



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At St Alban's church the theme of the 10.30 service on Sunday April 26th was 'the whole armour of God'. Jo gamely dressed as a Roman soldier for the occasion. She explained the meaning and use of her various pieces of armour. Memorably, she then read the relevant Bible passage [Ephesians 6.10-20] in her splendid outfit.



Please note - all material for next month's magazine (June 2026) will need to be in before Tuesday 26th May. Thank you, *Jean*.

Weather Outlook for the month of May 2026.

Direct from the Captain's Charts.

General outlook for the beginning of the month.

Early May will start warm and humid with sunny spells and potential heavy showers or thunderstorms. Temperatures are likely to peak on Friday the 1st May, the following week will see cooler (mid-teen) temperatures, accompanied by sunny intervals, light rain, and gentle breezes.

The first half of May.

During this period, conditions are expected to be changeable due to low pressure systems in the vicinity of the UK causing an increased chance of showers or longer spells of rain accompanied by strong winds at times. Dry interludes with spells of warm sunshine are likely, with a risk of a few short-lived early morning fog patches, especially around the coast. Temperatures are likely to be close to normal overall.

The second half of May.

Low pressure systems are likely to dominate across the UK at the start of this period. This means showers or longer spells of rain at times perhaps heavier in some areas punctuated with occasional dry and warm interludes. Temperatures are likely to be close to normal overall. Later in the month, more settled and drier conditions may develop with temperatures rising slightly above normal.

As the days start getting warmer with prolonged periods of sunshine, please be aware of the increasing UV levels especially during the mid part of the day & protect yourself accordingly by wearing suitable clothing and applying sunscreen, also by reducing the overall exposure to the sun. Most weather apps have a daily UV level prediction for your area. It is also very important to wear suitable eye protection (with high-level UVA filtering) on sunny days.

David Gibson.
29th April 2026.

EARSDON WITH BACKWORTH MOTHERS' UNION

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month, in the Eccles Hall at 1.45pm. All welcome.

In January, we had our AGM, including a report of the previous year, and election of Officers. Then Christine gave a lovely reflection about wonder and gratitude, followed by the service.

Christine gave the plans for the year ahead including a display in church celebrating the 150th anniversary of Mother's Union, and that a prayer capsule will be coming to all branches. Refreshment followed.

In February, Sarah opened the meeting and introduced Don Graham, who spoke very entertainingly about his early life in the RAF, his training at Cranwell, and his time in the Falklands war at Bluff Cove. There was an amusing journey in his car pulling a missile carrier, and being stopped by the police several times. A collection was taken in aid of his vascular charity.

Sarah led the service, followed by the Grace. We then all enjoyed refreshments.

Our March meeting was led by Christine with a lovely reflection about Heaven's Grocery Store. Followed by the service. Then a quiz by Pam about puppets which was entertaining and made us all think.

We finished with refreshments and the Grace.

Liz York.

CHURCH VIEWS FOR MAY 2026 FROM THE PARISH OF OUR LADY, STAR OF THE SEA

The Easter Octave



Easter Day has passed and the Triduum was celebrated by the whole parish in St Edward's, but all three churches are still celebrating the Octave of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday, traditionally known as Low Sunday after the high Easter celebration, followed by Good Shepherd Sunday with all its evocative references to Christ as the Shepherd of the Flock and all of them leading up to the ever joyful Pentecost or Whit Sunday. Even while the Tridentine Mass in Latin was worldwide, national churches still kept their own names for many of the Sundays and Holy Days each with its own atmosphere. Even now there are a number of Whit Walks, probably the largest began in Manchester in the 18th Century to allow factory workers, particularly the heavily exploited children, at least one day off.

Spring is Springing



Now that the daylight is stretching out, it is a joy to see how much the stained glass windows from Our Lady and St Edmund's have enhanced the Sanctuary at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. As the evening sun streams in, they can now be enjoyed by everyone attending the Saturday Vigil Mass as much as by those who have previously enjoyed them in the mornings.

The daffodils have faded but our apple trees are bursting into blossom and the rose bushes are coming into leaf. We look forward to a truly bright and colourful year.

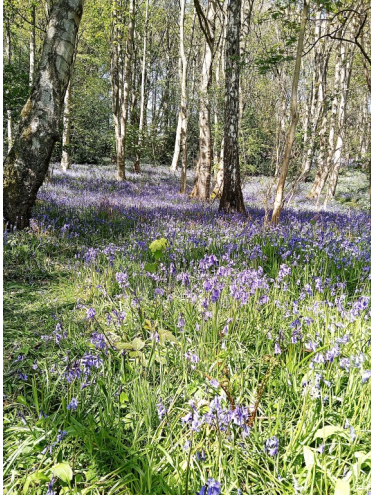


St Edward's Repair and Renovation

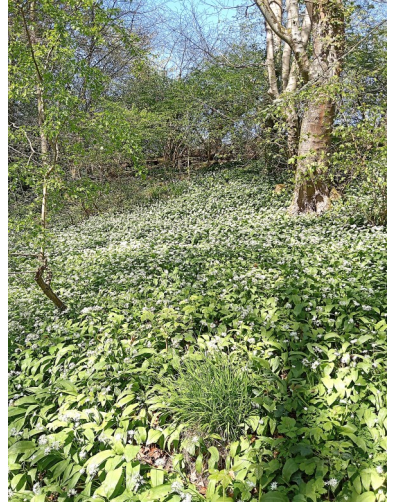
As the blossom shows, the weather is even being kind to those climbing the scaffolding over the front entrance. Ninety eight years of facing North Sea gales and salt has taken its toll on the brickwork of the east facing facade. When work there is completed, they will move to the higher church tower to attend to the brickwork and stained-glass windows. Internal changes will then allow refurbishment of the pews, installation of a new heating system and finally the redecoration of the interior.



A Walk through a Bluebell Wood



Our walkers are going further afield in these warmer days too, and they enjoyed strolling through the Bluebell Wood near Morpeth, and seeing the wild garlic in full flower on their way to Bothal where they enjoyed lunch in peace and quiet on the



seats outside Saint Andrew's church. New walkers are always welcome to join us - see the parish bulletin for details.

Ukraine Appeal

As noted in the April edition, an appeal for candles was hugely successful and the Saint Vincent de Paul society is now asking for our further generosity in providing any over-the-counter medical supplies – creams, cough medicines, bandages and in greater demand, any walking sticks or mobility aids. Iran may have taken the eyes of the world off the three year battle in Ukraine, but our help is still essential.

Retirement

Mgr Andrew has asked Bishop Stephen to accept his request for retirement as he begins a course of chemotherapy. He states, "I have discussed all this with Bishop Stephen, and we have agreed that I will step down from the parish and retire as your parish priest in September. I had hoped to continue until my retirement in three years on my 75th birthday, but now that won't be possible. Over the coming months, I will do my best to continue serving you as your priest while receiving further treatment. Please keep me in your prayers as I will pray for you."

Gerry Latimer, Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

Parish Mass Times

St Edward's: Sunday 9.30am, Tuesday & Friday 10.00am
Immaculate Heart of Mary: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm, Wednesday 10.00am
St Mary's: Sunday 11.00am, Thursday 10.00am, Saturday 10.00am

St Alban's & St John's Building Repairs – the latest

Our grateful thanks to everyone who contributed to our Easter Sunday Gift Day 'Raising the Roof'. Once we have claimed back all the Gift Aid, treasurer Rob Swindells reckons the Gift Day will have raised in the region of £2,500.

However, sadly, an 'act of God' then intervened in the shape of Storm Dave. The storm battered both of our churches. We have put in an insurance claim for £13,000 to cover damage to both St Alban's and St John's. Once the work to repair Storm Dave's damage has been done, we will need to assess again where we are in relation to remaining repair work. Please don't worry: your money is ring-fenced and will be used for the purpose for which you gave it.

Meanwhile, we remain concerned about the state of the floor in the Eccles Hall. Room users are beginning to raise concerns about this. We have sought two estimates, and both came in at over £20,000. We made an application to the National Lottery, but that has been turned down.

The Eccles Hall committee met on April 27th. The actions we are minded to take at the moment are...

- To write to the Scouts, asking them to bear in mind the state of the floor when they plan their activities.
- To reach out to three other regular Hall users we suspect are causing wear and tear to the floor. We will seek to investigate the kind of activities these Hall users put on, and consider barring them from using the Hall until the floor is repaired.
- Rob Swindells will write to all regular Hall users. He will explain the current state of the floor, and ask whether any of them might consider mounting fundraising events.

Revd Tim Mayfield

Remain in the vine

a Quiet Day



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| | | 10.30am | Holy Communion | St Alban's |
| Thursday | 14th | | <u>Ascension Day</u> | |
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| Sunday | 17th | | <u>Seventh Sunday of Easter</u> | |
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St. Alban's and St. John's

Sunday Gospel Readings for May 2026 :

3rd

John 14.1-14

10th

John 14.15-21

17th

John 17.1-11

24th

Acts 1.4-8; 2.1-4

31st

Matthew 28.16-20

Sneak Previews...

Our next **Quiet Day** is on Saturday May 9th. We're at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Battle Hill, and our theme is 'Remain in the Vine'.

Ascension Day falls on May 14th. There will be a service of Holy Communion at St John's at 9.30am

Our next **Children's Church** has the theme of 'The church's birthday'. We'll be celebrating Pentecost in a child-friendly way at 4pm on Sunday May 17th.

In obedience to the command of Jesus, we will spend time **waiting on God** for the gift of the Holy Spirit on the evening of Wednesday May 20th.



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