



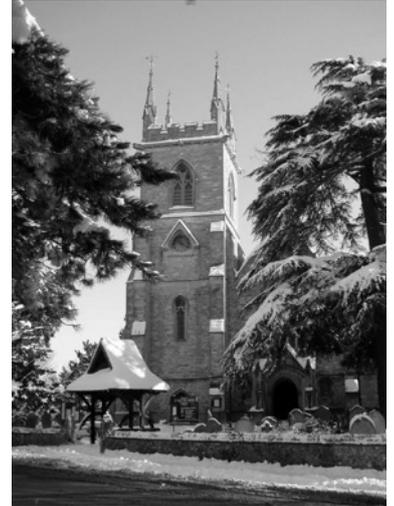
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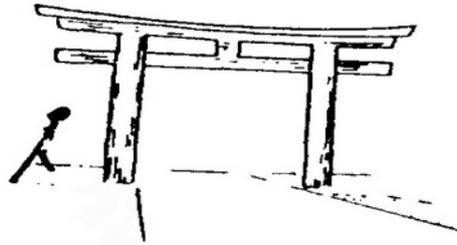
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Sharing the Love of Christ, the Light of the World, with the people of Ewell



I said to the man who stood at  
the gate of the year,

“Give me a light that I may  
tread safely into the unknown.”

And he replied, “Go into the  
darkness and put your hand  
into the hand of God.

That shall be to you better than  
a light and safer than a known  
way.”

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## The Vicar writes

The Parochial Church Council's meeting at the end of November was principally concerned with strategy and vision. There was, as always, a great deal of business to transact, from grave reservations to budget considerations, from agreeing improvements to the church building to data protection. Nevertheless, we try to give a significant amount of time at the last meeting in the year to some long-term thinking. There are a number of projects under way at the moment: in particular, loos in the church, better parking at church, improvements to the AV system, and the recruitment of a part-time publicity officer. A number of other ideas and priorities were discussed, and some of them will be part of our discussions at "A New Year at St Mary's" on 14 January at 11am in church. I don't want to pre-empt those discussions, but there was one area of discussion I'd like to say more about now.

We are increasingly a church made up of people who attend different services from the wide range we offer each month. Whereas the Church of England as a whole has seen a gradual decline in attendance figures over the past five years, at St Mary's attendance has increased over that period. A number of people have moved away or sadly have died over the past few years, but at the same time we have welcomed new members into our church. In addition, new services have begun, like Praise@11 and All-in, and, reflecting the growth in attendance at cathedrals nationally, we have seen a growing attendance at Choral Evensong. These numbers don't tell the whole story by any means, and we do many other things on Sundays and during the week, but the 'official' numbers are a good place to start. They can help us notice changing patterns in church attendance. On a normal Sunday, only around 50% of those who attend church do so at our 9:30am Sung Eucharist. Yet there are many ways in which church life focusses around that 9:30am service. In particular, the body responsible for most of the major decisions- the PCC- has tended to draw its members from those who are regular at that service.

At the meeting, the PCC agreed that it was important that, as far as possible, all of our congregations should be represented on the PCC. There will be vacancies in the PCC again this April at the annual meeting. Please consider if you might stand for the PCC, there are usually five meetings a year, recently these have tended to be on Monday evenings. We make important decisions about the whole of church life, and it would be wonderful to have as wide a representation as possible from our whole church. Please speak to the Vicar or another PCC member to find out more.

Along the same lines, the PCC thought it would be good to find more opportunities for the different congregations to come together as one church, both in terms of activities, and also occasional services that might draw us all together. We will continue to think how this might be achieved, all ideas warmly welcomed.

May I take this opportunity to wish all EPN readers a very happy new year? Like every year, it will bring opportunities and challenges, plans brought to fruition and unexpected

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### SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S

#### 0800 HOLY COMMUNION

#### 0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

The Sunday School meets in conjunction with this service in term time.

There is coffee in the church hall between the 9.30 and 11 o'clock services on Sunday mornings, to which all are welcome, and especially newcomers and visitors.

#### LATE MORNING SERVICE varies by Sunday in the month

The usual pattern is our all-age **Praise@11** on the first Sunday at 11am; 11.15am **Choral Mattins** on the second Sunday; 11am **Toddle Up**, a short and very informal service for toddlers and their families on the third Sunday; and 11.15am **Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism** on the fourth Sunday. The pattern changes on special occasions: see the calendar on the back page for details of this month.

**1700 Second Sunday of the month ALL-IN** An inclusive all-age service with something for everyone. Followed at 6pm-6:45pm by Club Sandwich, a youth group for 7-11s.

**1730 Once a month CHORAL EVENSONG** Just like a cathedral Evensong in our own parish church. Usually the third Sunday but see the calendar on the back page for details.

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

### ON WEEKDAYS

Morning prayer is *usually* said at 9 am Tuesdays, in church. See the Weekly Notes or phone ahead to make sure. The Eucharist is celebrated on Tuesdays at 10 am, at the Side Chapel.

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The Office hours are normally 9.30-12.00 Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri, but please check before visiting as appointments are usually needed.

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surprises, baptisms, weddings, and funerals, and the worship of God we offer faithfully week by week and month by month. We pray and work for growth as a church, not because we are trying to increase the market share of an institution, but because we believe that a life with Jesus Christ at the centre of it is a full, rich, rewarding life, and we want to share this as widely as possible. May 2018 be a blessed time, both for St Mary's and for the whole of Ewell.

## IN CHURCH IN JANUARY

We keep the festival of the Epiphany on 7 January, as the wise men finally arrive at the Crib. As for every Sunday you can see the plan of services on the calendar at the back of the EPN. Note our all-age service Praise@11 and a special Choral Evensong for this festival.

On Sunday 14 January there is an event for everyone to come to who is interested in what St Mary's will be doing in the coming year, "A New Year at St Mary's". Every year we have a meeting for the whole church to discuss our plans and projects for the year ahead. It will start in church at 11am (coffee from 10.45am) and be finished by noon.

The Sunday falling within the week of prayer for Christian unity is 21 January. During the 9:30am Sung Eucharist there will be the opportunity for those who wish it to receive individual prayer in the parish room, after Holy Communion or a blessing. Toddle Up! at 11am, is our monthly service especially for toddlers and their families and the worship concludes for the day at 5:30pm with Choral Evensong.

On Saturday 27 January it is the annual church board games afternoon. No need to book, just turn up to the church hall (2-4pm). Bring your favourite board game, or pick one from the pile. Tea and cake will be served. This is always a very enjoyable afternoon where all ages from the church and wider community come together.

Candlemas- when we celebrate the presentation of Christ in the temple- is kept on Sunday 28 January this year. Our late morning service is Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism, at 11:15am. All are most welcome to our baptism services, they are full sung services of Morning Prayer, and it is always good to see people from our congregations to support and welcome those being baptized, as well as their own friends and families.

## EWELL VILLAGE FAIR

Ewell Village Fair will be on Saturday 14 July 2018. We have a good planning team partially in place, including some new faces and those who are experienced from previous years. There are some vacancies. Some of those roles, such as finalising advertising for the programme (by phone and email) are carried out well in advance of July. Others, such as overseeing the Grand Draw, involve time both in advance and at the Fair. We are looking for someone to attend the monthly evening meetings who can take minutes of the meetings, and someone who can help with replying to email enquiries. There will as always be plenty of ways to volunteer on the day!

I am confident that people will fill the vacancies in the planning committee- every year it looks as though we don't have enough people but volunteers always come forward in January. The alternative would be a much reduced smaller Fair this year, so please do consider if you can offer any time to help make 2018's Fair as good as ever. We meet at 8pm on Monday 22 January in the parish room at the back of church, please do just turn up, or contact me to talk about it.

Your friend and Parish Priest

Russell Dewhurst



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## ADVENTures

With the eve of Advent just a week away, it was decided that the St Mary's winter supper on Saturday, 25 November, should take the name ADVENTures to usher in the season that is all about preparation for the coming of Christ. There was a festive air in the church hall and echoes of Christmas were to the fore in the red, green and gold decorations, gold crackers on the tables and evergreen centrepieces that included holly and ivy and shiny baubles. It was a chilly evening but a warm welcome awaited everyone as glasses of bubbly were handed out.

Before grace, the Vicar asked for glasses to be raised in a toast to Lucy Piercy who died in the summer. She had been a much loved and active member of the Social Committee for many years and her outstanding culinary and serving skills were greatly missed.

That there is a wealth of talent among the St Mary's congregation was amply demonstrated during the entertainment presented between courses. After the tapas starter, first up was George who, accompanied by Jonathan on the piano, thrilled everyone with his stirring rendition of Noel Coward's "Bad times are just around the corner". Sustained by the delicious game pie made by members of the Social Committee, the diners settled down for the second part of the entertainment, a hilarious version of the pantomime Goldilocks. The brainchild of Jenny, it was directed by Gilda and narrated by churchwarden Valerie. Mike brought the house down when he appeared as leading lady; despite his towering height, he managed to make quite a convincing Goldilocks with a mane of golden curls.



Others in the excellent cast were the uncannily realistically masked three bears played by Steve and Yvonne (Daddy and Mummy) and Angela (a dainty Baby). Jenny contributed a lot to the panto and she and Noel really hammed up their part as "very important scene shifters". Jonathan arranged for the right music to be played at the right time and this certainly enhanced the skit, as did the wonderful props: the ingenious cottage door made by Ray and chair covers for bears produced by Dorothy.

Diners had the tempting choice of cream and raspberry meringues, lemon possets, Christmas pudding or fruit salad before being led by Jenny in some rousing singing of a selection of Christmas songs, with Jonathan again at the piano and some enthusiastic tambourine players adding to the fun. It fell to churchwarden Nicholas, the MC, to thank the many people who had made the evening such a success and receiving a huge round of applause were all the entertainers, the Social Committee chair, Rosemarie Henson, and her Committee members and the team of helpers in the kitchen.

MN

## TODDLERS 2017

Angels made and erected in church, Christmas cards and decorations crafted, Christmas songs learnt and sung, Toddlers closed the year with a visit from "Uncle John" our entertainer, a party and a visit from Father Christmas.



Reduced from 3 groups to 2 groups this year the groups continue to thrive, although we could always do with more help even on an occasional basis. If you would like to help in any way please talk to Jenny Dance or Gilda Everson, who will welcome you with open arms. We both feel that Toddlers is a way of encouraging more people to join our congregation especially for our children's services, Toddle Up and Praise @11. Please think about this important task.

JD

## FUN DAY 9 December

**11.00:** risk assessments done, glitter pots full, fruit juice and biscuits on tap, helpers fully briefed, the church and hall were ready to receive the 30 plus children attending the Star Fun Day.



**3.45:** glitter pots empty, piles of paper chains, iced biscuits, snowmen kebabs, stars and other handmade Christmas decorations and some rather tired helpers. Children safely returned to their parents after a busy day.

You will have all seen some of the results of the day – the very, very, long paper chain decorating the church made by all the different groups when they had a minute to spare! - the "stained glass" stars stuck to the windows made by each of the attendees – the delightful nativity "The Star that Cannot Shine" that was rehearsed on the day and seen in church at 2pm on Christmas Eve.

A big THANK YOU to Fran for masterminding the day and to all the helpers who gave up their time.

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Parents/carers please stay and have a drink and a chat. £1 per session - no need to book. Any questions contact Fran Siddle on 07944-761629 or [francesiddle@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:francesiddle@yahoo.co.uk).

## SUGGESTED PRAYERS

O Lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and Everlasting God, who has safely brought us to the beginning of this day, defend us in the same with Thy mighty power, and grant this day that we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings may be ordered by Thy governance to do always that which is righteous in Thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Book of Common Prayer*

O God, by whose power alone men and women are enabled to live together as brothers and sisters, give wisdom and understanding to all who work for peace and justice among the nations, and grant them such a sense of unity and purpose in their common task that they may build a world of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Prayers from peacemakers*

Ere thou sleepest, gently lay  
Every troubled thought away,  
Put off worry and distress  
As thou putteth off thy dress.  
Drop thy worry and thy care  
In the quiet arms of prayer.  
Lord, thou knowest how I live,  
All I've done amiss, forgive,  
All the good I've tried to do  
Hallow, bless, and carry through.  
All I love, in safety keep  
While, in thee, I fall asleep.

*Old English Prayer*

Almighty God,

We offer thee our souls and bodies  
To be a living sacrifice,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Send us out into the world  
in the power of Thy Holy Spirit  
to live and work  
to Thy praise and glory.

*Holy Communion*

O God, our loving Father, we pray thee to keep us ever close to thyself, that we may find in thy love our strength and our peace.

*William Temple*

# A SIMPLE THING REALLY

Each of us lives in several different worlds. The two most obvious are the great big world outside of countries we've never visited, politics we can't understand, religions and economies we've never experienced - and then there is the great big world inside our minds, our opinions of people and products, our responses to art, music, food, sport, clothes, church services, bus journeys, flowers, mountains -

We could go on forever subdividing these two worlds. And every day is a new experience.

The happy thing is that Jesus knows it all. He is never perplexed but knows well how perplexed we can often be. And he only wants us to help others.

It is terribly simple really.

But the way books are written, talks are given, discussions are held, one might think that life was some great intellectual exercise, when in fact it's a straightforward matter of behaviour, conscience-driven or otherwise.

Which is why he taught us to pray to "Our Father...".



# OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2017



A **HUGE** vote of thanks must go to everyone who joined in filling a shoe box for Operation Christmas Child. This year, we were yet again a local drop off point and were able to welcome people from a multitude of different groups and walks of life - from individuals, families, local school groups, local youth and community groups, local churches, local offices and businesses; too numerous to name individually. A grand total of **617** boxes were dropped off with us and are now on their way to children in need around the world. They will go via OCC's packing depot in Aldershot where they will be checked and crated before heading off on the next part of their journey overseas. Thanks to you all!

*Linda Staff*

## FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

### HOLY BAPTISM

**At the font we were marked with the Cross on our brow, Of our grace and our calling the sign (AMR 541)**

26 November     Ralph Matthew Carter  
                               Teddie Reece Maker

### HOLY MATRIMONY

**A gift of God in creation, and a means of his grace, a holy mystery (ASB Marriage rite)**

2 December     Jerome Marvin McKenzie and  
                               Kelly Louise Loughran

### FUNERALS

**I will come again and take you to myself (St. John 14:3)**

29 November     Helen Elizabeth Walls, aged 96  
7 December     Margaret Eileen Tomlin, aged 86

## SITUATION VACANT PUBLICITY OFFICER

The PCC is seeking to recruit a Publicity Officer for an initial period of three months, with possible extension to three years following review. Hours of work to be 8 hours per week for the initial period. The publicity officer's duties will include day-to-day oversight of the church's publicity, in particular social media, working with volunteers in the church to advertise our activities and events. Full details of this new position will be available on the church's website in January.

## PAST AND PRESENT

I was down from Scotland visiting Mum (Barbara Cannon) in October. I was really pleased to be able to accompany Mum to the Wednesday Coffee morning in the church hall. I was made to feel so welcome by Julian Varney and Theresa Thomas and the other people who attended that morning.

I have not lived in the Ewell area for 40 + years and it was a very nostalgic visit to the church hall in so many ways. My earliest memories were of Sunday school parties in the hall more than 50 years ago. The highlight was always the film show and I can still remember so clearly the sound of the huge projector and our excitement waiting in the dark for the silent movies to begin.

Many years later Mum and Dad (Frank Cannon) ran the coffee mornings and I really enjoyed hearing about the activities, outings and events that they organised. I also remember having the opportunity to visit the coffee morning when Nick, our 3 children and I were staying with Mum and Dad many years ago. I loved chatting with all the people attending that morning but unfortunately, as I frequently do, I got carried away chatting and was asked to be quiet as they were playing Bingo for packets of biscuits!



The highlight of my recent visit to the coffee morning was realising that the brass cleaning team were together again – Rene, Hilary and Mum. Dad died in 2003 and the church was a lifeline for Mum. The friendship and sense of community was a great help to her as she came to terms with life without Dad. I can't remember when Mum joined the Brass cleaning team but it was obvious chatting to Mum about it that they enjoyed themselves immensely and there was a lot of chatting, fun and laughter. I couldn't resist taking this picture of Rene, Hilary and Mum. It was lovely for me to meet them and see them all together again. It is sad that Mum can no longer join them but I hope the current team have as much fun as Mum did.

KP

### THE PASTOR ADVISES

Pot luck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow

Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.

## BUDDING BROWNIE DESIGNERS!



As in the previous two years 1<sup>st</sup> Ewell Village (St Mary's) Brownies designed the numbers to go in the 22 shop windows and 2 churches, including St Mary's, involved in the Ewell Village 2017 Advent Calendar Treasure Hunt (see page 4 of December's edition of the Ewell Parish News).

In the photo you can see the numbers held up by the Brownies before they went on display.

Megan (Brownie) said: "I enjoy colouring the numbers as Christmassy and bright as I can, and then going to find them all in the village."

Mary Zoeller (Epsom Division Commissioner) said: "We are delighted to be asked to design the Advent Calendar numbers again this year. The Brownies worked really hard to make their designs as colourful as possible and we are very grateful to Sue Ayling for coming and judging the designs so fairly and carefully. The Brownies enjoyed taking part in the Treasure Hunt and finding their numbers around the village!"

Sue Ayling (Assistant Priest) said: "I was so impressed with all the different designs and the care with which the drawing had been done. It was good to see the numbers all over the village. Many thanks to all the Brownies".

## SERMONS ON-LINE

Did you know that you can listen on-line to selected sermons given at St Mary's? Click on:

<http://www.stmarysewell.com/services/recordings-of-sermons/>

There about 20 sermons available at present.

Please let the Vicar know if you use this facility.



## CHURCH CONCERT 7 October

The tradition of putting on a 'scratch' concert in autumn at St. Mary's Church is well established now. As well as our team of 'regulars' we welcome visitors from the parish and beyond either in the choir or as members of the audience. The musicians included Jonathan and Sarah Holmes who played piano duets; later Jonathan conducted and Simon Gregory accompanied in Gabriel Fauré's Requiem.

The whole programme comprised popular French pieces of the nineteenth century. "Prélude de la Porte Heroique du Ciel" (prelude of the heroic gate of Heaven) by Erik Satie was arranged for piano and organ. The choir sprang into action in the short prayer "Ave Maria" (Hail, Mary, full of grace) by Camille Saint-Saens. Regular attenders at the 9.30 service at St. Mary's will have heard this sung as an anthem. Next the "Dolly" Suite for piano duet by Fauré. Readers of a certain age will remember the 'Berceuse' (Lullaby) because it was used as signature tune for 'Listen with Mother' every day. Finally a choral composition by Fauré, the "Cantique de Jean Racine" (which means "chant by Jean Racine"). Dating from 1864-5, this piece won its nineteen year-old composer first prize in a music competition. Racine himself in the world of literature is the French equivalent of Shakespeare;

In 1888 Fauré, by this time well into his forties, was well established as teacher and organist in Paris. It is not known exactly why he decided to write a Requiem. It is possible the idea came to him following the deaths in quick succession of both his father and mother, who dwelt far away in the foothills of the Pyrenees. Whatever the motivation, the Requiem has become by far the best known of all Fauré's compositions. Ever since the days of Mozart, the hallowed Latin words of the Requiem Mass have been set to music. In fact, by the 1880s, things had developed to the extent that a full-blown, operatic style of Requiem with ever-larger choirs and orchestras had become popular in Paris. Fauré deliberately distances himself from all this; he also had a different vision of Death. Rather like Brahms in his German Requiem, Fauré sees death not as a terror to come, but as a "happy deliverance, an aspiration towards the happiness of the hereafter, rather than as a painful passing away" To this end, he altered the sequence of movements, omitting some and adding others. Two solo voices are used and tonight these were sung by members of the choir: Susana d'Oliviera (soprano) in the "Pie Jesu" ("Merciful Lord Jesus, grant them everlasting rest") and Thomas Smith (baritone) in both the Offertorium prayer and in the "Libera Me" (Deliver me, O Lord). With rippling harp arpeggios accompanying the choir, Fauré achieves a magical effect to the end of his Requiem in the (non-liturgical) words of the 'In Paradisum': "Aeternam habeas requiem" (May they have eternal rest).

## CHARLIE CHAPLIN AT EWELL?

Rumour has it that Charlie Chaplin was spotted at St. Mary's Church. Can it be true?

The answer is a definite 'Yes' and comes in the form of an organ recital by Simon Gregory on Saturday 18 November. Simon is, of course, very well-known at Ewell. He has long been an active participant at services and in the series of regular recitals and concerts held at St. Mary's. Tonight we heard him play solo in a wide range of organ music.

Chaplin's "The Pawnshop" was released in 1916, and was his sixth film for Mutual Film Corporation. In those days of the silent movie, musical accompaniment to the film was provided by the theatre organ that had been developed by Robert Hope-Jones. In America the art of the theatre organ was carried further by the Wurlitzer Company. St. Mary's, of course, lacks a theatre organ but it does have a 'Father' Willis! Simon's job of improvising required the installation of a second monitor to enable him at the organ console to see the film and adapt the accompaniment accordingly.

However, Chaplin did not put in an appearance till the second half. Before that we heard the organ solo in serious - and not-so-serious - mood. Eighteenth-century France 'kicked off' the evening: the highly enjoyable 'Suite du Premier Ton' by **Louis Clérambault**. His organ music is stylised by lightness and clarity. By the time of **César Franck** in the middle of the next century the art of organ-building in France had reached its apogee: a look at the score of the 'Piece Heroique' (heroic piece) will reveal the huge extent to which music for the pedals has developed. Moving to the twenty-first century, we come to **Denis Bédard** (born 1950) who is organist at Vancouver. He is an accomplished and prolific composer for organ amongst which is the 'Suite Romantique', next on the programme. To take us to the interval, a piece appropriately named 'Sortie' ('a going out') in the key of E flat by **Louis Léfèbure-Wely**.

Perhaps the best known organ work of all is the Toccata and Fugue in D minor, BWV 565 by **Bach**. The Italian word 'toccata' simply means 'touch-piece'. It came into use during Bach's lifetime; the 'fugue' - another form of music - had long been famous among composers as a test of their skill. As a break from the Bach, Simon chose two quiet pieces arranged for the organ from **William Walton's** score for the 1944 Laurence Olivier film of 'Henry the Fifth'. That led directly into the film.

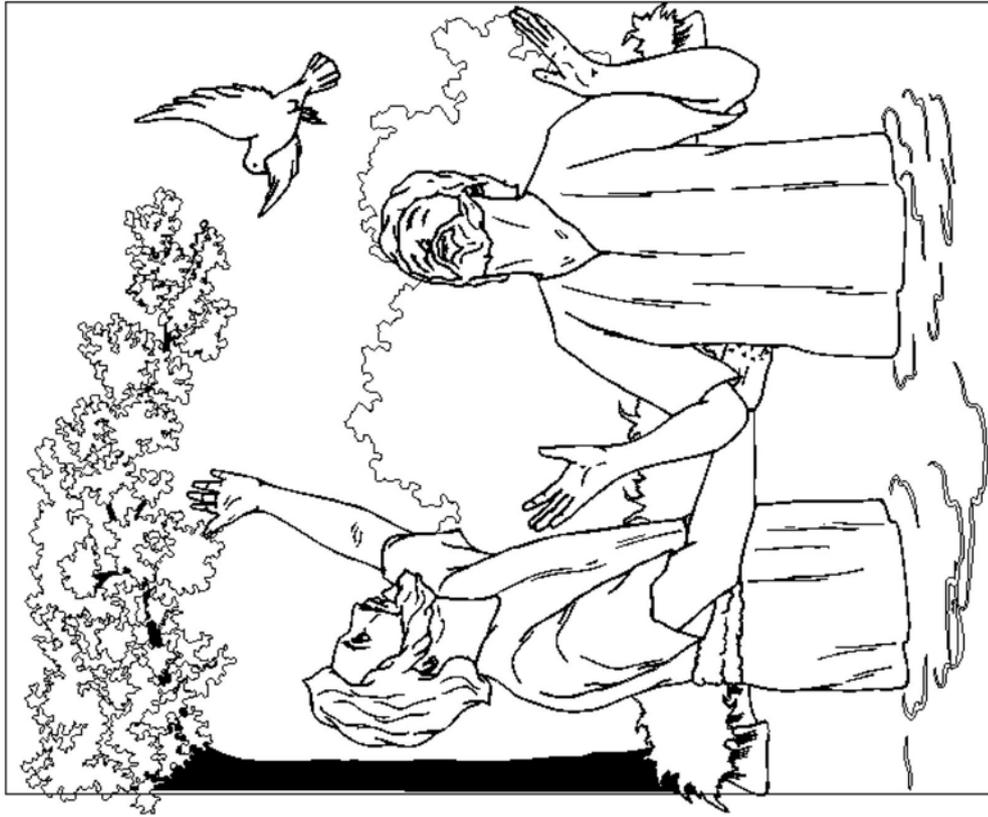
A true organ 'spectacular' brought the evening to a close, 'The Ride of the Valkyries' by **Edwin Lemare** (1865-1934). Lemare achieved huge popularity during his lifetime through transcriptions for organ of Wagner's operas. In the days before the advent of radio and gramophone recordings, these transcriptions were the only means residents of mid-Western America had of hearing this music at all.

Simon had one final 'trick up his sleeve'. By way of an encore, he played a quirky piece entitled 'Ataccot' which turned out to be the Toccata played backwards!

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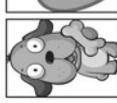
## John baptises Jesus

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Jesus came to be baptized by John in which river?



Write the first letter of each word to find out

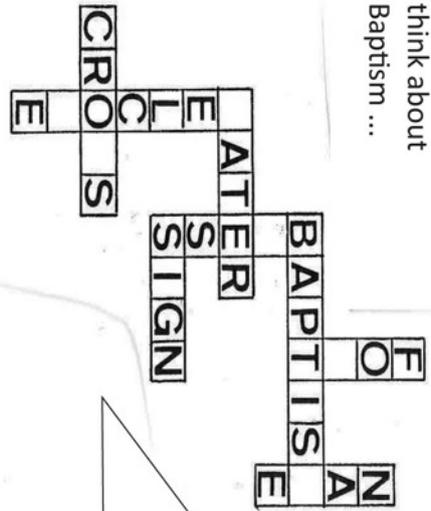


After John had baptized Jesus, the Holy Spirit came down on Jesus.  
Join the dots from 1 to 48 to find out how the Holy Spirit appeared

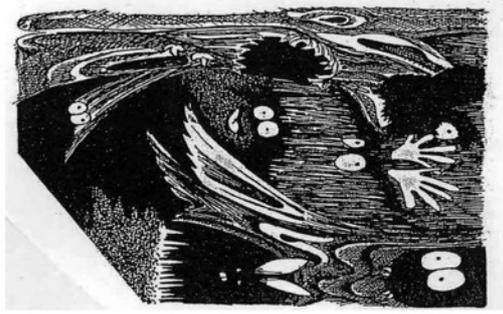


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Let's think about your Baptism ...



There are 6 gaps in this grid. Puzzle out what letters to put in them, to give you 8 words to do with your own Baptism



These words were probably said to you at your Baptism.

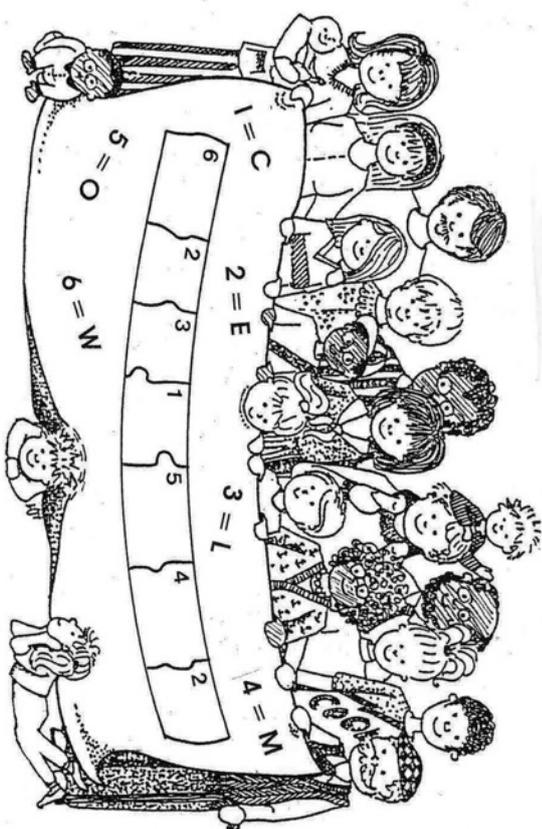
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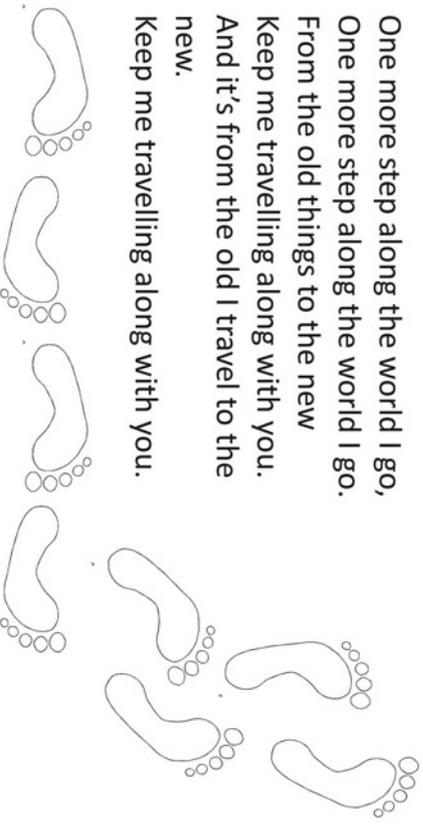


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# Calendar for January

- T 2 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Side Chapel
- S 7 **THE EPIPHANY**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist with procession  
1100 Praise@11  
1730 Choral Evensong
- T 9 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Side Chapel
- S 14 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 'New Year for St. Mary's'  
1700 All-In Service  
1745 Club Sandwich Young Youth Group
- M 15 0930 Holy Communion to the Housebound  
1400 Holy Communion to The Elders  
2000 Meeting of Parochial Church Council
- T 16 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Side Chapel
- T 18 1000 Holy Communion to The Old House
- S 21 **THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1100 Toddle Up!  
1730 Choral Evensong
- M 22 2000 Meeting of Fair Committee
- T 23 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Side Chapel  
  
1930 Meeting of Estates Committee
- S 27 1400-1600 Board Games Afternoon in the Church Hall
- S 28 **CANDLEMAS**  
0800 Holy Communion  
0930 Sung Eucharist  
1115 Morning Prayer and Holy Baptism
- T 30 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Side Chapel

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