

Hello to everyone and we hope you are keeping well.

Welcome to Keeping In Touch (KIT) 6. By the way, if you no longer want to receive this newsletter just email and let us know and we will remove your name from the list (*we won't be offended – we know how inboxes fill up!*)

How are you coping with the 'lockdown'? Two more weeks to go of the current period and then perhaps we will hear of a slight letting up.

Are you re-discovering hobbies, games and activities that you have not done for some time? Perhaps you've undertaken a task in the house that has needed doing for years! Do feel free to share with us your recent triumphs (and disasters – we will treat them just the same - apologies to Kipling).

This week's **pewslip** is attached and you will see that Stephen has once again added musical links to the hymns for the week.

SERVICES FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Each week we have been giving you suggestions for virtual or online worship and this week is no exception. However, if you want to know more of what is out there, you might like one of the items coming up during this week's edition of '**Sunday**' on BBC **Radio 4** - "*With a wide variety of online worship now available to anyone anywhere, Rev Fergus Butler-Gallie offers a guide to where you can surf the services that meet your liturgical tastes: beginning with Protestant denominations*". The programme is broadcast at **7.10** on Sunday morning but of course will also be available to hear again on the BBC website.

The weekly **Sunday Service** on BBC **Radio 4** is at **8.10am**. This week the programme is entitled "We had hoped..." This is what the info on the website says:

"But we had hoped..." The words of two of Jesus' disciples to a stranger on the road to Emmaus. In times of grief and disappointment, there is one thing left to cling to; that thing is hope. Professor Jennifer Strawbridge of Mansfield College, Oxford and the Revd, Dr Steve Nolan, Chaplain at Princess Alice Hospice, lead a reflection on where we find hope in times of despair. They explore Jesus' appearance to his two disciples on the Road to Emmaus and how that encounter speaks to us today".

There is a **live service** on the **Church of England's** website and on their Facebook page at **9.00am**.

Chichester Cathedral are continuing to deliver **live streamed services**. You can access these at www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/services/live-services just click on the link and it will take you to the page with instructions on how to view live.

Sunday Worship on **BBC1** comes from Hereford Cathedral and is being shown at **1100** (have you noticed how the time seems to change every week?).

The first hymn is '*And can it be*' written by Charles Wesley. He wrote it in 1738 to celebrate his conversion. Of interest is that the lines "*My chains fell off, my heart was free/I rose, went forth, and followed thee*" are based on the liberation of the apostle Peter described in the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 12 verses 6-11, in which the apostle Peter is rescued from prison by an angel. This part of the chapter tells that after Peter was put into prison by King Herod, on the night before his trial an angel appeared to him, and told him to leave. Peter's chains fell off, and he

followed the angel out of prison, thinking it was a vision. The prison doors opened of their own accord, and the angel led Peter into the city.

Songs of Praise will be broadcast at **1.15** on **BBC1** and their theme this week is Christian Pilgrimage. It includes highlights of journeys the programme has made to ancient places of pilgrimage. Given that we are not allowed to make any journeys ourselves, this at least lets others do it for us!

THANK YOU

Thanks to those of you who have left a message on our 'visitors' book at St Mary's. Don't forget to have a look (and leave a few wise words) if you are passing.

CHICHESTER SINGERS IN ISOLATION

Thanks to Bruce Garrett for sharing this wonderful clip from Chichester Singers. It was compiled from 68 individual, solo recordings from Chichester Singers in isolation..... Can you spot Bruce???

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsA57TCEBvw>

PARISH MAGAZINE

The **May magazine** has arrived and is being delivered to our wonderful distributors, so if you are a subscriber you should be receiving it very soon. Thanks to Colin Ottewell for joining the merry band during the lockdown. Speaking of Colin, he kindly provided an extra article for the May magazine but not all of it was printed. Apologies - Please find attached the full article.

URGENT EYECARE

Did you know that Robson's Opticians in Emsworth are open for Urgent & Essential Eyecare at the following times: Mon & Wed 0930 – 1300. For urgent queries outside of these times email: robsonsopticians@outlook.com

HERE IS AN ITEM FROM THE CHIDHAM WEBSITE

Will there be a Village Calendar for 2021?

The Village Calendar is produced by the website team and sold to raise funds for community activities and the website hosting costs. The team are looking ahead to 2021. They want your photographs of the village (in landscape format) that you have taken during this year. So, when you go for your permitted exercise, take a camera! Please send your photos to postmaster@chidhamandhambrook.info

FISH & CHIPS HOME DELIVERY

Several local businesses and shops are offering a home delivery service at the moment. If you live in or near Emsworth you might like to know that Mother Kelly's Fish and Chip shop is offering a delivery service too Wed- Sat. You can call them on

01243475859 for more info. There is a small delivery charge. Comfort food is much needed!

VIRTUAL 'STUFF' TO TRY

Here are a few more virtual activities you might enjoy

Creative Activities at home with Pallant House Galleries

<https://pallant.org.uk/learn-with-us/creative-activities-at-home/>

A virtual performance of 'Scarborough Fair' from the Chichester University Chamber orchestra

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F9w9XWnIZYg&feature=youtu.be>

Watch Chichester Festival Theatre's production of 'Flowers for Mrs Harris'

You can access this for free until 8th May. The award-winning British musical *Flowers for Mrs Harris* is based on a much-loved novella by Paul Gallico, the story of a char-lady in post-war London whose life is transformed when she glimpses a Christian Dior dress in one of her clients wardrobes, and scrimps and saves to go to Paris and buy one for herself.

<https://www.cft.org.uk/flowers-for-mrs-harris-broadcast>

Weald & Downland Living Museum

If you are a devotee of the Weald & Downland you may like to know that there are a number of YouTube clips available of demonstrations and info.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/wealddownlandmuseum>

The Vatican Museum

Take a trip to Vatican City with this virtual tour featuring Raphael's Rooms, the Sistine Chapel and the New Wing

<http://www.museivaticani.va/content/museivaticani/en/collezioni/musei/tour-virtuali-elenco.1.html>

One for the children - Walt Disney World

This 360-degree panorama provides a walk through Epcot, Magic Kingdom, Animal Kingdom and more.

<https://disneyparks.disney.go.com/blog/2018/03/disney-parks-launches-first-ever-360-degree-panoramas-on-google-street-view/>

HAVE YOU DRIVEN MUCH LATELY?

I have only used my car twice in the last 5/6 weeks, once to deliver magazines and once to visit St Mary's to put up the posters. However, I'm not worried what I might do if I lose confidence in my skill at driving because I can always consult an old book I own, '*How to Drive a Motorcar*'. My edition is the 7th one, published in 1924 and has some marvellous advice:

"The welfare of the public must always be the first consideration in the mind of the driver who is in charge of any vehicle"

"Well-trained eyes are an all-abounding fount of security"

"When overtaking a line of omnibuses at the corner, it not infrequently happens that the middle ones will, without the slightest warning whatsoever, turn out into the road at full lock"

"At night time, frequently chosen by farmers for moving sheep from one part of the country to another, their "whitish" wool is sometimes very difficult to detect on a white road at any distance"

"Falling asleep at the wheel during a night drive may not in the slightest shape or form have anything to do with having had this, that or the other for dinner"

"The average ability of motorcar drivers to reverse neatly and, as one might say it, "soberly", is so deplorably lacking in finish that it can be safely suggested that the reader (if not quite proficient) should spend half an hour a day (when he has nothing much else to do) on a quiet country road practising the art".

In a chapter headed 'Lady Drivers' I am reminded of the following:

"In these "women workers" days one hesitates to offer any advice to ladies but it is deemed advisable to briefly touch the subject. There are certain situations in which one finds it impossible to concede that the average lady driver is the equal of the average male".

"In cases where an emergency arisesinformation gleaned from reliable sources tends to prove that action has not been so instantaneous as it would have been with an equally capable male driver. Naturally constitution has a good deal to do with it.....the fair sex is either born for the work or not, in a more marked degree than in the case of a man"

Hope this helps! Our roads are fairly quiet at the moment so plenty of space for your reversing practise!

THE LIGHTHEARTED BIT!

The answers to last week's **quiz** are attached – did you know who the dogs were? This week we have a quiz with anagrams and cryptic clues to plants and flowers. If you came to the plant sale 2 years ago you may remember it!

And **finally**, a prayer for the coming week:

God of heaven and earth,
in these times of isolation,
apart from loved ones
distant from friends
away from neighbours
thank you that there is nothing

in all of creation,
not even coronavirus,
that is able to separate us from your love.

And may your love that never fails
continue to be shared
through the kindness of strangers
looking out for each other,
for neighbours near and far
all recognising our shared vulnerability,
each of us grateful for every breath,
and willing everyone to know the gift
of a full and healthy life.
Keep us all in your care.
Amen.

With our very best wishes for the coming week. Stay safe.

Carol & Willem