

# Church of The Good Shepherd Newsletter

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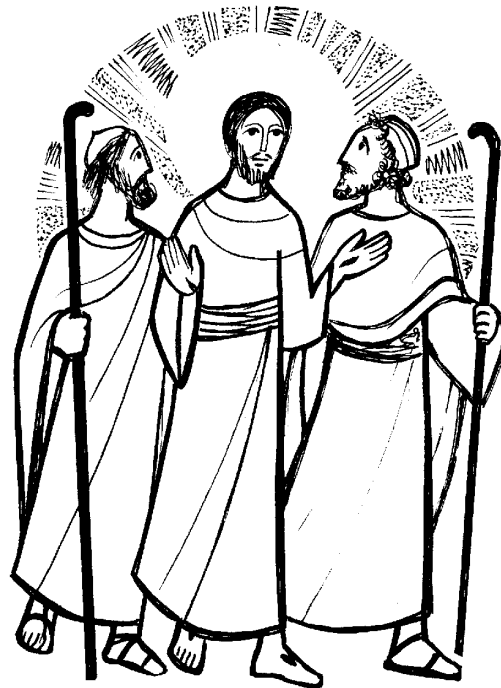
There are several special Saint's days in June, including our own Etheldreda (23<sup>rd</sup>). The 11<sup>th</sup> is the day on which the church remembers Barnabas the Apostle. Possibly you may not be very thrilled by that thought, but I want to persuade you that he is someone we all ought to remember with gratitude. If you look through Acts you will find him involved in three important moments in the life of the early church. The first comes in Chapter 9. Paul has been converted by his meeting with the risen Christ on the road to Damascus. He now turns up in Jerusalem and tries to make contact with the Christians there. Not altogether surprisingly, they feel pretty wary of this person who so recently was one of their chief persecutors. We are told that they 'were afraid of him, because they did not believe that he was a disciple'. Paul is in danger of being cold-shouldered, but Barnabas steps in and speaks for Paul and the genuineness of his conversion. When you think of the enormous influence Paul was to have on the life and thinking of the Church down to the present day, you can see how important that action was. A little later in Chapter 15, the Church is struggling with the question of whether people have to be circumcised and become Jews before they can become Christians. A council is held in Jerusalem to discuss the matter and Paul and Barnabas argue vigorously that the Gentiles should be let in without circumcision being necessary. Without the advocacy of Paul and Barnabas you and I might not be able to be Christians today. At the end of the chapter, Paul and Barnabas intend to set out on their second missionary journey. On the first such venture they had taken John Mark with them, but he had turned back half way. Barnabas wants Mark to have a second chance,

but Paul is dead against this and the two apostles disagree and separate. However Barnabas keeps Mark with him, thereby retaining in active Christian ministry the man who later will be the author of the first of the gospels to be written. Barnabas was not a high profile, glamorous figure, but his faithful Christian commitment played a vital role in the first years of the Church's life and witness. We should certainly remember him with gratitude.

*John Polkinghorne*

## **Collect for St. Barnabas Day**

Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas, and gave him grace to encourage others: help us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



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Sound System	John Lamont	565559

## ***READINGS FOR JUNE***

### **Sundays and holy days**

- 1 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
Romans 1: 16-17  
Matthew 7: 21-29
- 8 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
Hosea 5: 15 – 6: 6  
Romans 4: 13-25  
Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26
- 15 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
Exodus 19: 2 – 8a  
Romans 5: 1-8  
Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8
- 22 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
Romans 6: 1b - 11  
Matthew 10: 24 - 39
- 29 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
Acts 12: 1-11  
2 Timothy 4: 6 – 8, 17 - 18  
Matthew 16: 13 - 19

### **Wednesdays**

- 4 Romans 4: 13-25  
Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26
- 11 Romans 5: 1-8  
Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8
- 18 Romans 6: 1b - 11  
Matthew 10: 24 - 39
- 25 2 Timothy 4: 6 – 8, 17 - 18  
Matthew 16: 13 - 19

## ***REGULAR SERVICES IN JUNE***

Sundays	8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Communion
Mondays	9.30am Morning Prayer
Tuesdays	9.30am Morning Prayer
Wednesdays	9.30am Holy Communion
Thursdays	9.30am Morning Prayer
Fridays	9.30am Morning Prayer

## ***SPECIAL SERVICES IN JUNE***

Service of Healing and the Laying on of Hands with Prayer at 10 am on June 22

Parade Service at 10am on Sunday June 1.

## ***EVENTS IN JUNE***

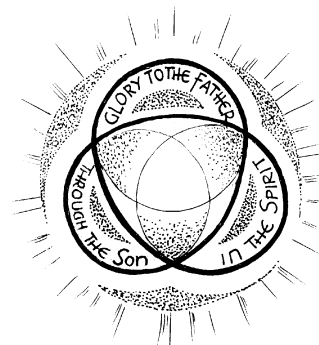
Sunday June 1 12 noon, Sunday Lunch Club in the Church Hall.

Saturday June 7 Concert in the Church by The Good Shepherd Choir at 5pm. Come and enjoy *All things bright and beautiful* and the Bring and Share Tea afterwards. Collection for the work of *CamTrust*.

Arbury Carnival on Saturday June 14.

## ***MEETINGS IN JUNE***

Standing Committee meets at 7.45pm on Monday June 9.



## From the Parish Registers

### Funeral

April 23	Gisele Patricia Baylis (Pat)	Church of The Good Shepherd
April 28	Susan Margaret Shimmels	Church of The Good Shepherd
April 29	David John Allsop	Church of The Good Shepherd
May 9	James Andrew MacDonald	Church of The Good Shepherd



### A visit from the Police

At the very beginning of May I had what I called a visit from the Police. OK, so she wasn't really a Police Officer, but a civilian working with and supporting the Police, but that takes too long to say! Rukshana (for that was her name) wanted to talk to me about Hate Crime. If you are not sure what that is, have a look on the next page and you can read all about it in her hand out. She is most keen to publicise the work she is doing so that members of the public know there is someone there to support them when they run into difficulties with being harassed. As you can see from her hand out this can include verbal abuse,

threatening physical attacks and bullying in school or the workplace, or damage to home or property. All of these are very frightening, particularly if you live alone and Rukshana is a gentle non-threatening presence. If any of you is affected at any time by any of these personal attacks (or know of someone who is) I can recommend contacting the Open Out Unit for helpful support and a positive attitude to resolving the difficulty.

You may well see Rukshana in the near future at Arbury Community Centre or at the Meadows – she will certainly be visiting there. Do say hello to her and support her work – sadly it is very necessary.

*Ruth Banger*

## **Open Out Tackling Hate Crime in your community!**

Open Out is a multi agency project offering victims and witnesses of Hate Crime the opportunity to report and resolve incidents with or without police involvement. Since its inception in 2001 the Open Out scheme has recruited more than 100 reporting centres and information points and through these, successfully tackles Hate Crime in Cambridgeshire. The Open Out scheme was set up to meet recommendations set by the Macpherson Report in the wake of the death of Stephen Lawrence. The report recommended that the public should have more access to facilities to report incidents, other than police stations.

### **What are the objectives of the scheme?**

Open Out aims to;

- Provide alternative centres, other than police stations, in which victims and witnesses of Hate Crime can report incidents in complete confidence.
- These centres must be easily accessible to the public such as community centres, libraries, leisure centres, councils, cafes and colleges.
- Offer support, information and advice to victims and witnesses of Hate Crime
- Information shared with other relevant agencies, in order to provide the best possible service.

- Thoroughly investigate each incident based on the wishes of the individual
- Aid to prosecute offenders where appropriate.
- Develop a true picture of the level of Hate Crime in our community.

### **What is Hate Crime?**

Any criminal offence committed against a person or property that is motivated by an offenders hatred for someone because of their;

- Race
- Religion
- Gender
- Sexuality
- Disability
- Age

### **What forms can Hate Crime take?**

- Verbal Abuse
- Threatening Attacks
- Bullying in school or workplace
- Damage to home or property
- Physical abuse
- Harassment

Many Hate Crimes go unreported leaving offenders free to commit similar offences with impunity.

Indeed many offenders consider minority an easy target because many incidents are never recorded. Even when they are, the person reporting them may feel uncomfortable notifying the police about a hate crime incident.

**Hate Crime Hurts** and destroys lives and communities, reporting it enables Open Out and other partners to highlight areas of concern and take appropriate steps.

### **Open Out Partners**

- Huntingdonshire District Council
- Oxmoor Opportunities
- Southern Division Hate Crime Team
- Cambs Fire and Rescue
- City Council Equalities Team
- Victim Support
- Cambridge City Council Racial Harassment Service
- Witness Support
- Commission of Racial Equality
- Diverse
- Cambridgeshire Racial Equality and Diversity Service
- Luminus
- Hunts Mind
- Cambridgeshire Traveller Initiative
- Citizens Advice Bureau
- Muir Housing
- Huntingdon Youth Service

If you or anyone you know has been a victim of Hate Crime please contact an Open Out Coordinator.

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On 17th April some of us attended St Laurence's Church for an evening concerned with '*Slavery - A global investigation*'. This gave rise to the following poem:-

### **It's worse**

He makes a million every month  
From chain of shops that sell a range  
Of goods imported half across  
The globe. It's little short of strange  
To learn we used to make these goods  
In Britain; gifting cash in tax  
And cutting transport's carbon waste.  
Because their labour laws are lax  
Their workers sweat in heat and din  
From dawn to dusk for pittance wage.  
For sake of bottom line, he's kin  
To muggers on our streets. My rage  
Erupts when news report declares  
He's made a lord for service paid  
To commerce - meaning profit made  
For self and those who buy his shares.  
It's worse. Today it's been revealed  
His brand of cocoa comes from beans  
That children slaves are forced to cull  
—  
A fact he's tried to keep concealed.

*Henry Disney*

### **CONCERT ON JUNE 7**

On Saturday June 7 at 5pm the choir are giving a concert entitled *All things bright and beautiful*. The concert will last about an hour and will be followed by a Bring and Share Tea in the Church. There will be no charge for entry but there will be a plate as you leave for contributions towards the work of *CamTrust*. *CamTrust* duplicated our Annual Report this year (the one with the excellent coloured cover) and is a charity based in Impington which helps those with disabilities and learning difficulties. It enables the students to achieve a recognised qualification acceptable in the workplace.

### **The Gardeners' Hymn**

All things bright and beautiful  
All creatures great and small  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.

But what we never mention, though  
gardeners know it's true,  
Is when he made the goodies he made  
the baddies too.

All things spray and swatable  
Disasters great and small  
All things paraquatable  
The Lord God made them all.

The green fly on the roses, the maggots  
in the peas,  
Manure that fills our noses, He also  
gave us these.

The fungus on the goose-gogs, the club  
root on the greens,  
The slugs that eat the lettuce and chew  
the aubergines.

The drought that kills the fuchsias, the  
frost that nips the buds,  
The rain that drowns the seedlings, the  
blight that hits the spuds.

The midges and mosquitoes, the nettles  
and the weeds,  
The pigeons in the green stuff, the  
sparrows on the seeds.

The fly that gets the carrots, the wasp  
that eats the plums,  
How black the gardener's outlook,  
though green may be his thumbs.

But still we gardeners labour midst  
vegetables and flowers  
And pray what hits our neighbours'  
will somehow bypass ours.

*Barbara Robinson*

## IN THE CHURCH HALL

<b>THE MONDAY CLUB</b> Monday 2.30 - 4pm	Maureen Carter	369996
<b>THE GOOD SHEPHERD CUBS</b> Monday 6.30 - 8pm	Charles Brown	07720 441123
<b>LINE DANCING</b> Tuesday 10.15 - 11.45am	Mrs B Wright	426517
<b>KEEP FIT 50+ GROUP</b> Tuesday 2.30 - 4pm	Mrs V Ford	870711
<b>THE GOOD SHEPHERD RAINBOWS</b> Tuesday 6.15 – 7.15pm	Miss Rachel Marsh	574520
<b>CARERS &amp; SUFFERERS OF DEMENTIA</b> Wednesday 10 – 12 noon	Jo Hughes	0776 6058767
<b>THE 18<sup>th</sup> &amp; 25<sup>th</sup> GOOD SHEPHERD BROWNIES</b> Wednesday 6 - 7.15pm	Mrs Pat Marsh	574520
<b>THE CAMERA CLUB</b> Wednesday 7.30 – 9.30pm	C.N. Hall	350516
<b>GUILDHALL RETIRED MEMBERS CLUB</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month 2 - 4pm	Yvonne Wisbey	523549
<b>ROYAL BRITISH LEGION</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month 2.30 - 4.30pm March to November	Mary Glasscock	155 Minerva Way CB4 2TZ
<b>T G W U</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month 2 – 4pm	John Drake	244030
<b>CAMBRIDGE INSTRUMENTS PENSION FELLOWSHIP</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month 10am - noon	Mr Richard Luff	424027
<b>THE GOOD SHEPHERD BEAVERS</b> Thursday 6.15 - 7.15pm	Alan Leader	563233
<b>CHURCH TODDLERS' CLUB</b> Friday 9.15 – 11.30am	Linda Dean	328658
<b>TAI CHI</b> Friday 2 – 3pm	Mike Tabrett	503390
<b>THE SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month noon – 1.30pm	John & Elizabeth Lamont	565559

*TO BOOK THE CHURCH HALL*

Please ring 352151  
( evenings )