

**Calendar  
for  
June**



- T 2 1000 Holy Communion (said) [in the Parish Room]
- W 3 2000 Meeting of Ewell Village Fair Committee in the Parish Room
- Th 4 2000 Meeting of Pro Musica in the Parish Room
- S 7 **TRINITY SUNDAY**  
0800 Holy Communion (said) *Common Worship rite*  
0930 Sung Eucharist - with a crèche  
1100 Choral Mattins  
1830 Evening Prayer at the URC
- M 8 Communion taken to the Housebound
- T 9 1000 Holy Communion (said) [in the Parish Room]  
Communion taken to 'The Elders'
- S 13 0930-1030 Churchwarden's Surgery at 'The Larder'  
1930 Organ recital by Charles Andrews
- S 14 **CORPUS CHRISTI**  
Celebration of the Rev Dr Patrick Miller's Golden Jubilee of Ordination to the Priesthood  
0715 Mattins  
0800 Holy Communion (said) *Common Worship rite*  
0930 Sung Eucharist - with a crèche  
1100 No service  
1730 Choral Evensong
- M 15 2000 Finance Committee meeting in the Parish Room  
2000 Social Committee meeting at 46A Ewell Downs Road
- T 16 1000 Holy Communion (said) [in the Parish Room]
- W 17 1930 Meeting of the Estates Committee in the Parish Room
- Th 18 0915 - 1800 Coffee Morning Outing to Eastbourne  
1930 - 2100 Visiting Ringers from Ashtead ringing a quarter peal
- S 21 **TRINITY 2**  
0715 Mattins  
0800 Holy Communion (said) *Common Worship rite*  
0930 Sung Eucharist - with a crèche  
1100 Sung Eucharist 1662  
1830 Evening Prayer at the URC
- T 23 1000 Holy Communion (said) [in the Parish Room]  
1430 External Affairs Committee meeting in the Parish Room
- S 27 0930-1030 Churchwarden's Surgery at 'The Larder'  
1930 Organ Recital - Simon Gregory
- S 28 **TRINITY 3**  
0800 Holy Communion (said) *Common Worship rite*  
0930 Sung Eucharist - with a crèche  
1100 Mattins and Holy Baptism  
1830 Evening Prayer at the URC
- T 30 1000 Holy Communion (said) [in the Parish Room]

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**Sharing the Love of Christ, the Light of the World, with the people of Ewell**

**KEEP ON**

*"Your head and your heart keep up,  
 Your heels and hands keep down,  
 Your knees keep close to your horse's side,  
 Your elbows close to your own."*

Riders of all ages will know this little jingle from their first attempts to stay on. Even more from their getting back on straight after falling off! In Pony Club or hunting field the advice is sound. And those who don't keep it become a liability to themselves, their friends and their mounts.

So it is with us Christians and the basic rules of our faith - "Terms and Conditions apply."

The key word is "keep".

Mother Julian of Norwich's famous meditation - "God showed me a little thing, the quantity of a hazel-nut, in the palm of my hand. In this little thing I saw three properties -

- The first is that God made it
- The second is that God loves it
- The third that God keeps it."

"God keeps it" means there is never a moment when the little rider (and we are all children before God) might fall off for good.

"Keep up your head" - and you can see where you're going

"Keep up your heart" - and no obstacle daunts

"Keep down your heels"- and you are in touch with

reality (almost "feet on the ground")

"Keep down your hands"- and you keep the firmest possible grip on the reins, as we should on whatever thrust God is giving us.

"Your knees keep close to you horse's side" reminds us that the animal is the motive force in the action, not us. So it is when we are carried forward by God.



"Keep your elbows close to your side"- and you will keep close connection between brain and body, thought and action; we need no loose connections to our Saviour.

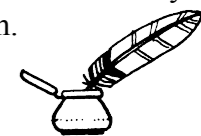
But where are we going? The wise let God decide.

We can't spur Him to do what He doesn't want to do; a horse sometimes digs in and will not be moved, may even back off. It's good to remember our strength is very little compared with either horse or God.

And what, when we are going?

Every nation has its own famous horsemen and women. Infamous ones too. "Put beggars on horseback and they'll ride to Hell" is an old adage which well describes the materialism now strangling the world.

But God keeps. Keeps on. The act of final victory is just keeping on keeping on with Him.



## The Churchwardens write

### A NEW VICAR HAS BEEN APPOINTED

The Churchwardens are delighted to announce that, subject to a successful medical and CRB check, the next Vicar of Ewell will be the Reverend Russell Dewhurst who is currently Priest-in-charge of St Frideswide's church in Oxford where he has been for three years.

Russell is a graduate of Magdalen College, Oxford (Master of Physics) before going to Selwyn College, Cambridge where he obtained his Theology degree. He undertook ordination training at Westcott House, Cambridge before being ordained Deacon in 2003 in the Oxford Diocese and then Priest a year later. He then spent 2 years as the Assistant Curate in the parish of Blewbury, Hagbourne and Upton before moving on to his current part-time post which he combines with chaplaincy duties at Exeter College, Oxford (where Tim Burke - our previous Organ Scholar - went) as well as assisting the Archdeacon of Oxford. Computer buffs be aware - he was an IT Consultant before his ordination training and has numerous Microsoft qualifications!! He is currently just finishing a Canon Law degree.

Russell is due for a busy few months as not only will he be getting ready to say goodbye to his current parish, he will be getting married in August to his fiancée, Elaine, and then moving to Ewell.

We look forward to welcoming Russell and Elaine to Ewell sometime in the autumn.

Jonathan Gocher      David Crick  
Churchwarden      Churchwarden

### J.B. PHILLIPS WRITES

#### (GOSPEL :St John)

#### XVI 1 Jesus speaks of the future without his bodily presence

"I am telling you this now so that your faith in me may not be shaken. They will excommunicate you from their synagogues. Yes, the time is coming when a man who kills you will think he is thereby serving God! They will act like this because they have never had any true knowledge of the Father or of me, but I have told you all this so that when the time comes for it to happen you may remember that I told you about it. I have not spoken like this to you before, because I have been with you; but now the time has come for me to go away to the one who sent me. None of you asks me, "Where are you going?" That is because you are so distressed at what I have told you. Yet I am telling you the simple truth when I assure you that it is a good thing for you that I should go away. For if I did not go away, the divine helper would not come to you. But if I go, then I will send him to you.

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#### SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S

0800 HOLY COMMUNION

0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

The Wayfarers and the Sunday School meet in conjunction with this service, and there is a Creche provided in church.

There is coffee in the church hall between the Eucharist and Mattins on Sunday mornings, and a chance for members of the congregation to meet or visitors to be welcomed to St Mary's.

#### 1100 MATTINS

(Third Sunday in each month SUNG EUCHARIST to the Book of Common Prayer Rite)

#### 1830 EVENING WORSHIP

1700 - Choral Evensong (2nd Sunday in the month)  
1830 - Evening Prayer at the United Reform Church on other Sundays  
Details are on the Notice Board or on the Weekly Notes.

Occasionally there are variations from this pattern; details are given in this paper, on the Notice Board or on the Weekly Notes available on Sundays.

#### ON WEEKDAYS

The Eucharist is normally celebrated at present on Tuesdays at 1000, and at other times as printed on the Weekly Notes. Most of the Weekday services take place in the Parish Room (entry through the door on the Church Street side of the Church).

#### THE PARISH OFFICE

##### Administrator:

Mrs Lynne Yuille 020 8393 2643 (Office)  
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St Mary's Church is in London Road, Ewell, and the Parish Office is in the Sacristy on the south side of the church.

The Office hours are normally 9.30-13.00 Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, but please check before visiting as appointments are usually needed.

The postal address is:

C/O Ewell Vicarage, Church Street, Ewell KT17 2AQ.

#### CHURCHWARDEN'S SURGERIES

The churchwardens normally hold two surgeries each month. Please see the calendar on the back page for details.

#### "POLITICAL MISCHIEF!"

A politician should have three hats: one for throwing in the ring, one for talking through, and one for pulling rabbits out of.

Carl Sandburg

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## FROM THE PARISH RECORDS HOLY BAPTISM

In the name of the Father and of the son and of the Holy Spirit

26 April Nye Ronald Roman

### HOLY MATRIMONY

'That theirs may be the love that knows no ending,  
Whom thou for evermore dost join in one.' (AMR 463)

25 April Allan Christopher Phillips and Emma Louise Knight  
2 May Adam Stephen Thornton and Julie Annette Briggs

### FUNERALS

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

8 April Myra Doris Elizabeth Munford, aged 99  
15 April Geoffrey Ernest Dack, aged 80  
6 May Sylvia Mary Ingram, aged 72  
12 May John Edmund Desborough, aged  
13 May Queenie May Woodhouse, aged 103  
15 May Margaret Adrienne Salmon, aged  
19 May Anthony William Reginald Round, aged 82  
21 May Helen Lilian Prevett, aged 88



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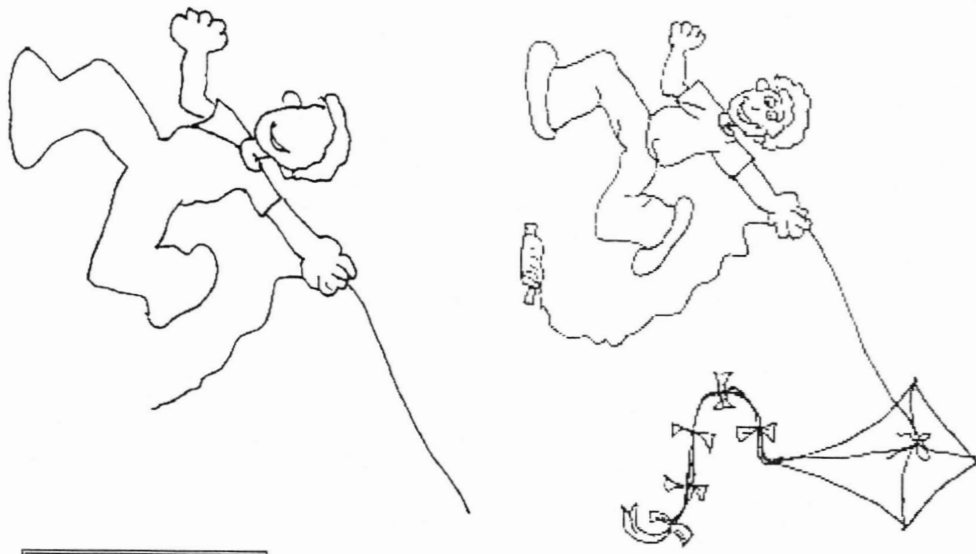
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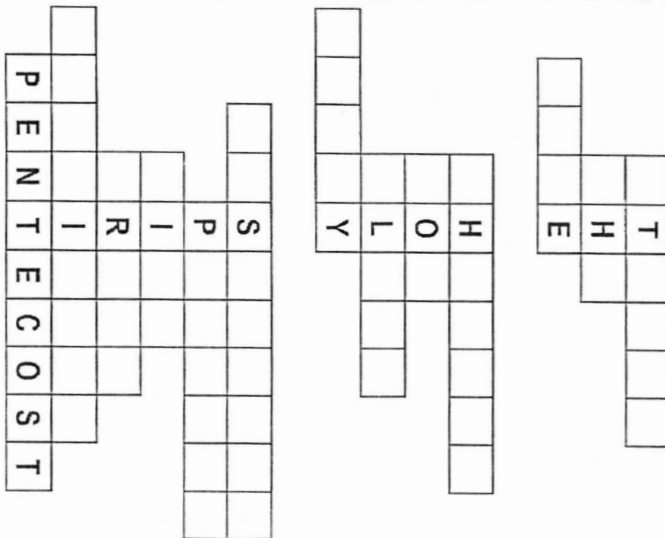


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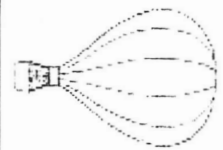
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Fit the 12 words of the Pentecost story into the grid

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Fire  
Flame  
Strong  
Wind  
The  
Disciples  
Happy  
Brave  
Confident  
Praised  
God



What do rabbits like to fly in?  
Hot-hare balloons!



What do elephants like to fly in?  
Jumbo-jets!



What does Superman like to fly in?  
A hero-plane!

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As in the game of cards, so in the game of life, we must play with what is dealt out to us and the glory consists not so much in winning as in playing a poor hand well.  
*Josh Billings  
(1818 -1885)*

When he comes, he will convince the world of the meaning of sin, of true goodness and of judgment. He will expose their sin because they do not believe in me; he will reveal true goodness for I am going away to the Father and you will see me no longer; and he will show them the meaning of judgment, for the spirit which rules this world will have been judged.

"I have much more to tell you but you cannot bear it now. Yet when that one I have spoken to you about comes-the Spirit of truth-he will guide you into everything that is true. For he will not be speaking of his own accord but exactly as he hears, and he will inform you about what is to come. He will bring glory to me for he will draw on my truth and reveal it to you. Whatever the Father possesses is also mine; that is why I tell you that he will draw on my truth and will show it to you.

**XVI 16 The disciples are puzzled: Jesus explains**

"In a little while you will not see me any longer, and again, in a little while you will see me."

At this some of his disciples remarked to each other, "What is this that he tells us now, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again, in a little while you will see me' and 'for I am going away to the Father'? What is this 'little while' that he talks about?" they were saying. "We simply do not know what he means!"

Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him what he meant, so he said to them, "Are you trying to find out from each other what I meant when I said, 'In a little while you will not see me, and again, in a little while you will see me'? I tell you truly that you are going to be both sad and sorry while the world is glad. Yes, you will be deeply distressed, but your pain will turn into joy. When a woman gives birth to a child, she certainly knows pain when her time comes. Yet as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers her agony for joy that a man has been born into the world. Now you are going through pain, but I shall see you again and your hearts will thrill with joy-the joy that no one can take away from you-and on that day you will not ask me any questions.

"I assure you that whatever you ask the Father he will give you in my name. Up to now you have asked nothing in my name; ask now, and you will receive, that your joy may be overflowing.

**XVI 25 Jesus speaks further of the future**

"I have been speaking to you in parables-but the time is coming to give up parables and tell you plainly about the Father. When that time comes, you will make your requests to him in my name, for I need make no promise to plead to the Father for you, for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. Yes, I did come from the Father and I came into the world. Now I leave the world behind and return to the Father."

"Now you are speaking plainly," cried the disciples, "and are not using parables. Now we know that everything is known to you-no more questions are needed. This makes us sure that you did come from God."

"So you believe in me now?" replied Jesus. "The time is coming, indeed, it has already come, when you will be scattered, every one of you going home and leaving me alone. Yet I am not really alone, for the Father is with me. I have told you all this so that you may find your peace in me. You will find trouble in the world-but, never lose heart, I have conquered the world!"

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# DIOCESAN SUMMER SCHOOL 4-18 JULY 2009 GETTING GROUNDED

Join in with this year's Diocesan summer learning fortnight, 4-18 July by signing up for as many sessions as you like and come to meet other like-minded Christians, or bring along a friend or a group. The theme **Getting Grounded** continues with the Summer School's overall aim of developing confidence in the basics of faith and applying it to everyday life.

### Here is just a flavour of the range of content on offer:

For those who like to work with ideas, there is a day workshop on the *Ground of faith: the Bible's big story* and an evening session on the doctrine of the fall, in *Lost Ground*. Matters of science and faith in this Darwin anniversary year are addressed in *Disputed Ground*. Both of Guildford's Assistant Bishops are involved: Rt Revd Michael Baughen will tackle the big question of suffering in *Rough Ground* and Rt Revd Colin Bennetts will help round up the whole fortnight with *Shaky times, solid foundations* - a special Saturday cafe-style discussion with coffee and doughnuts.

Contemporary issues facing Christians in everyday life are the subject of *Mission on the ground*, and *Faith at work, economies in chaos*, looking at a Christian response to current economic turmoil. *Divided ground* is based on the experiences as an ecumenical accompanier on a World Council of Churches programme in Palestine. For an insight on those who are truly grounded, join a group visiting Downview prison, near Sutton, and hear about life inside from chaplains and prisoners.

A Christian response to Islam will be considered in *Engaging with Muslims and Islam*, which includes a visit to the Woking mosque; and in *Common Ground*, which argues for positive engagement with people of faith without compromising our own beliefs.

### Practical help and spiritual development

Summer school is also a place to learn real skills especially ones that will benefit spiritual life. The whole of Saturday 4 July will be given over to the 'Prayer Fare', a multi-session event itself, being organised by the Diocesan Spirituality team. A separate programme is available from [mary.peters@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:mary.peters@cofeguildford.org.uk)

The 'slow spirituality' movement will be discussed by local Baptist Minister Ian Stackhouse; and Christian 'busy-ness' tackled in *Hit the ground kneeling*. Finding time to nurture relationships will be encouraged in *Grounded in love*. Christian contemplation

and the role of arts, poetry and music will also be explored in various sessions.

### Come and see

A demonstration and 'how-to' session will be offered in the art of 'theatre dinner' by Back2Front Theatre. This super-value Friday evening (10 July) will include a special three-course dinner at the Cathedral Refectory and a one-act play entitled 'The Bishop's Candlesticks', based on a story within 'Les Miserables'. This offers an ideal evening out for you and non-church friends to enjoy good food and drama, and an opportunity to chat about the issues raised. Theatre in evangelism, as it is also known, will then be debriefed on the following morning (Saturday 11 July) with advice about how you can mount a similar event yourself. You can book for either or both sessions.

### Exhibitions

To further stimulate the senses and reflections, two exhibitions will run in the Cathedral during the summer school period. *The Journey* is a series of paintings by religious artist Peter Clare and *Holy Ground* is an installation by Paul Hobbs, presenting stories of Christian lives from all around the world. Paul will be giving sessions on his exhibition in the second week and on the inspiration behind his work, starting with a reception on Monday evening, 13 July.

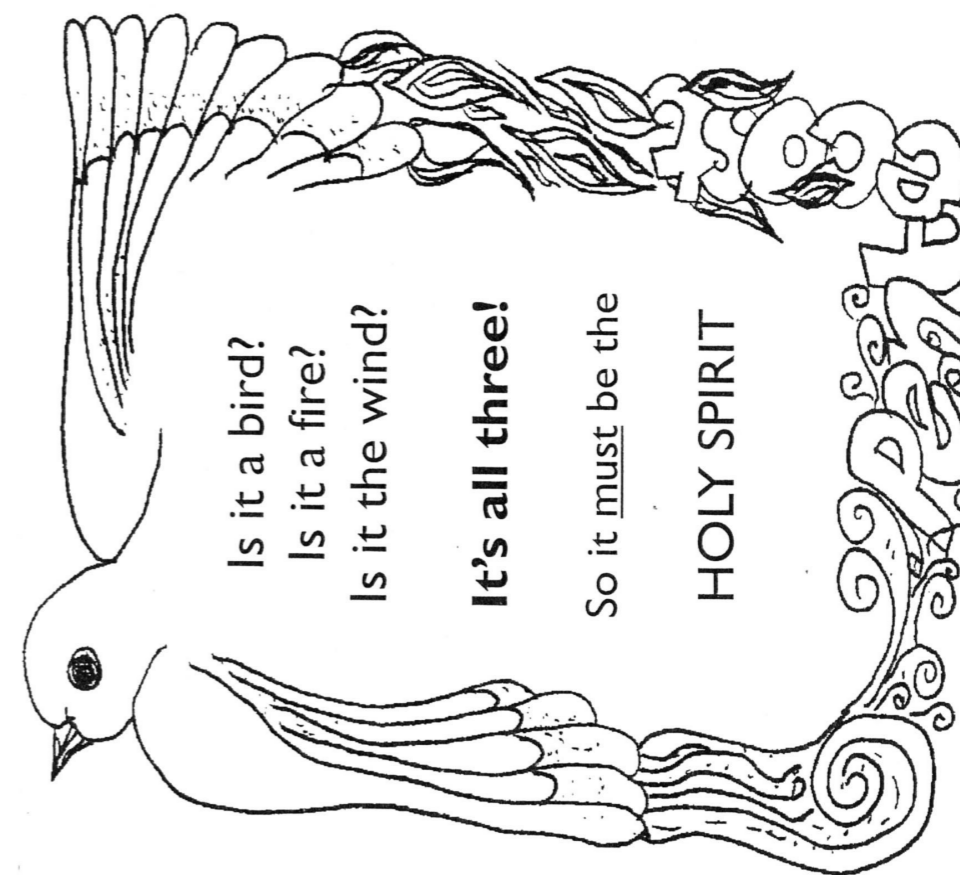
Summer School programmes have been distributed to all parishes and further copies can be obtained on request from Diocesan House - tel. 01483 571826 or from [summerschool@cofeguildford.org.uk](mailto:summerschool@cofeguildford.org.uk). It can also be downloaded from the Diocesan website at [www.cofeguildford.org.uk/go/ss](http://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/go/ss)



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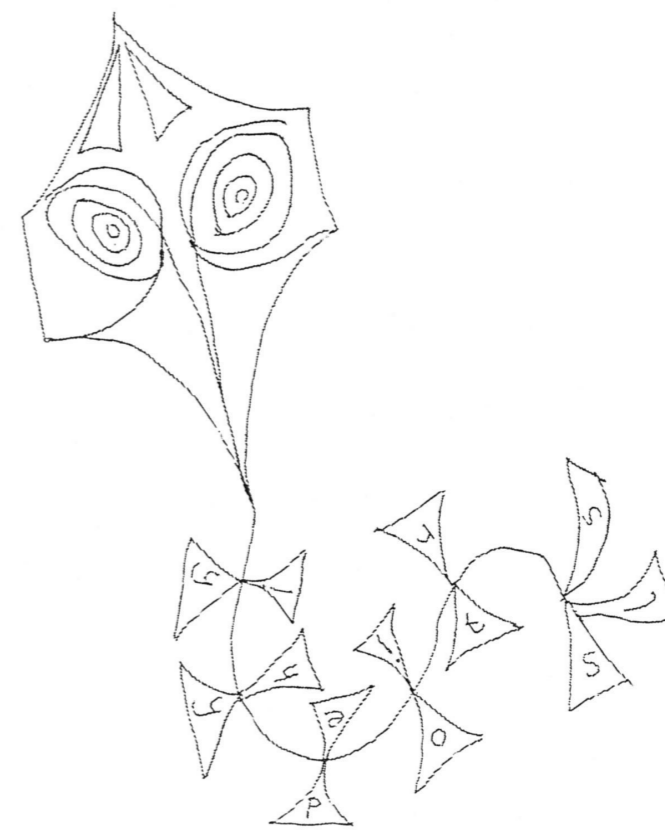
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31 May 2009, the Day of Pentecost, John 15: 26-27, 16:4b-15

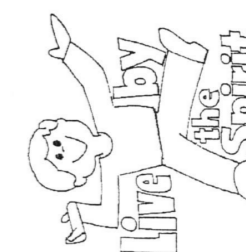


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Can you find all 10 letters of holy spirit?  
Which 3-letter word is left?



Let us pray for God's church on its birthday.  
Let us pray that the Church family may grow  
in many ways in the coming year.  
Amen



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## AN INDIAN'S PSALM 23



The Great Spirit above is a Shepherd Chief,

I am His and with Him I want not.

He throws out to me a rope, and the name of the rope is love; and He draws me very tenderly to where the grass is green, and the water is not dangerous, and I eat and lie down satisfied.

Sometimes my heart is very weak and falls down; but He lifts me up again, and draws me into a good road, for His name is Wonderful. Sometime, it may be very soon; it may be longer; it may be a long, long time; He will draw me into a narrow place between mountains.

It is dark there but I'll not turn back, and I'll not be afraid, for it is in there between those mountains that the Shepherd Chief will meet me, and the hunger I have felt in my heart all through this life will be satisfied.

Sometimes He makes the love rope into a whip, but afterward He gives me a staff to lean on.

He spreads a table before me with all kinds of food.

He puts His hand upon my head, and all the tiredness is gone.

He fills my cup till it runs over.

What I tell you is true; it is no lie.

These roads that are away ahead will stay with me through this life, and afterward I shall go to live in the big camp, and sit down with the Shepherd Chief forever.

*Author Unknown- from Kathie Burgess*

## FUTURE RECITALS 2009

June 13 Visiting 'celebrity' organist

June 27 **Organ recital**

Simon Gregory (Emanuel School, Clapham)

July 11 to be announced

Sept 12 **Patronal Festival Organ Recital**

Jonathan Holmes (Director of Music, Ewell Parish Church)

Oct 10 **"Jonah Man Jazz"** - St Mary's Choir with local schools

Nov 14 **Handel's "Messiah"** - St Mary's Choir

All recitals are on Saturdays and start at 7.30 pm with the exception of that on 10 October which has a 7.00 pm start.

Further details can be obtained from the church website ([www.stmarysewell.com/music\\_events.html](http://www.stmarysewell.com/music_events.html))

## SUE MOSELEY - PARISH PROFILE

I was born in Aldershot in a cottage dating from the 17th century which was originally an inn. I have one sister.

I attended Guildford Commercial School for Girls where I received a commercial education and also worked for GCE examinations. However, working in an office never appealed to me so I passed an interview to begin training at Great Ormond Street Hospital. It was a very interesting, but hard training. Nurses themselves were treated very strictly and rules had to be obeyed! Later on I worked for the consultant microbiologist there.



In time I met my husband who was studying for a Ph.D in chemistry. After marriage I worked briefly at the Senate House, London, and we lived in Muswell Hill. A son and daughter were eventually born who qualified in engineering and mathematics respectively. My son was married at St Mary's and both my daughter's daughters were baptised at St Mary's, all were very happy occasions.

For 20 years or so much of my married life was spent in the Sudan. I had always had an interest in Africa and the Middle East, so was very excited about this opportunity. My husband taught at the university there and we usually came to the UK yearly, travelling to various countries on the way.

My life there was varied, full of interest and where I learned so much about so many things. It was lovely to mix with people of different nationalities and religions, and although a Muslim country there were a number of Christian sects, the main sect being Coptic. I enjoyed living with the various cultures and we all got on well, sharing each other's festivities. However, life could be hard at times and there were difficult periods not of our making. When in Khartoum I worked on-and-off. I was sorry when we finally left Sudan, it is a life much missed.

Presently I work part-time as a medical secretary. Interests include travel (or did!), reading, cooking, latterly gardening about which I am learning all the time, and my three granddaughters.

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## SUGGESTED PRAYERS

O Thou divine Spirit that, in all events of life, art knocking at the door of my heart, help me to respond to Thee. I would not be driven blindly as the stars over their courses. I would not be made to work out Thy will unwillingly, to fulfil Thy law unintelligently, to obey Thy mandates unsympathetically. I would take the events of my life as good and perfect gifts from Thee; I would receive even the sorrows of life as disguised gifts from Thee. I would have my heart open at all times to receive-at morning, noon, and night; in spring, and summer, and winter. Whether Thou comest to me in sunshine or in rain, I would take Thee into my heart joyfully. Thou art Thyself more than the sunshine, Thou art Thyself compensation for the rain; it is Thee and not Thy gifts I crave ; knock, and I shall open unto Thee. Amen.

*George Matheson.*

O Lord keep me sensitive to the grace that is round about me. May the familiar not become neglected! May I see Thy goodness in my daily bread, and may the comfort of my home take my thoughts to the mercy seat of God

*J. H. Jowett.*

Come, O Lord, in much mercy down into my soul, and take possession and dwell there. A homely mansion, I confess, for so glorious a Majesty, but such as Thou art fitting up for the reception of Thee, by holy and fervent desires of Thine own inspiring. Enter then, and adorn, and make it such as Thou canst inhabit, since it is the work of Thy hands. Give me Thine own self, without which, though Thou shouldst give me all that ever Thou hast made, yet could not my desires be satisfied. Let my soul ever seek Thee, and let me persist in seeking, till I have found, and am in full possession of Thee. Amen.

*St Augustine(354-430)*

## FOR THE HOUSEHOLD

O God, who hast translated us out of darkness into the marvellous light of thy Kingdom, so fill us with its brightness that we may henceforth be kindled and illumined. Cause lives within this household to shine forth, and other lives soon to reflect their radiance; until the darkness past and duty done, thy servants go in peace, led by thine own true Lamp, to the vision of eternal day. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## NIGEL BIRD - ACTIVE CITIZENS AWARD 2008/9



joined the choir as soon as he was old enough at about the age of seven. He was also a Sunday school teacher for several years. Members of St. Mary's may have noticed Nigel, acting with quiet efficiency, as one of the excellent team of Masters of Ceremonies at church services.

He is one of three remaining founder members of the Ewell St. Mary's Morris Men who will be celebrating their 30th anniversary at this year's Village Fair. This happy band of dancers were to be seen at sunrise on Box Hill as part of a May Day ritual and later in the day performing with Mayor Boris Johnson at this year's City of London May Day celebrations.

Nigel is now Managing Director of the family firm which was established in 1883 by his Great -Great Grandfather. He started there at the age of 17 and has worked his way up the ladder having achieved two degrees on the way. Fellow of the Gem-mological Association (FGA) and is qualified in Diamond grad-ing (DGA). He was made a Freeman of the City of London in 1994 and is a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Fan-makers (following in the footsteps of his Grandfather). He is also on the Committee of the Retail Traders Association.

Everyone, I am sure, will wish to congratulate him warmly on receiving this award, well deserved. This means that his name will be recorded on the board of Mayor's winners of Active Citizens Awards in the atrium of the Town Hall in Epsom.

St. Mary's is fortunate in having Nigel among its members. His contributions to the life of the church and to the local community are examples of Christian qualities.

EMMP/GAB

*Acknowledgement: I am indebted to Gill Bird for information about Nigel's career and involvement in the Scout movement. EMMP*

The nomination for an Active Citizens Award is made by the current Mayor of Epsom & Ewell, and is awarded for 'Service to the Community'. The nomination has to be agreed by a majority of three past Mayors.

This year's unsuspecting recipient, Nigel Bird, was presented with a medal at the St. George's day parade held at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Epsom on 26th April, and is entitled to wear this at any Civic event.

Over the years Nigel has been a Cub Leader, Scout Leader and Venture Scout Leader. In 1998 he became District Commissioner for Epsom & Ewell and remained in post until May 2008.

He has been a lifelong member of St. Mary's, having been baptised by Father Paul Davis at the age of three months. He

## HEDERSDOKTOR, UNIVERSITY OF LINKÖPING

Former churchwarden, Dr David Dance, was awarded an honorary Doctorate in Medicine by the Faculty of Health Sciences, Linköping University, Sweden on Saturday 16 May. This was in recognition of successful collaborative research with the Department of Radiation Physics at Linköping University Hos-pital for more than 20 years. This work mainly concerned the optimisation of x-ray technologies to improve image quality whilst reducing levels of radiation exposure to patients.

The degree ceremony was quite different to those of British Universities. The academic dress was not the normal, cap, gown and hood, but comprised evening dress with white tie and tails. David received a hat, ring and diploma. The hat once symbol-ised freedom. In ancient Rome, liberated slaves were given the right to wear a hat. Within the academic context, the hat symbol-ises freedom of research, but from a historical point of view, it also expressed power. In Linköping the ring is only given to honorary doctors. It symbolises marriage, which in this context represents how the promovendi are wed to science. The diploma is written in Latin. It used to be very important to verify a doctor's degree, especially during trips abroad, when the diplo-ma was the only degree certificate. Today, the diploma is con-sidered a beautiful memento of the commencement ceremony.

The celebrations and award of the degree were spread over two days, starting with a formal lecture by David, followed by lunch in the Castle with the Landshövding (Governor) of the Region, a concert and a reception in the Town Hall. The degree

ceremony was on the second day, after which there was another reception and a dinner for 500 with speeches, entertainment and then dancing. The five honorary degrees presented as part of the ceremony, included a doctorate to Jonas Jacobsson, who is a Swedish para-olympian with sixteen gold medals for rifle shoot-ing to his credit.



### EVF Stallholders' Meeting 3rd June - 8.00 p.m. Parish Room

ATTENTION all stallholders  
Yes, even you  
I'm having a meeting  
So here's what to do

On 3rd of June evening  
Could we meet.....usual place  
I hope to have a big smile on my face  
Most things are now sorted  
But what's left to do  
Is to get up my list  
Of the EVF's "Who's Who"

So, please come to the meeting  
It won't take too long  
I need spellings of all names  
As I'd hate to get it wrong!  
I also need numbers of tables & chairs  
That you will require to sell all your wares

I look forward to seeing you all on this date  
With all of your help the Fair's going to be  
GREAT !!!

If you can't make the meeting, then please let  
me know  
In church, if you see me, or on the number  
below.

Rachel 01372 749220

### FAIR SPRINGBOARD 2009

Thank you to everyone who supported the Fair SpringBoard in the Church Hall on Saturday May 16. This was a fundraiser for the Ewell Village Fair on 18 July, and it was a most enjoyable morning. The plants and cakes in particular were a great attraction, together with the other stall and refreshments helped to bring in receipts which have now reached £640. Thank you to all stall-holders & refreshment ladies. See you at the FAIR!

Valerie Smither & Sarah Stovell

### HOPE 2009

Churches Together in Ewell are presenting a "Christianity in the Community" programme on the lawns of Bourne Hall from 1400 to 16 30 on Sunday 28th June. As last year local churches will have varied displays and entertainments. There will be story telling, music, games and crafts, a costumed historical event, model insects to make, opportunities for people to be prayed for, free refreshments and plenty more. St. Mary's is planning a display featuring the Hol-man Hunt picture " Jesus -the Light of the World" and there will be family craft involving making lanterns. Everything is free, including refreshments, and there is a request to all the churches to bake cakes for that stall. Look out for further information in the weekly notes.

Sarah Stovell [ C.T.E. Rep.]

### GLYN HALL AGM

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the newly refurbished hall on Monday 29 June. 7.30 for 8.00 pm. All visitors are welcome.

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### DO COME AND JOIN US

#### Coach Outing to Eastbourne

"As we go to print" we have a few seats available for the coach outing to Eastbourne on Thursday 18 June-Price £10 each. If you are interested, please contact Joan Boulden or Lynne Yuille A.S.A.P.

The coach will depart from outside the Church Hall- Please make sure you are there by 9.15 to ensure swift boarding for a prompt 9.30 departure.

We shall leave Eastbourne at 16.30 to arrive back in Ewell 18.00 - 18.30.

#### Table Top Sale

There will be a Table Top Sale for Books, Tapes and Toiletries at the Coffee Morning on Wednesday 24 June.

Do come and join us, enjoy a "cuppa" and participate in the sale if you can. 10.30 - 12.00 in the Church Hall.