

# THE PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING MELTHAM



July heralds the middle of summer and with it come two gorgeous flowers that are unique not only in appearance but in growth as well. The Delphinium, otherwise known as the Larkspur, as well as the Water lily has both been awarded the honour of representing July as its birth flower.

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## **SERVICES IN THE PARISH JULY 2015**

<b>Date</b>	<b>St. Bartholomew's</b>	<b>St. James'</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>	<b>Christ Church</b>
<b>July 5th</b>	9.00am HC 10.30am Meltham			11.15am HC Bapt x1
<b>July 12th</b>	9.30am HC/Bap x 1	<u>5.00pm</u> <u>5Alive</u>	11.00am HC	11.15am HC
<b>July 19th</b>	9.30am HC	10.00am MW	11.00am AAW	11.15 HC
<b>July 26th</b>	9.30 W 4A	10.00am HC	4.00pm Evening	11.15am Bapt x2
<b>August 2nd</b>	9.30am FC/ Bapt.	10.00am HC	11.00am BCP	11.15a HC

## Letter from your Vicar

‘Praise God from whom all blessings flow’, another of my favourite hymns!

Last month I talked about the hymn ‘Brother, Sister let me serve you’ and the difficulty we often find ourselves in when needing help or support from others.

I want to personally thank all those people who have offered help, support and prayers for my sister, Susan, and her family.

I’m really pleased to tell you all that after a three hour wait on the 15<sup>th</sup> June Susan, Sonya (her daughter) and I were told by the Consultant that Susan’s second liver biopsy showed NO CANCER CELLS!

Susan, Sonya and I were left stunned at the news because we had really built ourselves up for what we thought was the inevitable.

Susan is being transferred to the specialised liver and kidney department at Manchester Royal Infirmary for further investigations as to the cause of her constant nausea and sudden rises of temperature. Her Consultant thinks that they might be caused by infected liver nodules but will know more after detailed investigations. She's still a very poorly lady.

Thank you all for your care and concern over these last six/seven traumatic weeks.

Heavenly Father,  
Giver of life and health:  
comfort and restore those who are sick,  
that they may be strengthened in their weakness  
and have confidence in your unfailing love;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

With my love and my prayers for you all.

Maureen xxx

A DanishQuote:

A good example is like a bell that calls many to church





# ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S ROTA JULY 2015

Date	Altar	Church	Sidepersons	Coffee
July 5th	Vacant	4th July Mrs. B Furniss	Mrs. J Swallow Mrs. A Woodings	Mrs. C Mitchell Mrs. V Poole
July 12th	Mr. & Mrs. P Taylor	11th July Mrs. S Gregory	Mrs. C Woodroffe Mrs. P	Mrs. C Moulson Mrs. M Ball
July 19th	Mr. & Mrs. S Ball	18th Mrs. G Taylor	Mr. A Ball Mrs. M Ball	Mrs. M Hardy Mrs. S Wood
July 26th	Mr. N Webb	25th Mr. N Webb	Mr. J Mitchell Mrs. C Mitchell	Mrs. B Jennings Mrs. V Armitage
August	Vacant	1st August Mrs. B Furniss	Mr. R Styan Mrs. J Lane	Mrs. M Thorley Mrs E Radcliffe

## ST. MARY'S JULY ROTA 2015

DATE	SERVICE	READINGS	PRAYERS
July 5th	Joint service in Meltham for Meltham Memories	n/a	n/a
July 12th	11.00am Holy Communion	John	Jacqueline
July 19th	11.00am Animal Service with Judy	Kim	Jacqueline
July 26th	4.00pm Evening Service	John	Kim
August 2nd.	11.00am BCP with Maureen	n/a	n/a

## READINGS IN THE PARISH JULY 2015

Date/Day	Theme	1st Reading	Gospel
July 5th	The Rejection of Jesus of Nazareth	2 Corinthians 12: 2-10	Mark 6: 1-13
July 12th	The Death of John the Baptist	Ephesians 1 :3-14	Mark 6 :14-29
July 19th	Feeding the Five Thousand	Ephesians 2 : 11-end	Mark 6 :30-34 53-end
July 26th	Feeding the Five Thousand • Heaven	Ephesians 3 :14-end	John 6 : 1-21
August 2nd	The Bread from Heaven	Ephesians 4 :1-16	John 6 :24- 35



## ST. JAMES' JULY ROTA 2015

Date	Service	Reader	Sidespeople	Coffee
<b>July 5th</b> <b>Meltham</b> <b>Memorie</b>	<b>10.30am</b> <b>At St.</b> <b>Bartholomew's</b>			
<b>July 12th</b>	<b><u>5.00pm</u></b> <b><u>5alive</u></b>	TEAM		Kirstin Crossley Christine Bleasdale
<b>July 19th</b>	<b>10.00am</b> <b>MW/Med</b>	Tim/ Chris	Richard Walker Clinton Burhouse	Jean and Clinton Burhouse
<b>July 26th</b>	<b>10.00am</b> <b>HC</b>	J Powell	Clinton Burhouse Andy Pearson	Jenny Mathers Jean Burhouse

## HELME JULY ROTA 2015

Date	Flowers	Intercessions	Side Person Welcome	Altar Server	Coffee	Reader
<b>July 5th</b>	<b>Monica</b>	<b>CLERGY</b>	Eileen	Christine	Jenny B	Pat
<b>July 12th</b>	<b>Christine</b>	<b>CLERGY</b>	Christine	Janet	Eileen	Tracy
<b>July 19th</b>	<b>Christine</b>	<b>CLERGY</b>	Sheila	Jenny B	Janet	Janet
<b>July 26th</b> <b>Bap x2</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	<b>CLERGY</b>	Monica	Christine	Moyra	Moyra
<b>August 2nd</b>	<b>Margaret</b>	<b>CLERGY</b>	Tracy	Janet	Christine	Eileen

When on coffee duty, please take a pint of milk and biscuits if necessary **Thank you**

### PLEASE NOTE

If anyone would like to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one, please call either Eileen Hague on **851164** or Margaret Tunnacliffe on **850724**, **thank you**

## 200 Club

### **JUNE winners were:-**

<b>£ 100</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>Miss B Hirst</b>
<b>£10</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>Mrs. E Shaw</b>
<b>£10</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>Mrs. S Holloway</b>
<b>£10</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>Mr. Mr. R Dixon</b>
<b>£10</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>Mr D Crawshaw</b>
<b>£10</b>		

**D Earnshaw**

## **WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

The July meeting will be held on Tuesday the 28th at 7.30pm in the church and then in the church hall when the speaker will be Pat Atkins talking about the Silk Road cities of Usbekistan

We will be serving tea/ coffee during the “ Knitted bible exhibition” so any donations of cakes/traybakes etc. would be appreciated

**Catherine Moulson**

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**PLEASE NOTE If anyone would like to go on the Altar Flower list please see Catherine**

## **Stairway to Heaven**

(from Ian, Curate in the Emmanuel Team, Huddersfield)

Last month I celebrated Ascension Day at St James' Church, Meltham Mills. It was a lovely service in a church which fittingly – and unusually – has a stained glass window depicting the Ascension of Christ.

I was especially impressed by the display of candles at the front of church, which represented the return of Christ to his Father in Heaven.

Thanks to the Revds. Maureen Read and Charlene Smith of the Parish of Christ the King, Meltham for the invitation.

## HELME LADIES.

By popular request we visited Hampson's Plant World near Wakefield on the 12<sup>th</sup> May. We went last year and, whilst it was an enjoyable day out, we didn't have enough time to see around the extensive facility. It was coffee and cakes upon arrival and then we split up into groups to go our own way. About 90 minutes later we drifted back into the restaurant for lunch. The meals are simple but beautifully prepared and not in the least expensive. Finally another sojourn around Hampson's before we headed for home laden with plants and goodies. On the following day we met at St. Joseph's Church in Aspley to say our final farewell to Jean Sykes. To an almost packed church the proceedings were led by Father Phillip Hall. It was a fitting service for a truly inspiring, friendly and hard working lady who is already being sadly missed, not least by the many organisations in our village where Jean did a sterling job. A few days later our own Reverend Maureen Read held a Thanksgiving Service in St. Bartholomew's Church, Meltham which was another very well attended and moving occasion.

We received a bonus from the Scarecrow Festival. For a number of years we had borrowed a large gazebo under which we placed our stand for selling various items of goods. However we were told that the gazebo was going to be sold on Ebay and that we should make different plans for next year. At the time the joke was 'Has anyone got an umbrella big enough?' However, later in the evening, we received a phone call from the owner who made a super generous free offer of the gazebo to Helme Ladies. Needless to say we accepted with grateful thanks. It now resides in our garden shed and ready for any suitable event in the future.

At our meeting in Helme Church on 26<sup>th</sup> May we held a 'Plant Swop' where members took along a selection of plants and put them into a pool. Each member then took out new plants from the pool in exchange. It was a good and inexpensive way to add to the varieties in peoples gardens.

We began our series of summer evening strolls on the 9<sup>th</sup> June. We met in the car park of the Wills O' Nats and wandered down the road to pick up the path alongside the catchwater drain. It was a beautiful evening and very clear as we wandered along the path towards Blackmoorfoot reservoir. In winter this path can be notoriously wet and muddy but on this occasion it was firm and dry. When we reached the road from Helme, we turned left, over the bridge and immediately left again onto Dunnock Road which is an old, unmade, cart track which is much favoured by equestrians and mountain bikers as well as walkers. The track follows the contour of Meltham Cop and the views from this elevation are simply superb. A panorama which extends from Deer Hill in the west to Emley Moor and beyond in the east. We stopped to admire the scenery and one member was heard to say 'We live in a lovely place, don't we!' - and we all agreed! We ended our walk inside the Wills O' Nats with drinks, a supper of sandwiches and chips and another bout of hearty conversation. We had another splendid evening at the Lawrence Batley Theatre on June 10<sup>th</sup> to see the musical Copacabana. It is the story of an American girl who arrived in New York with ambitions to be a singer immediately after the second world war. The music and the songs were written by Barry Manilow and the singing in the show was very good. It didn't quite match 'Buddy' we saw a few weeks earlier but we all, nevertheless, really enjoyed this, very different, show.

**Hazel Gibson—contact telephone 01484 852711**

## CHURCH HALL DIARY FOR JULY

Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Stage Company Show	7pm
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	“ “ “	7pm
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Meltham Memories Weekend	
	Vintage Fayre	10am – 4pm
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Greater Manchester Police	
	Band with Jive tuition	8pm to late
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Refreshments after Memories Church Service	
	Crossroads Fashion Show	1pm
	(See flier for details)	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Zumba	2-3pm
	Slimming World	5.30pm & 7.30pm
	Women's Institute	7.30pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Flower Club	7pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Over 60's	2pm
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	St. Barts Coffee morning	9.30am
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Zumba	2 – 3pm
	Slimming World	5.30pm & 7.30pm
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	OMHG	1.30pm
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Forget-me-not coffee	9.30am
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Zumba	2 – 3pm
	Slimming World	5.30pm & 7.30pm
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Baptist Coffee morning	9.30am
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Zumba	2 – 3pm
	Slimming World	5.30pm & 7.30pm
	Women's Fellowship	7.30pm
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	Flower Club Coffee	9.30am

A “Quiet Day” at  
St. James’ church, Meltham Mills  
on Wednesday 8th July 2-15 10.00am to 3.00pm  
The theme will be:

‘Praise Him’

**As always everybody is most welcome to join us for as much of the day as they wish. please bring a packed lunch –hot/cold drinks will be available**

### Monarchial names and places of enjoyment

The very words Royal, Regent, Regal, Princess and Palace normally mean something to do with monarchy, but to adults and youngsters alike, the names could also mean “the pictures.” When parents said “We’re going to the palace”, could it Buckingham to an investiture that we were not aware of ? (Well some people do go there for such an occasion) Not in our case.

Some cinemas or “the pictures” as most people called them bore aristocratic names. Such cinemas were edifices to magnificence, comfort, sumptuousness and allure. On entering you were greeted by the manager in evening dress and you might sit in the elegant foyer, talk in whispers as though in a cathedral before being shown to your seat, paying more for the best seats. Watching the film of your choice you could be gladdened, saddened or maddened but whichever occurred you enjoyed it and the highlights remained with you and were much talked about. Cinemas with these aristocratic names were generally in the “premier league” of comfort and pricing. In the next division were names such as Alhambra, Hippodrome, Palladium, Odeon, names taken from places of entertainment in ancient times. In the lower league of names and with basic comfort and facilities was the Electric Cinema, probably so called because the gas lights had been replaced. A very ordinary title, along with The Cosy Cinema. Smoking as we all recall, was permitted in the audience and nobody it seems thought this a health or fire risk. What with smoke ascending and wet raincoats, in retrospect it could not have been too healthy, but we loved every minute. Attitudes have changed for the better. The highlight of the cinema week for youngsters was the Saturday Junior Club. Community singing with a man playing the organ preceded the films. Every child knew the songs because at school we were taught traditional and popular songs of the era. Once this was over, the curtain was raised which was the signal for stamping of feet and cheering which built up to a crescendo. The first film was a cartoon, then the serial, (a clever move because it meant you all returned next week), and then the big picture. This was usually a western with Tex Ritter, Roy Rogers or Gene Autry, “soft” cowboys by today’s standards of “spaghetti” westerns where there are more murders than Midsummer. Gene Autry was the singing cowboy and one story relates to him saying “ Those varmints have stolen ma cattle and hogs, burnt ma barn and stampeded the horses. I’m gonna get after those critters pronto if it’s the last thing I do, but first of all I’ll sing a song! At every cinema after the performance the national anthem was played, most people trying to leave as the music started. How unpatriotic. Ken Dodd said at the end of a picture or live performance, you could always tell the Yorkshire men, as soon as they announced that a charity collection would be taken at the end, Yorkshire folk were the first out! Contrary to popular belief it simply isn’t true! Am I a film fan? Yes I am but almost exclusively for films of the 40’s, 50’s and 60’s and the black and white are great. When I am in alone, whoopee, a night to enjoy a film.

**John Mitchell**

## ALE TALK

by Pam Murgatroyd

I've really enjoyed going to Ale Talk, where there's been more talking than ale.

The whole thing has been about listening, while others recall their own tale.

At first there were mostly men there, women just Alison and me,

But when we spoke the men listened, there was no telly you see.

We talk on many topics, though not always nice

And we'd always have one subject just to break the ice.

The new Bishop came one evening he told us of his life

Of how he got religion and how he met his wife.

Now with a few more women to equal the numbers that go,

It equals the opinions, which can be different from fellers, you know.

Thanks Nigel for your Ale Talks on Tuesdays just two weeks apart,

You have drawn quite a lot to the Waggon from the very start.

So come along and join us, it's not just about having a drink,

It's sharing ideas and opinions, try it and see what you think.

### A BIG THANK YOU

Sue & Geoff Crowther thank everyone for the lovely flowers, cards and good wishes on the safe arrival of their grandson, Henry.

Sarah Nick and baby doing well

### ***“CROSSROADS”***

***1940's to 1970's***

### ***FASHION SHOW & SALE***

on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm  
in the Parish Church Hall  
Greens End Road, Meltham

Admission £3  
Refreshments available

***Battle of Britain Fly Past of  
Spitfire, Dakota & Hurricane  
at 1.45pm - to be confirmed***

***(Special thanks to Valli Opticians for the loan of the groovy specs)***

**The Knitted Bible Exhibition (on loan from St Georges URC Hartlepool)**  
**is coming**  
**to St Bartholomew's, Meltham**

It will be on display from Wednesday 29th July  
until Wednesday 5th August!

There are 33 different scenes listed below.

If any individuals, , families, groups, or businesses would like to sponsor  
a scene for £20.00 in memory of a loved one or a special celebration  
please let Jen know 850050

**In The Beginning - Creation**

2. Adam & Eve
3. Noah's Ark
4. Abraham & Sarah
5. Jacob's Ladder
6. Joseph & His Brothers
7. Moses in the Bulrushes
8. Moses & the Ten Commandments
9. Samson & Delilah
10. Samuel in the Temple
11. David & Goliath
12. Elijah
13. Fiery Furnace & Lion's Den
14. Jonah & the Whale
15. Angel Gabriel visits Mary
16. Jesus is Born
17. John the Baptist
18. The Wedding at Cana of Galilee
19. Woman at the Well
20. The Poor Widow
21. Jairus's Daughter
22. The Good Samaritan
23. Jesus Blessing the Children
24. Paralysed Man & His Friends
25. The Boy with Loaves & Fish
26. Zaccheus
27. Jesus in Bethany
28. Raising of Lazarus
29. Palm Sunday
30. The Last Supper
31. The Crucifixion
32. The Resurrection
33. Breakfast on the Beach



The display is superb and well worth a visit!

See the **back page for more details**

## **ST MARY'S REPORT**

Rev Dennis Shields was the celebrant at a service of Holy Communion on 18th May. He was assisted by Jacqueline France and John Andrews read the lessons. Liz Pearson was the organist and Kim Howe led the intercessions. Rev Dennis spoke about how we can be confident, when we go out into the world, knowing that Jesus is praying for us.

On Pentecost Sunday Rev Charlene Smith baptised Jack Richard, son of Annabel and Richard Thornton. Jack's godparents were Christopher Thornton, Daniel Taylor and Natasha Tottman and his aunty, Charlotte Walker read a poem. Liz was the organist and Rev Judy Kenworthy offered the prayers. There was a really happy atmosphere as Pentecost is the time that the Christian Church celebrates its' birthday and what better time could there be to welcome a new member into that Christian family. Jack was presented with a book and a picture that all the congregation had helped to make.

The following Sunday there was no service at St Mary's as we joined in with United Parish Communion Service held at St James' Church, Meltham Mills. At the beginning of June, Rev Judy led a service of Holy Communion, assisted by Kim Howe. Peter Pearson was sidesman and Margaret Trayte read the lessons. Last Sunday, at a service of All Age Worship, Rev Charlene helped us to think about how God sows the seeds of faith in our hearts at our baptism and of how God helps that seed to grow. John read the lessons and Liz played the organ. This was the last Sunday service that Rev Charlene took before she was priested and we wished her all the best and assured her of our prayers at this very special time in her life.

Final plans were made for cleaning the church and preparing for the Flower Festival which takes place at St Mary's on 26th, 27th and 28th June so we shall all be working very hard over the next couple of weeks.

### **BELL HOUSE REPORT**

Rev Judy Kenworthy celebrated a communion service at Bell House Residential Home on Wednesday 3rd June when we thought about God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

Rev Judy, Liz and Kim also joined those who live at Bell House, their family and friends, on Sunday 7th June as we enjoyed "Tea for Two". There were delicious cakes and buns to enjoy, some made by the residents, as well as a fun quiz. Vera and Mable were in our team and we did really well but it was Gladys' team that won. There was also a raffle and a guess the name of the book worm competition. Our thanks go to Kerry and all the staff for a lovely afternoon.

### **UNITED PARISH COMMUNION SERVICE**

Rev Maureen Read led a united service of Holy Communion on Trinity Sunday, at St James' Church, Meltham Mills. The church families from Christ Church, St Bartholomew's and St Mary's joined the congregation of St James' as the Parish of Christ the King came together to share this act of worship. Christine Wood read the lessons, Christine Rolls provided the power point material and Rev Peter Rolls and Rev Judy Kenworthy assisted with the chalice. Rev Maureen offered the prayers and spoke about "God's Grace" and coffee was served following the service



## **HOLY LAND REFLECTIONS**

Adam Whittle (Manchester Diocese)

I confess I did not know what to expect when I decided to go on pilgrimage to the Holy Land. But now that I'm back I can only say, "What an experience!" To actually be in the land where our Lord God and to walk in His footsteps: to Galilee, Jordan, Jericho, Bethlehem and Jerusalem was such a privilege; I will never forget it.

There were many amazing experiences during our trip, like the hustle and bustle of Jerusalem, the Church of the Nativity, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the peace and tranquillity of dipping my feet in Lake Galilee, or even the Dead Sea.

For me the greatest thing about our journey was being able to share it with other pilgrims; the fellowship and prayer that we shared and the time that we spent together was so special and memorable.

The Holy Land is a place of such wonder and beauty, but it is also a land of great unrest and conflict. It brought home to me just how tense the situation is and how quickly it can change. Sadly, just like in Jesus' day, Jerusalem suffers with conflict and strife and needs our prayers more than ever.

I have no doubt that it was a life changing experience for everyone who came us on our journey, we will never forget what we saw and experienced. I am sure that we will be blessed with many special memories for years to come.

***Reverend Dennis and Reverend Maureen invite you all to come to St James' Church on Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, when they will share with you a Powerpoint presentation of their recent "leaders familiarisation tour."***

***Due to unforeseen circumstances there are now two places left for the pilgrimage in November.***

## Recipe of the Month

### Chocolate Date Krispies

4 oz butter or margarine

$\frac{2}{3}$  cups sugar

8 oz dates chopped finely

3 cups Rice Krispies

Chocolate to coat

Melt the butter/margarine and sugar in a pan. Add the dates and simmer until the dates are soft. Stir in the Rice Krispies. Press the mixture into a greased swiss roll tin. Melt sufficient chocolate to spread over the top. Put in the 'fridge to set and then cut into squares.

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## Dates for your July Diary

- 1<sup>st</sup> July Clergy meeting – 2.0 pm – Vicarage  
1<sup>st</sup> July Holy Land Pilgrimage presentation – St James' –  
7.00pm  
4<sup>th</sup> July Meltham Memories  
5<sup>th</sup> July Meltham Memories Service – St Bartholomew's –  
10.30am  
5<sup>th</sup> July Baptism – Christ Church – 11.15am  
5<sup>th</sup> July Crossroads Fashion Show  
6<sup>th</sup> July Christ Church DCC – Pat Radford's – 2.00pm  
8<sup>th</sup> July Oasis Quiet Day – St James' – 10.00am onwards  
11<sup>th</sup> July Helme School Summer Fayre  
11<sup>th</sup> July First Aid Course – Crossroads Centre – 10.00am-  
2.00pm  
12<sup>th</sup> July Baptism – St Bartholomew's – 9.30 am  
13<sup>th</sup> July Helme School Worship – 9.15am – all welcome  
14<sup>th</sup> July Greenacres Songs of Praise – 1.30pm  
15<sup>th</sup> July Holy Communion with lunch – St Bartholomew's-  
11.00am  
19<sup>th</sup> July Tim and Kate Lee visit St James' – 10.00am  
19<sup>th</sup> July Animal Service – St Mary's – 11.00am  
26<sup>th</sup> July Baptisms – Christ Church – 11.15am  
28<sup>th</sup> July Greenacres Holy Communion – 1.30pm  
29<sup>th</sup> July Knitted Bible Display begins – St Bartholomew's  
10.00am-4.00pm  
29<sup>th</sup> July Scarr Green Holy Communion- 1.00pm  
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*From the Parish Registers*

*Baptism 'We welcome you into the Lord's family'*

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*Marriage A gift of God in creation and a means of His grace*

Rebecca Jane McNeil and Jamie Michael Parker

*Deceased 'Rest eternall grant unto them o Lord'*

Patricia Wayte, Philip (Pip) Cliffe.

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Anyone wishing to have their loved ones names  
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## **Helme Hall**

have their service of  
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2.00pm  
in the lounge.

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them

## **GREENACRES** **SONGS of PRAISE**

**14th JULY 2015**

**1.30pm**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**28th JULY 2015**

**1.30pm**

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## **PRAY WITH US**

The poorest of the poor will  
find pasture, and the needy  
will lie down in safety.

Isaiah 14:30

## **I AM SOMEBODY**

A prayer inspired by the  
words of Revd W H Borders

I am Somebody

I may be poor

But I am Somebody.

I may be young

But I am Somebody.

I may be on the street

But I am Somebody.

I must be respected,  
Protected, never rejected.

I am a child,

I am Somebody.

Father God, you created us  
all in your image and  
you see the worth in each  
and every one of your children.

Grant us the wisdom to see  
the Somebody in everybody  
and help us to be  
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difference.

**Amen**

Source: Street Child World Cup 2014



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**The Parable of the Good Samaritan**  
**A picture for you to colour**

But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

*Luke 10:33*



## Luke 12:27

***“Consider how the lilies grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these”***

A friend gave us an amaryllis bulb, complete with plastic pot and a small bag of compost. The bulb looked dry, lifeless, with a tangle of desiccated white roots but we potted it, watered it, and put it on a warm window sill in the light .Transformation. Three or four days later the first shoot appeared. It was very pale green and tentative, as though it was just sticking its head above the parapet to see what was going on, and ready to duck down again if it didn't like what it saw. Each day it grew a little bigger, stronger, a slightly darker green. Then a second leaf appeared.

That's where it is now but I know from past experience that in a few weeks there'll be a straight and robust stem, several dark long green leaves and then the final glory of those huge brilliant scarlet flowers singing silent praise to their creator. That's God, not me. I only watered it.

When we were given the bulb we could have kept it carefully wrapped up in its box but then it would never have grown. There'd have been no life, no flowers no beauty. Life's for living. It can be tempting to stay quietly in our own little corner ignoring the world at large, but we can't, not really. We're part of the world, with all its ups and downs and we have to share in it. So come out of your box today, root yourself in reality and try life. There's a lot of beauty out there if you look for it. And you might even get in touch with the creator of it all.

Taken from Love is a Wild Bird  
By Eddie Askew.

## **5 Alive – June Report**

5 Alive for June 2015 tackled the question – “How to get God on your side?” This might seem an unusual topic but many of us occasionally think “Will God be happy with me doing this?” Or perhaps “If I do this God will be pleased with me!”

After singing “We welcome You,” we broke the rules and had a Charades game – we asked “How do kids please parents?”. This was great. The children acted out – cleaning teeth, washing up, picking clothes up from the floor and much more!

What was behind this? Our reading was from Genesis 22:3-14. This is the story of Abraham believing that God wants him to sacrifice his most precious son Isaac to make Him happy, and at the last minute he sees a ram and kills that instead.

We read from Brian McLaren’s book “We Make the Road by Walking”. This gives the background to the normality of sacrificing animals/humans in Abraham’s day. In Jesus we believe God said the final ‘no’ to human sacrifice – or animal sacrifice!

God doesn’t need these things to get him on our side! If the children could act – so could their carers! We ask the carers who were there to act – what do kids need to do to get you on their side? What makes them smile? What melts their heart? The answers were very simple!

If simple things please us as carers, what pleases God our Father? We read Micah 6:6-8. He wants us to “do justly love mercy and walk humbly with Him!” It doesn’t take much to make God happy!

There were some good DVD clips to illustrate the points we were sharing. It’s important to apply what we learn. We had three prayer stations:

Act Justly - prayers about injustice,

Love Mercy -prayers of commitment to acts of kindness,

Walk Humbly - prayers about being forgiven and forgiving others

30 of us of all ages enjoyed learning and trying to understand how we live out these great words from Micah – and being reassured again that sacrificing children wasn’t on the list!

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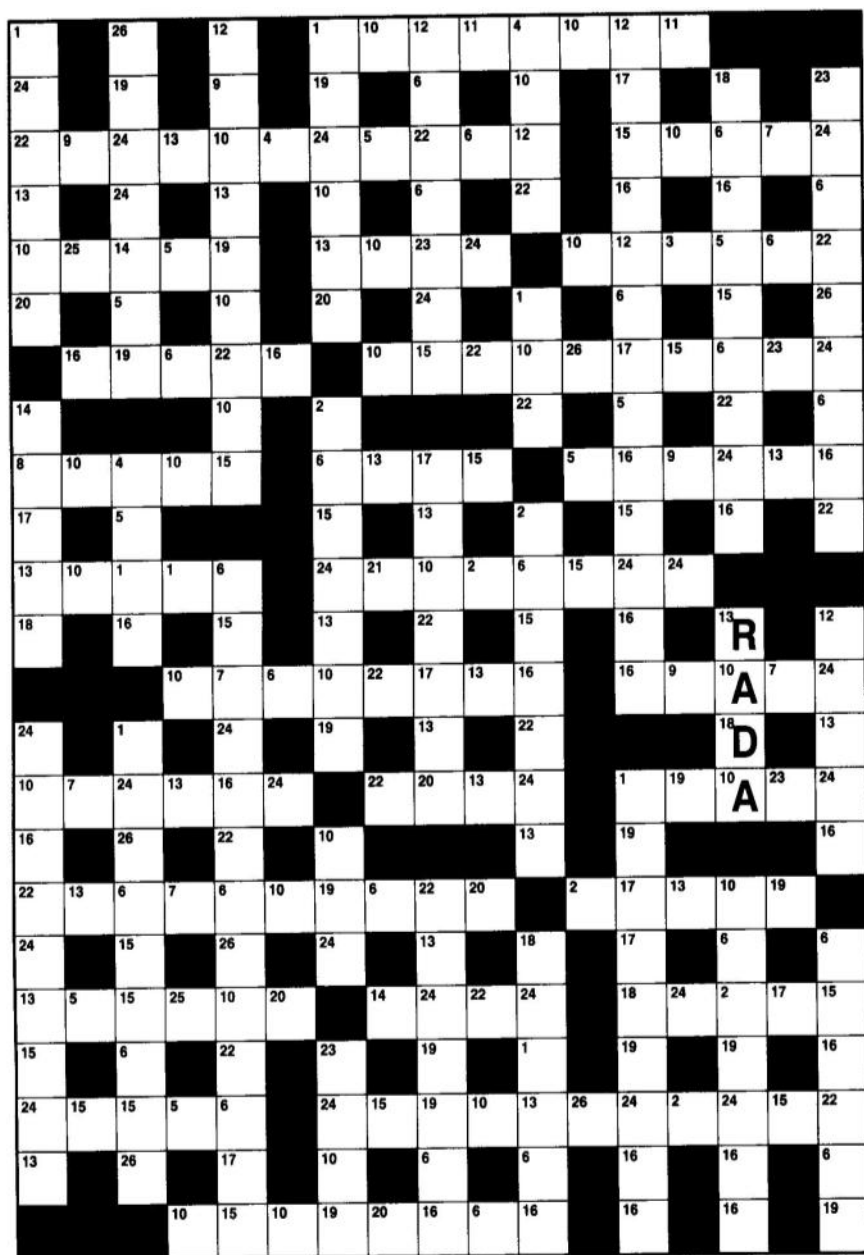
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