#### Local man celebrates 100th birthday

Tom Roynon enjoyed visits from many well-wishers as his landmark occasion approached but the highlight must have been to have all his four daughters there to join in the congratulations. All the girls attended the Sunday School at Langford Chapel when the family lived in Maisemead. Tom had a busy life in farming and his cottage has some memorabilia of those days. He tells us that he enjoyed working with horses and he has made a fine model haycart.



### Seasonal quiz

- Before He was crucified, the Lord Jesus celebrated a special meal with His disciples. What was it called?
- 2. They went together to a garden where Jesus prayed. What was the name of this place?
- 3. Among those who came to arrest Jesus was a servant of the High Priest. He was hit with a sword. Where was he injured?
- 4. Who denied three times that he knew Jesus?
- 5. The Lord Jesus was taken before the Roman governor. What was his name?
- 6. He wanted to release Jesus but the crowd asked for someone else to be saved from death. What was his name?
- 7. What did the sign over Jesus' cross say?

All the answers can be found in Matthew's Gospel, Chapters 26 and 27.

#### Verse for the month

But now is Christ risen from the dead . . .

1 Corinthians Chapter 15 verse 20.

Easter greetings to all our readers — Jesus is alive!



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# Spring has sprung



We have the usual lovely line of daffodils along the Chapel boundary wall this year though we think they will be over before Easter.

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### God moves in a mysterious way

That hymn was chosen by **Angela** when she came to the Chapel in March to share her story of how she became a Christian and it was certainly very apt, for among the remarkable facts she mentioned was that it was an unexpected comment by an *atheist* that caused her to think about God and then to buy a Bible!

We first met Angela a few years ago when she was earnestly trying to find her way to the Lord and sought our help when visiting the Chapel for the first time. We rejoiced to hear a short while later that she had found peace through trusting the Saviour. Since then she has moved home a few times, been baptized in obedience to the

Lord's command, and worked for two Christian organisations. That's not all, for she was not alone on her recent visit, being accompanied by **Andrew**, whom she married in 2020. Like so many things that have happened in her life, Angela believes this was an answer to prayer. If you missed being with us on the 13th March, you can watch the YouTube video on the Langford Chapel channel or just go to our



website: https://langfordevangelicalchurch.org/events

### Prayer requests

Go on praying about the sad situation in Ukraine.

Don't forget the people in **Afghanistan** who need our prayers. Ask God that as we celebrate the **Resurrection** of Jesus we will be filled with praise and a renewed love for our Saviour.

Give thanks for friends who have recently **recovered** from the virus and pray that the latest wave will subside.

Go on praying for those who are **lonely**.

Ask the Lord to raise up more young men to **preach** His word.

### Top Tweet

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"I am listening Lord, for Thee; what hast Thou to say to me?" #Listen #God #Jesus

Frances Ridley Havergal 1836-79

# From the Pastor's study

I was reflecting on the difference in how things are now compared to two years ago - the first Covid lockdown was in operation and all our services were being pre-recorded for YouTube as churches were not allowed to open. We did not know then that it would be that July before we were permitted to have services in the Chapel again, or that another, thankfully shorter, lockdown would hit us in November. It all made for a strange and rather remote Easter as we celebrated the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus. What many of us realised was that we had been guilty of taking the blessings of corporate worship for granted and perhaps we vowed we would not do that in the future. So where are we now? Do we eagerly anticipate the time when we can make our way to a service? Will Easter Day be extra special now even the perspex screens have gone? Let us remember that in many parts of the world Christianity is frowned upon and it is not possible to meet openly to praise the Lord. Some in Ukraine are in cities occupied by invaders and face problems; for others the sound of bombs and shells may be drowning out the music. May we enjoy our freedom to worship with thankful hearts!

## For your diary

Our **Easter Day** services (17th **April**) will be held at the normal service times of 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Before that though is **Good Friday**, when we will have a shorter service of meditation and reflection on the

Cross. This will be at the earlier time of **10.30 a.m.** 

Our annual Members meeting is on the **28th**. There are five Saturdays but remember the **Aroma** coffee morning is on the *fourth* Saturday - **23rd**.