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# From the Rector

November 1st All Saints Day

Jesus wept. It used to be the standard answer to the quiz question: **“What is the shortest verse in the Bible?”** If the question refers to the King James Bible, it still is!

In many of the new translations, however, it has lost its status to Job 3:2 (look it up!) because **“Jesus wept” has now become “Jesus began to weep.”** It may lack the punch but it’s a better translation of the Greek, which refers to something that has started and is ongoing.

You may know the popular expansion of the familiar version, dating from at least the nineteenth century: **“Jesus wept and well he might, to see the poor in such a plight.”** It’s as true today as it ever was. One thinks of the protest camp erected a year ago outside St Paul’s Cathedral in London, beneath the banner, **“What would Jesus do?”** What indeed, when faced with a world of poverty and suffering for the many, while a privileged few make a fortune! Would he not weep?

And what does any of it have to do with the feast of All Saints? Precisely that Jesus holds out hope of a better future for all who believe. Whether **we’re a practical Martha or an emotional Mary, whether we’re a banker or a baker, a cathedral canon or a passionate protester, whether we’re black or white, old or young, whether we’re cynical or eager to believe** – that invitation from the weeping Jesus goes out to us all, not just those who now have cathedrals dedicated to them.



**The onlookers’ reaction to Jesus’ tears is: “See how he loved him!”** That may well have been true, but it was the sight of Mary and other mourners weeping that disturbed and deeply moved him, even to tears. Jesus wept **when he saw their suffering... and** then acted, to put an end to it, first by raising Lazarus, but later by dying for him, for everyone, and rising from the dead himself – so that all might believe.

Most of the protestors outside St Paul’s (or **“occupying” Wall Street or Madrid’s Plaza del Sol**) would not describe themselves as saints. Many are not even Christians. But they are guided, often without realising it, by the moral compass of the example and teaching of Jesus.

**As believers, we trust in God’s** promise of eternal life, trust that our departed loved ones and all the earlier saints are at rest. But that is no excuse for condoning the suffering of this **world.** In the words of today’s traditional collect, we are the mystical body of Christ – all of us, here on earth, now. If we are his body, we are **his hands, his feet, his heart... his** tears.

Jesus knew Lazarus was at peace, but he saw other friends grieving and it

moved him to tears. So he did **something about it. We can't raise the dead to alleviate a mourner's** grief, but we can offer practical and emotional support in their time of **need. We can't miraculously make the world's problems go away. But we can** stand up and be counted. When poverty, injustice, discrimination and violence rear their ugly heads, we can and should be disturbed and deeply moved, perhaps even to tears. But tears are not enough.

We might not want to camp outside **St Paul's, but we can write letters to our** government, or to newspapers, we can give generously to charities, we can set up local initiatives to help the poor and disadvantaged. We can all do something in the name of Jesus who wept, offering to all the hope of **eternal life. We can say, "Unbind them. Let them go."**

Operation Christmas Child.

**Yes it's that time of year again! If** you can help by doing a Christmas shoebox or by making a donation contact Annette on 01886 821285. The boxes have to be in by the 15<sup>th</sup> of November. Thank You.

From The Registers

Congratulations to Jack Lane, Becky Benbow, Henry Benbow ,and Charlotte Benbow confirmed in Whitbourne church on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October 2012.

The photograph shows (from left to right) Jack Lane, Charlotte Benbow, Henry Benbow, and Becky Benbow. The Bishop is Alistair Magowan, the Bishop of Ludlow



Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

4th November Wolverlow

11th November Edvin Loach

18th November Upper Sapey

25th November Tedstone Wafre

2nd December Tedstone Delamere

9th December Whitbourne

16th December Wolverlow

23rd December Edvin Loach

30th December Upper Sapey

## Parish News

Friendship Club

Unfortunately only a few people were able to make the meeting in October - due to late holidays and other commitments. We had a fascinating talk and slide show from the West Midlands Air Ambulance. The slides included pictures of the inside layout of the helicopter and illustrated aspects of their invaluable work. It was such a shame that more people could not come.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 7th November at 11.00 in the Village Hall - not sure what we are doing but there will always be coffee and chat!

In December we will be having a small pre-Christmas celebration. Please can you let Ann or Eileen know if you know that you are not going to be able to come.

If you would like more information about the Friendship Club please contact Ann Roberts (01886-821063) or Eileen Badger (01886-821501) - everyone is welcome to join us. *Ann Roberts*

Clifton upon Teme W.I.

Our October meeting was lively and we were given a chance to see if we would have made Suffragettes; luckily we did this without breaking any windows in the Village Hall. Paddy Hannigan, an ex-history teacher, delighted us with the history of Suffragettes and Votes for Women. Paddy brought the Suffragettes to life and we all wished he had been our history teacher.

Our November meeting is our Annual Meeting followed by a Pudding Evening. We plan to include a Wine Tasting Evening later this year. If you would like to come along to the WI new members and visitors are most welcome. Our next meeting in the Village Hall will be on November 13<sup>th</sup>. For further information contact our President, Charlotte Durling. Tel: 01886 812310. *Sheila Harris.*

Whitbourne W.I.

We met in the small hall on a cold October evening. Our speaker Wendy

Hill began the evening giving a talk, for the second time, on Edward Elgar. Firstly, Wendy gave an overview of the first talk to the members who missed it and then went on to talk about Carice Elgar-**Blake and Elgar's** wife Alice. Alice Roberts came to Elgar for piano lessons. She was brought up in India, her father being in the Indian Army. Alice was a well-educated woman, speaking four languages and writing novels and poetry. Alice lived with her mother in **Redmarley D'Abitot. Edward met** Alice who was bossy and a good manager and encouraged the marriage in the 1880s. She was a very wealthy woman but she was an Anglican and he a Roman Catholic. Neither family agreed with the marriage. It became very complicated, so she went to Settle to discuss this with Dr. Buck. Alice wrote Edward a poem which he set to **music entitled Salut D'Amour. They** married in 1889 in Brompton Oratory with no family present and had a honeymoon in Ventnor and came back and settled in a rented flat in West Kensington, London—no-one was interested in him. After a year there they came back to Worcestershire. At 41, Alice produced Carice (Caroline and Alice) Irene. They then moved to Malvern. He composed a piece of music for the Three Choirs Festival which he conducted and then went on to compose the Enigma Variations. Alice managed everything and took all the work off Elgar so that he could write his music, and dedicated her whole life to him, giving up her poetry and writing. Carice went to

boarding school in Malvern and was very musical and stayed at school in the holidays, only going home for Sunday lunch after Church. No music was dedicated to his daughter, only to her rabbit! In 1919, Alice was ill and had been so for a while—but he **didn't notice. He only then realised** that all his success was due to her. The three of them are buried in **St Wulstan's Church in Malvern.** We finished with a quick business meeting with tea/coffee and cake.

**Next month's meeting is a talk about** Probation and Magistrates Courts with audience participation on November 13th. Everyone welcome  
*Linda Gray.*

Harvest Supper Thank you

On Saturday 6th October we held our Harvest Supper at Saltmarshe and District Hall. Thank you to all who helped make it the success it was; personally I thought it was one the best ever. The entertainment by **'Shamus' was excellent. It would be nice to see you at the 'Floral Demonstration' with Brigette Manton** on 20th November at the above Hall. She is very talented and all of her arrangements can be won in the draw.  
*Kathleen Harris*

Tiblands Nursery and Pre-School  
Autumn News

We welcomed lots of new children this term and hope they enjoy their stay with us. We have already been busy enjoying the Harvest and Autumn celebrations, picking apples, leaf painting and music sessions. Father David also visits weekly to

read to the children which is a favourite. We also enjoy lots of lovely activities outdoors where we explore the woods, dig in the sand and play lots of games. We are also looking forward to our Halloween Party when we dress up and have lots of fun doing messy games.

We are open daily and throughout the holidays. We also have an after school club and we make daily pick-ups from local schools. For more information, please contact Trish Garness on 01886 821394.

Whitbourne Village Hall 200 Club  
The winners of this quarter's draw are -

£50 - 202b	B. Williams
£35 - 118	H. Hill
£25 - 230	Liz Cousins
£15 - 31	G.Harrison
£10 - 105	J. Hadley

Pilates classes

Pilates classes are starting on Tuesday mornings at Whitbourne Village Hall. Contact Sue Bratton for details. Tel 07974 343609 email [sue-bratton@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:sue-bratton@tiscali.co.uk).

Magazine cover price to increase from January 2013

In the light of increasing production costs, it is necessary to make a small increase to the cover price of the magazine. From January 2013, the cost of an annual subscription will be £7.00. The price of an individual copy will be 60p (about the price of a Mars Bar!) From next year, it is hoped **to introduce a 'Small Ads' section.** Further details in the December issue.

## At a glance

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the Month. Upper Sapey Whist Drive at Sapey Village Hall. 8.00 pm. All welcome.

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November Newark Tractor Show. Pick up in Bromyard. Phone Bromyard Tractor Club President on 01886 853680.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November BDLHS Talk – Brian Bargery - **'The Railway Navvies' – A history with songs and pictures'**. 7.30pm at **The Conquest Theatre** Bromyard. Members free. Non members £2. All Welcome.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November Zetor Evening at Sapey Golf Club. Talk by Maros Karabinos from the Czech Republic Factory. Tickets £5.00 (to include food). Pre-booking required (01886 853680).

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 1950s & 60s Dance at Bishops Frome Village Hall. 8pm - Midnight £5.00 per person. In aid of Bromyard Hospital League of Friends. Music by Steve Palmer. Ticket only. To book contact 01885 490269.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November Whitbourne Village Shop Christmas Fair. 2-5pm at Whitbourne Village Hall.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November. Coffee morning and Open Meeting to celebrate ten **years of 'Tanga in Touch.'** Live and Let Live, Whitbourne, 10.00-12.30.

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Fair 2pm at The Local & Family History Centre Bromyard. Free admission. Mulled drinks & mince pies.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November. An afternoon of tree-planting at the shop site.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December Candlelit Carol Concert 7pm at Whitbourne Church featuring **the choir of St. Richard's School**. Tickets £6 including refreshments. Tickets Available from The Village Shop, Jerry Cummins, Myrtle Kneen and Kim Cunningham.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Visit to the Hall at Abbey-Cwm-Hir. Coach will leave the Conquest Theatre at 8.30 am to take us for a tour of the 52 rooms in this Victorian gothic revival hall. £25 per person. All rooms will be decorated for Christmas. Please contact Mary Seldon 01885 482543

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December The Nativity Story told through the music of Gilbert and Sullivan. Leigh Court Tithe Barn by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Advani. More details in December issue.

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30 pm A Celebration of Christmas at Whitbourne Hall. Choral Music and Readings performed by Chapter Eight. Tickets £12.50 (£10.00 for parties of 20 or more) includes a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. Booking Essential phone 01886 821860. Details and map at [www.whitbournehall.com](http://www.whitbournehall.com).

# Whitbourne Neighbourhood Development Plan

Parliament has decided that we in Whitbourne should have a chance to plan how Whitbourne develops in the next fifteen to twenty years. The **“neighbourhood” is Whitbourne Parish.**

The Parish Council has set up a working party, firstly to find out your views and secondly to construct a proposed neighbourhood development plan. The working party members are John Archer, Martin Ashcroft, Gordon Cupper, Ron James, Noel Knight and Maureen Williams.

As a first step, so that your views can be taken into account, we invite you to fill in the questionnaire below and then return it before 14th December 2012 to one of the working party members or to the Village Shop. Further public consultation will take place as the neighbourhood planning process continues.

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*In which parts of the Parish of Whitbourne do you think any future development should take place? Please state your preferences in order below:*

*What type and scale of development do you think would be best suited to the Parish? Please tick your preference:*

	Yes	No
One large site for all future development		
Small infill sites of 1 to 3 dwellings		
Small clusters of 3 to 10 dwellings		
Do you agree that some development may take place on high grade agricultural land		

Do you agree that redundant farm buildings should be developed in one or more of the following options?

	Yes	No
Residential only		
Commercial/office		
Mixed residential/commercial		
Social/community use		
Some new units included where it may be appropriate		

What types of residential development would you prefer to take place? Please indicate your preferences as 1 to 5, with 1 being the highest:

	Rent	Buy
Detached houses		
Small starter homes with 1 to 2 bedrooms		
Traditional semi-detached houses with 2 to 3 bedrooms		
Retirement homes (bungalows)		
Social Housing to rent or part buy		PartBuy

	Yes	No
Should social housing be restricted to people with a local connection?		

Thank you for completing this questionnaire which will help to shape the future of Whitbourne Parish. Individual responses will not be made public - only a general synopsis of the results. If you have any further comments please state these overleaf.

Name:

Address

## Tanga in Touch - Miaka Kumi - Ten Years!

Come and celebrate at our Coffee Morning on 24th November!

Our tenth anniversary is in November. Our charity was formed, and the Trust Deed signed, on 22nd November 2002. Looking back, it is amazing how much we have achieved in those ten years.

We have sent out around four hundred recycled computers - and I have lost count of the number of sewing machines and other things. We have run I.T. courses for teachers - and the children and adults who have benefited must number several hundred, if not thousands. Now, for various reasons, we are not sending any more. I have my stable back, and several **extra hours each week... (I wonder what happened to them!)**

Misufini, the Leprosy Centre, is looking much better and the residents now have an adequate supply of food and water. We did not do all this, but we did encourage the formation of a Management Committee which, once they had a bank account, were in a position to approach other charities. The St. Francis Leprosy Guild, operating from London, sent **'Maintenance Money' each year.** We administered this for several years, making sure it ended up in the right pocket! Now, with the Guild, an American Church charity and the German Leprosy Relief Association, the future is looking brighter. The number of new cases is very much less and now the emphasis is more on rehabilitation.

Our link parish, St. Francis Mapinduzi, has also benefited. The sponsored Kiliclimb in 2005 raised money to finish building the hostel (intended as safe lodgings for young women, it ended up housing forty trainee teachers.) Then the micro-finance scheme enabled many women to earn a small income. Mapinduzi is one of the poorest parishes in Tanga and many mothers and guardians were unable to send children to school. If parents die of HIV/AIDS, their children go to live with relatives. Often grandparents have very little income themselves. They are really struggling. Now our Christmas Appeal supplies school uniforms, pencils, and in some cases school fees for seventy or eighty children each year.

We are having a COFFEE MORNING on 24th November, at the Live and Let Live in Whitbourne, 10 - 12.30. there will be a RAFFLE and a BRING & BUY. We are raising funds for the annual CHRISTMAS APPEAL for the orphans at Mapinduzi. Donations are always welcome and may be given to the Rector, David Howell, or me. Many thanks. *Brenda Allan*



Some of the orphaned children of Mapinduzi

# An exciting half term at Whitbourne School

A busy first half of term came to an end in October, with parents and pupils running a very successful Macmillan coffee morning for the village - £360 was made on the day, the village hall was packed with people and our school council shone as waiters and waitresses for the morning. This, and money raised via Jeans for Genes Day, has given us an excellent start on our charity fundraising this year. Father David Howell has already talked to the children about the Christmas Child shoeboxes and the joy they bring - we hope to contribute generously.

Some children took the chance to **take part in the Beeline children's literary festival** in Worcester - several came back from the evening with Australian author Morris Gleitzman really inspired by his enthusiasm.

Harvest Festival at Longlands, the care farm which we visit each week, showed the children the next stage in the natural progress of the farming year - they will now see the process begin again so that next year they will have seen a full

cycle and really understand how all the elements of a mixed farm create a vital part of both our landscape and our economy.

Our Open Afternoon, just before half term, gave visitors the chance to look around and to learn more about our toddlers group on a Tuesday morning and our pre-school Thursday morning session. Our budding artists welcomed those who wanted to join them at Art Club that afternoon too!

**We're looking forward to an equally busy second half of term, including a trip to Hellens, near Much Marcle, to build on the children's learning about the Tudors.** Christmas activities will loom large soon - this year, we hope to have a Christmas Fair, courtesy of the PTFA, and we will hold a Carol Service in Whitbourne Church with contributions from pupils of all ages.  
*Rachel Evans*



School Council coffee morning helpers

# Growing up on the farm

- By David Townsend

## Episode Seven (of Eight)

Shepherding All the animals on the farm would be visited daily, whether they needed feeding or not, either at the farmstead or in the fields. Dad took personal responsibility for the sheep. We kept about one hundred sheep, mainly Cheviots, and two Suffolk rams.

Sam, the younger of the two sheep dogs was tethered by the barn facing the farmhouse. It did not matter what time of day you left the farmhouse, having decided to visit the sheep, Sam had the uncanny knowledge of where he was going. Once we were inside the field with the sheep I had to vigilantly keep Sam at my side, for he would be on full alert waiting for instructions.

When I was in my mid-teens, Dad started up in dairying, which took up a lot of his time, so I took a larger part in looking after the sheep.

As autumn grew closer it was time to put the ewes to the rams for mating, so during October the sheep were brought down to the farmstead. Taking a pair of sheep daggers or clippers, they would clip away all the wool from around her rump and tail, to make them attractive to the two tups. Using a pair of foot trimming clippers you would trim the horny edge of the foot, right down until it was level with the middle soft paw.

Lambing had been planned for late spring when the coldest of the winter weather was over, with the two tups

being kept separate from the sheep for the summer season. During January to March, you would supplement their food, to keep them in good health. But it was vital you did not get them too fat, bringing their own set of problems.

Regular feeding would make the sheep very tame, which was a great asset when lambing time arrived. At feeding time approaching the field gate with a sack over one shoulder the sheep will immediately give out a cry and hastily meet you at the gate, pushing and bustling, causing you difficulty opening the gate. You needed to keep a wary eye behind you for if one of the rams manages to get near, they would give you a smart duff suddenly finding yourself sinking to the ground.

In mid-March just before lambing commenced the sheep will have been transferred to the Drive Orchard, making the distance to walk a little easier, as you needed to make more frequent visits each day, as the tell-tale signs of the first lambs becomes immanent, to notice a sheep isolate herself from the flock, acting in an abnormal way. She would be finding a place suitable to lamb.

If a sheep had not lambed in the three to four hours from her isolating herself from the flock, I would coax her into the corner of the field, to catch her, to determine what difficulties she was encountering.

After the new born lambs and their mother had got their strength back, while I went on walk about to check with the rest of the flock, I would re-

turn to take them back to the farm paddock close to the farmstead.

Sheep farmers welcome a cold frosty spell during the lambing season. Once the ewe has cleaned the new born lamb it will stay dry, and much to your delight you will soon see them in small groups scampering and dancing on any tree stump or embankment while the mothers quietly graze.

If a lamb was weak, small or looking sickly you would bring it home, with its mother, into the farm house kitchen with an infrared lamp hanging overhead, to give warmth, and regularly feed it with milk and glucose.

When the lambs had reached fourteen weeks old, they were separated from the ewes for weaning.

Come early June and the shearing of their fleeces would commence. The shearing machine once had to be turned by hand in former days, but now a belt pulley had replaced the **handle. Dad's ingenuity came into** play, for the two-wheeled tractor, the Autoculto, was lifted off the ground and placed onto a pair of fruit boxes; the pulley belt was attached to the shearing machine, and then placed around the one tractor wheel.

It was a legal requirement that the flocks are dipped to prevent pests attacking them, such as the blowfly that lay their eggs and hatch into maggots. Dipping begins with one farm hand catching the sheep and gently letting it down backwards into the tank. The sheep would automatically want to swim to the exit side of the tank, so Dad with a specially

made dipping tool, would gently and continuously turn their heads as they sought to swim to the exit. The sheep weighed down by the liquid would emerge from the tank with the dip gushing from the fleece. When the pen was full you needed to judge the right time to release the sheep, because the sheep would give an almighty shake of her body showering everything within a four to five foot radius.

Towards the end of the summer and into the mid-autumn, as the lambs matured they would be graded and sent to market.

There is always one in the flock who seems to think that the grass on the other side of the fence is better. Once the escaped sheep were back in the field, you would hastily go into the coppice and get some nice long pieces of hazel branches and weave them into the butt of the hedge to fill the gap.

Having regularly attended Sunday school my family had shown me that *we all like sheep have gone astray, we are really born as orphans, without a spiritual father.* Through watching the behaviour of the sheep I realised that we all have the option to return to **God's fold under the care of Jesus the Good Shepherd.** At the age of eleven it was very simple for me to ask the Good Shepherd in prayer to come and take care of me and guide me through the rest of my life. The hymn writer has summed it up beautifully as he relates the love of the Good Shepherd from Psalm 23:

*(Continued on page 14)*

The King of Love my Shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
But yet in love He sought me,  
And on His shoulder gently laid,  
And home rejoicing brought me.

To be continued.....

## Longlands Care Farm Achievement Evening

Thursday 5th July 2012 saw the annual Longlands Care Farm Achievement Evening hosted by Julia Evans at Longlands Farm in Whitbourne. The evening was to celebrate the successes of the students who attend the care farm and a general celebration of what the care farm has achieved in the past three years.

Longlands Care Farm was set up in September 2009 as a Community Interest Company.

We use the farm to offer alternative education provision for young people who have been excluded or who are not benefitting from mainstream education.

Our students get involved in animal care, including cattle, sheep, pigs, poultry and ponies, general farm and machinery maintenance, preparation of food and hosting educational visits; including children with special

needs. Not only do these activities provide practical training but students are able to attain accredited qualifications from City & Guilds and BTec. The impact in terms of practical and life skills are:

- Experience of working as part of and in a team environment, and learning how to positively interact with different groups of people with different needs and abilities
- Learning how to work in a structured environment where rules and guidelines have to be appreciated and respected
- Learning to take responsibility for **one's own actions**
- Learning to work independently or with minimum supervision
- Practical/vocational/trade skills and an understanding of farming and animal care
- Confidence and self-worth in their own abilities

The evening presented an opportunity to award certificates and formally recognise the achievements of the students but also acknowledge the role of family members and carers and other professional staff in terms of their support and contributions to these achievements.

The evening was attended by students, parents, carers, care farm volunteers, representatives from Care Farm West Midlands, local farmers, teaching staff and many local people interested in finding out more about Longlands Care Farm.

We were lucky enough to avoid the rain and the evening was a great suc-

cess, highlighting not only how care farming benefits the students who access it but also the wider local community through the links created with local schools and businesses. The Mayor of Bromyard, Mrs. Jan Pearce-Higgins presented the awards and the evening saw a record number of our students achieving City & Guilds qualifications. We also took the opportunity to formally unveil our Kawasaki Mule, recently purchased thanks to a Big Lottery Fund grant we successfully obtained. This has transformed the way we transport students around the farm and has enabled us to increase capacity.

For more information on Longlands Care Farm, please look at our website [www.longlandscarefarm.co.uk](http://www.longlandscarefarm.co.uk) or contact Julia Evans on 07800 770 698. We are always interested in hearing from people interested in volunteering or just want to learn more about care farming. *Emma Richardson*

## Tree planting

As the new Village Shop takes shape, it is time to consider landscaping the grounds. The site is being planned as a conservation area with allotments, apple orchard and a surrounding hedge of indigenous species.

For members of the local community the first step is a session of planting young trees, especially along the hedge-line. This fun event is obviously



somewhat weather-dependent, but is currently planned for the afternoon of Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

If you would like to join the working party, you are invited to register your interest by leaving name and contact details on (01886) 821286 and you will be informed when final arrangements are known. *Dai Jones*

## Saltmarshe & District Hall

Invites you to a  
Floral Evening  
with Brigette Manton



Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Saltmarshe & District Hall

7-7.30pm Start

Entrance £7.50

(To include Glass of Mulled Wine)

Tickets available from:

Di Yarnold 01886853512

Kathleen Harris 01885483681



Please come and have a fun evening and help support Saltmarshe & District Hall

# A New Pond Education and Discovery Project

Recently awarded funding by the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Herefordshire Ponds and Newts Heritage Network Project aims to help communities in north east Herefordshire (in 25 parishes from Ledbury and Colwall in the south to Bromyard and Brockhampton in the north) to celebrate and learn about their local ponds, including ones long since lost - their history and use over the centuries and their amazing wildlife: dazzling dragonflies, secretive china mark moth caterpillars, tiny whirly-gig beetles and cold-blooded frogs, toads and newts. If you have a pond that we could survey, let us know. Our final

aim is to ensure more ponds are created in the area to improve the pond network.

Everyone is invited to join us at one or more community sessions to learn about the project and share knowledge about ponds in those areas.

Nigel Hand, Project Officer, will give a talk, and then over refreshments everyone can look at the information stands and the maps of ponds in the parishes and help by telling us where they know of ponds, both past and present. Please bring old photos of ponds if you have them too.

For information on meeting venues and dates, please contact Nigel Hand on 01432 356872 or e-mail [n.hand@herefordshirewt.co.uk](mailto:n.hand@herefordshirewt.co.uk).



## Candlelit Carol Concert at Whitbourne Church

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## Letter from the Bishop of Ludlow

**Ever since Kenneth Baker's reforms** in the 1980s governments of all persuasions have passed legislation to reform education. Education is one of the finest gifts any person can receive. The language of raising standards and better equipping individuals to the challenges of an ever changing world is praiseworthy. Problems arise when those purposes become subsumed into the implementation of yet another political ideology. This simply turns education into a political football.

The press recently have given considerable coverage to Michael Gove, the Secretary of State for Education, in his plans to scrap GCSEs and replace them with what is being dubbed an

English Baccalaureate. Among the proposed changes is the sidelining and possible removal of Religious Education (RE) from the curriculum. Superficially this may seem understandable as in Britain today the majority of our population do not profess a recognisable faith. However I wish to argue that this is to gravely misunderstand both our world and the importance of RE, and for several reasons.

First, it is worth noting that the world is now a more religious place than it was even 50 years ago. Religion, far from withering and disappearing, has grown in strength globally. In the arena of politics and international relationships those negotiating in the Middle East have come to recognise that previous policies of keeping religion out of negotiations was and remains a grave mistake. Rather than ignoring religion those seeking to build bridges need to be equipped with understanding. Second, within our own culture and prized literature many of the illusions and images require knowledge of the Bible and religious ideas. A little while back several universities lamented the fact that those studying literature were not equipped due to their lack of religious knowledge. In a related way it seems very strange to have given the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the King James Bible so much publicity and praise and then ignore its contents for future generations. Third, it is almost impossible to have knowledge of history without knowledge of religion. Fourthly RE is among the most subscribed subjects. As a subject of choice why remove it? Lastly it is

questionable in a nation where the Monarchy is the defender of the faith and supporter of faiths more widely, and where the faith has an establishment by law, that RE is removed. Equipping the next generation in education is essential. The worlds of politics, literature, history and faith itself are not going to diminish. Keeping RE on the curriculum is surely good for all irrespective of whether they personally profess a faith.

*Bishop Alistair Magowan*

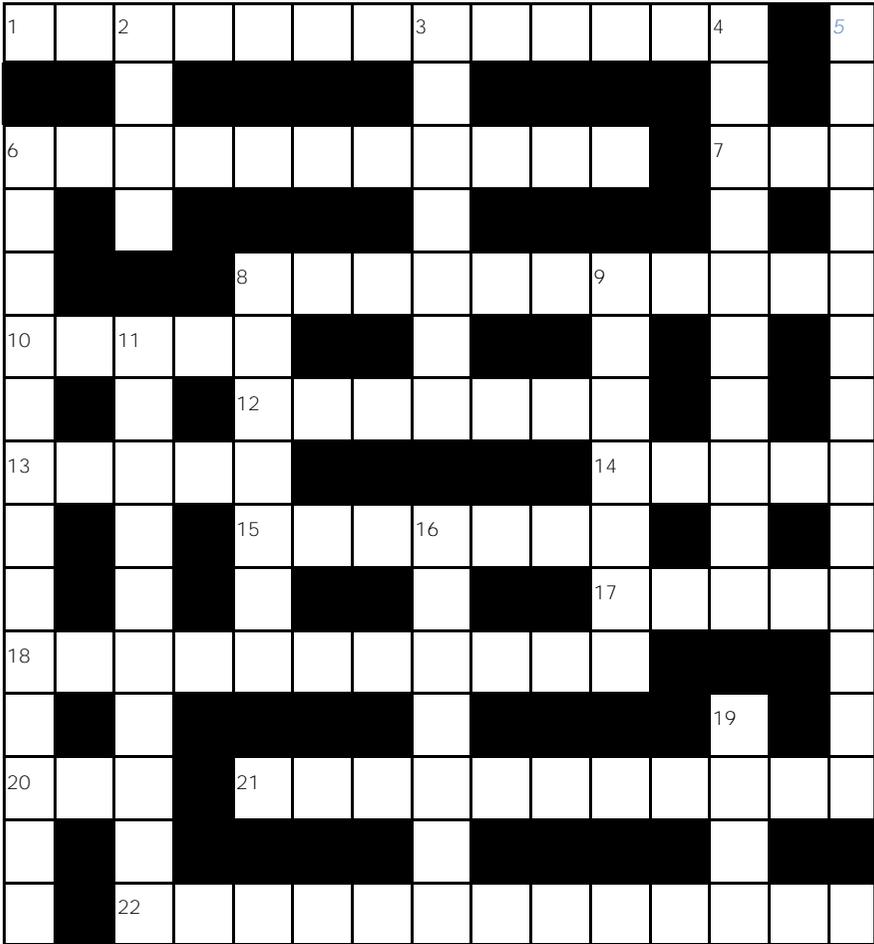
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Crossword No. 7 (Compiled by Lord Threadneedle of Whitbourne)

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To enter a prize draw for a meal for two at The Live, please submit your completed crossword to the village shop by the 15th of the month (a purple folder is held under the till to receive magazine contributions). Please include your name, phone number and/or email address. The winner will be notified in **next month's magazine**. **Note from Editor**—1) In the absence of a correct entry, the most complete/correct entry will be judged the winner. 2) Apologies for the glitch in last month's crossword.



Congratulations to Eve Currie -**winner of last month's crossword completion** and a meal for two at The Live and Let Live, Whitbourne.

Across

1. Winter bloomer (13)
6. Mock duck (5, 6)
7. **Consider lightly, with "with" (3)**
8. Verdant land of school and pub (6, 5)
10. Occasional or periodic? (5)
12. That on which one must not rest (7)
13. **Cowboy's rope (5)**
14. Headdress held in 13 across (5)
15. see 11 Down.
17. Use spade again (5)
18. Purple spears reverse battle lax (11)
20. **Gershwin's Gorilla, say? (3)**
21. Calculated emotional display (11)
22. Faith in magic, puts out irises! (13)

Down

2. Village teacher, Miss? (4)
3. **Jupiter's roll (7)**
4. Birthplace (10)
5. Martial artists in The House (6, 7)
6. **ER's favoured lying poet, Sir. (6,7)**
8. Coffee, whipped cream (7)
9. Multi-touch or swipe (7)
- 11, and 15 across. 15/10/12: Le vin de primeur est arrive! (10, 7)
16. The truth in 19 down (7)
19. Roman wine (4)

Solution for Crossword No. 6

Across. 1. spruce up ; 7. Mikado ; 8. Little ; 9. tutelar ; 11. quota ; 12. Nut ; 14. pimento ; 15. Aneurin ; 16. win ; 19. privy ; 21. half-wit ; 23. rubato ; 24. nerves ; 25. obituary ;

Down. 2. Poitou ; 3. parvenu ; 4. omega ; 5. Salvia ; 6. horsemen ; 9. tarnish ; 10. receipt ; 12. now ; 13. tan ; 14. Pamplona ; 17. inferno ; 18. gontre ; 20. victor ; 22. Arise.

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*Margie Wall*

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Maybe we need to rethink how we keep our beautiful church clean....

- Employ a paid cleaner each week
- Employ a paid cleaner on a less frequent basis and keep the cleaning "ticking over" each week
- Find more cleaners and carry on as now
- Do nothing.

Option 1 would cost in excess of £500 a year, money we do not have.

Option 2. We could keep the cleaning "ticking over" each week by sweeping the porch and vacuuming the red carpet, aisle and chancel. This should take no longer than 20 minutes. We could then employ someone to give it a good clean every month or two. This will still cost us money we do not have.

Option 3. Find more people willing to go on the rota as it is now and spread the load among more people.

Option 4. We will soon have a very dirty, untidy and unloved church. The many entries in the visitor's book saying how lovely our church is will stop.

The church wardens do need to solve this problem. Please consider if you can help in any way or have other ideas how we can tackle this.

*Sylvia Bland 01886 853661 or Myrtle Kneen 01886 821707*

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## Whitbourne Harvest Supper

I had cause to be worried. Half of the village seemed to be going on holiday in October and nobody was buying any tickets, so how many portions of food to plan for? With the lousy summer would there be any pumpkins in the competition and what about the raffle prizes? Everyone else was so **laid back. It's no comfort to be told** that it will be all right on the night, people will turn up and muck in, **when you fear it's going to be a disaster.**

Well, they were right. A hundred tickets were bought – a sell-out. Tables were expertly laid and decorated with brilliant flower arrangements. The hall looked fit for a banquet. Noel Knight again created a superb autumn arrangement in the lobby. At least, I had never doubted that. Baked potatoes, carefully selected and scrubbed by Sylvia Bland, came in batches wrapped in foil. David Howell expertly cooked 7 ½ kilos of peas. Then the puddings started to arrive in mouth-watering variety, just as Maureen Williams had promised. Whitbourne could win any bake-off competition. And the cheeses, fit for Wallace and Gromitt. I started to relax. Mark Powell brought a vegetarian option that tempted me to forget the beef stew, but, at last and on time, it was there from The Wheatsheaf, savoury and steaming. The stage was lined with pumpkins and raffle prizes. As the hall filled up Hazel Jones sold so many tickets that the book ran out.

What a feast! Enough for seconds and did I see a few thirds? Meanwhile in the kitchen Hannah Jones and family led a team of washers and dryers cleaning a mountain of dirty crockery. Kate Lack weighed the Pumpkins. The raffle prizes were drawn and the flower arrangements auctioned together with partridges and pheasants donated by the local shoots.

At last tables and chairs were back in the store and the hall was clean and tidy. Lights out and home to bed.

THANKYOU! THANKYOU! to everyone who helped and everyone who gave so generously. A magnificent £ 786 was raised, so the Church will have at least one new heater. The Harvest Supper has left a warm glow. *Myrtle Kneen*

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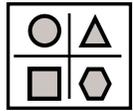
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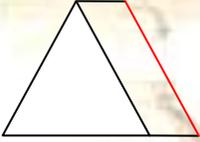
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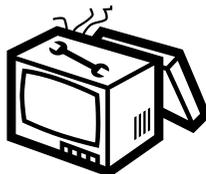
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## Flowers and Brasses

4th Nov	Mrs Maureen Williams
11th Nov	Mrs Maureen Williams
18th Nov	Mrs Marlene Malkin
25th Nov	Mrs Marlene Malkin
2nd Dec	Mrs Maureen Schoonenberg
9th Dec	Mrs Maureen Schoonenberg
16th Dec	Mrs Muriel Jones
23rd Dec	Mrs Muriel Jones

Any queries relating to flowers, please contact Mrs Ann Taylor on 821744.

## Sidesmen—Whitbourne

4th November	Mr J. Allan
11th November	Mr J. Cummins
18th November	Mr D. Shaw
25th November	Mr S Bland and S Cole
2nd December	Mrs S Jones
9th December	Mrs M Kneen
16th December	Mr J. Allan
23rd December	Mr J. Cummins
30th December	Mr D. Shaw

## Parish Communion Readers—Whitbourne

4th November	Mr J Bland
11th November	Mrs M Kneen
18th November	Mrs S Bland
25th November	Mrs B Allan
2nd December	Mrs S Dodd
9th December	Sir N Harington
16th December	Mr J Allan
23rd December	Mr C Short
30th December	Mr J Bland

Any queries relating to flowers, please contact Mrs Ann Taylor on 821744. Anyone wishing to be included in the cleaning rotas can contact Carol Wilde on 853491 (Upper Sapey) or Claudia Buxton on 821583 (Whitbourne). New volunteers for any of the rotas are always welcome.

If the dates shown for the rotas are inconvenient and you are not able to change with anyone else on the list, please let Claudia Buxton know on 01886 821583. Thank you to all those who put so much effort into keeping our Churches running smoothly.

## Church Cleaning—Whitbourne

3rd November	Mrs M Kneen
10th November	Mrs E & Miss E Badger
17th November	Mrs A Evans
24th November	Mrs M Kneen
1st December	Mrs E & Miss E Badger
9th December	Mrs A Evans
16th December	Mrs M Kneen
23rd December	Mrs E & Miss E Badger
30th December	Mrs A Evans

## Upper Sapey

November	Carol Wilde
December	Carol Evans Fisher/Carol Wilde

## Coffee - Whitbourne

4th November	Mrs W Cummins & Mrs S Dodd
11th November	Mr J and Mrs S Bland
18th November	Mrs A Taylor & Mrs M Williams
25th November	Mrs A Evans & Mrs M Schoonenberg
2nd December	Mrs E Badger & Mrs P Ransley
9th December	Mrs W Cummins & Mrs S Dodd
16th December	Mr J and Mrs S Bland
23rd December	Mrs A Taylor & Mrs M Williams
30th December	Mrs A Evans & Mrs M Schoonenberg

# Church Services

Sunday 4th November	8am 9.30 am	*Holy Communion, Whitbourne Holy Communion , Whitbourne
Sunday 11th November Remembrance Sunday	10 am	Remembrance Service, Whitbourne Followed by Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial
Sunday 18th November	9.30 am 11 am 3 pm	Holy Communion, Whitbourne Holy Communion, Tedstone Delamere Holy Communion, Edvin Loach
Sunday 25th November	9.30 am 11 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne Holy Communion, Upper Sapey
Sunday 2nd December Advent 1	8am 9.30 am	*Holy Communion, Whitbourne Holy Communion, Whitbourne
Sunday 9th December Advent 2	9.30 am 11 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne Holy Communion, Upper Sapey
Sunday 16th December Advent 3	11 am 3 pm 6 pm	Nine Lessons and Carols, T. Delamere Carol Service Edvin Loach Nine Lessons and Carols, Whitbourne
Sunday 23rd December Advent 4	9.30 am 11 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne Carol Service, Upper Sapey
Christmas Eve	6 pm 7.30 pm 11.30pm	Crib Service, Whitbourne Christmas Vigil, Edvin Loach Midnight Mass, Whitbourne
Christmas Day	9.30 am 11 am 11 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne Holy Communion, Upper Sapey Holy Communion, Tedstone Delamere
Sunday 30th December Christmas 1	9.30 am	Holy Communion, Whitbourne

The Parish Cycle of Prayer is on page 4

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The Holy Eucharist will be offered at Whitbourne every Wednesday at 10.30am

\* denotes Book of Common Prayer

