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### From the Rectory

The 'new normal'. It's a phrase which is already beginning to grate on me. And yet it does describe a new way of life which will be with us for some time to come and to which we will all need to adapt.

Social distancing, hygiene and cleaning measures. These will apply to church buildings as and when they reopen as they will to places of work and to schools.

And as we respond to the plans for the gradual and staged easing of the lockdown our responses vary quite widely. Some feel the pace should be faster while others feel it is already too quick.

We see this for instance in the responses to the national proposal to partially reopen schools. Some eagerly await this development. But others believe that this timing is too soon, that it will put them at risk.

So where opinions differ on such matters are there any words of Jesus which can help us find a way forward?

Last Sunday we read a famous passage from John's gospel where Jesus, shortly before His death, is praying for His disciples. He



prays for God's protection on them 'so that they may be one, as we are one.'

It is likely that when Jesus prayed for the protection of His disciples that He had in mind first of all the spiritual threats that His disciples would face as they seek to live out their faith in the midst of a hostile world. And yet equally I think this prayer can apply to physical threats which we face. We can be over confident in the face of these threats. Can we rely on God's protection even if we don't take steps to protect ourselves? Jesus was tempted by the devil to throw Himself off the Temple and to rely on God's protection to save Him from injury in this reckless act. But Jesus resisted this temptation saying that we need to trust not test God. We do need to use our minds to think about the risks of our actions

But at the same time there is the

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opposite extreme of becoming paralysed by fear. This is not the way of faith either. We think, for instance, of the man who refused to use his talent out of fear. His master was not pleased with him (see Matthew 25: 24-27). Sometimes trusting in God's protection means acknowledging our fears and then asking God to show us the right way forward.

For there is a right way forward in faith between these two extremes.

What exactly that way is will be different for each of us. For our circumstances are different, some are more vulnerable than others.

But whatever our response and views may be on the best way forward let us also take to heart the prayer that Jesus offers us for unity and for love.

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# Camelot People

# We give thanks to God for:

**Keith John Cadwaladr** (aged 66). Died on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020. Cremation at Mendip Crematorium on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Burial of Ashes at St Thomas à Becket, South Cadbury on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

The Covid-19 pandemic will, in the long term, prove a mere chapter in human history. And then (when) the world comes back to life, Sir David Attenborough (and others) will keep fighting to save it.

Joe Shute, journalist

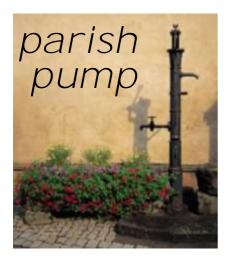
### The Lord's Larder

Do you know anyone who is short of food? Are you, perhaps?

Help is available, in confidence, from the Lord's Larder – not directly, but by phoning **01935 479398**.



Where was the social distancing?



#### **Excalibur**

Due to the Coronavirus restrictions, hand delivery of the Excalibur magazine is no longer possible. While the restrictions remain in place an electronic version of Excalibur will be placed on the Camelot Parishes website each month.

To compensation for the interruption in delivery of the paper magazine, the amount requested for next year's Excalibur subscription will be reduced.

#### **Note to Advertisers**

Some adverts, particularly those for village halls that are now closed, have been removed to make space and reduce the size of Excalibur.

As Excalibur is now only being published online, all advertisers will be given extra months in Excalibur before being asked to renew when we go back to printing a paper magazine.





# Do you have a few hours to spare a month to visit someone in your area?

Being visually impaired can be very isolating and to help with this we are looking for people to befriend someone in your local area who needs a little company just to sit and chat over a cup of tea or maybe go out and visit a Garden Centre or help with correspondence and maybe some personal shopping.

Volunteering for Somerset Sight is a very rewarding and fun thing to do and many of our Volunteers and visually impaired people make lasting friendships.

We give full training and reimburse all reasonable expenses.

If you feel that this is something you would like to do then please contact:

Christine Crossing Visiting Co-Ordinator on 01823 333818

or e-mail christine@somersetsight.org.uk

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### From the Bishop

'Stay alert' is the message as we 'ease out of lockdown'. We know that for some there is little ease as we begin to re-engage with a world that is still fearful of Covid-19 and uncertain about its future. The requirement to 'stay alert' is to encourage us to watch out for signs of the virus and protect ourselves and others as necessary.

We've just celebrated Pentecost, often recognised as the birthday of the Church. Jesus' message to his Recognise followers as he left them to return to the one his Father was that they were to 'stay who stands alert', not to guard beside you against something fearful to come but rather to be watchful for the Spirit that would free them from fear. It didn't mean that there weren't still physical dangers to face but rather that their spiritual lives should grow in boldness.

We have seen much courage exhibited throughout this crisis to date. Key workers who have continued to serve us day by day even whilst most of us have remained at home. The NHS has quite rightly been applauded and



appreciated at this time **and** there are so many more.

I've especially been impressed by our schools and their teams who have largely been open throughout this period be to provide care for key worker families and vulnerable children.

Even at weekends and during this past half term holiday they have been tirelessly supporting their local communities. Staying alert to the needs of our young, they have shown their commitment and care. I want to express my huge gratitude to them!

As we move into June we may be seeing more children returning to schools having been homeschooled for a time. This will not be without fear for some and a

need to be especially alert to physical dangers. Whatever the situation we find ourselves to be in at this point, we are reminded that we have a Comforter, an Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who strengthens and encourages our faith even at times of doubt and anxiety.

Whether still at home and isolated or beginning a return to wider community life, may you find yourself being alert for and recognising the one who stands alongside you, the Spirit, who is friend, guardian and comforter.

With every good wish,

**†** Bishop Ruth



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#### Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

<sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.
5 God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.
6 Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

<sup>7</sup> The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.



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Have courage for the great sorrows of life, and patience for the small ones.
And when you have laboriously accomplished your daily task, go to sleep in peace. God is awake.
Victor Hugo, writer

God is present in the midst of all the chaos that surrounds us.

- Henri Nouwen

#### CAMELOT VOLUNTEER NETWORK

It has been so heartening to witness the rapid growth of many neighbourhood volunteer networks in so many of our Camelot villages. Help has been focussed around shopping and delivering food and medical supplies to the elderly and vulnerable, those who are forced to self-isolate and who are unable to shop for themselves. Do please get in touch with the following people who are co-ordinating volunteers for different villages:

#### **North Cadbury and Woolston**

Keri Montague , <u>kerimontague@yahoo.com</u>, 07889 678653

#### **Galhampton**

Sue Cox, suecox1634@gmail.com, 440596

#### **Yarlington**

Amanda Ellingworth, a.ellingworth@gmail.com, 07775 755889

#### **Bratton Seymour**

Debbie Garrett, dlmgarrett22@gmail.com, 33047 and Fran Creffield, 07854 307864, francreffield@gmail.com

#### South Cadbury

Samantha Davey, samantha<u>davey8985@gmail.com,</u> 441382 and 07809 361895

#### **Compton Pauncefoot**

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#### Blackford

Jane Monk, 440666, jane s monk@hotmail.com

#### Holton

Lisa Prior, <u>lisaprior63@btinternet.com</u>, 07773 440147

#### **North Cheriton**

Richard Strachan, rcstrachan@btinternet.com, 33231

If your village does not seem to be covered by any of this or if you have queries could you please contact the overall co-ordinator, Keri Montague.

The clerk of North Cadbury and Yarlington Parish Council, Becky Carter, 240226, parishclerk@northcadbury.org.uk, has also offered to be a hub to co-ordinate any requests for assistance from residents within the Parish Council area.

The above network may not be complete and if others are organising similar networks in their villages it would be really good to hear from them.

#### **CUTTING EDGE CAMELOT**

'Cutting Edge Camelot' is a form of electronic magazine which includes scripture passages, a reflection written by one of our Ministry Team, points for prayers, suggestions of new ways of sharing the Christian message in this time and brief news updates.

If you would like to be included in the email list for 'Cutting Edge Camelot' could you please contact Rob Sage (details top of page 10) and give us your email address so that you can be added to the list.

Because of the current restrictions we cannot guarantee to be able to deliver print copies of this material to those not on email but we will do what we are able to do in this respect. Again if you telephone Rob Sage we will see what we may be able to do.

# USEFUL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY

#### Sources of information

The following are sources of information which we can consult in order to find out the latest government and church guidance on the coronavirus emergency:

Government - <u>www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response</u>

Church of England - www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches

Diocese of Bath and Wells www.bathandwells.org.uk/supportingparishes/ministry-support-vacancies/ coronavirus-guidance-and-resources

NHS - <u>www.nhs.uk/ conditions/ coronavirus</u> -covid-19

Yeovil Hospital - <u>www.yeovilhospital.co.uk/</u> <u>patients-visitors/visitor-information</u>

# Weddings, Baptisms/Christenings and Funerals

The churches can no longer be used for any service.

Therefore there can be no weddings as long as these emergency restrictions are in place. There can be no baptisms/ christenings in church although emergency baptisms (when a child's life is in danger) can take place in hospital or at home, subject to strict hygiene precautions and physical distancing.

Funerals can only happen at the Crematorium or by the graveside and only immediate family members (spouse or partner, parents and children) can attend. Those over the age of 70 or with

underlying health problems are discouraged from attending and there should be physical distancing. Crematoria will also have their own rules and may allow only the funeral director and hearse bearers in the building itself, i.e. no ministers or family in the building. As the position is very fluid at the moment it will be necessary to check at the time with crematoria such as Yeovil and Mendip what their current rules are.

Where possible any preliminary meetings for funerals should be undertaken by telephone or Skype and it is recommended that there should be no social gatherings after these services.

For weddings, it is not possible to call banns while public worship services are suspended. Accordingly, the normal legal preliminary will now be Bishop's Common Licence.

Further and fuller information on these matters can be found on the Church of England website (details as above) which is kept regularly updated.

#### **Church Meetings**

We are asked only to hold essential meetings. While Holton Annual Meeting has already been held those of the other parishes have not. Accordingly these are being postponed and will be rearranged in due course. The Bishops have made legal changes to enable such meetings to take place at any time up until the end of October. Their actual date will depend on the relaxing of the social distancing measures.

#### **Parishes Office**

The Parish Office will only be staffed and open if this is absolutely necessary. We

recommend in the first instance not going to the Parish Office but contacting Rob Sage by email or telephone if you need administrative help at this time. Please use the e-mail at the bottom of page 2. If the Office is unmanned, please ring 01749 850934 during office hours.

#### Churches

As from Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March and following the Prime Minister's announcement the Camelot churches have been closed and will remain so until the government advises us that these restrictions have been lifted.

#### **Pastoral Visits**

Please be aware that under the new restrictions that pastoral visits can only be undertaken when essential and where phone contact is not enough. In cases where people are self-isolating there are even more stringent requirements. Please be aware that Yeovil District Hospital has indicated that the only visitors allowed are immediate family members or carers. This means that clergy cannot at the moment undertake visits to this hospital. Ministry in this respect will be undertaken by the hospital chaplain.

#### **CAMELOT FAITH**

Consult the diocesan website for information concerning streaming of church services. It currently has a link to the live streaming of services at St John's Yeovil but no doubt more links will be added as the current suspension of services continues.

The Prayer Book Society website, www.pbs.org.uk has details of online streaming of BCP services during the coronavirus pandemic.

On Mothering Sunday we launched a new initiative 'Cutting Edge Camelot'. This is a form of electronic magazine which includes scripture passages, a reflection written by one of our Ministry Team, points for prayers, suggestions of new ways of sharing the Christian message in this time and brief news updates.

Every copy of Cutting Edge Camelot is available on the <u>Cutting Edge Camelot</u> page of the Camelot Parishes website.

#### **CAMELOT HOPE**

You may find the following websites helpful in terms of suggesting ideas and resources for prayer:-

www.24-7prayer.com/coronavirus prayer Thykingdomcome@lambethpalace.org.uk

Here is a prayer which has been submitted by a parishioner:

'Creator of all that is, each and every day, remove or render harmless all dangerous

viruses from myself, my loved ones, and then from all infected beings and the Earth as a whole.'

This is a prayer which can be repeated for everyone's safety and to restore wellbeing to the afflicted. Our parishioner comments that he finds this to be an especially helpful prayer as it is specifically targeted at the virus and prays for the protection of all and healing of afflicted.

You may also wish to use the following special coronavirus prayer:-

God of hope be with me, calm my anxious mind and remove fear. Surround me, keep me safe until the threat passes. **Surround me with love, and deliver me from evil.** 

Protect my family, preserve us O God, and keep us in health and provision. May my community, despite enforced isolation, be united through acts of loving kindness. Surround us with love and deliver us from evil.

Help those in the **NHS** as they care for the sick and deal with the virus; for **businesses** as they manage the economic challenges and for employees sent home. **Surround them with love and deliver them from evil.** 

Grant wisdom to our **government** and may the **PM** be surrounded by wise counsel. Guide their decisions today to lead us safely. **Surround them with love and deliver them from evil.** 

May those working to stop the pandemic globally make the breakthroughs they need to **eradicate the virus**. Reduce its impact on other nations affected today. **Surround them with love and deliver them from evil. Amen.** 

On Mothering Sunday, we were all encouraged to light a candle and place it in our windows at 7.00pm as darkness fell as a symbol of Jesus Christ, the light of the world and to pray for an end to the pandemic. We might wish to continue to do this.

# A Prayer for the Self-isolating

Loving God, we pray for all those who are suffering because of the coronavirus, may they know your healing power.

When we are afraid for ourselves and our loved ones, give us your strength and courage.

When we feel alone and isolated, reassure us with a sense of your presence.

Give wisdom to those in authority and may our community work together for the good of all.

We give thanks for those who care for others and ask you to bless them in all they do. We ask this in the name of Jesus, healer and physician. Amen .

#### **CAMELOT LOVE**

Please see details given above of the Camelot Volunteer Network. Special thanks are also due to Bob and Jackie New at the village shop in North Cadbury who have worked so hard to keep the community in supplies in these challenging times. We need to support them and all other local businesses who are seeking to respond to the various challenges that the new social restrictions place on us all.

Do, however, be aware that sadly there are also scams operating in these testing

times, for instance, people knocking at the door and pretending to test for the virus or emails headed 'important information' which appear to be about the virus. Do not on any account click on any link that you might be unsure about.

If you have any pastoral concern do feel free to phone any of the Camelot Parishes Ministry Team whose numbers are listed at the beginning of Excalibur. As indicated in the 'Information' section pastoral visits can only be undertaken when essential so in the first instance we will do all that we can to help you over the telephone.

#### **NORTH CADBURY & YARLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL (PC)**

The following topics were among matters discussed at the remote meeting of North Cadbury and Yarlington PC Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2020.

#### Information for the Public

In light of the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) and the Government's announcement to avoid social contact to help prevent the spread of the virus, North Cadbury and Yarlington Parish Council will meet remotely when required to consider planning applications and 'essential' business. All other scheduled dates are postponed. These changes in procedure will cease when the Government announces that the Coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis is over and when normal meetings can resume. We recognise that these are challenging times, but we still value the public's contribution to our virtual consultative meetings. If you would like to participate and contribute in a meeting, you can join on-line through Zoom at: https:// zoom.us/join. Please email parishclerk@northcadbury.org.uk for the details to join the meeting once the agenda is published is on the parish website/notice boards. You will need an internet connection to do this. If you would like to address the virtual consultative meeting during either Public Session or regarding a Planning Application, please email the Clerk on parishclerk@northcadbury.org.uk by 9.00am on the day prior to the meeting. When you have registered, the Chairman will invite you to speak at the appropriate time during the virtual meeting.

#### **Public Session**

Mr N Ross gave a brief outline of his forthcoming planning application to convert the existing barn and stables on land at Sandbrook Lane, Galhampton into a small dwelling. Mr Ross and Ms Cusden have run their 'Wild Garden' business, providing fresh organic salad leaves, on the land for the last four years. In addition to the benefits of increased security by living on site, their aim was to consolidate their living and working into one place to enable their business to support their way of life. They had garnered support from neighbouring properties and those in the immediate vicinity who considered that the proposal would be an enhancement to the land.

Councillors thanked Mr Ross for consulting with the PC prior to submitting the application, which they agreed to be acceptable in principle. The PC would await receipt of the application for it to be considered formally.

#### **Reports from County and District Councillors**

C.Cllr Lewis reported that he would continue to send regular updates on Covid 19. It was frustrating, however, that bureaucracy was currently preventing a number of businesses from helping to provide Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The generosity of businesses and members of the public who were offering help and support was tremendous.

# North Cadbury and Yarlington Neighbourhood Plan Working Group (NPWG)

Cllr Kevs-Tover gave a progress report on behalf of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group (NPWG). The WG were attempting to maintain momentum during the Coronavirus pandemic and were also meeting virtually via the Zoom platform. continued to compile the data from the Household Surveys prior to publishing. The WG were awaiting an update on the production of the Housing Needs Assessment, which was being developed out of The assessment of 'Local Green Spaces' had been carried out as had the Employment and Facilities Surveys: these were done with local businesses being contacted, however, understandably, the responses have been affected by the virus outbreak and the analysis was still to be done. The Strategic Environmental assessment had to be delayed until the next financial year. The Call for Sites was completed to meet the closing date of April 17th, which was well advertised on social media, with posters and some individual landowners being written to.

Mr R Rundle was working hard on getting the Newsletter via the Mail Chimp facility up and working on the NP Website. The WG would like to use the survey results as a draw to encourage people to sign up for the Newsletter. The Locality grant to fund the project expired at the end of March and the expenditure for last year is being audited; any unspent funds have to be returned. The application for this year's funding was underway.

#### **Chairman**

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Rebecca Carter, Portman House, N Barrow

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#### **Blackford**

#### **BOOK CLUB**

For details contact 01963 440754.

#### JUNE SERVICES AT ST MICHAEL'S

In light of the Coronavirus restrictions, church buildings are closed and public worship is suspended until further notice.

# Bratton Seymour (Bratton St Maur)

#### JUNE SERVICES AT ST NICHOLAS'

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### **Compton Pauncefoot**

#### JUNE SERVICES AT ST MARY'S

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### Galhampton

#### VILLAGE HALL BOOKING

In accordance with government guidelines, the village hall has been closed and all

upcoming events and activities cancelled. This will carry on until further notice. Please check the village website (www.galhampton.com), village Facebook page and village noticeboard for any updates.

#### COVID-19

If anyone needs to self-isolate or simply wishes to minimise contact due to coronavirus, consider informing your neighbours so that they are aware and can either help or arrange help. There are volunteers willing to help and details have been distributed to houses within the village. Please continue to look out for your neighbours. We have a lovely community here in Galhampton.

#### VILLAGE PHOTOGRAPHS

Following the success of the 2020 calendar, we to collecting village photographs for the 2021 calendar. These need to be in landscape format and reflect life in Galhampton.

If you would like to submit a caption as well then please include one. Email them to village@galhampton.com by the end of each month. One photograph will be selected to represent each month with the final calendar being available to buy from November 2020. Keep snapping!

# JUNE SERVICES AT GALHAMPTON CHURCH

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#### Holton

#### JUNE SERVICES AT ST NICHOLAS'

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### Maperton

# JUNE SERVICES AT ST PETER & ST PAUL'S

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### **North Cadbury**

#### FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS

Food banks are running seriously short of donations during the current coronavirus crisis.

While St Michael's Church in North Cadbury remains closed, we have no local collecting point for donations to the main regional food bank in Yeovil, The Lord's Larder.

So we have organised three locations for food donations in North Cadbury:

- One food donation box is located on the High Street, opposite the Catash car park entrance.
- There is another food donation box halfway down Cary Road on the right hand side, between the Catash and the school.
- And there is another food donation box at the junction of Cary Road and The Close.

We'd really appreciate any food donations that you're able to place in any one of these three donation boxes, in particular:

- Tinned vegetables and tinned fruit
- Tinned meat and tinned fish
- Tinned baked beans and spaghetti
- Pasta, pasta sauces and packets of rice
- · Tinned custard and rice pudding
- Packets of breakfast cereal
- Tea and coffee, and packets of sugar
- Cartons of long-life/UHT milk

### **Local Contacts**

#### **CIVIL PARISHES**

#### **Compton Pauncefoot & Blackford**

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**North Cadbury & Yarlington** 

CLERK Rebecca Carter 240226

**South Cadbury** 

CLERK Carole Burnett 441142

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READING ROOM see advert on page 9

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#### Holton

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#### **North Cheriton**

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#### South Cadbury

VILLAGE HALL Sam Davey 441382 WI Julie 220181

To update the information on the above list, please contact the Parishes Office.

- · Cheese biscuits and sweet biscuits
- · Fruit juice and squash
- Tinned baby food and packs of nappies
- Toiletries such as soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes
- Tinned and dried dog food and cat food

We will be emptying the donation boxes daily, and delivering all donations to the Yeovil food bank at least once a week.

To find out more about their work or to make a financial donation, please visit their website:

#### www.ycstyeovil.org.uk/help-us

There are also food donation points in several local supermarkets, including Morrisons in Wincanton and Tesco in Yeovil.

Thank you!

# MAINLY MUSIC AND COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS

Sadly we have had to make the decision to postpone our pre-school mainly music group and the monthly coffee mornings for a while. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the not too distant future.

#### VILLAGE WALKS

Sadly, whilst the current health crisis is upon us, we shall not be holding further walks as a group. Please continue to walk the paths as individuals and keep the growth around them in check! Thank you. susan@brookcottage-somerset.co.uk

#### NORTH CADBURY VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall is closed for all clubs, classes and events until further notice as a result of the government's advice on non-essential contact. We thank everyone for their understanding in the current situation.

#### TAKE ART

The effect of the coronavirus has inevitably caused a pause to the performances that Take Art promote but the following might be of interest to you once things return to normal!

A fantastic opportunity has arisen for someone to become a trustee on the North Cadbury Village Hall committee as a promoter for the Take Art Rural Touring Scheme.

Take Art is an Arts Council funded organisation that has provided subsidised professional theatre, music, comedy, dance and much more over the last 30 years. In cooperation with a vast team of volunteer promoters they have put on productions in rural settings like our own village hall. Over the years we have hosted a wide variety of shows that have transported us from the peaks of the Himalayas to the music of the Appalachian mountains taking in heart-warming stories and music from around the world as well as a hilariously surreal bird watching adventure!

"Take Art takes great art and culture into the hearts of the towns, villages and rural communities of Somerset and supports our mission to give more people in more places the opportunity to engage in exciting cultural experiences on their doorsteps."

> Phil Gibby, Area Director, South West, Arts Council England

This is a great opportunity to take part in helping bring our community together and to enjoy being involved with some remarkably talented performers. Please contact me on 01963 440705 for more details.

Piers Keating

# NORTH CADBURY & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Meetings have been cancelled until further

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#### NORTH CADBURY WOMEN'S GROUP

The North Cadbury Women's Group meetings have been cancelled until further notice. For more information on the Group please contact Pauline Moylan on 440775 or pmoylan1@gmail.com

#### JUNE SERVICES AT ST MICHAEL'S

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#### **North Cheriton**

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### **South Cadbury**

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# **Bible Readings**

#### JUNE

1st - Visitation - Luke 1: 39-49

**2<sup>nd</sup>** - Mark 12: 13-17

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mark 12: 18-27

4th - Mark 12: 28-34

5<sup>th</sup> - Mark 12: 35-37

6<sup>th</sup> - Mark 12: 38-44

## 7<sup>th</sup> - Trinity Sunday

2 Corinthians 13: 11-14

8<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 5: 1-12

**9**<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 5: 13-16

10<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 5: 17-19

11<sup>th</sup> - Barnabas the Apostle Acts 11: 19-30

12<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 5: 27-32

13<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 5: 33-37

#### 14<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity Romans 5: 1-8

15<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 5: 38-42

**16**<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 5: 43-48

17<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-18

18th - Matthew 6: 7-15

**19**<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 6: 19-23

20<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 6: 19-23

#### 21st - 2nd Sunday after Trinity Romans 6: 1b-11

22<sup>nd</sup> - Matthew 7: 1-5

23<sup>rd</sup> - Matthew 7: 6, 12-14

24<sup>th</sup> - Birth of John the Baptist Luke 1: 57-66. 80

25<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 7: 21-29

26<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 8: 1-4

27th - Matthew 8: 5-17

#### 28<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity Romans 6: 12-23

29<sup>th</sup> - Peter the Apostle Acts 12: 1-11

30<sup>th</sup> - Matthew 8: 23-27



# A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers

A free phone line offering hymns, prayers, and reflections 24 hours a day while church buildings are closed because of the coronavirus received more than 6,000 calls in the first 48 hours.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, recently launched 'Daily Hope' as a simple new way to bring worship and prayer into people's homes, during the lockdown period.

The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services in mind.

The service is supported by the Church of England nationally as well as through the Connections group based at Holy Trinity Claygate in Surrey and the Christian charity Faith in Later Life.

Within 48 hours the line had received more than 6,000 calls from across the country, with many being referred by friends, family or members. Calls have so far spanned more than 50,000 minutes, with some of those accessing

the service listening to the music, prayers and reflections for up to 50 minutes at a time.

The Revd
Canon Dave
Male, the
Church of
England's

Director of Evangelism and Discipleship, said: "The volume of calls shows that Daily Hope is meeting a need.

"We have a duty in these strange and difficult times to find new ways of bringing prayer and worship to people wherever they are, and this is one more way of helping people to connect with God from their own homes.

"This is such a simple idea – planned and launched all within a few short weeks by a small dedicated team – but I pray it will bring real comfort, hope and inspiration to people at this time."

Callers to the line hear a short greeting from the Archbishop before being able to choose from a range of options, including hymns, prayers, reflections and advice on COVID-19.

Options available include materials also made available digitally by the Church of England's Communications team such as <u>Prayer During the Day and Night Prayer</u>, updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England <u>weekly national online service</u>.

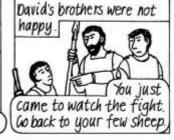
It can be read in the Bible in 1 Samuel 17:1-50

# A short story from the Bible

The Philistine and Israelite armies faced each other. For 40 days, the gigantic Philistine champion, Goliath, taunted them.



David's brothers were in Israel's armu. He came to bring them food, and he heard Goliath.







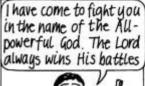
He is insulting God!

















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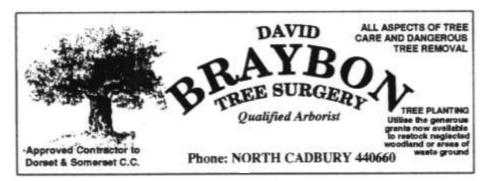
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