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St Mary Magdalene, Campsall

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Back to School...

For many years we have spent our summer holidays in France. In recent years we have tended to go towards the end of the season when it's a bit quieter but the weather is still fine. At this time of year the shops in France are filled with signs urging people to get ready for *La Rentrée* the return to school. Time to buy books and pens and new clothes ready for the Autumn. A reminder that the year is turning once again.

I have noticed the first signs of autumn around me. A few leaves on the trees are turning brown, there are conkers falling from the horse chestnuts and the evenings have begun, just a little, to draw in. I don't think that many of us would have thought, back in March that we would still be in lockdown or that there would still be increasing cases of Covid-19 around the world.

We have adjusted to a new way of being. So much more of what we do is on-line and we have learned to communicate using *Zoom*, *WhatsApp*, *Facebook* and the like. But there are times when we do yearn for physical company; when no amount of screen time makes up for meeting people in person.

Technology is a two-edged sword: the computer that allows us to contact our friends and neighbours also becomes the medium for on-line gambling and pornography; the technology that gives us the scalpel also gives us the dagger; and the drugs that give us medicines also can lead to addiction. As with so many things in life we have choices to make between the things that do us good and the things that do us harm. At the heart of God's gift of free will is the choices we must make between good and evil.

We are looking towards science and technology to help bring an end to this disease: understanding the science of the infection and developing the technology to produce a vaccine. Our prayers should be for all those working to produce a vaccine it is an example of the good that science and technology can bring in offering a solution to our problems. It is a choice for good.

So as summer turns to autumn, remember all those who are trying to return to a normal way of life: children returning to school; students beginning at university. As I mentioned last month, a little normality has returned to church life with our services of Sunday being resumed – albeit in a rather restricted way. I must thank all those who have been

coming for observing the rules so well in wearing face-coverings, sanitizing their hands and signing in to the track and trace information. Normally we look to Spring to give us the first signs of new life – perhaps the emerging patterns of autumn are beginning to give us the first sign of our old life returning. Until it does, we need to keep disciplined in the way we live our lives we need to ensure that the choices we make keep us and our neighbours safe.

Fr Richard

Annual Parish Meetings

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic we were not able to hold our PCCs and Annual Parish Meetings this year. We have been informed that we can now do this both physically and also remotely. **Please note that the formal notices announcing these meetings are posted outside each church. If you wish to take part remotely please contact either myself or Shirley Troop.**

The key dates are:

Sunday 13th of September – Extraordinary meetings of the PCCs to receive the annual accounts.

Burghwallis 09.45 Before the Sunday Morning service
Campsall 12.00 After the Sunday Morning Service.

Sunday 20th September 12.00 – St Mary Magdalene, Campsall
Monday 21st September 7.00pm – St Helen Burghwallis

The annual vestry meetings to elect churchwardens followed by the Annual Parochial Church meeting. I believe that the office of Churchwarden is the oldest civil office in England which is why election is made by residents of the parish.

All residents of the parish and those on the church electoral roll are entitled to attend and vote at the vestry meeting. Only those on the church electoral roll can vote at the APCMs. If you wish to be put on the church electoral roll please contact Colin Bowes 01302 702779 or Shirley Troop 01302 860136 for forms.

Fr Richard

Campsall 4a Trust Lunch Club

Campsall 4 A Trust's monthly Lunch Club has not met since February due to the Covid crisis. Sadly, we've been unable to fulfil our aim of combating isolation as we would have hoped.

Village Halls have been closed down, but management committees are now working their way through the fairly onerous regulations to find safe ways of opening up. We will liaise with Campsall Village Hall Committee over the coming weeks to see how we can start up safely in the future, but no definite plans have been made. In the short term, we might have to meet in small groups to comply with government guidance.

The Parent and Toddler groups normally held at Norton Community Hall and Campsall Village Hall in term time have also been closed since March, and again, we'll do our best to open up and get back to normal when circumstances permit.

Finally, a message from Annette: Hello to all the Golden Oldies. Unfortunately we cannot hold sessions at the moment. Singing in groups indoors is currently not allowed due to the social distance requirements around singing. I have missed our sessions hugely and am looking forward to when the sessions can resume safely

Jill Shaw and Annette Temple-Billings

A bit more about the Parish Magazine

Last month I reminded you that we are continuing to produce the parish magazine. This is circulated by email to those on our contact list with a few printed copies sent out by post. If you know of anyone who would like to receive the magazine please contact:
Shirley Troop on 01302 707544.

Alistair Owens reminded me the magazine can be seen on the Burghwallis parish website:

www.burghwallis.org.uk

Which is particularly helpful if you want to browse the back issues!



We can't celebrate Harvest as we normally do this year but we can still give thanks for the work of farmers and growers. Our churches will be decorated and the service will give thanks for the harvest.
We intend doing this on:

Sunday the 4th of October.

We shall also receive donations for local food banks,

Burghwallis Parish Council

Much the same this month but a useful reminder anyway...

Parish Council Meetings

We are pleased to say that the Parish Council is now able to meet (suitably distanced, of course) after a hiatus of 5 months. We met on 21st July, and the next meeting will be on Tuesday 1st September, at 7.00 pm, in The Burghwallis.

The Playing Field remains open, with signage to advise visitors of the do's and don'ts regarding use of the equipment in there.

Great British September Clean

Following the enforced cancellation of our Great British Spring Clean event in April, there is now to be the Great British September Clean, which we have scheduled for **Saturday, 12th September**.

We will be meeting in the Burghwallis pub car park at 10.00 am before scattering to the various lanes round the village to clean up. If anyone would like to join us, you would be very welcome. If you do not already possess a litter pick and a *hi-vis* vest, please contact:

Brenda Grimes (01302 727186) or Dave Maxwell (07766 055012) so that we can make sure that we have plenty on the day.
We will provide the sacks.

Obviously, whatever social distancing guidelines are in place at the time will be observed.

Any urgent matters please contact **Dave Maxwell, Chairman** (01302 709993, or 07766 055012)

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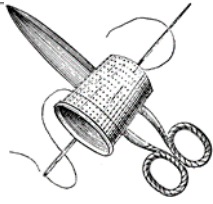
3rd Tuesday of each month –
Beetle Drive at 1.00pm

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Every Wednesday
10.00am – 11.30am
Drop-in Coffee Morning

Every Thursday
1.00pm – 3.00pm
Bingo Sessions

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Some News about Revd Chris Herbert...

Our congratulations go to Fr Chris who has successfully completed his curacy and will be licensed as

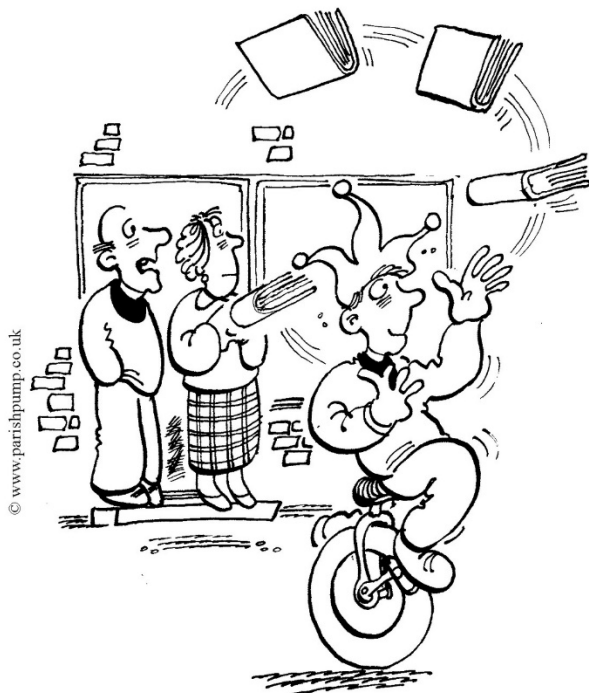
Associate Priest at Burghwallis and Campsall on

Thursday 17th September at 2.00pm.

**By Revd Canon Sophie Jelley the Bishop Designate of
Doncaster.**

Although the licensing will take place remotely by Zoom, our part of it will take place in St Mary Magdalene, Campsall with a limited congregation.

If you would like to attend please sign the list at the back of Campsall Church or contact Jenny Lister on 01302 702552.



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*...I think I must have missed that module
when I was at theological college!*

Chris has also completed all the assessed work for his BA (Hons) at Durham University. We are all very grateful for the hard work he has put in over the last few years.

God in the Sciences

This article is written by Dr Ruth M Bancewicz, who is Church Engagement Director at The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge. Ruth writes on the positive relationship between Science and Christian faith.

How can a Christian be a scientist?

I used to ask this question as a student. I wondered what it was like to have a career in science, and how being a Christian might make a difference. Eventually I met a good number of successful scientists who were sincere Christians, and I learned that science and faith are a great combination. Dr Francis Collins, former Director of the project to decode the whole of human DNA, wrote that it is “possible for the scientist-believer to be intellectually fulfilled and spiritually alive, both worshipping God and using the tools of science to uncover some of the awesome mysteries of His creation.” So, what do people like this make of the opportunities and challenges of a life in science?

Although our beliefs may affect what we notice about the world and how we interpret our data, they don't affect the outcome of the experiments themselves. If a Muslim and a Christian drop the same ball from the same height under identical conditions, it will fall at the same speed. This means that a scientist can be respected by her colleagues for doing good work, regardless of what she believes and what her colleagues think of her worldview.

Science is an exercise in observing and measuring things, and coming up with general principles about the way things are. The world has been declared by God to be ‘very good’ (see chapter one and two of Genesis), and exploring it is a way to express our gratitude to Him. Scientific discoveries can also bring a sense of awe and wonder that feeds into our worship.

Some people don't want to get involved in certain lines of research because of ethical concerns. On the other hand, there are many issues that make Christians want to get stuck into new research that will help care for people and the rest of creation, such as medical research, ecology or developing appropriate technologies.

Organisations such as Christians in Science and the Faraday Institute gather together scientists who are also people of faith, and others who are interested in the subject. They come from a wide range of backgrounds, and express their beliefs in a variety of different ways. What they have in common is the conviction that you don't have to choose between science and God. As the young people in our churches prepare to return to their studies, online if not in person, let's encourage them that science (along with many other fields) is a great way to serve God.

Dr Ruth Bancewicz is Church Engagement Director at The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion, Cambridge, and a member of Christians in Science. See www.faraday.cam.ac.uk/churches and <http://www.cis.org.uk>

The parable of the Fish and the Nets

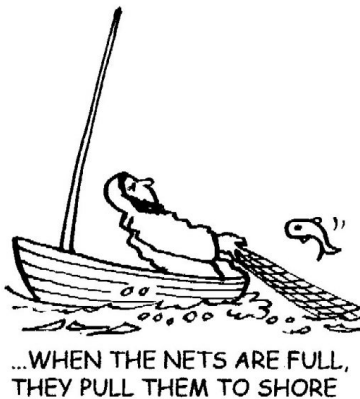
JESUS OFTEN TOLD
STORIES WITH
HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONCE JESUS SAID THE KINGDOM
OF HEAVEN WAS A BIT LIKE
CATCHING FISH!

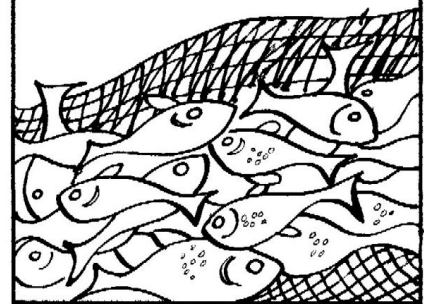


WHEN PEOPLE GO FISHING
THEY THROW THEIR NETS
INTO THE LAKE...

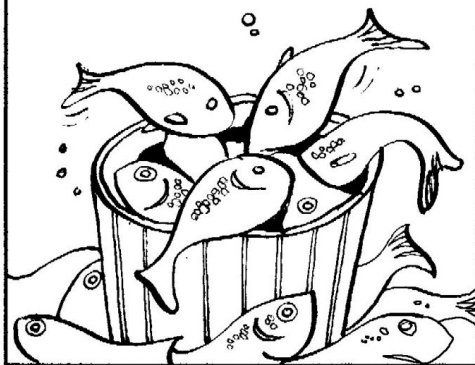


...WHEN THE NETS ARE FULL,
THEY PULL THEM TO SHORE

ONCE ON SHORE THE FISH
HAVE TO BE SORTED OUT.

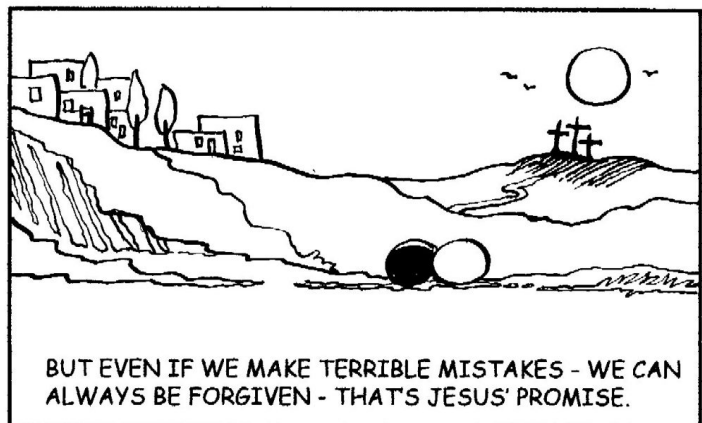


THE GOOD FISH GO INTO BUCKETS



THE BAD FISH GET THROWN AWAY!

JESUS EXPLAINED THAT WE TOO WILL
BE SORTED LIKE THE FISH. WE CAN
CHOOSE TO DO GOOD OR BAD THINGS
WITH OUR LIVES.



BUT EVEN IF WE MAKE TERRIBLE MISTAKES - WE CAN
ALWAYS BE FORGIVEN - THAT'S JESUS' PROMISE.

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Matthew 12:1-14, Luke 6:1-11

The Pharisees watched Jesus to see if he broke any of God's laws, or the rules they had made up to stop the laws being broken.

Jesus' disciples were hungry so they picked some wheat from a field as they walked.



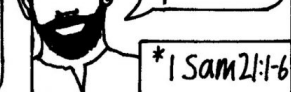
This was allowed (Deut 23:25), but it was the Sabbath.

The Pharisees said to Jesus



Why are your disciples harvesting on the Sabbath? That is against the rules!

But King David broke the rules when he ate the bread that was only for the priests*



*1 Sam 21:1-6

And priests are allowed to work in the temple on the Sabbath*



*Num 28:9

Don't you understand when God says 'Keeping rules doesn't make up for not having kindness'?*



*Hos 6:6

If you understood, you would know my disciples did nothing wrong.



The Pharisees followed Jesus to the meeting place



There was a man with a crippled hand.

The Pharisees wanted to accuse Jesus of breaking rules, so they asked him a trick question.



Is it right to heal someone on the Sabbath?

If your sheep fell into a ditch on the Sabbath you would lift it out.



People are worth far more than sheep, so it is right to do good on the Sabbath



Hold out your hand.



.. and it was healed!

The Pharisees left and made plans.



We will kill him.

Crosswords Clues and Answers

Across

8 Where the Ark of the Covenant was kept for 20 years (1 Samuel 7:1) (7,6)

9 One of the parts of the body on which blood and oil were put in the ritual cleansing from infectious skin diseases (Leviticus 14:14–17) (3)

10 Uncomfortable (3,2,4) 11 ‘Yet I have loved Jacob, but Esau I have — ’ (Malachi 1:3) (5)

13 Where Paul said farewell to the elders of the church in Ephesus (Acts 20:17) (7)

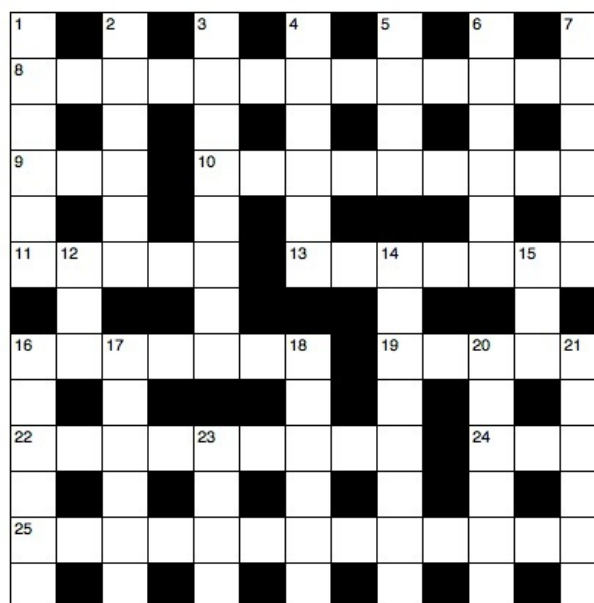
16 ‘Jesus bent down and — to write on the ground with his finger’ (John 8:6) (7)

19 Prophet from Moresheth (Jeremiah 26:18) (5)

22 Comes between Exodus and Numbers (9)

24 and 2 Down ‘Then Elkanah went home to Ramah, but the boy ministered before the Lord under — the — ’ (1 Samuel 2:11) (3,6)

25 There was no room for them in the inn (Luke 2:7) (4,3,6)



Down

1 Rough drawing (2 Kings 16:10) (6)

2 See 24 Across

3 Underground literature (including Christian books) circulated in the Soviet Union (8)

4 Lo, mash (anag.) (6)

5 The Bible's shortest verse: 'Jesus — ' (John 11:35) (4)

6 'Can a mother forget the baby at her — and have no compassion on the child she has borne?' (Isaiah 49:15) (6)

7 Can be seen in a dying fire (Psalm 102:3) (6)

12 'Send me, therefore, a man... experienced in the — of engraving, to work in Judah and Jerusalem' (2 Chronicles 2:7) (3)

14 Second city of Cyprus (8)

15 United Nations Association (1,1,1)

16 One of the women who first heard that Jesus had risen from the dead (Mark 16:1) (6)

17 Braved (anag.) (6)

18 — of Evangelism, outreach initiative in the 1990s (6)

20 'Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and — in their own sight' (Isaiah 5:21) (6)

21 'Neither — nor depth... will be able to separate us from the love of God' (Romans 8:39) (6)

23 What Jesus shed in 5 Down (4)

ANSWERS

ACROSS: 8, Kiriath Jearim. 9, Toe. 10, Ill at ease. 11, Hated. 13, Miletus. 16, Started. 19, Micah. 22, Leviticus. 24, Eli. 25, Mary and Joseph.

DOWN: 1, Sketch. 2, Priest. 3, Samizdat. 4, Shalom. 5, Wept. 6, Breast. 7, Embers. 12, Art. 14, Limassol. 15, UNA. 16, Salome. 17, Adverb. 18, Decade. 20, Clever. 21, Height. 23, Tear.

Parish Register

Funerals

3rd August Raymond Leslie Wright

Parish Office

We have now returned to holding the parish office in Church on Thursday Evening between 6.00 and 7.00pm where Baptisms and Weddings can be booked. It is also an opportunity for families to come and discuss holding a memorial service for departed loved ones.



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Usual Pattern of Sunday Services in the Benefice

<p>St Mary Magdalene, Campsall</p> <p>11.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month</p> <p>11.00 Family Service</p>	<p>St Helen, Burghwallis</p> <p>9.00 Holy Communion</p> <p>First Sunday in the Month</p> <p>8.00 Holy Communion</p>
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The **Revd Dr Richard Walton** will be in Campsall Church every Thursday evening between 6pm and 7pm to discuss arrangements for baptisms and weddings.

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