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Festivals & Feasts

3rd July
 Thomas the Apostle
22nd July
 Mary Magdalene
25th July
 James the Apostle



Weddings this month

Saturday 4th July, 2.30pm



Heavenly Father,
 whose blessed Son came not to be
 served but to serve:
 bless all who, following in his steps,
 give themselves to the service of
 others;
 that with wisdom, patience, and
 courage,
 they may minister in his name to
 the suffering and the needy;
 for the love of him who laid down
 his life for us,
 your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
 who lives and reigns with you and
 the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever.
 Amen.

Church Open for Private Prayer
 See page 7



We aim through Christian worship, word and action to celebrate and share the love of God with our neighbours

From the Editor

Throughout Lockdown we have been blessed with so many opportunities to keep the heart of Adel Church alive and beating. Unfortunately, it has not been possible for all our church members to access the online services, but we have also been able to offer people the opportunity to access parts of the weekly service by phoning 0113 4678 478. No church services are planned as yet, but the church is open for private prayer every day throughout July. Please see details on page 7.

Patronal Festival was certainly different this year as the usual social interactions were not possible. I had a very small gathering of church members eating their picnic in my garden and I wonder whether any other people had organised a celebration in this way. Do let me know.

Rector Alison gave a very moving sermon on the Sunday after the brutal murder of George Floyd in America. She told us she had found black voices to listen to and heeded their advice to

educate herself by listening and reading. She encouraged us to do the same. Meanwhile, we have heard about a remarkable school in Fort Hall, Idaho, where black lives do really matter and it has a link with our church here in Adel, its headmaster having been ordained in Adel Parish church. The ordination was a unique occasion with a global perspective and Fort Hall is one of the many places and Lillian Vally School one of the many institutions on which Covid-19 has had a dire effect – hitting the most vulnerable. So it is a sad and relevant story for our time. Human links across the world have been established too! You can read this story on page 12.

100 Club winners

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Rector Alison's Letter

The change we hope to see

Dear Friends

For much of my life, I studied and taught maths and science. Both of these involve interpreting patterns. One common type of exam question consisted of a graph of how some statistic changed over time. It might be population of some species, growth, deaths due to a particular illness.

Whatever it was there would be points where it changed dramatically, and we would be asked to suggest why. Once you are familiar with this type of question you realise you are being asked to recall an event which had national or even world-wide significance...perhaps a world war, the discovery of penicillin, a pandemic...

It is a strange feeling to be living through such an event and I have been wondering what evidence COVID 19 will leave for students of the future.

Events like pandemics and wars are in some ways great levellers. We have seen how anyone can catch this virus, and how richer nations have not necessarily fared better than developing nations. In other ways though, they expose the enormous inequalities in societies.

Closing schools has reminded us of the way some of them work heroically to improve lives blighted by poverty. The loss of so many jobs, across so many sectors has reminded us that few people live in poverty due to their own fault. The sudden focus on care workers has exposed poor pay and difficult working conditions. Disproportionate mortality rates in BAME people, coupled with the horrific killing of George Floyd, has made us face up to the systemic racism in our country.

Like other global crises, this pandemic will have lasting effects. Ones, I guess, that will show up in exam questions of the future. Some are obvious: death rates, especially amongst the elderly; the economic effects; changes in air pollution. But other changes will depend on how we respond to the experience.

Our precious NHS, centre of our response to COVID19 grew in some way out of the horrors of war. It will be wonderful if our present life changing experience leads to changes we can look back on with pride. But this, I guess, depends on how we react as lockdown is eased and things edge back to normal.

The simplest way will be to maintain the links with neighbours forged

during lockdown. But I hope we will also look further, to the changes we hope to see in society – and what part we can play in bringing these about. If you access our services you will have heard my embarrassed awakening to the truth of racism in our society. (The sermon from June 14 can be found at <https://alittlesurerofbeingalittleearer.wordpress.com/>). I intend to keep reading and asking about this, perhaps you will do the same.

Having had inequalities highlighted so clearly, we have the chance to support our politicians, and hold them to account as they look at what post-COVID Britain should look like. Like every other organization, the Church will need to re-evaluate its practices and values. This strange time has helped us look differently at what we do, and why we do it. I hope that we emerge as people who follow Christ more closely, and share the love of God more widely in our community.

With love and prayers

Alison



Private Prayer



The church will be open for private prayer throughout July. Thanks to our volunteers, you will be able to visit at the following times.

Sat 2 – 4pm

Sun 2 – 4pm

Mon 2 – 4pm; 6 – 7pm

Tues 10.30am – noon

Weds 2.30 – 4pm

Thurs 10am – noon; 6 – 7pm

Fri 6 – 7pm

Whilst we are not expecting queues around the block, it may be busy to start with. Please bear with us if you have to wait a while.

Inspiring Thoughts

Something Will Happen

When life is in ruins and prayer seems in vain,
 When fate deals a blow that you cannot explain,
 When things look their worst
 And no gold gilds the grey
 Something will happen
 God works in this way:
 Something will happen-
 Invisible hands move in the silence
 And do His commands.
 Thus prayers are answered
 Though dark is the day-
 Something will happen
 If trusting you pray.
 Do not lose faith, when the big moments come,
 Tho, 'neath the blow you are broken and dumb-
 God intervenes when the last hope is gone-
 Something will happen
 Be brave and hold on.

When I say I am a Christian

I am not shouting that “I am clean living”
 I’m whispering “I was lost, but now I’m found and forgiven.”
 “I don’t speak of this with pride.
 I’m confessing that I stumble and need Christ to be my guide.”
 “I’m not trying to be strong.
 I’m professing that I’m weak and need His strength to carry on.”
 “I’m not bragging of success I’m admitting
 I have failed and need God to clean my mess.”
 “I’m not claiming to be perfect.
 My flaws are too visible, but God believes I am worth it.”
 “I still feel the sting of pain I have my share of heartaches,
 So I call upon his name.”
 “I’m not holier than thou.
 I am just a simple sinner who received
 God’s good grace somehow!

Shared with us by **Beryl Thompson**

Words from Pilgrim

A question of hope

A good rummage through the attic can be a rather dangerous venture. Old pastimes now have only the bare bones of dusty equipment to tell of the glories of days now over. We may be holding a once treasured badminton racquet and recalling the thrill of bringing our skills to a glorious combination of strategy and performance; but good sense knows that the state of our knees and of our memory give the dreams that knock on the door the potential to become nightmares. It is sad that life should be that way but do you realise that that rather sad account is only the preliminary paragraph to the enormous hope that Christians have in Jesus Christ?

“Hope” is a key word in the New Testament, and so it is in life as well. Just a few weeks ago some 6th formers throughout the country were full of hope that they would be able to go up to university this autumn. They were waiting in hope. As the days passed their desires sharpened, and their fear of disappointment grew too.

Then the letter arrived, trembling fingers slit it open, and wide eyes devoured the message word by word. For many of the readers a shout of delight told the rest of the family all they needed to know; their sibling’s university adventure beckoned. In the twinkling of an eye the Hope that had

tremblingly sustained him slipped from his grasp and became a rock firm assurance that is secure in the keeping of the university, not of the student. You can see this in the words that people use when they speak of it. The words “Hope” and “If all goes well” disappear from view and “acceptance” and “certainty” appear in their place. That’s in English speech of today, but the New Testament was written in Greek and in that language the change we expect does not occur. However, it is quite clear that the reader, when he notices that the word is now being used to describe the situation when the desired change has come about, understands the reality and makes no attempt to change the word to another one. So St Paul, in Ephesians 1:18, speaks of the “hope” that has been given to everybody who trusts himself to Jesus, but goes on to define that hope as ‘the riches of God’s glorious inheritance in Christian people’ and of ‘His great power which is in those who believe in him’. We began by listening to people anxious to know where their futures lay, and we have ended by being reassured that disappointment is never God’s final word to a Christian but always the point at which unexpected opportunity begins. Success and its opposite are - in God’s hands - equally the point where our venture into knowing the greatness of God’s goodness begins.

Patronal Festival

A festival with a difference

Our Patronal Festival at Adel is usually a celebratory weekend peppered with gatherings, social activities/ events and grounded with a morning service and a choral Evensong on the Sunday. This year had to be different, or so we thought a few months ago. Actually we defied the virus in many ways and thanks to a very tech savvy team managed, albeit on-line, a quiz on the Saturday evening and both services on the Sunday!

The All Age service in the morning had a collection of contributors of all ages! We heard Alison playing the flute whilst we “gathered”. Then Jake drew the raffle for Sylvia’s simnel cake on video— better late than never! Finlay confidently and clearly read the Gospel and we heard or saw children and adults reading out poems, their thoughts and experiences, illustrations and even a map, many written or drawn by the readers. Emily and Lucy sat smiling into the camera to tell us of the cards they have been creating and delivering to people who cannot go out, one couldn’t help but smile back at them! This was followed by a letter from Geoff and Margaret Steel who had received some of those cards and a picture of one – beautiful too! Sophia and Joe led the prayers for us and we had a very uplifting story from Mike Andrews about a remarkable woman in the parish that

he met during Lockdown.

Our tech savvy band leader and choir master (Chris Cunliffe) combined the remote contributions from musicians young and older to give us hymns in four part harmony accompanied by a variety of instruments. I was assured that some little ones joined in at home on their “percussion” instruments for the last verse as usual. He also produced a virtual choir singing a spiritual visibly. Choral Evensong was a pleasure to “attend”. Not only did the virtual choir reappear but we also heard the most beautiful setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis by Michael Yates recorded by him and Kay Yates – if you just listened you might think Adel Church had turned into a cathedral! Alison’s sermon about John the Baptist was both moving and thought provoking and it was lovely to have Sylvia reading from her chair in the garden.

I have to say that in my opinion Adel Church has certainly been very proactive to ensure continuation throughout these strange times. It will be lovely to be back together physically again but having online availability is a bonus. Our next challenge is to perhaps do both in some ways without increasing the already huge workload of our rector!

Lucy Best-Shaw

Penny's Ponders

Hi again Everyone,

I hope everyone is feeling much better after the lovely sunshine. I say lovely – if you're human! It's not much fun when you are a black dog wearing the equivalent of several thick woolly winter coats! Never mind, I've had my hair and nails done today so I feel much cooler. The sunshine does seem to make everyone much more cheerful and now we can see our families things are really looking up. It's so good that less and less people are catching Covid 19, so I hope it goes away soon.

I'm not too keen that the air doesn't smell as nice as it did when everyone stayed at home. We dogs have got very sensitive noses, so we notice things like this. I do understand that the humans weren't happy having to stay indoors but I do wish they would realise there's nothing like a good walk to put you in great high spirits. Cars are useful and I have missed my trips to Ripley and lots of other places (particularly Ripley as I get sausages for my lunch in the café!). We missed our usual holiday in Whitby this year because of Covid 19. I was very disappointed as I love the walks round there, the Steam Railway, dog-friendly cafés and the beach, although I'm not too keen on the sea, it makes a very worrying noise.

It's good to see how some of the humans can now go back to work, although I think a lot of them are happy to work from home – I know I would be!

I've really enjoyed the long, light evenings and hope you have too. We've got a new fox who comes across our garden, but I'm not allowed to go and say 'hi.' A couple of nights ago I got around the corner first and found a hedgehog – not very friendly though, it curled into a nasty prickly ball and wouldn't let me sniff its nose! My Mum soon got me away from it – spoilsport!

Light is something that cheers everyone up. Did you know that there is another type of light? A long time ago, God saw that there was a lot of bad stuff going on in the world, so He sent His son, Jesus, to be the Light of the World, to give everyone good news for a change, to help everyone live better lives, to help each other, love each other, forgive each other and look for the Kingdom of God coming.

The best gift God gave was to send His Light into our world. When things look so bad we don't know what to do, if we think, pray and have faith, we can experience the Light and find comfort. I hope you find it.

Woofs and licks,

Penny

Response to Racism

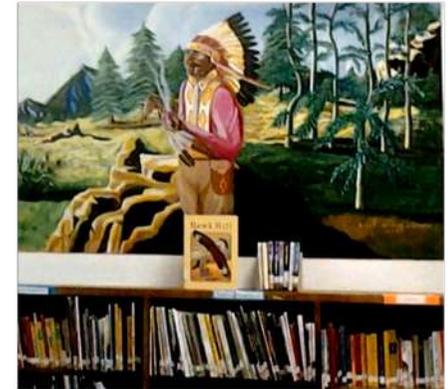
Equality

I had a request from my husband Dave's former college in NW Massachusetts for ideas about how it could respond to the recent turmoil about racism in the US and elsewhere. Williams College has been proactive in giving places and scholarship money to black students from overseas, and from schools in America.

This is my reply:-

Hopefully in our lifetime, equality will become more of a reality. Twenty-two years ago, we had a most unusual event in our church – the ordination of Nick Hakiel, who as a Leeds Grammar School pupil, had run past Adel Church on cross-country competitions.

In 1988 Bishop John Thornton of Idaho had been invited to attend the Lambeth Conference which Archbishop George Carey had called. Nick Hakiel was headmaster of the school in Fort Hall, Idaho and worked closely with Bishop John Thornton. Nick remembered our Church with affection and arrangements were made for him to be ordained in Adel by his own bishop. The service started about 20 minutes late – it was such a rare event that all sorts of protocols had to be checked – a strangely attired representative of the administration was in attendance and he had to receive a final green light via the Archbishop of York for the service to start. Sitting quietly at the



back of the church was a woman with two late teenage young men. I wondered if they were related to the man who was about to be ordained as Missionary Priest in the North-West USA.

I talked to Revd Nick Hakiel later, at the reception in the Stables, over the special cake made to celebrate the occasion. The school, at Fort Hall, was on a reservation where the inhabitants were from two Native American tribes, Shoshone and the Bannock People.

Revd Nick had become so distressed by the desperate plight of many children who were being looked after by aging grandmothers, that he had decided only God could help them and that he could continue to do his job only with God's support for him too.

Later, I wondered what had happened to the school? - I contacted Revd Nick. His response follows.

Siân Batchelder



Rector Nick Hakiel of St Ursula's *
- the church in a tent!

Email from Revd Nick Hakiel

Dear Siân,

You could have knocked me over with a feather! Talk about voices from the past, and what a stream of memories have been unleashed.

Yes, a Masters' from Durham then picked up advanced degrees in Mental Health Counselling and School Psychology at Idaho State University at Pocatello, Idaho. My wonderful wife, though from Idaho, is not Native American, and there were three daughters of mine along with the two sons, at Adel Church, for my Ordination.

*Sadly only hours after we talked I received a link to the Bingham News Chronicle that covers the news of the **closure of the school due to hardships imposed by the pandemic.** Still there's a couple of generations who had the benefit of a very special school.*

Hopefully by next year it will be safe to travel again, I see the University of Oxford has a team looking at a promising vaccine.

My wife, Barbara, and I will be sure to schedule a Sunday at Adel.

Nick +



St Ursula's

Update:
Bishop John Thornton has now retired and is writing books.

Revd Nick Hakiel is Rector of *St Ursula's, Diocese of Cascadia, Washington State

Sadly now, due to **Coronavirus** and to financial difficulties, **Lillian Valley School is closed.**

See quote from Press Release:
'We are holding our heads high and celebrating 22 years of achievement for students and their families. From 2018-2020, pupils at Lillian Valley scored among the highest in Idaho in standardized reading and math tests.'

Val Crompton

Ordination at Adel

Ordination of Nick Hakiel at Adel, Thurs 13 August 1998.

Val Crompton writes

There have only been two ordinations at Adel. The first was in Oct 1655 when Cornelius Todd was ordained. See p58 *History of Adel.*

The second was on Thurs, 13 Aug 1998 when Nick Hakiel of USA was ordained Priest by Bishop John Thornton of Idaho. Rector George Darville had asked me to open up the Stables early and help Bishop John Thornton of Idaho and his wife to prepare the Stables for refreshments after the Ordination.

Bishop John and his wife Jan arrived very early; they had called to buy food, drink and flowers for the party. They took over the kitchen and I set up the main room with chairs, tables, cloths, glasses. Bishop John and Jan (both in their 60s) put on aprons - the bishop was chopping up tomatoes etc in the Stables kitchen! Family and friends of Nick, from USA and from Yorkshire, joined us in church.

All shared the party afterwards in the Stables. We heard about the Church of the Good Shepherd on the **Fort Hall Reservation.** The elders had dreamed of a school where their grandchildren might be given the tools

to do better scholastically by having their own culture honoured and academic excellence expected of them.

Lillian Valley School, a private, non-profit, small elementary day school serves the Native American children who live on the Fort Hall Reservation in South-eastern Idaho. The school, supported by donations, is non-fee paying. It was begun in **1997**, by Idaho **Bishop John Thornton** and his wife **Jan**. Pupils are taught about the Christian faith and are proud of their heritage.



Quotes from Lillian Valley School website: 'We were able to go on a four day trip to **Yellowstone** National Park. I loved all the hikes that the Rangers took us on. Y5 Pupil

*Field trips included classes at the art museum in **Idaho Falls.** Pupils learn about science, history, beliefs and crafts. They play native flutes, drums, and dance. Over the past 22 years, former pupils have become a constructive influence in the community.'*

Words from Joyce Hill

Thomas Becket

Many cathedrals have major anniversaries in 2020, the greatest being the 850th anniversary of the martyrdom of Thomas Beckett on 29th December 1170, his feast day being the date of his death. *Common Worship* gives 7 July as an alternative, hence the subject for this month's magazine. This date in 1220 Becket's body was moved to the east end of Canterbury Cathedral where the tomb remained until it was destroyed under Henry VIII in 1538.

Thomas was born in Cheapside in c. 1118 of Norman descent. Thanks to patronage in his early twenties, he joined the household of Theobald, Archbishop of Canterbury, and was sent abroad to study law. On his return he was ordained deacon and appointed Archdeacon of Canterbury in 1154. The following year, Henry II made him his Chancellor. In this role Becket was generally a loyal supporter of the king, even when conflict arose between church and state. In 1162 Theobald died and the king desired Thomas to become Archbishop of Canterbury. He was ordained priest on 2nd June 1162, the day before his consecration as Archbishop.

Henry hoped that Becket would continue to support him, but that was not to be. Thomas adopted an ascetic lifestyle and became the church's

staunch defender. Henry wanted to transfer cases of criminous clerics from the ecclesiastical courts to the secular: this was enshrined in the Constitutions of Clarendon (1164), and Thomas refused to sign them. Reprisals followed but he still refused to sign, and a council called by the king passed sentence on Thomas, who escaped to France. Eventually, after Thomas had excommunicated two bishops who had sided with the king and had threatened England with an interdict, the Pope brought about a reconciliation (of sorts), and Thomas returned to England on 30th November 1170. However, he remained as obdurate as ever, refusing to absolve the bishops he had excommunicated, and he was martyred in his own cathedral less than a month later.

The confrontation between archbishop and king was part of a centuries-old power struggle. It is this context that explains the extreme speed with which the church stepped in to capitalise on Thomas's murder by canonising him in 1173. The pilgrimage associated with his cult inspired Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, while the personal tensions between king and archbishop, together with Thomas's dramatic change of life, have led to works in modern times by T. S. Eliot in England and by Jean Anouilh in France.

Finding God

I have felt much closer to God in Lockdown

Ever since March when we were told we couldn't see our friends and family and as Spring has marched inexorably onwards, I have had one small verse from Genesis in my mind every day as I have watched buds slowly opening, leaves uncurling, bulbs throwing up firstly their blades and then their flowers, birds collecting for their nests and then watching a crack in our garden wall where a family of blue tits raise their young.

I am taking this verse completely out of the context of the story and I alter 'they' to 'I' so it reads: 'And I heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day.' I have grown to really love this short sentence. I don't know whether it is the isolation from my previous life because of lock-down, whether I needed to look for God more particularly to help me through, or whether the removal of some of the restrictions of time and a busy life all contributed to my enhanced and closer communion with God and His creation. As I do a lot of walking with my dog, Penny, for a God-given reason I have paid so much more attention to the absolute minutiae of the natural world around me which has resulted in an amazing new inner peace.

This sentence from the verse has resonated with me so much as I think of God enjoying His creation and being allowed and privileged to experience, outside in His garden with God as my Heavenly Father, through prayer, observation, and thoughts. He has kept my spirits up, increased my faith and given me so much to think about and enjoy. I feel much closer to God, filled with his spirit and direction and am confident that this has changed my life and my relationship with God in a way I was not aware I needed to go, but which I am so looking forward to continuing to pursue.

May you find God where He wants to meet you.

Chris Madeley

For the special All-age service on the Sunday of our Patronal Festival weekend, Rector Alison had asked people to tell her about where they had found God during Lockdown. Chris wrote this piece and read it out during the virtual service. So many people empathised with the thoughts expressed here that I thought we should share them with as wide an audience as possible.

Editor

Nature Notes

This year of lockdown has changed public perceptions of nature. Much has been made of the value of natural environments for our physical and mental wellbeing- an idea that most naturalists would accept I imagine. Reduced human activity - in the shape of fewer car journeys and flights for instance - has also had environmental benefits in the reduction of air pollution. How much of this will persist when things return to normal? Will it be to the old normal or will there be a new normal that builds on the changes that this year has produced?

Friends who were able to take their exercise walks in good wildlife areas reported that the spring arrival of migrants was, on the whole quite good, with some species doing better than in recent years. Unusually, the Cuckoo was heard around Leeds this year; we even thought one called distantly when we were in the garden. The Yellowhammer, a bird I thought was in decline, seems to have done really well in the Eccup area, but in the same area, numbers of Swallows have been lower than usual. Perhaps we look too much for trends, when what is happening is a sort of seasonal variability.

By July most birds will have finished nesting, but some may still be caring for their young as they learn how to survive. In our garden we have seen



Our male Blackbird before its nest was destroyed

young Goldfinches, House Sparrows, Dunnocks, Robins and Starlings, and other birds occasionally. Young Robins are brown and very spotted, not at all like their parents, but those that survive will be in their Christmas card finery by September. We watched as a pair of Blackbirds (mostly the female) built a nest in our holly tree but, unfortunately, a couple of Magpies were also watching and as soon as the nest was finished they destroyed it and any eggs that might have already been laid – so no young Blackbirds here.

Although the summer solstice has passed, and earlier dusk reminds us of the winter to come there is still much to look forward to. Most of the summer butterflies are still to emerge, and many of them will be visible in the churchyard – which has seemed particularly beautiful in this strange and rather terrible year.

Peter Larner

Our Churchyard as a Haven

A space valued by the community

This spring many people have commented on how wonderful the flowers have been in the churchyard. This is largely testament to the efforts of many people in years past who planted thousands of crocuses and daffodils, as well as wildflowers such as wood anemones. The results of their efforts are the swathes of spring flowers we see today.

Some of us are carrying on that tradition and planting more new species for the future. Many readers will know that last year we designated two quite large areas of the churchyard as conservation areas - you may have noticed the signs. We are all so much more aware nowadays of the difficulties of conserving many of our lovely UK



wildflowers, and so we are now managing the churchyard more with this in mind.

In the conservation areas the grass is deliberately left uncut till the end of summer. The idea is to let wildflowers grow, flower and set seed, so that the area can in time become a nectar-rich habitat for many insects. In turn this will encourage birds, bats and small mammals. Last year we planted lots of small yellow rattle plants amongst the grasses; this is a key meadow plant which helps inhibit the growth of the grasses, so giving other flowers a chance to thrive. Its pretty pale yellow flowers are in bloom now.

Last month we added some new species to this mix; several hundred small knapweed and bird's foot trefoil



plants amongst the grasses, two dozen cowslips at the meadow edges, and lots more yellow rattle. And we planted an area under one of the trees with native purple-flowered wood geranium. We hope that over the next year or so these plants will get established and provide even more flowering enjoyment, not just for insects but for the large number of people who stroll in the churchyard or sit for a while on one of the benches.

If you are interested in helping take care of the churchyard, please get in touch with Sarah Johnson on 07967-181950 or Andrew Briggs on

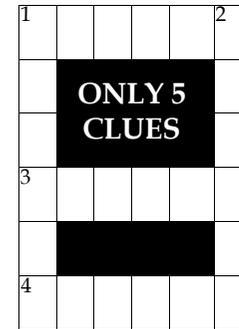
07885509188. There are a range of tasks to be done but you don't need to have gardening experience or your own tools. You do need to enjoy being outdoors, and be keen to experience the satisfaction of knowing you are helping wildlife for the future, as well as maintaining a space valued by the community.

Sarah Johnson



The good thing about the future is that I have an opportunity to think differently and do things differently and the great blessing is that it always starts immediately.

Puzzles



ACROSS

1. Some moped, a lovely recreational form of transport
3. Importance blokes realised in vehicle test
4. Artist to go with queen

DOWN

1. Interior design feature of rebuilt temple
2. Exotic story about eastern pearl carrier

Word Square

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Word Square

Insert each of the following letters into the right cell, so that when the puzzle is completed each row and each column contains a real word.

L I D S O E L E

Where is This?

Do you recognise this tree? What street in Adel is it on?



Solutions on page 31

York Gate Update



Our new café will be up and running from Wednesday 22nd July and will be run by our new Catering Manager, Suzanne Clemo. Our new shop will also open on Wednesday 22nd July.



Hopefully many more of you will have the opportunity to see around York Gate, as we open to the general public on Saturday 4th July, but you need to prebook an online slot to visit. We're using an online booking system for both Friends and non members. You need to book directly at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/york-gate-one-of-perennials-gardens-tickets-109189869840>.

One of the photos shows the team at York Gate – Ben, Jack, Mark, Andy, Suzanne, Zoe and Sally – Sue wasn't able to make the photocall!



Our new opening hours are 11am-4.30pm (last entry 4pm) in the garden (Wednesday to Sunday) and 10am-5pm (last orders 4.30pm) in the café. The shop and plant sales will be open from 11am-5pm (Wednesday to Sunday) We are still actively recruiting volunteers, so should you have a few spare hours that you can commit to on a regular basis, do please get in touch with Zoe Parker, our Visitor Experience and Volunteer Co-ordinator at zparker@perennial.org.uk

Sally Latchford

A Sanctuary for All

Willow-Herb Walk

Willow-herb, pink and tall makes us stop awhile - and smile, in Adel's gated churchyard - where we share the peace with those we meet beneath a cloudless sky. Here we exercise our feet on six acres of hallowed grounds - and keep social distance, within these ancient bounds.



Just how grateful am I for this churchyard, for good weather, key workers and friends? For we're all in this together and face the Covid threat - not knowing how it ends, and yet we sense the common purpose of Yorkshire folk we greet.

We pray for good neighbours, at risk, who 'stay at home' - alone. We give thanks for green space as we pace the old monks' way; the crossed, grey, York-stone path where, we find peace, in lockdown,



***Lepers' Window**
20.6.20

outside this Norman Church that has seen pestilence and plague: where we pass the low-side **Lepers' window** * - a silent witness to former times of strict restriction of 'the few' to protect the mass.

No bell rings today for Evensong but willow warblers, small and brown, keep on singing in high trees that have been here for centuries; a sanctuary for humankind, for wildlife and wild flowers, where in summertime, swathes of Rosebay Willow-Herb, tall and pink, make us stop awhile - and think.

Val Crompton

In Your Garden

"July is a blind date with summer"

Hal Borland

Full of hope, expectations and good intentions but never quite sure what you might get!

July is often one of the hottest months and a time to be enjoying your garden, whatever you grow. The more time you spend in your garden the more likely you are to care for and nurture it, to spot any gaps and identify potential improvements. Whether this involves idle contemplation or active planning it is better done in fine weather and at leisure rather than in haste or from memory. No garden stays the same for long. Plants grow at different rates and some do inevitably die, hedges and trees will grow and cast shade in new places, and moss will invade lawns and paths. There is always change ahead and whether you want to simply maintain what you have, or embrace more of the potential in your garden, some observation, thought and planning will be required. When better than a balmy July day?

Try to keep on top of the weeding. Mulching borders can help retain moisture, and keep down the weeds - this will save a lot of work. A really thick layer of mulch (5-7.5cm/2-3in all over) works best.

Keep mowing the lawn regularly, except in very dry spells. In hot weather, set the mower at a slightly higher level which will help prevent it drying out. You can apply a liquid summer lawn fertiliser, especially if a spring feed was not given. New areas of grass, sown or turfed in the spring, will need extra watering to keep them going through their first summer. Remember that lawn growth slows down in late summer so adjust your cutting regime and heights accordingly.

If you are lucky enough to have a pond then enjoy the wildlife that will be taking advantage. I know my pond is the beating heart of my own garden. If necessary, top it up. Rainwater is best for plants and wildlife but tap water is better than letting them dry out. Remove dead foliage and blooms from waterlilies and other aquatic plants. Cut back any marginal plants that are getting out of hand. Continue to skim blanket and floating weeds, then enjoy peering into the water at the beetles, larvae, nymphs, newts and froglets and emerging damselflies.

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Ben Loveridge

(Year 4 at Adel St John Primary)

"Ace has brought me the opportunity to have some great interaction with people that I wouldn't normally. It's all down to the Corona virus I guess.....so here I am finding a silver lining in that cloud.

Ace is great for religious people, or people who want to learn more about religion. Also for people who may want to just socialise. We always do fun activities, and talk about something with a religious slant, so I am always learning something new too."

Finlay Donnelley

"I am Joseph, aged 9, and have been really enjoying Ace over the last few weeks. I enjoy the games, talking to the leaders and eating the smarties! I have laughed a lot and we do lots more games than we did before, which I like.

Thank you to the leaders for doing this for me and my sister

Joseph Milner



The Picture Of An Empty Church

What may you ask is this poem about;
 Teaching grannies to suck eggs no doubt.
 On Sunday the empty pews we mourn,
 And stay at home alone and forlorn.
 But look again at that picture. What is there?
 The cross of Jesus and his Spirit in the air.
 That Spirit can join you and others in each home,
 Together in Spirit we will not be alone.

R W Fearn

But you can go and pray in it now, details on page 7

History Talks



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Our popular talks series for over 55's has moved online.

During lockdown, instead of meeting at Kirkstall Abbey Visitors' Centre, we are posting presentations on **Kirkstall Abbey Facebook**, on a range of subjects from different speakers, at **10am fortnightly, on Fridays**. This will have the event header '**1152 Club: online**'.

Those who would not normally attend are welcome to join us too. We hope to put these on **Leeds Museums website** for anyone who is not on Facebook.

I have been doing updates on our Kirkstall Abbey Facebook page - as it is an easy way to get content out, including drawings, oil paintings and pictures relating to the Abbey.

Join us online, at 10am on **10 & 24**

July. Please, if you know of anyone who may be interested, spread the word—no age restrictions.

Best wishes
Patrick Bourne

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We have nearly 600 older people receiving a regular phone call and we have set up Zoom social groups as well as supporting people to access the internet/zoom. We have also matched 70+ volunteer shoppers to people who are isolating and this last week have introduced doorstep buddies and strolling buddies. Most of the OPAL staff team are working remotely but some are starting to come back into the office and are doing home visits.

The number of volunteers registered with OPAL have increased by over 200% and this has been a very welcome resource but also meant that keeping in touch and coordinating them has been a challenge.

Until recent weeks, we were very concerned for our future as we have lost most of our income, had a significant increase in expenses and couldn't afford to furlough staff as we needed 'all hands on deck'.

I am delighted to say that we feel we have come out of the crisis period and we can look forward with optimism that OPAL is financially viable and can continue to provide support to people who need it. **The Centre will reopen properly in September.**

We also managed to secure funding which enables us to finish the renovation of the Welcome In Community Centre. When we do open the Centre again, our facilities will be improved.

The Drop In Office is closed but you can call the OPAL Office, at the Welcome In: **Open Mon-Fri** phone **261 9103.**

Ailsa Rhodes

Barry Anderson

David Wilson Homes

I wanted to let you know the outcome from the Plans Panel meeting in respect of the land to the east of Otley Road and opposite Adel Church that was before the Panel last month.

I and the Neighbourhood Forum spoke against the current plans at the meeting. In summary, after 2 and a half hours of debate, despite the officer recommendation to approve the Panel voted to defer the application for a number of reasons which will be in the report that will be issued shortly.

What this means in effect is that they have not received planning permission at this stage. I will let you know when the report is issued and when it next comes to the Panel or if they appeal.

Adel Walks Booklet

The Adel Neighbourhood Forum have put together an Adel Walks Booklet. You can see the booklet by typing this link into your browser:

<https://tinyurl.com/y9fzmc6e>

The description as to what it contains is as follows:

“A few simple circular walks starting from either Adel Parish Church, Adel St John's Primary School on Long Causeway or Adel Primary School on Tile Lane. There is no one route and many cross over and join other walks that mean you can spend as little as just under an hour in the woods or up to 2 – 3 hours. All of the walks are safe for adults and

children but paths through the woods are not generally suitable for pushchairs.”

These are the walks:

1. Circular Walk Through Adel Woods – walking time 1 hour
2. Circular walk alongside Adel Beck – walking time under an hour
3. Circular Walk to Scotland Mill and Meanwood Park – walking time 1.5 hours
4. Circular Walk to the Children's Play Area at King Lane – walking time 1 hour
5. Longer Version of Walk 4 – walking time 1.5 hours
6. A Historic Walk around Adel's Conservation Area – walking time 30 minutes
7. Adel to Golden Acre Park – walking time varies
8. A Walk Through the Woods – walking time 1.5 hours

Crossing the fields from Church Lane to Otley - Road (Corpse Way)

A number of residents have contacted me to complain that social distancing is not achievable on this Public Right of Way. I took this up with the Public Rights of Way section of the Council to ask if they can do something. Officers have now written to David Wilson Homes to politely request that they allow 2 metres for the public to pass.

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Billy Flynn

Hello everyone. I hope you are all keeping safe and well. Life is (very) slowly returning to some sort of normality. This month's notes cover the Covid-19 emergency, Adel Surgery, the seemingly never ending work at Holt Lane, and an update on the airport.

Corvid-19

By the time you are reading this many of the emergency restrictions will have been eased (due on 4 July) with a reduction to one metre plus in social distancing and the safe opening of many recreational activities. Schools should be back in full swing in September. So, let's hope that the worst is very much behind us. However, the government has made it very clear that all of the easements are reversible if there is any suspicion of increased infection rates. Unfortunately, those people who have had to shield are still required to do so for the time being and this may still be causing difficulty for anyone who does not have family nearby and needs help with shopping, prescriptions and so on. There is a huge volunteer network in the ward so please do get in touch with me if you have any difficulties at all.

Police

Now the good weather appears to be here the criminal fraternity will be

getting back into gear, so please ensure you keep your outer doors locked, even when you are in the house. There is no point in taking unnecessary risks. Police have also assured me that they have enhanced their mobile and foot patrols in the ward.

Adel Surgery

The saga is still rumbling on. Alwoodley Medical Centre held an online engagement event on 10 June which lasted just short of 80 minutes. About 50 people took part, including most of the clinical staff at the surgery. If you have access to the internet you can watch a recording of the whole event on you tube. The link is as follows <https://www.youtube.com/watch?HfCmoYgo3T>. Alternatively, if you go on to the surgery website there is a direct link to the video and another containing a full transcript of the event. In short, I don't think anything new came up about the closure although the systems used during the Covid-19 emergency may mean that the practice may continue to use electronic consultations with patients where safe and appropriate. I have little hope that the practice will change its view on the future of the Adel site but it's not too late because you can still comment on the closure proposal via a link on the website or by letter. If the closure goes ahead as I

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expect, I am already campaigning to have another surgery in Adel but this will not be easy. There were 430 responses in all to the original survey which is low compared to the number of patients with an Adel postcode (2500.) Less than half of the 430 responses were from patients of Adel Surgery which has led to claims that the proposal to close Adel is not something that motivates the majority of people. I just do not believe that because I have not met one person who agrees with it. You will appreciate that this does not strengthen the case for an Adel surgery but I will fight on. Please bear in mind that the practice has to provide evidence to the CCG by July to allow the latter to make an informed decision on future GP provision for Adel. It is important that you make your feelings known.

Holt Lane Works

The interminable works on the new junction and associated jobs were scheduled to finish in the middle of June but Covid-19 intervened. However, it is hoped that the majority of the work should be completed by the end of June. Plans to complete the lining work had to be postponed due to inclement weather and that has now been rearranged for 30 June. Following the lining works, the only outstanding element will be the commissioning of the signals and bus shelter by NPG. This has been delayed due to Covid-19, as NPG ceased operations during the emergency. They are now back working but have yet to confirm a

date for these works. However, I'm sure there will be more to report on this next month!

Leeds Bradford Airport

LBA have made two recent applications for a new terminal, one this year and one in 2019. The latest application has attracted strong objections from the Green and associated lobbies with counter representations from those supporting the project. The airport had made it clear they intend to proceed with a new terminal using either of the applications. The new terminal will attract more flights although the current economic woes may mean it will be some years before the airport reaches the desired numbers of passengers. The new train link at Bramhope will go ahead but no other road links are planned at present, other than from the new train station to LBA. There will be slightly longer flying hours and more stringent noise control, although if the latest application succeeds the new terminal is designed to be of a sustainable design. Larger but quieter aircraft will be able to use the new terminal.

Please keep safe and well.

If you would like further information on the issues above or anything else in the ward please do get in touch. Telephone 0113 2613896, 07810640282 or email billy.flynn@leeds.gov.uk.

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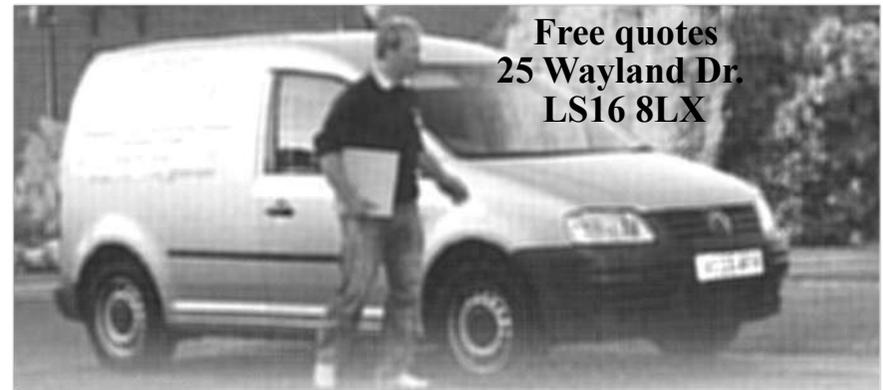
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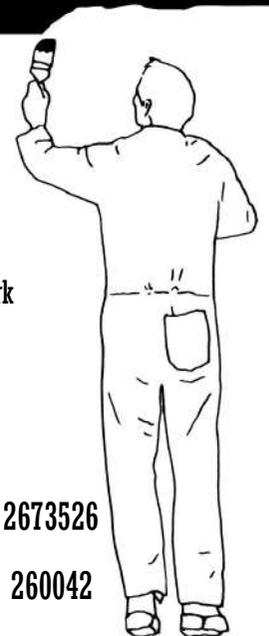
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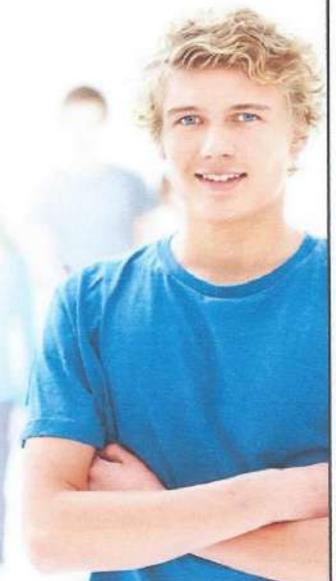


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July

Weds 1st	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 5th		Fourth Sunday after Trinity
	10am	Parish Communion with Junior Church
Weds 8th	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 12th		Fifth Sunday after Trinity
	10am	Parish Communion with Junior Church
Weds 15th	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 19th		Sixth Sunday after Trinity
	10am	All Age Service with Communion
Weds 22nd	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 26th		Seventh Sunday after Trinity
	10am	Parish Communion with Junior Church
Weds 29th	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer

Distancing will be needed for some time yet, so the above services will all be on-line, although the Rector is in church for some parts of the service.

Throughout July the church will be open for private prayer each day but not always at the same time. Please see page 7 for details.

