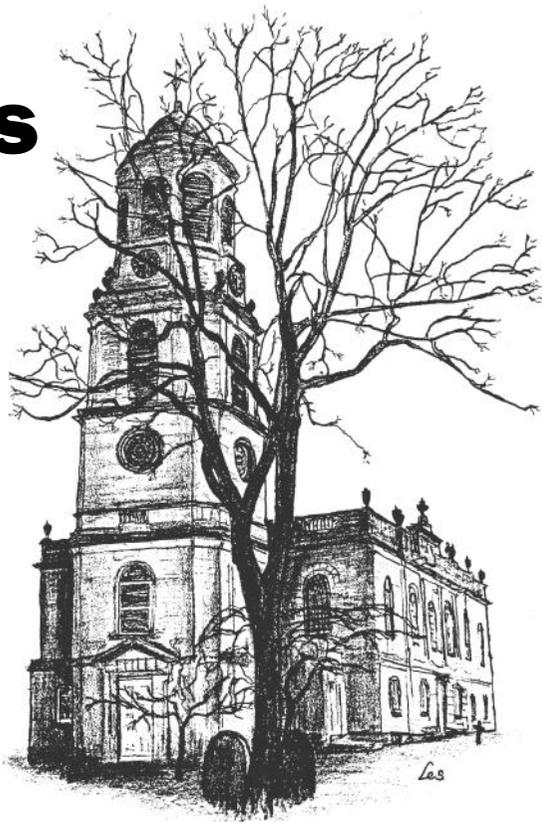
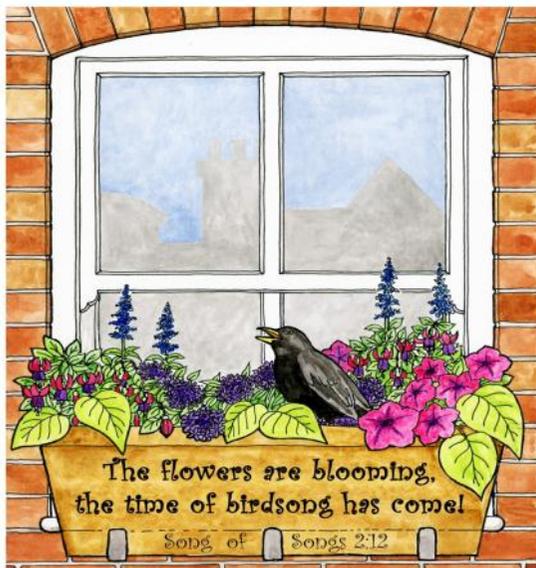


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The Human Life of Jesus.

Today I have 'done Church' with Stephanie, and I've had her to myself.

These are strange times, unknown in my lifetime and yours as well, I presume. I know that I was on my own in front of my laptop. But I am also sure that there were many thousands of other people worshipping with me. These would include the Heavenly Host who worship constantly in the presence of God Himself, praising him by singing "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, heaven and earth are full of your glory."

Besides worshipping using modern technology, I am also able to pray and study daily via an App. on my phone called 'Pray as you go'. Each day's session starts with bells, which call us to worship. These are followed by music and a Daily Reading from the Bible.

At the start of the lockdown, during the build up to Easter Week, the reading on the Monday was John 12, v 1-9. This is the story of a meal given, in Jesus' honour, at the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus. It was a 'thank you' to Jesus for bringing Lazarus back from the dead.

This reading made me really think about that occasion in Jesus' life. It was so natural: a meal with friends, like so



many occasions before and which happen in our lives as well.

I know that this happened during the build-up to the trial and crucifixion of Jesus, because during the meal Mary anointed Jesus' feet with perfume, in anticipation of his death. John, in his Gospel, thought this family meal so significant that it should be recorded.



This account, and other stories in the Bible, give me the strength to know that the Bible is the Word of God, come to us through man. I am assured that, during every moment of Jesus' life here on Earth, he lives like us, shares occasions with his friends and gives us an example of the importance of friends in our lives. At this time of lockdown due to the coronavirus I am missing you all, but we can be assured that we will get back to being together again, we will meet with our friends once more and break bread together. God bless us all.

Michael Slack.

Are you someone God wants to hear from? The message of the Bible is that however unworthy, sinful and useless we may feel as human beings, God can't wait to hear from us. – Anon

Update on St John's Church during lockdown

The church building is closed but our church community is still here and active. Here is some of what is happening:

Worship – we've produced an 'online' Sunday service each week, accessed on our Facebook page [@wakefieldstjohns](#) or on A Church Near You <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7365>. Alternatively, we can e-mail you the newsletter and a link to the service. Let me know, on 01924 371029, if you wish to be on the email contact list.

Pastoral Care – we have people available to do shopping and collect prescriptions. Just call Susan on 01924 378101 if you need help. If you would like to talk to someone or to receive prayer please call The Revd Paul Ellis on 01924 367976, our Reader, Brian Morris on 01924 369437 or our Trainee Vicar, Lindsey Fox on 07861 710945.

Finance – we are so grateful for all the donations by cheque which have come in over the past few weeks and are making a huge difference to our finances during the lockdown.

Church Building - St John's Church building is closed, but Martyn and Susan go in each week to check it and we can report that there are no problems with the building.

What next?

It will be a long, slow road to having worship in church in any way like 'normal'. We still await more guidance from the Archbishops, so I can't give more detail yet. The most important thing is, and will continue to be, to keep everyone safe.

In spite of the many losses we are living with, I know that God is at work among us in many ways. I see God's hand in the care and support being given and received by members of the congregation and the wider parish. We now need to hold our nerve, keep going and be open to what God is preparing us for in the next stage of our ministry. I trust that God will bring us through this difficult time. With all good wishes and prayers

Stephanie

Trinity Sunday is on 7 June this year

Trinity Explained

The very things in the Christian faith that upset some people uplift me. The doctrine of the Trinity for example. “The Father incomprehensible, the Son incomprehensible, the Spirit incomprehensible - yet there are not three incomprehensibles, but one incomprehensible.”



Of course God is incomprehensible. What else would you expect of his eternal, almighty Majesty, the sovereign Lord and Creator of space, time and matter?

AS for his three-in-oneness (this Tri-unity - trinity), we experience three-in-oneness whenever we do anything creative.

For example, this comment which you are reading has three existences: in my mind, on paper or on screen, and in your mind. Yet it is one, not three. Each of the three is the whole. The first and third (our minds) are invisible, as the Father and the Spirit are invisible, The second is visible, as God became visible in Jesus Christ.

Gordon Harman

Many of us have been, or are, examples of three persons in one. When with my parents, I took on the role of their child even when I was adult. With my partner I took on the role of an equal in a relationship. With my children I took on a parental role. On any one day I could be equally child, partner and parent - but there was only ever one ME.

Without the Trinity

...there is no Christianity

The Trinity is easier to say than to explain.

Christians believe in one God, made up of three equal Persons. This belief is fundamental to the Nicene Creed, which sets out the definitive doctrine of the Trinity for more than two billion Christians worldwide, including all Roman Catholics, Eastern Orthodox, Anglicans, Lutherans, Presbyterians and Reformed Christians.

The theologian Ian Paul, writing on the Book of Revelation, points out that chapter five has a wonderful depiction of the Trinity in action. He writes:

“...another figure appears in the drama, the lion who looks like a lamb. ... Here is the one who fulfils the hopes of God’s people Israel, as the promised anointed Davidic king who was to come. Here is one who is fierce and powerful enough to conquer their enemies, and tear them apart.



And yet when John sees Him, He is like a weak and vulnerable lamb who has been slaughtered, just like the Passover lamb eaten by the people, the suffering servant who was ‘wounded for our transgressions’ and the lamb offered as an atoning sacrifice.

He is the one who *was* slain, but *now* stands, and shares the throne with God, and with Him sends the Spirit to enact His will on earth.

Here we have the most explicit (and perhaps the most complex) Trinitarian statement in the whole New Testament.”

From the Rev Dr Ian Paul’s excellent blog at:

<https://www.psephizo.com/revelation/what-does-rev-4-5-tell-us-about-the-trinity/>



Hello, I am Rob Harper. Sadly, due to Covid19, my ordination as your Deacon will not happen on 4 July - but, if possible, it will be on 4 October 2020.

I am delighted to be joining the staff of St John's on 4 July, initially as a Lay Worker until I can be

ordained. I will be working at St John's part time as I am a Self Supporting Minister. My paid part-time job is as a tutor for Unite (the trade Union) training adults. Some weeks I may work for Unite from Monday to Friday or it may be just for one or two days. If I am at a particular event, service or activity one week and not the next it's because I may be teaching somewhere in Yorkshire.

I have spent the past three years in part-time study at St Hild college, at Mirfield, during which I have learnt many skills and deepened my biblical knowledge. I hope I can use these to enhance the community of St Johns over the coming years. A favourite aspect of church life is sharing God's message both to his people and to those who do not yet know they are to be part of his flock. I enjoy Taize music and I am looking forward to the monthly services when they restart. I enjoy worshipping in various ways. As a teenager I served at the 8.00am service at St Giles, Pontefract. University in Hull gave opportunities to meet Christians from different denominations, and I was a volunteer at the ecumenical Chaplaincy.

I have dyslexia, so I may read the occasional word incorrectly in church. Also, you may have to re-read an email from me if my spell checker does not pick up on any errors that I miss.

I love creative worship and always appreciate what we can be taught by Sunday Schoolers or young people.

My hobbies include socialising with family and friends,

reading Matthew Reilly novels, being creative in the kitchen, DIY and tending our small garden.

I met my wife, Beth, at university and we married in St Giles, Pontefract in 1998. We lived in Rothwell for almost twenty years, worshipping at Holy Trinity, Rothwell. We currently live in Thorpe with our two children and our dog. Beth has worked for the last five years for the Community of the Resurrection at Mirfield, co-ordinating guests, events, quiet and study days. Beth loves reading novels and model making. She has been a member of many choirs and plays the flute and piano. Flower arranging and baking are *not* her forte. Beth has been my rock over the last twenty five years and is always the person I turn to.

Ben is 19 years old and Susie is 16 years old. In September Ben will start a course at Sheffield Hallam University studying Learning Disability Nursing and Social Work. Susie will be starting 6th form college. Susie has additional needs and she accesses church in her own way. When you meet Susie she may seem quiet and reserved or noisy and full of hugs. You may get into a long conversation about one of her 'of the moment' topics. Our dog, Eevee has been with us since last August. Eevee loves walks and has numerous toys which she loves to destroy.

Much of what I was looking forward to doing at St Johns is going to start very differently from how I expected. Revd Stephanie and I are working on ways to make my start here as good as it can be in these circumstances. I was pleased to be able to join in the Thy Kingdom Come prayers and the Zoom prayer meetings we had recently.

My prayer is that, despite the changed circumstances of my arrival, I am able to serve in the community of St Johns and the many visitors we expect to greet in the months and years to come. I also pray that we can learn from each other and grow in God's love.

Rob Harper

Help available by phone or internet.



Daily Hope - ring 0800 804 8044

This is a free phone line offering hymns, reflections and prayers 24 hours a day while church buildings are closed due to coronavirus.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, launched 'Daily Hope' as a simple new way to bring worship and prayer into people's homes, during the lockdown period. The line is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 and was set up with those unable to join online church services in mind.

The service is supported by the Church of England nationally as well as through the Connections group based at Holy Trinity Claygate in Surrey and the Christian charity Faith in Later Life.

Within 48 hours the line received more than 6,000 calls from across the country, with many being referred by friends, family or church members. Some of those accessing the service listen to the music, prayers and reflections for up to 50 minutes at a time.

The Revd Canon Dave Male, C of E Director of Evangelism and Discipleship, said: "The number of calls shows that Daily Hope is meeting a need. We have a duty, in these strange and difficult times, to find new ways of bringing prayer and worship to people wherever they are, and this is one more way of helping people to connect with God from their own homes.

This is such a simple idea – planned and launched all within a few short weeks by a small dedicated team – but I pray it will bring real comfort, hope and inspiration to people at this time."

Callers to the line hear a short greeting from the Archbishop before being able to choose from a range of options, including hymns, prayers, reflections and advice on COVID-19.

Options available include materials also made available digitally by the Church of England's Communications team such as [Prayer During the Day and Night Prayer](#), updated daily from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England [weekly national online service](#).

#FaithAtHome - make prayer a household habit

The Church of England recently launched #FaithAtHome, a new programme which it is hoped will "make prayer a household habit once again."



[#FaithAtHome](#) will feature weekly video content to help families to talk about faith and pray together. The videos will be led by children, young people, staff and school leaders from across the country.

The #FaithAtHome programme will run initially for 11 weeks, until late July, and can be accessed at churchofengland.org/faithathome. It will explore themes including love, courage, patience, generosity, resilience and hope.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, said: "The aim of these resources is to offer simple ways for families and households to approach complex and difficult topics, such as illness, fear and bereavement. The coronavirus pandemic has forced people to confront difficult and painful questions that none of us can explore on our own.

My hope and prayer is that #FaithAtHome will not only equip children and young people to engage with difficult questions, but also inspire them."

The Church of England's Chief Education Officer, Nigel Genders said: "Home is the new normal, and faith at home is a habit we need to rediscover. #FaithAtHome will offer people of all ages and faith backgrounds a chance to pause, think and reflect, and to rebuild lost habits of prayer and faithful reflection in the home."

Encouragement from the Old Testament

‘How long, O Lord?’ – the lament of Psalm 13

As we struggle with the effects of the global coronavirus pandemic, we might echo the words of Psalm 13:

‘How long, Lord? Will you forget me forever?’

It is one of a number of lament psalms, where the psalmist cries out in pain, because he feels abandoned by God. In our current circumstances, these psalms enable us to talk to God about our fears and frustrations, while renewing our confidence in Him. What does Psalm 13 say?

Bring your complaint to God: The psalmist brings his pain and questions to God:

‘How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and day after day have sorrow in my heart?’ (2).

He is open with God about his complaints, despite the anger he feels.

Ask boldly for His help: He goes on to ask for God’s help: *‘Look on me and answer, Lord my God. Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death, and my enemy will say, ‘I have overcome him...’ (3–4).*

While avoiding despair *‘I’ve no hope’* or denial *‘every thing’s OK’*, the psalmist is confident in God’s power to deliver.

Choose to trust Him: *‘But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing the Lord’s praise, for He has been good to me.’ (5–6).*

The lament is a journey to the point of renewing our trust in God in the brokenness of our life.

The psalms of lament (eg. Psalms 10, 22 and 77) give us a prayer language for dark times. They enable us to be honest with God about what is happening to us and remind us that God has not abandoned us. He is a God who is both sovereign and good.

‘Laments turn toward God when sorrow tempts you to run from Him.’

A prophet for our time of testing – Isaiah

The Scriptures stress the importance of desert experiences as essential preparation for times of spiritual renewal. The desert is the place of weariness, dryness and weakness which we all go through at times. The 35th chapter of Isaiah helps us to understand such experiences, and reminds us of God's purpose in uncertain times.

A Desert Place

In a desert season we are forced to see things as they really are. It could be a time of physical illness or depression; stress or anxiety; questioning or change. It is always a season of deep refining through repentance. The desert offers us no places to hide; rather we are confronted with our sins, hurts and weaknesses. We are called to repent of our desire for control and acknowledge our total dependence on God.

A Desert Renewal



God promises to lead His people out of spiritual, emotional and physical weariness into a place of personal renewal. There will be water in the desert and crocuses bursting into bloom. These are signs of what God wants to do in His people; to enable them to be strong and trust in the new things He is doing in their lives.

A Desert Road

In the desert we cannot escape from the reality of God's judgment and holiness. The road back to God is described as a *Way of Holiness*, for it demands both repentance and a holy lifestyle. However, there is also the promise of laughter, joy and gladness as God's people return to Zion, the home of God's presence and love.

Revd Paul Hardingham

DIARY DATES for June 2020

Sunday 7 June TRINITY SUNDAY

Readings :

2 Corinthians 13:11-end Matthew 28:16-20

Sunday 17 TRINITY 1

Readings:

Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35-10:8

Sunday 21 TRINITY 2

Readings:

Romans 6:1b-11 Matthew 10:24-39

Sunday 28 ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, TRINITY 3

Readings:

Isaiah 40:1-11 Luke 1:57-66, 80

Collect for St John's Day:

Almighty God,
by whose providence your servant John the Baptist
was wonderfully born,
and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour
by the preaching of repentance:
lead us to repent according to his preaching
and, after his example,
constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice,
and patiently to suffer for truth's sake;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
Amen.

Sunday 5 July TRINITY 4

Readings:

Romans 7:15-25a Matthew 11:11-19, 25-end

The person who thinks only about number one
should remember it is next to nothing.

Sunday Services at St John's are TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED DUE TO COVID19 RESTRICTIONS

EVERY SUNDAY

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The service lasts about 45 minutes.

1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th SUNDAY EACH MONTH

10.00am Parish Communion

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JJs (St John's Juniors, children 4-11 years) meet in the Samaritan Room at this time.

During communion the Laying on of Hands is offered on the 3rd Sunday

2nd SUNDAY EACH MONTH

10.00am Family Service

Relaxed, all-age worship with songs, and a thought for the day. Lasts 50-60 minutes

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Parish Morning Prayer 9.30am Mondays. Side chapel
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(during term time)

A time for babies, toddlers and their carers to play and share.

Lunches (Weekly) Wednesdays Noon to 1.00pm
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Julian Meeting Fourth Tuesday each month
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All are welcome to share in Christian contemplative prayer.

Taizé Service Last Friday in the month. (usually)
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Scouts (11-14 years) Wednesday 7.30pm-9.00pm

Details: Group Scout Leader Laura Stephenson 07772869561

Girl Guiding UK www.girlguiding.org.uk

Rainbows (Girls aged 5-7) Thursdays 6.00-7.00pm in church

Contact: Ann Coulson a.coulson@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

Brownies (Girls aged 7-10) Tuesdays 6.15-7.30pm in church

Contact: www.girlguiding.org.uk/registeryourinterest

Girl Guides (Girls 10 – 14 years) Thursday 7.15-8.45pm in school

Contact: Rachel Gibbs www.girlguiding.org.uk/registeryourinterest

We take bookings for the Church, the café area, the Samaritan Room, or the whole building.

Please contact Lorraine Hanson on 01924 257376 for details of prices etc. See page 28 for photos

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St John's is here to be a living, loving and serving witness to Christ; worshipping, learning and growing in our faith together, reaching out to share God's love in the community and bringing His Word to all

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This year Water Aid highlights again how bringing water to a village can change the lifestyle and opportunities for girls and women in Ethiopia. Six in ten people in Ethiopia have no access to clean water close to home. With no clean water



nearby, women and girls trek great distances to collect water. They wait hours in queues and face terrifying attacks from wild animals and bandits. This is the daily reality for many. Without clean water nearby mothers and daughters simply don't have an equal chance to be safe, educated, healthy and financially secure.

As usual in Lent St John's started to collect small change for Water Aid - but with the church closed it was cut short. If you would have put money in the Lent jar, but missed the chance, you could make a donation instead, either via their website: www.wateraid.org.uk or by sending a cheque, payable to Water Aid, to: Wateraid, York House, Wetherby Road, Long Marston, York YO26 7NH

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Dandelions!

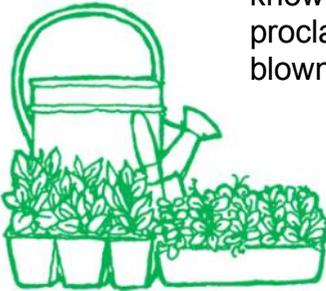
Many of us actually like dandelions. Their amazingly cheerful colour brings a smile to our faces. The not-so-neat-and-tidy gardeners among us simply enjoy flowers where they grow.

The name 'dandelion' apparently derives from 'dent de lion' – lions' teeth, owing to the tooth-like shape of its leaves. There are many different varieties of dandelion, but they all have the toothed leaves arranged in a rosette around the single stalk. When picked, this stalk releases a milky substance known as latex. Each flower is made up of up to *two hundred* [yes, really!] tiny florets.

The golden heads, which close up at night, in wet weather, or if picked to go in a vase, give way to the seed-heads we all

know as clocks. Who cannot remember proclaiming the time as a child, having blown the seeds away, counting each

breath as an hour? And who, if this happened in the garden, remembers the reaction of a parent, or grandparent, to the efficient dispersal of the seeds all over the vegetable patch or flower bed!



In the past, dandelion drinks and concoctions have been valued for their medicinal powers in combating a variety of complaints. The Victorians used to grow them in order to fill sandwiches with the young leaves. Makers of fizzy drinks still produce a variety called Dandelion and Burdock, and intrepid wine-makers can use the flowers to concoct a heady brew.

The roots, some say, can be dried and ground up for use as a coffee substitute. It is those same roots, long and strong, that our grandmothers would water carefully, to the amusement of onlookers, in order to pull them up completely.

To many of us, dandelions are one of Nature's joys.

Kirsty Steele

Stories from your Garden

Have you been gardening during lockdown? If so, you may have a story or some advice to share, and the Conservation Foundation would love to hear from you. It recently launched a virtual *Gardening Against the*



Odds network on Facebook @gardeningagainsttheodds and on their website at <https://conservationfoundation.co.uk/projects/gardening-against-the-odds/>

David Shreeve of the Conservation Foundation explains: “Over the years running our GATO Awards we have made many friends and now we are making more virtually every day. We’d be delighted if you, or anyone you know, would be interested in sending us news or information, especially if it doesn’t involve an actual garden or somehow it’s against the odds. We hope to be adding news every day and giving details of plant availability, tricks of the trade and offer the odd prize.”

Planted in the love of the Father

Planted in the love of the Father
You can grow, dear one,
You can grow.

Watered by the spring of the Spirit
His fruit you’ll show,
His fruit you’ll show.

And when the sun scorches,
And the thorns threaten,
And the storms around life’s garden blow –

Your roots will hold,
And hold secure,
Because you’re planted in the love of the Father.

Daphne Kitching

St John's School Page

Class 5 have written prayers, with pictures, to show kindness to others, and thankfulness. They also made some 'Helping Hands' to send to people. Here are examples of their work.



Dear God,

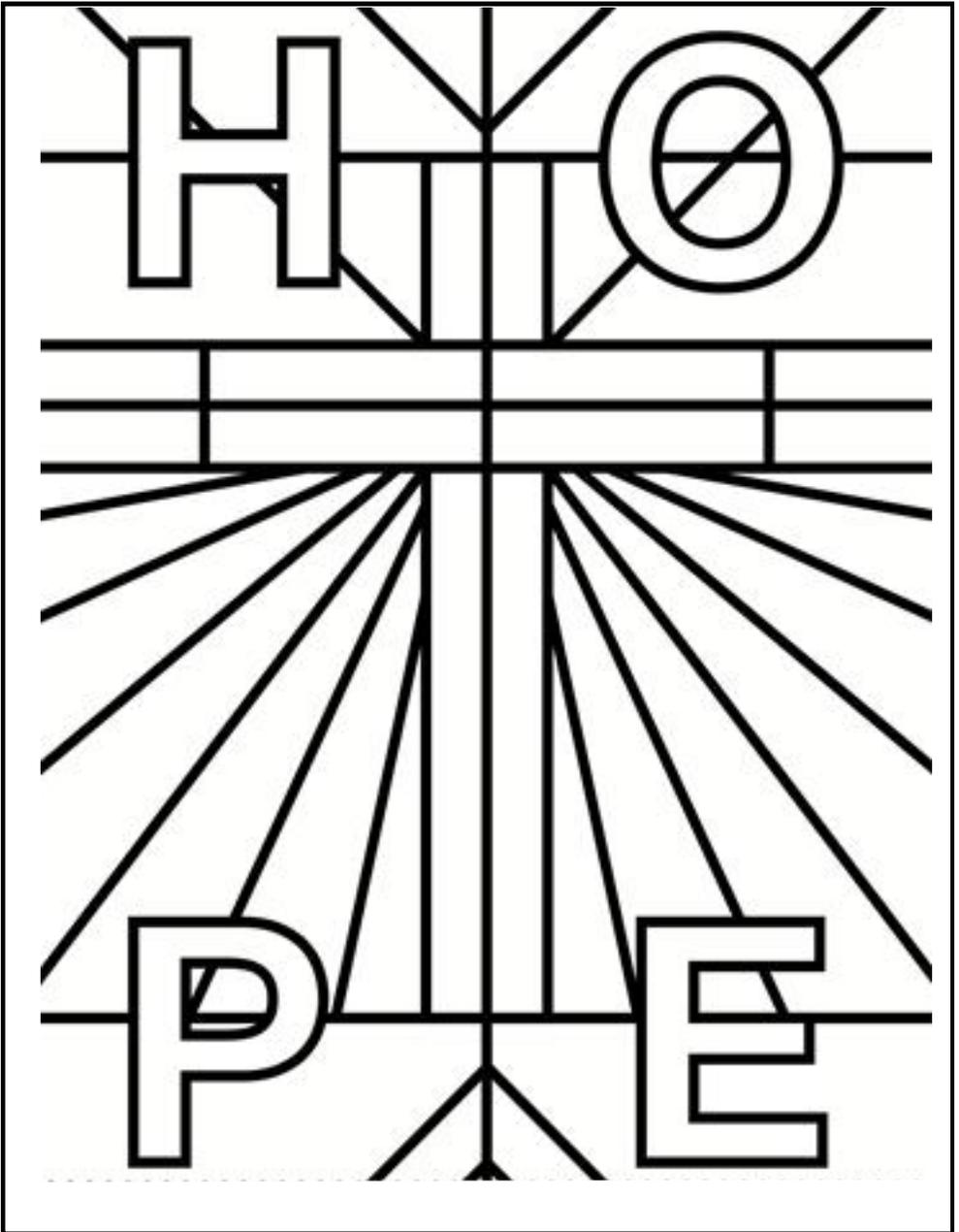
Please remind everyone that we should care for each other, keep each other safe and be grateful for everything we get in life. Please make sure that we share with our family, friends and everybody else. Amen

Dear God

Thank you for keeping us safe during this difficult time. Thank you to all the NHS for keeping us well and to all the key workers out there. They are amazing. We are all thankful to the people risking their lives for others. Amen

Dear God

Thank you that you are helping us in this hard time and making sure everyone is safe and well. Thank you that we can stay in our nice warm houses and can look back at this time as a happy time. Thank you that we can still see our friends, even if we cannot touch them. Please help us all to follow the rules and to keep safe. Amen



A design you could colour in

THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE AND CORONAVIRUS

As I write this, I am taking part in one of the eight St Hild (lovingly rebranded by myself as 'Jesus School') residential weekends. Obviously, I am not physically meeting with my fellow students and teachers at the Community of the Resurrection in Mirfield, due to the Coronavirus pandemic. However, I am 'logging on' for a very different and virtual experience. This weekend was supposed to be a silent retreat. I laughed to myself at the prospect of having a silent retreat at home. It would hardly be 'retreating' or even silent for that matter.

Like everyone else who is trying to continue to provide a service, the administrators, tutors and trustees at St Hild have adapted very quickly. They have devised a course of study so that my fellow trainee vicars and I are not disadvantaged. Every Monday I log onto St Hild College, and navigate my way to St Barnabas Chapel for morning worship. Here the students continue to lead the services via something called the Big Blue Button (similar to Zoom) which allows us to share video and audio. It's such a blessing to be able to 'meet' to pray with one another twice on college days. We can see one another (and their décor in the background), and also hear one another. Thus we can still be a community, which is something that St Hild pride themselves upon.

We hold classes in much the same way. The college website enables several classes to run at once via Big Blue Button or Zoom. We can see the teacher and we can interact through the 'chat' facility that allows us to make comments and ask questions by typing, which then 'pops up' for us all to see.

By far the most precious thing that we can do by the magic of the internet is hold prayer group meetings. There are five of us in our prayer group, named after Saint Oswin. We are able to pray together and chat. As a prayer group we have agreed to meet more frequently because the time is valuable to us all.

We are also allocated to something called a 'formation group'. The idea is that we can be theologically 'formed' and challenged by relaxed conversation. This often takes the shape of theological reflection on a particular contemporary issue or topic.

Whilst the Coronavirus has disturbed life as we knew it, it has brought many positives. Our 'residential' gatherings as a college have not been what they were initially planned to be. However, there have been other opportunities that wouldn't ordinarily have been possible if we had been able to meet in person. This weekend has enabled us to reflect upon certain themes from the film, Life of Pi. It has given me the confidence to engage creatively, whereas if we had met in person I would have found that much harder to do. In some sense, it has allowed me to be imaginative whilst remaining behind the computer.

Jesus School still provides the space for the college as a whole to continue to be connected and engaged by praying together, worshipping together, chatting together, studying together and creating together. Thank God for St. Hild.

Lindsey

St Catherine's Food Bank.

Paul & Trisha are still getting donations for the food bank put into the collection bin at their gate (98 Bradford Road). They thank you for all the donations, which Paul usually takes down on a Monday.

St Catherine's also say thank you to everyone who donates, including the many people who put donations in the Food Bank trolley's at local supermarkets. They really do appreciate the donations at this difficult time for so many people.

Its worth looking at their facebook page to see some of the wonderful donations they are receiving from around the city.





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