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What could be better on a summer's afternoon than enjoying a delicious cream tea, at the same time helping to raise some much-needed funds for the Priory?

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From Father Ian

Our recent celebration of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was an opportunity to think of the way that heaven has been opened for us by Jesus ascending to heaven and preparing a place for us.

(John 14)



And if there is a place for us, then there was certainly a place prepared for Mary, through whose co-operation God was able

to be 'robed in flesh', becoming a true human as well as true God. Indeed, the Church's tradition that Mary was taken, body and soul, to heaven is an expression of the unique role that she played in the 'economy of salvation', and an appropriate destiny and reward.

As always with Mary, her story and her actions always point us towards Jesus and his activity.

Every Christian will benefit by considering and imitating her utter devotion to Jesus, her confidence in him, and her maternal support.

Sometimes, Christians have worried about there being too much attention given to Mary, but I recently came across this comment which sweeps those worries away:

The Church's veneration of Mary used to bother me. A lot.

What changed for me? After praying over all sorts of Marian problems, I felt her lovingly say "You have to understand, Jesus was never mine - I was always his."

No problems after that.

(Joseph Nolla, SJ)

Happy discipleship,

Father Jan



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Please continue to leave any non-perishable food you can spare in our bin just inside the inner doors of the church. We welcome gifts, including furniture and electrical goods, at the Restore Shop in Terminus Road (Stonepillow Restore, Unit 3, Plot 27, Terminus Road, Chichester PO19 8UE; Tel: 01243 698547; <u>restore@stonepillow.org.uk</u>. We can collect larger items if needed.

We are also looking for volunteers who don't mind getting stuck in and sorting our donations; this will enable us to make the best use of them. So many people have so much experience which would be very welcome ...!

THE BUGLE

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Hello from the Hall!

Wow, what a hot summer it has been! The hall has been busy, as always, hosting parties and weddings and our regular groups, of course. You may have noticed a

new weekly visitor in the Village Hall car park by now. Mick from The Really Awesome Coffee Company has been serving his delicious coffees and cold drinks from his station in the car park all through the summer and we hope he will continue inside throughout the winter, too. If you haven't popped down to say hello to the lovely Mick and tried one of his coffees yet, he's there every Friday from 10-3pm!



We've got some exciting things coming up at the hall over the next few months, including another live music night in October! If you didn't make it along to our



'A Night With.. Elvis!', you missed out! Elvis was fantastic and the dance-floor was packed. It was wonderful to see the hall come alive with singing and dancing and after lots of positive feedback, it seems the night was wellloved by all! Thank-you to everyone who supported this night; we're trying our best to make the hall a lively, inclusive place for everyone to enjoy

and we can't do it without your support! Remember, you can keep up to date with everything going on at the hall on Facebook: @boxgrovevillagehall or look us up on Nextdoor!

Until next month...!



BOXGROVE PARISH COUNCIL Parish Council report August 2022



As you should all be aware, the Parish Council doesn't meet in August, it is regarded as the 'holiday' month. However, that doesn't mean that we are all dormant and some things still get attention.

The final remedial work to extend the soft ground surface surrounding the timber 'Boat' feature was finally carried out with satisfaction and the final, withheld, payment has been made to Sovereign Play Equipment. I regret to say that Sovereign were a poor choice of contractor in the manner in which they carried out this work resulting in criticisms of some aspects of their work such that the Parish Council agreed to have a safety audit of the work carried out. This brought to light some unacceptable issues which, after some negotiations with Sovereign, have finally been rectified.

Today, I5th August, after a long spell of too hot weather, I walked my dog across a good deal of the Common and noticed an increased, unacceptable amount of dog faeces on many of the footpaths. As I have often mentioned in the past, this IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH!! Please, if you choose to enjoy walking your dog in our lovely country side, for goodness sake LOOK AFTER IT!

The recent works being carried out by Portsmouth Water adjacent to the VH Car Park is to change the flow of our drinking water. Currently we are supplied from the south, but when the works are completed our water in Boxgrove will come from the main in Halnaker which ultimately comes from the PW reservoir alongside 'Chalkpit Lane' in East Lavant, and this is filled from a well and pumping station alongside the River Lavant and Centurion Way just north of Lavant Village.

Some PC Members met and carried out a reassessment of Halnaker Conservation Area. This was last done in 2010 and should be done every 10 years, but given the restrictions of the past two-and-a-half years the District Council no longer have the staff resources to implement this, but it is acceptable for the PC to do it and submit to CDC for endorsement. This reassessment is being led by Cllr.Michael Bish who, as a chartered Architect and Planner, is well qualified to do this. A reassessment of the Boxgrove CA will be undertaken later in August or early September. These Conservation Areas are vitally important to preserve the exceptional historic features of the area where we have chosen to live. A reminder that simply any development, home extension, engineering work of any kind, tree treatment, even to change the colour of a front door facing onto the highway, in a Conservation Area, requires Planning Permission to permit these type of works.

We have seen a few contraventions of CA regulations in the past, all reported, and I'm pleased to say that most have been regularised. If you live in either of the CAs, please be aware!

The exceptional hot weather has certainly taken its toll on our countryside: though the yield from grain crops hasn't been affected too much, the growth of the corn husks

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and the grapes has certainly been impaired and the grape harvest right across Europe is badly affected through lack of rainfall.

It is now public knowledge that the Goodwood Estate Company have called for a Judicial Review of the Planning Inspectorate's decision to overturn the CDC decision to REFUSE the development of 185 new homes on that land known as Old Place Farm, to the west of Madgwick Lane and south of Goodwood Airfield. Westhampnett Parish has seen about 435 new homes built in the past six years at the Maudlin Hanging Basket Nursery and Madgwick Park: enough is enough! The impact of the additional traffic around the eastern gateway into the city has become severe, aside from the effect on our other services, health and education. We wish the Goodwood Estate good luck.

Henry Potter

Chairman of the Parish Council



The Priory Churchyard

Following the Churchwardens' appeal in the July issue of The Bugle for help clearing up the compost heap, the Editor received the following from a regular visitor to the Churchyard; it is reproduced with permission:

Dear Editor,

Grateful thanks to the working party who cleared the large compost heap in the Churchyard. I would walk by it to visit the memorial of my late husband Steve Martin, just behind the grave of Billy Fiske. It was such an eyesore and off-putting to the many visitors to Billy's grave. The regular gardeners are now cleaning the overgrown areas: this too is much appreciated. A great improvement all round.

A BIG THANK YOU TO YOU ALL.

Yvonne Martin



Work in progress



19 June

7 August

NEWS FROM BOXGROVE WI



Our July meeting featured the delightfully named Daisy Day, otherwise known as the 'Bee Lady'. We were fascinated by the beautiful

photographs and illustrations of the hive and how it works. Bees are amazing creatures. The workers (female of course) have various roles which change as they get older. As young workers they look after the eggs and feed the young. They then progress to domestic work - making sure the hive is clean and hygienic. As they get older they go out foraging for nectar and pollen. The exception are four workers who remain at the entrance to the hive to repel all boarders, especially wasps who try to enter the hive to get at the honey and would wreak havoc were they to get inside. There are thousands of workers in a hive. The drones, the male bees, are fewer in number, only about a hundred. They are bigger and stronger than the workers but spend their lives lazing around, eating and waiting for an opportunity to mate with the queen. We make no comment!

In spite of the heat, four of us went to North Mundham to take part in a quiz, organised by the West Sussex Federation. We didn't win, but we acquitted ourselves quite well. One section was on quotations. We all recognised the quotations but could only identify a few of the originators - very frustrating!

Nine of us are going to Prince Charles' Highgrove Estate later in August and the Lunch Club are heading for the Star & Garter. Last month it was The Selsey Arms at West Dean, which we very much enjoyed. We are gearing up for the Dog Show on 3 September, with many members volunteering to help in the kitchen and to make cakes.

We do have some sad news to report. One of our long-standing members, Sonia Crouch, died unexpectedly in early August. She had had a number of falls and was in respite care in Westhampnett when she had a heart attack. We all remember Sonia as the kind, smiling lady at the raffle table. She was always ready to help out, loved to have a chat with everyone and always had a kind word. We shall miss her very much. Our deepest sympathies go to her daughter Nicola and family.

Our September Meeting is another garden! We do love our flowers. This time we're off to Peeler's Retreat, near Arundel. Needless to say the owner is a retired policeman. His wife has promised us a splendid tea - the full works. We do know how to enjoy ourselves. So, if you'd like to know more, or would like to join us, give me a ring, send a text or email me. My contact details are given below.

Best wishes to you all.

Wendy Austin-Ward

Secretary, Boxgrove WI Contact me on **01243 773563**, **07947946538**, <u>wpaustinward@outlook.com</u>



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THE OPTIMISTIC GARDENER

High Trees, August 2022 ~ No.56

RHS Bridgewater

As always, in order to enjoy to the full, and in colour, all Janet's pictures, readers are encouraged to read this article online via the '<u>Bugle</u>' page on the Priory website: <u>http://www.boxgrovepriory.co.uk/bugle.html</u>

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It is wonderful to see positive outcomes from the Pandemic of recent years - people volunteering and taking more interest and care of vulnerable neighbours; **some** people turning more to exercise as the only way to get out of the house; and an increased interest in gardening. No doubt about it - gardening is good for both mind and body. Scientists have found that spending two hours in nature each week is linked to better health; the NHS are even prescribing time in nature and taking part in community

gardening projects as part of "green prescriptions".

And those in charge of running another worthy institution - the RHS - have benefitted from a year (2020) in which they had planned to open their new flagship garden in the North West, Garden Bridgewater, but were unable to do so because of Covid. They were due to open to the public in 2020 but that was delayed by a year, in which time the garden had had the chance to mature a little and finally open to the public in 2021.



Since I lived the first eighteen years of my life in the North West of England I was keen to see what the Royal Horticultural Society had done with the former site of Worsley New Hall - an estate once owned by The Dukes of Bridgewater. We were in Runcorn for the memorial service for my dad - a year after his funeral - and thought that in future we wouldn't have as much reason to come to this neck of the woods so would stay on an extra day and pay a visit to the Salford area. Should **you** be in the north I can highly recommend a trip to RHS Garden Bridgewater.

We were there in June and our first impressions were formed by the car park which is surrounded by acres of wild-flower meadow. As regular readers will know, I am very keen for gardeners to allow room in their patches for native wild flowers to thrive.



As we approached the Welcome Centre we were greeted by a tasteful selection of pots - why can others produce such tasteful combinations of plants? Well I guess if the RHS can't do it then no-one can.

The site covers 154 acres - about one half of which at present is woodland; the mansion around which the estate was built is now long gone. It was built for Lord Francis Edgerton in 1849 and only a hundred years later was destroyed by a fire and local mining subsidence.

Just deserts maybe, as the local landowner's had benefited for years from the coal mining in this area. In 2017 the RHS was granted planning permission to develop the

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estate - and this is the first time in more than 100 years that the RHS has taken on a garden project of this size.



The entrance building is spacious and of a very modern design using wooden supports for the ceiling and clad in warm larch. The whole space offers a bright and airy welcome for the visitors - a cathedral to horticulture. On the top of the structure is a green roof of wildflowers and sedum - so much nicer than foil-backed glass fibre as a means of insulation. There are also channels up there which collect rainwater (do you remember what that is?) which is recycled and used to flush the Welcome Centre's loos!

As you emerge from the reception building you are offered a variety of routes - I wonder how many people make the choice we made and head for the water? A vast majority I should think. We were drawn to the call of the swifts and martins which were giving us an aerial display over the 1.4 acre new lake. Having spent the last three

years here at High Trees trying to attract swifts to our garden, and only succeeding in enticing house sparrows into our swift nesting boxes, I was green with envy that Moon Bridge Water had succeeded. It has rather a curious name, but the funding was from a Chinese gentleman.

The highlight of the formal gardens is the 11 acre Weston Walled Garden; it is one of the largest Victorian gardens in the UK and back in the day was tended by a large team

of gardeners growing fruit and vegetables. The original walls escaped demolition and it took a team of experts more than a year to restore the I.4km of brickwork! The main part of the walled garden is divided in two - The Paradise Garden in one half and The Kitchen Garden in the other.

The Paradise Garden lives up to its name - water being a key feature here too. There is a central Lily Pond fed by



two rills along the central spine of the garden. As we know from Father Peter's floral arrangements in Boxgrove, there is nothing better than the sound of trickling water to create a feeling of calm (except in the barely continent!).



The 89 planting beds within this walled area contain 27,000 plants, helping the visitor experience the feeling of a tranquil oasis. The colours are interrupted by columns of green sculptured beech trees and there are plenty of places to sit in Paradise. The colour combination which I will take home to try in my own garden is that of yellow and blue, which appears quite a lot around the borders.



As you might imagine, we lingered even longer in the Kitchen Garden, picking up ideas to try here too. I was intrigued to see the pea frames set up with long hazel poles - as we do at home - but rather than sticking the pea-sticks into the ground they had hung them down from the top horizontal pole, meaning that the peas had a much taller structure to grow up and picking them would be more straightforward.

Many of the vegetable growing spaces were in raised beds and made with sturdy railway sleepers which looked as though they would last for a very long time.



As well as being productive the Kitchen Garden also had an element of design about it, with huge, bespoke obelisks which followed the shape of the brick chimney of the old Victorian boiler house. You can see both in this photo.



I could go on and on about the wonderful things to see at Garden Bridgewater - the Chinese stream side; the woodlands and lakes; a therapeutic garden and community allotments; the homemade food in the cafe

using the crops grown on site; the well-stocked plant sales. But I think you probably realise that I loved the place and I certainly will return in a few years to see how the orchard gardens are evolving and whether they have managed to keep their bees in the apiary. It is open daily except for Christmas Day and you can find out much more on their website - <u>rhs.org.uk/bridgewater</u>.

Janet Reeves



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On 10 September, Janet will be wearing a different hat (a helmet!) as 'Optimistic Cyclist', as she has set herself a target of a 50-mile cycle ride as part of this year's 'Ride + Stride' event (see page 12).

If you would like to support Janet's Herculean efforts, please fill in the form which will be available after church on Sundays.







Ride & Stride 2022 takes place on Saturday 10 September



Would you like to spend a day doing a sponsored cycle-ride, horse-ride or walk between some of the beautiful and historic ecclesiastical buildings in our local area, at the same time raising money to ensure that they will be here for future generations? There is no fixed route, so you can choose which church or chapel is your start point, which is your end, and how many you visit in between!

Or perhaps you'd rather help by keeping the Priory open to welcome participants?

If this all sounds rather too energetic or time-consuming, you might like to sponsor a cyclist, rider or walker to support their efforts?

> Further information and help for potential participants and/or helpers may be found at

www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/sussex_ride_and_stride

or call Mark Peters on 07729 773277

BE PART OF TEAM PRIORY ON 10 SEPTEMBER!





IT'S TIME TO OVERHAUL THE PRIORY ORGAN



The organ in Boxgrove Priory is small but beautiful. It's astonishingly versatile and, over the years, has provided the 'soundtrack' to thousands of services. But it is now in need of some TLC.

The plan is to dismantle it and take sections of it to the Organ Builder's workshop. Once there, it will be cleaned very thoroughly and all the leatherwork will be renewed. Then, returned and rebuilt in the Priory, it will serve us again, well into the future.

It costs money, of course, and we still need to raise about $\pounds 15,000$. Many thanks to those who have helped us by making donations, or by approaching Trusts and the like. We have a way to go with this project, but we are hoping that, with one more 'push', we shall be able to make the restoration happen.

CALENDAR AND INTERCESSIONS ~ SEPTEMBER 2022

Ι	Thu	St Giles, Religious	Vocations to the Religious Life		
2	Fri	Vivian Redlich & the Martyrs of New Guinea	Faithfulness in Vocation		
3	Sat		Sacrificial giving		
4	Sun				
		BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	Parish & people		
5	Mon	Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Virgin & Religious	The poor		
6	Tue	Feria The sick			
7	Wed	I Feria The departed			
8	Thu	Nativity of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Obedient service to G			
9	Fri	Charles Fuge Lowder, Priest	Society of the Holy Cross		
10	Sat	Of Our Lady	Alton Abbey		
11	Sun	HOLY CROSS SUNDAY	Parish & people		
12	Mon	The Name of Mary	Walsingham		
13	Tue	St John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor	Preachers		
14	Wed	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Fearless discipleship		
15	Thu	Our Lady at the Cross	Witnesses to suffering		
16	Fri	St Cornelius, Pope, & St Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs	The Bishops		
17	Sat	Of Our Lady	Seafarers		
18	Sun	TRINITY 14	Parish & people		
19	Mon	St Theodore, Bishop	The Archbishop of Canterbury		
20	Tue	St Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, &			
		the Martyrs of the Pacific	Oppressed Christians		
21	Wed	St Matthew the Apostle	Greater knowledge of the Gospels		
22	Thu	Feria	The Departed		
23	Fri	St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest & Religious	Growth in holiness		
24	Sat	Our Lady of Walsingham	The Shrine at Walsingham		
25	Sun	TRINITY 15	Parish & people		
26	Mon	Sts Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs	Young Christians		
27	Tue	St Vincent de Paul, Priest	The Sisters of Charity		
28	Wed	St Wenceslas, Martyr	The Czech Nation		
29	Thu	St Michael & All Angels	Thanksgiving for angelic ministry		
30	Fri	St Jerome, Priest and Doctor	Those studying scripture		



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THE BEATLES FROM MEMORY



2 July 2022

I have always enjoyed a memory challenge. Over the years I have recited, among other things, the New Testament, the complete works of Gilbert & Sullivan and the complete Talking Heads monologues of Alan Bennett. It then struck me that the complete works of the Beatles would be a fascinating memory challenge. I knew of course that they had written many great and memorable songs, and I knew many of the words of them through performances with choral groups; I was sure these would resonate with lots of people. But I was also fascinated to delve into their lesser known songs, seeing it not only as a memory challenge but as part of my education - and what better time than Jubilee year to perform what could be regarded as a priceless part of our national heritage.

It wasn't necessarily straightforward to determine what was a Beatles song and therefore should be included. I decided to include every song which the band wrote and released onto singles, EPs and albums under the Beatles' name. So covers, instrumental pieces, songs only released by other artists, and songs released under individual Beatles' names were excluded. I ended up with a menu of 210 songs which I split into core material - songs released while the Beatles were together - and what I called "Connoisseur's Corner", consisting of songs only released as Beatles singles and albums (mostly anthology albums) after the split. I was confident I could perform all 210 within a day, as long as I edited out a lot of the repeats.

It was in fact right at the start of the first Covid lockdown in March 2020 that I told myself I would like to get working on learning all the Beatles songs later that year, but not until Ist October 2020 that I began the work. Using a song book containing all their songs, I decided to learn three each week until the task was complete, working through the book in strict order. Some weeks I got off quite lightly, with well known material or short easy songs, and this gave me more time to bone up on the tougher stuff.



I realised I needed to get an accompanist on board, and was very fortunate in securing, for the core material, the services of David Russell, a very accomplished pianist with whom I had frequently collaborated in the past. We ended up getting together on seven separate occasions to rehearse. My choir friend Janet Reeves nobly agreed to accompany the lesser-known Connoisseur's Corner work.

A date was fixed for me to sing all the songs - Saturday 2 July 2022 - and a venue, the St Blaise Centre in the grounds of Boxgrove Priory, was also fixed.

So it was that at 9.30am that morning my accompanist David and I launched into *Love Me Do*, at the start of what was a remarkable day. While I had loved rehearsing the songs both alone and with David, I realised for them to come alive I needed an audience who could get involved. I was so pleased, therefore, that right from the start I had a good number present, and this grew so that by late morning and through the early afternoon the hall was full. While I had always seen this as primarily a memory challenge, I realised that it was much more important for it to be seen as a community

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event, with audiences joining in as much as they wanted. So many people said to me, both in advance of the day and on the day itself, how much they had loved the Beatles and how different songs resonated with them. It was hugely satisfying to rekindle so many memories for so many people, particularly with songs that I thought nobody - or hardly anybody - would have heard of. I expected lots of joining-in for classics such as *From Me To You, Help, A Hard Day*'s Night and *I Want To Hold Your Hand*, but to give just one example I was amazed when so many joined in *I'll Follow The Sun* which I saw as one of their minor works. This was one of the 70 or so pieces that I chose to sing unaccompanied. Some people were kind enough to say how much they enjoyed the unaccompanied pieces as they could properly hear the words. It was hugely satisfying to hear so many join in so many of the songs and I joked with them at one point that we could form our own community choir! I deliberately sought to make it all as informal and relaxed as possible.

I had decided to perform the core material in strict chronological order which meant that the first of the four core sessions was almost exclusively fairly conventional "boy meets girl ... boy loses girl" songs, and it was only during the second core session that the material became more "interesting" in content and continued to get more, shall we say, surreal as the afternoon went on, with *I Am The Walrus*, *Cry Baby Cry* and *Dig A Pony* being among the weirdest and hardest to explain! David and I both felt that the second core session contained the highest concentration of really great Beatles songs including *In My Life*, *Yellow Submarine*, *Strawberry Fields* and Penny *Lane*, and lesser known but still superb *Girl*, *For No One* and *Paperback Writer*.

Each session, though, brought its own really great songs, and though the final session had its fair share of oddities, it also included Here Comes The Sun, Something and Long And Winding Road. There were gems everywhere!

Fortified by lots of caffeine and lots of bananas I managed to work through them without tiring too much, and it was only during the final session that I began to wilt a little and had to concentrate hard to keep focussed on getting the task done. But at around 5.15pm, nearly eight hours after starting, I reached *Let It Be*, the end of the task - and had just enough voice to lead some "encores" including *Hey Jude* with extra "Na Na Na's!"

I loved every second of the day and was so grateful to all who supported it. A retiring collection raised over $\pounds 1800$ being divided between the Priory itself, and the Sussex Snowdrop Trust.

Maybe Abba as my next challenge?

David Bathurst



July crossword solution

Across: 9 Furniture, 10 Itchy, 11 Hinders, 12 Ceilidh, 13 Hoist, 14 Christmas, 16 Anger management, 19 Therapist, 21 Queen, 22 Freesia, 23 Shallow, 24 Rigid, 25 Laconical

Down: 1 Of the heart, 2 Printing, 3 Silent, 4 Sums, 5 Red currant, 6 Big Issue, 7 Schism, 8 Wych, 14 Charitable, 15 Sat on a wall, 17 Roadside, 18 Eye black, 20 Energy, 21 Quaint, 22 Ford, 23 Sock

General Synod Report July 2022

It was good to be back in York after 3 years; good to meet fellow synod members and synod staff and good to make new friendships. It was a busy five days of meetings, group work and of course worship. The synod opened with the usual introductions of new members and of the Ecumenical guests, the Presidential address by the Archbishop of York and the report on the Agenda.

Here is a glimpse of a few of the debates set before Synod. The Routemap to Net Zero Carbon by 2030 requested every Diocesan Synod to debate the Routemap as it applies to their structures and to agree a programme of action towards achieving net zero by 2030, requests all high energy users to draw up a programme of action and call for reports on progress and the Church's carbon emissions every year. We debated the War in Ukraine lamenting Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine, the suffering and terror; and urging all Christians and people of faith to pray for an end, calling on each diocese and parish to work towards providing long term refuge to those fleeing their country and asking the government to work to secure a negotiated peace.

Sunday afternoon included a debate on 'Assisted Suicide' brought by Dr Simon Eyre. It acknowledged the untiring efforts of health professionals in the development of palliative and end of life care and asked HM government to expedite adequate funding and resourcing of palliative care services within the NHS affirming that the current legislation in relation to Assisted Suicide should remain unchanged. Only 37% of the costs of hospice care is funded by the government, the rest being raised by charitable giving and fund raising. Inevitably this was an emotional debate with stories told and views firmly held. However, the full motion was passed.

A debate was held about 'Affirming and including disabled people in the whole life of the Church'. It was pointed out that there are disabilities which are not always visible. The motion requested the Faith & Order Commission and Liturgical Commission to consider how our liturgies might be made more inclusive to disabled people - such as removing rubrics 'all stand' (though it was pointed out that to do so formally would cost much and take a long time synodically). The full motion was passed without dissent.

Guildford Diocese brought a motion to Synod on 'Age verification for pornography websites' asking the government to have in place age verification systems preventing access by people under the age of 18 and recommending social and educational programmes to increase awareness of the harms of pornography including selfgenerated sexually explicit images. During the debate we heard how life damaging it can be to have indulged in watching or reading pornography from a young age. It was pointed out that it is simple enough to skirt any verification systems although technology is evolving all the time and perhaps those who know can create algorithms to help with this issue.

The Archbishop of Canterbury moved 'That a Loyal Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen'.

Mary Nagel

Never be afraid to try something new. Remember - amateurs built the ark; professionals built the Tatanic.

From Father Peter



I am writing to you from the comparative safety of home as I dare to broach the subject of Christmas!!

PLEASE don't stop reading ...

We are all fully aware of the financial problems we face in the coming months. The effects of inflation, Covid and world events have all contributed to this. The effects felt by us all are also keenly felt by the Priory. We need to raise funds.

I have agreed, in collaboration with the Fund Raising Committee, to stage a



Christmas Tree Festival at the Priory between 9th and I Ith December



This will need the hands-on support of us all. It will be a fun time and very satisfying. If you have never seen one, it consists of a series of Christmas Trees decorated to a theme.

Our particular theme will be

"It's the most wonderful time of the year"

and trees depicting the fun side of Christmas will decorate the Priory.

We need volunteers to be imaginative and decorate trees in the given subject. It is something we can take part in as individuals, teams, clubs, etc., involving the whole community.



Over the next few weeks I shall be approaching groups and individuals seeking help. This is unlike a Flower Festival - not a specialised event. We can all take part - it needs imagination and a sense of fun.

Lots of events will be happening that weekend, and this is in the hands of the Fund Raising Committee; my pleasant and exciting job is to encourage and inspire, and get your creative juices going ... so be prepared to be approached - if you haven't already approached me. I have taken part in many of these events: they are enormous fun - a wonderful time of the year.







Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising free donations for Boxgrove Priory with <u>easyfundraising</u>?

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CHICHESTER Lunchtime concerts

The Cathedral Concerts are at 1.10pm on Tuesdays during term-time. The series is self-supporting, and

thrives through the generosity of its audiences. There is no charge for admission but a minimum donation of $\pounds 3$ per person is invited (Gift Aided as appropriate).

6 September Miriam Kramer & Nicholas Durcan violin and piano

20 September Miriam Teppich & Pavlos Carvalho violin and cello

> 27 September Kyoko Canaway organ

I3 September Christopher Johnston piano



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Is now a good time to move house?

By Jennifer Hancock, Director at <u>Property Acquisitions</u>

According to data analysis there is a property shortage, meaning over a third less properties available on the market than last year with no sign of an increase.

This is creating an affordability issue, since this shortage is pushing prices up, therefore we need more houses for buyers. Who knows where we will be next year - will there be a 5% drop in prices that so many predict? If so, then there has never been a better time to sell, especially if you are downsizing.

If so many homeowners bit the bullet and sold, then it would release more stock. The older generation typically live in the best houses, having owned them for approximately 20-30 years, purchasing when stock was good. However, if you sell your home, you need to buy another house (the big conundrum). As such, sellers usually become hesitant and don't do it - which creates a bottleneck in the market. If all those who were thinking about moving contacted a buying agent who have a list of cash buyers ready to go, this



could potentially help release an enormous amount of stock. The vast majority of homeowners don't realise the benefit of contacting a buying agent as well as an estate agent when thinking about moving on to pastures new. Buying agents work closely with estate agents. Also, remember that buyers are often agreeable to a delayed completion, which also can be a huge advantage to the seller.

Demand is high, therefore prices remain high too, and property growth is still being reported. Maybe now is a good time to consider moving.

Jennifer Hancock

For more information about buying a home in and around Chichester, contact me on +44 7776452128 or visit <u>www.propertyacquisitions.co.uk</u>



I'm not sure if I washed the spider down the drain in my shower or if it took one look at me naked and leapt willingly to its death.

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Moonlight Walk Week!

We're getting excited as we're putting the finishing touches to a very special annual event. St Wilfrid's Hospice Moonlight Walk takes place on Saturday 10 September! Plus, we've extended the registration so you can still sign up for tickets until midnight on Wednesday 7 September.



Join the Moonlight Walk evening event on Saturday 10 September walking a 5- or 10-mile route around Chichester. This very special sponsored walk has a musical send off, celebration stations along the route, and we turn the Bishop Palace Gardens into a sensory light up trail - it's a real highlight. All walkers receive a souvenir T-shirt and supporter pack, and everyone will get a commemorative medal, too. Our event village at Chichester College offers free parking to all walkers, and this year we will have local



food and drink sellers and other activities at the start and end to really add to the atmosphere. Bring friends and family for a drink and to cheer you over the finishing line!

You can choose your start time on September 10, and you'll be joined by hundreds of other walkers on the route. Kids can join in, too, as long as they are accompanied by an adult, and the walk route is accessible for wheelchair users and buggies.

We'd love to see as many people as possible from our community take part. It's a really special event, where we come together to walk in memory of those dear to us, and to raise funds for vital hospice services in our community.

Our nurses and doctors support over 325 local people who need hospice services at any one time in Bognor, Chichester, Emsworth, Midhurst, Selsey, Tangmere, Yapton and many more besides. As an independent local charity, we can only continue to provide clinical and emotional support to those who need it with our community's help.



If you'd prefer to walk a route that is special to you, you can get involved and register for the Virtual Moonlight Walk, with any 5- or 10-mile distance.

Registering for the Moonlight Walk is quick and easy at <u>stwh.co.uk/moonlightwalk</u> or call 01243 775302 or email <u>fundraising@stwh.co.uk</u>. We hope to see you on the night!

If you aren't walking this year, you can still send your support by making a donation at <u>stwh.co.uk/moonlightwalkdonation</u>

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their children the best start in life. Volunteers also support families in our three Family Groups.

JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM

Our next volunteer training course will start on Tuesday 13th September 2022. The course will take place one morning a week from 9.30am-1pm (excluding school half term) in Chichester for 7 weeks.

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4Sight Vision Support promotes National Eye Health Week

4Sight Vision Support provides support and specialist information to blind and sight impaired residents throughout West Sussex and is delighted to be lending its support to National Eye Health Week (NEHW). This will be held from 19-25 September with the theme for this year being 'Your Vision Matters', promoting the importance of good eye health and the need for regular eye tests for all.

Regular sight tests can detect early signs of conditions, including glaucoma, which can be treated if found soon enough. In addition, during a sight test, other health conditions such as diabetes or high blood pressure may be detected.

To find out more, call 01243 828555 or visit <u>www.4sight.org.uk</u>. For more details about National Eye Health Week visit <u>https://</u> <u>www.visionmatters.org.uk</u>. Deafblindness is more common than people realise - around 400,000 people in the UK are affected. Everyone is affected differently: some might need to adjust settings on their TV or turn up the volume on their phone, others might need assistance dogs, to be lending their support to the awareness-raising campaign.



The general health of the eye being checked as part of a routine eye test.

To find out how 4Sight Vision Support can support you or someone you know living with sight and sight/hearing loss, call 01243 828555 or visit <u>www.4sight.org.uk</u>. For more details about Deafblind Awareness Week visit <u>https://deafblind.org.uk/</u>.





Discover volunteering at Petworth House and Park

There are lots of opportunities to get involved with volunteering at Petworth Park.

Volunteer Recruitment Morning, Sunday 4 September, I lam-Ipm

- Meet and chat with current volunteers
- Learn about the wide range of roles available
- Enjoy free entry to the House, Pleasure Gardens and Park
- There is no need to book simply ask our Welcome Team where to go on arrival.

Why volunteer at Petworth?

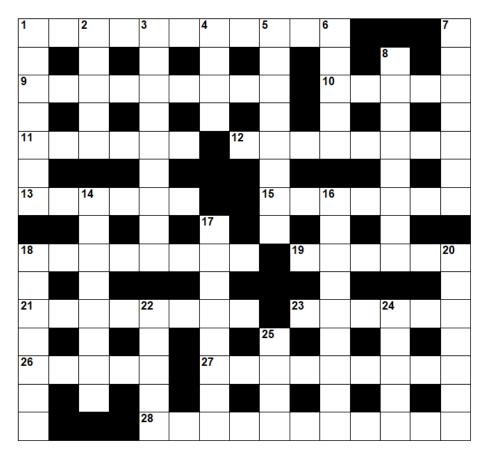
There are many reasons to volunteer at Petworth from being part of a team, to meeting new people, contributing to conservation and learning something new. The best part is you can volunteer as much or as little of your time as you like, with roles to suit you.

Want to enquire about volunteering?

If you'd like to volunteer at Petworth drop in to our volunteer recruitment morning on Sunday 4 September, I I am-Ipm, or email us on <u>petworth@nationaltrust.org.uk</u>. We look forward to hearing from you.

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A straightforward puzzle again this month

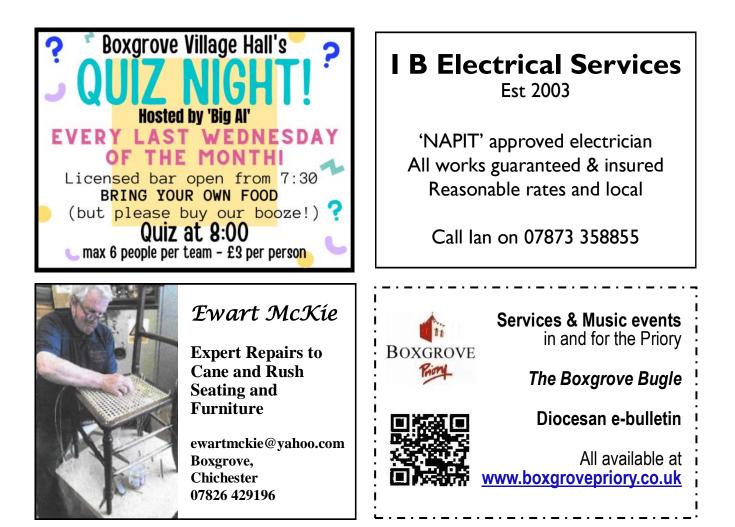


Across

- 1 An instrument used in diagnosis (11)
- 9 According to the saying, one does this in order to pay Paul (4,5)
- 10 Length of leather or fabric used to keep case shut (5)
- 11 Abase oneself to another (Chinese) (6)
- 12 Stressed; 'punctuated' (foreign language) (8)
- 13 Stationary (6)
- 15 Went to bed; left work at pension age (7)
- 18 The beginning of the month, or of a new job (5,3)
- 19 To be owned by, or part of (6)
- 21 A metal-carbon alloy used in good quality kitchenware (4,4)
- 23 Fish famous for leaping when returning to hatching site to spawn (6)
- 26 A large-scale vocal musical work (5)
- 27 A green plant with fine feathery foliage, cultivated for its edible shoots (9)
- 28 What students are waiting for in the summer (abbrev) (4,7)

Down

- 1 Moves gently along skin or fur eg of a cat (7)
- 2 Arm joint (5)
- 3 Someone who renders patients unconscious - eg to recall past events (9)
- 4 Satisfy to the full (eg a thirst) (4)
- 5 Officially measured and noted (legal); on vinyl (for the older ones among us!) (2,6)
- 6 Follow (time) (5)
- 7 Got in the way of (7)
- 8 Choral work, often religious and relating a 'story' (8)
- 14 Rest, dear (anag); stopped (8)
- 16 A book that lists words in groups of synonyms and related concepts (9)
- 17 A very wide view (8)
- 18 A building where things are manufactured (7)
- 20 The first book of the Bible (7)
- 22 Silly; stupid (5)
- 24 A powerful person in the media or film industry (5)
- 25 A metal attachment to footwear used by some horseriders (4)







Urgently needed items include tinned carrots, peas and green beans, sponge puddings, tinned fruit, tinned meat, rice, tinned potatoes/instant mash, tinned rice pudding/custard

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During his sermon on Jesus's teaching that we should love our enemies, the pastor asked the congregation to raise their hands if they had enemies. Everyone did so except for Mrs Watson in the front row, who had just turned 95.

"Mrs Watson", the pastor asked, "how could you possibly live for 95 years and have no enemies?"

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•	10.30am	Solemn Mass
Monday	9.00am	Low Mass
Tuesday	10.00am	Low Mass with short homily (followed by coffee)
Wednesday		Low Mass
Thursday	10.00am	Low Mass
Friday [′]	12.00pm	Low Mass
Saturday	10.00 ['] am	Low Mass

Confessions heard by appointment.

On the first Sunday of the month at the 10.30am Mass the setting of the Ordinary (Kyrie, Gloria, Creed, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei) will normally be congregational, with anthems and motets sung by the choir. There will not be Sunday School on that day.

Readers are advised to check service times on the Priory <u>website</u> (<u>http://www.boxgrovepriory.co.uk/worship.html</u>), as it is necessary from time to time to amend them.

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