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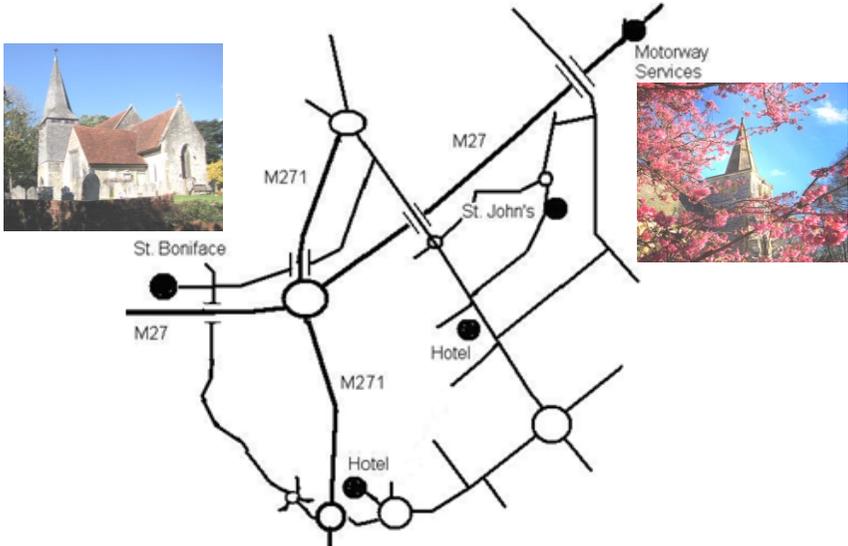
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Nursling & Rownhams



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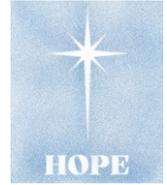
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Verse of the Month



May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15:13 NRSVA)

Dear Friends,

Hope is essential when supporting a team of any kind. When the new season comes around you really hope your team will do well. Many of us hope that England will do well this year at cricket, others will get behind England's football team later this year in the European championships. Many in this area were hoping (and no doubt praying) that Southampton would avoid relegation and they did.

As a supporter you hope that this season will be a good one. And yet for many, those hopes get dashed. Teams are relegated, they get knocked out of cups, they lose out on promotion once again. For myself, as a dedicated Sunderland supporter, I began to hope that this season would be a better one. On the last day of the season, Sunderland won the play off final to get promoted to the Championship, hope fulfilled!

Hope is also an essential part of our daily lives. Many this year will be hoping to do well in exams and get to their chosen University, or find the right modern apprenticeship. Many folks known to me will be hoping for good results from medical tests. Others are hoping that the right job will come along and that things will start to look better.

We hope to have good weather over the summer, though we remain to be convinced based on recent evidence. The sun is slowly warming, the birds are singing and chirping and after a rainy month of May, the flowers are blooming, and there is new life and new growth wherever you look. We hope to have a good summer holiday, to feel refreshed and renewed. June always helps me find hope.

We hope for better times ahead. Hope is the thing you look forward to in the future which lifts your mood in the present. For many the last two years have been difficult. Many have struggled to find hope. We are hopefully at last emerging from the pandemic - though we still need to be cautious. As a PCC, we recently decided to remove all Covid restrictions from our morning services as a sign of our hope in the future – though we still need to be graceful with one another.

There are few things that weaken and undermine us more than when our hopes are not realised. Those previous times, when we thought we were

recovering from the pandemic, only to have our hopes thwarted. That awful feeling when the job application gets rejected, or as I remember from years ago, the business deal collapses, or the test results come back and life changes in a heartbeat. Dashed hopes are hard to recover from, as are disappointed hopes. Perhaps you know how it feels when your dreams are ruined, or the dream you had turns out not to be quite what you had hoped for. That new relationship is not all it seems, or that new job, or perhaps that longed for retirement, somehow underdelivers. The hoping was better than the lived reality.

The dashing of hopes explains why the disciples were so downhearted in that upper room as Jesus ascended to heaven. But amazingly, Jesus revealed Himself to these disciples through the Holy Spirit ten days later, at Pentecost. Filled with the Spirit, the group of disciples began to emerge from that room filled with hope and renewed faith. The same Spirit, which empowered the disciples of Christ, empowers us. Our fears are banished, blessings are manifest, and in our hearts, hopes are restored.

Recently, many of us felt a powerful sense of hope as the church and community met together to celebrate the Queen's platinum Jubilee. It felt like a new manifestation of freedom, filled with joy and hope after two years of sadness and relative confinement for our churches. People giving their time and energy, helping each other, reaching out to one another, welcoming each other and generally lifting each other up as we shared food together. The hospitality the church showed to the community was wonderful and gives us hope for the future. It was such an uplifting event over the Pentecost weekend.

I felt the same sense of joy and hope at the commissioning of our church wardens Randell and John in Romsey abbey. In that service, we sang together the words written by Julian of Norwich – 'All will be well, all manner of things shall be well.' What a wonderful hope that is. Matthew tells us when Jesus ascended to Heaven, He left the disciples with a message to 'go' and share the good news. That's what I saw happening from so many people at our Jubilee celebrations.

So, can I encourage you to consider the hope that you have in life and what the foundations for that hope are, by considering the hope that Jesus offers us all through the Holy Spirit. Hope comes from Christ through the Holy Spirit. Romans 15.13 tells us 'Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit.'

Christian hope reminds us that with God, all things are possible and as Paul tells us, Christian hope does not disappoint.

Rev Graeme

Platinum Jubilee Celebration

We enjoyed a wonderful Jubilee Celebration Event at St John's Church on Friday 3rd June. In addition to the cream teas and array of tasty refreshments, activities included face painting, a family quiz, a treasure hunt and badge and flag making.



We have so many people to thank for the success of the party: those who co-ordinated the event, the decorations, the activities. Thank you to everyone who volunteered in advance, to those who turned up on the day to help – and to everyone who came along to make the occasion so memorable!

Rev Graeme Dixon, photos by Pat Wills

A very big thank you for all the cakes, that were donated for our Queen's Jubilee Party on Friday 3rd June 2022.



We have never seen so many cakes and there were lots of compliments about them.

During the afternoon we also served approximately 200 drinks of tea, coffee and fruit juice.

So thank you all very much again for your generous donations and for those who helped to serve the refreshments.

Marion Cowdery

St Boniface Church News

The Platinum Jubilee weekend was to prove a challenge for the St Boniface Church flower team. Sunday 5th June was not only a **Jubilee Day**, it was also **St Boniface Day**, **Pentecost** and the dedication of an apple tree.

Red and yellow flowers at the altar represented Pentecost.

An oak tree with an axe told the story of St Boniface.

A display of oak greenery with foxgloves greeted the congregation as they entered the porch.

Window displays represented the Queen and street parties.



Peter Russell LLM dedicated a Windsor red apple tree in the church grounds following our morning prayer service. This was part of the Queen's Green Canopy initiative.



Avis Wood

Our Vision: As a Church Community We Seek to:

Encourage everyone to grow to be more like Jesus, following Him at all stages of their lives;	Be open to being church in new ways and new places, while affirming and strengthening the old where it is still serving us well;	Bear Witness to the God in whom we believe by serving in our working, social and community lives, following the example of Jesus;	Strive to make the best use of all that God has given us to build up His Kingdom.
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We are delighted to share here the entertainment organised for July for the **Nursling & Rownhams Friendship Club**:

- 7th July** Romsey Ukelele Group
14th July Rev Graeme Dixon will open the meeting with a prayer and a short talk, which will be followed by -
Quizzes with prizes: general knowledge & 'pub' style
21st July Hampshire Accordions

Summer Break until Thursday 15th September

We meet on Thursdays between 2.15-3.45pm in the Village Hall, in Nursling Street. The cost is £2 per meeting, including light refreshments.

There's no need to book in advance, or to commit to attending every week, please do come along on the day, you will be made very welcome! Or to find out more, please contact Sheila or Alan on 023 8073 2440 or by email: alanandsheilab@gmail.com

Sheila & Alan Bulpit



We had a great turnout, glorious weather and a wonderful time at our 'Jubilee Coffee Break' in June. We celebrated a 90th birthday and welcomed our youngest visitor.



We meet each month on the **1st & 3rd Thursdays** at the Community Centre in Horns Drove. We're a friendly group who meet together for a chat over coffee and cake. We welcome new visitors and it's also a good time for carers, or those they care for, to take a break and to make new friends. In consideration for our more vulnerable visitors, we continue to recommend that, for the time being, masks are worn.



This month we meet on July 7th & 21st between 10am and midday.

(If you are in need of a lift, please contact Glennis on 023 80 736173).

The Coffee Break Team

Family Celebrations After Covid



Our son, James, and his fiancé Sarah had planned to get married on Saturday 5th September 2020. We had everything booked and everyone was excited.

Then COVID struck. Weddings were put on hold, much to great disappointment of many couples. We had discussions about when we should book. Fortunately, the decision was made to push the date forward by 20 months, so on Saturday 28th May the family and friends of James and Sarah met at St John's church for their wedding. The weather was fabulous. The wedding service was joyful, beautifully led by Rev Graeme and the church was filled with voices heartily singing the hymns.



Many thanks go to our wonderful flower ladies who filled the church with beautiful displays of flowers. We moved on to the reception and celebrated the wedding until the early hours.

Praise to God that our son is now happily married to Sarah after a frustrating COVID delay. We did have an extra guest at the wedding, James and Sarah's gorgeous one year old son, Archie. A real blessing.

Peter and Fiona Skidmore

Double congratulations to Peter and Fiona, on achieving their ruby wedding anniversary on the same weekend!



Congratulations!

Well done to Chris Bird and the Sparsholt College team, on their medal-winning run, attaining another Silver-Gilt medal at RHS Chelsea Flower Show 2022.

Chris has been sharing his wisdom with our Ichthians, where he has been a leader for nearly 25 years. He has masterminded the development and management of their Bible Garden and helped to develop plans to maintain St John's churchyard sustainably.



As part of the Level 3 Horticulture course at the College, students work with the College's experts on garden displays entered into the RHS Chelsea Flower Show. This accolade is Sparsholt College's 5th Silver-Gilt medal, adding to the collection of:

- 9 Gold Medals**
- 6 Silver medals**
- 3 Bronze medals,**
- 5 'Best in Category' awards.**

Sparsholt College's 2021/22 garden 'Home from Home' celebrates cancer support charity 'Maggie's Southampton'. The garden, designed by Garden Design students at Sparsholt College, takes inspiration from Maggie's recognition that the space around us (whether inside or out) creates an environment which helps people to find the emotional space they need.

You can read more and 'explore the 'Home from Home' garden via the [Sparsholt College news website](#).

Churches Count on Nature Event



Well Sunday was a wonderful time spent outside, stepping back and looking at nature. It reminded me of Job 12 vs 7-10: **‘But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds in the sky, and they will tell you; or speak to the earth, and it will teach you, or let the fish in the sea inform you. Which of all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this? In His hand is the life of every creature.’** Amen!

About 25 of us, church-goers and some non-, came together to really look closely at God’s creation in St John’s Churchyard. I assigned people into 1 of 5 groups, trying to mix those of our congregation and new families. My husband and children came home saying they had a lovely time with a new family who came along to church for the first time. Look out for Becky, Paul and their two sons Jack and Joseph at Church! Also say hi to Leah, Mike and their son Finn.

When I took in the lists from each group, I was astonished at how wide a variety of species we found. The grand total came to 150 species, including those listed below (to name but a few).

- a caterpillar, which we think will grow into a Tussock moth,
- a thick legged flower beetle
- 2 different coloured pond frogs
- a bush cricket
- Aphids
- European fire ants
- a Spanish slug
- a Chocolate Arion slug and
- a green-veined white butterfly.



Linda, from the Hampshire Isle of Wight Trust said at the beginning, to **‘stand back and look at nature’**. How inspired and profound.

Angela messaged me after the event, to say she had a fabulous time looking at a wren and listening to its loud alarm call: ‘Well worth the time spent!’

Louise said ‘Thanks so much for today. We all had such a lovely afternoon with everyone. It has given us inspiration to look at nature more in detail and appreciate what is around us.’

Regina, who kindly took photos of the event, said ‘It was lovely. Something we ought to do with our children regularly I think.’

It was difficult to narrow down the many stunning photos Regina took of our special afternoon with God's creation.

Thank you to all those who came. Thank you, Lord for your amazing creation!

Sophie Ross



Church Services in July

For morning services inside church buildings, we have now relaxed coronavirus restrictions a little. However, those wishing to maintain social distancing are invited to use the designated seating areas: transepts & balcony.

Our 10am services, unless outdoors, are also streamed online via [YouTube](#) and can be found on the website www.twinspires.org.uk. Please see the news sheet and website for details/variations. Tea & coffee are served after the 10am service and we also offer a **Crèche** at St John's Church during this service on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month. We hope to provide Prayer Ministry at 10am & 6.30pm services.

+ Sunday 3rd July – Trinity 3

10am **Twinspires@10Together** outside St John's Church - **Pet Service**

All pets welcome with their well-behaved families! Do also bring umbrellas, buckets, spades, picnic chairs/blankets as required

11am Morning Prayer in St Boniface Church

6.30pm Holy Communion in St John's Church

+ Sunday 10th July – Trinity 4 – Sea Sunday

10am Holy Communion in St John's Church (+ Crèche)

also livestreamed via [YouTube](#)

11am Morning Prayer in St Boniface Church

6.30pm Evening Service in St John's Church,
led by King's Community Church (Hedge End) Youth Team



+ Sunday 17th July – Trinity 5

10am Morning Service in St John's Church,

also livestreamed via [YouTube](#)

11am Holy Communion in St Boniface Church

6.30pm Evening Service in St John's Church

+ Sunday 24th July – Trinity 6

10am Morning Service in St John's Church (+ Crèche)

also livestreamed via [YouTube](#)

11am Morning Prayer in St Boniface Church

6.30pm Evening Service in St John's Church

+ Sunday 31st July – Trinity 7

10am Morning Service in St John's Church

also livestreamed via [YouTube](#)

11am Morning Prayer in St Boniface Church

6.30pm Healing Service in St John's Church



What's On During the Week

Links for online activities can be found on the website: www.twinspires.org.uk.

Weekdays – Morning Prayer streamed on [Zoom](#) or Facebook.

Via [Zoom](#) at **9.30am** on **Mondays** and **Tuesdays**

Via [Zoom](#) at **9am** on **Wednesdays** (open prayer) and **Fridays**

Visit www.twinspires.org.uk for the [Morning Prayer Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 112 879 792 Password: 107871

Via **Facebook** at **10am** on **Thursdays** (not on 7th July):

<https://www.facebook.com/NurslingAndRownhams/live/>



Mondays 7-8.15pm **MORE** for ages 11-16

Contact the youth team: youth@twinspires.org.uk

Tuesdays 7.30pm **Alpha** Course on [Zoom](#)



Wednesdays 7.00 - 7.45am Early Morning Prayer in St John's Church
St John's Church is open most Wednesday mornings from 10am
for personal prayer

Wednesdays 7.30pm Virtual Bible Study group on [Zoom](#)

Thursdays 2.15-3.45pm Nursling & Rownhams

Friendship Club in the Village Hall, Nursling (see page 8)



Alternate Thursdays 8-9pm, **CONNECT!** on [Zoom](#) for young adults.

First & third **Thursdays** 10am – midday

Coffee Break (7th & 21st July) (See page 9)



Fridays 9.30am-2.30pm **Recreational walk**

Meet in St John's Church car park, approximately 5 miles,
bring a packed lunch and mid-morning snack/coffee.

Saturday 2nd July 9.30am – **Virtual Vestry Vigil** on [Zoom](#)

Saturday 2nd July 10.30-11.30am – **Litter pick** (See page 17)

Meeting location, once decided, will be advertised on the church website

Tuesday 5th July 7.30pm **Craft Group** in St John's Church Hall

Saturday 9th July 8.30 – 10am – **Ladies' Breakfast** in St John's Church
Hall (see page 16). Contact Tracey by Weds 6th July if you are coming:

Saturday 16th July 8.30am – **Men's Monthly Breakfast**

17 Hazeldown Road, Rownhams (see page 16)

Contact Mike Bunce by 13th July to reserve your place





Dates for Your Diary



+ Contributions for Next Month's Twin Spires Magazine by 6 pm, Sunday 10th July 2022

Preferably by email to twinspiresnews@live.co.uk or, alternatively, to: Mary Carter, 12 Horsebridge Way (paper copy). Please check you receive an acknowledgement of your email.



+ Saturday 9th July 8.30-10am – Ladies' Breakfast in St John's Church Hall.

Following June's successful relaunch of our ladies' social get-togethers, we now plan to meet regularly on the second Saturday of each month for a catch up in St John's Church Hall. Do join us breakfast this month. Please contact Tracey Jones by Wednesday 6th July if you are coming, or for more details: 07904 502214. Hope to see you there!

+ Friday 15th July - St Swithun's Day

St Swithun's day, if thou dost rain,
For forty days it will remain;
St Swithun's day, if thou be fair,
For forty days 'twill rain na mair.



+ Saturday 16th July 8.30-10am – Men's Monthly Breakfast 17 Hazeldown Road, Rownhams.

Contact Mike Bunce by 13th July to reserve your place. The Men's Breakfast takes place on the third Saturday of each month, please let Mike know if you would be happy to host a breakfast on 17th September or 19th November.

+ Tuesday 19th July 11am - Memorial Service for Eileen Dwyer

in St Boniface Church. The date has been chosen to celebrate Eileen's 90th birthday. All welcome! And if you would like to say a few words, or share your memories of Eileen as part of the service, Eileen's family would love to hear from you – please get in touch via the office: office@twinspires.org.uk

Now the weather should be better, you might like to make use of the various **benches** around our churchyards which are available for use for quiet prayer and reflection! Do make use of them at any time.

Our Alternative Platinum Jubilee Saturday

A small but mighty band of litter pickers met at the top of Baker's Drove to tackle the surrounding area. Despite the reduced numbers and the feeling we had that it wasn't our most productive session, we still amassed several bags of waste for TVBC to collect.



There were several larger items abandoned along Rownhams Lane, as well as the usual tiresome discarded packaging from fast food purchases. It's amazing what the fresh summer vegetation can conceal at this time of year.

In the course of looking for rubbish, we were able to trim back a branch that had been left overhanging the road after the wet weather overnight. Not what we were expecting to do, but, hopefully, it made life a bit easier for passing motorists and cyclists.

We will next meet up on Saturday 2nd July to tackle another area. If you have noticed a location in need of close attention, please let us know via the Parish office. Details of the exact location will be publicised nearer the time on the Twinpires website: www.twinspires.org.uk and Facebook.

Mary Carter and Marion Swinerd

Sea Sunday

Over many years the second Sunday of July has been kept as Sea Sunday, with a special focus on prayer for all seafarers.



The Mission to Seafarers (our planned mission support during July) supports the work of sailors facing difficult waters, piracy and separation from loved ones for long periods at sea. However, we can also experience storms in our own lives.

In Acts 27, we read how Paul was being taken as a prisoner to Rome, when he was caught in a storm off Crete. After 14 days they were shipwrecked on the island of Malta. Paul had warned the crew that it wasn't a safe time of year to sail: *'I can see that our voyage is going to be disastrous and bring great loss to ship and cargo, and to our own lives.'* But his words were ignored, and the ship sailed into a violent storm.

By the third day they *'finally gave up all hope of being saved'*. How do we face up to storms in our lives? Do we worry and panic? God doesn't necessarily prevent storms from taking place, but we can trust His purpose through them.

Paul urged the sailors to *'keep courage, because not one of you will be lost, only the ship will be destroyed'*. His confidence rested on an angelic promise: *'Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.'* Only the sovereign God, who created the wind and waves, can promise to save people from a storm. What does this mean for us in our circumstances today?



***'Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come.
Grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.'***

(Amazing Grace: John Newton)

Canon Paul Hardingham

Look around your home. How much of the contents in your cupboards, wardrobe, rooms, and even garage came to you over the seas, via the great merchant ships? What would your home be like without them? Yet when did you last give a thought to the people who bring them to you?

It is a curious fact that seafarers are one of the most important, and yet invisible, people groups in our society. We all depend on them to fill our

homes and businesses with an endless variety of goods, and yet we never see them, never speak to them, and rarely even remember their existence.

It suddenly makes Sea Sunday seem good sense: an annual opportunity to give thanks for the seafarers of the world, and to pray for their personal well-being. For going to sea is a lonely occupation. It separates families for months on end. It can sometimes be dangerous, and it is always physically demanding work.

So this month, on Sea Sunday, let's pause and give thanks to God for the seafarers of the world. Let's remember how their work so enriches our lives. Let's pray for them, for their families, and let's support the organisations that offer them care and support through their chaplaincy work.

In doing so, we will join with thousands of other Christians, from London to Lagos, Manila to Melbourne and Durban to Dunkerque, who each year remember the seafarers who make our prosperity possible.

Parish Pump



'That Quiz' on Jubilee Friday



Many of us enjoyed pitting our wits against the quiz master (Danny Hyam) at the celebrations on Jubilee Friday, but wondered what the answers were. To satisfy your curiosity (or if you missed out on the quiz), here is some of it again. The answers are on page 22.

1) Match the notable events during the Queen's reign to their year:

1969, 1972, 1976, 1982, 1985, 1989, 1991, 1993, 2011, 2016

- First commercial flight of Concorde
- Man landing on the moon
- Watergate
- Falklands War
- Brexit vote
- Fall of the Berlin Wall
- Live Aid Concert
- Last Shuttle Flight
- Invention of the World Wide Web
- Formation of the EU

2) Five of these companies have Royal Appointments to supply goods or services to the Queen, five do not, which are which?

- Marks and Spencer
- Cadburys
- WH Smiths
- Molton Brown
- Richer Sounds
- Jaguar Land Rover
- Burberry
- Walkers Shortbread
- Sony
- Waterstones

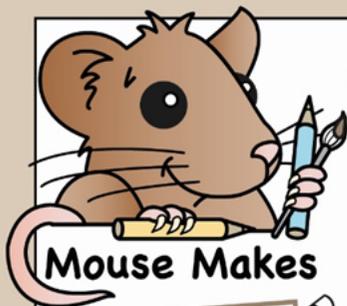
3) Royal questions

- How old was the Queen when she became queen?
- Which well-known TV presenter is 1 month younger than the Queen?
- How many Royal Residencies does the Queen have: 5, 6, 7 or 8?
- How many Prime Ministers have served during the Queen's reign: 12, 13, 14 or 15?
- How many different US Presidents have there been since 1952: 14, 15, 16 or 17?
- How old was the Queen Mother when she died in 2002?
- Who did the Queen appear on screen with during the opening ceremony of the 2012 Olympic Games?
- How many Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren does the Queen have: 16, 18, 20 or 22
- Which famous London landmark used to stand where the front part of Buckingham Palace is now?

Marble Arch, Wellington Arch, The Cenotaph or Nelson's Column

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What did Jesus turn
water into?



John 2:1-11

Who's mother-in-law
did Jesus heal?

Matthew 8:14-15

How did Jesus get out
to the disciples
in the boat?



Matthew 14:22-27

Who did Jesus raise
from the dead?

John 11:38-44

How long had the
woman at the synagogue
been disabled?

years

What did she do after
she was healed?

Luke 13:10-13

Who did Jesus
heal when his ear
was cut off?

Luke 22:47-51

DID YOU KNOW?

Jesus fed thousands
of people from a
few loaves and fish,
... not once but twice!

READ

Matthew 14:13-21

AND

Matthew 15:32-39

In each story...
How many loaves
and how many fish
did Jesus have?

How many people
were fed?

How many baskets of
broken pieces were
left over?

DID YOU KNOW?

There
are over
37
miracles of Jesus
recorded in the Gospels.

How many of them
do you know?

Find these words
in the word search

JESUS • MIRACLE

DEAF • HEAR • BLIND • SEE
 PARALYSED • WALK • SICK
 HEALED • DEAD • RAISED
 MUTE • SPEAK • DEMONS
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Answers to 'That Quiz' (from page 19)



- 1) 1976, 1969, 1972, 1982, 2016, 1989, 1985, 2011, 1991, 1993
- 2) No Royal Warrant for M&S, WHSmiths, Molton Brown, Sony and Waterstones.
Royal Warrants for Cadbury's, Jaguar Land Rover, Burberry, Walkers Shortbread and Richer Sounds (to be strictly accurate, Richer Sounds' warrant is granted by HRH The Prince of Wales, not the Queen).
- 3) 25, David Attenborough, 7, 14, 14, 101, James Bond/Daniel Craig, 20, Marble Arch



We are happy to receive foreign currency (notes and coins) and 'out of circulation' UK notes and coins, which we are able to convert into funds for our churches. Periodically we send off 'our stash' for conversion - Our most recent batch raised £111.74! **Thank you!** Look out for the **'Funny Money'** Box in church.



WINCHESTER
CATHEDRAL

Did you know that if you wish to visit **Winchester Cathedral** at any time, then the Parish Office has **six passes** allowing **free entry**? These may be borrowed by any member of the congregation. Please contact the office: office@twinspires.org.uk

We offer a **mini-recycling centre** at St John's Church for the following items:



- Plastic milk bottle tops (clean, not foil)
- Inkjet cartridges (not laser cartridges)
- Used postage stamps, ideally with a 1cm margin.

A priest, an Iman and a rabbit went into a bar.
The barman asked the rabbit 'What can I get you?'
'I don't know' the rabbit replied 'I'm only here
due to autocorrect.'



...And some last-minute late news to share (spotted on Facebook, author unknown): 'The inventor of auto-correct has died. His funnel is tomato.'



From the Registers



Weddings	“Marriage should be honoured by all”	<i>(Hebrews 13:4)</i>
11 June	David Ball & Ruth Bassham	<i>St John’s</i>
11 June	Daniel Buckley & Danielle Whitcome	<i>St John’s</i>
Funerals	‘Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep’	<i>(1 Cor 15:20)</i>
24 May	Harlo Joey Biles (7 months)	<i>St Boniface</i>
25 May	Jean Evelyn Cook (90)	<i>St John’s</i>
9 June	Sheila Yasmin Martin (89)	<i>Interred at St John’s</i>



Prayer of the Month

Dear Creator God

We thank you for Your wonderful creation. Your Word tells us that in the beginning You worked and then You rested when Your work was done.

You didn’t rest because You were tired, but because You saw that Your completed work was good. So, the seventh day became a time of celebration and blessing.

Help us, in these days of non-stop, sometimes intrusive means of communication, to follow Your pattern – to work and then to rest; to be restored and blessed by You. Help us to keep one day - Jesus’ Resurrection Day - special for You.

In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Daphne Kitching

Suggestions for your Prayers



Keep praying for Ukraine. That the war will not escalate but that peace will come soon. For wisdom for all world leaders. For protection for the people in Ukraine. For the needs of the refugees to be met and for comfort and healing for all those who have lost loved ones.

Pray for the work of The Missions to Seafarers providing a welcome and friendship for seafarers in unfamiliar surroundings and offering help and counsel to those in need, also as they support Christians who have to live out their faith in isolation. Pray too for the safety and well being of those who spend much of their time at sea.

Pray for the leavers' days when the Year 6 pupils from the local schools come up to church for a day of activities, finishing with a service to which the parents are invited. Pray that there will be a good atmosphere, and enough helpers, that the children will have a good time and that God's Holy Spirit would touch them and their families.

Pray for those in our church family who are unwell in any way. Pray for peace, relief from pain and God's healing touch. Pray too for those who are looking after others who are unwell, both physically and mentally. Pray that God will give them the strength, patience and love they need.

Pray for those who come to our churches because they want a Christening or a wedding. Pray that they will be warmly welcomed and will enjoy their visit. Pray too that the Holy Spirit would be working in their hearts and that some will want to commit their lives to Jesus.

Pray that God would show us as a church how best to reach out to our local community. Pray that he would help us to discern what new things to take up, what to continue, what to change and what to lay down. Pray that his Holy Spirit would work in and through us to show the love of Jesus to those round us.

Pray that God, who has commanded the winds and the sea, will help us to leave behind our consumer demand for plastics and move towards behaviours that are environmentally healthy that we might follow Jesus' lead in caring for the world He loves.

Regular giving through one of the available schemes is encouraged as this helps the PCC fund its mission and ministry. Please consider using the Parish Giving Scheme www.parishgiving.org.uk This is a direct debit system that reduces the administrative burden locally but still ensures that all of your donation, together with any gift aid recoverable, reaches this parish. The dedicated telephone number is **0333 002 1271**. Donors will need their parish's PGS Code which is: **PGS Parish Code 416012141** The Parish of Nursling with Rownhams in the Diocese of Winchester.



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