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| Sun | 5th Sunday after Trinity<br>Psalm 123<br>Ezekiel 2: 1-5<br>2 Corinthians 12: 2-10<br>Mark 6: 1-13 | 6th Sunday after Trinity<br>Psalm 85: 8 - end<br>Amos 7: 7 - 15<br>Ephesians 1: 3 - 14<br>Mark 6: 14 - 29 | 7th Sunday after Trinity<br>Psalm 23<br>Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6<br>Ephesians 2: 11 - end<br>Mark 6: 30-34, 53-end | 8th Sunday after Trinity<br>Psalm 145: 10 - 19<br>2 Kings 4: 42 - end<br>Ephesians 3: 14 - end<br>John 6: 1 - 21 |
| Mon | Psalm 98<br>Ezekiel 1: 1 - 14<br>2 Corinthians 1: 1 - 14 | Psalm 126<br>Ezekiel 10: 1-19<br>2 Corinthians 6: 1 - 7:1 | Psalm 1<br>Ezekiel 14: 12 - end<br>2 Corinthians 11: 1 – 15 | Psalm 30<br>Ezekiel 28: 1 - 19<br>James 2: 1 - 13 |
| Tues | Psalm 106 or 103<br>Ezekiel 1: 15 – 2: 2<br>2 Corinthians 1: 15 – 2:4 | Psalm 132<br>Ezekiel 11: 14 - end<br>2 Corinthians 7: 2 - end | Psalm 5<br>Ezekiel 18: 1 - 20<br>2 Corinthians 11: 16 -end | Psalm 36<br>Ezekiel 33: 1 - 20<br>James 2: 14 - end |
| Wed | Psalm 111<br>Ezekiel 2: 3 – 3: 11<br>2 Corinthians 2: 5 – end | Psalm 119: 153-end<br>Ezekiel 12: 1-16<br>2 Corinthians 8: 1 -15 | Psalm 119: 1 - 32<br>Ezekiel 18: 21 - 32<br>2 Corinthians Chapter 12 | Psalm 34<br>Ezekiel 33: 21 - end<br>James Chapter 3 |
| Thurs | Psalm 115<br>Ezekiel 3: 12 - end<br>2 Corinthians Chapter 3 | Psalm 143<br>Ezekiel 12: 17 -end<br>2 Corinthians 8: 16– 9: 5 | Mary Magdalene<br>Psalm: 30,32 or 150<br>1 Samuel 16: 14 - end<br>Luke 8: 1 - 3 | Psalm 37<br>Ezekiel 34: 1 - 16<br>James 4: 1 - 12 |
| Fri | Psalm 139<br>Ezekiel Chapter 8<br>2 Corinthians Chapter 4 | Psalm 144<br>Ezekiel 13: 1 - 16<br>2 Corinthians 9: 6 - end | Psalm 19<br>Ezekiel 20: 21 - 38<br>James 1 : 1 - 11 | Psalm 31<br>Ezekiel 34: 17 -end<br>James 4: 13 – 5: 6 |
| Sat | Psalm 121<br>Ezekiel Chapter 9<br>2 Corinthians Chapter 5 | Psalm 147<br>Ezekiel 14: 1 - 11<br>2 Corinthians Chap. 10 | Psalm 23<br>Ezekiel 24: 15 - end<br>James 1: 12 - end | Psalm 42<br>Ezekiel 36: 16 - 36<br>James 5: 7 - end |

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## Prayer for the Month

*The 4th July is National Thank You Day. Amidst all the trouble we have experienced over the last year or so there is still much to be thankful for.*

Lord, thank you for your constant care for all your creation. Thank you for the people who surround each one of us. Thank you for the blessing of family, friends, and neighbours. Thank you for all you provide for us, your countless blessings and your unconditional love for each of us. Thank you for helping us through the difficult times and giving us hope for the future.

## Services in July

Sunday4 July
10.00 Morning Worship St John High Legh
10.30 Holy Communion St Mary Rostherne
11.00 Morning Worship St Paul Over Tabley

Sunday 11 July
10.00 Holy Communion, St John High Legh
11.00 Holy communion Holy Trinity Little Bollington
11.00 Holy Communion St Paul Over Tabley

Sunday 18 July
10.00 Holy Communion, St John High Legh
10.30 Holy Communion, St Mary Rostherne
11.00 Morning Worship St Paul Over Tabley

Sunday 25 July
09.30 Storytelling Family Service, St Mary Rostherne
10.00 Morning Worship, St John High Legh
11.00 Holy Communion, Holy Trinity Little Bollington
11.00 Holy Communion, St Paul Over Tabley

Sunday 1 August
10.00 Holy Communion, St John High Legh
10.30 Holy Communion St Mary Rostherne
11.00 Holy Communion St Paul Over Tabley

## Storytelling Service

We had hoped to be doing this in person in July but in view of the increased risks with the rise of the Delta variant we will wait until at least next month to start again. We feel that the number of groups the children are involved in makes a difference and at least by August they will not be in school and many groups will be taking a summer break. We will continue to record services and send out the link. If you are not on our mailing list of these and would like to join in please contact Revd Patricia.

As we re-open the churches we will do all that we can to keep people as safe as possible by following government guidance with social distancing, hand sanitisation and wearing of masks.

Above all, please be assured that you will be warmly welcomed back into our beautiful church and into our church community.

## From the Ministry team

As I write this letter, we have just had confirmation that Step 4 of the roadmap out of lockdown has been postponed until July 19th. This was not unexpected and means that we must wait patiently for a further 4 weeks. The need for us all to be patient for a little while longer has been a message that has been associated with the last 15 months or so as we have moved from one lock-down to another and eased our way between "Tiers". However, the Prime Minister assures us that by the 19th July – "terminus day" - we will have reached the end of the need for patience with Covid 19 restrictions.

Nevertheless, patience will still be needed in many aspects of our daily life.

The quality or virtue of patience displays forbearance or endurance. In the former sense it is a quality of self-restraint, even in the face of provocation. Being patient means that we are able to accept or tolerate delays, problems or suffering without becoming annoyed or anxious; that we are able to avoid sudden noisy or aggressive reactions; that we can manage our immediate emotional responses. Patience also enables us to wait, without frustration, for things to improve; to wait expectantly and with hope whilst being realistic. Patience is important in relationships and situations throughout life.

There are lots of sayings and proverbs about patience – perhaps the most well-known one is:

"Patience is a virtue, Possess it if you can, Seldom found in woman, Never found in man."

This expression was first included in "Piers Plowman", a narrative poem believed to have been written by William Langland between 1360 and 1387.

Given this rather gloomy outlook, I searched the internet (not for long as I am not very patient!) for ways to acquire or improve patience and was told:

Here are four ways to be the patient person you never thought you could be.

Make Yourself Wait. The best way to practice patience is to make yourself wait.
Stop Doing Things That Aren't Important.
Be Mindful of the Things Making You Impatient.
Relax and Take Deep Breaths.

If only it were that easy!!

……/cf

Patience is an essential Christian virtue – though not all Christians (men or women) possess it and certainly not in abundance – and I am definitely one of those!

The Bible refers frequently to patience in the Psalms, the Prophets, the Gospels and the Epistles. There are good examples of those who do possess it in abundance in the Bible such as Job (in the Old Testament) who patiently suffered multiple afflictions and is remembered in the saying "S/he has the patience of Job". In the New Testament Simeon waited patiently for the promise of the Lord that he would see the salvation of Israel. *Luke 2: 25-38*. And Jesus himself showed patience with his disciples, waiting for them to understand better the nature of God's Kingdom:

"Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father?"" *John 14: 9*

Nevertheless, patience was obviously in short supply in the early Christian church because St Paul, writing to early Christians, had to advise them about it many times! One of the most well-known references to patience is in Paul's description of love in his first letter to the Corinthians:

"Love is patient and kind; it is not jealous or conceited or proud; it is not arrogant." *Corinthians 13:4*

As we strive to reflect the image of God's love within us, the words of St Paul to another group of early Christians may strengthen and guide our resolve:

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." *Colossians 3:12*

**Rev'd Trish**

**August Magazine**

We would love to hear from any reader with contributions of interest.

**Please send any items to your usual Editor or to parishmagrwlb@gmail.com by the end of the day on**

**Wednesday 21st August 2021.**

We will continue to distribute the magazine mainly in the pdf version for the time being.

## From the Registers :

**Funeral – William Douglas Raven Aged 93 years.**

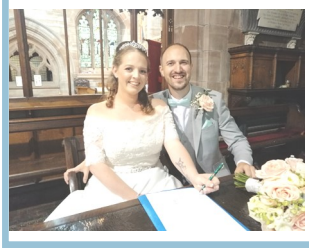
Douglas, as he was known to everyone, was born and brought up in a farming community in Cumbria. The family farmed sheep and dairy. He met his wife Alice through Young Farmers. They married in 1952 and had three children Peter, Judy and Angela. Douglas enjoyed water ski-ing on Ullswater in the early 1960's. In 1967 the family moved to a local farm in Cheshire where the focus was on dairy and cereals. On retirement he moved to Shaw Green Farm in Rostherne and in recent years lived in Knutsford. Douglas was a happy, family man and true friend. He will be missed not only by his family but also his many farming friends and neighbours.

**Funeral - Dorothy Mountfield Aged 85 years.**

On the 18th June, St Mary's Church was full to its socially distanced capacity as nearly 80 family and friends gathered for a service of thanksgiving for the remarkable life of Dorothy Mountfield who died at the age of 85 years. Dorothy was a much loved and valued member of the congregation of St Mary's over many years, supporting our fundraising activities and social events, notably organising the annual bridge drive. On leaving school, where she had been captain of sport, Dorothy trained as a pharmacist. Her sporting activities continued throughout her career and in 2005 she was elected Lady Captain of Knutsford Golf Club. Many of her fellow members were in the congregation. Dorothy will be greatly missed by us all.

**Wedding**

On the 25th June Andrew Scholes and Katharine Gridrod were married in St Mary's Church. The groom is an HGV driver and bride a Business Support Officer. The church was full to its socially distanced capacity. The bride and her mother arrived at St Mary's followed by a convoy of classic Mini's, carrying the bridesmaids, that marque being a passion of the groom. The original plan was for the couple's dogs to carry the rings. In the end they decided it would be more prudent to entrust them to their best man, Dean. The dogs did make an appearance at the reception. We wish Andrew and Katharine every blessing as they begin their married life.



**Licensing of Revd Patricia Robinson As Associate Priest**

We have now been given the date for Revd Patricia's licencing which will take place on Wednesday 4th August 2021 at St Paul's Church, Over Tabley, starting at 19.30. Bishop William Pwaisiho will be conducting the licensing on behalf of Bishop Mark.

We do not yet know what the rules on social distancing will be at that point in time but we do hope to be able to welcome as many as possible to that service and to offer refreshments afterwards.

However, we are waiting until we know what is to happen from 19 July before we make any firm plans. Details will be included in the August edition of this magazine, on the weekly sheets at our services and on our websites when we are able to confirm these. Please watch out for details.

**VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR**

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NATURE OR NURTURE? ……Or sheer, unshakeable resolve.

This month's food heroes **Jonty Page, Jane Smyth, Harry & the dog**

The gentle Irish brogue of a family friend attracted my attention recently. She was eulogising the inspiring, remarkable merits of our local Knutsford market greengrocers, Jonty Page and his stalwart partner Jane Smyth, whose courage, ingenuity and determination more than merit our FOOD HERO AWARD for July.

This remarkable success story was almost over before it began. This little gem of a business only opened its doors in August 2018 but by the start of 2020 was flying, with rave reviews for its superb products and service and a burgeoning clientele. Barely 18 months later it was in danger of 'hitting the buffers' as unforeseen, unimaginable blows rained in. First, the awful diagnosis of Jonty's advanced throat cancer. As the vital driving force for the embryonic business, Jonty was pivotal to everything from buying and quality control to selling and delivery. Deeply shocked by the news, he and Jane staggered through January into February calling on close friends and former colleagues to lend a hand day-to-day, to cover Jonty's hospitalisation and treatment.

They say the measure of real friendship can only be tested in adversity, and so it proved with supporters, too numerous to mention here, stepping up to the challenge and in the spirit of true friendship, managed to steady the ship.

Jane was already juggling running her own fashion business (Style Loft Boutique) in the market with caring for her young son Harry and was stretched almost to breaking point. She simply would not have survived without this incredible peer group support. At the Smithfield end of things an old business associate, Geoff (at Wholesalers Barton & Redmond) ensured that only the finest, fresh produce was made available for young Mike (from the neighbouring butchers), to collect in Jonty's place. This meant a continuous supply of the absolute best each day. At the front end, friends took turns to 'man the counter' and to display the products to the greatest advantage maintaining the founding principles and standards.

Dank, miserable February brought even more bad news as COVID raised its hideous head and the prospect of total lockdown loomed. March blew in and Britain was gripped in the icy jaws of the pandemic. The prognosis was grim, the business was in imminent danger. …./

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A sudden shaft of light appeared in the impenetrable gloom, call it divine intervention if you want, but the granting of essential service status was greeted with great relief as it meant the business could keep its doors open and continue to serve its customers. By the start of April the phone was ringing non-stop as more and more faithful clients, faced by imposed isolation, asked for their regular orders to be delivered to their door. This presented yet another nightmare scenario with all the inevitable increased costs and organisational challenges. Despite everything goodwill remained resilient and the business continued to grow. The wisdom of not passing the extra costs of delivery on to the clients was to prove a wise investment. As our shopping habits changed and business moved on-line, Jonty and Jane already had one foot into the future.

Barely a year later and the first tentative rays of hope finally appeared on the horizon. Jonty's fruit and veg business was able to nose out of survival mode and the entrepreneurial spirit of this remarkable couple was finally allowed to flourish. Their fiercely held business principles and philosophy may prove the key to a bright future. To quote J & J – "we can't compete against the buying power of the giant Supermarkets but we can beat them on freshness, individual service and genuine affectionate respect for our customers". They go to great lengths to purchase the very best produce and, whenever they can, support other small local suppliers. The list of product provenance is a veritable Betjemanesque stroll through the fertile market gardens and leafy villages of Cheshire. From Allostock to Peover, Wincham to Weaverham, each with its own delectable speciality. Tomatoes from Mr & Mrs Rudd; Cheshire potatoes, rhubarb & a whole array of lettuce from Roy; chillies from Chubby, his mate; logs & kindling from Dan; cut flowers & bedding from Terry & Sandy; seasonal wreaths from Shirley. It doesn't get any fresher or more local than that.

Jonty has an instinctive touch with his customers – taste before you buy, fuss-up the kids. Children beat a path to the stall, parents in tow, on the promise of one of Jonty's famous fruit kebabs.

For the romantics amongst you, there is also a heart-warming tale behind how this unique couple met. Stoic Jane, just out of the airline industry, divorced and newly widowed, manned her pitch next to the Knutsford Market Café together with young Harry and the dog.

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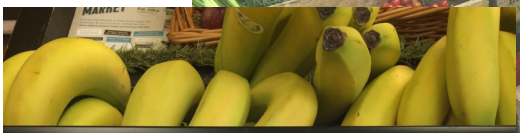
Jonty, in an act of friendship, took to offering the Smyth family drinks from the café next door. The friendship grew and the rest, as they say, is history.

The great news for the local children of Knutsford and beyond is that as Jonty returns to full health, the prospect of future treats will soon return. Nature or nurture or, in this case, both. There is growing recognition for this unique couple Jonty & Jane. As the plaudits rain in from both the local business community and national organisation alike they are proudly displayed on the stall for all to see. What a marvellous example to the rest of us.



**A Taste of Summer by Patricia Parkinson**

The glories of a summer day
Sweet honeysuckle in bright array
When blossoms lie in sweet repose
The languid lily and mossy rose
Their fragrance fills the balmy air
And blue tits sing without a care.
Sunlight dappling silvery streams
Reflecting nature's wild spun dreams.
The valley below is bathed in gold
As flowering buds carefully unfold
The careless whisper of an errant breeze
Gently caressing the ancient trees
And the blackbird's voice of beauty sublime
Echoes through the mists of time.

## Little Bollington W.I.

Members met for a Zoom meeting on 10th June , and were welcomed by Mrs Terri Shade, the President who thanked the secretary, Mrs Linda Chappell for setting it up. She expressed the views of everyone, saying that it was so lovely to enjoy a more normal life now we are able to meet outside in small groups.

Members are excited to hold their first outdoor meeting on 26th June, as Mrs Joy Cooper has kindly offered her garden as a venue for tea and cake.

In July, Mrs Anne Blackburn has also kindly offered her garden as a venue to celebrate 100 years of Little Bollington W.I. and an opportunity for members to look through the archives.

The walking group had very much enjoyed a stroll by the canal and are planning to walk along the Trans Pennine trail in July.

The Book Club are reading "Any Human Heart" by William Boyd.

The Art and Craft group are planning to hold their first meeting in July.

Members continue to share their activities on WhatsApp, with some posting amazing photos of their home grown vegetables.

The committee are trying very hard to arrange monthly meetings at Little Bollington School but there are many things to take into account, but as soon as we can safely meet together, our meetings will return.

If any member wishes to join the July Zoom meeting, please contact Pam Winward on 01565 830467.

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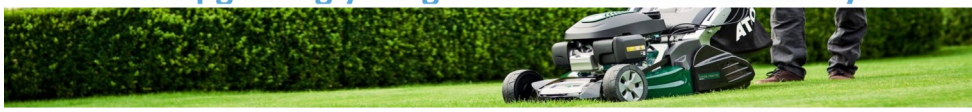

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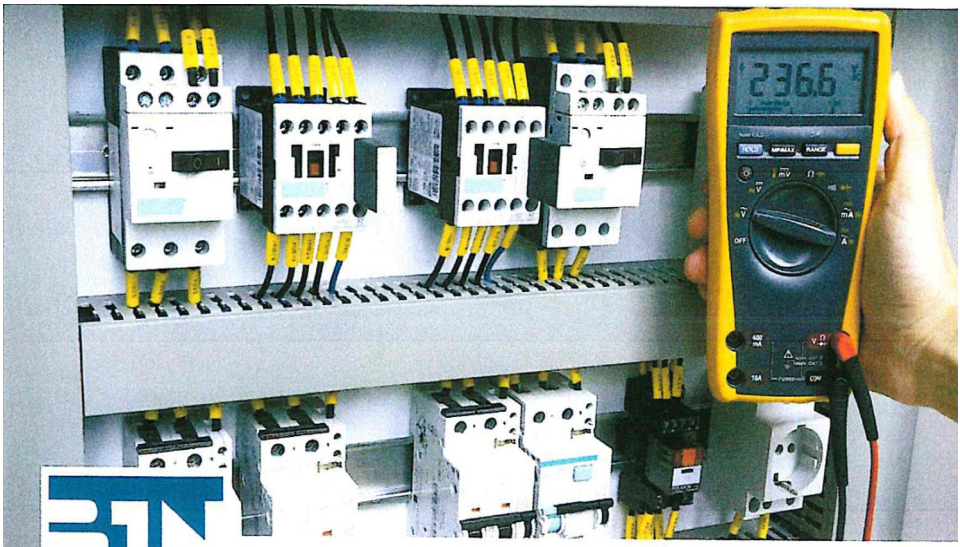


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