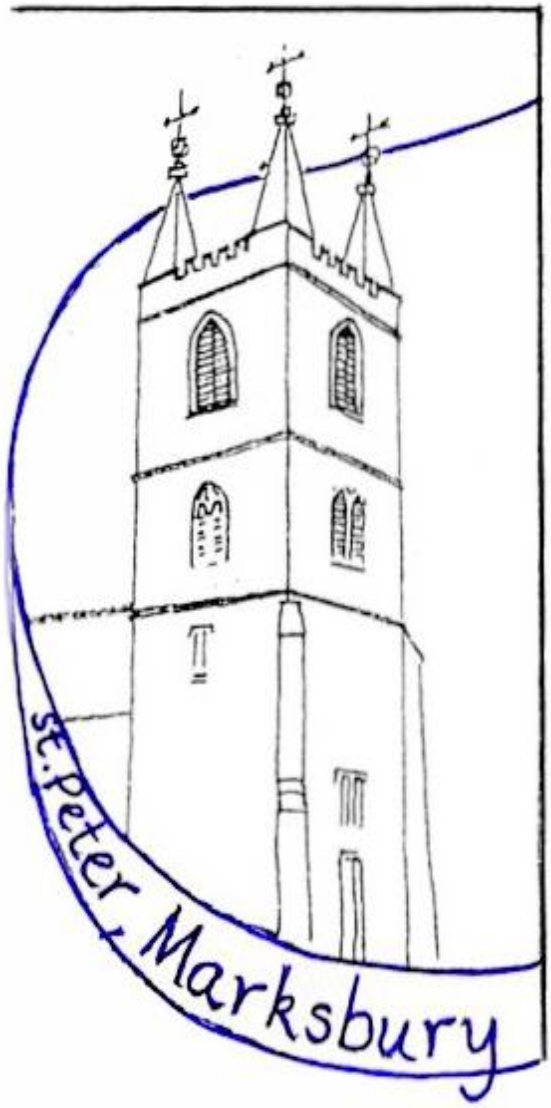
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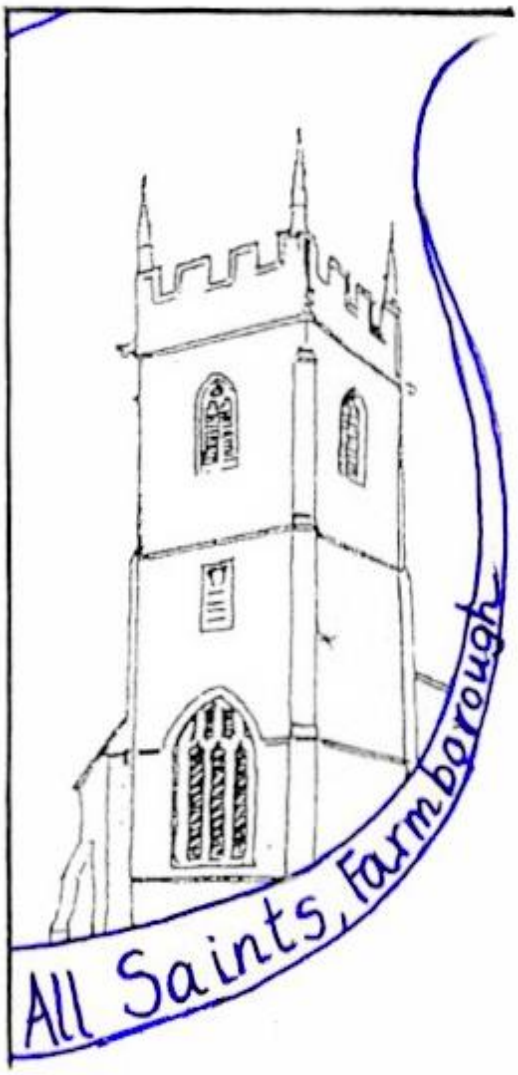
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Services for April 2021.

Note: at time of going to print the Church is open for services and for private prayer on Wednesday & Sunday.

ANY QUERIES PLEASE CHECK CHURCH NOTICEBOARDS or CONTACT A CHURCH WARDEN [see page 3]

	02/04/21 GOOD FRIDAY	04/04/21 EASTER DAY	11/04/21	18/04/21	25/04/21
Farmborough 11am	Meditation 2.30pm	Holy Communion Revd. Stephen Purvis	Family & Friends	Holy Communion Revd. Anne-Marie Bird	Morning Prayer
Intercessor Farmborough					
Reader Farmborough		Acts 10: 33 - 43 *Liz Ladd* John 20: 1 - 18 *Tom Cook*	John 20: 19 – end Jeannette Jones	Acts 3: 12 - 19 *Barbara Chard* Luke 24: 36b - 48 *Chris Lovell*	Acts 4: *5 – 12 Shelagh Peschek* Mark 13: 5 - 13 *Charlotte Strange*
Marksbury 9.30am	Meditation 1.00pm	Holy Communion Revd. Stephen Purvis	No service	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion
Stanton Prior 9.30am	Meditation 12 noon	No service (join with Marksbury)	Holy Communion	No service	No service

A **weekly sheet with prayers and Bible readings continues to be available by e-mail** and could be used as a basis for worship, if you would like to be included on the distribution list for the virtual service contact your PCC Secretary [details page 3]
If you do not have internet access one can be printed off for you.

The Diocese of Bath & Wells also has links to prayers & services which you may wish to access using the following link….

https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/



FLAG DAYS FOR APRIL 2021

4th	Easter Day and following 7 days
21st	Queen Elizabeth II born 1926
23rd	George – Patron Saint of England Prince Louis of Cambridge born 2018
25th	Mark - Apostle

CHURCH NEWS.

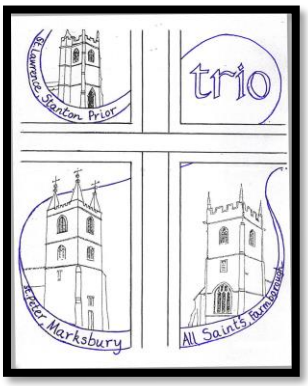
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ENQUIRIES about baptism, confirmation and weddings should be made by contacting one of the Churchwardens in the relevant Parish.



AND SAY HELLO.



If you have new neighbours, please let a Churchwarden know so they can receive a copy of Trio & a 'hello' from the Church family.

Welcome to the April edition of Trio.

The Kindness Pandemic

Yes, it's official there's another pandemic: but don't worry because it's a pandemic of loving kindness!

Human beings are genetically programmed to be kind and we demonstrate this by caring for each other.
The good news is that this goodness epidemic has an R value of five so it's wonderfully infectious. That means that for every kind act we receive, we are likely to pass on this kindness to five other people.
It turns out the saying, "If you live from the heart it's good for the heart," is true, because kindness creates oxytocin which makes you happy, reduces blood pressure, protects the heart and boosts the immune system. These affects are exactly the opposite of those created by stress. In a trending book[1] about the science of kindness, the author says that we should find opportunities to practice kindness by, for example: being polite; making a cup of tea for someone else; giving a compliment; opening a door; connecting with the person on the checkout; waving to a friend; and being a courteous driver by allowing others priority.
Kindness is contagious because it creates mirror neurons[2] in the brain which makes us feel elated when people have been kind to us. Just imagine if one person is kind to you, it is likely that you will do something good to five other people. Those five people are likely to do an act of kindness to five others making 25 people happier, and those 25 will carry on the kind acts to a further 125 people! All from one act.
But remember to be kind to yourself as well. "Love your neighbour as yourself" doesn't mean that we should be mean to ourselves. We must look after ourselves, finding moments that bring us pleasure and inner contentment. The rest and relax area of the brain is called the vagus nerve[3] and exercising this nerve has an anti-inflammatory effect on the body. So yes, we are allowed to pamper ourselves a little!
Easter is a time to find moments that bring us pleasure, such as walking in the spring sunshine; watching the jumping lambs behind the primrose banks… and I haven't even mentioned chocolate yet!

At Easter, Jesus did the ultimate act of kindness by sacrificing his life for generations of strangers like us, who can live lives free of guilt and shame, having accepted his teaching of loving kindness. So, this Easter, let us do our best to pass on loving kindness, to make us happier and the world a better place.

Happy Easter!

Martin

[1]The Five Side Effects of Kindness: This Book Will Make You Feel Better, Be Happier & Live Longer, 2017, by David R. Hamilton PhD
[2]Mirror neurons allow us to learn through imitation. They enable us to reflect body language, facial expressions, and emotions, they play an essential part in our social life.
[3]The vagus nerve is responsible for the regulation of internal organ functions, such as digestion, heart rate, and respiratory rate.

This month more bloopers, announcements and some 'smile lines!'

Dear Lord, please keep your arm around my shoulder – and your hand over my mouth.

THE BELFRY BULLETIN



Nine Tailors for Captain Sir Tom

IN company with many other towers, The Nine Tailors and 100 tolls of the tenor bell rang out across Farmborough at 12 noon on February 27 in celebration of the life of Captain Sir Tom Moore whose funeral was held that day. Captain Sir Tom was a true British inspiration in such dark days and a beacon of hope. *"Tomorrow will be a good day".*

Life Membership for Monica

MONICA HORSEMAN (nee Fray) learnt to ring at St. Augustine's, Clutton where she was a tower member from 1953-1958. Monica met her husband to be, Michael, at a ringers' meeting and on their marriage settled in Pill where they became members of the Easton in Gordano and Portbury tower and got the bells ringing again after several years of silence.

The couple moved to St. Clements, Clutton Hill in 1961 and as the bells at Clutton were then unringable Monica pledged her allegiance to All Saints' where she became an active and faithful member teaching many generations to ring. Sadly, due to health issues, Monica gave up ringing a few years ago but continued to assist with tuition in method ringing and rope handling.

For outstanding services to the association and the art of ringing Monica has been elected Honorary Life Member of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change Ringers after 68 years of membership. Monica, many congratulations!

THE NINE TAILORS

THE Nine Tailors is almost certainly a name corrupted from "Nine Tellers" or "Tollers"; a practice used in many Parishes when a parishioner dies.

Written in 1934, Dorothy L. Sayers used the theme for her novel about a murder and a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. The Nine Tailors, which is the title of the book, are not people, but ancient bells which were endowed by the author with mystical significance both to readers of the novel and the inhabitants of the fictional village of Fenchurch St Paul.

In times past, when a parishioner was dying, it was considered appropriate to ring the tenor or heaviest bell in the tower, known as the "passing bell", to protect the departing soul on its final journey.

After hundreds of years the practice changed to tolling the bell in groups of three after death. For a man it was three times three; for a woman two lots of three followed in each case by further tolls denoting the age of the deceased. In this village just three "tellers", normally rung on a lighter bell, would signify the death of a child.

Hearing the first three blows on the tenor made one stop and listen. Three more; it was either a man or a woman and a further three would confirm that it was definitely a man. The first tolls were followed by further blows on the bell, one for every year of the dead person's age then you would know that Mrs Miggins or Billy Muggins had died.

An announcement of a death in the Parish is somewhat less immediate these days as not everyone knows everyone else

anymore and churches no longer have or can afford a sexton to undertake the duty. There is, of course, a further reason; people no longer die in their own bed but in hospital resulting in this ancient tradition being lost, probably for ever. But we still ring The Nine Tailors here in Farmborough; at 3 o'clock on Good Friday stop and listen.

Farmborough's last sexton was William (Bill) Shore - affectionately known as "Shazzer". Bill lived with his wife Mabel at 63 The Batch; they had three sons, Tom and Albert who like their father were bell ringers and Reg. In WWII Tom and Albert served in the armed forces and Reg, also known as "Winnie", worked for Arthur Gould at Belle Vue Farm, Bath Road.

Shazzer was a coalminer by occupation and as well as tolling the death knell and digging graves, he wound the church clock, stoked the central heating boiler, carried the processional banner, sang tenor in the choir, captained the ringers for a time, rang at least six peals, and fell out with the Rector for a pastime. He died on February 19 1973 aged 79.

The bell tolled in Dorothy L. Sayers' novel is dedicated to St Paul; probably to acknowledge the assistance given by the bell founding Taylor family whose knowledge and understanding of bells and bell ringing provided much needed information for the book.

In 1919, the bells of All Saints were restored by John Taylor and Co of Loughborough in memory of the men of this Parish that gave their lives in the WWI.
Patrick Bridges

NOTICES THAT DIDN'T COME OUT QUITE RIGHT!

- At the church meeting last week, the rector spoke briefly and delighted the audience.
- Remember in prayer the many who are sick both of our church and the community.



A message from

Ruth Worsley Bishop of Taunton

Hope for a better future. April 2021

This month of April begins on Maundy Thursday, the day when we remember the last meal Jesus shared together with his friends before he was arrested and crucified. It was the meal that has become so significant in the life of the Church, where bread was broken and a cup of wine passed round, coming to symbolise for us the brokenness of the body of Christ. The sacrifice he made for love of us. Many of us will hopefully celebrate something of the Easter feast this weekend although restrictions continue for a while longer. We may not yet be able to gather in larger groups of family and friends but perhaps we can glimpse what is to come?

This has always been the story of the Church, to point to what 'is' but which may not yet be fully realised. During this pandemic there has been a need for hope amongst such bleakness and now as the vaccine is shared and the signs of life appear in the world around us, we begin to see what might again be possible. To hope for a better future.
And yet in the bleakness of this first weekend of April, which takes us into the darkness of the tomb on Holy Saturday, we remember that hope is not cheaply bought. It is not mere optimism, but rather something, though fragile, that is stronger than death.
As some of us break our fast this Easter and share the bread and wine of the Eucharistic feast, may we know both the cost of such love and the hope that it offers.

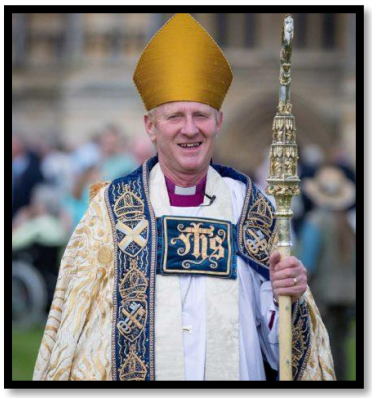
Easter blessings!

Bishop Ruth

EASTER EGGS!!

- This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs Brown, our church warden, to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.
- The nice thing about becoming forgetful is that you can hide your own Easter eggs.

The Rt Revd Peter Hancock,
The Bishop of Bath and Wells,
is to take early retirement on medical grounds as he continues his recovery from treatment for acute myeloid leukaemia.



Bishop Peter, 65, has been bishop of the diocese for seven years, from 2014. For four of those years, he was the Church of England's lead bishop for safeguarding and represented the Church of England at the three hearings of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse. The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby paid tribute today to Bishop Peter, saying "his commitment to changing the culture and shining a light in dark places was an inspiration to us all".

Bishop Peter has been receiving treatment for leukaemia since last August. In a letter to the diocese today he wrote that while he had been hoping to return to work before long, his hospital consultant has said he will need to spend many months recovering and will initially be unable to lead services in public, use public transport or go into indoor public spaces.
He said: "So after much prayer and reflection, I believe this means that I need to take early retirement on medical grounds.
"After seven years as Bishop of Bath and Wells I could not be more grateful for all the opportunities that I have had to serve the Diocese and during this time I have met so many inspiring, faithful, creative, and courageous people and visited so many wonderful places. I don't yet know what lies ahead, but I am sure the Lord will continue to lead and guide me and provide opportunities for ministry and service in the future. I remain hopeful and confident in his future for me."

He said he was aware what a challenging time it was for the Church of England, as churches had closed due to the coronavirus pandemic.
"I am very aware of the challenges we are all facing and the extra burdens and responsibilities that we are all carrying. I am therefore particularly grateful for all that you are doing to sustain and support the life of the diocese and especially for all that Bishop Ruth has been doing as Acting Diocesan Bishop. The diocese is clearly in good hands and good heart, and my prayers and thanks are very much with you all.
"In the midst of all that is happening in the world today let us not lose sight of God's gracious, loving care for us all."

We wish Bishop Peter well as he moves into a new phase of his life.

APCM – 18th April 2021 at 10.30am following 9.30 am Morning Prayer.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Parish of St Peters, Marksbury

It is anticipated that Church will be open with social distancing and wearing of masks required.

The APCM will be held at 10.30, for the election of Churchwardens, PCC members and officers.
Included in the meeting will be;
reports on the Church's year;
the financial statement of the council for the year ending Dec. 31st 2020;
report on fabric, goods and ornaments of the church;
a deanery synod report and other matters of interest.

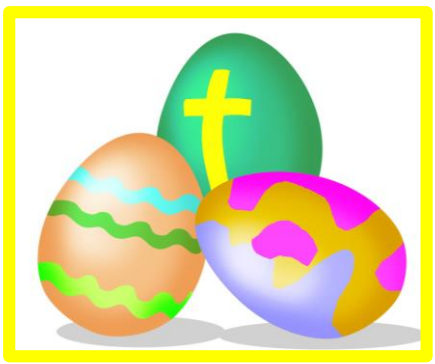
Nominations for Churchwardens and PCC members may be made at the meeting, or by application for nomination forms to the secretary (tel. 01761 470317; email: jjtallhouse@gmail.com).



Family Focus

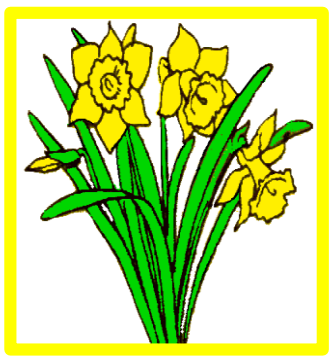
Please look out for the regular emailing / posting of story and activity packs. Paper copies are available in the church porches for anyone to take and use.

To be on the mailing list to receive the activity packs please contact Liz Ladd 01761 471666 eladd1@btinternet.com



Easter eggs will be given out to children
from **10.30-11.00am** by the **Tower door at All Saints Church, Farmborough**
on **Easter Sunday.**

Mothering Sunday posies



Thanks so much to Liz Ladd for providing and arranging the lovely posies, which were available on the Friday afternoon, before Mothering Sunday, in the porch at All Saints and in church on the Sunday morning.
Mine still looks lovely and fresh.
It is such a thoughtful gesture and much appreciated.
Thankyou Liz!

Nicky Stone

Ed. Someone else also said to me what a lovely idea it was; thank you & I saw the same sentiment expressed on facebook.



APCM Report for All Saints, Farmborough



The Annual Parochial Church Meeting took place on 20th March, unusually only 4 months after the meeting in 2020 which had been delayed due to Covid restrictions. Chris Lovell chaired the meeting which was attended by 11 parishioners via zoom.

The Churchwarden's Report articulated what a different year 2020 had been in the life of our church. It was the first year that there had been no Eucharist at Easter and that all activities had been put on hold. There were still a number of highlights including the Easter Candle having been brought in to church in August and church services continuing when the church was able to be open.

Thanks were expressed to Myra, Ann and the cleaning team who have prepared the church for re-opening and kept it clean and safe; those who have provided floral displays; Dave Stone and the other volunteers who have helped maintain the churchyard and worship leaders who have led services in person and remotely through virtual service sheets.
The Garden of Remembrance has remained well maintained thanks to Marshall Stevens and a new contractor has been appointed for grass cutting.
The boiler has defied all odds and survived through another year! The PCC would like to explore green alternatives and grants to help with funding a replacement.
The Quinquennial was due in 2020 but once again, Covid has meant that this will be delayed whilst the architect catches up on his to do list. The reordering project has also been delayed but will hopefully pick up again in 2021.

All reports presented at the meeting including the financial report which explained our income has been depleted as the Social Committee have been unable to lead events and raise the funds were adopted:
The PCC are grateful to all who have continued to give to the church during the past year.

All members were re-elected but there is space for another PCC member, if anyone would be interested in joining us they would be very welcome! Please contact Chris, Tom or Catherine to express your interest.

Lisa.Hegan

Notable people celebrated by the Church in April.

19th - St Alphege, archbishop and martyr, c. 953- 19 April 1012

A local saint! Alphege, (originally Ælfheah) is believed to have been born in Weston, on the outskirts of Bath, and became a monk early in life. He first entered the Benedictine monastery of Deerhurst in Gloucestershire, then moved to Bath, where he became an anchorite, or religious recluse. Noted for his piety, he rose to become abbot of Bath Abbey. He was elected Bishop of Winchester in 984. It is said that, while at Winchester he was largely responsible for the construction of a large organ in the cathedral, audible for over a mile, and needing more than 24 men to operate it… Alphege also promoted the cult of Swithin at Winchester, among many other acts whilst Bishop. He became Archbishop of Canterbury in 1006. The Danes, who had previously raided England, but made a peace treaty in 994, now invaded again in 1011, laid siege to Canterbury and captured Alphege, who refused to allow a ransom to be paid for his freedom, and was killed on 19th April 1012 at Greenwich. It is said that Thomas Becket prayed to Alphege before his own murder in 1170.

Few churches are dedicated to him, but, fittingly, the Catholic church of Our Lady & St Alphege, designed by Giles Gilbert Scott, stands in Oldfield Park, Bath.



23rd - St George, died 23rd April 303



George of Lydda was a Christian, who is generally accepted as a saint. He is thought to have been a soldier in the Roman army. His parents were Christians of Greek origin. George is immortalised in the legend of Saint George and the Dragon, and his memorial day is celebrated widely – nation states, including England, Ethiopia, Georgia, and the areas of Catalonia and Aragon in Spain, cities, universities, professions and organisations claiming George as their patron. He was executed in the reign of the Emperor Diocletian. His bones are buried in his tomb in the Church of Saint George, Lod, in Israel, Lod being the ancestral home of his mother. He is venerated throughout the Christian world, and also by Muslims.

27th – Christina Rossetti, poet 1830-1894 One of the most important poets writing in 19th century England, she came from an artistic and religious family, and religious devotion played a major role in her life. Her brother, Dante Gabriel Rossetti, was an artist of the Brotherhood of Pre-Raphaelites. She moved from being a devout member of the evangelical branch of the Church of England, to High-Church Tractarianism. She wrote both secular and religious poetry, and her prayers and hymns are still in use today, especially 'In the bleak Midwinter' and 'Love came down at Christmas'. She did much for charity, and worked for the SPCK (Society for promoting Christian Knowledge). She is commemorated in Frome, where she and her mother ran a school for a while in the 1850s.

MARKSBURY…*Obituary*



John Bendall of New Farm, Marksbury, died 25th February, 2021

John was born in August, 1931, to James and Hilda (nee Gullock) at Cholwell Farm, Stowey. The family moved to Castle Farm, Farmborough, in 1939. John was educated at King Edward's School, Bath and Cannington Agricultural College. His father, James died in 1944; his mother, Hilda in 1949 and John, with his brother Michael, continued farming at Castle Farm until, in 1954, both boys joined Grandfather Gullock in partnership and tenancy of Manor Farm, Corston. In 1956, John married Gwenda at Berrow Church and in 1962, he took the tenancy of New Farm, Marksbury, with Gwenda and their two boys, Stephen and Andrew. John was an excellent farmer, farming arable and a milking herd. He also farmed a large number of pigs, selling weekly to Wall's. He loved showing organisations around the farm. A great family man, he and Gwenda loved entertaining, and, no doubt, many have been recipients of lunches and evening invitations. John was on the Marksbury Parish Council and Corston PCC, being Churchwarden there for many years, and was a member, and one-time Chairman of Bath Young Farmers Club. He was also Governor and Chairman of Marksbury School, and Chairman of the local Duchy of Cornwall Shoot. My brother John was a lovely, gentle, man, who always thought before he spoke, and gave good advice. It is sad to know that he will not be at New Farm, with his smile, kindness and welcome.

May he rest in Peace.

(With thanks to Mary Campbell Hill for these memories of her brother).

TRUE STORIES

1. My curate friend had to preach his first-ever Easter sermon, and was very nervous about it. However, he prepared hard, and when Easter day came, he strode into the pulpit and thundered through his sermon, only to crash at the closing line. He pounded the pulpit and shouted: "Yes...it is all true! Jesus rose...and then He died again! Hallelujah!"

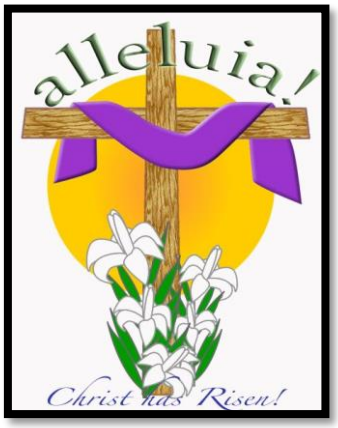
2. Several years ago, a notice appeared on the vestry noticeboard of a church in Hampshire, after a Holy Week performance of Stainer's 'Crucifixion'.
The choirmaster wrote "The Crucifixion – well done, everyone!' Later that day, someone had added, 'The Resurrection – well done, God!'

In the Marksbury Prayer Diary this month, we pray especially for those living in West Tyning, Priston Lane, and Mollifriend Lane.



Remember...

North East Somerset & Bath Methodist Circuit
Area Minister: Revd. David Winstanley Tel: 01761 439 934
40 North Meadows, Peasedown St.John, Bath BA2 8PS
Information if required at present can be obtained from Revd.David Winstanley via e-mail:- dwin64@hotmail.com



Farmborough & Marksbury Schools

Take a look at their websites to find out more about life at our schools.
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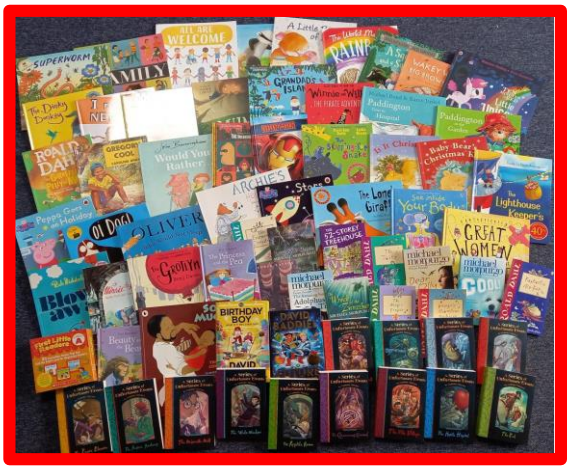
On March 8th both schools opened fully again & said *"What a busy and exciting week it was. It has been great to welcome all of the children back into school and catch up on all of their news.*
The school has been buzzing again with lots of lively learning & it is amazing to see how much they have grown, and how much uniform no longer fits!"

Both heads thanked parents & carers for remembering the staggered drop off and pick up routines and for supporting children in their transition back to school.

READING IS KEY …
as activities in school since pupils have returned reflect this.
Research shows that the most important thing you can do to help your child achieve at school is **read with them.** Little and often is the key!

Reading with your child should be **enjoyable**. Encourage discussion when reading with them. They will probably ask you some interesting questions, so don't be afraid to stop reading and explore these further. No matter what age or ability, daily reading is a great thing to do and don't forget to record this in your child's Reading Record or Home/School Book.

FARMBOROUGH



Thank you to School Association who have kindly agreed to support our drive to update the books in Early Years by donating £250 to fund half the cost. In addition, they have also been supporting our need for new books through their Facebook Group and we would like to thank all the families who have responded to this by ordering and donating new books for the school. We have been really pleased to receive the books pictured below and have inserted a 'donated by….' sticker inside the front cover of each of them.

MARKSBURY

World Book Day: It was lovely to see which books helped to make them happy during lockdown. From pencils to ladybirds, the children had really used their imagination. We also had our criminals in school, with Gangster Granny in the office and Burglar Bill in the corridors, we really needed to be on the lookout! Luckily they behaved themselves!





DIVINE INTERVENTION?

A little boy was playing outside with his mother's broom in the garden. That night his mother realised her broom was still missing & asked her son to go & bring it in.
When the little boy confessed he was afraid of the dark, his mother tried to comfort him:
'The Lord is out there too, don't be afraid'
Hesitantly, the little boy opened the back door & peered out. He called softly: 'Lord, since you're out there already, please will you pass me the broom?'

TUTELA NEWS...



Dear Jeannette &
All Saints Farmborough

Greetings from Moz! I hope this finds you well.

I have heard that children are allowed back to school in the UK... I hope things have gotten a tad easier now... although I'm aware that strict lockdown is still in place.
Here in Maputo, our kids were allowed back at the beginning of March, which was a great relief for us.

I wanted to let you know our new foster couple, Fabião and Isabel, arrived last week and are now settled into Tutela's second fully equipped home. It has been quite a task to get everything ready, including preparing this couple, and we are super pleased to have reached this point.

Use the link below to see the home and meet the couple and read on to see how you can support them.
Watch - Our new foster couple arrive
https://youtu.be/tnFptfIBk7k

Thank you again for all the support All Saints has sent us, to help us get to this point. We so value your continued support of our Tutela journey.
With love,
Jonny and Becky x

MISCELLANEOUS OBSERVATIONS ON DAILY LIFE.

If you think nobody cares whether you're alive or dead, try missing a couple of mortgage payments.

In order to keep a true perspective of one's importance, everyone should have a dog to worship him and a cat to ignore him.

The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was.

The most effective way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once.

I ate a kid's meal at McDonald's today. His mum got really angry.

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BATH AND WELLS..

The Manna magazine has now changed to a monthly mailing format allowing Parish Magazine Editors to include items.

INTERVIEW: Making the change

Julian Brooks is Lay Dean for Crewkerne and a Churchwarden at St Michael's and All Angels, Haselbury Plunkett.
He has a background in environmental conservation.



St Michael's and All Angels, Haselbury Plunkett

What is your church doing to help the environment?
We are working towards becoming an Eco Church. Before Covid hit we had done some of the easy bits on land management and energy usage, but were working on what I think are the harder elements of worship and lifestyle.

Do you think the Covid pandemic has changed people's view of caring for creation?
I think people are more conscious than ever of the need to be more environmentally aware and I hope when we come to redo our Eco Church questionnaire in the autumn that will come through and we can achieve at least bronze award.

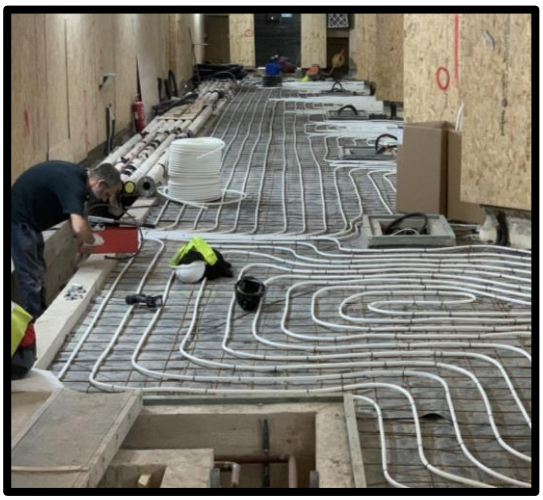
What are your hopes for worship?
I'd like to see the environment and climate change mentioned every week. Whether that is in the context of global issues or more local ones, there is plenty to talk about. The Church has to play a leading role in tackling climate change and we need to step up locally and nationally.

Any advice for churches wanted to get started?
Changing your energy tariff to a green one is an easy start, as is letting go of the idea of a manicured churchyard. Even mowing the grass less and having a semi-wild area can benefit biodiversity while still being a place of peace. Many churches are being tested financially currently and going greener can also help save money too.

News in brief from Bath & Wells Diocese.

Abbey's new eco heating goes live

Bath Abbey's innovative eco-heating system powered by sustainable energy from Bath's famous hot spring waters has been switched on. As part of the Abbey's Footprint project, a new distribution of underfloor





heating pipework has been laid in the Abbey and ten custom-built heat exchangers collect heat from the thermal spring water that flows through the drain from the Roman Baths and down into the river. Every day around 1.1 million litres of water flows through at a constant 40°C. There will be enough energy to heat the historic Abbey and its adjacent buildings.

Embracing a wilder churchyard

The diocese has teamed up with Somerset Wildlife Trust (SWT) on a new joint initiative, Wilder Churches, which seeks to improve biodiversity in churchyards.



SWT is running online training for church leaders and communities across the county, introducing what's happening, what support we can provide and finding people who can be Wilder Church Champions for their community.

Sara Emmett, assistant environment officer said, “With the diocese embracing a new environmental policy, we are delighted to be working together with SWT to support church leaders and communities to increase the value of churchyards and other church land for wildlife.”

Initially, the initiative will focus on encouraging people to simply find out what wildlife their local churchyard already has, as well as getting to know those already involved with its management. Through ongoing online training, communities will be able to identify ways they could help wildlife in their local churchyard, as well as to communicate their ideas, consult others and come up with a plan that works for the church, wildlife and the community.

SAYING GOODBYE

An inexperienced curate was sent to do a graveside burial for a homeless man with no family or friends. Not knowing where the cemetery was, he made several wrong turns and got lost. When he eventually arrived, the hearse was nowhere in sight, the backhoe was next to the open hole, and the workmen were sitting under a tree eating lunch.

When the curate looked into the open grave and even found the vault lid was already in place, he felt very guilty. The homeless man deserved something, even though it was late. And so, the curate delivered an impassioned burial service, sending the deceased into the great beyond in some style. The workmen looked on in silence, but as the curate returned to his car, he overheard one of the workmen remark: ‘I’ve been putting in septic tanks for 20 years and I ain’t never seen anything like that!’

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A series of events, including concerts, talks and tours, will be held throughout the *Moon's* visit to Wells. Stay tuned via the Cathedral website, social media and E-Newsletter for more information!



The Museum of the Moon at Rochester Cathedral in early 2020

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