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**We can still celebrate  
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**The Church is closed to visitors during the lockdown period**

These are the days we hoped we'd never see.

Panic. Confusion. Fear and uncertainty.

These are the days when faith is put to the test:

our souls shrinking back amid growing distress,

while I guess that hope is on lock-down these days –

this pandemic of anxiety seeming less like a phase

and more like the status quo.

When there's no where left to turn, where are we meant to go?

These are the days to remember who we're made to be:

loved, accepted, worthy, free -

days to see that a saviour is shining in the dark

declaring that love is alive and it's designed for our hearts;

these are the days for stones to be rolled back

for joy to rise up and peace go on the attack

because the fact is that you can't put grace into isolation,

you can't stop the spring, there will always be a resurrection.

These days will show that darkness is just a place where light begins,

**and that no matter how strong the fear, love always wins.**

*This poem was written by Gideon Heugh. It was sent by Tear Fund to the  
 Association for Church Editors (Ace)*



### Festivals & Feasts

#### 1st June

Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 to Elizabeth

#### 11th June

Barnabas the Apostle

#### 24th June

Birth of John the Baptist

#### 29th June

Peter and Paul, Apostles

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

## From the Editor

### Breaking News!

I am sure some of you have had low days during this lockdown period. As the weeks have plodded on in their own monotonous ways, I have found it ever harder to remain positive. One sunny afternoon I was doing some water colour painting in the garden, trying to distract myself by something creative, when I was called in to answer the phone. It was the Chairman of the Association of Church Editors to tell me that Adel Bells had won the Gold Award in this year's competition. I have received a certificate which I shall print in next month's magazine and in due time an engraved glass trophy will arrive, which we can keep for ever. You can imagine that my dull day had suddenly become something totally different. I get a lot of personal pleasure from creating the magazine each month, but I rely heavily on a dedicated band of contributors for the variety of articles I include. So, well done everyone!

It has not yet been decided what

will happen with the July magazine, and it is possible that it will once more have to be an electronic copy only. A lot is involved in delivering a printed copy to over 400 homes, so we may need to err on the side of caution. If you are reading this on the church website, please tell other people about it in case they have been missing out.

June is usually the time when we get together socially to celebrate the birthday of John the Baptist. Last year we did it with a Birthday Party and had cake, tea and games at the Old Stables. We can't do anything of that type this year. But, unless the guidelines change, you could celebrate in your own way. If you have church members living close to you, now that we are allowed to meet up to six people from a different household, why not arrange for them to meet in your garden, and bring their own drinks and cake, whilst respecting social distancing? You all did so well in celebrating VE Day, so let me encourage you to celebrate again the weekend of 20th/21st June. We can't have one big party, so let's have lots of small parties scattered throughout Adel!

**Marjorie Cole**

## Rector Alison's Letter

Dear Friends

I wonder how many completely new experiences you have undergone since the start of 'lockdown'? I think my most unexpected have been cutting my own hair and filling my own tooth...

Since it hasn't been possible to have a proper day out on my day off, I have also rediscovered the joys of baking. It has been a long time since there has been a regular supply of homemade cakes and biscuits in our house.

On a more serious note, I know many of you have had to share the role of teacher, or reimagine your work or business so it can continue from home. For me, this has involved filming myself and improving my IT skills so that others can contribute to our services. It has also meant trying to continue various groups 'virtually'.

These ways of being 'church' are not perfect. I think we miss a lot by not being together physically. However, what has been wonderful has been how people have risen to the challenge of trying something new.

It has been a joy to share in our mid-week evening services of Compline, or night prayer. These have been led by a variety of people who had never led a service before. They are all nervous, and all do a fantastic job,

helping us to connect with God in the midst of all this change.

New people have stepped forward to record themselves reading or leading prayers. People have responded to requests for paintings, painted stones, 'church' flower arrangements which can fit on a coffee table...people have suggested prayer stations for the church, found prayers, painted prayer stones.



Our new group for young people 'Ace' has started – with an amazing group of young leaders from 13 to 17. They lead games and faith discussions with confidence.

June this year arrives the day after Pentecost when we remember how the tiny, new church, small enough that they could all fit in one room, received the gift of the Holy Spirit. They were in totally unchartered waters – there had never been a Christian church before. This was the first time the good news of Jesus had been spread since his death, resurrection and return to heaven. There was no plan to follow; they had to work it out for themselves.

The gift of the Holy Spirit didn't suddenly make this easy, but it gave them the trust and confidence to step out in faith and find new ways to be church. This too is a difficult time for churches as it is for everyone else. We will probably have to find new ways to worship and share our faith for some time to come.

But with the gift of the Holy Spirit we will continue to find new confidence to have a go. If you would like to lead part or all of a service, or you have an idea to help us encounter God – then get in touch. I think that, like that first group of Christians, our church has been characterised by joy in what we can do, as much as lament for what we can't. With your help, I trust this will continue to be the case.

With love and prayers  
**Alison**

## How we are managing lockdown

Main service 10am Sundays on Facebook - or available on Youtube from 9.45am

Junior church video for Pebbles available via Facebook or Youtube on Sunday mornings.

Junior church for school years up to year 3 - I am on 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month via Zoom.

Coffee after church I am via Zoom.

Ace (school years 4 - 9) Sundays at 5.30pm on Zoom

Discussion groups on Zoom

Contact the Rector for details of the Zoom groups.

Virtual choir producing music for each service - contact Chris Cunliffe for details.

Audio recording of the reading and sermon each week on our phone line 0113 4678478

And most importantly, our thanks to Trevor Cole and Chris Cunliffe who have made much of this possible.

**Alison**

## Penny's Ponders

Hi again Everyone,

I hope that things are looking up for you. They certainly are for me! Yippee, I've had a shower, had my hair cut and nails done (although I don't really want to talk about nails as I have a bit of a problem), I am receiving lots of compliments again and my favourite Dalmatian is still crackers about me! What more could a dog want? My Mum is very envious, as are a lot of her friends, that I am now back to rights and looking gorgeous, but that's life, it's just not fair! Mind you, I didn't think it was fair when the only rain we have had in a while fell the day after my hair-dressing appointment.

I've had a lovely long walk in Adel Woods, made extra special as some of my family could come with me – all at a safe distance of course. (I'm getting used to that phrase now, even though it doesn't apply to me!) Only problem was that my Mum has got wise to my selective deafness and wouldn't let me off my lead until the last bit of the walk. Well, with all those lovely smells, what is a dog to do but follow her nose! My humans get sad when they all need to go home. They want to hug and kiss each other which makes me feel miserable for them as I can have lots of hugs and kisses and I know I'd miss them very much if I couldn't enjoy them. Another thing I'm not best pleased about is that, because my Mum has to go home and

therefore I have to go with her, I'm missing out on a lot of treats which normally come my way when we visit their houses. Unhappy dog!

I suppose, on reflection, it is rather a good thing in some funny way. I used to expect to be given things or be played with by my littlies, whereas if it could happen again now it would be a treat. Perhaps I was taking the good things in my life too much for granted and this present situation is making me think about my life before and my life now.

Priority – that can be my new word! I think I'm being given the opportunity, dreadful though the circumstances are, to review myself, my life, my priorities and how I may need to re-think them. How do I spend my time? What is important? Who is important? These are some of the things I need to consider.

The good thing is we are never truly alone, even though there's no-one in the room. God is always with us, His love and Holy Spirit surround us, and we have hope given to us through Jesus' life, death, resurrection and ascension. Christ has died, Christ is risen Christ will come again. Take comfort, be strong and be safe,

Woofs and licks,

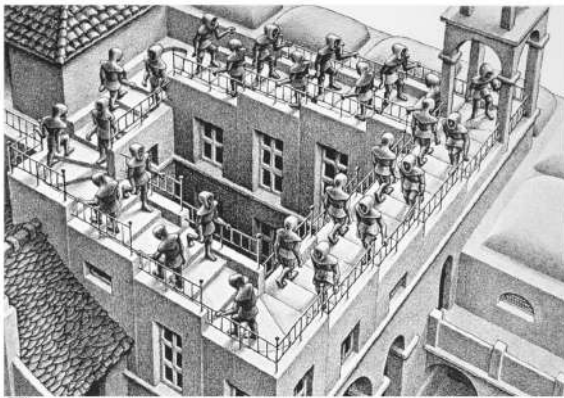
**Penny**



## Words from Pilgrim

“The Trinity”. Who can define such excellence other than in this way: the Trinity is One God from Whom, through Whom and in Whom all things exist. (St. Augustine of Hippo)

In 1965 the Dutch artist M C Escher drew a picture entitled ‘Ascending and Descending’. Imagine a square brick



construction four storeys high built around a central well by which sunlight entered the rooms. The building was possibly a barracks, for the artist imagined soldiers using the four continuous flights of stairs which had been built into the inner faces of the central well to get their exercise. However, it is a very peculiar set of stairs. In his picture Escher depicts some soldiers in line climbing up the stairs on the inner side of the flights whilst others form a line which is going down on the outer side of the flights. So far so good, but when the walkers come to the end of their trek they find

themselves standing at the brink of the flight from which they began. No, this is not an editorial mistake, but precisely what has been depicted. But how can it be? A part of the answer is that Escher has used one dimensional paper to depict a three dimensional occurrence, and this enables him to pull part of his wool over our eyes; but is there more?

Now let's step back to serious matters. June 7<sup>th</sup> is Trinity Sunday, and this disturbs some folk. “How can it be possible to speak of God in language which involves apparent self-contradiction?” That is a fair point, but it brings us face to face with the fact that there is more to God than has ever met our eye, and

further it is because Jesus himself and the teachers of the young Church, whom He appointed, plainly see this to be a part of God's good news so that we can know we must stand there too. This is a part of the Faith that I cannot understand, but I am willing to stand by it because Jesus, who instructed them, stands by you and me as well. I find a thrill in the thought that when we come to the end of this present life we shall be in the presence of God and “we shall know Him even as we are known.”

## In Spite of Lockdown

### An occasion worth celebrating

The 8th May was a day for celebration: 75 years since the end of the war in Europe. Street parties surely could not take place when we were all expected to stay at home and social distance. Undaunted, the folk of Adel seem to have taken it upon themselves to devise ways by which they could commemorate this joyful historic event and still follow government guidance. Here is how some of our church members reacted.

We decorated the outside of the house with bunting, drank some bubbly and ate home-made orange drizzle cake at a table on the pavement. Also managed to socially distance enough to pass a piece to a neighbour and member of Adel Church, Doreen Smith. We played some 40s music. Worryingly, since I wasn't born at the time, I knew all the words.

**Jenny Jones**

Our crescent had a street party, with us socially isolating in our driveway and lots of bunting, official and home-made. Music from the 40s was streamed from several houses. Lots of bubbly and food. A toast to the veterans was made from number 17. Some occasionally wandered up and down the street to make casual

conversation. Terry says he was made to eat chocolate cake and his blood sugars have gone up. He says he did it for his country!

**Mary Rose Hunt**

Tea and scones for us - bit of Prosecco later with pizza, a bit post VE but thoroughly European nonetheless.

**Ruth Cunliffe**

Wine and lemon drizzle cake with two neighbours perched on my garden wall under the big willow tree. There was wine from Alsace, because I should have been there on holiday. The cake was Dorothy Frost's wonderful Great Adel Bake-Off winning recipe.

**Carole Smithies**

I mowed the lawn and baked a cake . . Well at least it was very British!

**Alison Battye**

I baked scones (to Tarn's recipe) and various neighbours sat outside their houses from 4pm to politely eat them! I had mine with tea, in a very British way, but some of the neighbours clearly wanted to show European solidarity . . . And Chilean and New Zealand. In fact some of them showed litres of internationalism!

**Barbara Hodkinson**

On Thursday I gave out invitations to a “pavement party” along my street. I baked scones, buns and cakes, set up on tables on the pavement outside my house, together with tea and coffee (although somehow the wine proved more popular—and a neighbour’s home-brewed beer). I marked the pavement and road with 2 metre gaps. We put up bunting and Union Jacks, wore red, white and blue and 40s style clothes and I met and chatted to neighbours I had never seen before! What we thought would be a half hour gathering lasted over 4 hours of fun, laughter and, most important of all, getting to know each other. Here’s to the next one, when we hope to celebrate our emergence from the present situation and build on the friendships we made on 8th May.

**Sue Pagdin**



There have been lots of ups and downs these last few weeks. During the week coming up to VE Day a group of us in our cul-de-sac decided to celebrate. How do you organise a street party in lockdown?

On the Friday morning we decorated our homes with home-made bunting, large and small union jacks; in fact anything in red, white and blue.

At 11 I am about a dozen of us (aged

from three to over eighty) stood and lined the road for the two minutes silence and remembered those who had fought for our freedom and more recently those who had died in our area.

We then set about putting out tables in our front gardens/drives, all with fancy cloths and some with flowers. It was fun knocking on doors and running away and leaving home made food on the wall or the fence.

In the afternoon we all dressed up mainly in red, white and blue for our afternoon tea in the brilliant sunshine. We had comments from one or two passers by who admired our decorations.

Following the Queen’s speech at 9m we rounded off the day by going outside to sing “We’ll Meet Again”.

One comment was “it should have been a proper street party with trestle tables filled with food etc.” but had it not been for the virus we would all have been doing other things, maybe away from home with family and friends.

We had all kept our distance, even though it had been difficult to call across the road to each other. We enjoyed an excellent day which helped to take our minds off the pandemic.

**Beryl Thompson**

Take Care and Keep Safe until we can all meet up again.

# Adel History

## A historic christening robe

I recently had a phone call from a lady with a request in respect of a christening robe. She was given it by the widow of Major Charles Gordon and she now wants a place to be found for it. It was made in 1920 for Mary Euphan Gordon, the daughter of Major Charles Frederick Gordon MC, granddaughter of John & Mary Gordon (died 1914).

John Gordon (died 22 Dec 1925) was Lord Mayor of Leeds and you can find pictures on Leodis of the boat at Roundhay Park Waterloo Lake named ‘Mary Gordon’ after his wife. Their 2 sons both served and won MCs in WWI. The younger son Capt. Alec McDougal Gordon was wounded at Passchendaele 6 Nov 1917 and died the following day, aged 25. (A full history is in the Adel WWI booklet) They are all remembered on a memorial cross in Adel Churchyard.



The Gordon family attended Adel Church and our amazing font cover, carved by Eric Gill was a gift from the Gordon family (faculty was applied for, in memory of Alec, in 1918). The robe was used by the 4 daughters of Major Charles and Kathleen Gordon born in 1920, 1921, 1923 and 1925. They had no sons - the daughters were all baptised at Adel, wearing this robe. The family lived at Church Lane House (which became Sadler Hall, now a housing estate), then later at Potternewton Hall (now flats).

**Val Crompton**

# Boundary Walk 2020

## Adel Parish Boundary Walk in Lockdown– Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May

2020 has been a year of many unique situations, and this one felt no less strange as I arrived alone at the Stables on the morning of Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May to walk the 2020 Adel Boundary Walk route. I know of a number of other individuals and pairs who have also walked all or part of the route, so congratulations to all those who did their best to keep up our tradition. The weather was almost perfect for walking in the beautiful Adel countryside.

From the Stables I went down into Adel Woods where the fresh leaf growth was a pure delight. After crossing the Ring Road twice, my first stop was in Lawnswood Cemetery, where I sought out the famous memorial of the white lady looking out anxiously from her front door for her husband to come home. Then it was onwards to Cookridge golf course and Paul's Pond and my stop for lunch in Golden Acre park.

Golden Acre was very busy by this time as the car parks had only recently re-opened. After Golden Acre, leaving by the 'rear' car park, my route took me up to Bank Top, then along Allums Lane. I am always surprised by the beauty of the view down into the Wharfe Valley. I particularly like the

little white house that's set in the middle of green fields and trees across the valley. I next made my way onto the Harewood Estate, then headed past the Emmerdale location, and thence to Eccup Reservoir. My final stop of the day was at the Reservoir Lodge where such large numbers of people were passing that I was reminded of Blackpool Promenade. It was good to see many people experiencing the physical and mental health benefits of the countryside. I hope this will be one small positive in these strange times.

When I arrived back at the Stables I took a short rest on a bench in the churchyard, and was discovered there by a church family who found me slumped against my rucksack. I did make it home eventually.

The biggest disappointment of the day was the absence of the traditional Boundary Walk Tea. For me, it's the highlight of the day. As compensation, it has been suggested that next year we might also include a Boundary Walk Breakfast. I like that idea. The Boundary Walk takes place on Rogation Sunday, five Sundays after Easter. This was the traditional day when parishes prayed for a successful year's farming and food production. Next year it will be on **Sunday May 9<sup>th</sup> 2021**. I hope that you can join us.

**Derek Heathcote**

# In Brief



## Christian Aid Week 10-16 May 2020

For many year's dedicated members of our parish have delivered and collected envelopes to around 600 houses. This year the Covid-19 virus made this and other nationwide fundraising events impossible. Instead they were replaced by electronic ones, including an e-envelope. Marjorie also set up a fundraiser on our parish Facebook page and through it you have generously donated £610. Some of you will have donated directly to the charity so it is not possible to give a total figure for our area. We hope the normal envelope collection will be back in 2021.

**Lesley Walton**

I wonder how many of us had heard of Zoom before lockdown started? It is amazing how much people have learned about virtual meetings. One of the advantages for us is that Junior church has not had to miss out. Here are some poems written by the Stones Group on 24<sup>th</sup> May. I am sure they are echoing the thoughts and prayers of us all.

Dear God,  
We pray for Auntie Jean & our neighbours & all the people who are already in heaven.

We pray for people who are poorly & for the doctors & nurses who are trying to make them better.

We pray for our friends & families that they will be safe.

We pray for people who are poor, especially people who have lost their jobs.

We pray for all the people of your world who are worried & scared.

Help us all to get through all of this.

**Amen**

Our Father,  
Thank you for our schools and sports that we play.

Thank you for our families, brothers and sisters and our pets.

Thank you for our toys and nature around us.

Thank you for Doctors and Nurses who take care of us.

**Amen**

Thanks to Carole Smithies for supplying us with these prayers.

## Words from Joyce Hill

### The Archbishopric of York

Archbishop Sentamu's period of office as Archbishop of York comes to an end this month, and he is succeeded by Stephen Cottrell, Bishop of Chelmsford. Archbishop Stephen will be Primate of England. The Archbishop of Canterbury is Primate of All England. These two titles were adopted in the fourteenth century as part of a solution to a long-running dispute about seniority.

The problem originated with Pope Gregory the Great. When he sent Augustine to England as a missionary, he intended that there should be an archbishop in London and another in York. Both had been prominent 'headquarter cities' in Roman times. However, times had changed, and for various reasons Augustine actually established his mission in the kingdom of Kent and set up his cathedral within the walls of the old Roman city that served as the capital. We know it as Canterbury; and it is for these historic reasons that in the south we have an Archbishop of Canterbury. England became a unified country in the mid-tenth century under the Kings of Wessex, whose capital was Winchester. So it remained until London took over the role after the Norman Conquest. At that point, it became expedient for the Archbishops of Canterbury to have a palace near the king: hence Lambeth

Palace. In the north it was not until the early 730s that one of the bishoprics of the kingdom of Northumbria was raised to the status of an archbishopric — the Archbishopric of York.

But who was senior? Gregory had intended that this would be whoever had been in post the longest. With York not becoming an archbishopric until the eighth century, that was not put into effect, but the Archbishops of York never forgot Gregory's intention and they periodically rebelled against being subordinated to Canterbury. Matters rumbled on until the fourteenth century when Pope Innocent VI decreed that the Archbishop of Canterbury should have precedence with the title of Primate of All England, and that York should be styled as Primate of England.

Gregory also intended that the northern and southern provinces should be approximately equal in size. They are not, and never have been. The Northern Province has eleven dioceses and the Southern Province has twenty-nine. Both archbishops serve as presidents of General Synod, but when General Synod meets in York in July, it is the Archbishop of York who takes the chair, while the Archbishop of Canterbury does so in London in February.

## In Your Garden

"What is one to say about June, the time of perfect young summer, the fulfilment of the promise of the earlier months, and with as yet no sign to remind one that its fresh young beauty will ever fade".

**Gertrude Jekyll**

In these strange and unsettling times of lockdown, **never** have I spent so much time in my own garden. It has provided safety, fresh air and space, unavailable to many, and endless activities to keep me occupied and distracted from the troubles in the outside world. I have been able to observe in some detail the passing of virtually the whole of Spring. Crocuses, Daffodils and Tulips have been and gone, their collapsing foliage waiting to be tidied up as soon as it turns brown. Trees, have budded, bloomed and are now in full leaf. I have observed the site prospecting and nest building of numerous garden birds and then the feeding of youngsters. These are now fledging and I am delighted to be surrounded by families of blue tits, great tits, robins, dunnocks, blackbirds, wrens, jays and our resident tawny owls. With a largely silent airport and with hugely reduced background traffic noise, the sound of birdsong has been far more prevalent than usual, although the loud and attractive song designed to attract mates and defend territories has been replaced by the more subtle contact calls between

parents and offspring, avoiding the ears of potential predators.

The perennials in your garden should now be taking centre stage. Whether it is roses or clematis, aquilegia or lupins, delphiniums or foxgloves, June is the time for the colour explosion. Whatever your chosen plants, be sure to give them a helping hand. They will reward you with fantastic displays. This might be by hoeing the weeds from around them, or it could be by providing stakes for taller plants or those prone to flopping. After a particularly dry and sunny spring, perhaps the most immediately beneficial help you might provide is a good soaking. During the summer months trees, shrubs and plants draw a large amount of water out of the ground and on dry sunny days this can quickly dry out some soils. This is obviously mitigated by rainfall, but it is wise to adopt some form of watering regime, except in the wettest of conditions.

It is time to prune your spring-flowering shrubs. If it has already flowered, in most cases it can be safely pruned at this time of year, for example, Forsythia, Camelia and Viburnum. Tie in climbing roses, clematis and other climbers.

**George Turnbull**

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# OPAL

(Older People's Action in the Locality)

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**No.6 bus** stops across the road.  
**No.32 bus** from Holt Park leaves at 10am, Noon and 3pm.

**OPAL and the Welcome In Community Centre and Cafe** are leading the effort to provide Coronavirus support to anyone struggling in Leeds 16.

## Food Parcels & Hot Meals

We are shopping and delivering emergency food parcels, coordinating food vouchers, offering emotional support via telephone, delivering books and jigsaws, and hot meals.

## OPAL News

Volunteers who are taking daily exercise delivered the May/June OPAL Newsletter. OPAL members and volunteers have been joining in a weekly Zoom quiz.

Anne Sellens phoned some of our members—see extract below. She collated their WW2 and VE Day memories. If you would like to read more, see OPAL website.

Opal Volunteer **Barbara** lived in a back-to-back terraced house in Kirkstall Rd in the early days of the war. She later

moved to a house at the top of Kirkstall Hill. Her Dad dug an Anderson shelter in the back garden. Every night when the air raid sirens went off, she would spend the night in the shelter. Barbara remembers waking up and hearing explosions when Kirkstall Forge was bombed. Soon after they moved, their old back-to-back house took a direct hit and everyone in the property was killed. Her new street didn't have any parties to celebrate VE day. It didn't have the same atmosphere as the old terraced streets, where everybody's doors were close together - so you built up a large group of friends.

**Dorothy** lived in Holborn Terrace, Leeds. **On VE Day 1945**, a haulage company, Butterwicks & Walkers, at the end of the road, brought tables from the canteen and put them in the middle of the street. Everyone had to take their own saucer, cup, plate and cutlery, and bring something to eat. There were jellies, blancmanges and scones. After the party, tables and chairs were removed and a big bonfire was built on the street.

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

**Val Crompton**

# York Gate Update



The new York Gate is really taking shape, with the builders very near to completion. Many thanks for bearing with us during the redevelopment and hopefully you'll be just as pleased with what you see as we are. The photos of the development give you a sneak preview of the new pillar garden and plant nursery.

We are hoping to open as soon as official guidance allows, please do keep an eye out on our website <https://perennial.org.uk/garden/york-gate-garden/> and for any notices on the gate. We are still actively recruiting volunteers for when we open, so should you have a few spare hours that you can commit to on a regular basis, do please get in touch [yorkgate@perennial.org.uk](mailto:yorkgate@perennial.org.uk)

**Sally Latchford**  
Volunteer Coordinator/Administrator

# Anne of Green Gables

When I asked how people have been spending their time during lockdown the preferred activity, apart from Spring cleaning and more gardening than usual, has been reading. Getting absorbed in a good book has allowed us to relax and forget the fears and anxieties that have been troubling us. I wonder what you have been reading.

Have you rediscovered old classics? From Facebook I have learned of the love of novels originally read in childhood: Jane Eyre, Little Women, What Katy Did and Anne of Green Gables.

I am listening rather than reading and have come across Anne of Green Gables on Audible and am enjoying two new experiences in one. First of all, although I have definitely heard of the book I have never read it. Secondly, it is being read on my Audio version by a lady with the most captivating voice, totally able to switch between the fast, excitable delivery of Anne to the more sedate, 'I'm not going to be hurried' tones of Marilla. In these days of lockdown I have found it refreshing to read Anne's story and see the natural world through her eyes. As someone said, you can't stop Spring.

I am listening to a chapter a day and am only half way through the book, so I cannot accidentally disclose the

ending. I was hooked from the start, when Matthew picked up the orphan girl from the train station and drove her home in the buggy. She chattered non-stop but all of a sudden at one point her voice was silenced because she had seen the most beautiful sight: an avenue of apple trees covered in snowy white blossom, with a stunning sunset ahead of her. Immediately she decided to call this place "The White Way of Delight"; its usual name of "The Avenue" just did not do it justice.

And further on when she saw a stretch of water, which was "*a glory of many shifting hues*" she found that the name Barry's pond was not attractive at all and she immediately decided to call it "The Lake of Shining Water".

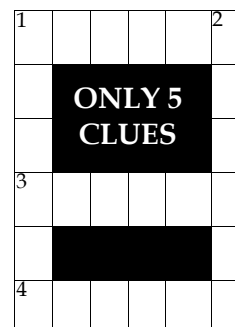
I have to say at this point that on my daily walks I have begun to appreciate even more the natural scenery around me. On my estate at the moment is an enormous area of grass which is covered in buttercups and I am tempted to call it "The Field of Glowing Gold". (See p. 25)

Obviously, there is more to Anne of Green Gables than I have written here: the developing relationship of Anne with her adoptive parents and her effect on the local population, but I have yet to discover most of that.

**Marjorie Cole**

# Puzzles

Last month I did not give you puzzles, thinking that, without a printed version, it would be difficult for you. However, the grids are small for these two word puzzles, and I thought you could easily copy them onto paper and still enjoy solving them.



## ACROSS

1. Mother turns up with article for girl
3. Sit comfortably – some honest leisure
4. A change for shopkeepers on board

## DOWN

1. A good finish needed by a programme
2. Climb a trail

## Word Square

F		O	G
A	U	R	
	R		
S		L	

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.

**P A S T A E L**

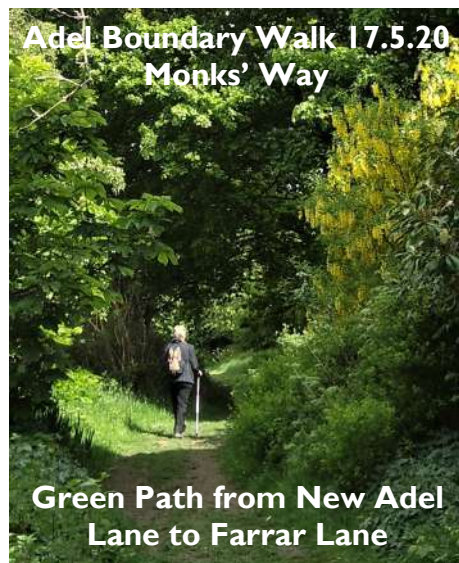
**Solutions on page 30**

## Time for a Smile

(This is a translation of a poster found in a church in France)

When you enter this church it may be possible that you hear 'the call of God'. However, it is unlikely that He will call you on your mobile. Thank you for turning off your phones. If you want to talk to God, enter, choose a quiet place and talk to Him. If you want to see Him, send Him a text while driving away.

## Kirkstall History



Our popular talks series for over 55's has moved **online** with short presentations on a range of topics from different speakers.

During lockdown, instead of meeting at Kirkstall Abbey Visitors' Centre, we are posting short 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.

Eventually 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 of objects relating to the Abbey.

I recommend you to have a look. We have never shared so much of our Abbey-related collection before!

Join us online, at 10am on **12 & 26 June**. Please, if you know of anyone who may be interested, spread the word- there is no restriction on number of attendees, or an age limit.

Best wishes  
**Patrick Bourne**

### Why 1152 ?

Kirkstall Abbey was first founded by Cistercian monks in **1152**. For details, speak to Val Crompton or contact:

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Land in the old Parish of Adel was given by Henry de Lacy to the Kirkstall monks to build a grange (farm). We still use part of the old monks' way (from the Abbey up to the Grange) on **Adel Boundary Walk**.

## From Barry Anderson

### Adel Surgery

Although the face to face public meetings had to be cancelled, the surgery are still committed to the consultation process and have put the following in place:

1<sup>st</sup> June – Registration for a public consultation event (held by Zoom or some other means) will open.

10<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm – public consultation event will take place. How this is held will depend on the numbers who register. For example, if 2000 people wanted to take part it would be more like a TV programme with questions being sent in beforehand. If 20 people register that can easily be accommodated with a small Zoom meeting. There will be a professional facilitator to facilitate the event.

All patients of either Alwoodley or Adel will receive a text message or an email to advise them how to register. That will cover 93.8% of households which leaves approximately 400 households who will get a letter.

Following registration, everyone who registers to attend will get a link sent to them on the day of the meeting so they can join the meeting.

The practice GPs were confident that whatever method the consultation utilises it will be easy to use for everyone. If people do not have access to an iPad or laptop to join digitally, the meeting will be able

to connect them by phone where they can hear the audio part of the meeting.

The meeting will be recorded so that it can be replayed later by anyone who wants to view it. A transcript will also be produced for people to read.

Views can also be sent in paper format once the registration email/text/letter is received.

### Manor Farm

You may be aware of Manor Farm on Otley Road which is on the left of the A660 as you drive from Adel going towards Bramhope, just after the end of Kingsley Drive. Planning permission has just been approved for the demolition of selected existing buildings and erection of a care home and six close care bungalows (class C2) with alterations to existing access, provision of car parking and associated landscaping, retention of original farmhouse and barns as dwelling.

The 70 bedroomed care home will be an L shaped building and will be located to the rear of the existing site. It will be three storey constructed from stone and wood panels and will have a two storey element at each end. There will be a glazed element in the middle linking the two wings.

The proposed bungalows will be



located to the northern part of the site and will be constructed from render with stone heads and cills.

There is a car park in front of the proposed care home building and the car park will be for 32 car parking spaces, with two disabled car parking spaces. There will be communal gardens as part of the development.

The proposal will also involve off-site highway works which will involve widening of the carriageway to form a right turning lane for traffic travelling from north of the site entrance. The access road will be south of the existing access road and it will be constructed at 90 degrees to Otley Road.

### **Outstanding Tree Works**

I have been advised that the Council's Forestry Team are currently only undertaking Category 1 and Category 2 tree work where there is an imminent danger to the public posed by a tree. They are also focussing as much as possible on highway issues, i.e. trees that potentially impact on the highway. They are using a points based system where they can assess whether a tree meets these criteria, and anything that does not they will not consider at this moment in time.

### **Old Eastmoor Secure Unit Site**

I am pleased to be able to tell you that before the end of this year it is hoped that a planning application will come forward for this site.

The company who are designing the scheme has extensive experience of dealing with similar sites and will be carrying out consultation with the local community and the Adel Neighbourhood Forum.

All of the old buildings will be retained. The plan is that most of the development will be accessed from Sir George Martin Drive with a low density small group of houses being accessed from Tile Lane. However, nothing is settled until this has been through the planning process and full local consultation.

### **Proposed Zebra Crossing**

Proposals have been prepared to enable a safer and more seamless route for those walking from west Adel/east Holt Park to Adel St. John the Baptist Primary School and Adel Primary School.

The scheme comprises a zebra crossing located just to the south-west of Holt Close to cater for the existing desire line and to avoid driveways. The scheme has been presented to the Chief Officer (Highways and Transportation) at Highways Board and given approval in principle.

A formal public consultation on the scheme will be conducted in due course as this has to be done legally.

If you would like a map of the proposed crossing with more detail, please email me

[barry.anderson@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:barry.anderson@leeds.gov.uk)

## **Nature Notes**

Late April and the early days of May saw lots of birds returning to their breeding territories and as the leaves appeared on the trees, identification depended increasingly on their songs. In the churchyard we have heard Chiffchaff - sometimes two - and Blackcap, but neither has been easy to see.

Of the year-round residents there are probably three male Robins singing, one or two Wrens, Blackbirds, Nuthatch, Stock Dove and Blue and Great Tits. I think there may be a pair of Jays nesting in a large Yew tree, and Crows and Magpies are always around - their motives doubtful.

The hot weather in May was ideal for butterflies; especially the Orange Tip which was here in numbers. The males always seemingly in a hurry to get to some urgent appointment, the females also quite mobile but perhaps more ready to stop, particularly if looking for a suitable plant for egg-laying. This abundance reminds me that when I began to be interested in butterflies, there were no Orange Tips in Leeds, and it was not until about 1975 that I began to see them here. I believe that, like several other species, they were unable to live in the heavily polluted atmosphere that we had in Leeds until the clean air legislation of the 1960s began to make an improvement.

Nesting continues into June, but bird song declines somewhat as young birds emerge and take to the safety of the canopy trees. By June the Orange Tips will mostly be over for the year but the summer butterflies - Ringlets, Meadow Browns and Speckled Woods - and hopefully a few other species should emerge during the month.

The new leaves on the trees have seemed particularly brilliant this year, perhaps it was because of the lovely sunshine, but they will begin to develop darker tones as the month progresses. As I write, the Bluebells and Wild Garlic are just about over and the most obvious flower is Pignut - a small relative of the Cow Parsley and the food plant of the Chimney Sweeper, a small, black, day-flying moth which should appear in June.

I hear from friends that an Osprey has been seen in the Eccup area. We don't get many of them in Leeds - and it has been around for several days. I don't suppose there is a breeding pair, but it would be nice if it returned with a mate next year.

**Peter Larnar**



# Seen Recently



Robins find tombstones make useful perches when hunting



Nuthatch



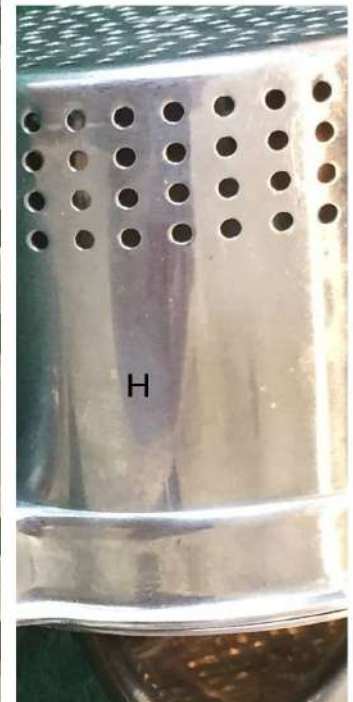
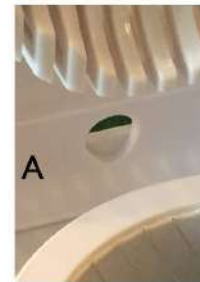
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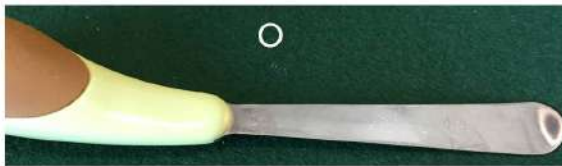
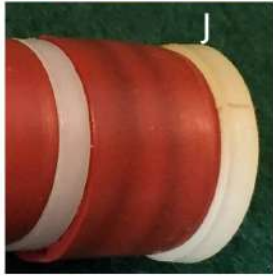


"Field of Glowing Gold" - see page 19

## The BIG Lockdown! QUIZ!

What better way to spend lockdown than sorting out your kitchen drawers? Here are some of the items we found in ours. Can you identify what they are used for from the small parts you can see?





**Solution on page 31**

## God can intervene

### Blame the chair, not me!

*(A timely message from Jenny Edwards  
MBE of the Disabled Christian Fellowship)*

I am a long-term wheelchair user and my electric wheelchair is an amazing tool in many ways, but as with so many wonderful things it can also go wrong.

And that is a wonderful illustration of how we feel at times - and how God can intervene at the not-so-good times. Do you sometimes have days when you feel things are just not running smoothly? I often do, and on those days I frequently find my chair simply does what it wants to do and not what I want it to do! For instance, doors and walls get in the way and I crash into them knocking off the paint and causing even more frustration than before. Admittedly, this is mainly due to my not concentrating whilst driving, but at the time I see it as a wheelchair fault!

Another situation is when the chair takes on a mind of its own. The joystick on the chair is extremely sensitive and the slightest knock can send me in a direction I do not want to go, and at a speed that is frightening! This often happens when someone rests their arm on the chair, hitting the joystick. Again, I blame the chair, but really, if I had turned it off that would not happen. Once I actually had to be



rescued from a bush in a ditch because I failed to turn the chair off whilst talking to someone! Another chair incident can be caused by failing to turn the battery charger on at night - no battery charge, chair no go!

You will have no doubt realised that every one of these incidents could have been avoided if I had been more careful. It is so easy to blame things or people when the day does not go to plan. I blame my chair, but that does not make me feel any better. However, just stopping still for a while, and using that time to connect with God, can and does change the day. A day that does not start with a conversation with God is never a good day for me, but the wonderful thing is, I can stop and connect with Him.



## Children's Page

Make a dove



1. Using a saucer or something similar draw a circle on white paper. Fold it in half.
2. Cut a rectangle out of white paper, about 15cm x 10cm.
3. Accordion fold the rectangle.
4. Cut a small triangle out of yellow paper or colour a triangle cut out of white paper.
5. Make a small slit towards the top of the semicircle, near the folded edge.
6. Slide the folded paper through the slit to make the wings.
7. Glue the yellow triangle in the appropriate position.
8. Draw an eye on both sides of the bird.

Jesus saw the spirit of God descending like a dove  
and alighting on him

## The Old Stables



The building we all know as the Old Stables really did serve as stables in days gone by. Sandford Hardcastle designed a rather majestic new extension to Adel Rectory, built just before 1770. Stables were important in those days.

The parishioners attending services already had 'their' stable, a simple, single-storey, stone building. It was built in 1750 at the edge of the field abutting Church Lane, close to the junction with Back Church Lane. This Parish (or 'Common') Stable was given an upper storey in 1821 to provide a room for the Sunday School. The building was demolished in 1927. The remaining hard-standing is used now for car-parking on **Church Lane**.

There used to be a pond at the bottom of the Stables' garden, as someone has recently pointed out on Facebook. It was there until the 1950s.

### Word Square

FLOG  
AURA  
TRAP  
SELS

### Only 5 Clues

#### Across

1. AMANDA
3. NESTLE
4. AFLOAT

#### Down

1. AGENDA
2. ASCENT

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Answers

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B Tin Opener



C Corkscrew



D Pastry Maker



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F Meat Thermometer



G Knife Sharpener



H Potato Ricer (masher)



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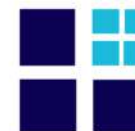
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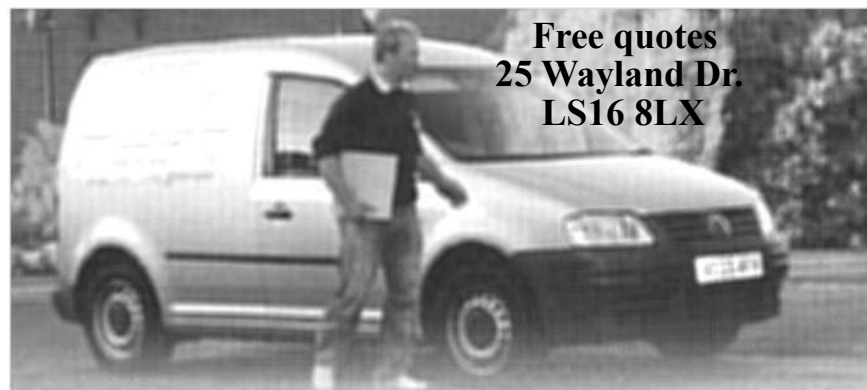
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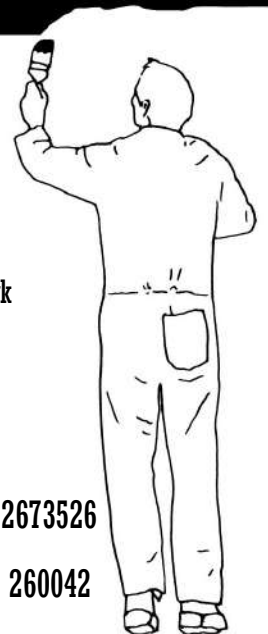
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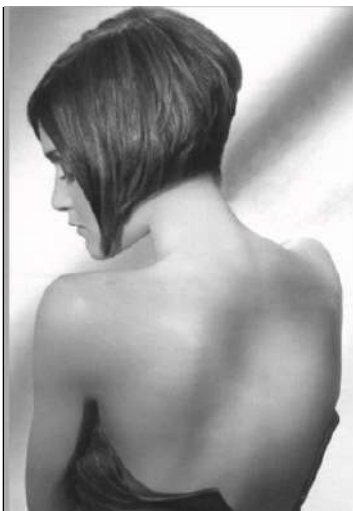
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<b>Weds 3rd</b>	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
<b>Sunday 7th</b>		<b>Trinity Sunday</b> with Bishop Paul Parish Communion with Junior Church
	10am	
<b>Weds 10th</b>	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
<b>Sunday 14th</b>		<b>First Sunday after Trinity</b> Parish Communion with Junior Church
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<b>Weds 17th</b>	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
<b>Sunday 21st</b>		<b>Second Sunday after Trinity</b> <b>Patronal Festival</b>
	10am	All Age Service with Communion
	6.30pm	Evensong with augmented choir
<b>Weds 24th</b>	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
<b>Sunday 28th</b>		<b>Third Sunday after Trinity</b> Parish Communion with Junior Church
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