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*"Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord;
and let light perpetual shine upon them"*

We pray for those who have died and for the bereaved:

January
7th Betty Smith Aged 81

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Reflection for February by The Revd. Stuart Peace

Here's to the next time.

Stand by for a busy month starting with Candlemas, Valentine's Day, Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday, Lent, and the commemoration of George Herbert Priest and poet. Except it seems some of it will just pass by certainly as far as church life is concerned, apart of course from the possibility of Zoom Lent groups and our regular YouTube services. O well here's to the next time perhaps, hopefully!

I am sure we all know that Candlemas is the presentation of the baby Jesus at the temple and also the purification of the Virgin Mary which is a wonderful opportunity for a discourse on visions but I wrote all about that last February and although tempted I won't repeat that or something may happen to me to get stuck forever in February!

Last February was very different to this February and it occurred to me that this was a suitable time to reveal this. On one of my visits to USA in February I learnt that in USA Candlemas is also Groundhog Day which has something to do with the ending and beginning of a weather season and that it is also a time to party and let your hair down a bit before the Christian seasons start again at Lent. Some of you may have seen the film "Ground Hog Day"

The story is about a weather man who is reluctantly sent to cover a story about a weather forecasting large hibernating rodent. This is his fourth year on the story, and he makes no effort to hide his frustration. On awaking the 'following' day he discovers that it's Groundhog Day again, and again, and again. First he uses this to his advantage, then comes the realisation that he is doomed to spend the rest of eternity in the same place, seeing the same people do the same thing every day. Does that ring a bell for anyone this year?

Apparently the American Groundhog day owes its origin to an ancient tradition of Candlemas from the Christian world of the western northern hemisphere. There was an old belief that a sunny Candlemas day would lead the winter to last for 'another six weeks'.

*If Candlemas day be dry and fair
The half o' winter to come and mair
If Candlemas day be wet and foul
The half o' winter gane at Yule,*

Or rather more clearly if you prefer:

*If Candlemas day be fair and bright
winter will have another fight.
If Candlemas day brings cloud and rain
Winter will not come again*

So what about the partying aspect, I referred to above, of our pre-Lenten time? It is understandable enough that before a long period of abstinence during Lent, human nature should allow itself some extra permission in the way of fun and good cheer.

Actually this does bring back memories of this time from when I was a boy chorister when we used the Book of Common Prayer lectionary of Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima. Those Latin names indicated the count down to Lent based on the number of days to Easter. To see these names written on our hymn sheets added to a feeling of importance to such events and indeed were a time when winter carnivals and fairs were held.

In addition we would have Youth Club Saint Valentine Day parties and one family who kept chickens (not unusual in those immediate post war days) would host a pancake party at the church hall on Shrove Tuesday including the fun of trying to toss the pancake!

So depending on the time of Easter there are days or even weeks of what is called "Ordinary Time" but as Easter is early this year most of Lenten preparations fall in this busy February.

In any event Ordinary Time is more than just every day, common place, and bland time. It is ordinary because it gives order. Rather than meaning common or mundane, this term comes from the word "ordinal," which simply means counted time as indicated in those beautiful Latin words of Septuagesima, Sexagesima, and Quinquagesima.

Ordinary time does not need to be "ordinary," and is not meant to give us a break from the Liturgical Year. The opposite is true: Ordinary Time celebrates the human pattern of life, of survival, of joy, of love, of the need for repentance and trying to understand the mystery of Christ, in God's love for his creation. So before Ash Wednesday we will have Shrove Tuesday, a day of waste not, want not, before our repentance and entrance into Lent. We will also celebrate love with Saint Valentine and remember George Herbert the priest and poet and perhaps his poem "LOVE "a discourse on God's Love for us.

Love bade me welcome, yet my soul drew back,
guilty of dust and sin.
But quick-ey'd Love, observing me grow slack
from my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning if I
lack'd anything.
"A guest," I answer'd, "worthy to be here";
Love said, "You shall be he."
"I, the unkind, the ungrateful? ah my dear, I
cannot look on thee."
Love took my hand and smiling did reply, "Who
made the eyes but I?"
"Truth, Lord, but I have marr'd them; let my
shame go where it doth deserve."
"And know you not," says Love, "who bore the
blame?" "My dear, then I will serve."
"You must sit down," says Love, "and taste my
meat." So I did sit and eat.

Post script.

I wonder if I said one two three four "Here's to the next time" how many of you would begin to sing the song conducted by Henry Hall after his radio and latterly television programme in the 1960's. He was a famous band leader of the inter war years who continued his popularity into the 1960's with "Henry Hall's guest night" and then latterly his closing music became the title of his programme. This theme was about meeting on a virtual dance floor via radio or television but I see the dance that occurs in the church during the sharing of the "Peace" where the joy of greeting is conducted by the Holy Spirit, so here is to the next time.

Stuart Peace

The Revd Mike Stewart

Our Parish Priest and Associate Rector, the Revd Mike Stewart, will be taking a much-needed sabbatical (he prefers to call it a "break") from his duties here up at St Barnabas. This break will start on 1 February 2021, and is expected to last at least 3 months (i.e. he will not be returning to his duties until at least 1 May).

Mike explained his reasons for the break to the PCC at their meeting on 11 January. Whilst recognising that - in the middle of the Covid pandemic - the timing was far from ideal, Mike explained that he had found the pressure - to deliver continuous online worship for St Barnabas (via the Zoom platform) for the past 10 months or so - had created considerable stress for him. This, combined with his failure to allow for a proper period of post-operative recovery from his Prostate Cancer and subsequent operations, had led him to recognise that he needed a break from the "coal-face" (so to speak).

Mike has every intention of returning to his duties at St Barnabas as soon as he feels restored. He feels that, despite Covid, the St Barnabas Community is in good shape and good heart. Mike and the PCC believe that St Barnabas can look forward with confidence to meeting 2021 with both hope and financial security (following a very successful financial Appeal in December to restore our Church Finances in the face of Covid).

During Mike's absence, the PCC intends to continue offering regular attractive online services via Zoom as before, and we are gearing up to provide these. We are working to ensure continued clerical support with friendly, familiar faces. It will, therefore, be "business as usual".

We wish Mike and his wife Carol a peaceful and restorative break, and we look forward to his return on or after 1 May.

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Bits and Pieces

NEWS FROM VERONICA WATTS

Thank you for all your support at this very difficult time for everyone. You will be pleased to hear that I have signed up for several online sessions which the Diocese provide for new churchwardens on different topics.

The first one, which was entitled 'I'm a churchwarden, get me out of here!' was attended by 44 participants and it was led by the Archdeacon of Surrey, Paul Davies, together with the Archdeacon of Dorking, Martin Breadmore.

They talked about the different aspects of the job; including the spiritual aspect, strategy and vision, health and safety, safeguarding, the financial aspect, parish needs, support of the clergy, the collaborative nature of leadership as well as the care of the church buildings and land, and the session was most helpful and encouraging although it was a lot to take in!

I am looking forward to the next three sessions which are going to look at some of these aspects in more depth. I am very glad that the diocese is keen to provide a lot of support for parishes, offering both practical and spiritual help which is a very good thing.

ST MARTIN'S AND ST MARY'S PRAYER DIARY FOR 2021

The New Prayer Diary for 2021 is now available. If you would like a copy, please get in touch to let me know if you would like a pdf version to print at home or a hard copy which I can send or drop round. Thank you for praying! Veronica (01306 640775 or veronica@candvwatts.co.uk)

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The Mountain Ash Corner

I do trust and pray you are all safe and well
What about this second lockdown?
Is it making you frown?
Or are you trying to work towards a crown?

Life is not easy, in fact pretty grim,
and hospitals are full to the rim.
We pray for all the medical and nursing staff
who are providing such wonderful sacrificial
care
with which absolutely nothing can compare.

We thank that there are available Covid
vaccines.
Let hope and pray there will be enough
means
To vaccinate everyone and everybody.
God is here in the midst of this pandemic.

Although it is hard to grasp this fact
We must trust and cling to this as a priority.
As Christians we have a hope beyond this
earthly life.
And it will be wonderful one day when there
will be no more strife

Beautiful place too where there will be no
more weeping, mourning, pain or death.
This world is not our home - we are just 'a
passing through'
Let's look beyond the now and yearn for the
future.

May God bless you and keep you
My prayers and blessings are with you.

PS I have just had a total hip replacement, and
am convalescing, so would value your prayers
please for an uneventful recovery. Its quite
tough going but time will allow healing.

I know you have already been
thinking and praying for me,
thank you.

Rowan Nunnerley



School's Out

Current disruptions
to children's schooling
have led me to look
again at the early
history of Pixham



School. Here is some information from the first 20
years, chronicled in the School's Log Book.

Pixham School opened as an infants' school in July
1880 (before the current pattern of academic years
was introduced). Children as young as 3 were
admitted. It opened with 27 children, and a month
later, 39 were on roll. However, in September, a
measles epidemic reduced attendance to 13, and
the School was closed until 11 October. On
reopening, only 14 children attended, and there was
"much whooping cough about". On 20 October it
was very snowy and only 13 children were at
school, and on 28 October it was very wet, with
only 12 children in the morning and 13 in the
afternoon.

On 24 February 1881, only 11 children were
present on another very snowy day. The Log Book
mentions the death of pupil Albert Tullett from
diphtheria on that day, and his sister's death on 14
March. The School took precautions to prevent the
spread of the disease, and no child was allowed to
attend if anyone in their family had a sore throat.

On a happier note, afternoon attendance was bad
on 27 September 1882, as several children went to
the circus.

In January 1885 attendance was again poor, due to
the weather.

By May 1886 there were 92 children on roll (the
highest figure to date). How they were
accommodated is difficult to envisage, as this
predates all the extensions to the original building.
However, that autumn 17 children left to attend
Dorking schools, as they were over 7 years old.

In the summer of 1891 the School was closed for 9
weeks due to whooping cough, and in the summer
of 1894 the School was closed for a month due to
diphtheria.

Since those days, vaccination has been introduced
for diphtheria, whooping cough and measles.

Mary Peckham

Churches Together in Dorking AGM, January 2021

Joint Report of St Martin's Shared Church and Dorking Christian Centre

With our town centre location, we sensed that it was important to keep open to the greatest permitted extent, and that's just what we did.

Services have continued in the church as much as possible. Regular on-line worship has been masterminded by vicar Derek Tighe via our "Spire of Dorking" YouTube channel. We have had the church open for private prayer and a quiet space. Our Christmas decorations this year had a tree theme. In the absence of crib and similar services, families were invited to come and see.

Our widely-read magazine extended to 12 issues instead of the usual 11, and became available on line. Our pastoral team made and maintained many contacts.

Peter and Debs Bunn moved to Devon after decades of service – a hard act to follow.

We set up an Eco group, gaining a bronze award and contacting other local church-based groups who gave encouragement.

The Christian Centre continued throughout the year to host CTD's foodbank plus the community fridge, helping to reduce hunger and waste. Our kitchen has stayed open too, providing hot takeaway and locally delivered meals – even waitress service for a while. We are so grateful for the ongoing dedication of manager Janette, chef Jason, volunteer Hayley and others.

But we had to say goodbye to chaplain Rowan and assistant manager Clare. Both performed great works. Our new assistant manager is Debbie Turner.

We thank MVDC (who pay the chef) and Surrey County Council for ongoing support. We even managed to lay new flooring - just in time for it to be adorned with Covid-related stickers.

The show goes on in church and centre. In particular a working group is overseeing transfer of the centre's managing trusteeship to the Dorking & Horsham Methodist Circuit Meeting, with continued local input. So we maintain and share our purpose for the town and for Christ: "a tangible expression of God's kingdom." In common with other places of worship we have gone to great lengths to achieve covid-security and are therefore pleased that, this time, both the church and the centre are in the fortunate position of being able to stay open during lockdown.

Prayer works!

Diana Burges and Peter Essex

*St Martin's lay representatives to Churches Together in Dorking
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Prince Charles launches 'Terra Carta' as the basis of a recovery plan for Nature, People and Planet.

by HRH The Prince of Wales



The interdependence between human health and planetary health has never been more clear. As we start a new decade, it is time to focus on the future we wish to build, and indeed leave, for generations to come. Humanity has made incredible progress over the past century, yet the cost of this progress has caused immense destruction to the planet that sustains us. We simply cannot maintain this course indefinitely.

To build a productive and sustainable future, it is critical that we accelerate and mainstream sustainability into every aspect of our economy. To move forward, there must be a centre of gravity to catalyze such a monumental effort, and to mobilize the resources and incentives required. Over the past year, through my Sustainable Markets Initiative, I have convened leaders from across industries and almost every sector, and challenged them to identify ways to set our planet on a fundamentally more sustainable trajectory. Together, these outstanding business leaders have seized this opportunity to develop a charter of ambitious, but practical action. With these insights, I am launching this 'Terra Carta' as the basis of a recovery plan for Nature, People & Planet.

At this historic tipping point, with the lives and livelihoods of present and future generations in mind, the Terra Carta aims to provide a roadmap for acceleration towards an ambitious and sustainable future; one that will harness the power of Nature combined with the transformative power, innovation and resources

of the private sector.

For nearly every problem we face, Nature, with the benefit of billions of years of evolution, has already provided us with the solutions. Universal principles rooted in the harmony of Nature's patterns, cycles and geometry, which ancient civilizations and indigenous peoples have known all too well, need to be harnessed to inform science, technology, design and engineering and can, in fact, drive a sustainable future. But time is fast running out and we are rapidly wiping out, through mass extinctions, many of Nature's unique treasure trove of species from which we can develop innovative and sustainable products for the future. Timelines for change must be brought forward if we are to make a transformative shift by the end of the decade and before it is too late.

Over the coming years, my Sustainable Markets Initiative will report on and update the Terra Carta regularly in order to reflect the rapid pace of change and the continuous progress being achieved around the world.

If we consider the legacy of our generation, more than 800 years ago, Magna Carta inspired a belief in the fundamental rights and liberties of people. As we strive to imagine the next 800 years of human progress, the fundamental rights and value of Nature must represent a step-change in our 'future of industry' and 'future of economy' approach. With this in mind, Nature, of which we are an integral part, lies at the heart of the 'Terra Carta'.

Today must be the decisive moment that we make sustainability the growth story of our time, while positioning Nature as the engine of our economy. To help us succeed, and to complement global efforts across public, private and philanthropic sectors, I am calling on CEOs from around the world to engage and play their part in leading the global transition. To guarantee our future, we have no other choice but to make each day count – and it must start today.

The full document can be viewed on www.sustainable-markets.org/terra-carta

A Plunge into Early Methodist Ecumenism - Or Lack of it

“DEAR SAMMY”

A PLUNGE INTO EARLY METHODIST ECUMENISM – OR LACK OF IT

When this issue comes out, we shall just have observed the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Here’s a tale of crossing Rubicons, complete with family tensions.

On 16 September 1789, John Wesley wrote a letter to “Sammy.” This was his nephew Samuel, referred to in his time as the English Mozart. Sammy’s father was the eminent hymn-writer Charles Wesley (who, be it ever remembered, remained an Anglican priest to his dying day.) Samuel fathered Samuel Sebastian Wesley. Bach to the future, you might say.

Our Sammy had his troubles. For a start, he took the amazingly libertarian view that marriage was constituted by sexual intercourse without any need for a religious or even civil ceremony. Having thus attracted scandal, he did eventually marry his mistress Charlotte. They had three children. Any prospect of a fourth was wiped out when Charlotte discovered he was having an affair with their teenage maid Sarah. Sammy and Sarah proceeded apace with procreation. Samuel Sebastian was one of the fruits.

Now you’d think this was enough to make a dad pretty cross, but by the time of his conjugation with Charlotte our Sammy had converted to Roman Catholicism. Charles took time off from more readily recognisable hymnody to express himself in the following somewhat immoderate couplet:

*That poison of the Romish sect
O let not his soul infect.*

If you think that’s bad, Charles’ original text of “O for a thousand tongues to sing” included among its eighteen verses the following horror:

*Awake from guilty nature’s sleep,
And Christ shall give you light,
Cast all your sins into the deep,
And wash the Ethiop white.*

He wouldn’t get away with that now, either. On his way to explain himself to the appropriate authorities, Charlie might find himself dwelling on Malachi 2: 10 and Acts 10: 28.

With so expressive a father plus cavorting with teenage girls, it’s not too surprising that Sammy sometimes found himself overtaken by mental instability, on one occasion defenestrating himself only to survive and spend time in what was then lovingly called a lunatic asylum.

It is said that Sammy’s conversion to “the Romish sect” also dismayed Uncle John. We shall now disprove this. Here is part of what John, at the age of 86 and not long after the death of Charles, wrote to him:

My Dear Sammy...I advise you carefully to read over Kempis, the life of Gregory Lopez, and that of Monr. de Renty. They are all among my brother’s Books...I am, dear Sammy, your Affectionate Uncle and Friend, J. Wesley.

So John Wesley advises his nephew to study Roman Catholic writings. This is not the letter of a man dismayed by his nephew’s divergence from Protestantism. It is the letter of a distinctly avuncular uncle. Moreover we learn that Charles, for all his apparent shock-horror, had been harbouring the very books!

Long may our respect for and understanding of one another grow until the prayer “May they all be one” is answered visibly. In seeking unity, as well as in humility, we seek the mind of Christ. We shall find neither in the arrogance of separatism, which it seems may harm the kids.

Petrus Incognitus

[The “Dear Sammy” letter was found years ago by Robert Gribben in the Sugden Heritage Collection of vintage Methodist material held in Melbourne, Australia. He analysed it at much greater length and far more eruditely.]

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:
Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.

Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

Words: by T. Dudley-Smith (born 1926)
Music: 'Lord of the Years' by Michael Baughen (born 1930)

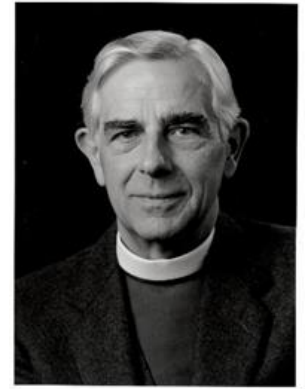
Timothy Dudley-Smith the writer of this hymn was born in Manchester on Boxing Day in 1926, to Phyllis and Arthur Dudley-Smith, a school-teacher. He was educated at Tonbridge School, before studying maths and then theology at Pembroke College, Cambridge. After graduating in 1947, Dudley-Smith began ordination training at Ridley Hall, was ordained deacon in 1950 and priest in 1951.

After serving as a curate at St Paul's, Rochester he held a number of church positions, including being editorial secretary of the Evangelical Alliance and editor of *Crusade* magazine created after Billy Graham's 1954 London crusade. He was also secretary with the Church Pastoral Aid Society, Archdeacon of Norwich, From 1981 until his retirement in 1992, he was Bishop of Thetford, Norfolk. He was also President of the Evangelical Alliance from 1985 until 1992.

On his retirement he moved with his wife Arlette, to a village in Wiltshire. She died in 2007 after 48 years of marriage, but Rt. Revd. Dudley - Smith still lives in

Wiltshire and at 94 is an honorary assistant Bishop at Salisbury Cathedral.

He did not actually start writing hymns until the 1960s but, with over 400 to his name and many scholarly publications on hymns, in 2003 he was awarded an OBE by the Queen "for services to hymnody".



Timothy Dudley-Smith

He was born in the same year as our Queen Elizabeth, their teenage years lived during WW2 with enormous changes in our society, our country and the world since then. The increases in scientific understanding and medical knowledge and advances in technological communication are mind boggling, but the world is not a better place for all that - so much stress, anxiety and fear.

I recently learned that scientists have now proved that practising gratitude i.e. remembering something good that has happened or saying thank you for some blessing or kindness and speaking it out loud lifts your spirits - and singing it is even better.

When we express gratitude and receive the same, our brain releases dopamine and serotonin, the two crucial neurotransmitters responsible for our emotions, and they make us feel 'good'. They enhance our mood immediately, making us feel happy from the inside.

By consciously practicing gratitude everyday, we can help these neural pathways to strengthen themselves and ultimately create a permanent grateful and positive nature within ourselves."
Madhuleena Roy Chowdhury,
PositivePsychology.com

'Count your blessings' has always been good Christian advice - now science has caught up and agrees that this does indeed make us feel better.

Hymn of the Month contd.

In 'The Sound of Music' Maria sang 'These are a few of my favourite things' to cheer herself up when she was feeling sad and taught Von Trapp children to sing 'Doh, a deer a female deer, Ray, a drop of golden sun etc. I love that musical - definitely one of my favourite things.

Singing 'Lord, for the years' will definitely lift our spirits as it begins with thanks to a trustworthy Lord, who loves and cares for us, and has saved, pardoned and provided for us.

The 2nd verse then extolls the virtues of the word of life, the Bible, which teaches, trains, rebukes and inspires us; also perhaps reminding us that we should read it regularly, so it can do these things!

Verse 3 is a prayer for all the ordinary people we know in our generation, who are oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care and is followed by a lament in verse 4 for the wider world, where God is disowned and doubted and without knowing the comfort of his love we are hungry, helpless and lost. This verse ends with a prayer that Christ may reign.

Finally, the last verse is a prayer for ourselves - that God will remake us to be more Christ-like, as we allow him to guide our future and to be Lord of our lives.

Indeed the whole hymn is a wonderful prayer, which is even more uplifting and inspiring, when sung to the tune by Michael Baughen, also a retired Anglican Bishop now in his 90's. The Rt Revd Michael Baughen was Bishop of Chester from 1982 - 1996 and was also a lover of hymns and hymnody.

Science has proved, what we always knew in our hearts, that singing hymns is not only enjoyable but good for us!

A Prayer: Heavenly Father, we thank you for all the blessings of this life and especially for the gift of music and the communications technology that allows us to participate in virtually even when we are locked down and alone at home. We look forward in faith and hope to that the time when the death, suffering and anxiety of the present COVID plague is over and we can once more sing physically with others and join the

heavenly choirs of angels in singing your praise, when your Kingdom of love, justice and mercy comes to all the world. Amen

Diana Burges

PRACTISING GRATITUDE

"Enjoy the little things. For one day you may look back and realize they were the big things."

Robert Brault

Gratitude in all forms is associated with happiness. Whether we say 'thank you' to someone or receive the same from others, the feeling it brings is that of pure satisfaction and encouragement. Expressions of gratitude help in building and sustaining long term relationships, deal with adversities and bounce back from them with strength and motivation.

NEWS FROM BROCKHAM CHORAL



Brockham Choral Society has just had their 1st rehearsal of 2021 which was a ZOOMING success. Preparation for new music was gathered not only by the Music Selection Committee but by our enthusiastic Music Director Cole Bendall, supported with recordings of piano accompaniments distributed to the choir by our accompanist Marion Lea.

We are hoping that our voices will be heard in a live performance in May, featuring Dvorak 'Mass in D' and excerpts from Karl Jenkins the 'Armed Man' amongst other musical treats. The choir will be accompanied by the Covent Garden Sinfonia Wind Quintet with Cello.

When the current Covid situation allows us, we are ready to rehearse live at St. Joseph's Church as all the necessary Covid security checks are in place.

If you would like to join us you will receive a very warm welcome.

Please visit our website

www.brockhamchoral.org for up-to-date information.

Answered Prayer

I came to your door
with soup and bread.
I didn't know you
but you were a neighbor
in pain: and a little soup and bread,
I reasoned, never hurt anyone.

I shouldn't reason.
I appeared the day
your divorce was final:
a woman, flushed with cooking
and talk, and you watched,
Fascinated,
coiled like a spring.

You seemed so brave and lonely
I wanted to comfort you like a child.
I couldn't of course.
You wanted to ask me too far in.

It was then I knew
it had to be like prayer.
We can't ask
for what we know we want:
we have to ask to be led
someplace we never dreamed of going,
a place we don't want to be.

We'll find ourselves there
one morning,
opened like leaves,
and it will be all right.

Kathleen Norris (born 1947)

Evidence

*'A great deal of anecdotal evidence suggests that we
respond positively to birdsong.'*
Scientific researcher quoted in The Daily Telegraph
8.2.2012

Centuries of English verse
Suggest the selfsame thing:
A negative response is rare
When birds are heard to sing.

What's the use of poetry?
You ask. Well, here's a start
It's anecdotal evidence
About the human heart.

Wendy Cope

On Change of Weathers

And were it for thy profit, to obtaine
All *Sunshine*? No vicissitude of *Raine*?
Thinkst thou, that thy laborious *Plough* requires
Not Winter *frosts*, as well as Summer *fiers*?
There must be both: Sometimes these hearts of
ours
Must have the sweet, the seasonable Showers
Of *Teares*; Sometimes the Frost of chill *despaire*
Makes our desired *sunshine* seeme more faire:
Weathers that most oppose the Flesh and Blood,
Are such as helpe to make our *Harvest* good:
We may not choose, great God: It is thy *Task*:
We know not what to *have*; nor how to ask.

Francis Quarles, English poet, 1592-1644

Ceremonies for Candlemas Eve

Down with the rosemary and bays,
Down with the mistletoe ;
Instead of holly, now up-raise
The greener box (for show).

The holly hitherto did sway ;
Let box now domineer
Until the dancing Easter day,
Or Easter's eve appear.

Then youthful box which now hath grace
Your houses to renew ;
Grown old, surrender must his place
Unto the crisped yew.

When yew is out, then birch comes in,
And many flowers beside ;
Both of a fresh and fragrant kin
To honour Whitsuntide.

Green rushes, then, and sweetest bents,
With cooler oaken boughs,
Come in for comely ornaments
To re-adorn the house.

Thus times do shift; each thing his turn does hold ;
New things succeed, as former things grow old.

Robert Herrick, English poet & priest, 1591-1674

Thaw

Over the land freckled with snow half-thawed
The speculating rooks at their nests cawed
And saw from elm-tops, delicate as flowers of
grass,
What we below could not see, Winter pass.

Edward Thomas, (1878-1917)

Forthcoming plans for church services

The following is entirely subject to future guidance from HMG and PCC/Standing Committee

The confirmed cases locally have dropped significantly and that trend will hopefully continue. Accordingly plans for re-opening the churches are as follows, but please keep checking our website for the latest information.

St Martin's

It is planned to re-open St Martin's for physical services from Wed Feb 17th, with the first physical Sunday service at 10am on Feb 21st, 1st of Lent. Physical services will then take place on the following Sundays.

It is proposed to hold an Ash Wednesday service in St Martin's at 11am on Wed Feb 17th: the issues around imposition of ashes have yet to be resolved.



The format of Mothering Sunday service (March 14th) will be reviewed regarding posies and Covid safety.

Pre-recording of Sunday services and publication on YouTube will continue. Derek plans to play these over Zoom for Feb 7th and 14th at 10am to a generally invited audience.

It is hoped that supervised private prayer will resume on Feb 17th.

St Mary's
Physical services to resume on and from Sunday March 7th. No opening for private prayer.

St Barnabas, Ranmore

To continue with Zoom services for the time being. Church open for private prayer only by arrangement.

The Lord's Prayer

O Breath of Life, flowing in all creation,
may the light of your presence fill the universe.
Your way of being come, your desire be done,
in this and all realms of existence.

Bring forth the nourishment and insight we need
for this day.

May forgiveness of self and others be our lived
reality.

Liberate us from all things that bind us and deliver
us from unhealthiness.

For you are abundant life, creative unity and
glorious harmony,
through all time and beyond. Amen.

(The Lord's Prayer, based on translations from Aramaic, by Neil Douglas-Klotz)



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Your favourite Sumatra Coffee, Traidcraft's Jude visits Sumatran Producers

Here at Traidcraft, we believe that visiting producers is crucial to our understanding of fair trade and our ability to progress and pioneer the future of fair trade.



That's why at the end of 2019, Traidcraft's Jude travelled to the source of some of our most popular coffee, Sumatra, accompanied by Traidcraft's resident coffee expert, Alex Urban.

The trip to source was extremely eye-opening for Jude. Here, Jude explains all about Permata Gayo Cooperative and what difference fair trade has made to their cooperative, workers and community.

“The real purpose of the trip was for Alex and I, in collaboration with Roasters United (a group of European coffee roasters committed to working directly with small farming cooperatives to promote high quality coffees that are organically grown in democracy), to support the on-going relationship with Permata Gayo Cooperative. However, I also wanted to delve into the world of our coffee producers, come back with some real-life stories behind the coffee you buy from Traidcraft and to get a better understanding of what fair trade really is.

The eagle eyed amongst you will have spotted that our Eat Your Hat coffee range doesn't display the Fairtrade mark on the packaging. The reason for this is simple: in order to use the Fairtrade logo, all of the various organisations in the supply chain must be Fairtrade certified. Although Traidcraft and Permata Gayo Cooperative are certified, Roasters United and some of the other cooperatives from whom we buy coffee beans for Eat Your Hat are not certified. This does not mean we don't pay a premium. When buying coffee beans from Permata Gayo Cooperative, Roasters United (who buy coffee on behalf of Traidcraft) pay much more than the Fairtrade price.

During my visit to Sumatra I wanted to see what Permata Gayo spend this additional money

on. Some of the extra income is used communally by coop members – as they see fit – to improve their social, economic and environmental conditions. In 2018, with some of the money, they decided to buy agricultural tools for the processes involved in farming, e.g. brushes for cleaning and rakes for drying the beans.

Fairtrade money has also enabled Temas Mumanang village to invest in a new depulping unit (a machine used to remove the red cherry skins from the coffee beans, a crucial step in the bush to bean journey – more on this later). We were lucky enough to see this machine in operation during our visit!



Partly financed by Fairtrade money, Permata Gayo Coop are currently implementing a new Compost Project, which uses, amongst other things, the red cherry skins to produce natural fertiliser for the coffee bushes.

In collaboration with Permata Gayo Coop and Coop Coffees in Canada, Roasters United are also contributing to what's called a Project Fund. This additional pot of money helps the coffee farmers to launch more innovative projects. 75% funded by Roasters United and Co-op Coffees, and 25% funded by the Fairtrade Premium, one such project is the Climate Change Adaption Program which was implemented in 2019 and was one of the most exciting things I saw during my visit. It is primarily a tree planting scheme with three main aims:

1. To protect the coffee bushes (they require partial shade and protection from the rain to grow best).
2. To help farmers diversify their income (from fruit trees).
3. To improve soil quality.

Your favourite Sumatra Coffee

Different crops and trees are being planted on different farms, for many different reasons. The following factors are involved in the decision:



- Rainforest Alliance states there must be at least 12 tree varieties within the scheme.

- Farmers decide what type of tree they need based on what's good for their coffee bushes and their own requirements. As well as the tree planting scheme, the programme involves planting more coffee crops, but specifically those that are more pest-resistant such as Tim-tim, Bourbon and Catimor.

One final thing I discovered is that Permata Gayo Coop have a programme in place to help their farmers during the low seasons. That is, some of the additional money received from organisations, such as Traidcraft, who pay more than the fair price, enables the coop to distribute rice to their farmers and workers during the off season, when they don't have an income from coffee. This fully holistic approach shows why fair trade is fundamental to smallholder farmers of seasonal products such as coffee".

Did you know?

It only takes three/four years from planting the coffee bush to being able to pick the cherries.

In Sumatra, it only takes four/five days for a coffee bean to be dried out ready for export. The first drying gets the beans to 40% moisture and takes place straight after depulping. The beans are then transported and the second stage is done at the Dry Mill in Medan, where the coffee is raked and dried in the sun to reduce the moisture to 12-13%. Only then is it ready for packing and shipping.

There are 35 villages in the Permata Gayo Cooperative. Each village has about 50-60 farms delivering to 59 collectors. Overall there are about 2000 workers within the Permata Gayo Cooperative.

Sumatra is the only place in the world to practice wet hulling. Most other coffee growers use the washed process. Why? The humid and rainy climate of Sumatra makes it difficult to dry coffee for extended periods and the wet hulling process allows for a shorter drying time.

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Dorking Museum in February

Plans were in place to re-open the Museum's main exhibition gallery at the beginning of January, but this was once again hit by pandemic restrictions. At the time of writing, we are unable to confirm whether the gallery will be open, but great care has been taken to ensure that, when the time is right, it can open safely whilst continuing to offer an appropriate visitor experience. Please check with the Museum website, social media sites or local media.

"We hope that the measures that are being taken to combat the virus and the accessibility of an effective vaccine will be leading us towards some degree of normality," says interim Chair Kathy Atherton. "We are excited at the prospect of once again being able to play our role in the vital cultural life of our local community and our visitors."



Kathy Atherton
Interim Chair of
Dorking Museum
and co-author of
the *Mayflower*
book, 'The
Weaver, the
Shoemaker and
the Mother of a
Nation' (Image:
Royston
Williamson)

Although the doors have been locked, the Museum has still had a busy and productive past year, allowing more opportunity for activities outside of its four walls. These included two short films on the *Mayflower* theme, radio interviews, Zoom lectures, welcoming film crews to the Museum (for the BBC's *Bargain Hunt*) and the caves, a *Mayflower* themed family treasure hunt, working with a local school on online resources, relaunching the schools loan box programme, publishing local-interest books and much more.

Website and social media manager Erica Chambers also welcomed "a chance to turn our attention to our website and give that a good spring clean – a long and slow process that is still ongoing. A few new volunteers got in contact offering their help, so we were able to update and enhance whole sections of the website. We have updated our WWI memorial pages and the Local Writers and Great Estates pages, added new information from our archive and the other Local History Group resources and created new links and google maps. See dorkingmuseum.org.uk/local-history/.

Whilst going through our archives, we discovered a number of walks leaflets that had been produced in the past and are working to add these to the website. These include a Vaughan Williams walk, two Dorking walks produced for European Architectural Heritage Year in 1975 and walks around the Leith Hill area from Abinger Parish magazines of 1889, partly rerouted to take account of modern topography. See dorkingmuseum.org.uk/selfguidedwalks/.

We can always use more researchers to expand sections of our website. If you see something that you would like to help us investigate further, please e-mail admin@dorkingmuseum.org.uk.

We have also created a Facebook page "Dorking Through the Ages: A Community Photo Project" and are putting images from our archive onto it, with a digital map which will go onto our website. We would love you to add your memories to these pages. If you are not on Facebook, you can send your photos to the museum.



Dorking Through the Ages:
First arrivals at door of
CAWG (Christian Alliance
of Women & Girls) prem-
ises in Junction Road 1939
(Dorking Nurse School
photograph album)

E M Forster: The first special exhibition of 2021, postponed from last summer, is planned to be '**Forster@50**', commemorating the 50th anniversary of the death of the novelist E M Forster, who spent more than 20 years of his life at West Hackhurst, near Abinger. It explores the life and impact of Forster, concentrating on his life locally, his local associates, the local initiatives he took part in and the impact of the area on his novels. The exhibition is mounted in collaboration with academics from Nottingham Trent University, although timing is uncertain at the time of writing (please check the website).

Dorking Museum in February contd.

Meanwhile, the Museum's publishing arm, The Cockerel Press, has published an accompanying book, **Forster in 50**, available from the Museum shop (when open) and online bookshop. The work of one of the exhibition's co-curators, Heather Green, it is an innovative reimagining of Forster's five classic novels, presented in a uniquely accessible format. Each story is retold in only fifty words and accompanied by stunning illustrations by artist Jonny Green, designed to inspire a whole new generation of readers.

The Museum is at 62 West Street, Dorking RH4 1BS. Please check the website for re-opening, www.dorkingmuseum.org.uk. Enquiries to admin@dorkingmuseum.org.uk.



Forster@50 exhibition:
E M Forster by Dora Carrington
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Forster in 50 book: A Room With a View
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Chuckles for February

Botox?

I am sure, when there is little to do or to look forward to, that you would appreciate a chance to improve your appearance? We all do this with make up, cleansers, conditioners etc. but the real make over is a face lift. Have you ever considered this? You could look ten years younger, more attractive (when you can go out and show this off) and have an increased sense of wellbeing and self worth.

I have come across a very good offer. The plus side is that IT IS FREE. The down side is that it has a limited time span. Here is my secret. Did you know that if you go on to Zoom, hidden away, is the option to 'touch up your appearance'. You can 'reduce under eye baggage' 'sort out mild skin blemishes' 'give yourself a more polished look'.

I realise that this would only be for the time of your zoom appearance, but hey ho, anything is worth a go if it gives you a life during this 'down' period.

Christine Lawrence

My mates told me there was a job going. £100 per hour at the local clockwork toy factory. Turned out to be a big wind up.

A guy knocked on my door and asked where I get my energy from. I said mostly from food and sunlight.

'What do you do?'
'I'm a spy'
'So why are you dressed as a shepherd?'
'I'm a shepherd spy...'

There was an explosion at the pie factory. The blast could be heard 3.14 miles away.

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I bought a book on medical procedures. When I opened it I found the appendix was missing!

My mum always used to say "40 is the new 30."
Lovely woman...banned from driving though.

Last night an aeroplane crashed into my bedroom. Turns out I'd left the landing light on.

With hair salons, nail salons and beauty salons closed, it's going to get ugly out there.

Being a family of six, this limit on 5 in the house can be challenging. My little brother keeps complaining it's cold outside.

"What did you think about the 2020 disaster?"
"Could you narrow it down a little?"

Surely someone with 20/20 vision should have seen this coming.

I ran out of toilet paper and had to start using old newspapers. Times are rough.

Bought my friend an elephant for his room. He said 'Thanks.' I said 'Don't mention it.'

I think that people who shorten their name to Pat are missing a trick.

I can't believe that the word 'gullible' looks like a cat when viewed upside down.



As I get older and remember all the people I lost along the way, I think to myself...maybe a career as a tour guide was not the right choice.

I've stopped investing in Polos, bagels and ring doughnuts. I'm sick of the hole business.

'How much to hire a church singing group?'
'You mean a choir?'
'Fine, how much to acquire a church singing group?'



Recipe for February - Swedish Red Cabbage (Rödkål)

We found this recipe when we lived in Sweden in 1969–70 and it has become a special treat round about Christmas.

Ingredients

Half a red cabbage (about 500 gm or 1 lb)
25 gm (1 oz) butter
1 cooking apple, peeled, cored and cut into sections
1 onion, chopped
1 teaspoon caraway seeds
½ teaspoonful salt
1 tablespoon golden syrup
3 tablespoons cider vinegar
3 tablespoons water

Method

Trim and wash the red cabbage. Cut the cabbage in two lengthwise and remove the stalk. Shred the cabbage and add to the melted butter. Add the apples, onion, salt, caraway seeds and syrup. Moisten with vinegar and water. Cover the pan with a closely-fitting lid and simmer gently for 45–60 minutes. Stir occasionally and add more liquid if necessary. Remove the lid towards the end of cooking so that the surplus moisture is reduced by evaporation. Taste the cabbage for seasoning.

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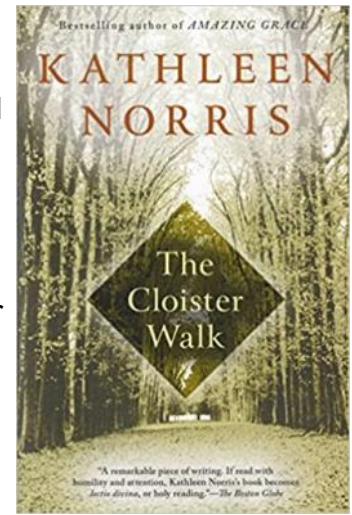
The Psalms

To the modern reader the psalms can seem impenetrable: how in the world can we read, let alone pray, these angry and often violent poems from an ancient warrior culture?

At a glance they seem overwhelmingly patriarchal, ill-tempered, moralistic, vengeful, and often seem to reflect precisely what is wrong with our world. And that's the point, or part of it. As one reads the psalms, it becomes clear that the world they depict is not really so different from our own. The psalms remind us that the way we judge each other, with harsh words and acts of vengeance, constitutes injustice, and they remind us that it is the powerless in society who are overwhelmed when injustice becomes institutionalized.

In expressing all the complexities and contradictions of human experience, the psalms act as good psychologists. They defeat our tendency to try to be holy without being human first.

Extract from Kathleen Norris's "The Cloister Walk"



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Interesting Photos



Our Vicar caught on Zoom in a recent St Barnabas service singing in the Ely choir a *little* while ago.

Derek writes; I have fond memories of that particular recording. The actual sound recording took place in the CTS Studios in London, famous for being the studios where many of the James Bond film soundtracks were recorded; we then had to lip sync the visuals in a small church in Cambridgeshire three weeks later!

An extraordinary snowman made by one of our congregations' grandson.

Note the crossed arms, quirky smile and jaunty angle of hat!

He's moved on now to wherever melted snowmen go.



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