

CROSSROADS

The magazine for



Sharing God's Love

LOVE TUFFLEY

Celebrating Community



11th – 13th September 2026

FRI 11

iSingPop concerts with children from
Harewood Infant, Harewood Junior
and Grange Primary Academy

SAT 12

10.30am: Messy Church – crafts and
sports for all the family
12noon: Lunch (food provided or BYO)
1.30pm: Disco

SUN 13

3pm
REFRESH – community celebration
with community choirs, music etc

All on Grange Primary Academy
School field GL4 0RW

SEPTEMBER 2026

75p

Our Vicar, Rachel writes...
CHURCH IN TUFFLEY MISSION WEEKEND
11th to 13th SEPTEMBER!

About a year ago we were approached by Bishops to ask if the Church in Tuffley would host a diocesan mission weekend, which would involve participation from one of the bishops and a team of eight curates from across the Diocese. We were chosen as one of the two areas to host such a weekend due to the strong relationship between the churches in Tuffley - the bishops stressed the unique nature of CiT being something they would like the curates to experience. As you've probably heard me say before, we can easily take our good relationships with the other churches for granted across the Church in Tuffley, and yet we mustn't, as it is a great cause for celebration and thanksgiving, which many churches in other places do not experience!

The weekend has been jointly planned by the Church in Tuffley and the team of curates (Gioia is part of the home team for this weekend in the CiT team as she will be part of the other diocesan mission weekend in Stroudwater benefice in October with her curate hat on!) Pastor David has been instrumental in sourcing a venue for the weekend, which will be Grange Primary Academy field, and hiring a huge marquee with chairs and tables! He has also liaised with iSingPop (a national initiative working in schools teaching songs with a Christian message) to deliver teaching in Grange Primary, Harewood Infant and Harewood Junior in the week running up to the weekend. We give thanks to God for David's inspiration, energy, and wisdom!

Here is the programme of events for the weekend, please do put these in your diary and if you can help with any, please do let Rachel or Gioia know.

Friday 11th iSingPop concerts at 1.30pm and 4.00pm
There will be up to 300 children singing in each concert!

Grange Primary PTA will run a BBQ in between the concerts.

- Saturday 12th 9.00am setting up of Messy Church, prayer spaces etc
10.30am-12.00noon Messy Church focusing on the Parable of the Sower, sports activities with Sportily, prayer spaces etc
12.00noon Lunch (soup provided or bring your own)
1.30pm – disco (after or during litter pick of the field)
- Sunday 13th 3.00pm REFRESH – a community celebration with singing, choirs, testimonies

Please do pray for the weekend, that many may experience the love, joy and hope that God brings us through Jesus... Pray for the Holy Spirit to be very much at work.

With every blessing
RACHEL

ST GEORGE'S ST MARGARET'S

Monday Youth Group

7 – 8:15pm
Term Time Only

Open to Year 8, 9 and 10

St George's Church
Grange Rd, Tuffley,
Gloucester GL4 0PE

Come along to our **FREE** youth group sessions! It's a great opportunity to meet new friends, play games and take part in fun activities!

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, please email Sophie at stgyouthandfamilies@gmail.com

ST GEORGE'S ST MARGARET'S

YEAR 6 + 7 YOUTH GROUP

Wednesday Evenings 7-8:15pm
Term Time Only

Drinks and snacks available!

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**ST GEORGE'S CHURCH
TUFFLEY**



**BACK
TO
SCHOOL**

**SERVICE OF ENCOURAGEMENT
AND BLESSING**

SUNDAY 30 AUGUST



10.30AM



WHADDON WAFFLE

Over the years, I have learned that for many, September is a time for summer **celebration** and **commiseration**. On the farm, the men would celebrate a good harvest gathered in - thanks to the weather, or they would commiserate with each other on a failed harvest - thanks to the weather.



At school age, we would celebrate the long summer holidays but commiserate with each other as our freedom came to an end. Then we would celebrate our return to class in our clean uniform and maybe new shoes, and celebrate being one year older by moving up a class. (If only we'd known how quickly time travels once you're an adult!) As a teacher, colleagues commiserated with each other at the return to term then we celebrated the arrival of fresh faces, mostly eager to learn or simply to go outside to play with friends or to share their new fruit-scented pens or pencil case! One colleague brought us to reality by telling of his holiday trip to help at a remote African school where he came across a crying, barefooted boy in a field. The boy had lost the family pencil - he couldn't walk on to school as he had no pencil, and he couldn't go home without the vital family pencil. There are some occasions when commiseration needs more than understanding words in agreement.



Here in the parish this summer, we have joined with Rachel and Paul (not forgetting Rocky) in celebrating their first five years in this thriving parish. Some of us joined Gioia in her first-time leadership of children's holiday club, sharing the fun with old and new friends, celebrating its success and commiserating with the children as it came to an end.



As a family, we have celebrated our grandson's 'new ears' which can now hear; grandchildren's excitement at the seaside - sandcastles to dig, crabs to find and waves to jump - with two being old enough to have their first surf lesson; we have celebrated the triplets' 80th birthday and our godson's wedding. Then we have been commiserating over lack of garden produce and the imminent plight of market gardeners (who talk of twisty cucumbers, knobbly potatoes and sunburnt cauliflowers) and other food producers or the desperation of farmers over winter feed, and commiserating and celebrating progress with different family members, recovering separately from a broken foot, sepsis, a knee replacement and another losing mobility.



In the garden, we have celebrated Flying Ants Day... twice – a day when all ants nests explode with flying ants about to undertake their mating rituals - such is the warmth of the ground. Beneath the hedge, a pair of tiny voles dart in and out on the pickings of the bird feeder.



Towards the end of August and going into September, we're still looking out on clear blue skies and fields of yellowy grass, hoping for more than just a brief storm. Last week, the wood pigeons celebrated a morning's rain by delighting in their underarm showers by raising their wings, one at a time. We have noticed the return of dark bird poo on the pavements, paths and road around St Margaret's, signifying a celebration for birds as blackberries are ripening!



We have seen early conker shells falling from the diseased horse chestnut trees and have commiserated as children no longer rush and gather to find the biggest and the best conkers, since conker fighting has been banned in schools for safety reasons. (No more slow-cooked champions!) And now we're watching out for low-flying wasps as they enjoy retirement and are drunk on squashed, fallen-plum juice!

I hope that you are all able to find something to celebrate, no matter how small, or that you are able to support someone by commiserating or even more. As the blackbirds and songbirds echo in commiserating with each other as the evenings draw in and cool down, I am celebrating another day of not finding a large brown female spider in search of an indoor space (or a slightly smaller but still large male in search of a mate) in our bath or on the floor!

JULIE



St George's and St Margaret's Harvest Festival weekend will cover Saturday 10th October and Sunday 11th October this year.

On Saturday St George's will host a Harvest Supper; and on the Sunday St George's and St Margaret's will have Harvest Eucharist services, probably at the usual times.

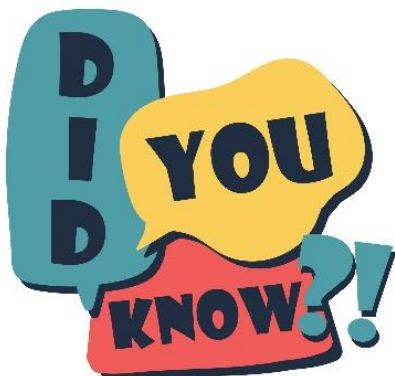
Please keep your eyes peeled and your ears open for more exact information as plans get confirmed.

"For the fruits of all creation thanks be to God, for these gifts to every nation thanks be to God, for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God. The words of this prayer remind us of your generous provision for all our needs. Creator God we give thanks for the fruit in the orchards and the food which sustains us. May we always remember that every good gift comes from you. Amen"



From now until the end of this year might you be able to put something in your shopping basket each week to help those less fortunate than many of us. You will be aware that we have a collecting tray at the back of St George's and many more in the corridor in St George's Centre. Foodbank collect from St George's every Friday morning but you can drop off donations at any time that the Church or Centre is open. From time to time, Foodbank make special requests for donations we do try and bring these occasions to your notice through Signpost.

The single most requested non-perishable item at food banks is **peanut butter!!**, closely followed by high-demand staples like **tinned tuna and chicken, tinned fruits and vegetables, pasta, rice, and shelf-stable or UHT milk.**



Unicorn Pride: Scotland chose the mythical unicorn as its national animal because of its Celtic folklore representation of purity, power, and innocence.

Ancient Stones: Stonehenge in England was built over 5,000 years ago, predating the construction of the Great Pyramids of Giza.

The London Underground: Opened in 1863, known in the UK as the Tube is the oldest underground passenger railway network in the world.

Norman French: Following the invasion by William the Conqueror in 1066, French served as the official language of law and Parliament in England until 1362.

Close to the Coast: Due to the narrow shape of the islands, no matter where you stand in the UK, you are never more than 84 miles (135 kilometers) away from the ocean.

Latin name: Its name comes from septem, the Latin word for seven, because it was the seventh month in the early Roman calendar before two extra months were added.

Birthstone: The deep blue sapphire is September's gem, symbolizing trust and loyalty.

Birth flowers: The aster and morning glory represent love and affection.

Equinox: The autumn equinox arrives around September 22nd or 23rd, bringing equal parts day and night as summer ends and Autumn begins in the Northern Hemisphere (while spring starts in the Southern Hemisphere).

Harvest time: Historically called "harvest month" or "barley month", it is the traditional time to gather crops.



Your Fayres and Fun Day planning group have met and confirmed that the date of our Christmas Craft Fayre will be Saturday 5th December from 12.00noon until 3.00pm. I have started to contact Crafters who have set up tables at previous events and offered them either the Centre or the

Church for their stall. If you know of anyone who might like to be part of the Fayre day please ask them to contact me or give me their details and I will send them a table booking form.

Father Christmas has been booked and the Grotto is in planning, we will have all the usual stalls including a Cake Stall. Yes, there are a few common-sense and legal limitations to keep in mind when running a charity cake stall with donated homemade bakes in the UK. Volunteers and cake donors do not need formal food hygiene certificates for a one-off church fayre. While full commercial labelling will not apply we will have to ask bakers to provide a list of ingredients; especially highlighting major allergens like nuts, dairy, eggs, gluten, and soy so those who buy the cakes become informed buyers.

DARRELL



SUMMER INSECTS

No.1: The Jersey Tiger Moth

Let us hope that the heatwave will have abated by the time these words appear, but here is the first of a few short pieces about summer insects. Summer insects? Well, not the tiresome ones like mosquitos or wasps, but some of the more unusual ones that the long sunny spell has brought along.

I'm going to start with a dramatically-coloured moth, which I have seen in my garden in 2025 and 2026. It's called the Jersey Tiger Moth. At one time British sightings were more or less restricted to the Channel Islands, hence the name, but with the warmer climate, they are now commonly seen across southern England, and into the Midlands. The zebra stripes are very distinctive, and quite different to the ordinary garden Tiger Moth, though even that is quite an exciting insect. The hindwings may be different shades of red, orange or yellow, the colour being a warning to predators.

The Jersey Tiger Moth flies both by day and night and may be seen from July to September. The adult insect lives for about 3 weeks.

JONATHAN



Next month: the Rose Beetle



Here are my reflections:

Three days, thirty-six children, seven young leaders, over twenty adult team members, at least thirty parents, carers and other relatives, and I don't know how many pizzas and ice creams, give some indication of Holiday Club. But numbers alone don't show the excitement and enthusiasm present.

Each morning began in the church as we sang, played a game altogether and heard the story of the day. Then into small groups according to ages, for a retelling of the story, crafts and snacks. And then finally back into the church for a recap and more singing. We

learnt about Jesus feeding the 5,000, Jesus walking on water, and Jesus teaching his disciples how to pray. We decorated wooden fish, mounted Jesus on plastic lids and floated the models on the paddling pool (yes, they did float), and threaded beads to tie in with the sections of the Lord's prayer.

Then on the Thursday families came to hear about what we'd been doing, listen to the song and watch as each child received a certificate. After which it was time for pizza and ice cream.

It might seem like a lot of work for three days, but those three days are the dramatic tip of the iceberg. Two months earlier when booking forms went out, some of the youngsters at Fun & Free were telling their friends how good it was. One 7-year-old asked for a form and another for her brother who was old enough to come now. Then, by the end of the three days, children were talking about which group they'd be in next year, and some of the top group were talking of when they could be young leaders. Many of the youngest group engaged more as they grew in confidence. Some of the oldest group were able to stand up at the end of the morning and pray in front of everyone. Each child will have their own particular memories of their time, whether or not they express it.

And in the coming year we will see nearly all of the children at different activities, whether Fun & Free, Youth Groups, Saturday Fun Mornings and at various services. Our relationships with the families are ongoing.

Finally, all our thanks must go to Gioia for leading the Holiday Club with such enthusiasm and joy.

Best wishes
SUSAN



It's always coffee time at our **Coffee Pot** on a Tuesday...

Coffee Pot opens at 9.30am for Tea/Coffee and biscuits

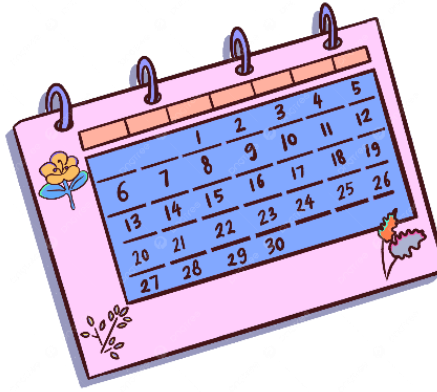
Plenty of chat and laughter, and a chance for old friends to meet new friends. We've moved back into the Small Hall as it's cooler but still use the softer chairs.

What more could you want

If you should have time on a Tuesday morning and would like to help out at Coffee Pot, please speak with Rachel about being put on the servicing rota.

See note about fundraiser later in this issue!





Should you be arranging an event/meeting in our church or centre don't forget to check with Laura, our Parish Administrator so space can be booked, and your event/meeting can be added to the diary and avoid you arriving and finding that someone else has booked it.



FUNDRAISING

Tuesday 29th September's Coffee Pot will be a Fundraising morning for a Parkinson's Disease charity and to remember Mike Brammer who helped out at Coffee Pot for many years. There will be a cake sale so if you are able to bake a cake or cakes to donate, please do.



SEPTEMBER's GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ
Questions based on the Gospel readings for July

- 1 Jesus said, "To what will I compare this _____?". What was Jesus seeking to compare?
- 2 "____ came neither eating nor drinking, and they say 'He has a demon'. To whom do these statements apply?
- 3 Jesus went on to say, "Yet _____ is vindicated by her deeds". Who, or what was Jesus talking about?
- 4 Jesus talked about 4 types of soil. What was the parable called?
- 5 Jesus talked about the soil bearing fruit. What three numbers were quoted?
- 6 The disciples asked Jesus to explain the parable of the wheat and the tares. Who did Jesus say sowed the good seed?
- 7 What did Jesus say the field was?
- 8 Who are the reapers?
- 9 Jesus used _____ to communicate with people as He moved from village to village? What did He use?
- 10 Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with _____ measures of flour until all of it was leavened". How many measures of flour were there?

The answers are printed later in Crossroads

A PINT-SIZED TRAMWAY

I wasn't quite sure whether I would like the Seaton Tramway. I love trams, but this is a bit different. It's only three miles long, narrow gauge and laid mostly on a disused railway. The trams are half to two-thirds normal size, and the only contact with public roads is at a level crossing. It is unashamedly a tourist attraction, rather than a 'real' tramway.

Well, I gave it a try earlier this summer, and actually I loved it. My friend and I were lucky in the day we chose, and on the top of our modest sized tram car we had a breezy and sunny ride along the estuary of the River Axe. Much of the surrounding land is an important nature reserve, with plenty of wildfowl, including the handsome shelducks, curlews and much more. Didn't I wish I'd brought my binoculars!

The tram leaves from a modern terminal, between a car park and Tesco's. However, the charm soon starts. The first part of the ride is a new alignment, with some very sharp curves, made possible by the narrow gauge. After a while the line reaches the track-bed of the old Seaton branch, and then fabulous views open up across the salt marshes, with the East Devon hills on the far side of the river. It is all pretty slow, and there are frequent stops to cross trams coming the other way.

The trams themselves are a mixture: some purpose built, while others incorporate the remains of some very elderly full-sized trams. The enterprise was founded by a remarkable man, Claude Lane. He was an electrical engineer with a passion for trams, which he had driven at Blackpool and at Colwyn Bay. Among other talents, he was also a renowned figure skater.

Lane built his own passenger-carrying portable miniature tram outfit, and followed this with a fixed miniature tramway at Eastbourne. In due course he had to find a new site, and with the Beeching rail cuts in full

swing, he decided to buy part of the disused Seaton branch. Sadly, he died prematurely in 1971 and did not see the remarkable success of his venture.

The tramway has to work hard for its living, as it has limited carrying capacity and lacks the popular magic of steam. It carries a very creditable 100,000 passengers a year. All sorts of ideas are offered, including Pirate trams for children, and tram-driving experience for the grown-ups. A more unusual one is a monthly bird-spotting tram, either before or after the normal daily operations. The tram then forms a mobile hide, stopping at different spots overlooking the mud flats and the marshes. In April, no fewer than seventy different types of bird were recorded. A local ornithologist leads the event and no doubt knows exactly where the rarer birds may be seen ... from the top of a pint-sized tram! A great idea, and all extra revenue for the tramway.

Despite my initial doubts, I really enjoyed my visit, and would definitely recommend it if you are in the area.

JONATHAN

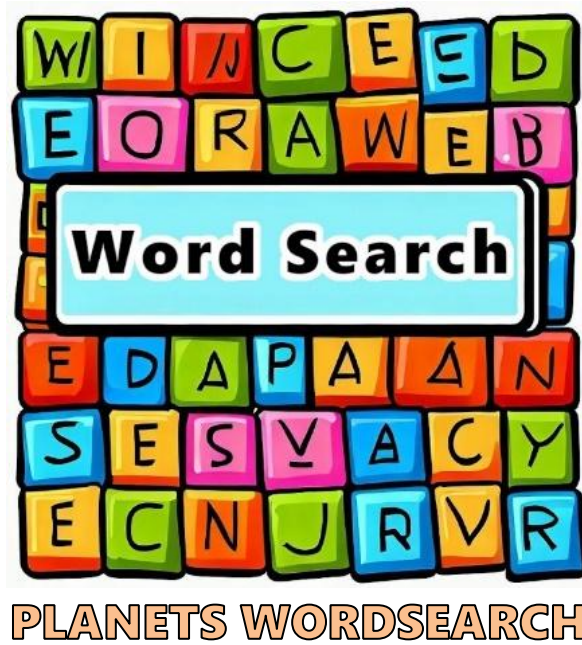




10 QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS MONTH

- 1 The Great Fire of London ended in September 1666, but how many people died? a) 6 b) 60 c) 600
- 2 Jochen Rindt died in September 1970, but in what profession did he become famous?
- 3 The Pilgrims set sail for America from Plymouth on the Mayflower in which year? a) 1610 b) 1620 c) 1630
- 4 Whose funeral in 1997 was watched by an estimated 2.5 billion on television as well as 1 million people who lined the streets of the funeral procession?
- 5 In the third Crusade in 1191 which English king defeated Saladin at the battle of Arsuf?
- 6 The International Criminal Police Organisation was formed in 1923. What is it better known as?
- 7 The sculpture 'David' was unveiled in Florence in 1504, but who was the sculptor?
- 8 Which Apache leader in 1886 after 29 years of fighting finally surrendered in Arizona
- 9 In 1948 due to health reasons Queen Wilhelmina abdicated the throne of which country?
- 10 Scotland's Forth Road Bridge near Edinburgh officially opened in which year? a) 1952 b) 1958 c) 1964

The quiz answers are printed later in Crossroads



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Find the following words in the above puzzle. Words can go in any direction. Words can share letters as they cross over each other.

Earth, Jupiter, Mars, Mercury, Moon, Neptune, Pluto, Saturn, Solar System, Stars, Sun, Uranus, Venus

The answer is printed later in Crossroads

JOTTINGS FROM St Margaret's

Well, hello people it's me again that certain person who with her friends Marilyn and Dianne cleaned at St Margaret's. I've not been there for at least eight weeks as I've had a hip replaced. In recent years I had been in such a lot of pain, but I'm glad that it's all done and dusted (no pun intended) I can now move with little or no pain and I know that I will improve as time goes by.

I have been told that I must do all the exercises in the leaflet I was given, which can be excruciating at times. But I have to do them each day, I supplement the exercises with a fair amount of walking so my muscles don't seize up and when I get home, I am pleased with what I've done, but totally knackered.

I thank all of you who sent me Get Well cards and messages, which brightened my day. I must single out Dianne who came along regularly and fed my cats whilst I was away from home. Trixie and Maya were shy at first but soon warmed to her, Trixie was happy with cuddles but Maya was not, she is offish with everyone. But she got to know Dianne, and in the end, cuddles were given and received. With all the heat over the time I was being sorted out, Dianne must have almost melted travelling backwards and forwards in those temperatures. I knew that I could pick up the phone and get an update on how my cats were coping. So heartfelt thanks to Dianne and thank you from the bottom of my heart to everyone else too.

So, it's back to getting on with doing my bit for St Margaret's, so cleaning and Serving are on my horizon. I will keep my ears and eyes open so I can report back in future magazines. I do drive a little now but I still have to keep up the walking.

I will say cheerio for now and I will see you over the coming weeks, my very best wishes to you all...

JILL PONTER

Editor's note: Don't rush back and think that you can do all that you were doing before your operation, take it steady and build up to it, there may be certain jobs that you just will not be able to do.

Don't be afraid to ask for help!

DARRELL

Veteran of 2 knee replacements



I know that you won't forget but...
...to make sure that your contribution for
our **OCTOBER 2026 CROSSROADS** is included
...ARTICLES NEED TO BE WITH THE EDITORS' PREFERABLY BY EMAIL
BEFORE, BUT NO LATER THAN...
...Sunday 13th September 2026

In order that Crossroads is ready for publication on
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Crossroads will be printed during week commencing 21st September
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will appear in the first Crossroads after receipt.

Please send your articles to
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OVER THE GARDEN FENCE

Maya, Maya, what on earth are you doing up there? I'm looking out the window. Yes, but why are you sitting in the window? That's because I don't have a shelf to sit on. I've only got the window frame, but Maya isn't that a bit uncomfortable on your bum? Yes, Trixie it is but at least our mum is home now. I don't know where she has been but she was ever such a long time away.

Trixie, we had Auntie Dianne to look after us. I know Maya and she was so lovely but she didn't know which food we liked most of all, but our mum must have told her because all of a sudden, we had the best food that was in the cupboard. Auntie Dianne came to us every morning and every evening and wasn't it hot, she must have melted. I know Maya, she let us out in the mornings so we could do what a girl has to do and she let us back in the evenings. I think our mum must have got in touch with Auntie Di because she let it out on a couple of occasions. She wanted to know how we were getting on, were we eating all right and were we behaving ourselves. I mean behaving ourselves, we can't do anything else can we? The weather has been so very hot all the time, it has been so hot for weeks and weeks but I would love to know where our mum has been as she hasn't said much since she came home and we have had some new neighbours move in this week. I thought that Luna hadn't been around for a few weeks. I expect she has gone with her mum and dad to somewhere new. I just hope that she will be alright in her new home. Trixie you are such a softie you know. I can't help it but I do hope that Rhea and her family are enjoying themselves where they are.

I know that our mum keeps going out for walks, Maya, but where does she go? That I can't say Trixie, but I do know that she takes both her walking sticks with her. I think that it's to stop her falling over. Maya our mum won't fall over surely, well she was on that telephone machine thing talking to Auntie Marg and saying that she hoped she wouldn't fall over when she was on her walk. So that's why she was taking her

walking sticks. Well, Trix I'm so glad that our mum is home and looking well, so let's get some shut eye for now and look forward to tomorrow.

With lots of love from
Maya and Trixie Ponter



ST GEORGE'S CHURCH CLEANING CREW

**We will meet up again on Saturday 5th September and
Saturday 3rd October from 10.00am onwards**

We will be dusting and vacuuming, changing candles and light bulbs where needed. It's still dangerous to stand around when we get going with vacuum cleaners, dusters and broom, the play area at the back of church will be tidied up along with the welcomer's and play table too. Not forgetting the Vestry.

I'm not able to be a part of the Crew in September so as always if you are able to join us in September to help that would be a great incentive. But if you can't and spot something which needs our attention, please don't keep it to yourself and fret about it; tell us, the professionals! You know it makes sense... Don't forget there will be tea or coffee, and cake for all who join us on the 5th September! Yes, although I'm not there I will make sure that there are cakes (thanks to Glenda).

CHURCH CLEANING CREW!

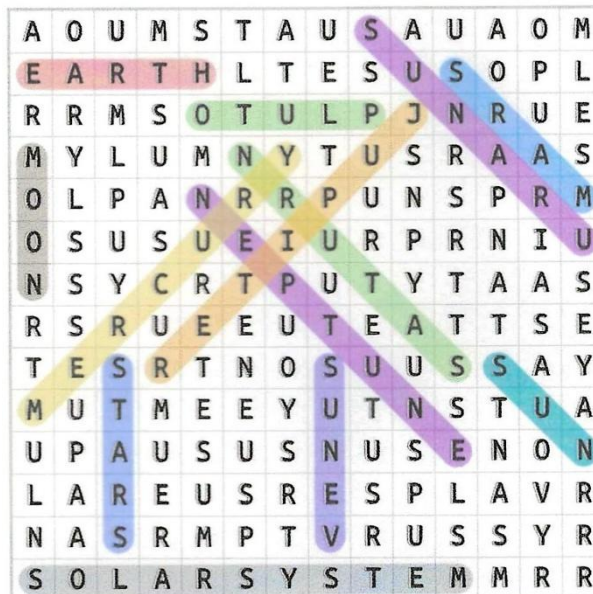
ANSWERS TO SEPTEMBER'S QUIZ

1 a) 6; 2 Racing Driver; 3 b) 1620; 4 Princess Diana; 5 Richard I; 6 Interpol;
7 Michelangelo; 8 Geronimo; 9 Netherlands; 10 c) 1964

SEPTEMBER GOSPEL TRUTH BIBLE QUIZ ANSWERS

1 this generation; 2 John; 3 wisdom; 4 the Sower; 5 100 60 30; 6 the Son
of Man; 7 the world; 8 Angels; 9 parables; 10 three:

PLANETS WORDSEARCH ANSWER



IN THE BENEFICE

August

Sunday 30

Crossroads available

10.30am Parish Eucharist in St George's Church

5.00pm Parish Eucharist in St Margaret's Church

Monday 31 September	4.00pm	IGBO Meeting in small hall
		Bank Holiday
Tuesday 1	9.30am	Coffee Pot in small hall
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Lady Chapel
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	8.00pm	Karate in main hall
Wednesday 2	8.30am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	3.30pm	Slimming World in main hall 5.00pm and 6.30pm
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
Thursday 3	10.30am	Thursday Club in small hall
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist at St Margaret's Church
	2.00pm	Art Group in small hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Clubbercise in main hall
	7.30pm	Charter Band in small hall
Friday 4	7.30pm	Entertainers in main hall
Saturday 5	10.00am	Church Cleaning in St George's is back
	10.00am	Karate in main hall
Sunday 6	10.30am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Church
	5.00pm	Parish Evensong in St Margaret's Church
Monday 7	5.00pm	Evening Prayer on Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies in main hall
	6.00pm	Rainbows in small hall
	7.15pm	Guides in main hall
	7.15pm	Y8 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Tuesday 8	9.30am	Coffee Pot in small hall
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Lady Chapel
	2.30pm	Mothers' Union in small hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Cubs and Beavers in main hall
	8.00pm	Karate in main hall
Wednesday 9	8.30am	Morning Prayer on Zoom

	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg in main hall
	3.30pm	Slimming World in main hall 5.00pm and 6.30pm
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	7.15pm	Y6 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Thursday 10	10.30am	Thursday Club in small hall
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist at St Margaret's Church
	2.00pm	Art Group in small hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Clubbercise in main hall
	7.30pm	Charter Band in small hall
Friday 11	9.00am	Start of Church Mission Weekend
	7.30pm	Entertainers in main hall
Saturday 12	9.00am	Church Mission Weekend
	10.00am	Karate in main hall
Sunday 13	9.00am	Church Mission Weekend
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Church
	5.00pm	Parish Eucharist in St Margaret's Church
Monday 14	10.30am	Say Aphasia in small hall/ Softley Lounge
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer on Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies in main hall
	6.00pm	Rainbows in small hall
	7.15pm	Guides in main hall
	7.15pm	Y8 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Tuesday 15	9.30am	Coffee Pot in small hall
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Lady Chapel
	1.30pm	Fun and Free in main hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Cubs and Beavers in main hall
	7.30pm	Refresh at St Barnabas Church
	8.00pm	Karate in main hall
Wednesday 16	8.30am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg in main hall

	3.30pm	Slimming World in main hall 5.00pm and 6.30pm
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	7.15pm	Y6 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Thursday 17	10.30am	Thursday Club in small hall
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist at St Margaret's Church
	2.00pm	Art Group in small hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Clubbercise in main hall
	7.30pm	Charter Band in small hall
Friday 18	7.30pm	Entertainers in main hall
Saturday 19	10.00am	Karate in main hall
	11.30am	Cit Litter Pick meet at St Barnabas Church
Sunday 20	10.30am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Church
	5.00pm	Parish Evensong in St Margaret's Church
Monday 21	5.00pm	Evening Prayer on Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies in main hall
	6.00pm	Rainbows in small hall
	7.15pm	Guides in main hall
	7.15pm	Y8 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Tuesday 22	9.30am	Coffee Pot in small hall
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Lady Chapel
	1.30pm	Fun and Free in main hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Cubs and Beavers in main hall
	7.00pm	PCC meeting in small hall
	8.00pm	Karate in main hall
Wednesday 23	8.30am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg in main hall
	3.30pm	Slimming World in main hall 5.00pm and 6.30pm
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	7.15pm	Y6 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Thursday 24	10.30am	Thursday Club in small hall

	10.30am	Parish Eucharist at St Margaret's Church
	2.00pm	Art Group in small hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Clubbercise in main hall
	7.30pm	Charter Band in small hall
Friday 25	7.30pm	Entertainers in main hall
Saturday 26	10.00am	Karate in main hall
Sunday 27	10.30am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Church
	5.00pm	Parish Eucharist in St Margaret's Church
Monday 28	5.00pm	Evening Prayer on Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies in main hall
	6.00pm	Rainbows in small hall
	7.15pm	Guides in main hall
	7.15pm	Y8 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Tuesday 29	9.30am	Fundraising Coffee Pot in small hall
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Lady Chapel
	1.30pm	Fun and Free in main hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Cubs and Beavers in main hall
	7.00pm	PCC meeting in small hall
	8.00pm	Karate in main hall
Wednesday 30	8.30am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg in main hall
	3.30pm	Slimming World in main hall 5.00pm and 6.30pm
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	7.15pm	Y6 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
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Thursday 1	10.30am	Thursday Club in small hall
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist at St Margaret's Church
	2.00pm	Art Group in small hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Clubbercise in main hall
	7.30pm	Charter Band in small hall

Friday 2	7.30pm	Entertainers in main hall
Saturday 3	10.00am	Church Cleaning at St George's
	10.00am	Karate in main hall
Sunday 4	10.30am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Church
	5.00pm	Parish Evensong in St Margaret's Church
Monday 5	5.00pm	Evening Prayer on Zoom
	5.00pm	Brownies in main hall
	6.00pm	Rainbows in small hall
	7.15pm	Guides in main hall
	7.15pm	Y8 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
Tuesday 6	9.30am	Coffee Pot in small hall
	10.00am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Lady Chapel
	1.30pm	Fun and Free in main hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Cubs and Beavers in main hall
	8.00pm	Karate in main hall
	8.30am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Wednesday 7	9.30am	Phonics with Robot Reg in main hall
	3.30pm	Slimming World in main hall 5.00pm and 6.30pm
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	7.15pm	Y6 Youth Group in small hall/Softley Lounge
	10.30am	Thursday Club in small hall
Thursday 8	10.30am	Parish Eucharist at St Margaret's Church
	2.00pm	Art Group in small hall
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in St George's Lady Chapel
	6.30pm	Clubbercise in main hall
	7.30pm	Charter Band in small hall
	7.30pm	Entertainers in main hall
Friday 9	7.30pm	Entertainers in main hall
Saturday 10	10.00am	Karate in main hall
Sunday 11	10.30am	Parish Eucharist in St George's Church
	5.00pm	Parish Eucharist in St Margaret's Church

REMEMBER

...that dates can change, be cancelled, or added so keep an eye on our weekly Signpost Newsletter for the latest information



Foodbank, Christmas Craft Fayre, Youth Groups, Fun and Free, Church Cleaning, Coffee Pot, etc

If you can help at St Margaret's or at St George's please contact the editors at ds52604@gmail.com

Save a life Give blood

Why did the vampire go to Art Group?
Because he wanted to draw blood!

What's a blood cell's favourite kind of music?
Anything but heavy metal because that's too much iron!

Looking Ahead...



Bishop's Mission Weekend: Friday 11th to Sunday 13th September using Grange Primary Academy as a hosting site. Barbecue, Concert and much, much more; see the poster on the front cover.

Benefice PCC: Tuesday 22nd September reports to Darrell by no later than Monday 14th September for circulating to PCC members please.

Coffee Pot: Tuesday 29th September Fundraising morning in aid of Parkinson's Disease Charity and to remember Mike Brammer.

Our Harvest Weekend: will be over Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th October; see article in this issue.

Time to Remember in Tuffley: English Martyrs is hosting the service this year, on Sunday 2nd November at 3.00pm. Please do put this very special service in your diary.

Christmas Craft Fayre: Our Fayres and Fun Day planning group have set the date for St George's Christmas Fayre for Saturday 5th December, from 12.00noon until 3.00pm. More details will be available later in the year.

Please make sure that you have the above dates in your diary and where you can please offer to help.



Jack said to his son, "Why are you doing your maths homework on the floor?" His son replied, "Well, you told me to do it without using tables."

Jill asked Jack, "Have you had your Lunch?" Jack replied, "Have you had your Lunch?" Jill replied, "I am asking you". Jack said "And I'm asking you", Jill retorted "Are you Copying me?" Jack asked, "Are you copying me?", so, Jill said "Let's go shopping!". Jack replied "I've had my lunch, thank you, for asking".

Jill was interviewing a job applicant she asked his name to which he replied, "Angus MacTavish". "What's your current age?" "43" he replied. So, Jill asked "Could you tell me where you were born, please?". "Isle of Rhum" he said. "Hang on," said Jill, "We'll get to your hobbies later."

Jill was doing another interview, and she asked the applicant, "How long did you work your last job?" The applicant said "30 years". So, Jill said, "But, you look so young, how old are you?" The applicant said "20 years old". Jill was surprised and asked, "How have you worked 30 years and yet be only 20 years old?" "Overtime!" came the reply.

Jack and Jill's son comes home from school and so excitedly telling his dad, "Daddy, Daddy the teacher asked a question at school today and I was the only one who answered it." Jack replied "Congratulations, son, I'm so proud but what was the question?". "Who broke the Headteacher's window...?"

Jill was on a chucking out stuff bender around the house. When Jack came home, she said to him, "I was in the attic today, and I found a Rembrandt and a Stradivarius... we're rich!!" Jack jumped up and looked at what she had found and his face fell immediately, and he said, "It's such a pity that Stradivarius couldn't paint and Rembrandt was a lousy violin maker!!!".

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