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# **SIGNPOST**



**Rooted in God's love  
Growing together with Jesus  
Branching out in the  
Power of the Holy Spirit**

April 2021

# **We have hope because...Jesus is alive, Alleluia!**

Last week I met with the shared ministry development teams from both Stranton and St Luke's. We began both meetings by recalling and reflecting on the disciples walking to Emmaus in Luke's gospel. At the beginning of the story the disciples are downcast. They feel glum, even depressed. They have been rocked by the death of Jesus.

'We had hoped that...' they say to the stranger who is walking with them. Like those disciples many of us have experienced dashed hopes in the last year and it's really important that we continue to recognise that these experiences are real and the feelings strong.

Part of the Easter story is Good Friday, an experience of pain, loss and death. As God's children we are able to take our pain and sadness to Him. God loves us and is faithful, He is big enough to hear our cries and concerns. Listening to those who are in situations like this is important. As we begin to regather as a Church community let's make time to listen to each other.

As the disciples walk to Emmaus the stranger listens to the disciples and then he begins to explain from the scriptures why the Messiah needed to suffer and die. When the group arrive at Emmaus they all go inside. There, as the stranger breaks bread, the disciples suddenly see. They recognise Jesus and realise that it's true, Jesus is alive!

This Easter I am so pleased that our Churches will be open for Easter. We can gather together around the Lord's Table and celebrate that Jesus is alive. Yes we have hope, restored hope. This is partly because of lighter days, spring flowers and for some receiving the vaccine. But more than that as Christians we have hope because Jesus is alive and in the resurrection he gives us life.

Alleluia!

In peace and joy

**Norman**

# Mothers Union

Our theme for 2021 is “Rebuilding hope and confidence”. In the spring edition of our Durham Diocese “Newsround”, our Diocesan President Kathleen Wilson lists lots of MU projects, news and planning meetings that continue to happen behind the scenes. Lots for us to focus on in prayer.

We also have dates for the Indoor Members Prayer Circle Service at Durham Cathedral – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm. Also for the Festival Service, same venue, on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm. Hopefully these service will be able to take place this year.

As yet our return to being able to meet together at St Matthew’s Community Centre is unclear, but I am going to receive details of what is now required before we can meet again with the appropriate social distancing etc.

The past weeks and months have been a great strain on many of us in isolation. The news that we see on the TV or in the newspapers stirs up worry, depression and feelings of hopelessness. Many of us have lost loved ones and friends to Covid 19. We must keep praying, thus receiving God’s wisdom and power to strengthen us. I’ll finish with a prayer from “Dear Lord”, a collection of poems and prayers from MU members around the world.

In the midst of loss and pain,  
In the midst of feeling powerless,  
In the midst of negative thoughts,  
Let us always be assured, God  
That you remain in control.  
Bless us with inner strength,  
Bless us with inner peace,  
Bless us with inner joy.  
Let us recount your blessings in our lives,  
And not lose focus on Jesus.  
In all things and under all circumstances,  
Let us give thanks and praise to you, Lord,  
For our lives will always be safe in your hand.  
Strengthen our faith in you, Lord,  
In you and in you alone we put our trust.

*St Augustine Parish, Diocese of Port Elizabeth, South Africa*

I wish you all a Happy Easter. Please pray for all our sisters and brothers in MU throughout the world.

God Bless

**Ann Courtenay**



# **From the Home Front**

Many years ago when Stranton Church was under the guidance of Rev Stephen Taylor, the congregation had its Weekend Away at the Jonas Centre in Redmire lead by the writer and evangelist Adrian Plass.

It was a brilliant time for all. But Adrian had an amazingly laconic way of recounting, challenging and questioning our faith, fears, understanding and interpretations of what life as a Christian could/would/should entail! My most enduring memory was when he divided all the adults in the room into two groups and gave us paper and pens. He told the first group to write down what were the things in their everyday lives that caused them the greatest anxieties. The second group he told to write down the things in their lives which caused the greatest joy or gave the greatest rewards. He then sorted the answers - amazingly the most frequent answers for 'greatest anxieties' and for 'greatest joys/rewards' were identical:-

## **Family – Finances – Health – Work**

I am pretty sure that if we repeated that activity tomorrow in most groups of adults, in and out of church settings, the answers would still be the same, No matter where we live, our age or status these four areas dominate our lives....

Over the past year, whilst under the grip of coronavirus, these four areas have taken on added depth of emotions as we have been separated from family members; loss of control of finances through furlough, redundancies etc plus debt concerns; developed apprehensions about avoiding/catching/surviving/passing on Covid 19, plus mental health wellbeing; changes to work availability, hours, workplaces and loss/change of careers.

But no matter what today and the coming months bring we are none of us alone in this. God is there, He hears our cries of joy or pain, sees our triumphs and our losses. He carries us when it is too hard and celebrates our successes, He provides sensory treats and loving embraces to get us through each day. We are blest with Abba Father and by His blessings for each of us that are ongoing.

**J.A.R.**

# Richard Rohr's Daily Meditation

## From the Centre for Action and Contemplation

### Recognizing Our Biases

*CAC faculty member Brian McLaren has done thoughtful and helpful research about what makes us see things so differently from one another. He identified thirteen biases that we outline today. Being a former pastor and an excellent communicator, Brian found a way to make these complex ways of seeing simple and memorable. He writes:*

People can't see what they can't see. Their biases get in the way, surrounding them like a high wall, trapping them in ignorance, deception, and illusion. No amount of reasoning and argument will get through to them, unless we first learn how to break down the walls of bias. . . .

**Confirmation Bias:** We judge new ideas based on the ease with which they fit in with and confirm the only standard we have: old ideas, old information, and trusted authorities. As a result, our framing story, belief system, or paradigm excludes whatever doesn't fit.

**Complexity Bias:** Our brains prefer a simple falsehood to a complex truth.

**Community Bias:** It's almost impossible to see what our community doesn't, can't, or won't see.

**Complementarity Bias:** If you are hostile to my ideas, I'll be hostile to yours. If you are curious and respectful toward my ideas, I'll respond in kind.

**Competency Bias:** We don't know how much (or little) we know because we don't know how much (or little) others know. In other words, incompetent people assume that most other people are about as incompetent as they are. As a result, they underestimate their [own] incompetence, and consider themselves at least of average competence.

**Consciousness Bias:** Some things simply can't be seen from where I am right now. But if I keep growing, maturing, and developing, someday I will be able to see what is now inaccessible to me.

**Comfort or Complacency Bias:** I prefer not to have my comfort disturbed.

**Conservative/Liberal Bias:** I lean toward nurturing fairness and kindness, or towards strictly enforcing purity, loyalty, liberty, and authority, as an expression of my political identity.

**Confidence Bias:** I am attracted to confidence, even if it is false. I often prefer the bold lie to the hesitant truth.

**Catastrophe or Normalcy Bias:** I remember dramatic catastrophes but don't notice gradual decline (or improvement).

**Contact Bias:** When I don't have intense and sustained personal contact with "the other," my prejudices and false assumptions go unchallenged.

**Cash Bias:** It's hard for me to see something when my way of making a living requires me not to see it.

**Conspiracy Bias:** Under stress or shame, our brains are attracted to stories that relieve us, exonerate us, or portray us as innocent victims of malicious conspirators.

*Richard again: I don't know any other way to be free of all these biases except through the contemplative mind. I see almost every one of them within myself—at least at some point in my life. I also believe there are enough good-willed people out there who, if presented with a list of these biases, have the freedom to investigate, "How can I let go of that? How can I move beyond that?"*

### **Prayer For Our Community**

*Loving God, you fill all things with a fullness and hope that we can never comprehend. Thank you for leading us into a time where more of reality is being unveiled for us all to see. We pray that you will take away our natural temptation for cynicism, denial, fear and despair. Help us have the courage to awaken to greater truth, greater humility, and greater care for one another. May we place our hope in what matters and what lasts, trusting in your eternal presence and love. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our suffering world. Please add your own intentions . . . Knowing, good God, you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God. Amen.*



# New twists on a well known prayer

## The New Serenity Prayer

By: Fr. James Martin, SJ

God, grant me the serenity to accept the people I cannot change, which is pretty much everyone, since I'm clearly not you, God.  
At least not the last time I checked.

And while you're at it, God, please give me the courage to change what I need to change about myself, which is frankly a lot, since, once again, I'm not you, which means I'm not perfect.

It's better for me to focus on changing myself than to worry about changing other people, who, as you'll no doubt remember me saying, I can't change anyway.

Finally, give me the wisdom to just shut up whenever I think that I'm clearly smarter than everyone else in the room, that no one knows what they're talking about except me, or that I alone have all the answers.

Basically, God, grant me the wisdom to remember that I'm not you.

Amen

## The OTHER Serenity Prayer

God, grant me the serenity to stop beating myself for not doing things perfectly, the courage to forgive myself because I'm working on doing better, and the wisdom to know that you already love me just the way I am.

## Mary Baines Recipes

### Veggie Nutty Crumble

Approx. 2lbs gently cooked mixed veg – potatoes, cauli, leek, broccoli, carrot, peas.

1 pint thick cheese sauce (packet mix is easy!)

3oz butter

6oz plain flour

2oz chopped nuts

4oz Red Leicester or red Cheddar – grated

Make the sauce as directed

Rub the butter into the flour till fine

Mix in nuts and cheese

Place vegetables in ovenproof dish & pour over sauce, then top with crumble mix.

Bake at Gas 6 / 200C/Fan 180C for about 20-25 minutes until golden. Serves about 5.



# **An American's impression of Britain**

Published in a Tampa newspaper by Scott Waters from Florida

He says.....I was in England a few weeks ago; here's some of what I learned

- Almost everyone is polite
- There are no guns
- The reason they drive on the left is because all their cars are built backwards
- Pubs are not Bars, they are community living rooms
- You'd better like peas, potatoes and sausage
- Everything is generally older, smaller and shorter
- Pants are called trousers, underwear are pants and sweaters are jumpers
- The bathroom light is a string hanging from the ceiling
- There's no dress code; none whatsoever
- Doors close by themselves, but they don't always open
- They eat with their forks upside down
- They don't seem to use facecloths or napkins; their sleeves are quite dirty
- The wall outlets all have switches; some don't do anything
- 5000 years ago someone arranged some rocks but no one is sure why
- Cookies are biscuits and potato chips are crisps
- Obama is considered a hero, Trump is considered an idiot
- They can, and do boil anything
- If someone buys you a drink you must do the same. You can go broke in a pub
- Many of the roads are the size of our sidewalks
- They took the street signs down during WW2, but haven't put them all back up yet
- Everyone enjoys a good joke
- Radio is still a big deal
- Cake is pudding, ice cream is pudding, anything served for dessert is pudding
- Many doorknobs, buildings and tools are older than America
- Every pub has a pet drunk; some have several
- Cake is one of the major food groups
- Their coffee is mediocre but their tea is wonderful
- Everyone thinks they know more about our history than we do, except for the American Revolution
- Gas is petrol
- After fish and chips, curry is the most popular food.

So now you know.

Adapted **Jeff Parsons** November 2020

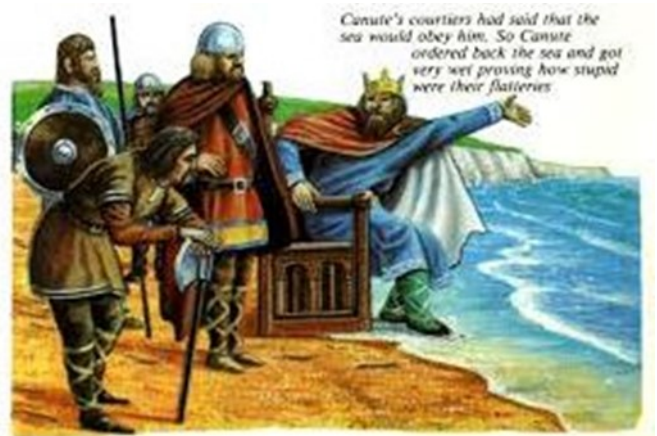


# King Canute

Can you remember the tale of King Canute? You may have heard it in school or read it, maybe in a children's illustrated book. If you have, the earliest version of the story of King Canute might surprise you!

Canute was actually a Viking warlord (Danish name: "CNUT") who seized power to become King of England by invasion in 1016: Under his rule England became a unified country for the first time since the Romans had left, six hundred years earlier. After becoming King of England, he converted to Christianity, and during his reign he honoured and endowed the Church, making strong links with Rome, going himself on pilgrimage to Rome in 1027, and forging strong international Christian alliances through his own and his daughter's marriages.

We mostly remember Canute today for the cautionary tale of his pride and foolishness in trying to command the waves, and for the empty flattery of his courtiers: but the story recorded by mediaeval historian Henry of Huntingdon, some 100 years after Canute's death, describes a rather different motive: ("History of the English" book 6, chapter 17) - with no mention of court flattery!



1. The "Modern" storybook version of King Canute: the Proud King and his Flattering courtiers get their "come-uppance."

***"When King Canute had reigned for twenty years, he died at Shaftesbury, and was buried at Winchester in the old monastery. Regarding his powerful reign, a few events need to be clearly stated. Before him there had not been a King in England of such greatness, as he was also master of Dacia (northern Germany), the whole of England, all of Norway, and also of Scotland - all at the same time: But in reality - beyond the numerous military conquests for which he was greatly famed - he also did three things of particular grace and generosity.***

***First, he gave his daughter in marriage to the Holy Roman Emperor with (a dowry of) incomparable wealth.***

***Second, he caused all the oppressive levies that were being***

*extracted in the name of tolls and transit visas right along the length of the road that stretched through Gaul to Rome to be reduced - at his own expense – down to a fair level.*

*Third, when he was at the height of his power, going up to his throne he ordered it to be set up on the sea shore. He then said to the rising tide “You are under my jurisdiction, the land also on which I sit is mine, and there is no-one who has been able to oppose my authority unpunished. I therefore tell you that you must not rise over my land nor make wet your master’s garments or his limbs”.*

*But the sea, rising all the same, wetted the feet and legs of the king without showing him any deference at all: the king then leaped up and said, “Let all people that dwell on earth know that the power of kings is an empty trifle, nor is anyone else worthy of the title of “King” except Him at whose bidding the heavens, the earth, and the sea all are obedient to His eternal laws”.*

*From that time onwards, King Canute never again placed the crown of gold on his own shoulders but placed it perpetually over a picture of the Lord, which was affixed to a cross, in praise of God, the almighty King: in whose mercy the soul of King Canute rested in peace“.*

This more authentic history suggests to me the importance of being careful in reaching conclusions about people and events based on “stories” we hear and receive, that may in fact be quite biased, or selective, or embellished, or misleading. It also leads me to understand that God alone can make changes, even huge ones, and even in people in whom you would least expect such changes to happen. The other



2 “Silver cross” penny c. 1017 AD. - Can you read the inscription around the head “CNUT REX ANGLO” ?

lesson for me (as the oldest thing that I possess is actually a “**silver cross**” penny of King Canute, still here after a thousand years’ worth of tide changes) is to take comfort in knowing that, while people come and go and stories may become altered and distorted, God alone is as changeless in His eternal love and mercy towards us as He was for Canute. **David Craig**

# **Sunday Club News!**

Our weekly Sunday Club videos are available at 2pm every Sunday on the Sunday Club Facebook page or the church website. These videos will continue until the 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021. Each video looks at a different Bible story and has a short talk and then some activity ideas for you to try at home. All of the previous videos are available on the website and Facebook page if you haven't watched them already. This month we have looked at the story of Joseph and began to learn about Moses. Our fun activities have included making gingerbread men, dreamcatchers, finger puppets and decoding hieroglyphics.

Join us for our special Easter videos:

28 <sup>th</sup> March	The True King (Palm Sunday)
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Washing the Disciples' Feet
31 <sup>st</sup> March	The Last Supper
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Jesus Arrested and Crucified
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Jesus is Risen

Here's what's coming up in April:-

11 <sup>th</sup> April	The Red Sea
18 <sup>th</sup> April	The Ten Commandments
25 <sup>th</sup> April	The Battle of Jericho

**Kate ☺**

Stranton Sunday Club Leader



Years of training for and constant learning  
From a boy, to a lad, to man had made their mark  
For soon he had become the senior one  
A centurion in the Roman army.  
Ready to spread Rome's influence anywhere  
Eventually he draws a short straw  
A posting to Pontius Pilate's corp.  
Everything and the people are so intense  
Plotting and anger replace common sense.

Passover in Jerusalem is always a major nightmare  
It's just as well he can use his experience there,  
Huge crowds assemble and temple tables are turned over  
Often he wondered what did the table turner expect to achieve?  
Except at some future time have a meeting with death.

Friday came with execution orders  
Prior to that is added excessive torture.  
He could sense that this was very strange  
But he has to plough on with his day  
That's how he earned Caesar's pay.  
A procession out of the city to skull hill  
So that Roman and priestly wills are fulfilled.

He makes sure everything is technically fine,  
Even though one of the guilty initially refused any wine.  
For three hours darkness came over the land  
Until this strange offender gave up His spirit.  
A storm broke out and some ran away  
But this experienced Centurion who had seen it all  
Came out with the words we recall to this day -  
Surely this man was the son of God.  
There was something unique in how this execution fared  
As he witnessed how deeply for mankind, God truly cared.

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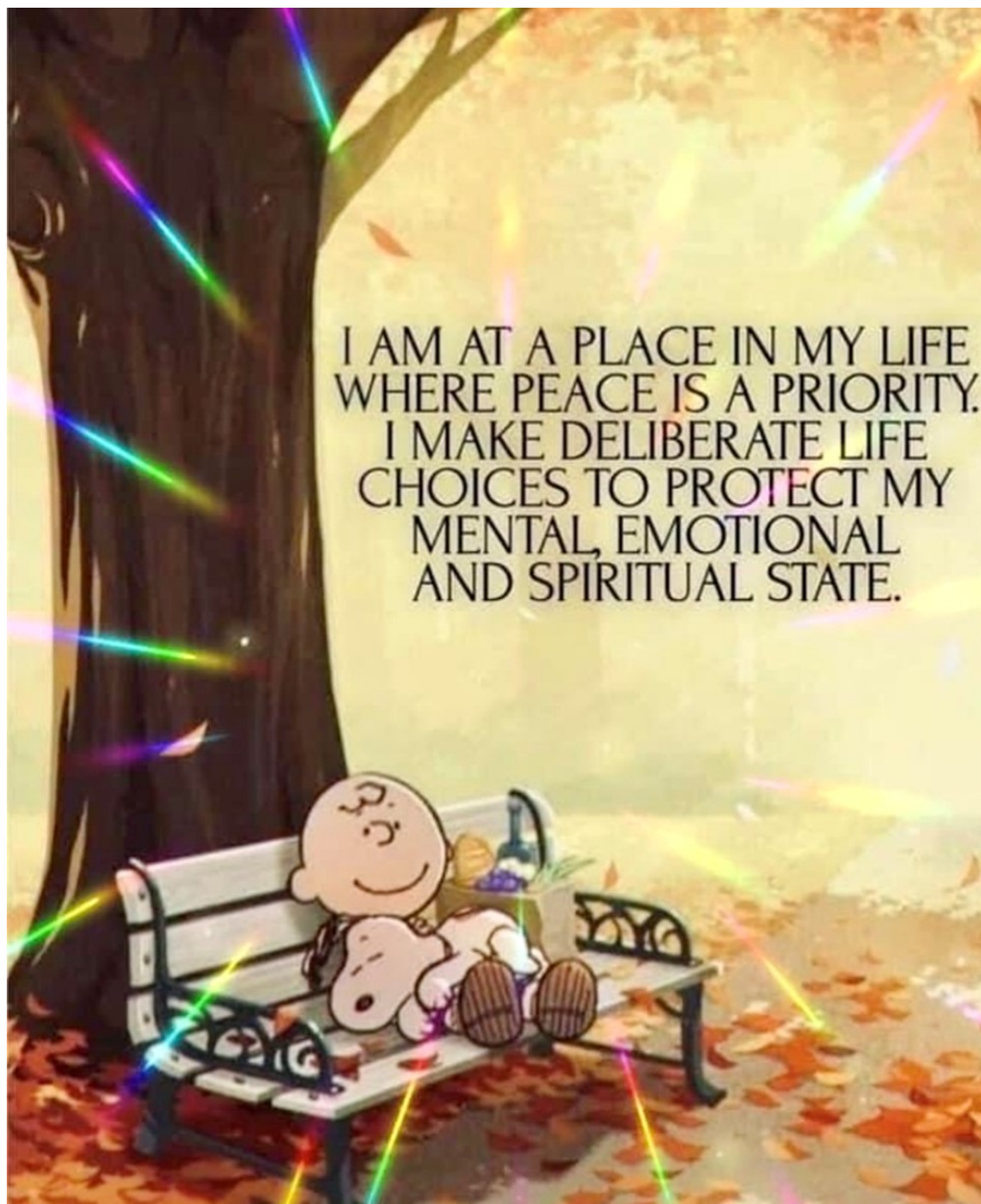
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## The Road Map Quiz

- T** Which **T** doubted Jesus?  
**H** Which **HA** became a friend of Pilate during the first Easter?  
**E** Which **E** is another name for Communion?
- R** What **R** did Jesus say we should do to Ceasar and God?  
**O** What Mount **O** did they sing hymns after the Last Supper?  
**A** What **A** took place at Gethsemane?  
**D** What **D** did Peter do after Jesus was arrested?
- M** Which **M** had his ear cut off when Jesus was arrested?  
**A** Which **A** was Caiaphas father-in-Law?  
**P** Which **P P** warned her husband have nothing to do with this innocent man?



# Birds of a Feather

Recently I was in my workshop (normally a place of chaos and confusion, but very tidy at the moment!), when there was a lot of noise on the roof. Dashing outside to see the cause of this racket, I discovered a very large herring gull glaring at me. This gull has discovered he can come and pilfer my garden birds' food! I've been in my house for 24 years now and only recently have been bothered by this bird. I shoed him away with much clapping and banging. Next day he came back with his mate and a youngster too! Perhaps the beach over the road from me is lacking its usual food sources or my food is more tempting, or it's climate change? Some of my plant pots have also been disturbed – potting soil everywhere!

I read “Daily Light” every day (a mixture of Bible verses on a theme) and that day my evening reading included “Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid – therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?”

I now look at this haughty bird and see his beautiful plumage, but - only as long as leaves some food for the smaller birds.....

**Ann Courtenay**



# You are not a mistake

This morning I read about a saint called Kentigern who was almost not born. His mother was thrown off a cliff when her father knew she was pregnant from rape. When she survived the fall they placed her and her unborn baby on a boat with no oars or rudder. The tides brought her to an island where monks looked after her and her baby boy.

Kentigern grew up loving greatly people and creation, even bringing a robin back to life. He later went on to found many other monasteries and transform people's lives.

His conception, many thought was a mistake - but God didn't...

When my mum was dying she told me "I never really wanted a fourth child, but I'm glad we had you". I grew up knowing I was loved, but those words stung for a while! - I was a mistake?!

I have been led over and over again lately to Psalm 139 and I especially like The Passion version v 13-15:

"You formed my innermost being, shaping my delicate inside and my intricate outside, and wove them all together in my mother's womb. I thank you, God, for making me so mysteriously complex! Everything you do is marvellously breath taking. It simply amazes me to think about it! How thoroughly you know me, Lord!"

You and I were known at our conception, God created our inmost beings.

We are completely known and cherished by God.

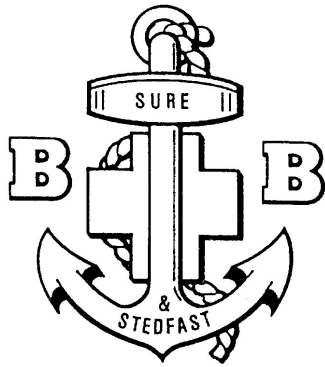
The psalm continues v 17-18:

"Every single moment you are thinking of me! How precious and wonderful to consider that you cherish me constantly in your every thought! O God, your desires toward me are more than the grains of sand on every shore! When I awake each morning, you're still with me."

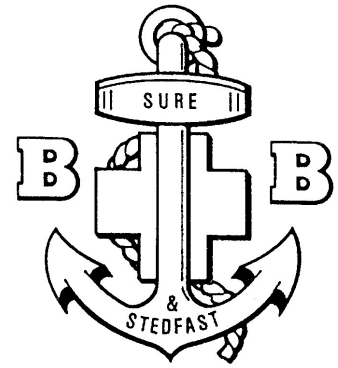
You are not a mistake.

**Ang Hall**





## 4th Hartlepool Boys Brigade News



Easter - This year, as last, there will be no Easter Eggheads at St Matthew's Community Centre. Therefore we are sending out a family Easter Week Quiz to all our members.

Meeting Information - at the time of going to press we are awaiting a decision by Boris, the big boss, BB HQ and St Matthew's Community Centre for a date when we might be able to start our meetings again - it will almost be like starting a new Boys Brigade Session...

Long term aims include recruiting in all sections and if possible add to our leadership team so that the whole Company can keep evolving, Also we would like to invite the Community of Hope Team to talk to our Boys Brigade once we are up and running again.

If you would like to see us in action have a look at our Facebook page.

**George Bainbridge**

### Answers to Quiz

T Which T doubted Jesus?

H Which HA became a friend of Pilate during the first Easter?

E Which E is another name for Communion?

**Thomas**

**Herod Antipas**

**Eucharist**

R What R did Jesus say we should do to Ceasar & God?

O What Mount O did they sing hymns after the Last Supper?

A What A took place at Gethsemane?

D What D did Peter do after Jesus was arrested?

**Render**

**Olives**

**Agony**

**Disown**

M Which M had his ear cut off when Jesus was arrested?

A Which A was Caiaphas father-in-Law?

P Which P P warned her husband have nothing to do with this innocent man?

**Malchus**

**Annias**

**Procura Pilate**



# Alphabet of Gardening tips

*I was given a little book of gardening tips “Green fingers and dirty nails”, when I was in New Zealand, which I thought I would share with you over the months - J.A.R.*

## **E**

When planting a new Erica, remove a spadeful of soil from around an established Erica bush (if you have one) and use around a new plant. Use Epsom salts (magnesium) for Camellias and citrus shrubs (1 handful to 5 litres water); also Daphne and Passionfruit, add some blood and bone and potash for complete feeding.

What the New Zealanders call egg plants – Aubergine - like living with peas, tarragon and thyme.



## **Mary Baines Recipes**

### **Bran Crunch**

2oz butter

2 tablespoons clear honey

4oz plain chocolate broken into pieces

3oz bran flakes

1oz walnuts and/or dried fruits

Place butter, honey and chocolate into a pan and heat gently until melted

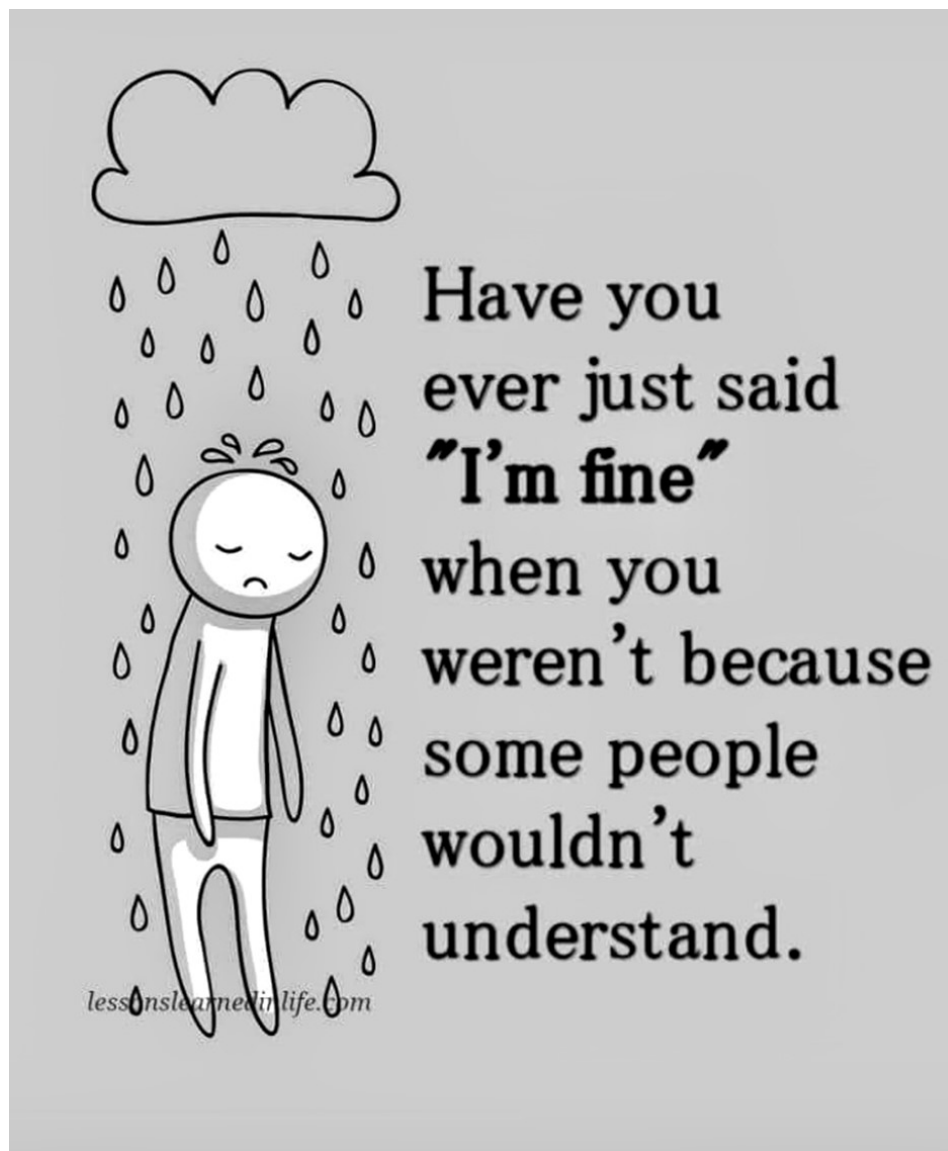
Add bran flakes and nuts/fruit then mix well

Turn into a shallow, greased 7" square tin, smooth the surface and chill till set.

Cut into triangles – makes about 8.







In the recent BBC Programme "**Our Silent Emergency**" (16<sup>th</sup> March – try to watch it on catchup) – Roman Kemp highlighted the reluctance of people, particularly young men, to be able to confide and talk about their mental health issues with their friends and families. This piece of advice was offered – always ask twice how someone is feeling – 'ok' or 'fine' will always be the first answer - but often when asked again with more emphasis, the truth will frequently emerge..... I know this works as I used this approach many years ago with a friend who was struggling in a dark place. On the second insistent asking, she admitted her intentions and after much talking agreed for professional help to step in! **J.A.R.**

# CELEBRATE!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY! to

### April

Matt Appleyard

Rachel Cartwright

Paul Cartwright

Abigail Craig

Andrew Craig

Frank Endean

Angela Hall

Rebekah Hart

Kate Lawson

Linda Parvin

Alan Robertson



### Congratulations

### Wedding Anniversaries

Ruth & Gavin Smith

Chloe & Jordan Thornhill

If you have something to celebrate we would love to share it - email  
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or phone 864006.

All entries to be in by the 16th of the month.

# **Dates for the Diary**

## **Services through Holy Week**

Both Stranton and St Luke's churches are reopening for public worship on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March, Palm Sunday. The following services are planned for Holy week. For those who prefer to join us on line we will continue to stream the services marked with a \*. Please note that during the pandemic all Covid restrictions remain in place for worship in Church.

### **Palm Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

9.00am	Holy Communion (Stranton)*
11.00am	Morning Worship (Stranton)*
9.15am	Parish Eucharist (St Luke's)

### **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

9.30am	Holy Communion (St Luke's)*
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### **Maundy Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

7.00pm	Holy Communion with Hymns (St Luke's)*
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### **Good Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

10.00-12.00am	Family worship experience (St Luke's) (please book a time slot)
12.00-2.00pm	Private Prayer (Stranton)
2.00pm	An Hour at the Cross (Stranton)*

### **Easter Day**

9.00am	Holy Communion (Stranton)*
11.00am	Morning Worship (Stranton)*
9.15am	Parish Eucharist (St Luke's)

Other mid-week services will continue to be streamed

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