

This year we are celebrating the 400th anniversary of the King James Bible. Across the country events have been held and talks given on the influence and significance of this particular translation. In August we are holding a service at The Good Shepherd to commemorate the King James Bible (August 17 at 9.30am) with readings from that and other translations (earlier and later) and with music too.

Reading a recent magazine I couldn't believe it when I found myself agreeing with Richard Dawkins! Addressing the King James Bible Trust last year Dawkins said, 'You can't appreciate English literature unless you are steeped to some extent in the King James Bible ... Not to know the King James Bible is to be in some small way barbarian.' Andrew Motion, former poet laureate, also said. "To read it is to feel simultaneously at home, a citizen of the world, and a traveller through eternity." There is no doubt that the King James Bible is a beautiful piece of work and the influence on the English language and literature. More than that, phrases from the Bible have infiltrated our daily lives and conversations. Such as...

A broken heart - Psalm 34
A cross to bear - Luke 14:27
A sign of the times - Matthew 16:3
A soft answer turns away wrath - Proverbs 15:1
Baptism of fire - Matthew 3:11
By the skin of your teeth - Job 19:20.

The Bible, everyone admits, is a national treasure, indispensable for a fully-rounded life. But it is always good to read the small print. By 'the Bible' we mean the King James Bible. By 'national treasure' we mean national literary treasure. And by a fully-rounded life we mean a fully-rounded

cultural life. Dawkins shows his true colours as continues his speech by saying "it is important that religion should not be allowed to hijack this cultural resource"!!!

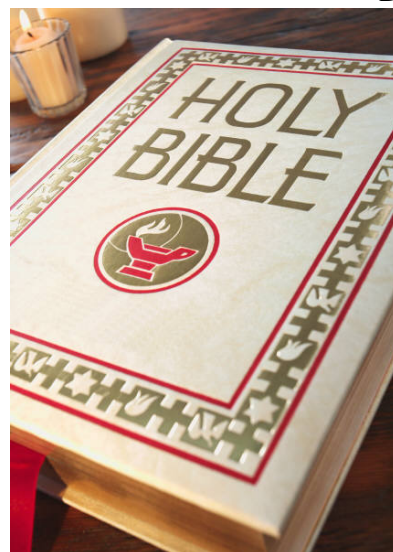
(See www.kingjamesbibletrust.org.)

Once again, in my view, he misses the point. The point of the Bible being translated into English is not just to provide a piece of great literature, but to allow ordinary people like us probe its mysteries and read the words of Jesus for ourselves. As those noble souls who got through the whole thing in Lent testified in the last newsletter reading the Bible is more than just a book. It informs me how to deal with the poor, how to treat my neighbour and creation, it shows me what God is like and what he has done to show his love for me and so, so much more. The Bible is one of the ways that God speaks to us today, with words of comfort, of challenge and of hope.

So do read the Bible, enjoy the poetry and the literature but be prepared to hear the Holy Spirit speak and open your hearts to hear His word.

**'For the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.'**

David



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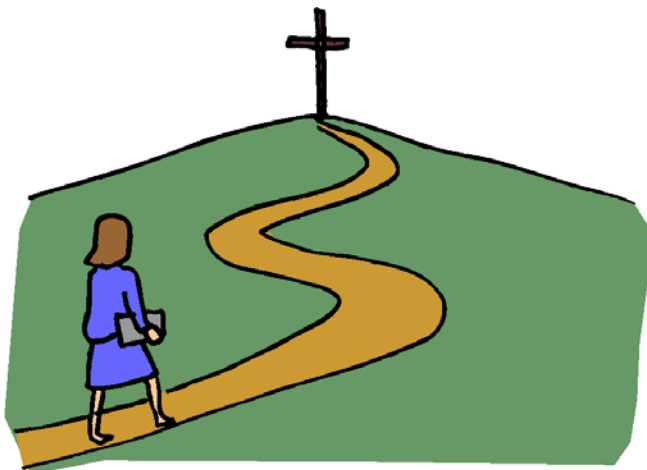
READINGS FOR JULY

Sundays and holy days

- 3 SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Ephesians 2: 19-22
John 20: 24-29
- 10 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Romans 8: 1-11
Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23
- 17 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Romans 8: 12-25
Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43
- 24 FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Romans 8: 26-39
Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52
- 31 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
Romans 9: 1-5
Matthew 14: 13-21

Wednesdays

- 6 Genesis 41: 55 – end; 42: 5-7, 17 - end
Matthew 10: 1-7
- 13 Exodus 3: 1-6, 9-12
Matthew 11: 25-27
- 20 Exodus 16: 1-5, 9-15
Matthew 13: 1-9



REGULAR SERVICES IN JULY

- Sundays 8am Holy Communion
10am Parish Communion
(first Sunday in the month is an All-Age service and we are joined by those who attend the Community Church in Orchard Park)
- Mondays 9.15am Morning Prayer
- Tuesdays 9.15am Morning Prayer
- Wednesdays 9.30am Holy Communion
- Thursdays 9.15am Morning Prayer
- Fridays 9.15am Morning Prayer

Play and Pray at Orchard Park will be on July 10 and 17 at 4pm in the Orchard Park Community Centre on Central Avenue. There will be **Something Else** at 4pm on Sunday July 24. Light refreshments. All welcome. For further details see the weekly bulletin. After July 24 there will be a break in services at Orchard Park until September 11.

CHURCH CLOSURE

THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED FROM JULY 23 UNTIL SEPTEMBER 5 EXCEPT FOR SUNDAY SERVICES

EVENTS IN JULY

- Saturday July 2** 2-7pm Parish Party and BBQ at the Vicarage
- Sunday July 3** at 12 noon Sunday Lunch Club meets in the Church Hall.
- Talk in Church** on July 6.

MEETINGS IN JULY

- Monday July 11** Planning Meeting for Autumn Fete 7pm at the Vicarage
- Monday 18 July** PCC meets in the Vicarage at 7.30pm



Arbury Carnival

We would like to say a huge "thank you" to everyone who made cakes and supported our stalls at the Carnival. We could not have managed to do so well without your help and support. We raised a grand total of £321-75 compared to £140 last year, all due to the amazing number of cakes donated and the unflagging efforts of the sales team. It's worth noting that the "leftovers" from the Plant Sale in May contributed around £75 to the total.

Ruby, Evelyn & Eva

[David Wilson has taken some great pictures of the Carnival. They will be in our September issue when we will have a colour supplement]



Autumn Fete Planning Meeting

There will be a planning meeting at the Vicarage on July 11th at 7.00pm for the Fete to be held on 10th September. Everyone is welcome to come along and offer help and ideas to make this a great success. If you can't make it on the night, please talk to us at any time.

Ruby, Evelyn & Eva



Happy Birthday Orchard Park Community Church

I can't believe it is a whole year since the church was launched in the community centre at Orchard Park. It has been great to see many of you at events we have been involved with – the community carol service, the Christian unity event, the multi-faith harvest celebration, our Easter activity morning or at our more regular Play and Pray meetings and Something Else when we gather for food and fellowship on the last Sunday of the month. Watching the community growing and developing has made me realize that many new people may not know how we came to be here, so here's a quick potted history: Orchard Park is part of the Church of England Parish of the Good Shepherd (the main church can be found on Mansel Way just behind Budgens car park). About two years ago the Good Shepherd ministry team began to meet with Orchard Park residents from different churches to pray together in the school. A few months later we decided to meet for worship on a Sunday afternoon in the community centre, somewhere we hoped local families could come and hear about the love of God in a relaxed and informal way with plenty of activities for adults and children alike! In October the Bishop of Huntingdon came and officially launched the church warning us not to be inward-looking and not to forget our calling to be a blessing to the whole community which we serve. So, that's us. We are here for you! We still gather on a Tuesday night for prayers and Bible study, we still work together with other Christians from other churches and are committed to being part of the North Cambridge Council of Churches, we still meet most Sunday afternoons in the community centre for worship. But most of all, we are still committed to working towards a thriving and fruitful Orchard Park. Jesus said, 'I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.' We hope that you will find the fullness of life in Orchard Park. When we meet, we pray for all those who live and work at Orchard Park. If you have a particular issue or concern that you would like us to pray about, or if you would like to book a wedding or a christening, please contact : Anthony on 01223 425338. Curate@churchofthegoodshepherd.co.uk



Thank you

I should like to say a special thank you to all those at The Good Shepherd who have sent me cards and messages since Sid's death – they meant a great deal to me.

Thank you too to all those who came to the service at the Church, it was lovely to see a full church of people remembering Sid. Another thank you to those who helped with the refreshments and had everything ready when the family returned.

Finally thank you to the choir who sang *God so loved the world*, one of Sid's favourite pieces of music – he would have loved it.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

Ruth Reid



FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT

A clean house is a sure sign of a broken computer.

A smart man only believes half of what he hears. A wise man knows which half.

"It is inhumane, in my opinion, to force people who have a genuine medical need for coffee to wait in line behind people who apparently view it as some kind of recreational activity". (Dave Barry 1947-)

DOCTOR, DOCTOR...

A man was terribly overweight, so his doctor put him on a diet.

"I want you to eat regularly for two days, then skip a day. Then eat regularly again for two days, then skip a day. Repeat this procedure for two weeks. The next time I see you, you should have lost at least five pounds."

When the man returned, he shocked the doctor by having lost nearly 60 pounds!

"Wow, that's amazing!" the doctor said. "Did you follow my instructions?"

The man nodded. "I'll tell you though, I thought I was going to drop dead on the third day."

"From the hunger, you mean?" asked the doctor.

"No, from the skipping."

AMPHIBIOUS INVASION

I had been teaching my seventh-graders about World War II, and a test question was,

"What was the largest amphibious assault of all time?"

Expecting to see "the D-Day invasion" as the answer, I found instead on one paper, "Moses and the plague of frogs."

'T WAS ON A SUNDAY MORNING

A man who hadn't attended church in years suddenly began attending faithfully on Sunday mornings instead of going fishing as was his normal habit.

The pastor was highly gratified and at the end of service one morning told him, "How wonderful it makes me feel to see you at services with your good wife!"

"Well, Preacher," said the fisherman, "Quite honestly, it's a matter of choice. I'd much rather hear your sermon than hers."

A friend of mine has three boys, the youngest of whom, Gregory, had just started school.

A teacher commented to Gregory that she couldn't believe he was already in first grade and asked what his mother did all day now that the three boys were in school.

"Cartwheels," Gregory answered.

Four old men went into the pro shop after playing 18 holes of golf. The pro asked, "Did you guys have a good game today?"

The first old guy said, "Yes, I had three riders today."

The second old guy said, "I had the most riders ever. I had five."

The third old guy said, "I had 7 riders, the same as last time."

The last old man said, "I beat my old record. I had 12 riders today." ‘

After they went into the locker room, another golfer who had heard the old guys talking about their game went to the pro and said, "I have been playing golf for a long time and thought I knew all the terminology of the game, but what's a rider?"

The pro said, "A rider is when you hit the ball far enough to get in the golf cart and ride to it."

GRANDPARENTS' ANSWERING MACHINE

"Good morning, at present we are not at home but, please leave your message after you hear the beep. beeeeeppp

If you are one of our children, press 1 and then select the option from 1 to 5 in order of "arrival" so we know who it is.

If you need us to stay with the children, press 2.

If you want to borrow the car, press 3.

If you want us to wash your clothes and do your ironing, press 4.

If you want the grandchildren to sleep here tonight, press 5.

If you want us to pick up the kids at school, press 6.

If you want us to prepare a meal for Sunday or to have it delivered to your home, press 7.

If you want to come to eat here, press 8.

If you need money, dial 9.

If you are going to invite us to dinner, or take us to the theater, start talking - we are listening!"

HEALTH MESSAGE

1. If walking/cycling is good for your health, the postman would be immortal.

2. A whale swims all day, only eats fish, drinks water and is fat.

3. A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years.

4. A tortoise doesn't run, does nothing, yet lives for 450 years.

AND...YOU TELL ME TO EXERCISE?

I should have figured it out sooner.

It's the shampoo I use in the shower. When I wash my hair, the shampoo runs down my whole body.

Printed very clearly on the shampoo label it reads, "FOR EXTRA VOLUME AND BODY."

I have gotten rid of THAT shampoo and I am going to start using Dawn dish detergent.

Its label reads, "DISSOLVES FAT THAT IS OTHERWISE DIFFICULT TO REMOVE."

Problem solved! It sure pays to read the label...

Teacher: Donald, how do you spell crocodile?

Donald: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L

Teacher: No, that's incorrect.

Donald: Maybe it is, but you asked me how I spell it.

If all else fails, stop using all else.

If marriage were outlawed, only outlaws would have in-laws.

St Paul cavorted to Christianity. He preached holy acrimony, which is another name for marriage.

The epistles were the wives of the apostles.

SECRET OF HAPPY MARRIAGE

Married fifty years, the happy couple revealed their secrets for wedded bliss:

Him: "Never be selfish. There is no 'I' in the word 'marriage.'"

Her: "Never correct your husband's spelling."



It's been 8 short years since my spinal cord injury. Since year one, I've needed more than my husband, Bob, as my caregiver. I didn't choose my second helper. She chose me.

Often, I'm not in good spirits but I know someone who is. Someone who never gets frustrated with me; who never gets in a bad mood because I need more and more of her help. Someone who will never, ever let me down whether we're hobbling along together in a downpour, or through mud, and no matter the time of day; my 15-year-old dog, Gracie.

I believe there is something even deeper than we've already discovered about human/pet communication that has yet to be fully embraced. I don't think I'm crazy when I say that there is a look in Gracie's eyes, as a friend recently said, that tells me she can read me like a book.

Gracie has selflessly cared for me all along. If I ever allowed it, she would go without eating for days if I was in bed. Anywhere – on the uneven ground of the backyard, on the sidewalk of our street, on what has become a treacherous walk from my bed to the bathroom, it has always been because of her that I rarely fall. She would rather fall herself than allow me to trip on any object in my path.

Gracie can still climb steps. At this point, I don't think I will ever be able to climb even one. But a doctor friend told me that neural passages can learn to re-route themselves, so I keep trying. Each day, Gracie waits for me at the top of the one step which leads to our porch.

I see her standing on the porch, near the step . . . waiting . . . urging . . . assuming I can do it. After a dozen tries, when I still can't make it, I grab onto her as she stands firmly so I can pull myself up.

Does holding on to her for help mean that I've failed? No. True victory is not found at either the top of a stair or at any finish line. True victory is all in the attempt.

Now, in her advanced years, I laugh at what a pair she and I make. Out back, when her limbs occasionally give out, I put my body on the ground, my hands under her belly, and lift her. And those times that I can't get up, she sits as tightly next to me as possible, like a statue, staying good and strong, so that I can pull myself off of the ground.

Sometimes we just stay in that position on the ground, resting against each other, loving each other, knowing our time together will soon come to an end. When I'm laughing, she smiles, as all dog owners know that dogs truly do. When I am crying, she softly puts her pretty face under my hand.

Gracie thinks of me as her hero. But she is mine. Without her, I'd never be walking; I wouldn't even be alive.

She has put herself in harm's way by protecting me from traffic, from joggers, bikers and dogs off leashes. She would give up her life for me. She is my biggest fan and my greatest supporter, my lifeguard and guardian. Gracie is my champion.

Saralee Perel is an award-winning nationally syndicated columnist.

Welcome

I am a student at Westcott House in Cambridge, just coming to the end of my first of two years training for the Anglican priesthood and I am delighted to be joining you for my parish placement this summer.

I have come to Cambridge after living in South London with my husband Tim for the last 20 years. However, when you speak to me you will realise that I am not a Londoner! I was born and brought up in the north of England spending most of my childhood living on the North Yorkshire coast where my Dad was a Methodist minister. My favourite getaway for peace and quiet is still anywhere where there is sea, a sandy beach and a good fish and chip shop! At the moment though, I'm enjoying visiting places in the East of England as the whole area is new to me.

Before beginning to explore the call to ministry I had a long career in teaching and I have worked in primary and secondary schools in Oxfordshire, Leeds and London as a teacher and as a teacher adviser for mathematics. I thoroughly enjoyed working with pupils and teachers of all ages.

I've been actively involved in church all my life and have done a lot of work with children but am very interested in how people of all ages can and do worship together. Most of my church life has been in small worshipping communities and so I'm looking forward to joining you at the Church of the Good Shepherd which is larger and more diverse than the churches that I have belonged to.

I look forward to meeting you at the end of June.

Alison Brunt

AMEN

A nervous crowd is milling round
The church's door, with some engaged
In final smoke before they brave
An entrance where the scene is strange
To most, where candles shine their points
Of light on altar's spread and by
The font at other end. They've come
To witness child of friend to be
Baptised to please her gran. The words
The curate reads and then explains
Belong to fiction's page. The sign
Of cross on baby's head awakes
A sudden cry of loud protest
From she at centre stage. But now
The rite's complete they gather round
The font relaxed, arranging groups
For photo album's sacred realm.
They think their pictures never lie,
But theirs conceal the ill-at ease
Performance just survived, as smiles
Display relief the thing is done.
The priest and they inhabit worlds
As wide apart as here and far
Antipodes. And yet if two
Or three alone began to glimpse
The Gospel's golden light, perhaps
A loud 'amen' should be response,
And hope that seeds of faith may sprout
Where roots can reach the unseen depths,
Where patient God embraces all.

Henry Disney



Plant and Book Sale 21 May 2011



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Special thanks to Dave Wilson for these pictures. You can see the two stalls of magnificent plants (1 & 2), the great display of books (3) and the all-important refreshments (4). We made a grand total of £304.41 by the end of sales after the service on the following day and there was a great array of plants still available for sale on our stall at Arbury Carnival. Most importantly we had fun together, as you can see from these pictures.

WANT A DAY OFF WORK?

So you want a day off???. Let's take a look at what you are asking for:

There are 365 days per year available for work. There are 52 weeks per year in which you already have 2 days off per week, leaving 261 days available for work. Since you spend 16 hours each day away from work, you have used up 170 days, leaving only 91 days available. You spend 30 minutes each day on coffee breaks, which counts for 23 days each year, leaving only 68 days available. With a 1 hour lunch each day, you used up another 46 days, leaving only 22 days available for work. You normally spend 2 days per year on sick leave. This leaves you only 20 days per year available for work. We are off 5 holidays per year, so your available working time is down to 15 days. We generously give 14 days vacation per year which leaves only 1 day available for work and there's NO way you're going to take that day off!

Bad spellers of the world, untie!

If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

The main purpose of holding children's parties is to remind yourself that there are children more awful than your own.

**CHURCH OF THE GOOD
SHEPHERD**

Mansel Way, Cambridge

It's Summertime



Sunday 17 July 2011 at 4pm

**Music and readings from the Choir &
the Good Shepherd Players
with Bring and Share Tea.**

IN THE CHURCH HALL

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| THE MONDAY CLUB Monday 2.30 - 4pm | Eva Hutson | 574070 |
| THE GOOD SHEPHERD CUBS Monday 6.30 - 8pm | Charles Brown | 07720 441123 |
| LINE DANCING Tuesday 10.15 - 11.45am | Mrs B Wright | 426517 |
| KEEP FIT 50+ GROUP Tuesday 2.30 - 4pm | Mrs V Ford | 870711 |
| THE GOOD SHEPHERD RAINBOWS Tuesday 6.15 - 7.15pm | Miss Rachel Marsh | 574520 |
| CARERS & SUFFERERS OF DEMENTIA Wednesday 10 - 12 noon | The Manager | 884031 |
| THE 18th & 25th GOOD SHEPHERD BROWNIES Wednesday 6 - 7.15pm | Mrs Pat Marsh | 574520 |
| THE CAMERA CLUB Wednesday 7.30 - 9.30pm | Anthony Tyler | 01954 719315 |
| GUILDHALL RETIRED MEMBERS CLUB 2 nd Wednesday of the month 2 - 4pm | Yvonne Wisbey | 523549 |
| ROYAL BRITISH LEGION 3 rd Wednesday of the month 2.30 - 4.30pm March to November | | |
| T G W U 4 th Wednesday of the month 2 - 4pm | Evelyn Hunnyball | 364293 |
| CAMBRIDGE INSTRUMENTS PENSION FELLOWSHIP 3 rd Thursday of the month 10am - noon | Mr Richard Luff | 424027 |
| THE GOOD SHEPHERD BEAVERS Thursday 6.15 - 7.30pm | Emma Roberts | 426043 |
| THE GOOD SHEPHERD SCOUTS Thursday 7.30 - 9.00pm | Alan Leader | 563233 |
| CHURCH TODDLERS' CLUB Friday 9.15 - 11.30am | Claire Duell | 0787 4850867 |
| TAI CHI Friday 2 - 3pm | Mike Tabrett | 503390 |
| THE SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB 1 st Sunday of the month noon - 1.30pm | John & Elizabeth Lamont | 565559 |

TO BOOK THE CHURCH HALL

Please phone 352151 (evenings)

**Submission date for
September Newsletter:
August 14
(Publication date August 28)**



**There is only a short Newsletter in
August and we start up again with a
bumper colour issue in September**

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CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Here at the Good Shepherd we like to help you to celebrate and commemorate many of the milestones on the journey through life; these include weddings, anniversaries, funerals, and baptism services.

If you wish to find out more about these, the first step is to contact the Vicar, the Reverend David Maher. He will be able to tell you what is involved and arrange for a meeting with you if you then wish to take things further.

He can be contacted on 01223 351844

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