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April 2023



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## Heavenly Delight—full of Easter Promise

Do you remember the adverts for Turkish Delight chocolate when you were a child?

*Turkish Delight .... Full of Eastern Promise*

Those chocolate bars were a source of fascination to me. Unlike the others of that era, (do you remember Fry's Chocolate Cream—plain or 5 flavours, or Munchies, or 2d bars of Dairy Milk?) they had a jelly-like centre with a slightly different taste. As a child, I was never sure if I liked it or not! The advertisements seemed more alluring than the sweet itself!

Advertisements can sometimes be like that. They can promise the world and not quite deliver when we buy the product. Today, many years down the line, we mutter things like: *'It doesn't taste like it used to.'* *'It's got smaller!'* *'I don't think I like it anymore.'* There are all sorts of reasons for that. Times change. We hold the memory of events in our minds, forgetting that the way we saw and experienced them as a child can be different to when we are adults. Sometimes this can bring with it disappointment or disillusionment.

My mind drifted into thinking about how we view holidays such as Christmas and Easter, Ascension, Whitsun (Pentecost Sunday) and Harvest. Once focal events for the nation and community, when everyone turned up at Church for the Festival Service, they seem to have lost their importance these days for the wider community. Yes, the world celebrates, but mostly without considering the origins of the event. Somewhere along the line over the past century, thanksgiving and prayer, praise and worship have become lost in the crowds of commercialism and self-interest.

Harsh words? Unashamedly yes; especially when we think about what Easter (our current celebration) is about. Now don't get me wrong, I'm as happy as anyone to devour a bit of chocolate. I love to see the lambs in the fields and cuddly toy bunny rabbits. Easter comes at a point in the year when we are emerging from winter and relishing the signs around us of new birth and the land 'waking up' as it were from its winter slumber.

But let's make no mistake. The celebration of Easter is about more than chocolate and rabbits or Eastern Promise! It's a celebration that over 2000 years ago God came into the world he had created, in order to make it possible for his wayward creation to come back into relationship with him; to come back into the fold, as it were.

When Jesus grew into a man, he moved around the country now known as Israel and taught people what it meant to live as God originally intended. His teaching was radical—it challenged the religious authorities of the time and because of that, concerned the Romans, who were occupying the land. They didn't want local unrest. Between them, the two authorities agreed, for different reasons, that Jesus was a threat and so he was put to death. What they didn't realise was that they were dealing with the very One who had created them. On the cross, Jesus made it possible for us to come back into a relationship with God. He 'paid the price' in human terms. But human death couldn't hold him and on Easter morning he was alive again—the same and yet different.

*'How can that be?',* people asked at the time, and still do. *'It's not possible'.* Jesus had already told them, but they didn't understand.

He said, *'Whoever believes in me will not die, but have everlasting life.'*

In other words, when our bodies here on earth are worn out, if we love God and are in relationship with him, he will give us a new (heavenly) body and we will live with him for eternity.

That is what we celebrate at Easter. Jesus is making it possible for us to live together with God for ever—beyond this world - if only we recognise that we got it wrong in the first place.

That's a heavenly promise—so much more than a chocolate bar!

Enjoy your celebrations this Easter. Just don't forget what and why you are celebrating.

*Val Smith*

*PS If you want to talk more about this, pop into church one Sunday morning (service times on page 36) and have a word with anyone there. We'll be glad to point you in the right direction.*



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## St Mary's Highley

April is looking to be a busy month.

We start with Palm Sunday on 2nd April. Canon Rose Lawley will be leading our service at 10am, when Palm Crosses will be given out, recognising Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, when the crowds were so excited to see him. Fickle as crowds can be, by the end of the week they were shouting '*Crucify him!*'



On Maundy Thursday there will be a service of Holy Communion at 7pm, as we prepare for the sombre events of Good Friday. As always, our gazebo will be in the centre of the village, giving away free Hot Cross Buns to passers by, from 10am—12 noon. There are no strings attached to this. Do come and have a quick nibble as you pass by!

Mel Evans will lead a service of Meditation, beginning at 2pm in St Mary's Church, where we will think about the last few hours before the Crucifixion.

Easter Day **there will sadly be NO Son-Rise service at 6.30am.** There will be a service of Holy Communion at 11am at St Mary's Church, alongside other services in the Benefice. Times can be found on page 36.

The Big Event of April is the licensing and Induction of the Reverend Kina Robertshaw as Rector of the Benefice on **Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 7pm in St Mary's Church**, followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us in welcoming Kina to our Benefice. Her first service will be on **Sunday 23rd April at St Mary's at 10am.** This will be a Group Service for the whole Benefice. There will be no other morning services in the Benefice that day.

April 30th is a fifth Sunday, but as we'll have had the Group Service the previous week, services will follow the pattern of a normal 4th Sunday. If all this sounds confusing, check page 36 for clarity!

### From the Registers:

Funerals: 6.3.23 Joyce Middleton  
 11.03.23 Graham Walford  
 31.3.23 Donald Powell

Baptism 26.03.23 Stanley Eric Smallman



## St Peter's, Chelmarsh



March has so far come in like a lion, we hope it goes out like a lamb and beautiful weather is resumed toward Easter.

The most important news we have to share is that the Reverend Kina Robertshaw will be joining us as the new Rector of the Benefice from the 18<sup>th</sup> April. She will be sworn in by the Bishop at a service to be held on the evening of the 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm at Highley Church. All are welcome and we hope you will join us in this celebration (there will be refreshments afterward in the Parish Hall). Her first service to be held in St. Peter's Chelmarsh will be on April 30<sup>th</sup> it would be wonderful if you could join us for this event.

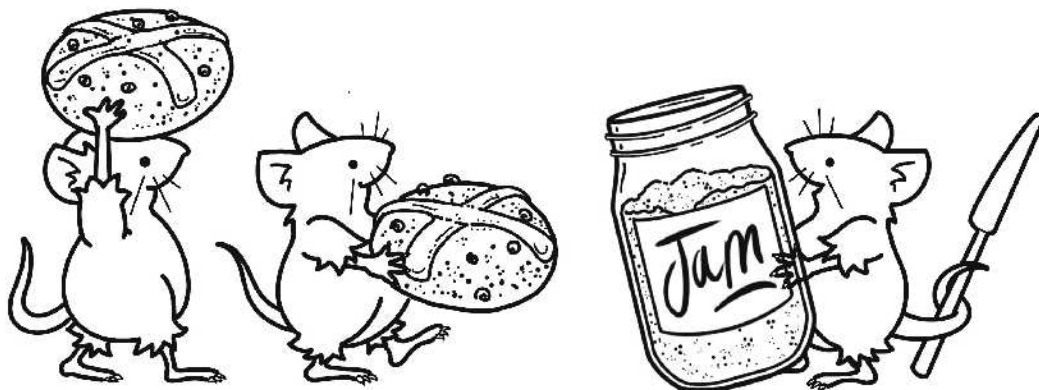
Please note that there will be a service on Easter Day (9<sup>th</sup> April) at 9.30am at Chelmarsh and one the following week on the 16<sup>th</sup> April when Holy Communion will be held at 10am. There is no service in Chelmarsh on 23<sup>rd</sup> April (note the change to the usual 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> week schedule). As noted above there is also the 10am service scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> April at St. Peter's.

The PCC has been busy ensuring the church is fit for purpose. New shelves have been fitted in the vestry and a clear out has improved the space considerably. The electrics have been checked and we await the findings of the quinquennial report.

Our APCM (the annual meeting for St. Peter's, Chelmarsh) will be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April in St. Peter's church. This meeting is open to everyone and we invite you to attend. Ahead of the APCM we would also like to draw your attention to the vacancy we have for a churchwarden(s) at St. Peter's. If anyone is interested in hearing more about this position please contact [elizabeth\\_bebb@hotmail.com](mailto:elizabeth_bebb@hotmail.com) (07971 465811) or speak to someone at the church.

In April we also look forward to the christening of Alex Joseph Richardson to be held at St Peter's.

**Advance notice of the intention to hold a table top sale on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at Chelmarsh Village Hall. For more details or to book a table please speak to Anita Manley, Michelle Russon or Liz Bebb. Church cleaning: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm.**



**You can do this at home, leading up to Easter!**

Why not put a small cross in your front window as Lent draws to a close, and Easter Week approaches? You can use a Palm cross or a wooden one. A cross is a visible reminder of the death of Jesus, and the Christian meaning of Easter and Resurrection.

## *St Bartholomew's, Glazeley*



**Service for Easter:** Sunday 9th April 2023 - Holy Communion at 10am

### **Breakfast at the Down Inn**

Our breakfast will be on Saturday April 22nd 2023 at ... 9am. Please make sure to bring cash to pay for your breakfast as Andy Johnson will be collecting money from you individually as you come in.

### **A Gentle Stroll...**

We had a good turn out for our Sunday afternoon walk from Glazeley Church at the start of March, with nine humans, two dogs and one vicar, drawn from Glazeley, Billingsley and Highley. I am not sure what to call these walks; I advertised this in some quarters as "Forest Church" but the church was just the very lightest of touches, with simply an opening thought ("all landscape is sacred; some is consecrated, some is desecrated"). Perhaps the best I can do is to borrow a title from the writer and "Thought for the Day" presenter Brian Draper who has published a book called "Soulful Nature"; the spiritual nourishment comes simply from being in the open with like-minded people where you can talk or contemplate as you wish. I hope to be running monthly Sunday afternoon soulful strolls over the next few months; on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April we will meet outside Chelmarsh church at 2pm, perhaps for a gentle walk around the reservoir. All are welcome.

### **The Annual Parish Meeting**

The meeting will be held in Glazeley Church on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm; everyone interested in the church is welcome. This is where we "elect" the parochial church council; effectively the group of people who help run the church. We would especially welcome anyone who wants to join. The work is not particularly hard, we mostly deal with matters by email and telephone. The most important quality is the ability to say "Good idea vicar, but have you thought about....".

## *St Mary's, Billingsley*



I hope by the time this article appears we will have restored the water supply to the church and the toilet will again be functional. The pump is being replaced; many thanks to Phil Bates for tracing the problem and fixing it. This incidentally is a good example of why we are so keen to continue with the 100 Club; the funds from this have paid for the replacement. Just a few years ago, we simply could not have afforded this.

Our Sunday evening services start again in April. These are normally at 6pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month but because that is Easter Day, just for April it will be on Palm Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup>. The theme is "The very stones will cry out"; some words of Jesus to the Pharisees on Palm Sunday who wanted him to quieten the crowd who were celebrating his arrival into Jerusalem. In this case, we will look at the how the stones in Billingsley church and churchyard tell their own story of the faith of our community, going back to around 3000BC. On Easter Sunday itself, we celebrate the first communion in the benefice at 8am, where we will use the Easter Sepulchre in the wall of the church as focus for our celebrations of the Resurrection. If you do not know what an Easter Sepulchre is, come to the church the week before...

*For updates on our "soulful strolls", please read the Glazeley news above; also for the next breakfast at the Down and the appeal for more people to help run the church via the PCC. As mentioned last month, we still desperately need someone to volunteer to help run the 100 Club when Sue Bates leaves us.*



# James the Least of All

## Beware when the choirs meet

The Rectory

St James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren,



You agonised recently over your ecumenical service: Who should be invited? Who should preach? What about the order of service? If you had attended our recent combined churches' choir festival, your own dilemmas would have seemed a little less acute.

At the pre-meeting, there was heated discussion about whether those choirs who normally wore robes would be comfortable standing among those who didn't. The more aesthetically sensitive worried whether St Agatha's pea green cassocks may clash with our red ones. Intending to be helpful, but phrasing it rather badly, someone suggested that the normally robed choirs should wear nothing. Colonel Wainwright was a little too quick to chuckle.

I began to wonder if a prize was to be awarded to the person who raised the greatest number of concerns: Should the choirs stay separate? Would the tenors be next to the altos or the basses? Where would extra seating be placed? Would the heating be on for the rehearsal? Then came what you would call the 'elephant in the room': of all the choirmasters, *who would conduct and who play the organ?* Tension mounted, and expressions grew grim. But before the committee started to dig trenches in my carpet and position howitzers under the desk, I briefly left the room, turned off all the electricity and claimed we'd had a power cut. This is a useful device for truculent committees; sadly, it can be used only rarely.

Come the day, an uneasy truce lasted while everyone adopted the traditional solution to disagreement within congregations, and simply did exactly what they wanted. Some were robed, some were not, some choirs congealed in their own huddles, while others joyfully sat next to people from other churches – mainly so they could point out their neighbour's wrong notes. Some sang in the right key, some sang in the wrong key, some sang what sounded like quite different songs altogether.

The service ended with one choir thinking that the organist had played too loudly, while another choir thought that the conductor wasn't up to much. Everyone agreed afterwards that we must do it again, while firmly stating that if their own choirmaster didn't conduct next year, they wouldn't be there.

Thankfully, one fundamental thing on the day united them: they all said that our church was too cold, and they all went down to the pub afterwards to warm up.

Your loving uncle,

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## Letter from Westminster

### Water Quality Campaign

People go into politics because they want to make their communities better. I believe this is true of virtually everyone I have encountered while representing people in Shropshire in one form or another

MPs have more in common, in terms of their values and seeking to improve the lives of those they represent, than divides them.

There is widespread consensus that we all want to see our rivers and waterways in a healthy state, with clear water providing a healthy habitat and a safe environment for recreation.

This was especially so when I launched a Private Members Bill three years ago to highlight the parlous state of our rivers and the need to clean them up by cutting sewage and other pollutants. I was supported by politicians on all sides.

I have been campaigning on the issue of sewage discharges ever since. I have made it my mission to continue to do so.

There has been an attempt by some political parties to weaponise this issue. Unbelievably in our social media age this has led to death threats to MPs! Politicians need to work together rather than making reckless claims.

I have consistently acted, and voted in Parliament, including against my party whip, on measures to improve our rivers. Earlier this year I voted for new and tougher interim targets for water quality to reduce phosphates and nitrates in waterways, which the Opposition voted against.

I led the Environmental Audit Committee inquiry into water quality in our rivers which reported a year ago. It recommended a host of measures, several of which were included in the Environment Act going through Parliament at the same time, including the requirement to increase monitoring.

Last month Shrewsbury Town Council discussed what could be done to improve the condition of the River Severn. A start is being made in the catchment by Severn Trent Water's Get River Positive project. This aims to secure bathing water quality status for the River Teme upstream and downstream from South Shropshire, where £4.5m is being spent over the next two years to improve treatment and cut discharges. The first step has been to establish a baseline monitor at 19 points along the Teme to establish the condition of the river.

The BBC' last month also highlighted the horrors of sewage discharges to a wider audience. Most of those Paul Whitehouse interviewed had given evidence to our Committee. The greater awareness of the problem has been enabled by the introduction of Event Duration Monitors, which this Government required water companies to install in recent years. These monitors have brought this previously hidden practice into the open since the first data on discharges was published three years ago.

Water companies have now been required to invest £56b in improving treatment over the next 25 years. I am delighted that one of the first places to benefit will be the River Teme here in South Shropshire.



With low rain fall in February and not much rain fall this March at the time of writing. I remain concerned at the low water level of rivers and reservoirs this summer if we experience high temperatures. While drier conditions may mean less sewage discharges due to less run off, I remain concerned if we have flash floods as heavy downpours in hot weather with lower water levels, we may have worse impact from discharges.

**Rt. Hon. Philip Dunne MP**

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## Highley Parish Council

Thank you to all who attended the recent “drop in sessions” at the Severn Centre regarding the Highley Medical Practice. All surveys completed both on the day and during the following week are being evaluated by the NHS. We are aware that not all could hear clearly, so the next information night will be in the main hall at the Severn Centre; the exact date is still to be agreed as there are several areas that need updating. Please keep a listen out for more information.

By now most may have seen that our current doctors have agreed to extend their stay until the end of June 2023 so it will remain as it is now.

The recent closure of New Road was a challenge, especially as some irresponsible people chose to totally ignore the one way systems that were there to try and ensure journeys were safer. This was a major disappointment and created a number of near misses where people could have been hurt.

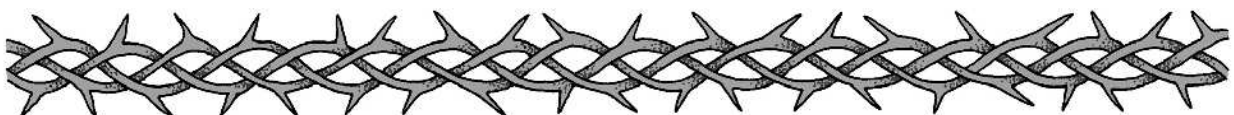
We are also having issues at night with a group or groups going around the village causing damage to people’s property or vehicles and our bus shelters. Most people take pride in our village, but some don’t seem to care and need to be stopped. If anyone has any information, please report this to the police.

We don’t praise individual Councillors enough at times, but Eileen Moore deserves our praise for the time and effort she has put in to go through our village asset register and logging the number, condition and whereabouts of all our hanging baskets, troughs and planters so that we can put in place a 3 year maintenance plan. She, along with other Councillors, have walked every public right of way and are working with Shropshire Councils Footpath Officer to see what can be done to improve these.

If you are interested in the future of Highley and wish to be involved, we still have two vacancies for Parish Councillors. If interested, please contact either myself or our Clerk on [clerk@highleyparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@highleyparish.co.uk) and we will be more than happy to have a chat regarding what it involves.

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# Puzzles

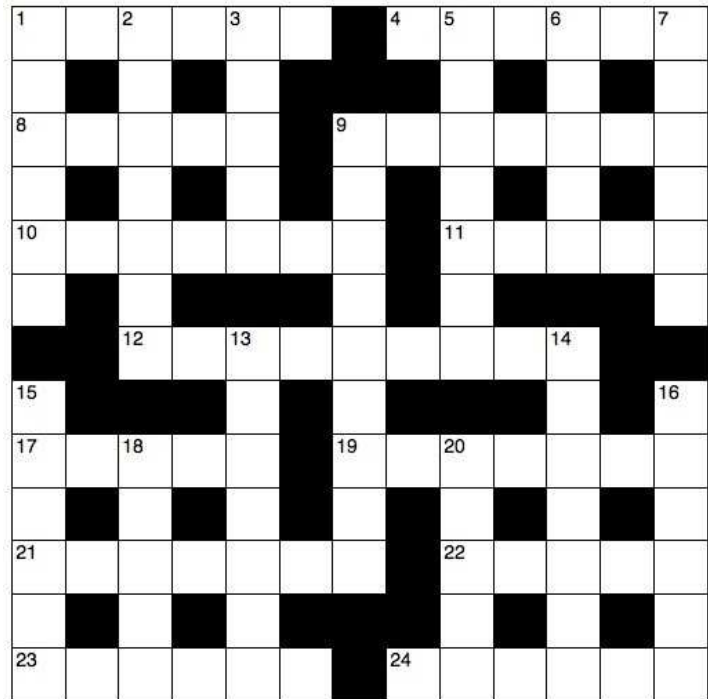
## Crossword Clues

### Across

- 1 Relating to the whole universe (6)
- 4 The disciple who made the remark in 8 Across (John 20:24) (6)
- 8 'Unless I see the nail marks — — hands, I will not believe it' (John 20:25) (2,3)
- 9 He urged King Jehoiakim not to burn the scroll containing Jeremiah's message (Jeremiah 36:25) (7)
- 10 Baptist minister and controversial founder of America's Moral Majority, Jerry — (7)
- 11 'Look, here is — . Why shouldn't I be baptized?' (Acts 8:36) (5)
- 12 Repossessed (Genesis 14:16) (9)
- 17 Port from which Paul sailed on his last journey to Rome (Acts 27:3-4) (5)
- 19 'Moses was not aware that his face was — because he had spoken with the Lord' (Exodus 34:29) (7)
- 21 Roonwit, C.S. Lewis's half-man, half-horse (7)
- 22 Grill (Luke 24:42) (5)
- 23 'The lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the — apostles' (Acts 1:26) (6)
- 24 'I was sick and you looked after me, I was in — and you came to visit me' (Matthew 25:36) (6)

### Down

- 1 Coastal rockfaces (Psalm 141:6) (6)
- 2 Academic (1 Corinthians 1:20) (7)
- 3 Publish (Daniel 6:26) (5)
- 5 For example, the Crusades (4,3)
- 6 11 Across is certainly this (5)
- 7 He reps (anag.) (6)
- 9 Liberator (Psalm 18:2) (9)
- 13 Man who asked the question in 11 Across was in charge of all her treasury (Acts 8:27) (7)
- 14 They must be 'worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine' (1 Timothy 3:8) (7)
- 15 The human mind or soul (6)
- 16 'O Lord, while precious children starve, the tools of war increase; their bread is — ' (Graham Kendrick) (6)
- 18 'We played the flute for you, and you did not — ' (Matthew 11:17) (5)
- 20 Bared (anag.) (5)



Solutions on page 33

## Highley First Responders

Highley First Responders was established about 22 years ago by a number of local volunteers, including Dave Fulton and Nigel Preece. Dave estimates that they have attended around 14 000 call outs over the years and were virtually available 24 hours a day. Due to poor health and personal reasons they have handed over the car keys to us newcomers, but Nigel and Dave still remain involved in the background today. I am pleased to say that, after a small gap in service, Highley First Response is now up and running again! Currently the responding team only consists of my husband Christo and I so we desperately need your help! Especially if we have any hope of providing the amazing service of the past, we need to grow the team. If you are interested in becoming a First Responder, please contact us on 07718644128.

Over the years the CFR role has had to evolve to fit the current environment in which we are working. The NHS is in a crisis! Ambulance response times are worse than they have ever been, and it doesn't seem like it is going to improve any time soon.

Community First Responders are 'saved' for the most critical calls—jobs where time is of the essence; for instance CPR, major trauma, heart attacks etc. This is different to the past, where they were sent out to most categories of ambulance calls. This is just no longer feasible with the ambulance response times being what they are. Once we have been sent to a call-out, we cannot leave until the ambulance arrives. This might prevent us from being available for a cardiac arrest should one occur. Also the decision as to which calls to send us to, lies with the ambulance control centre since they have oversight of ambulance availability and whatever else is going on in the area at the time.

Without the help of the community, we would not be able to provide this vital service. The role is voluntary and all costs of running the scheme come from fundraising and donations that people generously give. We have an ongoing 'Go-fund-me' account where people can donate at any time. This can be accessed by going onto the Go-fund-me website and searching for 'Highley First Responders'. It is also available on our Facebook page. If you are not online, and want to know more about what we do, give a donation, or have any fundraising ideas, please feel free to get in touch with me on 07718644128.

**Claire van Aswegen**





# Wordsearch

Answers on Page 23



- |          |           |          |            |          |
|----------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| Jesus    | Disciples | Wine     | Old        | Cup      |
| Ate      | Warned    | Thanks   | New        | Removed  |
| Last     | Betrayed  | Drink    | Body       | Will     |
| Passover | Bread     | Covenant | Blood      | Easter   |
| Meal     | Blessed   | Law      | Gethsemane | Approach |

# Have a go at Sudoku — answers on page 23



Easy

				5	3	2	
				3	8	7	5
			8	7	1		6
4			1		2	9	7
	6		9		8		5
3		9	7		4		8
	1		5	8	6		
5	4	7	3				
	8	2	4				

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			1	4			
7							
		9			3	1	2
8				9	1		3
	2	5				7	1
4			2	7			8
	3	6	8			9	
							2
			5	6			

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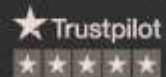
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What's the answer? 'Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding' (Proverbs 3:5 NKJV). Fill your heart with God's Word. Then develop the habit of letting what's in your heart be more real to you than what you see, think, or feel. You can choose to think about what God *can* do instead of what you *cannot* do.

If you continue to obsess about the difficulty of your situation, you will end up in despair. In other words, you will feel trapped. When that happens, it's easy to panic and begin to do irrational things that just make the problem worse. Instead, 'Cast your cares on the LORD and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken.' The word 'sustain' means to strengthen, support, and hold you up. God may not take you out of the situation immediately, but His sustaining grace will bring you through it. Today, give your problem to God.

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# Mouse Makes

**Mouse Makes**

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*Matthew 28:1-20*

**Into Jerusalem**

**Jesus is Betrayed**

**The Last Supper**

How many other words can you make from  
**RESURRECTION**

An \_\_\_\_\_  
of the Lord came down from \_\_\_\_\_  
and going to the \_\_\_\_\_  
rolled back the \_\_\_\_\_  
... the \_\_\_\_\_ said, "Do not be  
\_\_\_\_\_, for I know you are  
looking for Jesus who was  
\_\_\_\_\_, He is  
not here; he has \_\_\_\_\_,  
just as he said!"

**Jesus is Crucified**

**Jesus is Buried**

**Jesus is Risen!**

Glue this page onto card. Cut out the ovals then colour in. Punch a hole at the top and hang up for Easter

## County Councillor's Report

Hello all, it's been a busy time since Christmas.

There's been the Doctor's surgery, trees coming down, Highley Health and Wellbeing group, the Community Day back in early February, several committee meetings in Shirehall including Planning, Communities and a Full Council meeting. Quite apart from all the time spent helping individuals in our village.

Thankfully, I would say that most of these events have either been concluded or progressed successfully.

The tree cutting that needed to happen on New Road caused all sorts of issues for us in the village but it's so much safer down there now that it's been completed. We had all sorts of hiccoughs along the way, from delivery lorries not being able to get through; to the one-way system that was set up to keep us safe being flouted by a few. One thing that has been highlighted is the number of vehicles going over Borle Mill bridge that exceed the 2-ton legal limit; hopefully, now that New Road is open again, they will go the right way in and out of the village.

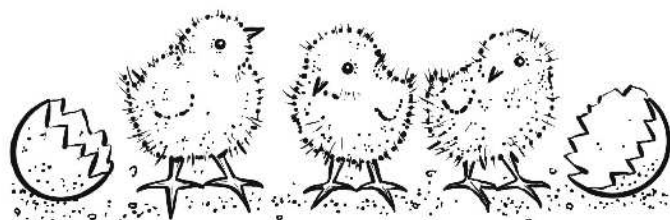
Over recent weeks I have been excited to see the positive progress made around the doctor's surgery move. There is definitely light at the end of the tunnel and it's not an oncoming train! There are two groups bidding to provide the service, and the work to see the surgery move to the Severn Centre( including our regular weekly meetings) is progressing well. Hopefully we should be able to give you some actual dates / names etc. very soon.

Please continue to speak to me if you have any issues that I can help with or that you feel I should be made aware of- not only do I feel that it is my duty to be there for you all, but I actually enjoy it.

The best way to get hold of me is either on the phone (07725595555) or email ([mark.williams@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:mark.williams@shropshire.gov.uk)).

So what do the forthcoming weeks hold for us? Further positive progress with the Doctor's; getting some more of those pesky potholes filled in; Easter; our new Vicar arriving (officially from 18<sup>th</sup> April) and that's quite apart from all of your own events. Let's continue to work together to make our village the best place to be!

**Mark Williams**



*Answers to Wordsearch (from page 17)*



*Answers to Sudoku (from page 18)*

8	7	4	6	9	5	3	2	1
1	9	6	2	4	3	8	7	5
2	3	5	8	7	1	4	6	9
4	5	8	1	6	2	9	3	7
7	6	1	9	3	8	2	5	4
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9	1	3	5	8	6	7	4	2
5	4	7	3	2	9	1	8	6
6	8	2	4	1	7	5	9	3

Easy

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7	8	1	9	5	2	4	3	6
6	4	9	7	8	3	1	2	5
8	6	7	4	9	1	2	5	3
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#### **Repair, don't replace - Alastair**

Our washing machine kept pausing during its cycle, when the wash was warm. It displayed the dreaded drain error code. I had checked the filter and the drain hose at the back, and even taken off the back of the machine and removed the drain tube inside, but found nothing incriminating. I was only after I removed the heating element from the back that I found a cloth stuck around it, blocking the draining tube! I had ordered a new element, but it turns out that all the old element needed was a soak in vinegar/some citric acid to remove the limescale!

If you have some broken equipment, think carefully, be methodical, use the internet for help and you might fix it without buying anything. Obviously isolate all electrical items before tinkering!

#### **Tips for an eco-friendly Easter - Julia**

Swap your regular Easter chocolates for sustainable, fair trade alternatives! They taste just as good but make a big difference to the cocoa farmers. After devouring your yummy treats, make sure to dispose of their packaging correctly. Most aluminum foil and paper can be recycled locally!

#### **Tips for an eco-friendly Easter - Lizzie**

Some people decorate hard boiled eggs for Easter with paints or dyes. If you're not going to eat the eggs, why not decorate a pebble instead and save the eggs for your supper!

#### **Vegan Easter simnel cake - Anna**

Why not try a plant based Easter cake this year? In a simnel cake you can use soya milk and dairy free spread, with no eggs. Check out a recipe online on BBC goodfood. If you have a blow torch you can create the signature burnished look on the marzipan too!

## Update on Highley Medical Centre

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, a joint press release from the Integrated Care System and NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin announced that **Bridgnorth Medical Practice** had been selected as the new GP service provider for Highley. Bridgnorth Medical Practice is currently rated “Good” by the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

The announcement has come following a procurement process carried out by NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin. GP services will continue to be run by the current provider (Highley Medical Practice) until the end of June and will transition to the new medical provider from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023.

### **Additional services available from the 1<sup>st</sup> July in Highley include:**

- Access to an “Urgent Care Practitioner”
- General Nursing including chronic disease clinics
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- Simple dressings clinic

### **Additional services available from the 1<sup>st</sup> July in Bridgnorth include:**

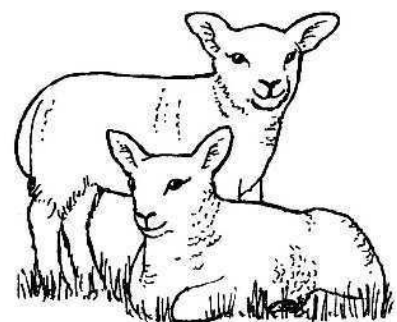
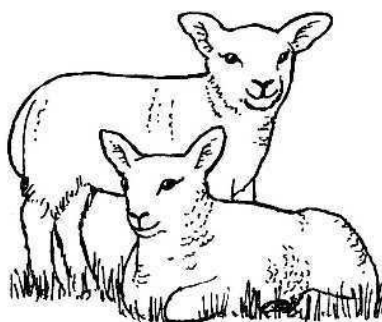
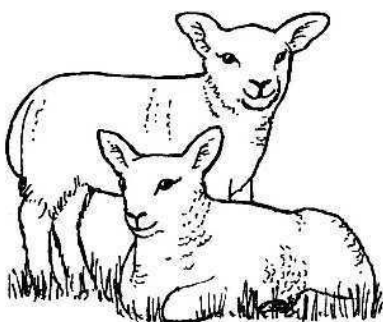
- Minor surgery
- Skin clinics
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For more information, please contact **Rachael Jones** at [rachael.jones31@nhs.net](mailto:rachael.jones31@nhs.net)

*Please note that all information contributing to this article has been taken from the official press release. This is a summary of the press release and the full statement has been posted on Facebook on the Highley Parish Council page.*

**More information to follow in next month’s Forum - Ed.**





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<b>Stourbridge Bus Station</b> Stourbridge (Stand A)	---	---	08:05	09:10			10		15:10	16:20	17:20	18:25
<b>Broadwaters Drive</b> Broadwaters (SW)	---	---	08:23	09:25			25		15:25	16:35	17:35	18:40
<b>Bus Station</b> Kidderminster (Stand 6) <small>Active</small>	---	---	08:33	09:35			35		15:35	16:45	17:45	18:50
<b>Bus Station</b> Kidderminster (Stand 6) <small>Depart</small>	---	07:27	08:37	09:37			37		15:37	16:47	17:47	---
<b>General Hospital</b> Kidderminster (A1)	---	07:34	08:44	09:44			44		15:44	16:54	17:54	---
<b>Load Street</b> Bawdley (Westbound)	06:30	07:45	08:55	09:55			55		15:55	17:05	18:05	---
<b>Wyre Cottage</b> Bilstonac (NW)	06:36	07:51	09:01	10:01			01		16:01	17:11	18:11	---
<b>Hall</b> Kings (NW)	06:43	07:58	09:08	10:08		then at these mins	08	until	16:08	17:18	18:18	---
<b>Bache Arms</b> Highley (NW)	06:53	08:08	09:18	10:18			18		16:18	17:28	18:28	---
<b>Castle Inn</b> Woodhill (NW)	06:56	08:11	09:21	10:21			21		16:21	17:31	18:31	---
<b>Church</b> Chelmarsh (NW)	07:00	08:16	09:26	10:26			26		16:26	17:36	18:36	---
<b>Post Office</b> Faulingrove (NW)	07:05	08:21	09:31	10:31			31		16:31	17:41	18:41	---
<b>Sainsbury's</b> High Town (NE)	07:12	08:28	09:38	10:38			38		16:38	17:48	18:48	---
<b>Fosters Arms PH</b> Low Town (NE)	07:15	---	---	---			---		---	---	---	---
<b>Stanmore Industrial Estate</b> Stanmore (NE)	07:22	---	---	---			---		---	---	---	---

\* Not including bank holidays

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<b>Stanmore Industrial Estate</b> Stanmore (NE)	---	07:24	---	---			---		---	---	---	---
<b>Falcon Hotel</b> Low Town (W)	---	07:32	---	---			---		---	---	---	---
<b>Sainsbury's</b> High Town (NE)	---	---	08:40	---			40		14:40	15:45	16:45	18:05
<b>Post Office</b> Lardington (SE)	---	07:37	08:49	---			49		14:49	15:50	16:50	18:10
<b>Church</b> Chelmarsh (SE)	---	07:47	08:54	---			54		14:54	15:55	16:55	18:15
<b>Castle Inn</b> Woodhill (S)	---	07:57	08:58	---			58		14:58	16:00	17:00	18:20
<b>Bache Arms</b> Highley (SE)	---	07:51	09:01	---			01		15:01	16:04	17:04	18:24
<b>Eagle &amp; Serpent Inn</b> Kidderminster (SW)	---	08:01	09:11	---		then at these mins	11	until	15:11	16:14	17:14	18:34
<b>Wyre Cottage</b> Bilstonac (SE)	---	08:08	09:19	---			19		15:19	16:21	17:21	18:41
<b>Load Street</b> Bawdley (Eastbound)	---	08:15	09:25	---			25		15:25	16:28	17:28	18:48
<b>General Hospital</b> Kidderminster (NE)	---	08:27	09:35	---			35		15:35	16:40	17:40	19:00
<b>Bus Station</b> Kidderminster (Stand 6) <small>Active</small>	---	08:35	09:41	---			41		15:41	16:48	17:48	19:08
<b>Bus Station</b> Kidderminster (Stand 6) <small>Depart</small>	07:30	08:37	09:43	---			43		15:43	16:50	17:50	---
<b>Broadwaters Drive</b> Broadwaters (Opp)	07:38	08:45	09:49	---			49		15:49	16:58	17:58	---
<b>Stourbridge Bus Station</b> Stourbridge (Stand A)	07:58	09:05	10:05	---			05		16:05	17:18	18:18	---

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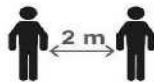




## Bus travel guidance

### Stay safe

Keep 2m apart from people not in your own household while waiting



### Look out for 'bus full' signs

The bus will only stop when people want to get off or if there is enough space onboard



If they do stop, they will normally only be able to let one passenger on for each one that gets off.



Be prepared to wait and please help others by prioritising those who need to travel more urgently than you



STAY ALERT - CONTROL THE VIRUS - SAVE LIVES

### Parish Hall Office

01746 861242

For information about weddings, Baptisms (Christenings), child's Dedication or for general enquiries about Church service times and parish information, please contact the Parish Office. The office will be open on Thursdays (generally) from 10:00 - 12:00pm.

If there is no answer and at other times, there is a telephone message service and if you leave your name and telephone number someone will get back to you in due course or phone: 01746 862837

Currently not open

### Star Housing

**Housing Support Officer  
in Rhea Hall.**

Contact Helen Turner 01746 862442

**Phone for more information  
regarding services**

Community Room,  
73 Rhea Hall Estate,  
WV16 6LD

### Crossword Solution from page 15

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### Waste / Recycling Collections

Black bins: **Friday 14th April &**  
Thursday 27th April

Crates & green bins:  
Thursday 6th & 20th April

Don't forget to put out your new purple  
recycle bins!

[www.shropshire.gov.uk/recycling-and-](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/recycling-and-)

### Forthcoming Events

<b>Gardening Club</b>	Wednesday Severn Centre
<b>Police Surgery</b> 10:00 - 12:00	Thursdays Severn Centre
<b>Severn Strollers</b>  10:30 / 11:00 (Contact: Barbara Skilton: 01746 862003)	Mondays (not Bank Holidays) Severn Centre
<b>Women's Institute</b>	Tuesday Severn Centre
<b>Patients' Group</b>	see Facebook page



## Smile lines



"Police? This is St Mary's Ladies' Knitting & Vigilante Circle. We've detained two gents trying to nick the church silver."

*Send your photos .....*

Don't forget to send your photos of any events which have taken place in and around the villages. Please make sure that you have permission from anyone in them and their agreement for the pictures to be published. - Ed.

Send to [highleyforumeditor@gmail.com](mailto:highleyforumeditor@gmail.com)

## Church Services April 2023

Sunday 2nd April	10am Holy Communion	St Mary's Church, Highley
Palm Sunday	6pm Evening Service	St Mary's Church, Billingsley
Thursday 6th April	7pm Maundy Thursday Service	St Mary's Church, Highley
Friday 7th April	10am—12 noon Hot Cross Buns	High Street, Highley
	2pm Good Friday Meditation	St Mary's Church, Highley
Sunday 9th April	8am Easter Communion	St Mary's Church, Billingsley
Easter Sunday	9.30am Easter Communion	St Peter's Church, Chelmarsh
	10am Easter Communion	St Bartholomew's Church, Glazeley
	11am Easter Communion	St Mary's Church, Highley
Sunday 16th April	10am Holy Communion	St Peter's Church, Chelmarsh
Tuesday 18th April	7pm Induction of New Rector	St Mary's Church, Highley
Sunday 23rd April	10am Holy Communion	St Mary's Church, Highley
Benefice Service		
Sunday 30th April	8am Holy Communion	St Mary's Church, Billingsley
	10am Morning Service	St Peter's Church, Chelmarsh
	11am Informal Service	St Mary's Church, Highley

### Mid-week Groups

#### Wednesday Prayer and Study Group 11am—1pm

Contact Val Smith 861966 or Pat Whitefoot 861155 for venue

#### Wednesday Zoom 7pm

Contact David Poyner email [d.r.poyner@aston.ac.uk](mailto:d.r.poyner@aston.ac.uk)

**Friday Event Youth Club 7.30pm** @ Parish Hall (term-time only) contact Rachel Williams

**Friday Night Prayer 9pm** Zoom contact David Poyner as above

### For enquiries regarding Weddings, Christenings, Funerals or Churchyard memorials

**Weddings:** Rev'd Kina Robertshaw: email [revkinarobertshaw@gmail.com](mailto:revkinarobertshaw@gmail.com)

**Christenings/baptisms:** Rev'd Canon Rosemary Lawley: email [rosemarylawley@gmail.com](mailto:rosemarylawley@gmail.com)

**Funerals:** Contact your funeral director, who will liaise with clergy

**Churchyard Memorials:** Rev'd Mark Daborn (Rural Dean): email [mark.daborn@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mark.daborn@hotmail.co.uk)

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