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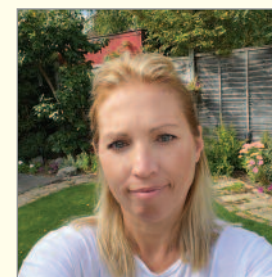
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FROM THE EDITOR...



Please bear with me while I dust off the slide rule I used to use at school to work out the cosine of 45 degrees etc. I need to work out the most efficient way of getting the family together for my birthday. What angle should I use for that in the plethora of new social rules that come and go with terrifying regularity. There are 9 of us that usually gather for these things. We can't meet in our house/garden which would be the safest and most sensible thing to do but is against the law. We could go down the pub which is legal, but not really sensible. We could all go to Church, but sitting upright in pews each two metres apart (and not singing) is not conducive to a good party. We are travelling from the sensible to the legalistic just as the Pharisees did in Jesus' day. Is it beyond the wit of the British people to be sensible, and not needing to be micro-managed by statutes? It's your call, please write to us about it if you feel so inclined. Anyway, let's not get into politics in this humble family magazine.

Change is on the way, whatever that might entail, what with struggling Brexit negotiations, the plight of would-be migrants both in this country and in Greece, the sinking economy, the ever underlying issue of racism and so on and so on.



Change happens, even in our little magazine. We are sorry to lose the services of Amy Lowe, who kept our loyal advertisers in order during recent times. She has a very active family and needs to devote more time to them. She has served us and the community well, and we wish her well for the future. Her place is being taken by Emma Gibson (pictured) from Virginia Water, who is a young Mum with two very small children, but finds time to volunteer for a charity that supports parents with young children. She tells me she enjoys cooking, being with her family, being out in the good fresh air, and is a wizard at spreadsheets! We welcome her with all our hearts.

We have also lost the services of Karen Kohn who, as deputy editor, did all the tiresome legwork for me, chasing people for copy and keeping them in order. She is wanting to concentrate on her professional career, and we wish her well in that. Fortunately she is married to Roger, who tirelessly puts the magazine together for us every month, dealing stoically with our last minute changes etc. and he will take over some of Karen's duties. Karen has been with us ever since the magazine took on its present form of being free to everyone in the two parishes, so the loss of her expertise and long memory will be sorely missed.

And we welcome Sarah Mortimer who will sometimes join our team as the voice of the Church, alternating with Stephen whose workload has been formidable these last few months. We published a short piece about Sarah last month, and very much welcome her contribution.

And lastly a vote of thanks to you, our readers and advertisers, who have supported us throughout these peculiar days. On our part we will try to inform and entertain you to the very best of our ability.

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THE MINISTER'S MESSAGE

LIFE IS JUST A JOURNEY HOME

As we're not currently allowed to sing in church, in our Sunday services we've done a lot more listening to music, songs and hymns instead. We've used the music to guide our reflections, hopes and prayers and it's created a lot more space to stop and think.

One such song that we played the other week was 'Life is just a journey home.' (from the album 'Hold On' by Trent). When life is so busy, or the pressures of the pandemic, the 24hr news feed, and the worries of the future can seem overwhelming, this simple melody and haunting lyrics enabled me to gain a new perspective, one not solely focussed on the now. Rather that the promise of God is that we're on a journey home, to be with Him, both now and forever.

*'Sometimes I feel like I'm falling
Sometimes I feel higher than the stars
Sometimes I can hear you calling
Sometimes I feel lost
But then I lift my eyes up
I see where I belong...
Life is just a journey home.'*



This truth reminds us that whatever I or you are experiencing right now, it will pass. It encourages us to lift our eyes and imagine a better future. It gives us confidence as we know he's not just the destination but also the friend we can walk with. As it also demands a small but significant effort from us to take a simple step in the direction he lays out.

This is, of course, not a new thought. The Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes reminds us that 'God has planted eternity in the hearts of humanity' (Ecc 3:11) – deep down we long for it to be more than just this.

The New Testament letters of Hebrews and of 1 Peter (Jesus' fisherman friend) calls us 'strangers and foreigners' on earth, longing for a different home. In many ways this life is not meant to be comfortable or self satisfying for we would be settling for second best.

In the words of another, more famous hymn:

*'For there's another country
I've heard of long ago –
most dear to them that love her,
most great to them that know...'*

So may I encourage you to take your next step. There is a future with God waiting for you and a place prepared for you. Today will pass, tomorrow will be glorious.

With all my love and prayer

SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE PARISH – OCTOBER

It's wonderful to have you all back to worship at both St Michael's Church and All Souls Church last month. Thankfully the new Government guidelines still permit us to worship in Church as we return to our more 'normal' Sunday pattern. There remain in place the amendments we have had to make to services: Face coverings are to be worn inside the Church building, no singing and no refreshments offered at the end of services as per the guidelines set out to us. We will also be adhering to social distancing rules. We thank you for your understanding.

9:15 THE FAMILY SERVICE every Sunday at St Michael's Church. Our informal, child friendly, 30 minute family service. We still act out stories from the Bible and pray together for our villages and the world.

- 4th October No Service. Join us at 10am for HARVEST FESTIVAL.
- 11th October • 18th October
- 25th October

10:30am ALL SOULS WORSHIP – With our favourite Bible readings and prayers.

- 4th October Christ Centered Community
- 11th October HARVEST FESTIVAL
- 18th October The Reconciling Community
- 25th October The Encouraging Community

10:45 TRADITIONAL SERVICE at St Michael's Church – These services contain our favourite Bible readings, prayers and liturgy and reflections to help sustain us spiritually week by week.

- 4th October HARVEST FESTIVAL AT 10am. No 10:45am service.
- 11th October Christ Centered Community
- 18th October The Reconciling Community
- 25th October The Encouraging Community

9:45 SUNDAY SCHOOL on Zoom.

- Nicola Shaw leads Sunday School activities, songs, and bible stories over Zoom.
- Contact nicola@allsoulsascot.org / admin@ssaparish.org for the meeting ID, password and downloadable activities.

DAILY PRAYERS

- We have morning and sung night prayers recorded for every day of the week. These simple 5-10 minute services can be accessed through our websites along with service sheets to download. We have also created a CD of these services and additional choral music. Contact admin@ssaparish.org if you would like one posted.

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- Should you have any prayer requests for yourself or anyone you know, then send them to mary@ssaparish.org 01344 624535, who will pass your message to our prayer team in confidence.

TODDLER PRAISE

- 10:30am – Tuesday – Meets on Zoom. Our popular, weekly preschool service with Nicola Shaw meets on zoom. A great time to share God, faith and life with your little ones and other parents. Contact nicola@allsoulsascot.org for the meeting ID and password.

LITTLE SEEKERS

- A new online 20-minute show suitable for the under 5s with songs, animation, faith and a furry squirrel. Different themes and stories every week. These can be found on the St Michael's Sunninghill and All Souls' South Ascot Facebook Page.

• MORE GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES will develop over time so keep following our Church Facebook pages and websites for the latest news, including video updates from Stephen.



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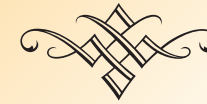
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22nd August Thomas Wright and
Caitlin Phillips

FUNERALS AND INTERMENT OF ASHES

2nd September Olive Goodman
10th September John Wigmore

AN APOLOGY

In the September magazine, we erroneously listed the funeral of Mrs Eileen Wood as taking place on the 8th of June. This should instead have read the 8th of May. Her cremation was on the 1st June.



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OBITUARY

Hannah Vann

After nearly 50 happy years of living near South Ascot our mother passed away just after her birthday this year. March marked the four cornerstones of her life over a stretch of 93 years – when she was born, married, died and buried.

Hannah (Anna) Cumisky, born to a lowland Scots-Irish family always reflected on her “wonderful” life. The second of eight children born to Peter and Isabella in Ayrshire. Her surname was Gaelic and she had Hibernian looks with thick, dark, curly hair.

She treasured memories of her own mother who passed away when she was only 12. Her father brought up the family through the war, even coping with a London family evacuated to their council house!

Leaving school at 14 to work in a carpet factory then in a shoe shop, at 19, her cousin asked her to go down to England where they both found work at Interflora in Leicester but she maintained close contact with family in Scotland.

Anna would go to the Co-Op canteen where she soon caught the attention of a young electrician called Tony. They met again at a Saturday dance and after three years together, got engaged. After Tony’s National Service they married and moved to Abingdon, Northampton, Dursley and then Cookham during which time their four children were born.

In 1971, they moved to their final house where Anna found contentment. She loved being a housewife. It was her job and she was proud of it and was always busy. She often used to cycle up to Ascot and the village with her shopping bags swaying on the handlebars.

Anna especially enjoyed looking after their five lovely grandchildren: Marlisa,



Charlotte, Annabelle, Madeleine and Nathaniel whom they loved dearly.

After Tony’s death in 2016, Anna went occasionally to local groups and lunches at All Souls’ but struggled with deafness and cataracts which became very limiting but her good humour persisted.

She enjoyed Sunday lunches with friends at Lynwood whose lovely care team looked after her at home. They were uplifted by her cheerfulness and the many stories of her life. She had a grateful temperament stemming from her deep Christian faith.

Her sister, brother, cousin, children and four of her grandchildren survive her. They would like to send their thanks to the Lynwood care team and to the nurses from Thames Hospice who also came, like angels, to look after her at home.

Kairen Vann



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September saw the launch of our new online preschool programme, 'Little Seekers'. Each 20 minute episode is packed full of songs, animation, faith and fun as we go treasure hunting with Mr Nibbles (our furry squirrel!). Hosted by Stephen and Rachael Johnson, in this season, we're exploring what it means to be part of God's family. Do check it out. You can find all our Little Seeker episodes on our website, (www.ssaparish.org); Vimeo account (www.vimeo.com/ssaparish) or Facebook pages.



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FLIGHT OF THE CONCORDE

Apologies to Judith and all Concordians for my schoolboy error. But it has provoked a very interesting article from her about her time on the iconic aircraft! - Ed.

Those of you who know me will probably be aware that I spent my working career as an air stewardess from 1969 until 2006 working for the then world's favourite airline, BEA/British Airways! It is in this context that I wrote to the Editor following his leading article in the August edition of our Magazine where he had mentioned that Concorde had been "scrapped after 14 years". I could not let such a comment go unchallenged because I worked on this iconic aircraft for twenty years and as a result of bringing this to his attention, he has asked me to share some of my experiences with you.

British Airways operated seven Concorde

and from a total workforce of 14,000 cabin crew, just 200 were assigned to the Concorde Fleet (6 per flight) crewing the twice daily scheduled flights to New York as well as thrice weekly to Washington/Miami. Passengers totalled 100 and sat in comparative luxury in a confined space compared to today's First Class mode. In those days a single ticket to New York would cost approximately £4,000 - approx £17,265 today!

Concorde flew at a height of 57,000 feet at a speed of 1,350 mph and we reached New York in three hours twenty minutes. A Jumbo on the same route would take roughly seven hours! Working on this aircraft was quite exhausting because whilst caring for demanding passengers we were constantly walking uphill toward the flight deck or downhill to the rear and this was because at this height the aircraft flew

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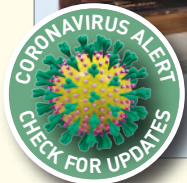
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at a slightly nose up attitude. I would often sit in the flight deck and experience the forward facing take-off/landing procedures (all our cabin crew seats faced rearwards) marvelling at the thrust of the Rolls-Royce Olympus engines and the raising and lowering of the pointed nose cone. We were so high we could see the curvature of the earth and the edge of space was just a whisker away!

There was tremendous joy (and anticipation) in dealing with our passengers because the rich and famous often travelled to New York or back and thus I met wonderful personalities such as Margaret Thatcher, Nelson Mandela, David Frost etc., numerous rock groups and actors as well as royalty. I started to keep an autograph book and such celebrities were (mostly!) amenable to my requests. I now have a treasure trove of happy memories contained within its pages. Even those whose autograph I sought were impressed with the range and star quality contained therein.

Operational requirements meant that on three occasions, I was even asked to travel to New York and back within a day; hard work but enjoyable. There was the time when a group of rich Americans chartered Concorde to undertake a four week round-the-world holiday and I was fortunate enough to enjoy the first leg of two weeks of this journey going West to Dallas, Hawaii, Fiji and Sydney (via a reception at the Opera House!) and disembarking at Hong Kong where our duties were to host an official farewell/handover dinner in order to brief the crew who were undertaking the next stage of the final leg. I was then able to return home - First Class! - a reward for all our hard work. I undertook many trips over the Bay of Biscay where we were permitted to fly supersonically. On these flights, with a duration of 1½ hours, our passengers enjoyed champagne and a light luncheon. These passengers were generally celebrating a special occasion in their lives and it was totally satisfying to see the tears

of joy and excitement on their faces.

Destinations were limited because of the noise and runway length but we were able to fly to places such as Barbados, Tampa, Phoenix, Omaha and Toronto, Iceland and Greenland. The warm and sometimes rapturous welcome given to us by the American public made us feel like film stars. As a result of us being part of a relatively small fleet, close friendships were made which I still maintain to this day.

Tragedy struck in July 2000 when the Air France Concorde from Paris crashed on take-off killing all 109 people on board as well as four others on the ground. That was the first and only accident involving this aircraft in 31 years of flying. I was due to fly to New York the following day and despite the sombre mood prevailing at that time, we completed the trip but Concorde was grounded shortly following that until 11 September 2001. In the intervening period, I was flying short haul flights around Europe but on this day, Concorde flew into New York and landed shortly before the World Trade Centre became the target of a terrorist attack. Public misgivings concerning overall safety, spiralling maintenance costs and lack of demand led to the joint decision by BA and Air France to retire my beloved Concorde. The last time Concorde took to the skies was November 2003 when it flew "home" to Filton, Bristol where it had first taken off 50 years earlier. I have never met anyone who did not marvel at the take off or landing and despite the huge noise, this aircraft in flight was such a joy to watch and instilled a sense of pride that is unparalleled to this day.

Working on Concorde was a glamorous and fulfilling period in my career despite the arduous work involved and would I do it all again? Without a doubt! My flying career occurred during the best of times for aviation and I was very fortunate and proud to be part of the era when BA was the world's favourite airline.

Judith Buttigieg

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PHISHING – DON'T TAKE THE BAIT!

Smartphones, computers and the internet are now such a fundamental part of daily life that we would struggle without them – online banking and shopping, emails, social media and more...but if you use any of these devices you most likely receive suspicious calls, emails, texts or other messages on a regular basis and are therefore put at risk of cyber crime and phishing.

The purpose of phishing is to commit fraud by obtaining your personal data, your login and password information and your personal or financial details such as bank accounts, credit and debit card numbers. They cast out a hook and see if you take the bait for them to reel your data in.

In a phishing message, the goal is often to convince you to react quickly, without thinking and to click a link. Once clicked, you may be sent to a dangerous website which could download viruses onto your computer, and/or steal your passwords and personal information.

Over the phone, the approach may be more direct, asking you for sensitive information, such as banking details by posing as an organisation you trust. This could be your Internet Service Provider, local council or other familiar government department.

It is more important than ever to take steps to prevent cyber criminals getting hold of your account information.

The National Cyber Security Centre's Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) received over 1.7 million reports from the public between April - August



2020, with the most commonly faked messages using TV Licensing, HMRC and GOV.UK. Up to the end of this period they had received more than 2.3 million reports of phishing which enabled them to identify and remove 9,315 scams and a further 22,237 URLs. The name and reputation of any

recognised or trusted institution could be used, often it is services such as passport renewals, applying for a blue badge, driving licence renewals and so on...but the scammers constantly evolve to tap into the latest current thing, so right now track and trace, Government Covid-19 information, NHS or Rishi Sunak's new Green Homes Grant might be ones to be particularly wary of.

Here are some top tips to protect yourself and your devices;

- Email – if you have received a suspicious email report it to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) at report@phishing.gov.uk This simple step will help protect many more people being affected.

- Text message – suspicious messages should be forwarded to 7726 (this spells SPAM on the keypad). This free-of-charge short code enables your phone provider to investigate the origin of the text and take action if it is found to be malicious.

- Install the latest software and app updates on your devices, security features are constantly getting updated – information to help with this can be found



from the legitimate Apple, Microsoft and Google websites.

- Enable two-factor authentication (2FA) on your email account – this is the best thing you can do to improve the security of your important online accounts, such as your email. 2FA is where you need to use both a password and a random 6-digit code which is then sent to your mobile phone. If your password is stolen, they still need your phone. If your phone is stolen, they still need your password. This system can even be used for internet-enabled video game consoles. See: <https://www.telesign.com/turnon2fa/tutorials>

- Secure smartphones and tablets with a screen lock - each time you want to unlock your device or switch it on, you'll be asked to enter a PIN, password or fingerprint. This

means that if someone gets hold of your device they can't access the data on your device without entering your password, pattern, PIN or fingerprint. Also turn on backups to keep your data safe.

- Above all, keep your wits about you. Sometimes the scam sites copy the logos and artwork of legitimate sites and then pay for their advert to go to the top of search engine results. Look carefully at the page, look at the secure URL; and look for the padlock symbol.

Further advice and information can be found at these websites;
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SCAM WATCH

Here's a sad story we have had reported recently from Action Fraud:

Caller is reporting that her mother has been a victim of fraud. As a result a huge amount of money has been removed from her bank account. It started with a text on 01/08/20, from a number claiming to be PayPal. It stated that her 'PayPal account had been suspended, due to irregular activity'. The victim clicked on the link. It looked like a genuine PayPal website, so she proceeded to enter all her account and security details. On 06/08/20, she received a text, claiming to be from her bank, which said that her debit card had been used illegally on 05/08/20. 'If this was her, please reply yes, otherwise, please reply no'. 'There is no need to call us, responding to this text, is the quickest way to update your account'.

The victim replied 'no' and received an immediate confirmation from the 'bank', which stated that they would call her back or she could call them on a number they gave her. She received a call from the 'bank', stating that the card would be blocked. She received another phone call on Friday, stating that they needed to create three new accounts and to transfer all her funds to those accounts, to protect her money.

All her savings were transferred to those accounts between 8th Aug and 9th August.

The real bank has been spoken to and they have raised their own independent fraud investigation.

As we have seen from previous investigations, the bank suspends the account for 150 days, while they try and track the money – but there is no guarantee they will recover it. Fraudsters usually transfer the money into other accounts and then immediately transfer it again, through dozens of accounts world-wide.

These frauds and scams are happening every day and fraudsters are getting away with millions, just with a couple of phone calls. Please speak to everyone you know and ask them to pause and think, before doing anything someone on the phone asks them to. You have no idea who they are – and you must never phone a number that they give you.

Stop, think and pause before responding. In this case, go online into your PayPal account and make sure what you are being told is true. If the call supposedly comes from your bank, ring them from your account statements, or better still, go in and talk to someone.

→ **Never** give someone on the phone your bank details or click on a link in a text to do it.

→ **Never** agree to transfer your savings to a secure/safe account – whoever asks you to do it – unless you are in your bank and they suggest it. But they won't. They will protect your existing account.

→ A huge amount of money has been transferred and lost this way - don't let it happen to you or someone you know!





THE INNER WHEEL CLUB OF ASCOT

As the Correspondent for the Inner Wheel Club of Ascot, I thought you might be interested in reading a little about what our various branches of IW do.

The Inner Wheel organisation was started by the wives of Rotarians as Rotary was originally for men only. It is one of the largest women's service organisations in the World, with 19,000 members within Great Britain and Ireland and over 100,000 members from more than 103 countries across the globe.

Inner Wheel is women in action, working together to make a difference and improving lives. We work together giving humanitarian aid nationally and internationally,

We help people by extending the hand of friendship. We work on projects that are truly life changing. We make firm and lasting friendships. There is no other group like it.

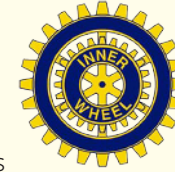
The objects of Inner Wheel are:

- ☞ To promote true friendship.
- ☞ To encourage the ideals of personal service.
- ☞ To foster international understanding.

Members of Inner Wheel achieve these goals in various ways which combine fund-raising and personal service – all with fun and friendship. INNER WHEEL – Women who give Service whilst enjoying Friendship.

As Ascot is the first club on the IW list, in July we had the pleasure of welcoming our District 9 Chairman, Elaine Morris to our first meeting since the beginning of Covid 19 outbreak.

During her visit, as part of our meeting's aob, I informed members that I am compiling 'Another Fun & Flowers' book and asked members to send me any suitable jokes and historical facts. This follows 'Fun & Flowers' which so far has sold 100 copies,



with profits going to the new Thames Valley Hospice.

Elaine very kindly contributed the following joke to my new book. Should anyone reading this article have anything they'd also like to send for inclusion in 'Another Fun & Flowers', please email me, hilary.mear@gmail.com Thank you.

THE WEDDING PRESENT LIST

Jack aged 92 and Gill, aged 89, living in Southampton, are all excited about their decision to get married. They go for a stroll to discuss the wedding and on the way they pass a chemist's shop. Jack suggests they go in.

Jack addresses the man behind the counter; 'Are you the owner?' The pharmacist answers 'Yes.'

Jack: 'We're about to get married. Do you sell heart medication?'

Pharmacist: 'Of course we do.'

Jack: 'How about medicine for circulation?'

Pharmacist: 'All kinds.'

Jack: 'Medicine for rheumatism?'

Pharmacist: 'Definitely.'

Jack: 'How about suppositories?'

Pharmacist: 'You bet!'

Jack: 'Medicine for memory problems, arthritis and Alzheimer's?'

Pharmacist: 'Yes, a large variety.'

Jack: 'What about vitamins, sleeping pills, antidotes for Parkinson's disease?'

Pharmacist: 'We certainly do.'

Jack: 'Adult incontinence pants?'

Pharmacist: 'Certainly.'

Jack: 'Then we'd like to use this place for our wedding present list..'

This joke was kindly contributed by Elaine Morris, who is currently our Inner Wheel District 9 Chairman.

Hilary Mear

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SCHOOLS' PAGE

CHEAPSIDE C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

What an absolute pleasure it has been to have all the children back in school in September. After so many months when many children have either been away from school or at school part-time, it has been incredible to see how effortlessly they have all slipped back into their school lives despite being in new classes with new teachers and embarking on new learning. We would like to thank all our families for embracing the many changes we've had to put in place.

During lockdown, we were overwhelmed by the wonderful work that the children

completed and so we invited them to take this even further by embracing the Cheapside Summer Badge Challenge! Inspired by the Blue Peter Badge, the children were invited to complete a variety of tasks to earn a Blue Star Badge for Creativity, a Green Star Badge for Nature, a Red Star Badge for STEM or a Yellow Star Badge for Humanities. We are currently looking through all the wonderful things that have been completed and will then be awarding the badges.

*Clare Roberts
Assistant Headteacher*



Litter picking! Would you be able to help pick up litter in your local community? Could you put your name forward to help out in your street or local park? The lovely summer meant more people than ever out and about enjoying the open spaces around our parish, but this has also meant more litter. The parish council has a number of litter picking 'kits' to enable safe litter picking and will be organising a litter picking campaign to help keep our parish looking its best. Do contact the Clerk to volunteer.

The parish council was very pleased to be able to re-open two of its playparks recently - Victory Fields and Blythewood are both lovely areas for children to play and offer facilities for young people of all ages. Please do remember to follow the guidance on our signs, to socially distance and to wash or sanitize children's hands before

and after using the play equipment.

Our other parks at Cheapside and South Ascot, when detailed safety inspections were carried out, were found to have some significant issues which require attention before they can be re-opened. We are working hard to resolve these issues and will be opening these parks as soon as it is safe to do so.

Please follow us on Facebook and Twitter or contact us by email or phone. We strive to represent and support our Parishioners throughout Sunninghill, Ascot, South Ascot, Cheapside and Woodside. Enjoy the changing colours of the autumn, particularly in our wildlife areas at Tom Green's Field and Blythewood Naturepark.

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HISTORIC Sunninghill AND DISTRICT

ROBIN TURNER



WE ARE GRATEFUL TO NEIL PARKER AND THE MEMBERS OF THE 'HISTORICAL SUNNINGHILL, SUNNINGDALE, ASCOT AND SURROUNDING AREAS' BLOG FOR PERMISSION TO REPRODUCE MATERIAL FROM THEIR FACEBOOK PAGES.



CLAREWAYS, LADY MARGARET ROAD, SUNNINGDALE. AT THE TIME THE PICTURE WAS TAKEN THE HOUSE WAS THE PROPERTY OF ROGER AND HERMIONE WEST WHO, WITH THEIR THREE CHILDREN, LIVED THERE FOR JUST OVER 10 YEARS FROM 1952. THE FORMER OWNERS OF CLAREWAYS WERE A MR AND MRS PARROT. IT'S UNDERSTOOD THAT MR PARROT WAS A SUCCESSFUL LOCAL BUILDER.

ROBIN TURNER

DAVID EDMUNDS



I THOUGHT SOME OF YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN THE ENCLOSED PHOTO, TAKEN IN THE MID/LATE '60s. IT SHOWS THE STAFF OF READER'S DIGEST, WHO WERE BASED IN ONE OF THE UNITS OF WHAT WAS KNOWN AS THE PONTIAC WORKS IN FERNBANK ROAD (NOW ST CHRISTOPHERS GARDENS). MY MUM IS AMONGST THE LADIES ON THE FRONT ROW PLUS A FEW EX-SCHOOL MATES. ANYONE RECOGNISE THEMSELVES?

DAVID EDMUNDS

MY GODFATHER COLIN GRAY IS AT THE BACK THE TALL DARK MAN ON THE RIGHT - HE'S DOING WELL! I REMEMBER HIM TELLING ME ABOUT READER'S DIGEST. HE WENT ON TO WORK AT THE CIOB IN KINGS RIDE.

MONIQUE VICKERS

JONATHAN SINGLETON



THESE ARE OF THE ORIGINAL HALFPENNY'S GARAGE AND I APOLOGISE FOR THE QUALITY. THE PHOTO ON A CLOSER LOOK SHOWS A CHAP DISMANTLING THE ROOF.

JONATHAN SINGLETON



LOVE THE PAINTING - IT SHOWS SOME MORE OF THE GARAGE SIDE WITH THE PETROL PUMPS BY THE BUNGALOW. THE PHOTO DEFINITELY LOOKS LIKE THEY ARE STARTING THE DEMOLITION OF THE BUNGALOW, WHICH WAS A SHAME.

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NEWS FROM THE BEAT

NEWS UPDATE FROM NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The lockdown has resulted in many neighbourhoods drawing closer together in supporting local residents with needs, and in neighbours spending a lot more time talking to each other over fences or across the road. This has improved community spirit no end, and a great way to keep this spirit alive is for residents to join their local Neighbourhood Watch scheme, or start up a new scheme if there is not already one covering their respective street.

Neighbourhood Watch is not just about looking out the window and being alert for



any crime in the neighbourhood, it is much more than that. It serves as a valuable resource for crime prevention, in supporting the Police with things such as local home security surveys, installing crime prevention aids in homes for the vulnerable and elderly especially, helping those vulnerable and elderly residents with any other needs, and in drawing residents together in supporting one another.

The Windsor & Ascot NHW Association is making great strides in reactivating and expanding Neighbourhood Watch within the various parishes of Windsor & Ascot. Its Facebook page (@WindsorAscotNHW) is receiving multiple enquiries from interested residents and serves as a means to highlight local issues relating to crime and residents in need. New NHW schemes are continuously being set up with active Coordinators, and residents within those scheme areas can now benefit from the new initiatives being introduced by Neighbourhood Watch and Thames Valley Police.

To search for your nearest NHW scheme, or to set up a new scheme, visit www.ourwatch.org.uk and enter your postcode.

For any questions relating to Neighbourhood Watch please contact the Windsor & Ascot NHW Association at contact@windsorascotnhwa.org.uk

*Jeffrey Pick
Police, Community Engagement
and Resilience Officer,
Windsor & Maidenhead LPA*

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CHAPMANS OF SUNNINGHILL 40 YEARS ON!

I called in to get some pictures of Robert, Denise and the staff following this article by Robert and his description of the business is too modest! Chapmans is our National Treasure and long may it remain so. With Robert on the photos are his wife, Denise and Beverley Crompton (dark hair) who has been with the shop for 20 years. Robert's 4 sons have all served as Saturday assistants in their youth, and Richard, his eldest, helped during Covid-19 to keep the business open right from the start. – Ed

On the 30th August 1980 I started a new career, which was to run Chapmans in Sunninghill as a 23-year-old. 40 years ago I knew very little about the business of ironmongery.

Luckily I inherited the existing staff: Jim Watts who was in his late 70's and had joined the firm just after the end of the First World War and Gertie Russell, a lady in her 80's who spent the day whistling under her breath. I later found out that she was my grandmother's first cousin. They must have thought; "Who is this boy trying to run this business without much of an idea?" They were right. They liked me; one reason being that I doubled their wages in my first week. I will add that they were earning 44p an hour at the time. I on the other hand had to halve my wages in order to allow the business to grow.

I also kept the existing Saturday boy, Lino Temis, a local schoolboy whose Italian parents lived in Sunninghill. His mother



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used to make pizza for lunch occasionally which was wonderful as it was authentic and homemade. It was these staff who taught me the ropes of this business and gave me my grounding.

I soon learned, and enjoyed the village. I kept the name as it had been known as Chapmans since 1895. I found that although it was hard work, it paid off. The customer would always come first, regardless of what you were doing, you would stop and attend to the customer as it is they who are paying your wages. Even in those days there was plenty of competition, as every village and town would have its own hardware shop. There were 'Do It All' and 'Wicks' type businesses and my attitude to these were that there are customers who would always use these shops, but there were customers who would rather use mine. I had to make it so that it was a pleasant experience to

shop with me and hopefully they would return.

The village itself has changed drastically over the past 40 years. In 1980 we had 2 butchers, a fishmonger's, a gas showroom, a bank, 2 greengrocers, 3 newsagents and only 1 restaurant. Toni International and Matthews were the hairdressers. Gudge Ward was the barber, an elderly man who had the shakes. No cafés and no estate agents.

We have seen a few recessions and have managed to pull through to the other side. I have always felt that being a village, Sunninghill doesn't experience the peaks in boom times, but doesn't then have the lows. And here we are now with this unprecedented Covid-19 outbreak. That's another story for another time!

Robert Ellison

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Dear Mike,

I want to thank the person who contributed the poem on page 17 of the September issue. It's beautiful, and really touched me on what would be the 20th birthday of my son, who passed away in October 2017. Thank you for sharing it for others to enjoy.

Helen Syms

Dear all,

I just wanted to share some lovely feedback I received about this month's parish magazine.

One of my 'buddies' that I have been ringing through lockdown and beyond is Jane Bailey who is housebound and lives in Castleman House, having previously worshipped at All Souls for many years. I rang her yesterday and she was so thrilled with the magazine as the picture on the front is dated August 1925 - the exact month she was born!

Today I spoke to an elderly neighbour who said the same thing although she was born in February 1925 and she loved the memories that the list of events in Mike's editorial gave her.

Both these 95-year-old ladies are housebound but thoroughly 'with it' and I thought you would like to know how much pleasure the magazine brings to those who we don't see around any more but are very much still part of our community.

Well done all and thank you,

Ruth Bannerman

Dear Mike,

We are all having to become used to a new world order caused by Covid-19 with no idea when or how it may end. An effective vaccine may or may not be on the horizon but don't hold your breath. I have taken the opportunity by being forced to spend more time at home rather than globe-trotting, mainly to Africa, to take up new hobbies.

Firstly, learning to play the guitar. A couple of months before lockdown I bought a guitar at the Hospice Shop in Sunninghill for £5, Tim (former guitarist at All Souls) kindly restrung it for me and recommended a young musician called Dean to teach me how to use it. After a number of lessons initially face to face but since lockdown by Whatsapp video, I am becoming a little more proficient but at 72 and with no previous musical education it is not easy. I can now play and sing, but not in public, several hymns including 'All Things Bright and Beautiful,' 'Onward Christian Soldiers' and my definite favourite 'Amazing Grace.' Last week I even wrote a protest song for Africa entitled 'Please Mr President', emphasising that lockdown makes life very difficult for 70% of citizens in Sub Saharan African who earn money to feed their family by begging or trading on the streets.

Secondly since June 22nd I have been photographing butterflies. So far in only two months, I have 'captured' 27 of the 59 species found in the UK including the 'Tortoiseshell,' the 'Adonis Blue,' the 'Brimstone' and the 'Scotch Argus.' I have found it a great new hobby which involves seeing some of God's amazing creations close up, using my little Leica pocket instamatic camera and staying fit. One of my favourite locations is Old Winchester Hill in Hampshire.

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Girlguiding HQ is working hard to make the best of Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers during these difficult times. They have come up with two new badges, Adventures at Home and a special Covid 2020 badge which was produced after a national design competition with the girls, profits from this badge go to the NHS.

Some units have returned in September managing some exciting new activities and games using online technology. Weather permitting we may be able to have some outdoor meetings in small groups and look forward to later in the term when we may be able to return to the Guide hut (providing restrictions don't change). Girlguiding is about being flexible, problem solving and team work so we will continue to inspire girls safely.

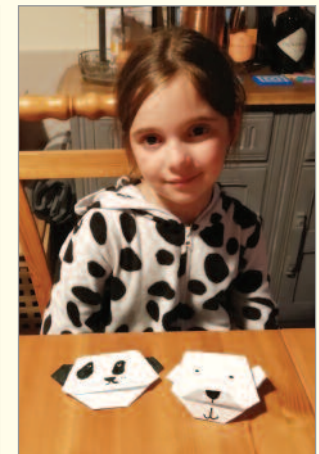
The Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers have had great fun doing activities at home during the summer working towards various badges. Lots of cakes have been baked and several outdoor activities have been completed with the family. The

Brownies have been working on their 'Bear Challenge' over the summer. Challenges included taking your bear on an adventure, making bear cupcakes and bear pizzas (food and cooking is nearly always involved for Brownies!) and making origami bears as in the photo.

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Visitors are invited (free of charge) to join their October and November lectures which are being delivered using "Zoom" technology. The Lectures will be presented on Zoom and there will be an opportunity to put questions via the 'chat' function to which the lecturer will respond at the end of the lecture

Visitors are very welcome to participate in the following lectures and virtual walk and to get a link/invitation should register their interest, via email, to info@tas-englemere

Architecture, History and Material Culture of Moorish Spain 7.45pm Tuesday 13 October 2020 (once registered, please join from 7:30 onwards)

The Alhambra of Granada, the Great Mosque of Cordoba and the Alcazar of Seville are three of the most impressive monuments to the architectural creativity of the Moors in Spain. The classical origins that influenced the Moorish style are less well-known, but their unique interior decorative style

certainly gave their architecture beauty and exotic appeal. Ian Cockburn's lecture will provide a comprehensive introduction to the Iberian peninsula's Moorish architecture.

Ian has a Masters degree in medieval Spanish art history from the Courtauld Institute of Art. He is a specialist in the nearly 800 years of Moorish occupation and Christian reconquest of medieval Iberia.

Politics and Pastimes: Decoration on Printed Fans in the 18th Century 7:45pm Tuesday 10 November 2020 (please join from 7:30 onwards)

Printed fans were a popular option in the eighteenth century and were enjoyed by 'ladies of quality down to kitchen maids.' The leaves of printed fans were decorated with an especially wide variety of subjects. Jacob Moss will tell us about the subjects which decorated their pleated leaves conveying the spirit of the age and laying bare its quirks and conventions.

Jacob has a postgraduate degree in Fashion Curation from London College of Fashion and in 2010 took up a position as Museum Curator, The Fan Museum, Greenwich; the UK's only Museum dedicated to the history of fans and the craft of fan making.

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◀ Can anyone suggest what this cat might have been thinking?

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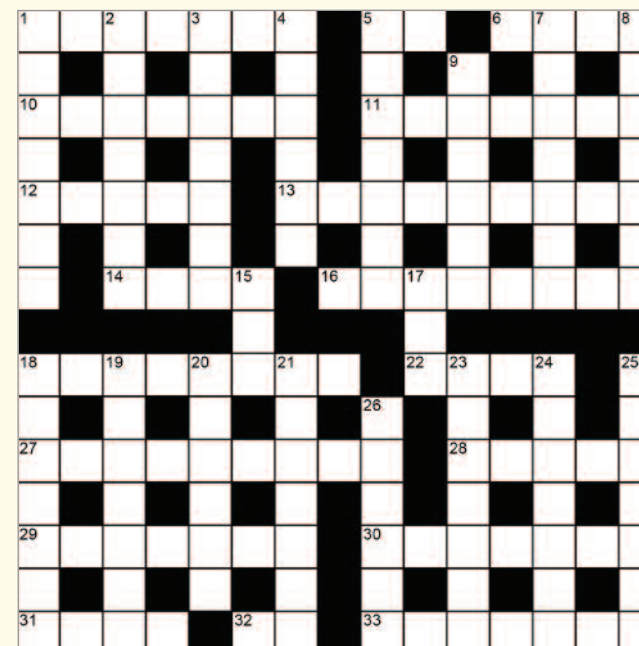
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1. Sailor, young Linda played golf with? (7)
5. Poem written without an ending for the party (2)
6. Beseech Mr Charles to be quiet first (4)
10. Colourful butterfly, like a picture (7)
11. Yours truly and 'er go for a stroll (7)
12. Voucher for Mr Livingstone perhaps (5)
13. Amen, I slug back Spain's boozy answer to St Michael (3,6)
14. Story about gizmos are not right (4)
16. Lazor toy made for lover of animals (8)
18. Concert pianist used slang twice but not on board (4,4)
22. "Include them", Mylene says, for US TV award (4)
27. Ace ethics are written to teach religion (9)
28. Thorn broken to make a point (5)
29. Oh, Basil, get rid of junk (7)
30. Teaches in Eton and Harrow, perhaps (7)
31. German composed music - alternative to very loud (4)
32. Sheeran is boss of newspaper (2)
33. Dan played sax for you, reportedly, evoking imaginary wonderful places (7)

DOWN

1. Roman god and bringer of jollity? (7)
2. Buddy Holly played with this game! (7)
3. Charlie neatly turned so cannot be seen (7)
4. Knotty problem editor soon sorted (6)
5. Singer on a Sunday in Spain? (7)
7. Doubter built fortification (7)
8. Lady Rye worked for perfumier and soap manufacturer (7)
9. Lead-in performed by Barenboim (6)
15. Seal endlessly swims here? (3)
17. Egoist's number? (3)
18. Oi! Lucan recovered famous tenor (7)
19. No fault found in vegetarian dish (3,4)
20. Naughty cat licked half of milky substance (6)
21. Made a beastly noise coming from in hedge (7)
23. Nine hum composition played by famous v violinist (7)
24. Impersonator came out of doorway (7)
25. Ant and Dec perhaps shoot up in empty class (2,5)
26. Is Prince Edward from this West Colchester county? (6)

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01 Oct	Woodend Drive	Acts 20.17-end	O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of Your people who call upon you; And grant that they may both perceive and know What things they ought to do, And also have grace and power Faithfully to fulfil them; Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Who is alive and reigns with you, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.
02 Oct	Woodlands Rid	Acts 21.1-16	
03 Oct	Woodlands Close	Acts 21.17-36	
04 Oct	All Souls Road	Matt21.33-end	
05 Oct	Armitage court	Acts 21.37-22.21	
06 Oct	Ascot High St and Ascot Wood	Acts 22.22-31	
07 Oct	Bagshot Road	Acts 23.12-end	

08 Oct	Bouldish Farm Rd	Acts 24.1-23	Almighty God, You have made us for yourself, And our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: Pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, And so bring us at last to your heavenly city Where we shall see you face to face; Through Jesus Christ, your son our Lord, Who is alive and reigns with you, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.
09 Oct	Bowden Road	Acts 24.24-25.12	
10 Oct	Bridge Road	Acts 25.13-end	
11 Oct	Brockenhurst Rd	Matt.22.114	
12 Oct	Buckhurst Lane and Road	Acts 26.1-23	
13 Oct	Carberry Lane	Acts 26.24-end	
14 Oct	Cardwell Crescent	Acts 27.1-26	

15 Oct	Carroll Crescent	Acts 27.27-end	Almighty and everlasting God Increase in us your gift of faith That, forsaking what lies behind And reaching out to that which is before, We may run the way of your commandments And wind the crown of everlasting joy; Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, Who is alive and reigns with you, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.
16 Oct	Cavendish Meads	Acts 28.1-16	
17 Oct	Charters Lane and Close	Acts.28.17-end	
18 Oct	Cheapside Road	Luke 10.1-10	
19 Oct	Church Lane	Phil.1.1-11	
20 Oct	Church Road	Phil.1.12-end	
21 Oct	Coombe Lane	Phil. 2.1-13	

22 Oct	Coronation Road	Phil. 2.14-end	Blessed Lord, Who caused all holy scriptures to Be written for our learning: Help us so to hear them, To read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them That through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, We may embrace and for ever hold fast The hope of everlasting life, Which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, Who is alive and reigns with you, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.
23 Oct	Cromwell Road	Phil.3.1-4.1	
24 Oct	Dorian Drive	Phil.4.2-end	
25 Oct	Durning Place	Matt.22.24-end	
26 Oct	Elizabeth Gardens	1 Tim.1.1-17	
27 Oct	Exchange Road	1 Tim.1.18-end	
28 Oct	Fennell Close	John 15.17-end	

29 Oct	Field House Close	1 Tim. Ch 4	Almighty God, you have knit together your elect In one communion and fellowship In the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints In all virtuous and godly living That we may come to those inexpressible joys Who is alive and reigns with you, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and for ever.
30 Oct	Fir Tree Close	1 Tim.5.1-16	
31 Oct	Fox Covert Close	1 Tim.5.17-end	

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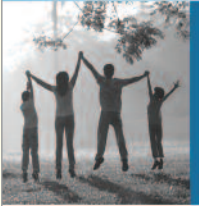


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