

# RENDEZVOUS



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St Mary and St Eanswythe  
with  
St Saviour**

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*Front Cover: The sun breaking through over the Channel by Ian Gordon*

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but December 10th for the January edition  
Please contact Andrew Plested as above

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# CALENDAR

April 2021

Thurs	1	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 7.30 p.m. THE LITURGY FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY
Fri	2	<b>Good Friday</b> 10.30 a.m. THE LITURGY FOR GOOD FRIDAY
Sun	4	<b>EASTER DAY</b> 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m. THE EASTER LITURGY
Wed	6	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Thurs	8	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
Sun	11	<b>The Second Sunday of Easter</b> 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m. THE EUCHARIST
Thurs	15	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
Sat	17	3.00 p.m. Concert
Sun	18	<b>The Third Sunday of Easter</b> 10.30 a.m. THE EUCHARIST
Mon	19	Alphege, Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr
Wed	21	Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher
Thurs	22	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
Fri	23	<b>George, Martyr, Patron of England</b>
Sun	25	<b>The Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m. THE EUCHARIST followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
		3.00 p.m. Concert – Salome and Sacconi String Quartet
Mon	26	<b>Mark the Evangelist</b> 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Tues	27	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Wed	28	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Thurs	29	Catherine of Siena, Teacher 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
Sat	1 May	<b>Philip and James, Apostles</b>
Sun	2	<b>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m. THE EUCHARIST
Mon	3	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Tues	4	English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era 8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer
Thurs	6	8.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
Sat	8	Julian of Norwich, Spiritual Writer`

## Smiles

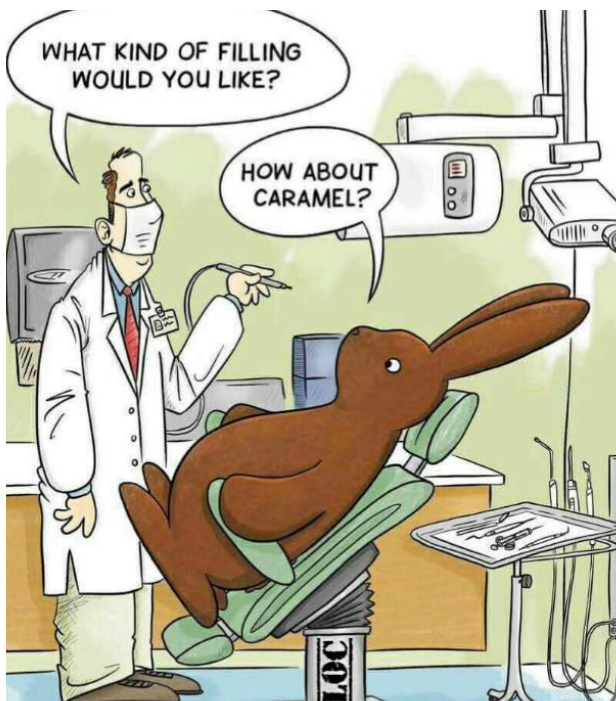


*An elderly woman had just returned home from an evening church service when she realised there was an intruder in her home. Seeing that he was in the act of robbing her home of its valuables, the lady yelled "Stop! Acts 2:38!"*

*Hearing her, the burglar stopped dead in his tracks and stood motionless. The woman calmly called the police and explained what was going on.*

*As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, "Why did you just stand there? All the lady did was yell a Bible verse at you."*

*"Bible verse?" said the burglar, "She said she had an axe and two 38's!"*



The church is now open for private prayer.  
The schedule is:

- 12.00-13.00 Sunday
- 11.00-13.00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

If you visit for prayer you **MUST**

- Observe social distancing
- Wear a face mask
- Use the hand gel provided

The **Woodward Hall** is available for hire  
for Wedding Receptions, Family Parties, Club Meetings etc.  
Details from Mrs S Lamberton at St Eanswythe's School on 01303 255516  
during school hours



## Priest's Letter

### From Father John



Dear friends

“See, I am making all things new.”

So speaks the one seated upon the throne in the book of Revelation, the final book of the Bible.

As I write this, we are experiencing a sense of new life, or of life reborn.

There's tangible hope in the air that with the increase of vaccinations and the decrease in deaths due to the virus, we might be on the brink of new life. The PM's roadmap helps us to work through ongoing restrictions, and I know many people have started to make plans for the year ahead, marking the dates regulations change on calendars across the land.

Our countryside too, is showing the signs of its annual rebirth – the flowers of spring are blooming, and others are poking their way through the soil. How wonderful it is to see swathes of daffodils and crocuses in unexpected places!

For us too, as people of faith, there is new hope dawning. By the time you read this, Easter will be upon us. The ultimate expression of life after death, of hope after despair, of light after dark. I do hope you will have been able to join us as we have re-opened our church for worship from Palm Sunday onwards.

But let's not simply skip to the happy ending, for all its joy and promise of salvation. We are a resurrection people, it's true, and we are blessed to be able to live in that knowledge. But a necessary precursor to resurrection is, and always has been, death. We must recognise this. The beauty of daffodils waving their crowns in the spring sunshine would be unremarkable if it weren't preceded by months of bare ground.

Faith in God does not alleviate suffering. It does not mean we are protected from virus, or accident, or bereavement, or any number of aspects of the human condition. We go through those dark times as every human being does. Faith in God does, however, give us something to hold on to in those dark times – a golden cord to lead us out of the maze of despair and doubt, pain and fear, anger and regret that we find ourselves in.

Whatever our dark times look like, and they are different for each of us, I pray that this Eastertime fills us afresh with a sense of the world being made new. May we each experience the intense joy of seeing flashes of daffodil yellow hope against a backdrop of dark, fearful Covid despair.

*Fr John Walker*

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## QR Codes - Another Way to Donate

If you would like to make a donation to the church you can easily scan the QR code **ON THE BACK COVER OF RENDEZVOUS** with your smartphone and it will take you to our Give A Little page enabling you to donate by credit card. (Not to be confused with the venue check-in QR code as you enter the church!)



## Music Notes

The next concert in the Bayle Music series will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday 25 April. Sadly the programme of string octets by Enesco and Mendelssohn has had to be changed as one of the members of the Salome Quartet is indisposed.

The concert by the Sacconi Quartet will now include Brahms's Clarinet Quintet and Jonathan Dove's Quartet 'Out of Time'.

Bayle Music supporters who have subscribed for the season will receive details of the live-stream link. If you have not yet subscribed, please contact Ian Gordon by email at [bayleman@gmail.com](mailto:bayleman@gmail.com) or by telephone 01303 257 248.



At the time of writing it has not been decided if this concert will be performed with a socially distanced audience. All supporters will be notified well in advance. If you are not already on the Bayle Music email list, please contact Ian Gordon as above.

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## Easter Wings by George Herbert



Lord, who createdst man in wealth and store  
Though foolishly he lost the same,  
Decaying more and more,  
Till he became  
Most poore:  
With thee  
O let me rise

As larks, harmoniously,  
And sing this day thy victories:  
Then shall the fall further the flight in me.  
My tender age in sorrow did beginne  
And still with sicknesses and shame.  
Thou didst so punish sinne,  
That I became  
Most thinne.  
With thee  
Let me combine,  
And feel thy victorie:  
For, if I imp my wing on thine,  
Affliction shall advance the flight in me.

# April Sunday Eucharist Gospels

Sunday 4 April – **EASTER DAY** – Mark 16.1-8



*Go and tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee.*

*There you will see him just as he told you.*

The Easter story tells of a journey from sorrow to joy, from fear to confidence.

Those who had failed their Master were made witnesses of his Resurrection.

Sunday 11 April – The Second Sunday of Easter – John 20.19-31

*It was evening on the first day of the week and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said*

*‘Peace be with you’.*

Joy and confidence are the marks of the Easter people of Christ. Fear and anxiety are not far away. From the time of the Apostles, there has been a need for vigilance in faith.

Sunday 18 April – The Third Sunday of Easter – Luke 24.36b-48

*‘Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.’*

The Resurrection brought new power and confidence to those who were its witnesses.

The experience of personal encounter with the risen Lord has been granted also to those who have not seen with physical sight.

Sunday 25 April – The Fourth Sunday of Easter – John 10.11-18

*‘I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.’*

In the Easter season, the reality of Christ’s suffering does not fade. All preaching of the Resurrection is also a memorial of the Crucifixion.

## RED LETTER DAY OF OBLIGATION

Monday 26 April (transferred from 25 April) Mark the Evangelist – Mark 13.5-13

*The good news must first be proclaimed to all nations.*

It is in the purpose of God that the good news of the Kingdom should be known to all.

In his wisdom, he works through all kinds of men and women to be his chosen messengers.

## **Gillian Thompson 18 October 1936 – 3 March 2021**

It is with sadness that we record the death of Gillian Thompson, a stalwart of our congregation and, for many years, one of our accomplished 'Flower Ladies'. She died in the QEQM Hospital in Margate on 3 March with her son Julian at her side. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Gillian was born in Sandwich and attended the St Ethelburga Convent School in Deal.

From her childhood, she harboured a desire to be a glamorous model and her first jobs were in the fashion trade: she ran the silk blouse and knitwear department in an exclusive shop in Maidstone and was later a window dresser in a Ramsgate Department Store.

However, her father wanted her to work in an office, so she became a solicitors' receptionist in Maidstone where she worked for 6 years, saying later that it was certainly better paid than the fashion industry! She and her husband, John were married in 1962 in Barming near Maidstone and later moved to Farnham, Surrey.

They moved to Folkestone in 1978 in order to help her aunt and uncle running their guest house - 'Sunny Lodge' on the corner of Shorncliffe Road and Cheriton Road - but ended up running it themselves for the next 3 years!

Almost as soon as she arrived here, she became involved with our church flower arranging with Betty Ring and Eileen White and later, Pam Cavell, Sue Cass and Pearl Bingham. She had a life-long interest in flowers and flower arranging and was for 18 years Chairman of the Folkestone Flower Club and later President.

In an article for Rendezvous last year, she recalled with great amusement:

'Most weeks the flower arranging goes without incident, but I do remember one time, many years ago, when a man came into the church and stripped naked. Fortunately he was at the other end of the building!'

Her husband, John, died on 30 January 2007. Gillian is survived by their two children, Julian, a geologist, who lives in Folkestone, daughter Sarah, who lives in Devon, and 3 grandchildren.





# A prayer as we move cautiously forward with faith to a time with fewer restrictions

God of all that has been, that is, that is to come  
as we reflect on the year that has past,  
those we have lost,  
those we have missed,  
the contact not made,  
the hopes dashed,  
new things discovered,  
new opportunities seized,  
new love embraced,  
we thank you that you have been with us  
and brought us to this day.  
Stay with us  
as we step into your future  
with faith and hope and love  
and in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.



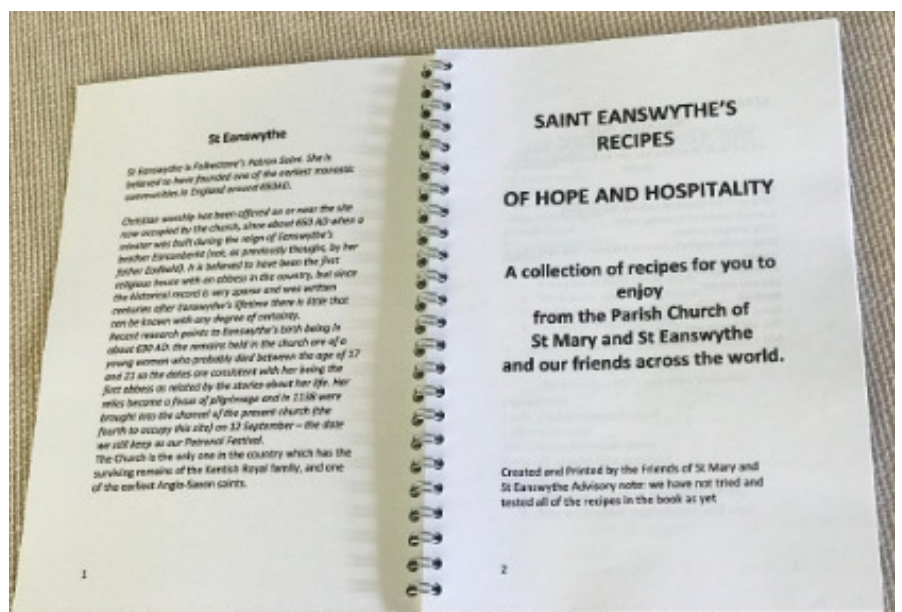
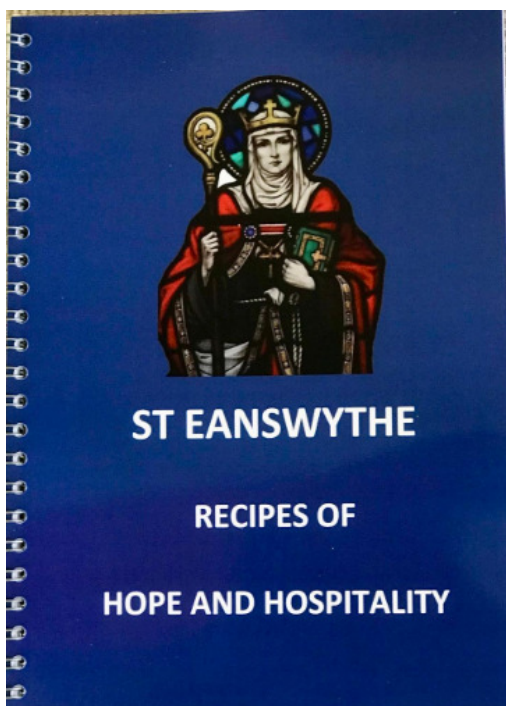
*The Ven. Andrew Nunn, Dean of Southwark*

## Recipes of Hope and Hospitality

The Recipe book is now available at £5 per book. I am taking some to the church tomorrow and they are also available from myself or Jenny .

We have already had some orders and people are buying as gifts etc.

Proceeds are going to straight the Fabric Fund.



## **ACROSS**

- 1 Three times I was beaten with \_\_\_\_, once I was stoned (2 Cor 11:25)  
5 Our dear friend Luke, the doctor, and \_\_\_\_ send greetings (Col 4:14)  
10 As she wept, she bent over to look into the \_\_\_\_ (John 20:11-12)  
14 In the beginning God created the heaven and the \_\_\_\_ (Gen 1:1) KJV  
16 The owl will \_\_\_\_ there and lay eggs, she will hatch them (Isa 34:15)  
17 Take an \_\_\_\_ of manna and keep it for the generations to come (Exod 16:32)  
18 Those who see you \_\_\_\_ at you, they ponder your fate (Isa 14:16)  
19 and it vomited Jonah \_\_\_\_ dry land (Jonah 2:10)  
20 ye \_\_\_\_ men with burdens grievous to be borne (Luke 11:46) KJV  
21 but he \_\_\_\_ the craving of the wicked (Prov 10:3)  
23 He \_\_\_\_ the centurion to keep Paul under guard (Acts 24:23)  
25 The LORD will fight for \_\_\_\_ (Ex 14:14)  
26 look of contempt or scorn (Isa.57:4)  
27 all our righteous acts are like filthy \_\_\_\_ (Isa 64:6)  
30 the lizard, and the snail, and the \_\_\_\_ (Lev 11:30) (KJV)  
32 Like a scarecrow in a melon \_\_\_\_, their idols cannot speak (Jer 10:5)  
36 I have made you a tester of metals and my people the \_\_\_\_ (Jer 6:27)  
37 by his prophets in the \_\_\_\_ scriptures (Romans 1:2)  
38 Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her \_\_\_\_? (Jer 2:32) KJV  
39 Your plants are an \_\_\_\_ of pomegranates (Song 4:13)  
41 He who plots evil will be known as a \_\_\_\_ (Prov 24:8)  
42 That frustrateth the \_\_\_\_ of the liars, and maketh diviners mad (Isa 44:25) KJV  
43 What \_\_\_\_ you that you keep on arguing? (Job 16:3)  
44 who was \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ think that I could oppose God? (1,2) (Acts 11:17)  
45 The Sovereign LORD has \_\_\_\_ by his holiness (Amos 4:2)  
46 Drink no longer water, but use a little \_\_\_\_ for thy stomach (1 Tim 5:23) KJV  
47 garden of God 48 the Philistine said unto \_\_\_\_, Am I a dog (1 Sam 17:43)  
50 he warmeth himself, and saith, \_\_\_\_, I am warm (Isaiah 44:16) KJV  
52 But the swamps and \_\_\_\_ will not become fresh (Ezek 47:11)  
55 Not many of you should \_\_\_\_ to be teachers (James 3:1)  
59 another name for Esau (Gen 36:7-8)  
60 "Is that your own \_\_\_\_" Jesus asked (John 18:34)  
62 So Joseph bought some \_\_\_\_ cloth, took down the body (Mark 15:46)  
63 to another faith by the \_\_\_\_ Spirit (1 Cor 12:9)  
64 They divide my garments among them and cast \_\_\_\_ for my clothing (Ps 22:18)  
65 the hollow of his hand, and \_\_\_\_ out heaven with the span (Isa 40:12) KJV  
66 to seek an \_\_\_\_: He will cast lots with arrows (Ezek 21:21)  
67 Break down their altars, \_\_\_\_ their sacred stones (Ex 34:13)  
68 but envy \_\_\_\_ the bones (Prov 14:30)

## **DOWN**

- 1 I will give him \_\_\_\_ from all his enemies (1 Chr 22:9)  
2 I charge you under \_\_\_\_ by the living God (Matt 26:63)

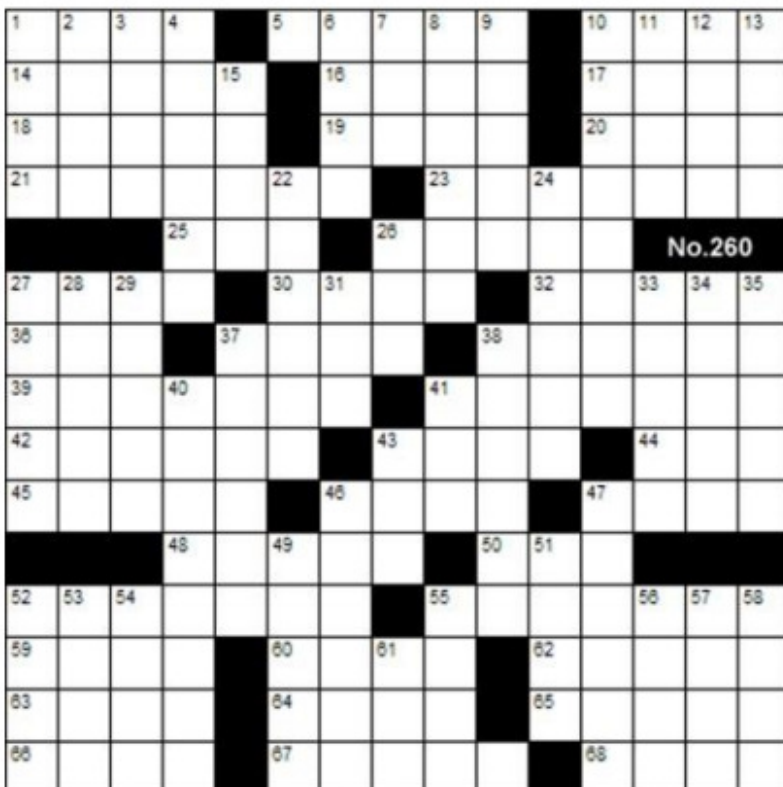
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- 3 let us \_\_\_\_ near to God with a sincere heart (Heb 10:22)  
 4 Like a bird that \_\_\_\_ from its nest (Prov 27:8)  
 6 son of Seth (Gen 4:26) KJV  
 7 Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of \_\_\_\_ (Matt 4:19)  
 8 Jacob set up \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ pillar at the place (1,5) (Gen 35:14)  
 9 Wise men \_\_\_\_ up knowledge, but the mouth of (Prov 10:14)  
 10 I know that you cannot \_\_\_\_ wicked men (Rev 2:2)  
 11 the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, \_\_\_\_, Zepho (Gen 36:11)  
 12 Darius the \_\_\_\_ took over the kingdom, at the age of sixtytwo (Dan 5:31)  
 13 left of it until the morning, and it \_\_\_\_ worms, and stank (Exodus 16:20)  
 15 David became a \_\_\_\_ after killing Goliath  
 22 will afflict you with the boils of Egypt and with \_\_\_\_ (Deut 28:27)  
 24 out of the \_\_\_\_ I cry to you, O LORD (Ps 130:1)  
 26 were looking for some \_\_\_\_ way to arrest Jesus (Mark 14:1)  
 27 they saw the fig tree withered from the \_\_\_\_ (Mark 11:20)  
 28 Men will go there with bow and \_\_\_\_ (Isa 7:24)  
 29 the \_\_\_\_, the monitor lizard, the wall lizard (Lev 11:30)  
 31 put off your \_\_\_\_ self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires (Eph 4:22)  
 33 encourage the \_\_\_\_, help the weak, be patient with everyone (1 Thess 5:14)  
 34 so they weighed anchor and sailed along the shore of \_\_\_\_ (Acts 27:13)  
 35 midst of her by the sword upon \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ every side (3,2) (Ezek 28:23)  
 37 Samuels' mother (1 Sam 1:20)  
 38 I have done this with \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ conscience and clean hands (1,5) (Gen 20:5)  
 40 attacked the camps of the \_\_\_\_ and carried off (2 Chron 14:15)  
 41 Lord, lay not this \_\_\_\_ to their charge (Acts 7:60)  
 43 Give us \_\_\_\_ against the enemy (Ps 108:12)

46 To God belong \_\_\_\_ and power;  
 counsel and understanding (Job 12:13)

***Remaining clues on page 10***

*Last month's solution*



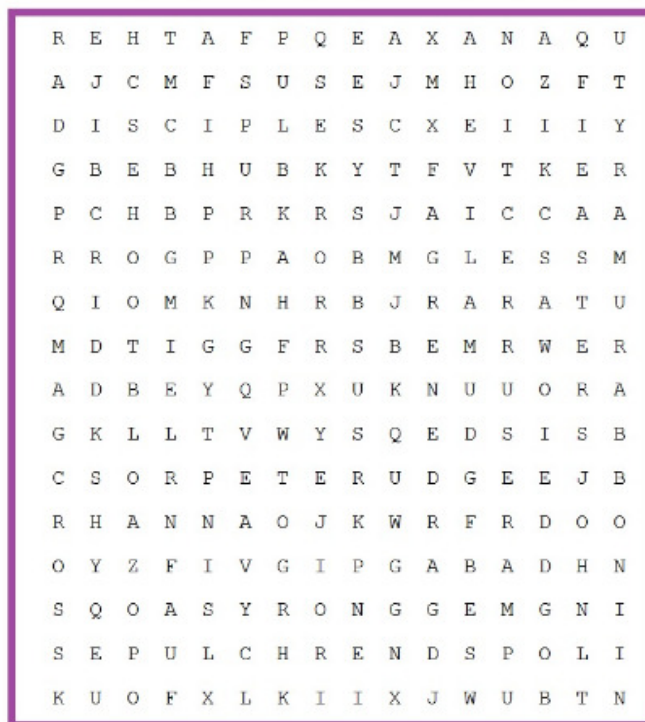
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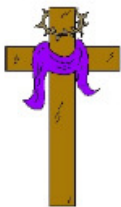


# Word Search

## Easter Word Search Puzzle

Circle the words that you find.



Alive	God	Resurrection
Angels	Holy Ghost	Sepulchre
Cross	Jesus	Tomb
Dead	Joanna	
Disciples	John	
Easter	Mary	
Father	Peter	
Gardener	Rabboni	

- 47 Which is \_\_\_\_: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up (Matt 9:5)
- 49 necklaces, the earrings and bracelets and \_\_\_\_ (Isa 3:18- 19)
- 51 Steering mechanism of a vessel (James 3:4) KJV
- 52 As the Father has loved \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ have I loved you (2,2) (John 15:9)
- 53 took part in the first rib transplant
- 54 testified about me in Jerusalem, so you must also testify in \_\_\_\_ (Acts 23:11)
- 55 Heaven and earth will \_\_\_\_ away, but my words (Matt 24:35)
- 56 God has granted even the Gentiles repentance \_\_\_\_ life (Acts 11:18)
- 57 caught up together with them in the clouds to \_\_\_\_ the Lord (1 Thess 4:17)
- 58 God will bless us, and all the \_\_\_\_ of the earth will fear him (Ps 67:7)
- 61 seventh letter of the Greek alphabet





## BOOKWORM

I make time to read every day, and will get up extra early so that I can read, for an hour if possible, while having my breakfast. Now that I'm retired I also read for an hour after lunch, though at the moment I have a temporary job for a couple of months, and this has hit my reading time.

Roll on my return to retirement!

### **Still Life – Val McDermid (2020)**

Another terrific read from the pen of one of my favourite authors, Val McDermid. This book was written during the first lockdown last year and most of the action takes place exactly a year ago in the second half of February, ending on 22 March the day before lockdown started. There are also mentions of "that virus in China" and a strange illness picked up in Milan. Well we know all about that now.

This is number 6 in the Karen Pirie series featuring the Edinburgh based Historic Cases Unit. The discovery of two bodies, one dragged out of the sea by lobster fishermen and the other found in a disused camper van sets Karen and her team off on the exciting trail of two cases, which takes her to Paris, London, Stockport and Ireland.

### **The Highway – CJ Box (2013)**

This is my first CJ Box book and I found it both shocking and chilling.

There's an alcoholic cop, a cop who's a bit out of her depth, two teenagers driving a rickety car in the middle of nowhere and a seriously creepy long distance trucker who preys on prostitutes at truck stops. I didn't like this book at first, but suddenly it became really exciting and unputdownable.

This author was recommended to me because I like Lee Child and I will definitely be reading more of his books. This is the first in the Investigator Cassie Dewell series and I've got the next one waiting. But first I think I need something a bit less violent.

### **A Question of Trust – Penny Vincenzi (2017)**

I was in need of something very different after the previous book and this hit the spot. It's the final book from Penny Vincenzi, who sadly died in 2018.

This 600 page blockbuster had me engrossed at every spare minute for a whole week. Set in the mid 1930s to mid 1950s it follows the loves and careers of up and coming star of the Labour party, Tom Knelston, who is passionate about the NHS, and of Diana Southcott, a stunningly beautiful model. Other major characters are loyal Alice, exhausted by her three babies; Jillie her friend, who is a doctor; and Ned a supremely talented paediatrician fighting a campaign for mothers to be allowed to accompany their children in hospital and desperately trying to keep hidden the fact that he is gay, at a time when this was still illegal.

It was a very good read indeed, well written, as are all Penny Vincenzi's books, and a real tear-jerker at the end. Strongly recommended by me to you.

*Catriona*

# The Way We Were

## The Victoria Pier and Switchback



A view of the entrance to the Pier from what was then the Lower Sandgate Road

Below, a view of the pier and the old indoor swimming pool before the outdoor pool was built on the sea side of the road.







An aerial view of the Victoria Pier from the Leas

The pier with the Switchback to the right and another view of the Switchback below

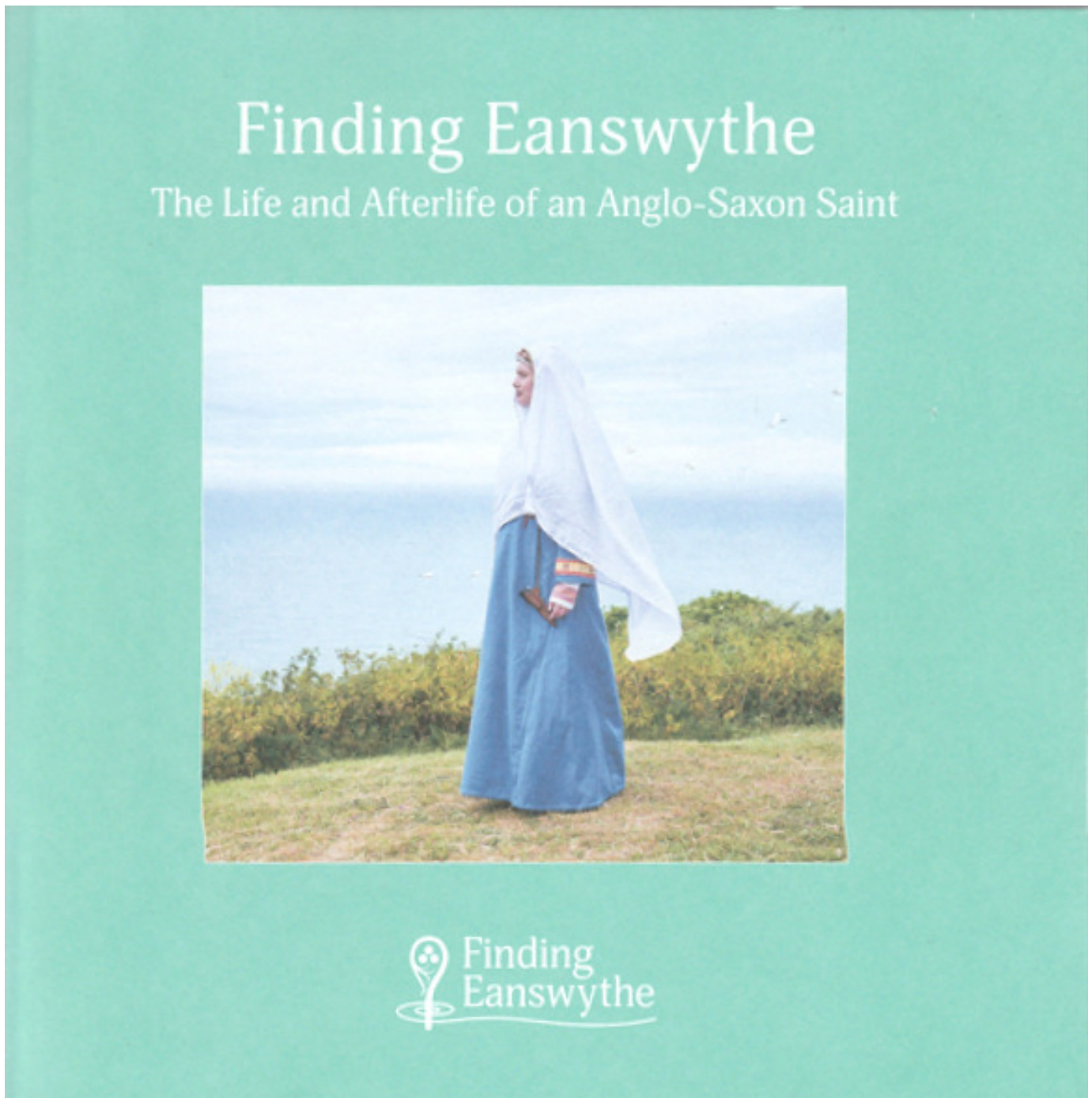


SWITCH BACK RAILWAY, FOLKESTONE.



Local estate agent G.B. Trent formed the Folkestone Pier & Lift Co. in the early 1880s, originally proposing an 800 foot pier. The foundation stone was laid on 7th May 1887 and the Victoria Pier (in honour of the 1887 Golden Jubilee), opened on 21st July 1888 to the design of M.N. Ridley. The finished length was 683 feet and included a 700-seat pavilion. The first floating landing stage was added in 1890 but was rarely used. The pier was sectioned in 1940 for defence purposes. A temporary bridge was installed in 1943, but a fire on Whit Sunday wrecked the pavilion and badly damaged the seaward end of the pier. The remains were demolished in 1954. The Switchback was demolished in 1918.

# Finding Eanswythe



Whilst the Finding Eanswythe Project has come to a conclusion, the working group will continue with their research. This book covers the findings over the six-year program with a series of essays covering such topics as The Legend of St Eanswythe, A Minster in the early Mediaeval Landscape, Minster to Priory, Folkestone and the English Reformation, St Eanswythe's Water, St Eanswythe's Chapel, Matthew Woodward and Eanswythe Found. All by various members of the Research Group. This 54 page book is available from our sales table priced at £5.



## What do you think of our new look?

We do hope that you like this month's version of Rendezvous. We have changed our printer and made the change to full colour printing. Do let us know what you think.

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## News from St Eanswythe's School

Greetings from St Eanswythes School. Just a little news on how we are doing and what we have planned for the next few weeks.

It is so nice to have our whole school family back together after lockdown. It is super how quickly we have all settled down and are back into our familiar bubble routines.

The children have started going to worship lead by Fr John in Church again. They are going one class at a time to keep their bubbles intact, which is vital for the sake of everyone.

Our Junior Worship Leaders are also starting again. These are made up of children in years 5 and 6, again they will stay in their own year group bubbles and lead worship on alternate weeks. Their contribution to the worshiping life of the school is so important, as it gives the rest of the children chance to experience different styles and types of delivering worship. Unfortunately we have had to postpone our Confirmation service, which had originally been planned for June, then moved to November and Fr John is away on a Diocesan training course. Watch this space for the new date. The Schools continued use of the Vestry during these periods of prolonged lockdown have proved invaluable. It has meant that a huge number of parents have been able to meet with us and external agencies for the help/support and advice they needed. The children have also been able to continue working with and getting support from outside agencies in a safe and secure environment.

Finally we have 2 fun things happening before we break for Easter. 1 Red Nose Day, always popular and 2 our Easter chocolate raffle, eggs, bunnies etc kindly supplied by staff). The draw takes place on the last day of term.

Best wishes to all.

Kim Adlington

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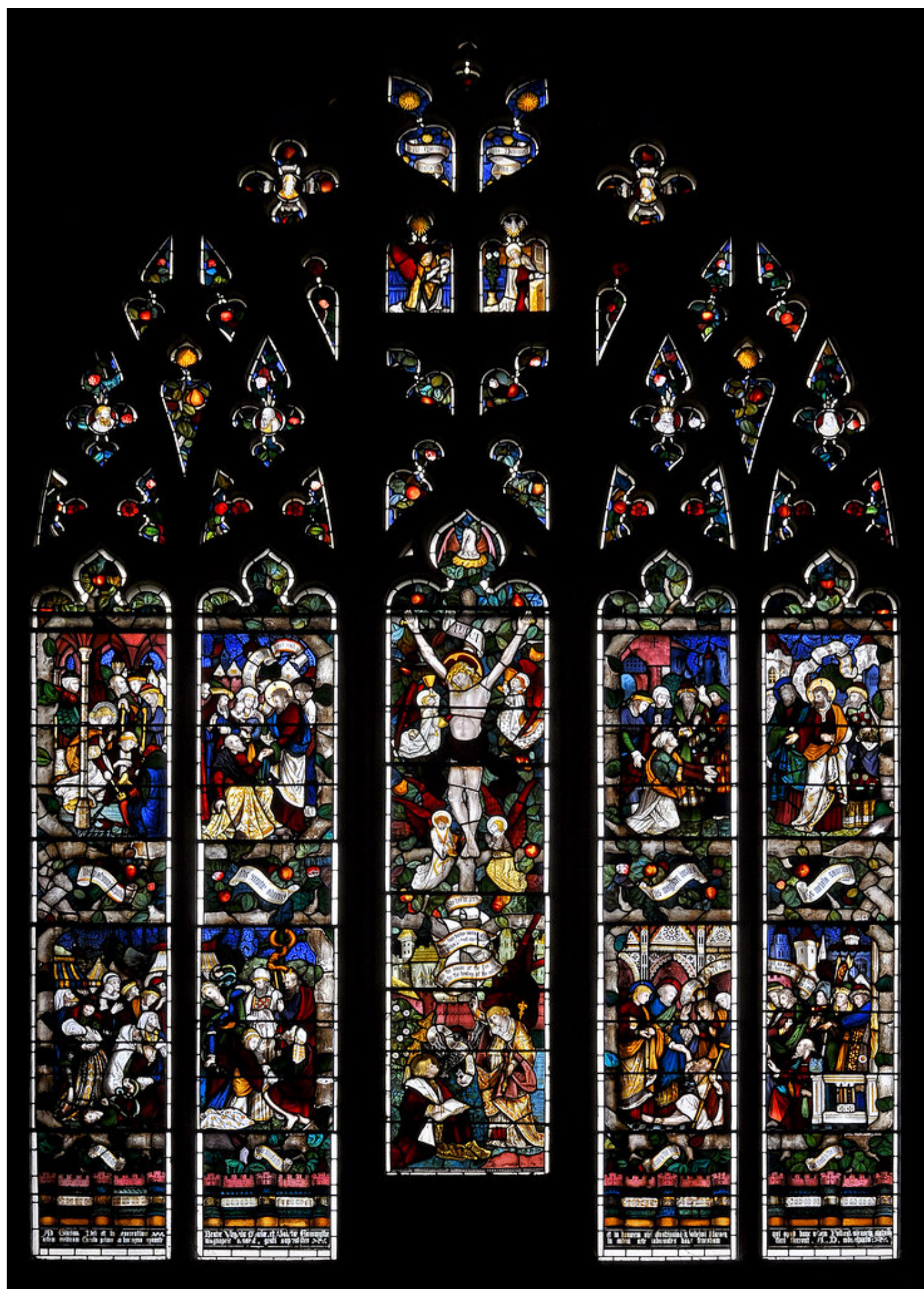
### The Harvey Window - in Canon Matthew Woodward's own words

The following inscription beneath the great west window will be read with interest, and will at once explain the motive for the insertion of this further example of Mr Kempe's artistic work.

*" To the glory of God, and in the reverence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and St. Eanswythe, and in honour of the most illustrious William Harvey, born in the town of Folkestone, in the year of grace 1578, who in the reign of King Charles 1., of blessed memory, greatly advanced the Science of Medicine, they of the same profession inheriting his labours, in gratitude have caused this window to be made AD 1874".*

It was in 1859 that I first wrote in the *Folkestone Chronicle*, calling to attention the fact that whilst Folkestone claims to be the birthplace of Harvey, nothing has been done to commemorate the fact, and I suggested that the large west window of the church should be filled with a suitable subject to the memory of one to whom the medical profession in particular, and the whole human family, owed a great debt of gratitude. The matter was not at once taken up, but in 1871 a meeting was called at the Town Hall for the purpose of considering the question of a Memorial to Harvey. A Statue was decided upon, and has since been erected to his memory on the Leas. But the idea of a memorial window was also favoured by many persons, and was not therefore allowed to sleep. With the assistance of a number of scribes, 15,000 letters were despatched to the members of the medical profession in England, in which both proposals were mentioned. In every letter a stamped envelope was enclosed, addressed to " The Vicar, Folkestone." The postage stamps thus used, cost exactly £125. The result of these applications was a net sum, after paying all expenses, of £750.

With this amount it was found possible to take out the very plain four-light window, and introduce the present beautiful window with elaborate tracery, designed by Mr. S. S. Stallwood. The painted glass was entrusted to Mr Kempe. A wish, expressed by the parishioners at a meeting in the vestry, for deeper colouring, led to the window being darker than it otherwise would have been. The subject chosen is the Tree of Life, the boughs, foliage, and fruits of which, find their way into all parts of the window with its rich tracery. In the lower part of the central panel, the Evangelist St. John is seated, writing in a book, as directed and the Angel of the Apocalypse is pointing him to the Tree of Life, on which is our Crucified Lord. Angels are receiving the precious blood in chalices. "The of the flesh is in the blood." (Lev. xvii. 11.) This was, in a physical sense, Harvey's great discovery. The wide spreading branches of the Tree of Life include four miracles of healing-one Old Testament miracle, two Gospel miracles, and one Apostolic miracle. Our Lord's miracles are represented in the upper portion, taking in two panels on either side of the centre light. On the left-hand side is the pool of Bethesda, and our Lord restoring the poor man who had waited so long and patiently for the troubling of the water. On the right-hand side of the central light, the Lord Jesus. on His way to heal the nobleman's son, has turned to speak a word of commendation to the woman who has touched the hem of His garment. The Old Testament miracle is that of the Brazen Serpent. set up in the midst of the dying Israelites whose blood had been poisoned by the bites of the fiery serpents. It is depicted on the left side of the lower portion, On the right is the lame man healed by St Peter and St John at the beautiful gate of the Temple.





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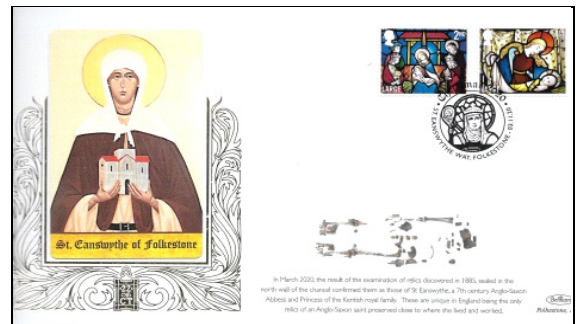


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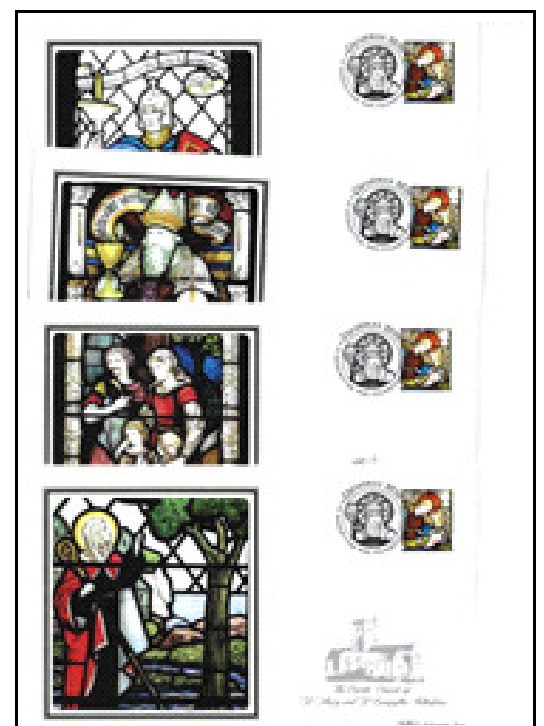


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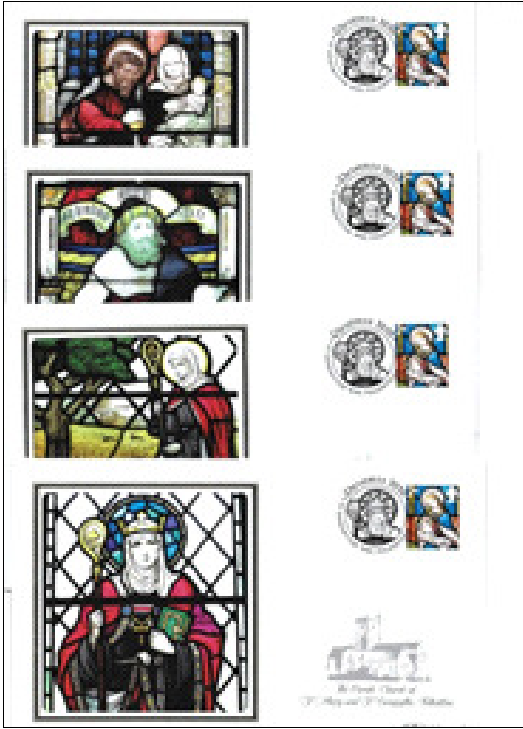
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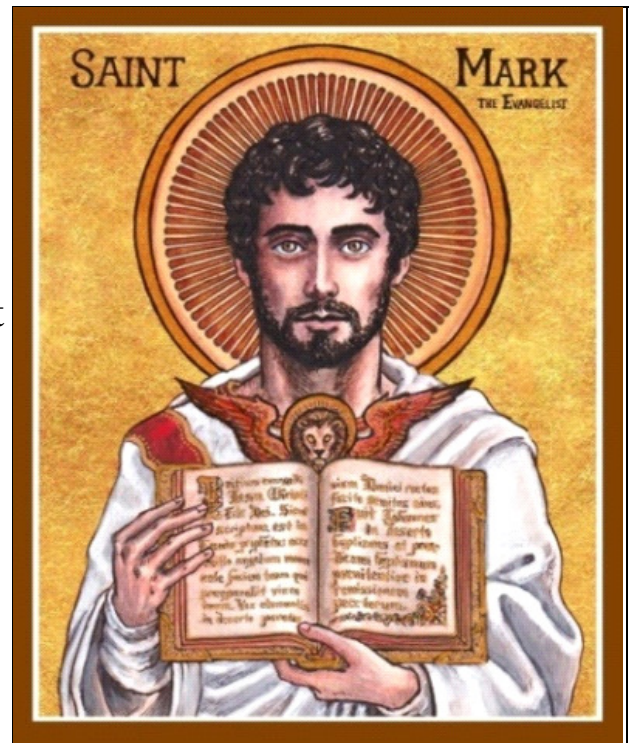
# Commemoration of the Month

## Mark the Evangelist - 25 April

John Mark was a Jew and, according to Paul's letter to the Colossians, was cousin to Barnabas. He accompanied Barnabas and Paul on their first missionary journey. Afterwards, he went to Cyprus with Barnabas and to Rome with first Paul and then Peter.

Mark's gospel is generally regarded as the earliest and was most likely written whilst he was in Rome. It was probably based as much on Peter's preaching of the good news as on Mark's own memory. Mark's gospel has a sharpness and an immediacy about it and he does not spare the apostles in noting their weaknesses and lack of understanding that Jesus the Christ would suffer for the world's redemption. Sharing in the glory of the resurrection means sharing in the giving of self, both in body and spirit, even to death;

sharing the gospel was, for all, in essence both excessively generous and ultimately sacrificial.



### Collect

Almighty God,  
who enlightened your holy Church  
through the inspired witness  
of your evangelist Saint Mark:  
grant that we, being firmly grounded  
in the truth of the gospel,  
may be faithful to its teaching both in word and deed;  
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.

### Readings

OT-Proverbs 15.8-33   NT-Acts 15.35-41   Gospel-Mark 13.5-13

Mark is most often depicted writing or holding his gospel.

Traditionally he is symbolized by a lion, which image can be seen three times in our church – do you know where?

**What would you like your legacy to be?** Leaving money to the church in your will is a wonderful way to ensure that our church will be here for future generations. There are also some benefits for your inheritance tax bill, too. So, if you're thinking of adding a charitable bequest in your will, here's what you need to know.

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Please give this some thought

## **Called to be you**

Vocations Sunday, or the Annual Day of Prayer for Vocations - observed on 25 April 2021 - is the Sunday set aside in the Church's calendar to encourage all of us think about our vocation.

So what is your vocation? You may think that you don't have a vocation or that vocations are the sort of thing clergy have. But if you think that, you're wrong. Each of us does have a vocation. God calls each one of us. The question, though, is to what?

First and foremost, God calls us to change: to become more Christ-like. We are called to live out our lives in response to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That process began in our baptism, but it continues through prayer, through the reading of the scriptures and through the receiving of Holy Communion. One of the constant themes in the New Testament is that lives touched by Christ were changed. What is true for the characters of the New Testament is true for us. As we encounter and respond to Christ we cannot help but be changed.

But while we are called to change, we are also called to be more deeply ourselves. God never calls us to be something or someone we're not. God always calls us to what we are capable of becoming. It may be that there are parts of us which are underdeveloped or which rarely see the light of day which need to be allowed to flourish so we can be our true selves.

It may be that we have hidden gifts which need to be discovered or it may be that there is something that we have secretly always wanted to do but have not had the courage or the time to try. Whatever it may be we need to find an outlet which will allow us to feel more excited about life or indeed to feel more alive.

St Irenaeus wrote that 'the glory of God is a human being fully alive'.

Through the dual process of becoming more fully ourselves and of becoming more fully Christ-like, the will of God is fulfilled and the glory of God seen. That is what Vocations Sunday is about. You have one life. For God's sake and for your own, live it!

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