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This wartime prayer is taken from the 'Field Service Book of the British Army'

Almighty God, in you alone we find safety and peace. We commend to your gracious keeping all the men and women who serve in the Navy, the Army or the Air Force, who face danger and put their lives at risk so that others might live in safety. Defend them day by day by your heavenly power; and help them to know that they can never pass beyond the reach of your care. Keep alive in them and in us your vision of that peace which alone we must seek and serve: lesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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# From the Editor

T thas been a long, slow trawl through these last seven months and yet at the same time November seems to have come around quickly. We are living in uncertain times and yet we need to find ways of doing the important things in life: new ways, different ways but hopefully meaningful.

With this in mind, we have made plans for Remembrance Sunday. We want as many as can be safely accommodated in the churchyard to come and give thanks to those who have paid the ultimate price so that we can enjoy the freedom they created for us. Details of what we are arranging to do are on page 18, but I suggest you check the church website nearer the time just in case new government restrictions have blighted our plans.

We have given a lot of thought as to how we can celebrate Christmas this year and we have come up with some exciting ideas. As Steve has mentioned on page 8, it is important that we still connect as a community, especially for the major Church Festivals, such as Christmas and Easter. A dedicated group of church members are sharing ideas as to what we can do to involve as many people as possible. Watch out for more information in next month's magazine. We hope you will say, "Wow! That's amazing!"

You might like to know what is happening at the Stables at the present time. Until September it was completely closed and all regular classes cancelled. Now we have two of our regular hirers running classes again, but the others feel it is still not safe for them to meet up. We may have felt in the past that the main room in the Stables was a reasonable size, but given two metre social distancing we can only accommodate 9 people! This means that under the present government guidelines there can be no parties. It will no doubt be some time before we can allow social gatherings there, either for private hire or for church use. We have a Covid 19 secure environment in the Stables, so should you walk past at any time and see the door open, please do not come in unless you are a member of one of the classes or entering on church business.

#### Marjorie Cole

### **Rector Alison's Letter**

#### Dear Friends

It has been wonderful to see our children back in school since September. Although visitors are sadly not welcome at present, by the miracle of technology I am able to join them each Wednesday for a 'zoom' collective worship.

Recently we celebrated harvest together. Since everything else is so different at the moment, we also made it a harvest with a difference. I challenged each class to imagine what a harvest festival would look like if organized by butterflies, robins, hedgehogs or dolphins. First we looked at what the animals would want to thank God for. Suggestions included flowers, worms, slugs...and for the dolphins, fish.

Since harvest is often about actions too, the children considered what those animals might ask us to do for them. Butterflies it seems would like us to stop picking wildflowers, and perhaps plant our own; Robins would like trees protecting; hedgehogs would like us to take care not to disturb their nests; dolphins would like us to look after our marine environment.

Looking at the world from an animal's point of view, every class also asked humans to stop dropping litter. I thought that was very perceptive. When we look from an animal's perspective, litter isn't just unsightly, it is also often a death trap.

It was good to see the children in our school showing such empathy. It is an important life skill, and I think, especially needed at the moment. This was brought home to me the other day when I heard a news report on the test and trace system.

We have heard much from people rightly frustrated and worried by the inadequacies of the system, but this was an interview with one of the tracers. She was proud of what she was doing; clearly working very hard in a demanding role. She was almost in tears at the fact that all she ever heard was the system being rubbished. I was ashamed to realise I had never given those workers a thought.

As we continue to battle with this pandemic and all the difficulties it brings, I have heard a number of people comment that their workplaces are less happy than they used to be. People are short tempered and touchy; people are more critical. This is probably because many of us are stressed by changes to our lives and anxious for the future. There is a famous saying, 'before you judge someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes.' As we face the next phase of life with COVID19, this seems to me a good thought to keep in our minds. It is going to be hard for all of us, but it will be hard in different ways. Having empathy for one another might ease all of our burdens a little.

I am also helped by remembering Jesus, who by becoming human, chose to 'walk a mile in our shoes', and so has some idea of how we feel. With love and prayers

Alison

#### **Memorial Services**

Due to the church's limitations in size, we cannot have the type of Memorial Service we have had in the past. This year there will be two Memorial Services (15th and 22nd November), but priority will be given to the families of those people who have died in the last 12 months.

However, we appreciate that many of you like to come in memory of your loved ones whenever they might have died. We suggest you might like to come into church and light a candle for them on one of the following church open sessions:

#### Monday 2nd November

(All Souls Day)

2pm to 4pm

6pm to 7pm

#### **Booking for church services**

You will need to book your place and this can be done by contacting Eventbrite.

https://tinyurl.com/adelservices

If you are not able to do this online booking, please contact Marisa Clayton on her mobile or by email and she will do the booking for you.

07814 533 352 amonavis80@hotmail.com

Please note that one ticket is required per individual or per household/bubble of up to 5 persons. If you are a single person please do not be embarrassed by occupying a whole pew.

We intend to continue with online services for the foreseeable future. If you are not able to get online, you may like to make use of our phone replay service. By dialling the full number 0113 4678 478 each week, you will be able to hear the Gospel reading, Alison's sermon and a hymn from the Sunday service. Only costs the same as a local phone number.

If you have any questions, please contact the Rector or church wardens.

### **Harvest Festival 2020**

I'm delighted to be able to write to you about our Harvest Festival weekend and the activities that took place.

We're all finding ways to adapt to the ongoing uncertainty, and as a church I feel strongly that it's more important than ever to try new ways of connecting as a community. Indeed, a community is stronger when it's better connected.

We set out to celebrate this Harvest Festival over the course of the weekend by planning events that allowed families or individuals to take part in a safe way, but with a common goal to give thanks for what we have and conduct work to benefit our community as a whole.

There were three main activities, and what better example of how a community pulls together in the face of adversity than for a storm to blow through that very weekend. That didn't stop us and with full waterproofs on, we pressed ahead.

On Saturday a churchyard tidy saw a hardy group of volunteers spend a few hours across the course of the day doing gardening and a general churchyard tidy. We edged the paths, uncovered overgrown flower beds and respectfully neatened the ashes burial plots.



On Sunday there was a litter pick with some very enthusiastic volunteers cleaning up Adel.

Across both days Adel filled the cross marked out in our churchyard twice with donations for the Leeds North and West food bank!! Despite the conditions you still came out to leave a little something for someone less fortunate.

We posted updates on Facebook throughout the weekend and this proved a popular way for those who couldn't be involved in person to still celebrate and join in with our community in their own little way. This was a great way to connect the community in our modern world that's been driven apart.

Finally, it goes without saying, but a big thank you to everyone who donated food or their time over the weekend.

**Steve Clayton** 

# Words from Pilgrim

When it comes to building something new, hopes can be shared, discussions can be delivered and decisions reached, but there is still a further uncovenanted stage to be confronted. People who hitherto have had no part begin to suggest different goals and new ways to reach them. We are now, I believe, at that stage in our common wish to settle the country on a new way forward. New ideas are likely to be proposed and progress will falter. We are uncertain about our relationships to Europe and also about relationships to one another as we try to render coronavirus impotent. This huge programme requires much of us, and although we see no clear water ahead we will have to follow thought by action. May I offer you a consideration which may touch on our plight?

I was born to a Scottish mother, and the tartan blood in my veins is dear to me. I was living in Scotland during the 1950s when a proposal by the C of E about Church Unity stirred Scotland profoundly. The document proposed that Bishops should be appointed in every Presbytery (a Presbytery is broadly the same as a Diocese). It was a serious and courteous suggestion, but regarded by many of the Church of Scotland as just anther English ploy to exert power over a country that was not theirs. The proposal filled the newspapers for months, and the ensuing debate concentrated upon the project's faults of presentation rather than upon its merits. This unwittingly disturbed a deep vein of Scottish national pride. I listened carefully, held my tongue and learnt much. These unfortunate beginnings foredoomed the proposal to rejection.

It is said that in one church, where the Minister called for an open discussion to be arranged, a large proportion of the Church members came and many others who had no church allegiance at all. It was a well run and fruitful exchange of ideas and aspirations. However, the last person to speak from the floor was a man known to practise an improbable pattern of life. When the speaker sat down, another raised a point of order, asking the Minister if it were right that such a man should be heard in a consecrated building. Immediately the previous speaker leapt to his feet and confessed that what had been said of him was true. "But," he concluded "I do not live my life to please those who are different from me, but to be who I am. I am an atheist. But, Sir, I am proud not just to be an atheist but to be a Presbyterian atheist!"

The moral is this: listen carefully and courteously before you utter a word. There may be some people you must oppose. You may be right. But to express yourself with gentle courtesy is always right. And it works best.

# In Brief

#### Harvest Evensong

We held our first (said) Evensong for some time. I thought it would be a bit strange but I really enjoyed it even though it was different. I missed not being able to sing the hymns but enjoyed hearing the choir who were excellent as usual.

It's difficult not being able to talk and mix with people before and after the service due to self distancing and wearing masks. At least it was a step forward and nice to see the 6.30pm regulars again.

Thanks to all at Adel Church who are working hard in these difficult times but most especially our caring Rector Alison.

I would also like to say a big thank you to the teachers and all who are working so hard at Adel St John's School to keep things running as near to normal as possible for all the children.

Tina Gledhill

#### Lockdown art

During lockdown I have been fortunate enough to receive various pieces of artwork. These have been given to my by local children and much appreciated. So I have decided to make a lockdown scrap book. \* The weekly cards from Kate and her family have been so varied and each one unique. I do enjoy reading them. Some with drawings, others with cut out hands, some painted with leaves etc., but this week was really unusual; it had been made by rolling conkers in paint and glitter. It looks almost like a road map. I hope you can visualize it from the small picture below.



Lockdown has not been easy for any of us but it has been made better by the thoughtfulness and kindness of so many people. Thank you all.

\*Many years ago I worked with someone who was in the same class at school as David Hockney. She wished she had not thrown in the bin the little drawings he kept giving her during the lessons. Maybe I should keep my scrapbook just in case !!!

#### **Beryl Thompson**

Thank you to all the families and children who have been, and still are, delivering messages of support and comfort to all those who are struggling.

## **Penny's Ponders**

#### Hi Everyone,

Happy Autumn! I saw a gorgeous puppy on Bedquilts the other day. She was chasing leaves and it reminded me how much I enjoyed doing that when I was little. I can't remember when I grew out of it, but I wish I still found it funny!

I think I must have really upset the squirrels. I have never been shot at with so many conkers as I have this year. At best they land near me and make me jump, at worst I get hit! Ouch! These high winds may have had something to do with it perhaps they have made the squirrels cross, so they are taking it out on me - unfair, to say nothing of harsh! It's bad enough having to run the gauntlet of all the beech mast which hurts my pads so much, but to have this additional obstacle to a good walk is not acceptable. And another thing, I'm not impressed by all the rain we've been having. I hate getting wet but what I hate more is not being able to go all over the Bedquilts as far and fast as I like. I don't like mud one bit. but sometimes it is inevitable so the only way to avoid it is not to go to the Bedguilts, which is calculated to put me in a fine big sulk!

I don't know how my friends feel, but I'm finding this new wave of Covid 19 really hard. I'd just got used to seeing my doggy friends again, having a good catch-up woof and a chase together, and here I am again, crossing roads and avoiding everyone! I'm missing my humans as well, particularly the littlies. Their Mum always sneaks me treats from her fridge, so I *really really* miss that! I know, we've got to be good and not socialise, I know we must look after each other to stop people getting sick, but it's hard.

Just as the squirrels have, allegedly, been throwing conkers at me, life throws a lot of unpleasantness at us all at times. Illness, loss, heartache, worry - to name but a few. This is when we have to look at what we have good in our lives: our faith in God, our hope in Jesus, the Holy Spirit in our lives, our brothers and sisters from church, our families, friends, pets, good food on our tables, warm homes and beds. Thankfully, the list of good things usually out-weighs the bad things by a long way. Jesus said, "Come to me, you who are heavy laden with problems and I will give you rest." Now that must make us feel better. We all know that a problem shared is a problem much depleted so to share a problem with lesus is the ultimate answer to make us feel better. So, be strong and of great courage, as Joshua said to the Children of Israel at the walls of Jericho. The peace of Christ be with us all.

Woofs and licks.

Penny

# **Adel in Autumn**

We Hooted under the Ring Road

We hooted **under** the Ring Road while sheltering from the rain: blowing into cold-cupped hands through slightly-parted thumbs. Each clear, long-drawn call comes back right into our ears again, amplified and multiplied -'Whooo... whoo oo, to-wit to-woo' we hooted in the underpass. Standing here, in dim light, it feels exciting, yet strangely dangerous to ch oo – oose to u-oose the Owl's secret code below this busy, outer Ring Road.

As rain slackens, we walk on looking here for fresh tracks of fox or deer, or badgers, in mud patches along the path, part of Meanwood Valley Trail\*. We stop, close by the underpass, to see right through - where Adel's Boundary Beck fast flows into the dark tunnel emerging, by Valley Farm, as Meanwood Beck, before it spills on, through woods and park, passing centuries-old, York stone buildings and tall, former mills, en route to join the River Aire.

Val Crompton

#### I Remember the Owl

I remember the owl. late on that chilly evening, when I stopped and looked out of my window, across the moonlit garden and listened. There was no hooting, no sound but perched on the top of the archway—as if carved from a round, tree stump, was a large, brown Tawny Owl. I knew that on the ground field mice and voles come here, below the bird feeders, to search for fallen seeds, at night.

So I stand still and watch as Owl - waits for her supper, then drops silently from her perch to scupper this midnight feast... As mice jump and scatter I see Owl snatch a plump vole and swallow it whole! Owl takes off slowly, with a lurch, then smoothly flies, across silvery fields back to Adel Church.



#### Val Crompton

\*This short loop walk, from Long Causeway, using the Ring Road Underpass, follows part of the Adel Boundary Walk. It is also part of Adel Neighbourhood Forum's Walk 3.

# CHOOSE YOUR REMEMBRANCE CHALLENGE!

Starting on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November up to the 11<sup>th</sup> November Adel Parish Church is inviting you to take part in one of these Remembrance Challenges.

- Completing 11 acts of kindness over 11 days

- Walk a lap of your house, garden or a nearby route for 11 days

Call or send a card to someone for 11 days (e.g. friend, grandparent or someone in the community)

- Or make up your own challenge?

Please post updates & photos on the Adel Parish Church Facebook Group to let us know what you are doing: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/adelparishchurch</u>

Tag and Challenge 11 other people to join in too!

We are raising funds for the Royal British Legion in this time when selling poppies is difficult so please give what you can: <u>https://tinyurl.com/AdelRemembers</u>



#### IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE MEN OF ADEL CUM ECCUP WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE WAR 1914-1918

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### Love your Necklace

There's nothing like the sparkle of jewellery to liven up a pretty neck or a hunky chest. Probably the most popular item ever is a little

silver cross - and it comes with a wealth of meaning.

It's **precious**, it's **perfect** and it's **persona**l. Perhaps we saved up to buy the best we could. Perhaps it was a gift from someone special. When we want to look our best, it is often our perfect choice. A little cross may hold memories of people we love or of happy times.

It's **popular** - for decades, every jeweller and every market has had a crowded display of crosses in precious metals. When national events are at their height, a million cars and windows are blazoned with crosses on flags.

It's **permanent** - gold and silver, unlike most other materials, never rots or rusts. It can lie in a drawer for years or, dropped in the local river, it might be found centuries later almost perfect.

With all those qualities, no wonder the cross is much loved. Yet we know that it is really an ancient gallows, a replica of a method of bleeding death. A friend in a wheelchair once smiled at the anomaly: 'The cross was for hanging, a symbol of pain. Wearing it as



jewellery is like me wearing a model of my wheelchair.'

So why is it so popular? Answer: the death that the cross symbolises brought so much good to mankind...

**Joy and beauty** - by using the cross, God gave an opportunity to discover the joy and beauty of Godliness, a chance to live for a heavenly rather than a self-centred purpose. Here was relief from the burden of guilt, pain and evil that enters every life. The Christ-centred gospel brought into focus all the good qualities of the human race, our once-perfect creation by God. When the Almighty came down as Jesus Christ and went to the cross, *the manliness of God gave Godliness to man*.

Look again at those qualities of a silver cross and discover how they all apply to Christ himself - popular, perfect, permanent, precious, and <u>personal</u>.

Jesus Christ ministered to people individually: the woman at a well, Zacchaeus up a tree, Lazarus in a cave, Thomas with his doubts. And that is still the way he wants to come close, like that little silver, personal, permanent, precious and perfect cross.

> Colin Reeves ACE committee member

### In Your Garden

"In November you begin to know how long the winter will be." Martha Gellhorn

Now we are back to Greenwich Mean Time the evenings will remain dark till the spring and there is every likelihood of many damp and gloomy days to negotiate. You need to make the most of any chances that come along to get out into the garden. You can guarantee that there is a lot of clearing up to be done, removal of dying or dead material and general cleaning and tidying.

For most of us there will be a torrent of newly fallen leaves. Adel is a thankfully green and tree-rich suburb but come late autumn the leaves need to be cleared, especially from lawns, ponds and flower beds. A leaf blower is useful if you have one – particularly good with freshly fallen leaves, otherwise a rake or lawn tine will do. And if you have the space the collected leaves when rotted down make excellent compost, and a pile of leaves makes an excellent hibernation spot for a hedgehog.

If you have roses, November is a good time to prune them right back, provided they have finished flowering. Pruning concentrates energy into the roots ready to promote new growth for next year. Cut out dead wood, any crossing or weak stems and cut back strong stems to just above the lowest buds you can find. If you want completely new roses now is the time to buy them. Either online suppliers or the catalogues will offer you plenty of choices. If you order them barerooted for immediate planting they are widely available now, and so much cheaper than the pot-grown roses you find at other times of the year.



There is still time to plant out tulip bulbs for a good show next spring. Most common bulbs could still be planted early in the

month and whilst they might be a little later to flower they won't come to any harm.

If you would like some colour in your garden then you will find the garden centres and some supermarkets offering winter bedding. For some cheeriness in your borders or containers over the darker winter months see what's available. I find winter pansies and cyclamen do very well in Adel with just a little protection from extreme weather. Place them where they can easily be seen for easy and regular viewing.

> George Turnbull enquiries@adelgardencare.co.uk www.adelgardencare.co.uk

## **Nature Notes**

Many people will be familiar with the Jay, one of the smaller members of the crow family and certainly one of the most colourful with its mainly pinkish/brown plumage and a white rump revealed as it flies away. It is primarily a woodland bird, with usually one pair breeding in the churchyard. We don't see them very often in Cookridge, except in September and October when they start laying in supplies of food for winter.

Jays have a mutually beneficial relationship with oak trees which are unable to regenerate under the leaf canopy of a wood so, as far as raising a new generation of oak trees is concerned, all the thousands of acorns they produce would be wasted. And this is where the Jay come in. Acorns are very nutritious and lays know this, so they collect and bury lots of acorns in grassland and fields outside the woods. They do remember where they are buried and dig them up during the winter but inevitably, some are missed and these are the acorns that could perhaps grow into trees one day. The percentage that survive to become trees must be very small but, as oaks can live for about 900 years, time is probably on their side.

At the time of writing (early October) Autumn has definitely begun, the moth trap has returned to its winter quarters in the garage after a disappointing season, some Swallows and House Martins might still be around but any that remain will soon be off to Africa for the winter. As they leave, birds that come here for the winter will be arriving, and I hear that the first few Redwings have already been seen locally. By November they, and the Fieldfares another northern thrush - should be around in good numbers.

Autumn butterflies have been scarce, and in our garden limited to single Red Admirals and a few whites on warm, sunny days. It does seem that this year has not been good for most butterfly species.

One event to cheer up a locked down

birdwatcher was the arrival of a Hoopoe in Collingham. this bird actually



appeared on BBC Look North when pictures taken by a birdwatcher were shown. Hoopoes breed in Spain, but odd pairs have been bred in England very occasionally. The name is in imitation of the bird's call. I think we need more of them here.

Peter Larner

## **Future Plans**

#### Remembrance Sunday

Inevitably, our experience of marking this significant event will be different this year. We shall be having a Remembrance Service (at 11.15 rather than the usual 11am) but only a small number of people will be able to attend. However, you can still participate in person, albeit out of doors.

> Sunday 8th November approx 10.50am

### Brief Act of Remembrance

followed by 2 minutes silence

Please make sure you respect social distancing and take your place for the Act of Remembrance by 10.50.

During the week 1st to 8th November please come up to the churchyard to see our poppy display, write on a tag the names of your loved ones who are no longer here or take part in the churchyard hunt for the 'Poppy Stones'. And don't forget to do a Remembrance Challenge, as outlined on page 13.

Please check the above with the church website in case of changes.



### Christmas Angels



It will soon be time to distribute this year's Christmas Angels. I know some of you have been knitting for months and I think we shall be handing out several hundred of these knitted gifts.

If you have made any for us, can you please let me have them by the end of November, so that I can work out how best to distribute them. And meanwhile, you could give me a ring to let me know how many to expect. If you haven't yet made any, it is not too late. The pattern is on the church website.

> Marjorie Cole 2610069

### Words from Joyce Hill

#### Collects

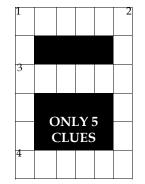
The church's new year begins on the first Sunday of Advent, which this year is 29<sup>th</sup> November. The last Sunday of the old year, 22nd November this year, is the day we say the most famous of our collects: 'Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen'. Common Worship uses modernised language; but I've chosen its original sixteenth century form as in the Church of England's new Book of Common Prayer. Even in its more modern form it begins with 'Stir up...' and in modern culture the day became known as Stir Up Sunday, traditionally when Christmas pudding mixture was stirred up and wishes were made.

The liturgical term 'collect' for a short prayer has the same etymology as the verb 'to collect', although we pronounce them differently. Both come from Latin 'a gathering together', and 'to gather together'. The collect, known for centuries in the Latin liturgy as a *collecta*, is a short prayer which brings together an invocation, a petition, and a conclusion which calls upon Christ or ascribes glory to God. I always think of it as a rather efficient form of prayer! As is often the case in the Church of England's traditional collects, the invocation only comes after the no-nonsense opening words of the petition, 'Stir up'. Another wellknown example of doing things this way is the Evensong collect, 'Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from the perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Amen.'

In the medieval liturgy there were elaborate rules about which collects were said when, and since the number of days between Epiphany and Easter and between Pentecost and Advent varies from year to year according to the date of Easter, it was convenient to have the collects in a separate book. This special book of collects was known as a Collectar (Latin *Collectarium*). So, when Archbishop Cranmer was putting together the prayer book for the newly created Church of England, he was able to draw upon a rich tradition.

In total, Cranmer's 1549 service book has eighty-four collects which cater for the cycle of the church's year, including fixed feast-days and a dozen or so collects embedded within services, which remained fixed — for example, 'Lighten our darkness...', said at every Evensong. They have been called 'jewelled miniatures', 'one of the chief glories of the Anglican liturgical tradition'.

### Puzzles



#### Across

- 1. Moral principles in one county somewhat lispingly mentioned
- 3. Shopkeeper is less refined, you sav?
- 4. Way of serving meat, some beef, lamb, etc

#### Down

- 1. Tentacle finally flung out to swallow up
- 2. Grate pickle

#### Solutions on page 33

#### Time for a Smile

A new boy turned up at a Sunday Club and the leader asked him a few questions to break the ice and ended with asking him what his father did. He's a magician, sir," said the boy. "How interesting," said the leader, "What's his favourite trick - what is he is he really very good at doing?" The boy replied, "He's very good at sawing people in half." The leader was impressed. "Now tell me something more about yourself, do you have any brothers and sisters?" asked the teacher. "Yes sir," replied Johnny, I have one brother and two half sisters."

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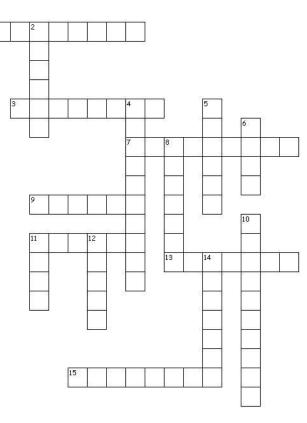
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### **Criss Cross Puzzle**



#### Across

- I. sane
- 3. knitted jacket
- 7. change into another shape
- 9. at the back of a ship
- II. US island state
- 13. small waves
- 15. become less

#### Down

formal head gear 3,3
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 outcome
 brass instrument
 airman
 campanologist 4,6
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 horrify
 intention

#### Solution on page 33

### **QE** Corner

Here it is again...... QE (Quite Enlightening) Corner. As some of you probably realise I quite like trivial information, so for your enlightenment I am presenting you this month with a miscellany of facts that have been "Tweeted" by the QI Elves.

Some people have a gene that means they interpret fishy smells as a pleasant aroma of caramel, potato or rose.

There's a set of traffic lights in Dresden, Germany, that has remained red since its installation 30 years ago.

American ski jumper Anders Haugen won a bronze medal at 86 years old. A scoring error had left him off the podium at the 1924 Olympics, but he got his bronze medal when it was discovered - fifty years later.

The Times newspaper front page was reserved for adverts until 1966, so the end of World War II on VE Day was page 6 news.

When Neil Armstrong took his first steps on the moon, he had a small piece of the Wright brothers' plane in his pocket.

When the 1st giraffe came to France (1827), a hole was cut in the deck of its boat so its body travelled below & its head above deck.



In 2000, a 103 year old man returned the official Olympic flag that he stole as a dare after coming 3rd in diving at the 1920 Olympics.

When fell-walker Alfred Wainwright was asked on Desert Island Discs what his favourite music was, he replied 'I much prefer silence' and went on to say that music had never played an important role in his life.

In 1931, the strongest ever earthquake in the UK took place 60 miles off the Yorkshire coast. It was powerful enough that it knocked a head off a waxwork in Madame Tussaud's in London.

A study has found that the COVID lockdown in San Francisco has changed birdsong, making sparrows' songs softer, clearer and more appealing to mates.

Experiments conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, found that it is virtually impossible to set fire to a pool of petrol by throwing a lit cigarette into it. In the early 20th century, celery was the third most popular item on New York menus, after coffee and tea.

If you were in orbit around a planet, you could theoretically shoot yourself in the back by aiming the gun perfectly horizontally.

Most of those spiders that you see in the bath or scuttling across the carpet in the autumn are males looking for females to mate with.

The weight of the spores produced by the world's fungi in a single year, weighs as much as half a million blue whales.

The number of Atlantic salmon in some Norwegian fish farms is higher than the global population that lives in the wild.

In 1582, the days 5 October through 15 October didn't exist in most of Europe.

Celluloid was once used as a replacement for ivory in billiard balls, until the new balls were found to occasionally cause a small explosion upon impact. One bar owner said he 'did not care so much about it, but that instantly every man in the room pulled his gun.'

If someone fell into a black hole, you wouldn't see them actually enter it. Instead, they would appear to slow to a halt at the edge of the black hole until they faded from view. A study suggests that US children's car seat laws lead to around 8,000 fewer births per year, as parents of two children don't want to buy a bigger car to fit a third child's seat.

Bramble tea was such an effective cure for dysentery that during the American Civil War ceasefires were called so each side could pick leaves from the same bushes at the same time.

The first football match ever shown on television was Arsenal versus Arsenal Reserves.

In 1917, Scientific American predicted that roller skates would become a vital part of future warfare.

Killer whales aren't whales but dolphins. Their original nickname was 'whale killers' ('asesina ballenas' in Spanish) because they sometimes attack and kill larger whales and this was gradually reversed through usage.

The food additive azodicarbonamide, still approved for use in flour as a 'dough conditioner' for bread in the USA, is also a common constituent of yoga mats and carpet underlay.

Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is unique.

**Trevor Cole** 

### **History Groups**

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

b uring 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 **I0am 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.

Join us online, at 10am on Friday 13th and Friday 27th November. At the time of going to press there are no details of what the talks are.

All talks will appear on the Facebook page shortly before 10am on the morning of the broadcast. They are 10-15 minutes each and available indefinitely afterwards.

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





What do you think this is? (Answer on page 33)

Kirkstall Abbey was founded in 1152 by a community of Cistercian monks from Fountains Abbey. It gained its wealth from keeping sheep for the wool trade. Monastic life came to an end in 1540 when the abbey was surrendered to Henry VIII as part of the dissolution of the monasteries. Although a few buildings were cleared to ground level most were left standing and used for agricultural purposes. This is perhaps why Kirkstall is now the most complete set of Cistercian ruins in Britain. In the late 18th and 19th centuries the road from Leeds to Skipton ran right through the nave!

# **OPAL** Activities



OPAL restarted some activities in September, but they may be subject to change in line with government and local guidance. Information will be available via their website, fortnightly email (to members with email), phone calls and in their Newsletter.

In a nutshell, this is what OPAL is up to at the moment

- Delivering emergency food parcels and shopping vouchers
- Picking up prescriptions
- A phone buddy scheme connecting volunteers to people who are self isolating
- Providing transport to unavoidable appointments
- Providing emotional support and sign posting people to services that can help them
- Matching volunteer shoppers to people who are self isolating
- Delivering jigsaws and books to people who are self isolating
- Delivering freshly cooked hot meals (Monday, Tuesday and Friday). We are charging £3.50 per main meal.
- Matching people who are self-

isolating to IT phone buddies to help them use smart phones, iPad, tablets etc for social interaction

- Loaning iPads and Alexas
- Zoom Friday coffee afternoon
- Doorstep/garden buddies
- Strolling buddies

If you need any other help, call us on 0113 261 9103 and will will do our best.

#### Friday Coffee Afternoon Virtual Online Group

Join us every Friday at 2pm for this virtual group for an hour. If you have an email address & access to the internet, please contact us for the link to join. If you're not online, we can help with this too. **Open to all.** 

Call 0113 261 9103 or send an email to: rowan@opal-project.org.uk

**6th November** Join us for some quirky bingo with Catherine. Remember to draw up a bingo card.

**13th November** Martin Sellens guides us round the delights of Madeira.

#### 20th November The Yes No Game

**27th November** John Betjeman's Leeds 1968 film from the Yorkshire Film Archive.

## **York Gate Update**



#### A difficult year

This year has been difficult in many ways but for us gardeners the weather has given us lots of challenges. At the start of the year we had minus three in March that blackened and killed all the emerging treefern fronds. Then we had constant strong wind and so much rain that the stream in the dell burst its banks, washing away parts of the path and even some plants. The final kick came from a freak hail storm that shredded all the large leaf plants in Sybil's garden. Let's hope for a calm and beautiful winter!

#### Jack Ogg Senior Gardener

# The browns and russets are important

There have been quite a few miserable wet days recently. Some evenings it seems as though there has hardly been any daylight at all, and I confess thoughts of putting the heating on at home have surfaced on more than one evening. Despite these inevitable moments, I prefer to remember the beautiful sunny days, with the soft sunlight illuminating anything it strikes.

As the leaves turn and fall the stars of the show, such as the brilliant red acers, compete with butter yellows, pinks and oranges, to claim the top prize of autumn colour. To many, examples of these colours within the garden would overload our visual senses, which is why for me the browns and russets are so important and necessary. They support and enhance the bolder performers, and in a subtle way create the atmosphere and feeling that makes autumn my favourite season.

Finally, my top choice for best autumn colour every year, without hesitation, is a mature beech tree in sunlight. Not just visually captivating, it makes me feel emotional too. What more do you need for a magic moment. Look around the countryside or your garden and see what moves you.

Mark Jackson Nursery Manager

#### Our amazing volunteers

It has certainly been a different season this year at York Gate and coupled with a late start and a late finish, it's been quite challenging at times. However, the resilience and cheerfulness of our volunteers has been amazing....we certainly couldn't run York Gate without them.

Should you wish to join our team as a volunteer, please drop Zoe, our Volunteer Co-ordinator, an email <u>zparker@perennial.org.uk</u>. Perennial, the charity which owns York Gate, has been working hard during the current crisis to support people who work in horticulture who might need help whether it is with finances or just advice and guidance. You can find out more, and how you could help, by going to the website <u>https://perennial.org.uk/</u>

#### Café and shop remain open

This year we stayed open for an extra month but now the garden itself is closed until April 2021. The café, however, will be open all year Wednesday-Sunday from 10am until



5pm (but closing for a Christmas break from 5pm on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December and reopening at 10am on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2021).



The shop too is closing from 5pm on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December – please do drop in as we have some lovely Christmas gifts, cards and wrapping paper. The shop will then remain shut until the garden reopens in April.

#### Sally Latchford Finance and Administrator Co-ordinator

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### From Barry Anderson

#### **Adel Pharmacy**

Please find below an update from Advent Homes on the general situation following the consultation and specifically the work I have been doing with them to identify a new location for Adel Pharmacy. This is not guaranteed but I wanted to update you as a number of residents have been asking about the future of the Pharmacy:

"I have now met with the Adel Pharmacy and believe we are hopeful to accommodate a new pharmacy building at the East Moor site, however, it is not without complexity."

# Consultation: Review of Highway Code

The government have consulted with the public on an interim review of the Highway Code, in which they are hoping to improve safety for vulnerable road users. In preparing the proposals the government have worked with the British Horse Society in order to improve safety for vulnerable road users, particularly cyclists, pedestrians and horse riders.

R63 "Do not pass pedestrians, horse riders or horse drawn vehicles closely or at high speed, particularly from behind. Remember that horses can be startled if passed without warning. Always be prepared to slow down and stop when necessary."

R66 "Be considerate of other road users, particularly blind and partially sighted pedestrians, *and horse riders* (see *Rule H1*). Let them know you are there when necessary, for example, by *calling out* or ringing your bell if you have one. It is recommended that a bell be fitted"

Additionally rule 215 in the Road Users Requiring Extra Care section provides general advice to drivers on safely passing horse riders.

# Otley Road/Holt Lane Traffic lights

Hopefully by the time you read this the traffic lights will be on and working properly. The work by contractors BAM Nuttall are complete and NPG are tackling their backlog caused by Covid 19 and hope to have the lights functional by mid-October.

# Leeds Building Society, Otley Road

The Society has undertaken a full review of their whole branch network and, after careful consideration, has made the difficult decision not to reopen the Adel branch. They have had to respond to the changing nature of the high street and have worked hard to minimise the impact and protect jobs and confirm there will be **Billy Flynn** redundancies.

#### Latest Scams

Letters have been sent purporting to be from local council offering discounts. Genuine communications will be addressed to you by name, not 'The Occupier.' Check spelling/ grammatical errors. To check on any council led schemes visit the correct Council website or <u>https://</u> <u>www.gov.uk/</u> Report incidents to Action Fraud and Citizens Advice.

Other scams may state your TV Licence payment has not been processed, the Inland Revenue asking for bank details to effect a refund or saying you are under investigation, texts stating you can postpone Jury Service for 6 months by paying a fee. Delete such messages from emails and ignore any phone calls, contact the Inland Revenue direct if you are worried. Do not give your bank details to anyone who contacts you to ask for them. Your bank will never ask you for a password or PIN. There are also some Track and Trace scams as well, again do not pay anyone any money, tests are free.

**Clir. Barry Anderson,** Adel & Wharfedale Ward Direct Dial 0113 3367742 <u>www.barryanderson.yourclir.com</u> Twitter @barryanderson19

#### Covid-19

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. As I write these notes it looks like Leeds is facing an imminent return to more stringent restrictions on visiting family and friends, public gatherings and even the closure by law of premises where an outbreak has been detected. It feels like we've had the restriction in place for years. Let's hope we have a vaccine soon.

#### **Road Safety**

Lots of work over recent years to improve road safety in Adel with more to come funded by new developments. By the time you are reading these notes the new traffic lights at the Holt Lane/A660 junction should be working (fingers and toes crossed.) The project has been beset with delays since inception and the Covid-19 emergency has just added to them. The latest delay in the "switch on" was caused by National Grid ceasing work during the lockdown, creating a backlog. D-Day is scheduled for mid-October. The lights will be synchronised with those at Farrar Lane and the pedestrian crossing in between. An added bonus should be a reduction in rat running through the Kingsleys/Gainsboroughs estate and the roads either side of Farrar Lane.

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The commissioning of the zebra crossing in Church Lane has complemented the work of resurfacing the private lane/footpath up to the kissing gate at the entrance to Bedquilts. At long last, children and adults can cross Church Lane safely and now walk from Church Lane to Long Causeway without wading through huge puddles along the way. The police continue to carry out regular speed checks to catch the miscreants who ignore the speed restrictions

#### **Adel Surgery & Adel Pharmacy**

**Surgery** - I'm sure some of you will have seen the surgery site advertised for sale on Rightmove. Just a reminder that it's only a few months now until we lose the surgery altogether. I am still working with NHS organisations on the possibility of a service bus from Adel to the main surgery in Alwoodley. Watch this space.

**Pharmacy** – As you know the owners of the pharmacy are hoping to relocate elsewhere in Adel and the Adel Beck site has been identified as a possibility. This depends on a number of issues, not least planning but the developers of the site are enthusiastic about the idea. The re-siting of the pharmacy would mean better facilities including additional treatment rooms.

**Flu jabs** – Yes, it's that time of year again and the loss of the surgery means less convenient access to the vaccine this year but remember you can get the jab at the pharmacy. People have asked about flu and coronavirus and the NHS advice is: If you are at higher risk of Covid-19, you are also at more risk of problems with flu; if you have had Covid-19 it's safe to have the flu vaccine.

#### **Tree Planting**

Following on from last month and the complaints from residents about not being consulted about the project the council has reduced the planting area near Mulberry Ave/Garth and we are still waiting for news on Holt Park. Suggestions on alternative locations have been forwarded on to officers. None of the residents concerned had any objections to more tree planting but the rethink by officers demonstrates the importance and value of meaningful consultation with the people affected most.

If you would like further information on the issues above or anything else in the ward please do get in touch.

> Telephone 0113 2613896, 07810 640282 or email billy.flynn@leeds.gov.uk.

# **Caring for Life**

It is with great sadness that we have to report that Caring for Life can no longer afford to advertise with us. This much loved Christian charity has suffered during the last six months, but they have adapted in order to be able to continue helping vulnerable people. We can still help them by visiting their restaurant or shop.

The Granary Restaurant is open Tuesday to Saturday 9am - 4pm, last bookings can be made for 2.30pm.

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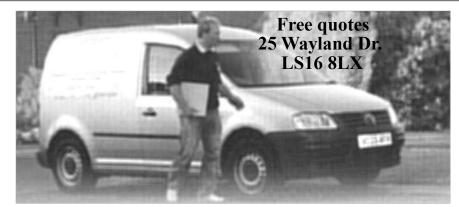
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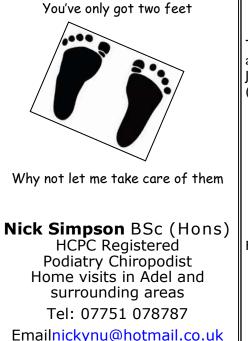
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### **Church Services**



# November

#### **Services in Church**

Each week the following services will take place in church. Numbers attending will be limited. (See page 7)

Sunday 9.30am 11am (11.15am on 8th November)

Wednesday 11am

#### Jjs

**Friday 6th** 1.30pm Jjs will meet in the church or the churchyard

#### **On-line Services**

Sunday 1st		All Saints' Day
	10am	Parish Communion
Weds 4th	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 8th		Third Sunday before Advent Remembrance Sunday
	10am	Parish Communion
Weds 11th	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 15th		Second Sunday before Advent
	10am	Parish Communion
Weds 18th	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 22nd		Christ the King
	10am	Parish Communion
Weds 25th	7pm	Compline/Evening Prayer
Sunday 29th	<b>1</b> 10am	Advent Sunday Parish Communion

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