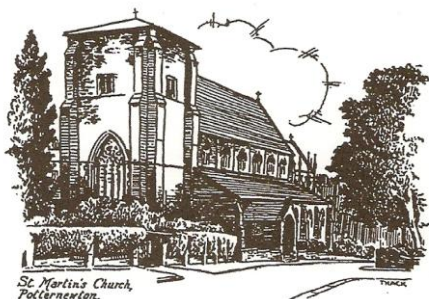


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Editor's Comment:

Do take a look at our calendar and consider joining us on our journey through Holy Week with services on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. The 5.30am Easter Vigil on Easter Sunday is a very special service at first light so try to set your alarms early for that. Or join us for our celebratory Easter Eucharist at 10am.

Wishing you all a healthy and Happy Easter.

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Pastoral Letter

THE EASTER PARADOX

Dear Friends,

At Easter, Christians of all denominations celebrate the mystery at the centre of our faith: the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Not "together", because the scandal of division among Christians continues to tarnish the brightness of their testimony. Nevertheless, this celebration shared among all Christians is still a sign of hope for many communities in their suffering. Think of the tiny Christian communities in North Africa and in the Middle East, whose members have often paid and continue to pay with their blood the price of their Christian witness. It is in the genuine joy of those Christians whose faith is experiencing such trials that we can better appreciate Easter in its true meaning.

Without the resurrection of Christ - Saint Paul reminds us - our faith would be "futile" (1 Corinthians 15:17), empty and unable to give consistency to the life of the believer. It is because Christ rose from the dead that suffering does not crush the heart of the Christian, that fear does not paralyze us, that hope in the future can still be kept alive in the midst of everything that comes our way.

The Gospels are not naïve in testifying to how difficult it was for those who had followed Jesus on the roads of Galilee, Judea and into Jerusalem, to proclaim their belief in the resurrection. It was already scandalous enough to own up to the violent, ignominious death of their Messiah; even more shocking was having to preach about His resurrection. Not only that, but the paradox of the Christian faith is rendered almost incomprehensible in the realization that faith in the resurrection is something else from belief in an afterlife.

For Christians the opposite of death is not afterlife, but resurrection. Resurrection is a statement of faith, shocking and apparently absurd (Tertullian, 2nd-3rd century) not because it proclaims that a first century man walked out of his tomb alive again after three days, but because it represents a stand against everything that is contrary to the best of our human condition, even when such a stand would seem futile, even when defeat seems inevitable, even when death seems to have pronounced the last word. We proclaim resurrection when we refuse to succumb to the weight of our sins, of our past mistakes. We proclaim resurrection each time we refuse to live by a culture of lies and we embrace the truth. We proclaim resurrection each time we refuse to be dominated by our selfishness; each time

we have the courage to forgive and make the first step; each time we love despite it all; each time we remain human, harbouring in us deep joy and peace, even in the midst of desolation all around us and often within us.

How can a message like this, a proclamation such as this, be irrelevant to non-Christians? We are all human beings, therefore we are all prone to experience our humanity being trampled down by others or by our own foolishness or by tragic circumstances. Every time this happens we experience death.

The good news of the Easter people is that it does not have to be that way, that death does not have to have the last word but can be defeated, and its defeat is resurrection.

This message was entrusted by God to Christ, and He did His part, faithfully. Now it is our turn to do the same. There is a passage in the passion narrative according to John that reminds us of the responsibility entrusted to us. In front of the high priest who asks Him about His teaching, Jesus replied that He had always "spoken openly to the world " and concluded: " Why do you ask Me? Ask those who heard what I told them. They know the things I said." (John 18:20, 21). Easter people are credible witnesses – by the way they live - to what they saw and heard.

Therefore, is Easter an absurd paradox? Of course it is. It is actually a whole string of three paradoxes, because the heart of the Christian faith is exactly this: to believe the unbelievable, to love those who are not lovable, to hope against all hope. Yes, resurrection is about this: faith, hope and love, and the greatest of these is love.

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed and peaceful Easter,
yours in the Risen Christ,

Fr Nicholas



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

From the book: *Peace of Heart in All Things*, by Brother Roger Shutz, founder of the ecumenical community of Taizé, GIA Publications

Risen Jesus, give us a steadfast heart that remains faithful to you.

Calendar



April

Weds 1st	9.30 am	Eucharist & Home Communions
Fri 3rd	9.00 am	Confirmation class
	2.30 pm	Stations of the Cross
Sat 4th	12 noon	Community Kitchen in the Institute until 2.00 pm
Sun 5th	<u>Palm Sunday – start of Holy Week</u>	
	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club
	11.30 am	Bible Class in the Institute until 12.30
	11.45 am	Choir Practice
Mon 6th	6.00 pm	Lent environment group
Weds 8th	9.30 am	Eucharist & Home Communion
	10.30 am	Tots Service
Thurs 9th	<u>Maundy Thursday</u>	
	7.00 pm	Eucharist (with <i>agape</i> meal and ritual washing of the feet) and Watch
Fri 10th	<u>Good Friday</u>	
	10.30 am	Easter Garden Children's service
	12.30 pm	Churches Together Walk of Witness Service at Norma Hutchinson park
	2.30 pm	Stations of the Cross
	3.00 pm	Liturgy of the Cross
Sat 11th	<u>Holy Saturday</u>	
	12 noon	Community Kitchen in the Institute until 2.00 pm
Sun 12th	<u>Easter Sunday</u>	
	5.30 am	Easter Vigil with lighting of the new fire and breakfast
	10.00 am	Easter Day Eucharist

Weds 15th	9.30 am	No service
Sat 18th	12 noon	Community Kitchen in the Institute until 2.00 pm
Sun 19th	<u>The Second Sunday of Easter</u>	
	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club
	11.45 am	Choir Practice
Weds 22nd	9.30 am	Eucharist
Sat 25th	12 noon	Community Kitchen in the Institute until 2.00 pm
Sun 26th	<u>The Third Sunday of Easter</u>	
	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist with children and Annual Parochial Church meeting
	11.45 am	Choir Practice
Tues 28th	7.00 pm	Standing committee
Weds 29th	9.30 am	Eucharist

We publish our magazine online halfway through the month so if there are any photos that you would like to take a closer look at in colour you can find them at:

<http://www.stmartinleeds.org.uk/magazine-issues/>

100 Club (drawn in church on 3rd Sunday of the month)

February winners:

1st prize: £60: N lo Polito

2nd prize: £20: A Hylton

3rd prize: £10: E Forbes

For a chance to win these monthly prizes you just need to pay an annual fee of £60 to join the 100 Club- see Maddy or Carrie.

Donations Needed for Easter Flowers

We would be very grateful for monetary donations to go towards the flowers in church so that we can provide beautiful displays which celebrate the Easter season. Please give your donation to Jennie or Sue.

Thank You!



News

Coronavirus Pandemic

Dear Friends in the Risen Christ,

I am writing down these few thoughts on 12th March, well aware that you will be reading them in April, when circumstances around us may be very different, hopefully for the right reasons.

At present I am still trying to come to terms with the sad realisation that yesterday the World Health Organization formally reclassified this outbreak as a pandemic, and that today the Prime Minister's new set of guidelines have been published, shockingly pretty much leaving it up to the individual person to take responsibility for his/her own health, and yet stating that things are presumably going to become much worse before they get better, and that people will die. In the meantime, the global markets, including in the UK, have experienced today the worst day since the 1987 crash. If this situation of uncertainty and global crisis persists, I can only assume that people – including the members of our congregation – may feel anxious, afraid and possibly powerless while normality turns surreal in our personal and family life, as well as all around us. We know that this crisis will pass, but we still do not know when and at what cost.

In the first chapter of the Book of Joshua, verse 9, God speaks to Joshua and tells him, "I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." I like this passage of the Bible for its honesty: in it God is not treating Joshua like a child who needs to hear that all is well. God is telling Joshua that, whatever he will have to face, God will be with him.

As I think of you all at this time, I hope that you may always experience within you the assurance of the Lord's presence.

As ever,

Fr Nicholas

From the Registers

Baptisms: 08/03/2020: Zaya Aariana Watson

Funerals: 03/03/2020 – Ryan Parker
13/03/2020 - Garnet Dore

News

PCC Digest

On Tuesday 3rd March the PCC met and here is some information about its deliberations:

- Jennie – with a number of other people – is coordinating efforts to secure some further funds and City permits in view of planned works in the Institutes such as kitchen refurbishing, stair lift chair, hot water in the toilets.
- The PCC was pleased to hear that Helen Broadbent – St Martin’s late archivist – left a legacy to the church for £5,000.
- Financially, we ended the month of February in the black. Thank you once more for your contribution to the upkeep of our two buildings.
- All is in place in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting scheduled for Sunday 26 April after the service. Please consider joining the PCC. Ask any of the current members of the vicar for more information.
- For lack of volunteers willing to coordinate the purchase and distribution of food, we have decided to cancel this year’s Ceilidh Dance evening.
- An art exhibition featuring the works of Susan Carr, late wife to David Midgley and member of the PCC, will be launched on Saturday 2 May.
- Despite the disappointing failure in obtaining a grant from West Yorkshire Police, Churches Together in Chapeltown and Harehills have decided to go ahead with the setting up of one professional amnesty bin to highlight the plague of knife violence in our streets. We are appealing for help to local businesses and to our congregations in collecting £5,600. Carrie will be at the back of church to collect donations towards this cause.
- On Sunday 20 September at 5:00 pm we will be hosting once more the Anniversary Service of St Kitts & Nevis’ independence.
- Further measures have been decided in view of the current viral epidemic, including a temporary stop to the sharing of the chalice at Communion services and to the shaking of hands at the peace.
- The next meeting of the PCC is scheduled for Tuesday 31 March at 7:00 pm.

Fr Nicholas

From All Souls

Signs of Easter

As readers probably know, the order of our Holy Communion service is modelled quite closely on the life of Christ, beginning with the call to repentance (think of John the Baptist and Christ's own preaching in Galilee), moving on to the memorial of the Last Supper and then the Passion (in the consecration of the bread and the wine), and ending with the disciples (just like we ourselves) being sent out in service to proclaim the Gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And of course our own lives too are meant to reflect the pattern of Our Lord's earthly career, beginning with baptism, continuing in service and witness, and a deepening and possibly costly surrender to the will of God. As Christians, we are likely to meet with challenges and perhaps pain too, but also the joy and celebration of a life shared with the One who is the source of our eternal life. In our own humble and often hidden ways, we are to live as 'little Christs' in so far as we share in the work of loving and witnessing to the joy and the justice of life in the Kingdom of God.

So we shouldn't be surprised at the pattern of 'dying' and 'rising' so often revealed in the lives of faithful Christians: 'dying' to worldly ambitions as we seek God's will for our own futures, encountering sickness with a grace which is more than merely human, living joyfully in the midst of troubles of every kind. And of course we are carried through everything by the hope of our ultimate resurrection beyond death which we shall at last share with the whole Church of God.

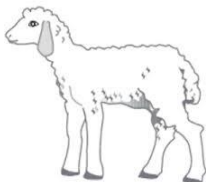
In fact, this pattern of 'dying to live again' is written by our Creator into the whole design of our universe, as we are reminded every Easter time. We listen again to the story of Christ's Passion in Holy Week, in the springtime of the year when new life is bursting from underground in the flowering bulbs we 'buried' under the earth last autumn. We celebrate the resurrection of the Lamb of God at a time of year when the fields are filling up with a fresh year's stock of newborn lambs. We have passed through the darkness of short days, long cold winter nights, and seemingly unending wind and rain, to warmth and sunshine as nature's seasons turn again. All of these seasonal signs can become for us signs of the greatest of all 'rebirths' – the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Just as it is built into the natural order of things as the passing of the seasons testifies, so this whole paradox of 'dying in order to live

again' lies at the heart of our Christian faith. So whatever challenges we may be facing as this year rolls on, let us put all our confidence in the God who is faithful beyond all the very worst that can happen to us and who did not fail to honour the self-giving as far as death itself of his own Son.

May your Easter 2020 be full of the joy of Christ's resurrection and the future hope that it brings!

Paul Stapleton – Reader



Eco Top Tips

April – In the bathroom

1. Spend less time in the shower. Spending one minute less in the shower each day will save up to £7 off your energy bills each year, per person. Heating water uses a lot of energy.
www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins
2. Turn off the tap while cleaning your teeth. The clean water that flows out of your tap needs energy in many stages of processing and transport before it gets to the tap. Don't waste it!
3. If your toilet cistern holds more than 6 litres of water (likely if it was installed before 2001) put a Hippo Water Saving device (or a brick) in it to save water each time you flush (eg <http://www.hippo-the-watersaver.co.uk/>)
4. Fit a water efficient shower head (if you've got a shower that takes hot water straight from your boiler or hot water tank). This will reduce your hot water usage while retaining the sensation of a powerful shower.
5. Switch to eco cleaning products which biodegrade in the sewerage system and don't damage aquatic life in our rivers and seas. They also contain less harmful chemicals for us too.



QUIZ FOR APRIL

1. Which 1985 hit single by The Bangles was written by Prince?
2. Monotremes are animals that can do what?
3. Which famous adventure novel was originally subtitled 'The Mutiny of the Hispaniola'?
4. Which chilli pepper, also known as Caribbean red pepper, gets its name from its resemblance to a Tam O'Shanter?
5. According to variations of the children's rhyme, who is either full of grace or bonny, blithe, merry and gay?
6. Later featured in the film American Werewolf in London, what was Creedence Clearwater Revival's only no. 1 hit single?
7. What is the name of the quartet of novels by Ford Maddox Ford which was televised in 2012, starring Benedict Cumberbatch and Rebecca Hall?
8. What is the name of Phil Collins' actress daughter?
9. Where in London would you find the Royal Opera House?
10. Solve this anagram for a topical greeting: HE REPAY PAST

Answers on page

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Mothers' Union

Floral Tributes for Mothers' Union Members



Over the past few years, we have lost and sadly miss Mothers' Union friends and members. At the funeral of each Mothers' Union member, the branch provides a floral tribute given with our love. At our February

meeting we made funeral tributes. On this occasion, the funeral tribute was made in memory of a Mothers' Union member who had recently passed on and whose funeral was that week.

Jennie, a trained florist and a Mothers' Union member demonstrated the techniques that we would use. Doris and Lucy, members of the church's flower team as well as Mothers' Union members, arranged the funeral spray from Mothers' Union members. Yellow roses, purple lisianthus and veronica flowers were used with rosemary foliage for remembrance. The rest of us did similar arrangements using carnations and gypsophilia flowers.

It was a busy, interesting and constructive meeting. We would need more practice though before we gained the floral expertise of Doris and Lucy, the flower team members! Thanks also go to Brian who took photos of us hard at work making the tributes.



Prayer:

Dear Lord, we remember our past and present Mothers' Union members as we place our trust in you Lord, to give us faith to serve you for all that lies ahead.

May our late Mothers' Union friends and past members, Rest In Peace.



Maddy Hunter

Articles

LIVERPOOL ECHOES

An article by Jenny Sinclair, the only child of Grace and Bp David Sheppard, first published in *The Tablet: The International Catholic News Weekly*, 23 November 2019, p.4. Reproduced with permission of the Publisher. Website address: <http://www.thetablet.co.uk>

ALL MY LIFE, people have said to me, "Oh you must be so proud of your father", as they did also to my mother, "Oh you must be so proud of David." There was always the perception of the "great man" looming large in our lives. But although I understand why people say this, it doesn't feel quite right, because, for my father, it was never about him. God was always the primary agent at work.

So if there is one thing that I know he would want to come from the publication of the fine biography of him by Andrew Bradstock..., *Batting for the Poor*, it would be that it prompt more people to realise they too have a calling.

My father's courage was evident from an early age. He was eight, and already at boarding school, when he was told of his father's death. A determination grew that was to prove vital in his twenties, when he found himself facing Australian fast bowlers, and, later still, in his dealings with Margaret Thatcher.

The passion for cricket that had taken root as a little boy was cultivated at school and by hours of solitary practice against the coalshed door at home. At Cambridge as a history undergraduate he spent more time at the crease than in the library. After scoring heavily when the university played the West Indian touring team in 1950, he was selected to play for England against them that summer.

However, the trajectory was not to be straightforward. After becoming involved in the Christian evangelical movement my father took the momentous step to give his life to Christ. By his mid twenties, a *Boy's Own* hero after captaining England, he was also preparing for ordination. He had met my mother, Grace, by this time, and in a 1957 heatwave they married in the full glare of publicity, with scores of press photographers lining the path- way out of the church.

Their shared faith was the foundation of their marriage and they adored each other. But again, things were not to go to plan. Shortly after their honeymoon Grace had a serious nervous

breakdown, was hospitalised, and then for more than 30 years was to live with agoraphobia.

AFTER JUST OVER 18 months' curacy at St Mary's, Islington, David and Grace moved to the Mayflower Family Centre in Canning Town in the East End of London, where he was to lead an inner-city settlement community as warden.

The Mayflower was built like a quad around a garden; on its sides a church, a nursery school, a swimming pool and a residential block with offices and a communal dining room. It was a cheerful, bustling place and people from the local community became part of the leadership team. It was a dynamic model of inner-city evangelism, and many came to see it in action, and to learn from it.

Everyone called my dad "Skipper", and he was much loved. My mother thrived in the down-to-earth atmosphere and was fully involved. More than 50 of us would pile on to the coach to Blankenberge in Belgium for the annual summer trip. The Sunday Group met in the room above my bedroom. My earliest memory is of feeling safe tucked up in bed hearing the dancing through the ceiling.

When I was three, my mother became ill with ovarian cancer and we nearly lost her. My dad never spoke to me of how he had faced the prospect of us facing life without her but I know he had been prepared for the worst. Perhaps it was this experience, and the loss of his own father so young, that etched in him such a deep compassion for others. I have lost count of how many people have said how much his love and care for them in times of crisis meant to them.

DAVID'S CALLING drew him into politics. After meeting Fr Trevor Huddleston in 1956 and having his eyes opened to the evils of apartheid, he refused to play against an all-white touring South African team in 1960, and, after his retirement from Test cricket, spoke out against the proposed MCC tour in 1968-69 after the South African government refused to allow Basil D'Oliveira to play. My father lost good friends and sections of the press turned against him. The tour was abandoned and South Africa's exile from all sporting competition was to last for 22 years.

He had always assumed that his ministry would be spent as a "wilderness" figure, but Mervyn Stockwood, Bishop of Southwark, approached David to become the suffragan Bishop of Woolwich. We were a happy little family and it would be difficult to leave the Mayflower and the warmth of the East End. But as they prayed

through the pros and cons, my parents felt the sense of calling was clear. And so we moved, and everything changed.

The bishop's palace in Blackheath was rejected, and a four-storey terraced house in Peckham found. My school was in an estate just off the Old Kent Road and could only loosely be said to have provided an education. My best friend, the daughter of a black cab driver, and I were the only two from our class to pass the 11-plus.

For Grace, life became more isolated as the demands of my father's workload dramatically increased, and she coped courageously with public engagements. But no matter how busy my dad got, every morning began with him gently waking me, drawing the curtains in my room, chatting about my day. I never doubted his unwavering love for me.

David was now responsible for 250 clergy in 150 parishes. As he got to know them better, his understanding of the different styles of Christian expression broadened, and he saw more and more evidence of the estrangement between people in affluent areas and communities in the inner city. He would ask clergy to take him round so he could learn about deprivation from those experiencing it first hand. His solidarity with the marginalised strengthened, and his determination to work for solutions grew.

In 1975, we were on the move again, and the call was to Liverpool, which at the time was blighted by sectarianism, high unemployment and unstable local politics. This time our home was the official bishop's house and it was always busy. Grace flourished. I found I had to adapt quickly: my new school was a co-ed comprehensive, something of a contrast to the girls' grammar in south-east London where I'd thrived over the previous two years.

When Derek Worlock, another southerner, was appointed as Archbishop of Liverpool a few months later, my father turned up on his doorstep to welcome him with a bottle of wine. Understanding the crisis the city was facing and the human consequences it would lead to, they resolved to stand in solidarity with communities. Despite their robustly held theological differences, they quickly established a working partnership.

My mother played a key humanising role in their relationship, and the three developed a warm personal friendship. It was in a room set aside for her in Archbishop Derek's house that Grace wrote the bestselling book that was to inspire many thousands of readers to confront their own fears and phobias, *An Aspect of Fear*.

THE CITY WAS fractured, and the two bishops found themselves in a position of civic leadership. Regarded as “honest brokers” they listened to all sides, putting the flourishing of communities first. They worked tirelessly to retain jobs and encourage investment. Bridges were built between business and unions, the affluent and the working class, the police and the black community, and they acted as mediators between the Militant Tendency and the Thatcher government.

In a time of deep division they, and the Free Church leaders they worked with, described their work as one of reconciliation. They didn’t always succeed, but it meant a lot to people that they stood with them and were seen to fail with them. Their courage in acting so publicly together established a new model for ecumenical relations.

Our kitchen table was often the place of debate with key figures of the time and it was exciting to be a part of it. But I felt I had to chart my own path and look for a more normal way of life. Predictably, I rebelled, and had a great time doing so in the Liverpool music scene, giving my parents no end of grief, staying out late, keeping company they neither liked nor understood. By my late teens I could not wait to leave home. I became estranged from the Church.

By the mid-1980s, my father’s sense of calling about the unnecessary suffering of the urban poor and his concern about “two Britains” was crystallised in *Bias to the Poor*. He set out his view that Christian responsibility to the Gospel is both about transforming people from inside out and about changing the course of events to set people free. His focus on bridging divides, building trust, ecumenical partnership, better race relations, decent jobs and the future of work were becoming familiar themes. Shortly after this, he played a central role in the Church of England commission that led to the ground- breaking “Faith in the City” report.

In my mid-twenties, a turn of events followed that none of us could have foreseen. Following a conversion experience, I was received into the Catholic Church by Fr Michael Hollings. My parents could have been forgiven for initially regarding this development as part of an extended adolescence, but they each took the news with typical graciousness, and came to see it as in fact a calling.

I remember once disputing a point of Marian doctrine with my father in the shadow of the cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris, but we learnt to avoid digging up differences. In a sense, their

faithful prayers for me over the years had been answered, even if not quite in the way they had envisaged. Archbishop Derek and I had a mutual understanding for which I will always be grateful.

Eight years ago, I felt the Spirit prompting me to explore the legacy of the Sheppard-Worlock partnership. My first instinct was that it wasn't my job to hold a torch for them. I prayed for guidance. People joined me and the work of Together for the Common Good – a small volunteer-driven charity that helps people across the Churches play their part to strengthen the bonds of social trust – has unfolded in remarkable ways.

Although the work of my father and Archbishop Derek in Liverpool was its original inspiration, we are not naive enough to follow it wholesale. Conditions are different now and warrant new responses. But I think they would approve. Like them, we think the Churches can help to foster a culture that puts people, communities and relationships first.

WALKING AWAY from a stellar cricket career seemed crazy at the time. As his big sister Mary always said, "Without cricket David wouldn't have got anywhere." But God calls people to use their gifts and skills in unexpected ways. A life focused in this way is rarely predictable, and certainly never boring.

It's only now that my own calling has become clear that I understand what motivated my father, and that we are each called to our own unique "vocational responsibility". So yes, I hesitate when people say I must be so proud of him, or when people say he would be proud of me. For us, it is less about pride than about delight, the joy of recognising God at work in our lives.

Desmond Tutu once described David and Grace as "great collaborators with God". They were devoted to people, remembering friends and colleagues by name in prayer together every night of their married life. Believing in the communion of saints, many of us still feel their presence and thank God for their lives. Like all of us, they weren't perfect, but God calls ordinary people to do extraordinary things. As Pope Francis says, we're all missionary disciples now.

Their ashes, along with David's bishop's ring and Grace's engagement ring, are interred under the floor of the south aisle of Liverpool Cathedral and on the wall above is a striking memorial carved directly into the red sand- stone with the inscription, "Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you ... And pray to the Lord on its behalf."

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Obituary

The Revd Paul Anthony Summers

St Martin's parishioners remembered Paul and his family in prayer during our Parish Eucharist. Paul died on February 21st 2020 peacefully after a long illness.

A few parishioners will remember him as he was the second son of the late Reverend Henry Warren Summers who was our vicar at St Martin's Church from 1963-1974. Paul was ten years old when he came to our church and so he grew up at St Martin's and later he took Holy Orders and was ordained Priest.

His funeral mass took place at the Parish Church of St Peter, Addingham on 7th March 2020 and was conducted by the Venerable Bob Carter, Archdeacon of Sunderland in the presence of Rt Revd Dr Toby Howarth, Bishop of Bradford. Paul had requested that he had a happy service and everyone should have a smile to remember him. The Archdeacon certainly achieved this and gave a most light-hearted, faithful and sincere address just as Paul would have wished.

May our prayers remember his brothers John, Steven and Philip and their families in their grief at the loss of a very much loved brother, father, Priest and friend.

Pat Cook

Quiz answers:

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| 1. Manic Monday | 4. Scotch bonnet | 7. Parade's End |
| 2. Lay eggs | 5. Sunday's Child | 8. Lily |
| 3. Treasure Island | 6. Bad Moon Rising | 9. Covent Garden |
| 10. Happy Easter (this month's link) | | |

Rotas

Sunday Club

April 5th	Caroline; Myrla
12th	Georgette; Apostol
19th	Caroline; Myrla
26th	Children in church



Refreshments

April 5th	L Thompson; E Mills
12th	M Hunter; H Baxter
19th	M Hunter; V Pearmain
26th	J Collins; P Adams



Rotas

Readings



Palm Sunday - April 5th	Matthew 21:1-11 Isaiah 50:4-9a Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 26:14-end of 27	TBC P Cook M Hunter Priest
Maundy Thursday	Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35	TBC TBC Priest
Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13-end of 53 Hebrews 10:16-25 John 18:1-end of 19	TBC TBC Priest
Easter Sunday – 5.30	Genesis 1:1-2:4a Exodus 14:10-end, 15:20, 21 Ezekiel 47:1-12 Romans 6:3-11 Matthew 28:1-10	TBC TBC TBC Priest
Easter Sunday – 10am April 12th	Jeremiah 31:1-6 Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18	M Drayton C Io Polito Priest
April 19th	Exodus 14:10-end, 15:20, 21 Acts 2:14a, 22-32 John 20:19-end	C Rowsell D Lynch Priest
April 26th	Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Luke 24:13-35	M Idle Priest

Sidespeople

April 5th	P Adams; I Manners
12th	M France; J Collins
19th	I Maynard; M David; V Richards
26th	L Williams; N Mayne



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