

Pilgrimage

In April Carol and I, along with Steve and Rachel Hopkins, walked the final 120 kilometres (around 75 miles) of the Camino. This is an ancient pilgrim trail also known as 'The Way of St. James' and ends in the North Western Spanish city of Santiago De Compostela. Upon completion all pilgrims are issued with a certificate to mark their achievement. Many people walk the Camino, with annual visitor numbers reaching over 300,000 in 2018, the most popular months being July and August.

People have walked this way for centuries and everyone has their own reason for doing it. When you are walking for six to eight hours each day you have plenty of time to think and contemplate; life, faith, purpose and other things. We met many other pilgrims who were walking this route, some had started in Southern France and would go on to complete over 800km (500 miles), they were from all over the world including South Korea, Australia, Denmark and Germany.

Arriving in Santiago on Good Friday we witnessed many processions through the streets of the city with different 'brotherhoods' wearing different costumes and carrying heavy wooden crosses or symbols of the Easter story. It really was a fantastic sight to behold only exceeded by our visit to the Cathedral of St. James which was magnificent in all its gold leaf decorated glory. At a time when we are told Christianity is in decline it was uplifting and affirming to be amongst these 'brothers and sisters in Christ'. A truly memorable experience and one that all four of us will remember with fondness and humility for the rest of our lives.



Service Dates in June

* please note that there is no morning service at Hartshill on June 30th *

Date/Time & Service	Season / Theme	Readings to reflect on
<u>2nd June – 10.00am</u> Holy Communion	7 th Sunday of Easter	Acts 16:16-34
<u>9th June – 9am</u> Holy Communion	Pentecost Sunday	Acts 2:1-4 & 12-21
<u>16th June -10am</u> Holy Communion	Trinity Sunday & Gift Day	Matthew 7:7-12
<u>23rd June - 10.00am</u> ALL AGE	1 st after Trinity / proper 7	Galatians 3:23-29
<u>30th June</u> <u>NO AM SERVICE</u> <u>at Hartshill</u> <u>There will be a bring & share late lunch followed by Sharon's first Communion</u>	***** Cathedral Ordination Service *****	<u>Coventry Cathedral</u> <u>for Sharon's Ordination</u> Details to follow in church

What Else Is On In June	
Thursday 6th	7pm Singing Group
Wednesday 19th	3.30pm Messy Church in the Community Centre and 7.30pm Mothers' Union in the library

Children's groups take place on 1st and 3rd Sundays during Holy Communion

Trinity Tots takes place in the Community Centre every Monday during term time at 1pm

Prayer group takes place in Church every Tuesday at 9.15am

Fellowship Groups takes place every Tuesday during term time at Nick and Carol's at 7.30pm and every Monday at 7.30pm at Sylv's

Over 50s group takes place in the Community Centre every Wednesday at 1pm – 3pm

Church Flowers in June



2nd for Kay Cox

16th Mrs Hollins

23rd Jean Gledhill

Thank you for your generous donations towards the flowers.

If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers, perhaps to celebrate an event or remember a loved one, please see Jan in church or telephone her on 02476 395467. As you can see, there are a couple of dates available this month

Also, if anyone would like to help with arranging the flowers, Jan would be delighted to hear from you!



For Hartshill, Galley Common and area

We are coming up to our annual Songs of Praise service – which is being kindly hosted by the Society of Friends. If weather permits we will be outside – but wet weather plans are in place just in case!

Songs of Praise service at 3pm on June 23rd
at the Society of Friends

There will be an opportunity to praise God together singing people's favourite songs and hearing why those hymns are special to them. And as always - all are most welcome ...for...

“How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity...for there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.” (Psalm 133)

Heather



**All ages of children
are welcome**

**Come along for fun, crafts,
food and a little mess!!!**

***** At Hartshill Community Centre ***
(next to Holy Trinity Church, Church Road)**

**This year we are looking at
Old Testament Characters
The next few sessions at our usual time of
Wednesday afternoons 3.30 – 5.30pm are:**

June 19th

July 17th

Aug 21st

**Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Cost? Free – but donations are welcomed.**

**HARTSHILL
CHURCH**

**SATURDAY
6TH JULY**

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Free -
"Sausage
Sampling"



Treasure
Hunt!

1:00-3:00pm



Games (all free):-

- Batter a Sausage,
- Sausage Can Shy,
- Archery,
- Sausage 'Wanging' :-)



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Gift Day Sunday 16th June 2019

We are coming up to our annual Trinity Sunday ‘Gift Day’ in church where we are given a specific opportunity to review the use and giving of our gifts to God and the church. You may wish to consider joining one of the rotas in church – especially offering to help with teas & coffees after the service and/or setting up the table for communion or helping as a duty warden (training is available for any new role.) If you are interested let Nick BB know and he will happily add you to the rota.

We also specifically look at our financial giving to the church. If you don’t already give by direct debit – and would like to find out more – please speak to Wendy. You may want to review how much you already give and consider increasing it if you haven’t already done so for several years. Please hear me when I say what you give is between you and God which is why we say prayerfully consider it – whilst recognising that we can never out-give God. Some Christians follow the principal of tithing (giving 10% of our income) which to some may seem quite high. However, if we also take seriously our offertory prayer (from the bible) that all things come from God and of His own we give to Him – then someone once suggested rather than seeing it as giving 10% it’s actually God’s grace of letting us keep 90%!

Finally – there will be Gift Day envelopes available at the back of church for the next few weeks if you feel called to give an extra amount to the church for its service and mission to the community. We don’t get external funding from governments or organisations and so rely on the generosity of people to keep the church running and functioning – including the £20,000+ a year we have to give to the Diocese as part of the running costs of the parish.

I firmly believe and have seen first hand the other biblical principle that giving in itself is a gift as it is indeed “more blessed to give than to receive”

– so may you know God’s blessing to you this gift day.

Heather

The Saints who have gone before us

It has been a sad couple of weeks for the Church family here at Holy Trinity, Hartshill. We have lost two of our faithful members – David Hinds and Betty Percival and we have to hold together our sadness with the acknowledgement that our church and our lives have been enriched by their presence with us. As Christians we also have to hold together the earthly journey of grief with the appreciation and promises of hope that they have now made their final journeys to God’s eternal Kingdom of heaven. And however much we miss them – we also very much hold in our thoughts and prayers those who will miss them the most – their families and close friends.

We are the body of Christ – and so each part is equally valid and equally missed when we are apart from them and that is why we again have to hold on to the promises of God including the gift of eternal life and eternal love for all who have chosen to be in relationship with God. And as the following reflection reminds us – although they have left our sight – they are very much in the gaze and presence of God.

Lord – you have let your servants go in peace..... may they rest in that peace, and rise in Glory. With my thanks to God for all His saints – and for their faithful service to the church. Amen. Heather.

The Ship

What is dying? I am standing on the seashore, a ship sails in the morning breeze and starts for the ocean. She is an object of beauty and I stand watching her till at last she fades on the horizon and someone at my side says: “She is gone.” Gone! Where? Gone from my sight that is all.

She is just as large in the masts, hull and spars as she was when I

saw her, and just as able to bear her load of living freight to its destination. The diminished size and total loss of sight is in me, not in her, and just at the moment when someone at my side says, “She is gone” there are others who are watching her coming, and other voices take up a glad shout: “There she comes!” and that is dying.

Bishop Brent



All donations are welcomed. The next dates for Foodbank are

June 24th
July 22nd
August 12th

They are short of tinned fruit and meat at the moment.

It is especially important to continue giving over the summer as children who would usually receive a hot meal during term time cannot access this during the school holidays. Many thanks to all who support the local Foodbank.

Praying for our Parish in June

Be still and know that I am God

- 1 We think of all who are housebound and their visitors**
- 2 We think of all being baptised today, may they know the love of Jesus in their lives**
- 3 We think of all couples preparing for weddings this summer**
- 4 We pray for all who attend house groups and enjoy fellowship together**
- 5 We pray for all who are sick and ask for comfort in their suffering**
- 6 We give thanks for the joy of worshipping in song as our Singing Group meets tonight**
- 7 We pray for all members of our uniformed groups and the leaders who work so hard**
- 8 We pray for all who work in schools, that they may make education a memorable experience**
- 9 Pentecost Sunday – Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us**
- 10 For all who donate to, or volunteer at, the Foodbank**
- 11 For all groups that meet together in God’s name, may they enjoy each other’s company**
- 12 We pray for the licensing service today for the vicar of Exhall**
- 13 We pray for looked after children and their carers**
- 14 We pray for Heather, that she may have strength to carry out her ministry**
- 15 For everyone who helps at and attends Messy Church that a fun time is had by all**

- 16** Trinity Sunday – Gift Day Help us to use our gifts wisely for God’s purpose
- 17** Our PCC meets tonight, pray for God’s guidance in its decisions
- 18** We think of the Diocesan Synod, meeting today
- 19** For all attending the Deanery Synod meeting tonight
- 20** We think of those in financial difficulties or in danger of losing their job
- 21** We pray for safety on the roads for all drivers
- 22** We give thanks for long evenings and warm weather that we may appreciate God’s creation
- 23** We think of all attending the Songs of Praise service this afternoon – may praise and fellowship be enjoyed together
- 24** We give thanks for our Readers as they preach God’s word
- 25** For the Armed Forces, keep them safe in their duties
- 26** We pray for everyone affected by natural disasters in the world, may they rebuild their lives with God’s guidance
- 27** For the work of the Mothers’ Union in our Diocese and throughout the world
- 28** We pray for our churchwardens in their responsible roles for our church
- 29** We say thank you for our musicians and the joy of music in our lives
- 30** For today’s ordination service and Sharon’s first communion





BetelUK

"Dedicated to restoring broken lives".

Betel began around 30 years ago, near Madrid in Spain, when a small group of missionaries from a larger charity (WEC International, featured in an earlier magazine article) began to care for the needs of a few drug addicts and marginalized people. Today Betel (Spanish for Bethel) can be found in 24 nations, in over 100 urban areas and they run residences for men and women whose lives have been ruined by drug and alcohol abuse. Their aim is to bring long term freedom and restoration to people affected by these addictions and their end goal is to help people become productive, trustworthy men and women of character when they leave the community. They place emphasis on the restoration of the personality through the Gospel and aim to bring every person to the power of Jesus Christ and the benefits of His Love and Healing.

Betel belongs to the Evangelical Alliance and relates to various Christian alliances in most of the countries which they work in and also receive added assistance from respected secular organizations. They also work closely with local authorities, the Police and Probation services and prisons to provide assistance for the neediest individuals in society.

Their residences are free of charge but are also alcohol, tobacco and drug free places, strictly adhered to. They operate an open door policy i.e. easy entrance and easy exit; so people entering their residences do so voluntarily and retain the right to leave whenever they wish. As a guideline they suggest residents join for at least one year, but there is no time limit. They also encourage the family of the addict to be involved in the restoration process and are invited to participate in their open meetings, in the belief

that if they can make one person whole, he or she will contribute to make a family whole again.

Residents live in a safe, structured, family-like environment and from 7am to 11pm days consist of learning to co-operate and work with others, whether tidying the house, preparing a meal or working in a Betel workshop or business as time goes on. Each new resident is assigned a responsible or more experienced Betel member to help them learn the daily routine and someone to talk to. Each morning begins with a half hour group devotional and worship; and each evening consists of a quiet hour and also worship and Bible discussion groups. There are also leisure activities and games available.

Over the years many men and women healed from their addiction have become Betel leaders and the vast majority of the centres are now run entirely by former residents.

Drug and alcohol addiction is a worldwide problem and occurs in almost every country and people can be addicts from whatever background, rich or poor, from good, happy homes as well as from unhappy or neglectful homes.

As well as restoring broken lives, one of Betel's businesses is restoring furniture. The work is done by residents and the furniture is then sold in Betel's charity shops. Another venture is Rising Cafes and one is based in Coventry Cathedral which is open Monday - Saturday from 10.30am - 4.30pm, serving lunches and afternoon teas and operated by Betel's residents. Money from these businesses goes directly towards helping more people on their road to recovery.

Betel also offers internships to young Christians for a few months at a time and this includes overseas placements.

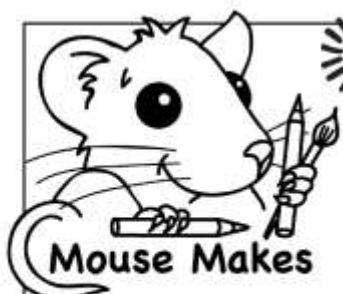
Maybe you know someone who is addicted and would like help to come off drugs etc. and could benefit from Betel's help. If so, you may like to pass on the contact details to them or their family.

Contact details are:- Betel UK, Windmill House, Weatheroak Hill, Alvechurch, Birmingham B48 7EA. Tel: 01564 822356, or go online at betel.uk to find out more and read some testimonies of people who have been helped.

Lynda Kelly

Sharon's Recipe – Strawberry Cheesecake

Ingredients	Method
50g (2oz) butter, melted 100g (4oz) digestive biscuits, crushed 135g (4½oz) packet strawberry jelly 225g (8oz) soft cheese, softened 150g (5oz) natural yogurt 150ml (5 fl oz) double cream, softly whipped 125g (5oz) fresh strawberries – half chopped small. 20.5cm (8 inch) greased loose-bottomed cake tin.	Mix butter and biscuit crumbs together. Press into the base of the greased loose-bottomed 20.5cm cake tin and chill. Dissolve jelly in 150ml (¼ pt) hot water and leave to cool but not set. Beat together cheese and yogurt and gradually stir in the cool jelly and mix well. Fold the cream into the cheese, yogurt and jelly mixture Gently stir in the chopped strawberries (the other half of the strawberries are for decoration) Pour mixture onto the biscuit base and chill until set. Remove from the tin and decorate with the rest of the strawberries – they look good sliced and laid on top but decorate anyway you like. Serve immediately or keep chilled for up to 24 hours.



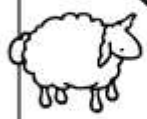
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"May the *grace* of the Lord **JESUS CHRIST** and the *love* of **GOD** and the fellowship of the **HOLY SPIRIT** be with you."

2 Corinthians 13:13



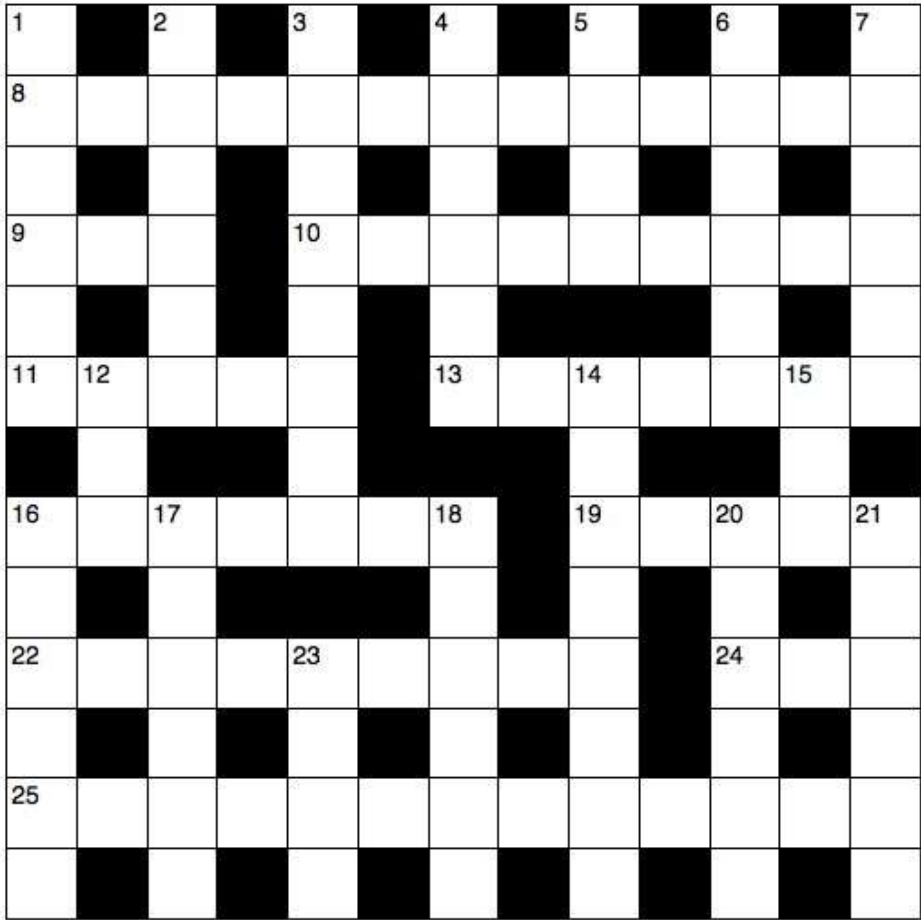
A Trinity window for you to colour



The Bible teaches us that God is three persons in one:
GOD = FATHER and SON and HOLY SPIRIT



Crossword



Across

8 Laban complained he had not been allowed to kiss them when Jacob fled with his family (Genesis 31:28) (13)

9 In favour of (3)

10 ‘The child’s father and mother — at what was said about him’ (Luke 2:33) (9)

- 11 Swagger (Psalm 12:8) (5)
- 13 ‘Terrors — him on every side and dog his every step’ (Job 18:11) (7)
- 16 Bay bits (anag.) (7)
- 19 Preach, address an audience, speak in public (5)
- 22 Holy Communion (9)
- 24 ‘On their way to — out the land, Joshua instructed them, “Go and make a survey of the land”’ (Joshua 18:8) (3)
- 25 Joseph advised Pharaoh to appoint these to administer his grain storage plan (Genesis 41:34) (13)

Down

- 1 ‘Assyria’s pride will be brought down and — sceptre will pass away’ (Zechariah 10:11) (6)
- 2 ‘And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in — with God and men’ (Luke 2:52) (6)
- 3 The descendants of Esau (Genesis 36:9) (8)
- 4 The components of the crown that Jesus was made to wear before his crucifixion (John 19:2) (6)
- 5 Colour of cloth which was to cover holy objects in the tabernacle when moving camp (Numbers 4:6–12) (4)
- 6 One of the gold articles plundered from the Midianites offered to the Lord by the Israelite army ‘to make atonement’ (Numbers 31:50) (6)
- 7 ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set — — ’ (Jeremiah 31:29) (2,4)
- 12 Ate (anag.) (3)
- 14 ‘We ourselves... groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our — as sons’ (Romans 8:23) (8)

15 Abram's nephew (Genesis 14:12) (3)

16 Rupture (Job 30:14) (6)

17 'Yet to all who received him... he gave the right to — children of God' (John 1:12) (6)

18 'I... asked him the true meaning of all — . — he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things' (Daniel 7:16) (4,2)

20 Military units (Exodus 14:20) (6)

21 'Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to — her to public disgrace' (Matthew 1:19) (6)

23 Diva (anag.) (4)

Answers on page 20

Hartshill Community Library

Your Warwickshire Library card works here!



Tuesday 10am to 2pm

Wednesday 2pm to 4pm

Thursday 2pm to 4pm

Friday 10am to Midday

Saturday 10am to Midday

The following sessions are also held in the library:

Family History Group Mondays 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Needles and Natter Fridays 10am to 12pm

Book Club first Tuesday of the month 10.30am

If you feel able to join our band of volunteers, pop in any time.

Who's Who?

Vicar	Revd. Heather Barnes	02476 392266
Curate	Revd. Sharon Crofts	07484 283874
Church Wardens	Mr Nick Miles	02476 394339
	Mrs Sally Young	02476 397276
PCC Secretary	Mrs Carol Miles	02476 394339
Treasurer	Mrs Wendy Albrighton	02476 397183
Planned Giving	Mrs Wendy Albrighton	02476 397183
Mothers' Union	Mrs Susan Foster	02476 319943
Verger	Mr David Hodson	07773 992270
Weddings	Mr Nick Blamire-Brown	02476 395467
Flowers	Mrs Jan Blamire-Brown	02476 395467
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Community Centre Bookings	Olwyn Hardy	02476 397961
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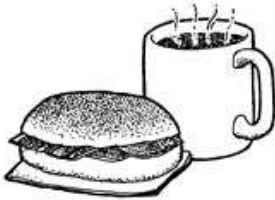
Church website: <http://www.holytrinityhartshill.co.uk/>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/holytrinityhartshill/>

Hartshill Mothers' Union website: <http://hartshillmu.uk/>

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If anybody has anything they would like to share with readers of the magazine, please either write it down and give it to me or email it to me at mu@susanmfoster.co.uk. Please send text in either email form or as a word attachment and send photos as jpg attachments.

The deadline for articles for the July magazine is 17th June.

Solution to crossword on page 16

ACROSS: 8, Grandchildren. 9, Pro. 10, Marvelled. 11, Strut. 13, Startle. 16, Babysit. 19, Orate. 22, Eucharist. 24, Map. 25, Commissioners.

DOWN: 1, Egypt's. 2, Favour. 3, Edomites. 4, Thorns. 5, Blue. 6, Armllet. 7, On edge. 12, Tea. 14, Adoption. 15, Lot. 16, Breach. 17, Become. 18, This So. 20, Armies. 21, Expose. 23, Avid.