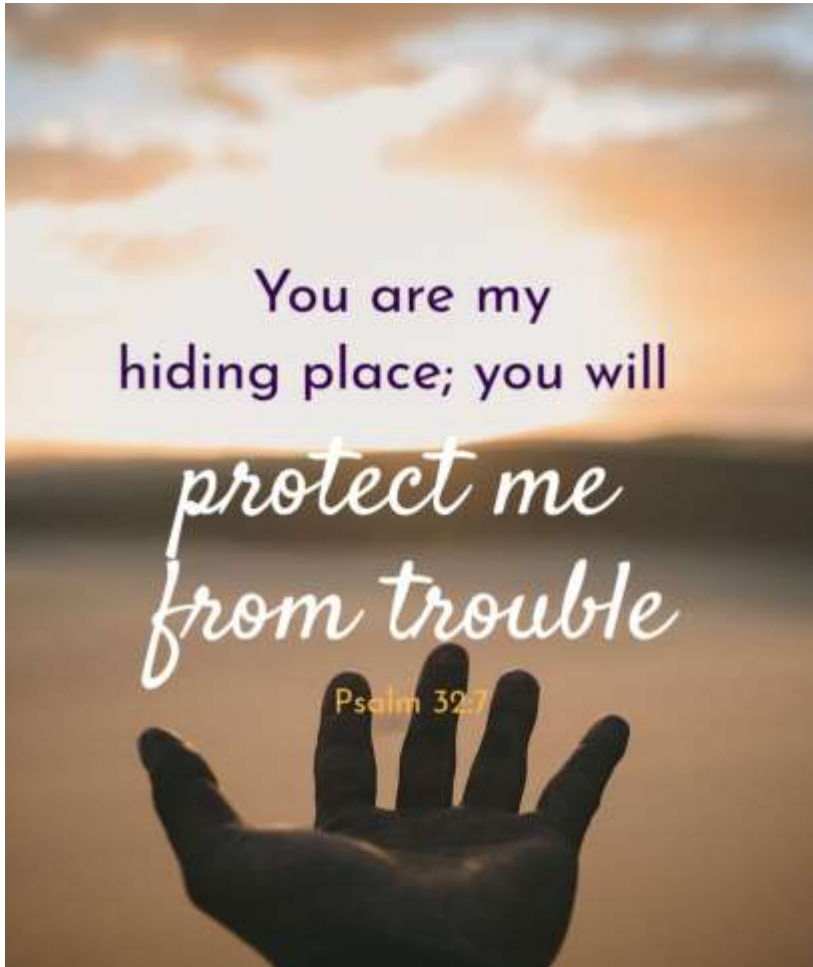


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Weekly News Letter

If you have any articles, or important dates and events that you'd like included in the weekly news letter, please send them to Pam Thomas, via the Parish website.

This will still be produced and will be published online every week on the Llantrisant Parish website.

Thank you.



Are you internet savvy? Do you belong to Facebook? Are you 'friends' or 'followers' of Llantrisant Parish Church?

Get all the up to date information on this page on what is happening in the Parish, especially at this present time. Rev'd Steve Brett is broadcasting services while the churches are closed as well as undertaking times of prayer.

News and of course all the latest photos is also being published on our page too.



Kidz Den @ 10 is taking a break for the summer, but the sessions from last term are on the church YouTube channel.

The team are inviting new members to come and join in the fun from September onwards! We would especially like guest story readers, who would be prepared to video themselves reading a children's story. Anyone would be welcome ... the more variety we have, the better it would be particularly good to have some men involved. If you are willing, even as a one-off contribution, please do get in touch with Miriam, Anne, Karen or Angela.

Magazine Deadline

The deadline for articles for October's Magazine is

Friday 18th September 2020

Word for Today

Give God all the Glory

'That no flesh should glory in his presence'

1 Corinthians 1:29 KJV

The story is told of a woodpecker who was pecking away on a pine tree when it was hit by a bolt of lightening and split from top to bottom. The woodpecker could hardly believe his eyes. He backed off, looked at the tree for a moment and flew away. He came back later leading nine other woodpeckers. Then with a great deal of swagger and pride he pointed to the tree and said, 'There it is gentlemen, just like I told you!'

As long as you remember to give God the credit for your success, He will keep using and blessing you. *'Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above' (James 1:17 NKJV)*. That means that every good thing you enjoy today and every good thing you'll need tomorrow is a 'gift' from God. Paul writes *'That no flesh should glory in his presence.'* There is no bragging in heaven, just praise. Why? Because you can't brag on how you got to heaven; it's all by God's Grace. And you can't brag on what you did for God before you got to heaven, because it was all Gods calling. He says, *'I am the Lord, that is My name; and My glory I will not give to another' (Isaiah 42:8 NKJV)*. Again he says, *'Everyone who is called by My name, whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him' (Isaiah 43:7) NKJV)*.

The Lords Prayer ends with the words *'Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory' (Matthew 6:13 KJV)*.

For how long?

'FOR EVER AND EVER, AMEN.'

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In these unprecedented times of the Corona-virus pandemic we will not be charging our advertisers for their adverts this year; we haven't actually printed any magazines since March.

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Please remember in your prayers :

Please remember in your prayers the families of all who have recently died including: Carole Powell, Leighton Holcombe, Anthony Maitland, Arthur Smith, Richard David, Betty Pine, Philip Williams, Eirwen Hardwick, Malcolm Doster Chris Jones, Enid Ratliff, Jean Golding, Ray Pope, Ann Groves, Jackie Holmes, Joan Whitty, Neville Jones, Judy Davies, Paula Baylis, Jonathan Smart, Joan Phillips.



Please Pray For:

Alex Morgan, Chris Clark, Linda Rigby, Peggy Utting, Pat Parkinson, Margaret Hocking, Stan David, Ron Havard, Susan Saunders and Lindsey, Beverley Duddridge, Phillis Williams, Kitty Evans, Betty France, Christine Smith, Mary Evans, Tony Cale, Rebecca and Steve Davies and family. We also pray for those living with dementia and their carers, and all those suffering with coronavirus, those in isolation and all who are worried.



STEWARDSHIP

As all the churches are still closed for regular services for now, all those who normally give to the parish through their stewardship envelope or the yellow gift aid envelopes obviously cannot do so, however, we are able to take card payments over the phone. If you would like to do this please ring Roger 208312 or Shirley 226006 – just have your bank card ready and you can tell us how much you want to give.

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Thank you to all those who give by Standing Order, those will carry on as usual. If you would like to set up a Standing Order with your bank (you will probably need to do so online or over the phone at the moment) ring Roger for the Parish bank account number and sort code. These are difficult times for all of us and reduced income for the parish/ benefice over this period has had a big impact.

Please pass the message on.

Many thanks.



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St James the Least of All (second time around)

On How to Survive the Weekend with the Young People.

*The Rectory
St James the Least of All*

*My dear Nephew Darren
I think your idea for both our Confirmation groups getting together for a weekend away – socially distanced, of course – was excellent and our meeting last week drew most of the plans together. We didn't take any minutes, so let me record the decisions I believe we made.*

Since all of us have to sleep far apart at the centre, I am prepared to spend the nights at a local hotel. By chance, I have found that there is a four star one only a few miles away, so I have booked myself in.

As the dining area in the youth centre may be cramped, I am also willing to have dinner each evening at the hotel, thereby creating more space for the rest of you. An additional sadness is that, since breakfast at the hotel is not served until 8am, I will not be able to join you either for your pre-breakfast dip in the nearby stream. It would be grossly unfair to expect you to pack lunch for me, so I will arrange for the hotel to provide me with a picnic hamper for one which I can have while you all enjoy your cheese and pickle sandwiches.

I think it will be an excellent learning experience if you prepare all the teaching sessions yourself, but be assured that I will always be on hand to give the advice of experience. That large armchair near the fire in the common room seems to be the best place for me to sit, so I can keep an eye on proceedings, while I take on the responsibilities for stoking the fire. This reminds me; do make sure that the young people are encouraged to saw enough logs each morning for me to fulfil my obligations.

Naturally, my arthritis will prevent me being able to accompany you on your afternoon hikes, but I will cheerfully park my car wherever you leave the minibus, to provide a second vehicle in case of emergencies. I do not mind in the least waiting all those long hours until you get back; I have already found an attractive tea shop in the village.

I am fully aware that not sleeping or dining at the centre, not being responsible for preparing the teaching, nor being involved on the walks will mean that my contributions will be ever so slightly limited, but these are sacrifices I gladly make in order to give you further experience in your ministerial career.

Your loving uncle,

Eustace



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MANY THANKS





Hi everyone,

Sorry I have not written for several months. My thanks to both Josie and Joy for keeping things going.

How are you all coping? I have the next 6 months copy of the Families First issue, Some have been delivered but I will try to get the rest around as soon as I can. Inside you will find a few letters— one asking for money for central office. Llandaff Diocese has already sent £4000 so do not feel you need to do this. We have to fill in the membership details and if you can send this to Joy she would be very grateful. We also need to fill in a form to reclaim gift aid on our yearly subs so if this could also be filled in and sent to Joy that would be great.

Between the Mother's Union and Steve we have been so lucky to have enjoyed a virtual Eucharist every week. I hope St. David s Diocese realized how lucky they were to have him! We now go forward as a Benefice with 3 Mother's Union group. Hopefully we will soon be able to all meet each other and make up for lost time.

Love and prayers
Christine S

It was 250 years ago, on 22nd August 1770 that British explorer Captain James Cook discovered eastern Australia, named it New South Wales, and claimed it for Britain.

Can we raise some more money for this worthy cause?

If you remember, the proceeds from our Lent lunches this year went to Blood Bikes Wales, although we didn't raise quite as much as anticipated because 'lockdown' intervened.



On the Facebook page for Blood Bikes Wales, it says that any one interested can 'sign up' to Recycle4Charity for return of inkjet cartridges and nominate Blood Bikes Wales as their preferred charity. Each returned cartridge raises approximately £1 and 2+ cartridges can be sent in a pre-paid envelope that can be sent off for.

If only a few people in the Benefice were interested and did this, we could add to what we have earlier raised and continue to help and support this worthy charity.

The website address is <http://www.recycle4charity.co.uk>

It would be good if a few more pounds could be raised for them as they do such sterling work, and this is so easy and doesn't cost anything!

Thankyou

It was 400 years ago, on 6th September 1620, that 102 English Puritans (now known as the Pilgrims) set sail aboard the Mayflower from Plymouth, for a new life in America. After a perilous journey they landed in what is now Provincetown Harbour, Cape Cod, Massachusetts on 11th November. They had intended landing in Virginia, but were unable to reach it because of heavy seas.

Take a Break.....

Solutions to July's puzzles

Wordsearch:



Crossword:



Sudoku

Easy:

2	6	4	3	7	1	8	5	9
5	1	3	9	6	8	2	4	7
8	9	7	5	2	4	1	3	6
6	4	5	1	3	2	9	7	8
9	3	1	8	5	7	4	6	2
7	2	8	4	9	6	3	1	5
1	5	2	6	8	3	7	9	4
3	8	6	7	4	9	5	2	1
4	7	9	2	1	5	6	8	3

Intermediate:

3	6	5	4	9	7	8	2	1
8	2	7	6	1	5	9	4	3
1	9	4	3	2	8	6	5	7
2	7	9	8	4	3	5	1	6
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7	3	2	1	5	6	4	9	8
4	8	1	9	3	2	7	6	5
9	5	6	7	8	4	1	3	2

How did you get on? Fancy another go? Grab a cup of tea / coffee and a couple of biscuits, settle down in a comfortable chair and take a few minutes out of your hectic schedule to get your brain cells firing.....

Wordsearch (answers at back of magazine)

The Transfiguration



August is a quiet month as far as the Church calendar is concerned, except that during the 11th century, some church fathers slipped in an important day - the

Transfiguration of Jesus, when His disciples were given just a glimpse of His future glory (Matthew 17, Mark 9, Luke 9).

Jesus took Peter, James and John, his closest disciples, up a high mountain. This is often identified as either Mount Tabor (there is a great church up there today), or one of the three spurs of Mount Hermon, which overlook Caesarea Philippi. High up on the mountain, Jesus was suddenly transfigured before His disciples. His face began to shine as the sun, His garments became white and dazzling. Elijah and Moses, of all people, suddenly appeared, and talked with Him. A bright cloud overshadowed the disciples, and a divine Voice spoke out of the cloud, saying that Jesus was His beloved son, whom the disciples should 'hear'. God's dwelling with mankind depends upon our listening to Jesus.

Then, just as suddenly, it is all over. What did it mean? Why Moses and Elijah? Well, these two men represent the Law and the Prophets of the Old Covenant, or Old Testament. But now they are handing on the baton, if you like: for both the Law and the Prophets found their true and final fulfilment in Jesus, the Messiah. That day made a lifelong impact on the disciples. Peter mentions it in his second letter, 2 Peter 1:16 - 19 - invariably the reading for this day.

Transfiguration

Jesus

mountain

Tabor

Hermon

Caesarea Philippi

High

Shine

Face

Cloud

Transformed

white

Dazzling

Elijah

Moses

Dwelling

Mankind

Law

Prophets

Peter

James

John

Fear

glory



Sudoku

Easy Grid

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	8	3	1			9		4
9			8			1	5	
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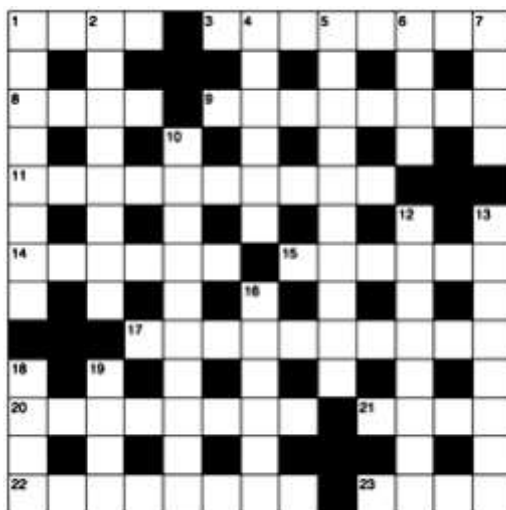
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Crossword

Across: 1. and 3. Two of the disciples who witnessed the transfiguration of Jesus (Luke 9:28) (4,3,5) 3. See 1. Across 8. 'Let us draw — to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith' (Hebrews 10:22) (4) 9. O Simon is (anag.) (8) 11. Form of government under the direct rule of God or his agents (10) 14. How Jesus found his disciples when he returned to them after praying in Gethsemane (Luke 22:45) (6) 15. In The Pilgrim's Progress, the name of the meadow into which Christian strayed, which led to Doubting Castle (2-4) 17. Glad sin rat (anag.) (10) 20. Spinal column (Leviticus 3:9) (8) 21. Valley of the Balsam Tree with a reputation of being a waterless place (Psalm 84:6) (4) 22. 'The oracle of Balaam son of Beor, the oracle of one — — sees clearly' (Numbers 24:3) (5,3) 23. Adam and Eve's third son (Genesis 4:25) (4)

Down: 1. David's great friend (1 Samuel 20:17) (8) 2. 'The Lord... will bring me safely to his — kingdom' (2 Timothy 4:18) (8) 4. 'I, Daniel, mourned for three weeks. I ate no choice food; — — or wine touched my lips' (Daniel 10:3) (2,4) 5. Seeking to vindicate (Job 32:2) (10) 6. Female servant (Isaiah 24:2) (4) 7. 'For Christ died for — once for all' (1 Peter 3:18) (4) 10. 'Offering spiritual sacrifices — to God through Jesus Christ' (1 Peter 2:5) (10) 12. Jesus said that some people had renounced this 'because of the kingdom of heaven' (Matthew 19:12) (8) 13. One of the three men thrown into the furnace for refusing to worship Nebuchadnezzar's golden image (Daniel 3:20) (8) 16. 'You have — of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry' (Luke 12:19) (6) 18. 'There before me was a white horse! Its rider held — — , and he was given a crown' (Revelation 6:2) (1,3) 19. Equipment to Charity Hospitals Overseas (1,1,1,1)



Children's Area



The PSALMS are hymns of **PRAYER** and **PRAISE** to God.

"I will proclaim your greatness, my God and king; I will thank you: I will praise you for ever and ever."

Psalm 145:1-2

Glory to God



Cut out and colour these cards to help you to **thank** and **praise** God.



God's World

"The world and all that is in it belong to the Lord: the earth and all who live on it are His."

Psalm 24:1



Praise the Lord!

"Let everything that has breath, praise the Lord."

Psalm 150:6



Give thanks!

"Your constant love is better than life itself, and so I will **praise** you. I will give You **thanks** as long as I live; I will raise my hands to you in prayer."

Psalm 63:3-4



Bible Bites

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Luke 7:1-10, Matthew 8:5-13

When the Romans invaded Israel, they used soldiers to keep order. For the centurion in Capernaum it was more than just a job...

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When he heard that Jesus was near, he asked the town leaders to ask Jesus for help.

The leaders told Jesus..



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This could have been a tricky situation, for Jews never went into the houses of non-Jews.



But Jesus said..

I will go and heal the boy.



But the centurion knew that, as a Jew, Jesus could not go into the houses of non-Jews so as Jesus got near, he sent some friends to him.



He says he isn't worthy enough for you to come to his house.

But he says he understands authority and knows you have it. You only have to say so and his servant will be healed.



Jesus was amazed!



I have never met anyone in Israel with as much faith.

He said to the friends...



You may go now. What he has believed has happened.

When the friends got to the house they found the servant completely healed!



Answers to this Month's Puzzles

Wordsearch:



Crossword:



ACROSS: 1, John. 3, And James. 8, Near. 9, Omission. 11, Theocratic. 14, Asleep. 15, By-path. 17, Stalingrad. 20, Backbone. 21, Baca. 22, Whose eye. 23, Seth.

DOWN: 1, Jonathan. 2, Heavenly. 4, No meat. 5, Justifying. 6, Maid. 7, Sins. 10, Acceptable. 12, Marriage. 13, Shadrach. 16, Plenty. 18, A bow. 19, ECHO.

Sudoku

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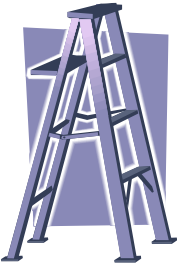
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