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# **SIGNPOST**



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Power of the Holy Spirit**

May 2024

# Musings of A Priest

Before I pen some musings, I want to first say how pleased I am with the news of the appointment of Revd Becky Reeve to be the next Priest in Charge of St Aidan and St Columba, and serving with me across the whole of the Central Hartlepool Group. I'm sure Becky will be a great addition to our Group, and I ask you all to be praying for Becky and her husband, Patrick, as they prepare to move and settle into Hartlepool in due course.

## **'There will be one flock, one shepherd...'**

Following on from our Lent course, over the last few weeks I have been reflecting on the Prayers of Love and Faith, and what happens next. I was really struck by the Gospel passage for Easter 4, which was taken from John 10:11-18. These words are an extract from the sermon I preached on this passage at St Luke's on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April.

Jesus says **"I am the Good Shepherd, I know my sheep and my sheep know me"** (John 10:14)

In our Gospel message, having explained his role as the Good Shepherd to the Jewish people, Jesus continues to say **"I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."** (John 10:16)

Jesus says to the Jewish leaders that there are others out there who have just as much right to a place in the body of Christ as they do, and that he will seek them out too. Christ didn't just come for the Jewish people. He came for all people – just as the well known verse from John 3 tells us "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." **Whoever** believes in Him. Not whichever man, or whichever Jew, or whichever white person, or rich person, or celebrity, or king, or intelligent person. **Whoever** believes in Him, shall not perish but have eternal life. **There are no caveats.** We can be rich or poor, black or white, Jew or Gentile, healthy or sick, tall or short, old or young. We can have a list of convictions as long as my arm, or we can never have had so much as a speeding ticket. We can be straight, lesbian, gay, bi, trans, queer, inter-sex, or even choose not to be bound by any such labels. We can be single, married, divorced, widowed, remarried, celibate, co-habiting and so on.

Jesus says that whoever believes in Him... **whoever** believes in him **can and will be saved.**

Jesus also says “**I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.**” To be clear, what Jesus is saying is that there are many groups of people who believe in Him, many denominations of Christians, many traditions within the breadth and depth of the church. People we may or may not agree with on many things. Many different folds or sheep-pens, many different demographics of Christian, but we all belong to the same flock – we are all part of the same Body of Christ, because we all believe in the same Good Shepherd.

The fundamentals of our faith, the things that define what all Christians believe, are summed up in the Creed. It is the basis of our faith, and of our salvation, and we believe that, as Peter reminds us in Acts 4:12.

**“There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”**

Our salvation is in Christ, and salvation is there for all who choose to believe in Him. All who choose to believe in Him are part of the body of Christ. There are no caveats.

Grace and Peace,

**Revd John**

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## From the Home Front



This is sunrise from about 36,000 feet, approximately 6 miles above sea level with the stars still visible! As I looked out of the aircraft window this view made me feel so small and insignificant, the awesome beauty was overwhelming.

Sunrise over Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu and The Remarkables Mountains where the red skies turned to a golden glow and then the lake reflected the increasingly blue sky. Sitting on the veranda in the cool mountain air, watching the day emerge from the dark of the night made me feel so hopeful and grateful for what each day would bring.



These clouds at the end of the day seemed to me like a stairway to heaven – they were the link between the mountains of earth and heaven beyond. The colours were mesmerising shades of orange, coral, gold and greys which fluctuated as the sun set. God felt very near...

Looking in the other direction from the cloud stairway was a moving column of cloud. Again a biblical feel – it was so compelling to look at with its golden orange colours, was this like the column which led the Israelites through the wilderness for 40 years?



As we sat in the car we were aware of falling rain beyond the parched and dry paddocks. The sky was very dark but suddenly this rainbow appeared, its colours shimmering as the sun shone on our side of the trees.

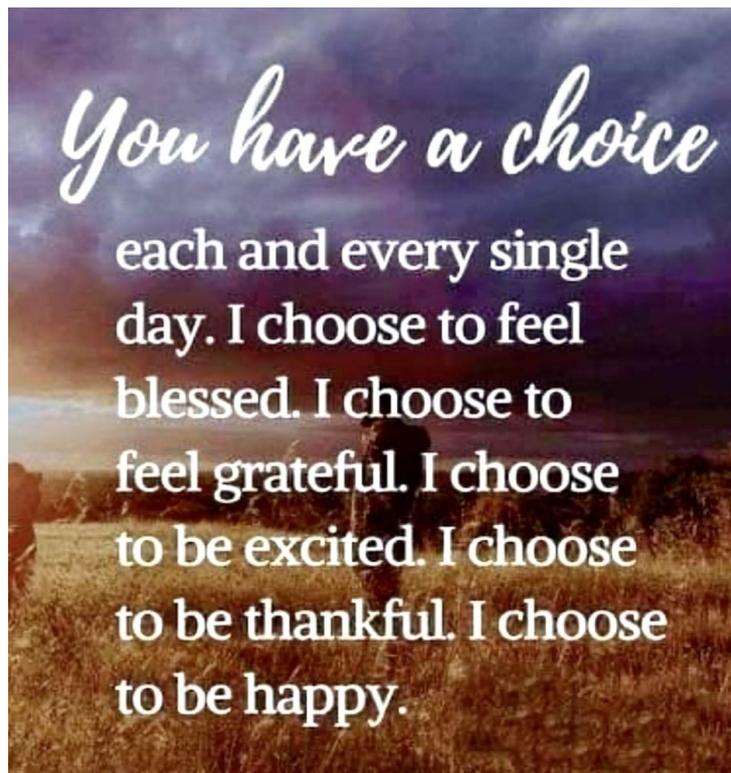
So often during my time in New Zealand I felt that God used the sky, clouds and weather to reflect His awesome power and His closeness to us His children. It was as if the glories of Heaven were shown to us here and now. My heart filled with joy so often and made me thank God for His blessings every day.

**J.A.R.**

(Go to Stranton website to view the photos in spectacular colour)

## Mayflower Quiz

- M** Which **M** was the oldest man who ever lived, but died before his father?
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- Y** Which **Y** describes a rich ruler who met Jesus?
- F** What **F** occurred as Jesus visited Nain?
- L** Which **L** had Jacob as a nephew?
- O** Which **O** was a runaway slave?
- W** Which **W** was from Nain ?
- E** Who was **M**'s father?
- R** Which **R** is the sixth book of the New Testament?



# Do not be discouraged

We are told in God's word not to be discouraged, over and over again.

"The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."

Deuteronomy 31:8 NIV

In this world, we will always have discouragement. Our prayers go unanswered.

Unkind words are spoken over us. Illness comes and knocks us off course.

Your business is not going well. You are not in the job that you really want.

What discourages me, may not discourage you. Discouragement will look different for each individual person. I read the other day, that the biggest weapon that the enemy uses against Christians is discouragement. The enemy's tactic is to take our eyes off Jesus and on to the very thing we are discouraged about.

When we choose to stay in an attitude of discouragement, the world looks greyer. Our God becomes smaller, and our surroundings and circumstances may look hopeless.

How then do we NOT become discouraged? Or how do we keep ourselves from not being discouraged?

If the enemy's weapon of choice is discouragement, then the Holy Spirit's armour against this is **gratitude**. The enemy hates it when God's people are thankful, especially in the midst of adversity.

How do we live a thankful life when our bank accounts are empty? When war is breaking out around us? When the illness that you've prayed about has not been healed? When your family are struggling with chronic mental health? When you're feeling isolated? When your heart is breaking with grief?

This is not a case of quoting the verse 'Rejoice in the Lord, always', it's a case of finding something to be thankful for in each day, in each situation.

It's not saying, "Thank you God I have an illness". It's saying, "Thank you for the kindness of friends who show up when I need them the most." It's not saying, "Thank you God that I have no money", it's saying, "Thank you that I've eaten today." Having an attitude of gratitude, changes your perspective on the very thing the enemy wanted you to be discouraged about!

Ann Voskamp wrote a book called 'One thousand gifts'. In her book she challenges us to write down three things for which we are thankful each day. I actually practiced this for a couple of years. It really helped me to see things differently. Even in the worst days I found something to be thankful for. When I stopped doing it, my world looked a little duller and I started to look at life through negative glasses instead of thankful ones!!

Jesus always gave thanks to His father.

When He had 5000 hungry people in front of Him and only five loaves and two fish He lifted the bread up above Him and thanked God for it. Not only were those 5000 people, well fed, but there were 12 baskets of leftovers.

Giving thanks in this case for what was in front of Him was more than enough!

A great verse to live by is:

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with **thanksgiving**, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:6-7 NIV

When we thank God in the midst of discouragement, we have peace.

Lord thank you for your love.

Thank you for your kindness.

Thank you for your patience.

Thank you that in each new day I can find beauty.

I can find something to be thankful for

Amen

**Ang Hall**

## **Communities of Hope HAF Holiday Club**

Easter holiday fun organised by Hayley with Communities of Hope at St Luke's with volunteers from Stranton and St Luke's. Pictured is Viv leading a music session with the children



Many thanks to all those who helped with the children and with the food preparation and serving.

## Rural Australia Computer Terminology

### A little bit of Aussie Culcha

LOGON	Adding wood to make the barbie hotter
LOG OFF	Not adding more wood to the barbie
MONITOR	Keeping an eye on the barbie
DOWNLOAD	Getting the firewood off the "ute"
HARD DRIVE	Making the trip back home without any cold tinnies
CRASH	What happens when the ute driver has had too much Amber Nectar
KEYBOARD	Where you hang the "ute" keys
WINDOW	What you shut when the weather's cold
SCREEN	What you shut in the mozzie season
BYTE	What the mozzies do
MEGABYTE	What the Townsville mozzies do
CHIP	A pub snack
MICROCHIP	What's left in the bag after you've eaten the chips
MODEM	What you did to the lawns
LAPTOP	Where the cat sleeps
SOFTWARE	Stainless steel knives and forks from K-Mart
MOUSE	The small rodent that eats the grain in the shed
MAINFRAME	What holds the shed up
WEB	What the spiders make
WEBSITE	Usually in the shed or under the verandah
SEARCH ENGINE	What you do when the ute won't go
CURSOR	What you say when the ute won't go
YAHOO	What you say when the ute does go
UPGRADE	A Steep hill
SERVER	The person at the pub who brings out the counter lunch
MAIL SERVER	The bloke at the pub who brings out the counter lunch
USER	The neighbour who keeps borrowing things
NETWORK	What you need to do to repair the fishing net
INTERNET	Where you want the fish to go
NETSCAPE	What the fish do when they discover a hole in the net
ONLINE	Where you hang the washing
OFFLINE	Where the washing ends up when the pegs aren't strong enough.

### **Notes for the Poms**

Joolya	Julia Gillard one time Prime Minister
Townsville	Town in Queensland - hot and humid
Ute	Utility vehicle - pick up truck
Red Rooster	Australia Fast Food restaurant chain
K-Mart	Australia low price convenience stores
Amber nectar	Foster's

# Pam Hutchinson



We were saddened to hear of the death of Pam Hutchinson on 26<sup>th</sup> March. Pam and Mel have attended Burbank Community Church and Stranton Church for many years. Pam was well known for her colourful and coordinated outfits and jewellery. She loved and rode horses until stopped by ill health and had dogs for most of her married life. Rev Andrew Craig presided over her funeral. Mel, and their sons John and Paul, thanked all those who had cared for Pam in the last few years, especially Linda Parvin, and they decided that donations in lieu of flowers should go to the Alzheimer's Society.



# CMS - Andy and Kati Walsh April 2024

Dear friends,

We'd like to update you about our funding situation, following the news we shared in our previous letter. Firstly, thank you so much to those of you who gave in response to our request – we are so grateful. Secondly, a donor has very generously agreed to match all new gifts given or pledged between now and 31 August – so if you start a new regular gift, increase your regular gift or make a one-off donation via our webpage ([churchmissionsociety.org/walsh](http://churchmissionsociety.org/walsh)) during this period, your gift will be matched up to the value of £10,000!

Since our last update before Christmas last year, we're happy to announce that we've gained approval from a senior judge in the criminal justice system to authorise a sentence reduction for those who actively participate in the Bible training course we're running. This approval covers all three units in Florianópolis, including both male and female prisons as well as the penitentiary. We had to make a legal application for this endorsement to facilitate the implementation and ongoing delivery of the course throughout the prison system. Once we received this authorisation, it became much easier to arrange meetings with the directors of each prison. In 2023, we concluded with 142 men and eight women being baptised following the efforts of the team led by Pastor Antônio through evangelism across the prison system in Florianópolis.

As we approach the end of our initial term as mission partners in Brazil, we're grateful for the Lord's faithfulness in guiding us and making our mission clearer as time goes on. However, it's the prison system that we are being drawn deeper into and to remain with, seeing it as a path we are meant to follow in our mission work for years to come. This area seems to be where we can make the most impact, even though it's also the toughest to make progress in for various reasons. Navigating the challenging environment of a prison, with its restrictions and unique working culture, Preaching the gospel of the Kingdom, presents considerable barriers to any form of engagement beyond what they timetable for. Occasionally I am left waiting in a corridor for over an hour before a class can begin due to the management of a security incident.

The lack of clear understanding of the value of our work (i.e. discipling new believers with structured Bible classes) among staff, especially at senior levels, further compounds these challenges. In consequence, the battle of garnering the necessary support and/or any goodwill can hinder the inception of new projects from the outset. We often encounter scepticism and even hostility from some staff members, particularly prison guards. Questions about why we direct our efforts towards individuals who are often deemed unworthy or undeserving of our time could be discouraging. However, we try to show Christ to them also. Among all the groups we've been reaching out to, prisoners have the least opportunity to hear and accept the gospel, yet our efforts in this ministry are proving the most fruitful. In such an environment, we've learned that to take any form of stride forward demands patience, resilience and prayer. We find inspiration in Matthew 25:36, where Jesus speaks of visiting those in prison, and in verse 40, where he emphasises the importance of caring for the least among us as if we were caring for him. We hope and pray that our ongoing dedication, combined with the transformative power of the gospel, will show the clear benefits of supporting those

in prison. Over time, we aim to gradually change attitudes and garner more support to bring about further positive change in the future. As we move forward, we're continuing to pray for our long-term vision.

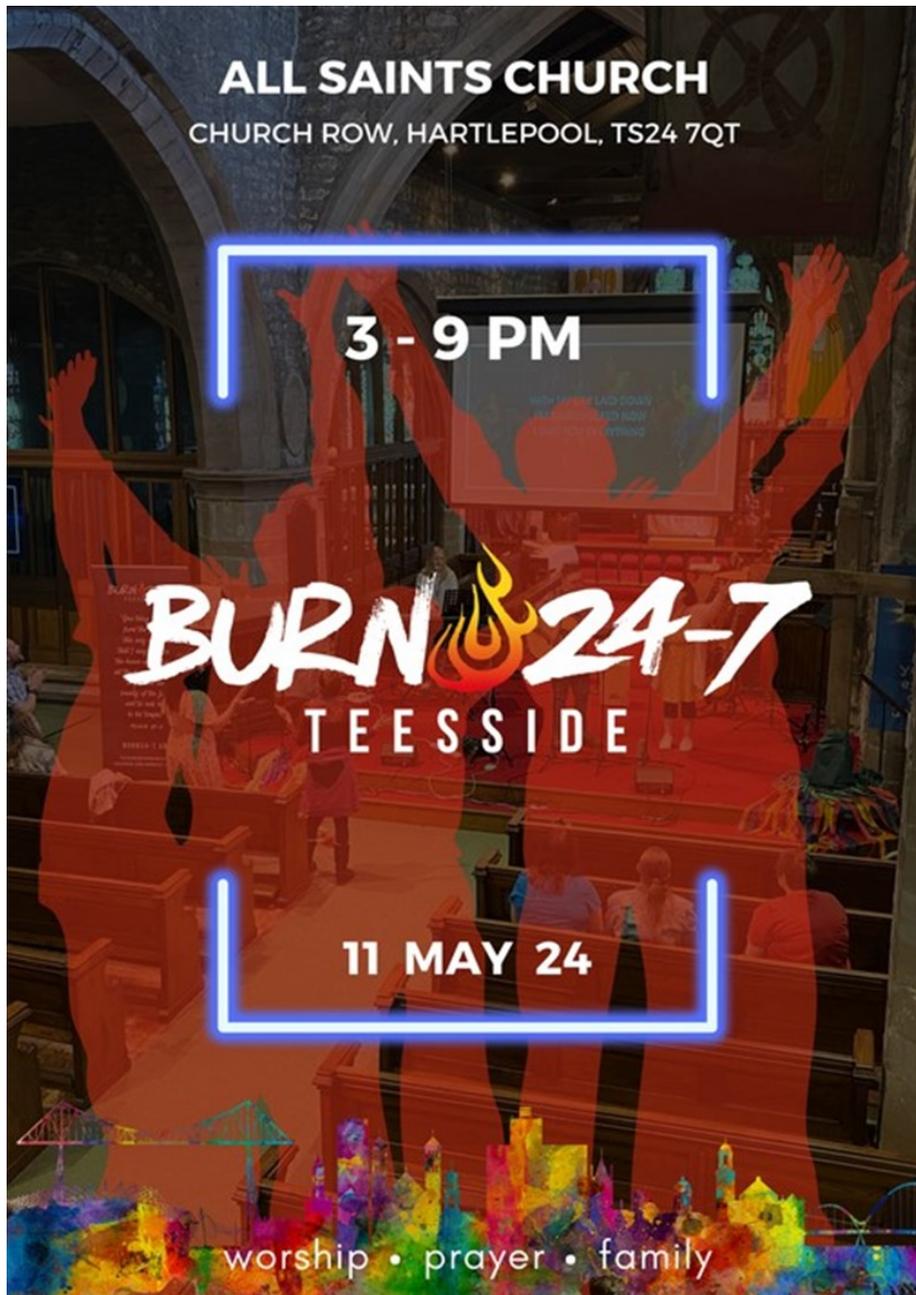
We ask for prayers, especially regarding how we can encourage men and women to stay engaged with the church after completing our eight-part Bible course in the prisons. In one of our most joyful moments during our mission so far, a few men lead worship while others are being baptised. Currently, Andy is delivering the Bible course in the men's prison on Wednesdays and Fridays, and in the penitentiary on Saturdays, with 12 men in each class. Some mornings, Andy also preaches the gospel in a semi-open prison in Palhoça, an outer suburb of the city. Unfortunately, we're unable to progress further with Case Regional, the prison for young offenders, at the moment. However, due to a recent management change at the women's prison, we were able to negotiate starting the Bible course there, with a tentative start date set for April 2024. Kati's sister will take over delivering the course if we're unable to be present.

We're eagerly anticipating our first return to the UK since becoming mission partners, in May, where we'll reconnect with our supporters, meet with family and have a packed three-month schedule visiting our supporting churches, attending training sessions, and reconnecting with our employer CMS in Oxford. Once again, we express our gratitude for all your support, and we're excited to meet with you in person in the coming weeks.

Warm regards,  
**Andy and Kati**

## **Appointment of Priest in Charge of St Aidan and St Columba**

We are delighted to announce that Rev Becky Reeve, currently Assistant Curate of Ockbrook and Borrowash Parish in the Diocese of Derby, has accepted Bishop Sarah's offer of appointment as Priest in Charge of the parish of St Aidan and St Columba, Hartlepool, also serving all the churches of the Central Hartlepool Group Ministry - subject to the usual clearances. Becky's start date is yet to be arranged, but we look forward to this at some point in the summer.



## Mayflower Quiz Answers

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| M | Which M was the oldest man who ever lived but died before his father? | Methuselah                                |
| A | Which A, a prophetess met baby Jesus?                                 | Anna                                      |
| Y | Which Y describes a rich ruler who met Jesus?                         | Young                                     |
| F | What F occurred as Jesus visited Nain?                                | Funeral of a widow's son                  |
| L | Which L had Jacob as a nephew?  | Laban                                     |
| O | Which O was a runaway slave?  | Onesimus                                  |
| W | Which W was from Nain?  | Widow                                     |
| E | Who was M's father?   | Enoch                                     |
|   |   | (Taken up to heaven in a chariot of fire) |
| R | Which R is the sixth book of the New Testament?                       | Romans                                    |

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# Ward Jackson Primary Update

A wonderful Easter service today at Stranton All Saints Church. Well done to all our children who spoke, read, sang and danced.

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A huge well done to all our amazing children who completed the Ward Jackson Reading Challenge. We are amazed by the dedication and hard work shown by them all. At Ward Jackson we know how important reading is for learning and we always strive to be the best readers we can be. Keep reading! 📖

[#wardjacksonway](#)



Aurora class had a great time at [Summerhill Country Park and Visitor Centre](#). They developed team work skills by working together to build a den in the forest. They then learned to climb on the climbing wall - it was hard work but really fun!



## Onward Christian Soldiers.

This favourite hymn was written in 1865 by Revd. Sabine Baring-Gould for his Sunday School annual village procession from Horbury Bridge to the parish church, Horbury St Peter's, near Wakefield, Yorkshire. Baring-Gould set the words to a melody from the slow movement of Joseph Haydn's Symphony in D, No.15. However in 1871 Sir Arthur Sullivan wrote the familiar tune St Gertrude in honour of the wife of a very good friend.

It has stood the test of time and the tune became Sullivan's most popular hymn tune. It has been used on many auspicious occasions including a church service held on HMS Prince of Wales, when Churchill met Roosevelt to agree the Atlantic Charter in 1941. Because of its martial associations some denominations have removed it from their hymnals, including the U.S.A. Presbyterian and The Australian Hymn Book "With One Voice".

So what became of Revd Baring-Gould. After Horbury Bridge he moved south to East Mersea in Essex before finally settling in Devon at Lew Trenchard in 1881. In his spare time he wrote over 100 books, including 30 novels and a biography of the eccentric vicar of Morwenstow, the Revd. Stephen Robert Hawker.

He is also credited with the hymn tune Lew Trenchard based on a traditional Cornish Folk melody and of writing the words and music for "Now the day is over" (tune Eudoxia). He died in his ninetieth year in 1924.

Whilst St Gertrude is by far the most well known tune there are two others which have been used by different denominational hymnals.

In Golden Bells (CSSM 1925 ) the second tune is named Geibel and written by a blind German-American musician, Adam Geibel (1855-1933), a prolific composer of hymn tunes and mission and gospel songs. Another setting has been produced by J Lincoln Hall (1866-1930). This appeared in a number of Mission Hymnaries in the USA. Hall was another prolific writer of Gospel Songs and was also regarded as an exceptional song leader and choral conductor. He was associated with the same Music Publishing House as Geibel.

Finally a composition by J S Warburton who was for some time organist at the Adelaide Street United Methodist Church in Blackpool. His version appears not to have been published, other than in a private capacity around 1900.

**J Cornelius Starbuck 2024**



## Prayers of Love and Faith

Following our Lent Course, Revd John is keen for anyone with views about the Prayers of Love and Faith to get in touch, before a decision is made on whether to offer these prayers within our services.

## Opportunities to Serve

If you would like to help with our Children's and Youth work, with our Music Group, or in any other way, please have a chat with Revd John as we look to grow these and other areas of our ministry.

## Communities of Hope

(Help needed – speak to one of the team to find out how you can support us)

- Stranton Toddlers - Tuesday 9:00 am-11:00 am at St Matthew's CC
- A Bit of God Time - Tuesday 1:00 pm-2:30 pm at St Aidan's
- Friday Drop-In - Friday 10:00 am-12:00 pm at St Aidan's



## Boys Brigade



### Open Night

We are holding our Open Night on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May at St Matthew's Community Centre from 7.15- 9.00pm.

Our Special Inspectors are Rev John and Rebecca Bell and Mrs Cheryl Mills of Stranton Guides.

The Lads are starting to practice for the evening and are looking forward to receiving their awards and the promotions they have gained this year.

Our Anchors and Company preparing for our Open Night on Friday May 17th



### Palm Sunday

We held a Bacon Butty Sunday at St Matthew's CC for both Sunday Services in the run up to Easter Eggheads.

### Easter Eggheads

The Anchor and Junior Boys enjoyed Easter Eggheads which involved a Holy Week full of activities including games, quiz, Miracle Maker movie, crafts and lots of fun.

The NCOs and older Lads helped and played the music for the song 'We have a King whose name is Jesus' (sung to the tune of 'What shall we do with the drunken sailor').

## Future Events

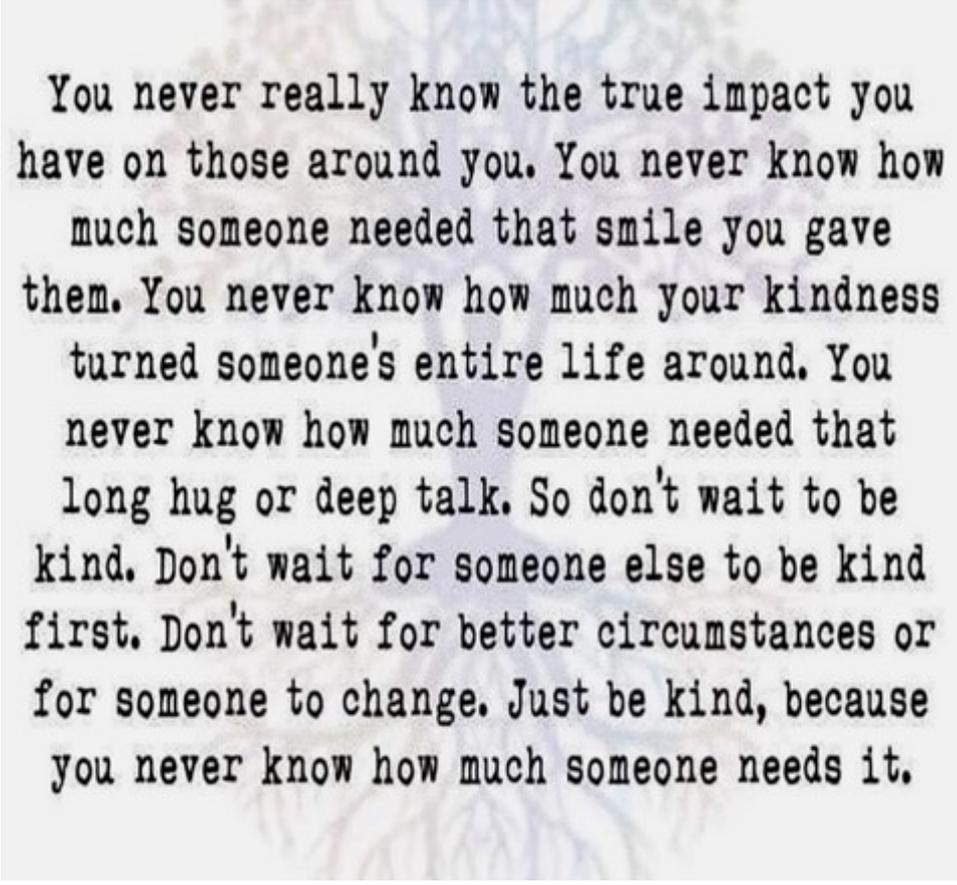
- May 17<sup>th</sup> Open Night
- June 15<sup>th</sup> Summer Fayre (Bargains Galore guaranteed)  
We are collecting Bric a Brac (No clothes please)
- June 29<sup>th</sup> St Matthew's Community Centre The Great Outside Tidy Up. (Plus goodies for all Volunteers).  
Other volunteers welcomed - more info next month.
- July 22<sup>nd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> Camp at Hesley Woods Scout Centre South Yorks.  
(We have 15 Lads going so far).

We have room for new starters in each age group and would welcome new members.

To check our very latest activities visit our Facebook page

**George Bainbridge**

07816445829



You never really know the true impact you have on those around you. You never know how much someone needed that smile you gave them. You never know how much your kindness turned someone's entire life around. You never know how much someone needed that long hug or deep talk. So don't wait to be kind. Don't wait for someone else to be kind first. Don't wait for better circumstances or for someone to change. Just be kind, because you never know how much someone needs it.

## BENEDICITE ST. MARTINS

O give thanks to God who is good  
Whose love endures forever

Sunrise and sunset, night and day  
Sun and rain – blessing on a drought filled land  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

Hills and valleys, limestone and cliffs  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

Wheat and barley, grass and kale  
Hay and straw, winterfeed and oats  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

Trout and salmon, cockabully and swimmer  
Sand and gravel, gold and willow  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

Ewes and lambs, cows and calves  
Hens and working dogs, meat and wool  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

Our church community and committee members  
Clergy and Lay Ministers, families and friends  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

Maori and Pakeha, women and men  
All who inhabit this valley with us  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

All shearers and farmers, teachers and nurses,  
stock agents, sharemilkers, gardeners  
Give to our God your thanks and praise

All children and babies, parents and grandparents  
Students and young parents, working people or retired  
Give to our God your thanks and praise.

Found this prayer in an empty church where no services have taken place since 2020. It felt as if God was waiting for His people to return.....

## Grief is?

This is what grief is.

A hole ripped through the very fabric of your being.

The hole eventually heals along the jagged edges that remain. It may even shrink in size.

But that hole will always be there.

A piece of you always missing.

For where there is deep grief, there was great love.

Don't be ashamed of your grief.

Don't judge it.

Don't suppress it.

Don't rush it.

Rather, acknowledge it.

Lean into it.

Listen to it.

Feel it.

Sit with it.

Sit with the pain. And remember the love.

This is where the healing will begin.

# CELEBRATE!

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**to**

**May**

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Andrew Rogers  
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Kath Weimer



**Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

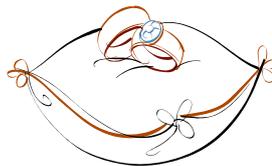
**Sarah Cartwright**



**Wedding Anniversary**

**May**

**Andrew & Louise Robertson  
David & Megan Robertson**



**If you have something to celebrate we would love to share it - email  
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**All entries to be in by the 16th of the month.**

## Dates for the Diary

### May

Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee, Cake and Company St Matthew's CC	2.00-4.00pm
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	Burn 24-7 Worship Stranton Church	3.00-9.00pm
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Church St Matthew's CC	4.00-5.30pm
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	BB Open Night	

### June

Sat 15 <sup>th</sup>	BB Summer Fayre St Matthew's CC	
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	St Matthew's Community Centre The Great Outside Tidy Up	

## Keep Cash Alive Without Cash There Is

**NO** car boot sales / garage sales / markets

**NO** tooth fairy / piggy bank

**NO** saving cash for a rainy day

**NO** tipping the waiter or hairdresser

**NO** giving to the homeless

**NO** giving to busking musicians

**NO** selling unwanted items for cash

**NO** buying anything without privacy

**NO** secret stash for domestic violence victims

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100% DEPENDENT ON A POWER SOURCE AND THE**

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