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**APRIL  
2026**

Prebendary Canon Fr Ian writes ....  
Streaming system update  
St. Mary of Bethany Church – Photographs  
Jig Word puzzle  
'Facts and Figures'  
Really Friendly Music Lunches and Organ Concerts

At present, we have no resident priest.

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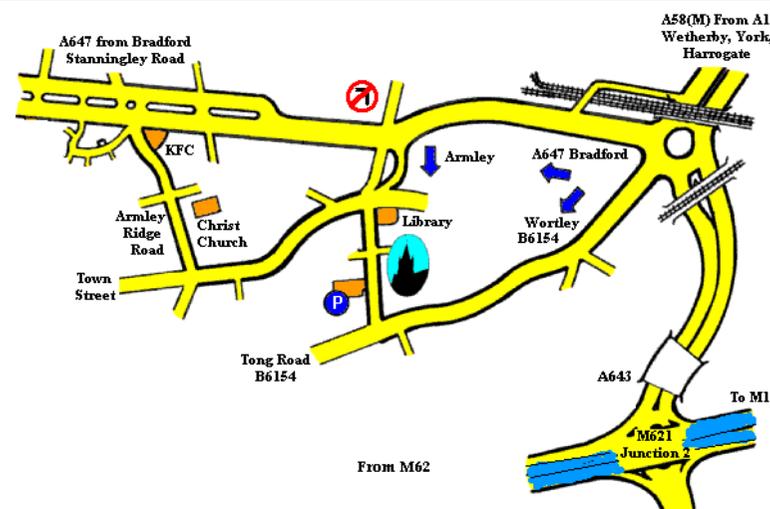
**PARISH WORSHIP**

**SUNDAY: 10:00 SUNG MASS AND ADDRESS**

Church Parade, as announced

**THURSDAY: 10:00 SAID MASS in the Centenary Chapel**

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PREBENDARY CANON FR IAN WRITES –

## COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW .....

Well not quite. In many churches there is a custom of using colour to emphasise the Church or liturgical season of the year. The church has for many centuries divided the year into special seasons, obvious examples include the season of Christmas or again the season of Easter. Those are clear examples of the need to celebrate or be especially joyful. White or gold has been used by the church universal as part of its celebration of those mighty events of God's intervention in human history. Times of solemn preparation for Christmas and Easter are characterised by more solemn colours - blue or purple. Historically in England purple was seldom used but blue instead as a preparation for Christmas. Lent in England was characterised by the use of blue or unbleached linen. The latter because it resembled sack cloth and ashes. Ordinary time is marked by the use of green, the colour associated with growth. There are other minor variations suggested by Common Worship, the current legal guide for services in the Church of England. Black is the customary colour for services linked with the departed. Jon is very clued up on all this so it was a special joy that he prepared the altar for today's Mothering Sunday Eucharist using a Lenten veil and burse as near as possible to unbleached linen. Well done and thanks Jon.

On a very separate matter it was so very good having the uniformed organisations taking a very active part in today's Mass. Well done leaders and participants.

Greetings from Fr Ian Cook, the Lichfield Prebendary.

*Thanks for the commendation, Fr Ian, however it's not totally deserved as we only used the unbleached Lenten veil and burse as I'd forgotten to dress the chalice in rose (colour) for the Fourth Sunday of Lent! - Jon*

## Sunday readings

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Sunday**

NT: Acts 10: 34a & 43 Ps 118 NT: Col. 3:1-4  
Gospel: Jn 20:1-9

### **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April: The Second Sunday of Eastertide**

NT: Acts 2: 42-47 Ps 118 NT: 1 Pet 1:3-9  
Gospel: Jn 20: 19-31

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April: The Third Sunday of Eastertide**

NT: Acts 2: 14 & 22-33 Ps 16 NT: 1 Pet 1:17-21  
Gospel: Lk 24: 13-35

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April: The Fourth Sunday of Eastertide**

NT: Acts 2: 14a & 36-41 Ps 23 NT: 1 Pet 2: 20b-25  
Gospel: Jn 10: 1-10

## Parish Registers

Recently departed: James Arthur Baines and David Egan

REST ETERNAL GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD  
AND LET LIGHT PERPETUAL REST UPON THEM

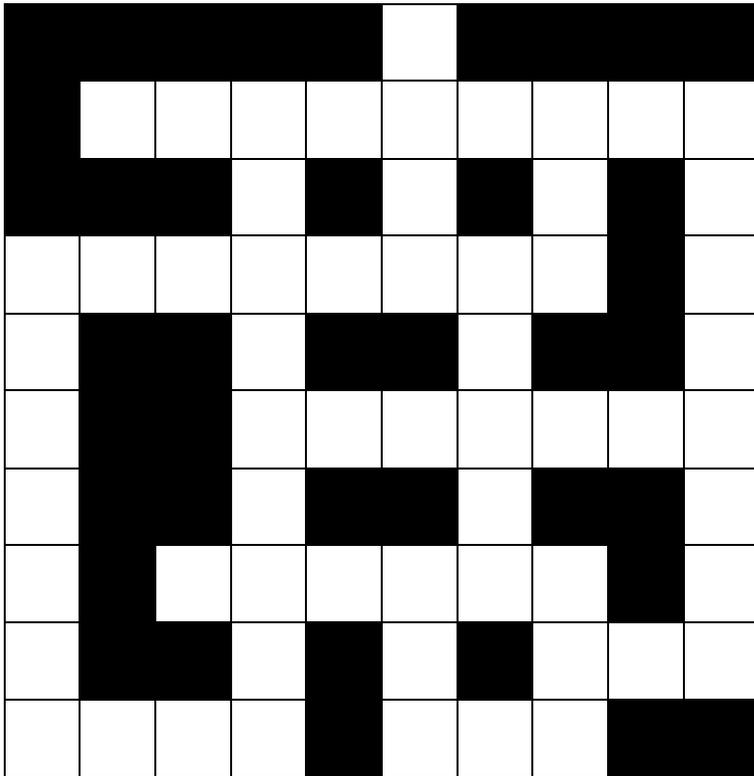
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN GLORY †

# Jig Word

by Jon Kaye

Simply fit all the words into the grid below.

(Answer elsewhere in this magazine)



9-letter words: Boomboxes Bubblegum

8-letter words: Melodeon Melodies

7-letter words: Boogied Marimba

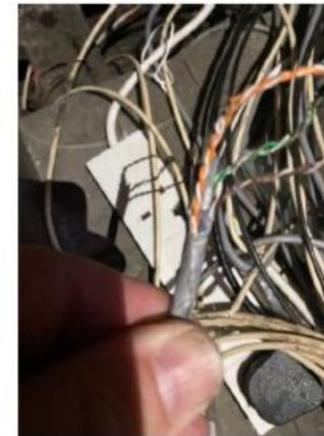
6-letter words: Expend

5-letter words: Organ

4-letter words: Acts Blue

3-letter words: Dim Eat Gun Its Tom

In late 2024, the **audio-visual streaming system** in church ceased to function. On investigation, considerable damage to underfloor network, audio and video cables was discovered. This damage was very clearly caused by rodents chewing the cables.



New video, audio and network cables needed to be installed to repair the system. In order to protect the new cables, flexible ducting was installed. It had also been necessary to replace one of the cameras.



Many thanks to Charlie Brown and his team at Acoustic Solutions Yorkshire for seeing to the repair/reinstalment of the system and to Benefact Trust for its donation of £1,000 towards the repairs.

Once the operators have been trained, we should be ready to start streaming again. *Could you be an operator?*



These photographs are of St. Mary of Bethany, New Wortley Church, which was the sister church to St. Bartholomew's up to its demolition in 1975.

Constructed in 1885 for £5,600, it featured a spire of 135 feet and a brick-lined interior. The building was designed by Edward Birchall and John Kelly (Adams and Kelly having contributed to the early stages of the project). The foundation stone was laid on 30<sup>th</sup> July 1885 and it opened on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1886.

Thanks to Benita for sharing the photo from Wellington estate, Wortley and Armley Memories Facebook group and to Leo L Clough for the original post.



**Ages 4 to 6**  
Mondays 5:30pm – 6pm

**Ages 6 to 8**  
Fridays 6pm – 7:30pm

**Ages 8 to 10½**  
Mondays 7pm – 8.30pm

**Ages 14 to 18**  
Thursdays 7:15pm - 8:45pm

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## FACTS AND FIGURES

### GENERAL FUND – February 2026

#### Receipts

Legacy - Jean Pratt RIP	£1,500.00
Parish Giving Scheme	£477.97
Collections at services	£409.53
Stewardship envelopes	£273.00
Gift aided bankers' orders	£207.00
One Lottery	£190.08

#### Payments

Gas	£1,916.82
Insurance	£1,119.61
Parish Share	£1,000.00
Electricity	£387.89
Upkeep of services	£277.27
Photocopier	£18.49

#### 2026 to date

Receipts	£16,111.87
Payments	£11,696.45
Surplus	£4,415.42

#### Owed to the PCC

HMRC tax reclaimed	£607.86
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#### Owed by the PCC

2026 Parish Share	£1,587.82
Historical Parish Share	£228,561.00

*J.R. Kaye*  
*28/02/26*

## Holy Week and Easter services

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 11:00am

### Maundy Thursday Mass

Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 2:00pm

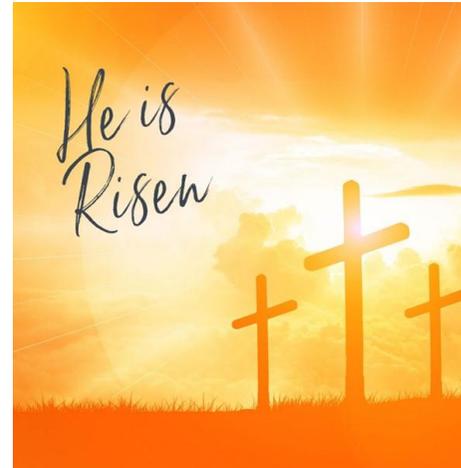
### Good Friday Liturgy



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Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April at 10:00am

### Easter Day Parish Mass



# Really Friendly Music Lunches

## THE Really Friendly MUSIC LUNCH



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MUSIC FROM 1:00PM

25TH MARCH - ROGER QUICK / GRAHAM BARBER  
(PIANO DUO)

1ST APRIL - KATY HUNTLEY  
(SOPRANO - VOCAL MISCELLANY)

8TH APRIL - SAXSHADES  
(SAXOPHONE QUARTET)

15TH APRIL - GRAHAM BARBER  
(HARPSICHORD)

22ND APRIL - HANNAH DILWORTH  
(FLUTE)

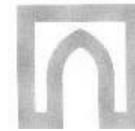


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## ARTS AT ST BART'S

Community Arts Exhibition



Celebrating creativity from our local community

St. Bartholomew's hosted a display of community arts on the afternoon of Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> March.

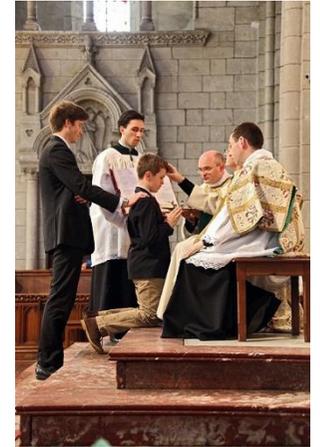
Local artists from St. Bartholomew's Primary School and New Wortley Community Centre exhibited some of their finest artwork. The exhibition is still on display in St. Bart's, so please come along and see it.

Thanks to Kevin Slater for securing the hot water boiler in church to the wall. Hopefully, we'll now be fully compliant with recommendations from our insurance company.



## Confirmations

On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>. March, Jacob and William Robinson from our parish were confirmed by Bishop Arun at Christ Church, Upper Armley. Congratulations. We pray that they'll continue to be faithfully members and communicants at St. Bartholomew's.



## Jig Word answer

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Congratulations to Benita Slater who is now fully authorised as a Lay Eucharistic Minister. This means that she will now be able to join Pauline in administering the chalice at Masses and at home communions.

Roger Foyle has recently smartened up the church notice boards. The cleaning is complete, but the big job of updating the information on them and re-painting still needs to be done. This job has needed doing for a long time now and so it's thanks to Roger for his efforts.

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