

In 1992 I was Cambridge University's representative on General Synod. This enabled me to be present at the debate on the ordination of women to the priesthood and so cast my vote with the majority in its favour. As it happened, I had won a ticket in the lottery for places in the Public Gallery, so that Ruth was able to be there also. It was an historic and impressive occasion. There were, of course, strong convictions on both sides of the issue, but people expressed their opinions with clarity and restraint, showing a courteous respect for those who took the opposite view. It showed, I believe, the Church of England at its best.

I was very glad at the result and felt that in due course it must be followed and completed by the admission of women to the episcopate. Some additional factors would have to be considered in that case, relating to the role of the Bishop as the focus of Christian unity in the whole diocese and the relationship with other bishops in the unity of the Church. It seemed likely that, in consequence, the debate might prove even more difficult than in the case of the priesthood, but it has been the genius of Anglicanism to seek to maintain unanimity in matters of fundamental beliefs, together with a generosity of acceptance of difference on issues less central to the Faith. The traditional test of Anglican loyalty has been to be able to subscribe to the Creeds and to use the common liturgy of the Prayer Book, without requiring absolute unanimity of all other issues. In this connection, I think of the words of St. Paul: 'I beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called with humility and gentleness; with patience bearing one another in love, making every effort to

maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Ephesians 4: 1-3). I long to see women bishops (an ideal approved by 42 out of the 44 dioceses of the Church of England), but I believe that every reasonable effort should be made to help those who take a different view to be able to remain in our church. I think that Synod was right not to press on with a vote in July but to allow further consultations and consideration of detail before meeting again in November. In the meantime, we should all be praying for the work and wisdom of the Spirit in guiding our Church in this important matter.

John Polkinghorne

Prayer

Living God,
through our time of worship
touch our being in every part:
our attitudes,
relationships,
thoughts, words and deeds;
the way we respond to you and others,
the way we love and live.
Teach us, in childlike humility,
to value all,
respect all
and work for the good of all,
recognising that everyone you have
made is
precious to you,
the work of your hands,
with a special place in your heart.
Reach out now
and put your Spirit within us,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen.

Nick Fawcett



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READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

Sundays and holy days

- 2 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
James 1: 17 - end
Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23
- 9 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
James 2: 1-10, 14-17
Mark 7: 24 – end
- 16 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
James 3: 1-12
Mark 8: 27 - end
- 23 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
James 3: 13 – 4: 3, 7-8
Mark 9: 30-37
- 30 HARVEST FESTIVAL & BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY
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Wednesdays

- 5 1 Corinthians 3: 1-9
Luke 5: 1-11
- 12 1 Corinthians 7: 25-31
Luke 6: 20-26
- 19 1 Corinthians 12: 31 – 13 end
Luke 7: 31-35
- 26 Proverbs 30: 5-9
Luke 9: 1-6



Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. (John 12:24)

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REGULAR SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

- Sundays 8am Holy Communion
10am Parish Communion
(**LAST** Sunday in the month is an All-Age service)
- 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

SPECIAL SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

Sunday September 30 at 10am All Age service which is our Harvest Festival and at which we shall also celebrate Back to Church Sunday. This will be followed by a Bring and Share Lunch. See page 8 for details

EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

Sunday September 2 at 12 noon Sunday Lunch Club meets in the Church Hall.

CONSULTATIONS

Will take place at the Vicarage on September 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 and 26 and on October 2, 3 and 9. All those on the Electoral Roll are encouraged to attend so that together we can discern God's will for this parish.



CONSULTATIONS

It is hoped that as many as possible of those on our Electoral Roll will attend one of the Consultations and you should have received your invitation by the time you are reading this. Our meetings will be between September 11 and October 14 on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons. Matters raised will go to the PCC and will be pointers in helping us to discern where we as a church go from here and will go towards the formation of the next Mission Action Plan.

If you are not on our Electoral Roll but would like to be, see Lilas Davison who is the Electoral Roll Officer.



Charitable Giving

When we met as a PCC in July there was some preliminary talk about the distribution of our Charitable Giving which takes place in the Autumn. The total is based on last year's Planned Giving and will amount to £1,871. The practice at The Good Shepherd has been to divide this between four charities – two local and two national. As a result of discussion arising from the report presented by the Social Awareness Committee at that PCC meeting, it was agreed that we would recommend to you that we should help Red Hen Project and RDM and ask for you for suggestions for two further charities. If you don't know what Red Hen and/or RDM do, read on as there are reports from both of them.

The Red Hen Project

The Red Hen Project is a small charity working with families whose children attend Arbury, The Grove or King's Hedges Primary schools. This is a high needs area with lots of hard to reach families.

The work we undertake varies from fairly straight forward parenting work to complex family support where there are issues such as poverty, domestic violence, alcohol or drug use, bereavement, physical and mental health issues, poor school attendance, neglect and child protection issues.

The home school worker, Chris O'Reilly, carries out a lot of the work in people's homes. The work is tailored to the needs of the family in order to ensure the best outcomes. The worker also does individual work in school with the children. The project works alone with the families or as part of a multi agency group in order to ensure that the children get the best possible support and have the best possible outcomes.

The Project helps families to access things such as the food bank and charities to help with needs such as washing machines etc as well as helping them to be in receipt of the right benefits.

The Project runs parenting groups as well as doing individual parenting work. There is a weekly coffee morning for parents and younger siblings to come and meet and chat about any problems they have or just for the company.

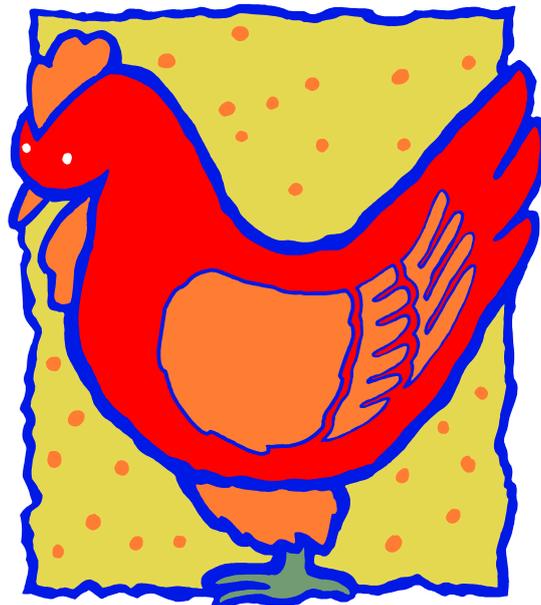
There is also a healthy eating cooking group on Mondays after school; this teaches children a life skill, all about healthy eating as well as building their confidence and self-esteem while giving them a positive activity to do.

During the holidays families are helped to access local activities in order to ease the pressure on parents and to make the holidays fun for the children. Chris also takes families out to places such as Milton Country Park.

This year the parents at the coffee morning held a raffle and we had a tombola stall at the Arbury Carnival in order to pay for a coach trip to Thetford Forest.

The Project was funded by the local authority, The Children's Fund and BBC Children in Need but all these sources of funding have now dried up and the project is surviving on what is in the bank and some donations made by The Masons, Cambridge United Charities and the Student Rag. We are at present applying for lottery funding but we don't know if we will be successful in our bid.

We hope to expand the project into two other local schools, Orchard Park and The Shirley, by appointing another worker as these schools are also in areas of need. We will only be able to remain working and expand if we are able to access sufficient funds to do so.



What is the RDM?

Dr Israel Selvanayagam, a priest of the ecumenical Church of South India, is a renowned scholar with regard to the parallels and differences between Christianity and Hinduism. In order to complete his doctoral studies he came to Cambridge to take advantage of the rich library resources with regard to his chosen field of scholarship. While in Cambridge he and his wife Leela and their two daughters were accommodated in our curate's house in Hurrell Road. They worshipped with us at the Good Shepherd and Israel used to take his turn in leading our worship and preaching. The two girls attended the Arbury School.

Israel was born into the poorest of poor families in the village of Parakkanvilai in South India. He was clearly very bright, so the family scraped and saved for him to go on to secondary school. He went on to be ordained and to teach at the Tamilnadu Theological Seminary. He subsequently was head of one of the Selly Oak colleges in Birmingham and is currently Principal of the United Theological College in Bangalore. However, he never forgot his humble origins and the needs of his people. So he started up the RDM, which is a registered charity both in India and Britain. From the beginning the Church of the Good Shepherd supported the RDM. So what exactly is the RDM?

The **RURAL DEVELOPMENT MOVEMENT OF SOUTH INDIA** is based on the proposition that **unless your understanding of the Gospel addresses the needs of the poorest of the poor you have failed to grasp a central theme of the Gospel!**

Despite its origins in the Church of South India, the RDM welcomes support from anyone of goodwill and currently includes moderate Hindu and Moslem supporters. It is also unusual in that the agenda is set by a committee of the local villagers themselves, rather than by some external, albeit well intentioned, agency telling them what they need.

As funds allow, the RDM will gradually extend to neighbouring villages who have observed the success of the movement in improving the lot of the poorest of the poor. Following the terrible tsunami a few years ago, the need for long term projects to raise the quality of people's lives, beyond the most basic struggle for survival, became more apparent than ever.

Among current projects are the following:-

Nursery schools (the first being called the Church of the Good Shepherd Nursery School), at which the children also receive refreshments.

Handicraft and Other Skills Training Centre. This provides training and a fixed wage for the poorest women. Included in the skills are tailoring, printing, typewriting and computing (when the Government's recently introduced electricity is working). Arrangements are made for sitting examinations for official (Government) certificates of competence.

Small Savings Scheme. This now helps hundreds of families and prevents them becoming trapped by money-lending sharks.

Health Centre. A qualified nurse holds clinics and provides health education. Periodically the services of a doctor are also obtained.

Awareness Education. This is designed to help those with problems such as drug and alcohol abuse and the consequent effects on their families.

Study help. This programme helps poor children move beyond primary school and helps the poorest with their school fees

Shelter for the homeless. Simple tiled houses are being constructed by means of bank loans obtained on their behalf by the RDM.

Sanitation. Construction of simple pit latrines has proved very popular, leading to greater privacy and improved hygiene.

Self help groups. Procrastination, indifference and corruption frequently prevent the poor getting access to services that are their due. Social workers help local people, especially women, in how to deal with local government officials and other authorities.

Suicide. Publicising the availability of counseling for those contemplating suicide and for those who have lost a family member through suicide.

Domestic abuse. Publicising the availability of counseling for those suffering domestic abuse.



Christmas Cards 2012

Next month there will be an article about our “cards in the GS News” – that is, giving you the opportunity to place a Christmas message in the GS News for free. In return you contribute what you would have spent on cards to your friends at The Good Shepherd to the charity of your choice. You can, of course, make your contribution to whatever charity you wish but each year we have a “default” charity and this year that charity will be the RDM. More next month – this is just an advance warning.

HARVEST 2012

We shall celebrate Harvest this year on September 30 and we are hoping for a really fun day. At a recent meeting of the Standing Committee Terry suggested that we might have a Bring and Share Harvest Lunch on that day - after all, we had so much enjoyed ourselves on Jubilee Sunday! We shall also be celebrating Back to Church Sunday on September 30 and it would be great to be able to invite our friends to join us for lunch as well as the service. This led to further ideas and the current plan is outlined below by Ann, as Harvest will be devoted to Jimmy's and we all know how faithfully Ann has supported Jimmy's for so many years.

Ruth

No, it's not a rumour. Harvest Festival is going to be extra special at The Good Shepherd this year.

It has been decided that our Harvest produce will be donated to Jimmy's Night Shelter to help them with the constant challenge of keeping the hungry and homeless of Cambridge fed. However, *they* wish to participate in the occasion too. The Managing Director of Jimmy's will come to talk about their future plans along with some of his staff. Street Voices will also be entertaining us during our Bring and Share Lunch – before joining us at lunch!

It would be lovely if the Cubs and Brownies and their parents plus any whom you invite to church that day could join us for what will be a really fun occasion – remember the Jubilee! Just bring along something to eat and a bottle if you would like. Soft drinks will be provided. On this occasion perhaps church members could bring just a little extra so that we can have enough for the guests we hope will come.

In case you were wondering what to bring for your Harvest offering, here is Jimmy's wish list:

Cereals	Instant coffee	Tea	Squash
Cooking oil	Tinned soup	Tinned tomatoes	Jelly
Marmite	Peanut Butter	Custard	Sweets
Instant Whip	Biscuits	Cake	

Chocolate (the last two items are provided as a treat on Sundays)
Thank you.

Ann Callear



Farewell Anthony, Wendy, Erica and Hilary

We had a fantastic day on July 22 – yes, I know it was really sad to be losing Anthony and family, but we still had a really happy day together. Dave Wilson sent me pictures of the farewell lunch and here are some of them.





We look forward to seeing them all in Evington on September 27.

Music at the Good Shepherd

As I write this I realise that it is now over six months since Dorothy died – it just does not seem possible. I remember being very firmly taught when I was at school that nothing stays the same – it either improves or deteriorates. Music at The Good Shepherd was really close to Dorothy's heart and she would have hated to think that her departure meant standards had slumped. When we first met as a choir after Dorothy's death, Tom opened in prayer for us at that difficult meeting. He prayed that we would all continue to make music to the best of our ability and we all firmly said Amen to that. So where are we six months on?

First, we are definitely still making music! The music is as varied as before and we are so fortunate at The Good Shepherd that we now have a wide range of people contributing to it. We buy in an organist once each month – we had Henry (a Choral Scholar from Robinson College) and Ben (an Organ Scholar from Girton College) and now have professional help from Bronwen who comes to us from Fenstanton and, by an amazing coincidence, was once a student of Dorothy's. On the other "normal" Sundays we have (in no particular order) Tom, Liz and me. We are all well aware that we are not Dorothy but we all do our best and we would thank you all for the encouragement you give us. We have been fortunate to have Wendy playing on All Age Sundays but, with her departure, Rhodri has revealed unexpected talent and has offered to play on those All Age Sundays. How grateful we are! Linda [Dean] is taking over helping the Music Group to continue to sing well and will be suggesting suitable hymns for the Post-Communion slot on All Age Sundays. Gill is helping with choosing hymns generally for All Age services and she and I are hoping to make more use of musical instruments with our younger members. As a choir we are grateful to Clare Redfern for accompanying us on occasion – it means we are all available to sing and can still have an accompaniment even when Bronwen is not present.

We had another opportunity for anyone who wished to do so to come and sing, this time at Anthony's farewell service, and that item also saw the first outing for our bells! These "come and sing" items are really important, so watch out for more of them and join in - even if you have not done so before. Singing is good for you. We also had an amazing Evensong when we sang a Byrd service and Anthem; that was so good for the choir. Choirs need to do something difficult and a bit scary from time to time. Hopefully this huge range of material will mean that there is something that will nourish all of us in the congregation. My job is to co-ordinate all this. It's an interesting task! Some years ago I asked God why he had given me an ability for organisation, as it really was not something I particularly enjoyed doing. Years after I first posed my query I think he has answered me and, although I miss Dorothy on a daily basis, I really love where I am now musically. I see my job as helping everyone to do what each does best. All our choir members contribute in different ways. The quiet faithful presence of Jeanette, Maureen and Finsetta is so important. Liz is my rock and I shall never forget the sympathetic and unobtrusive help she gave Dorothy for some years. Jinty is very knowledgeable on world music and has also suggested a book of eighteenth century anthems which we have started using. We are really glad that Gill and Tom came and joined us and for all they contribute (and not just musically!). As a choir we all benefit from Rhodri's excellent ear and from his clear conducting. We all contribute in that we listen critically to each other singing – but in the right way – positive criticism is really helpful. I make sure we all have the list of hymns for the services well in advance so those of us who are playing can practice –

organisation again! Yes, God, you *did* know what you were doing. He also knew what I needed when he prompted me to go on the ALM music course. That gave me a confidence I did not have before and opened my ears to new music I had not heard previously.

That brings us to hymns. Terry once told me that she had read that we gain more of our theology through our hymns than in any other way, and that puts a quite frightening responsibility on whoever chooses the hymns we sing. Alison, who was a student with us last year, thought it was great that we put the words of our hymns in the service leaflet. She said that, as long as we had the references for the Bible readings, anyone could track those down at home afterwards – we all had Bibles. We are in the happy position of not using any particular hymn book so are completely free in our choices, and I think I probably am the only one at the Good Shepherd to have the original source of *all* the hymns we sing. With the words in the weekly sheet we can all go away and read them afterwards – and words matter so much. Even if it is a tune you do not know, read the words – it's the words I go for. Pray the hymn words even if you don't sing them. I've often been asked who wrote the words of the hymns we sing, so you will now find the authors included on your weekly service sheet. You'll see the hymns are drawn from many different periods and countries.

So who has responsibility for choosing this important part of our worship? Anthony has been choosing the hymns and I draw up the draft orders of service which then go to the Ministry Team once a month – that's Dave, Anthony, John [Polkinghorne], Harry (when he is able) and Linda plus me as admin. The ultimate responsibility for music (as with all other aspects of church life) rests with the Vicar but he can choose to ask people to carry out this job for him. During this next year Dave has asked Jide and me to make the initial selection of hymns. Music is a marvellous resource but it has caused a lot of problems in many churches over the years and it is really good experience for a student to work through choosing hymns for a full church year together with a lay musician. Finding hymns which reflect the theme of the service is not as easy as you might think! So if you don't like the hymns, you know who to blame. I know Dave bears the ultimate responsibility, but give him a break. If you really want to grumble, come and have a moan at me, don't mutter in corners. I guarantee to listen – but it does not necessarily mean I'll change my mind! And don't think that I personally like everything we sing – my likes and dislikes are unimportant (and I bet you would never know!), it is how appropriate the hymn is that matters. Appropriate for that service and for that point in the service.

When Dorothy died so unexpectedly in January I found some hymn words repeating themselves in my head. I could hear the tune I wanted but for some time could not track it down. I did eventually find it – I had remembered it from back in the 1960s, it came from a collection of Twentieth Century Hymns edited by Geoffrey Beaumont; and it was a conversation with Jeanette that pointed me in the right direction. The choir are singing it as an anthem on September 9. You may even recognise the music as I have deliberately played it at the beginning or end of the services when I have been playing. It was the second verse I found so comforting.

Lord, it belongs not to my care
whether I die or live;
to love and serve Thee is my share,
and this Thy grace must give.

If life be long, I will be glad,
that I may long obey;
if short, yet why should I be sad
to end life's little day?

Christ leads me through no darker rooms
than He went through before;
he that unto God's kingdom comes
must enter by this door.
Come, Lord, when grace hath made me meet
thy blessed face to see;
for if Thy work on earth be sweet
what will Thy glory be!

Then I shall end my sad complaints
and weary sinful days,
and join with the triumphant saints
that sing my Saviour's praise.
My knowledge of that life is small,
the eye of faith is dim;
it is enough that Christ knows all
and I shall be with Him.

Richard Baxter 1615-1691

Think about those hymn words and do pray for your musicians

Ruth Banger



MISFITS

I found your tattered shoes today,
My love, the ones you used to wear
When tending garden. Now their lack
Of fashion only speaks of care
For favoured flowers, children (three
Of ours, the four of theirs) and all
Who crossed your path in need of help.
You seemed to be at beck and call
Of some who took advantage more
Than once of kindness not restrained,
Despite your private view the same
Were on the make. You'd not
complained

When later on you'd learned a tale
Of need had proved to be a lie.
To you their lack of sense of what
Is right was heard as lonesome cry
For love and self esteem impaired.
Your moral sense had been refined
By Baptist Church when you were
child.

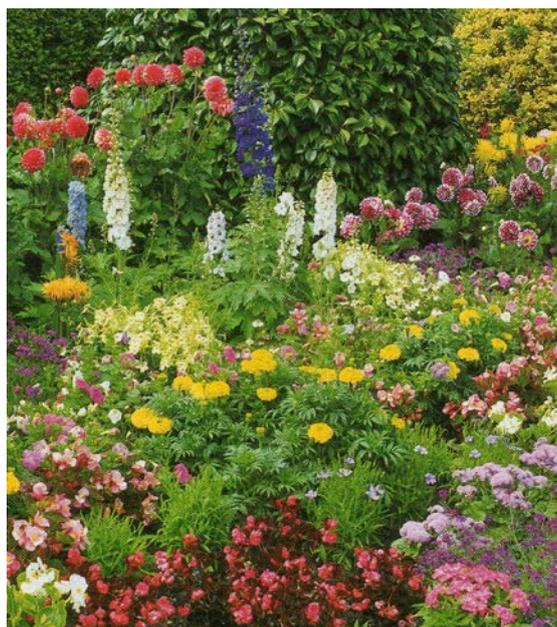
Its narrow creed had not confined,
As some of elders thought it should.
From Quakers later you had learned
To heed the Holy Spirit's prompts.
The local Parish Church had earned
Commitment too. Its favoured hymns
And sermons linked you back to when
You were a child. We both had shed

The rigid views, which like a wen,
Had marred our youthful faiths too
quick
To judge. To walk the Way of Christ
We'd learned was just apprenticeship
In love. The Spirit's grace sufficed
To guide, without a scholar's game
With ancient text or rigid rule
Inducing sense of guilt alone.
We'd learned that God will ask a fool
To further Kingdom Christ proclaimed.
It's thus our selfish drives are tamed.

Henry Disney



I know exactly what Henry means – I recently found a pair of Dorothy's glasses quite unexpectedly. It's the little things, isn't it?



Out of the mouths of babes

JACK (age 3) was watching his Mom breast-feeding his new baby sister... After a while he asked: 'Mom why have you got two? Is one for hot and one for cold milk?'

MELANIE (age 5) asked her Granny how old she was. Granny replied she was so old she didn't remember any more. Melanie said, "If you don't remember you must look in the back of your panties. Mine say five to six."

STEVEN (age 3) hugged and kissed his Mom good night: "I love you so much that when you die I'm going to bury you outside my bedroom window."

BRITTANY (age 4) had an earache and wanted a pain killer. She tried in vain to take the lid off the bottle. Seeing her frustration, her Mom explained it was a child-proof cap and she'd have to open it for her. Eyes wide with wonder, the little girl asked: "How does it know it's me?"

SUSAN (age 4) was drinking juice when she got the hiccups. "Please don't give me this juice again," she said, "It makes my teeth cough."

DJ (age 4) stepped onto the bathroom scale and asked: "How much do I cost?"

CLINTON (age 5) was in his bedroom looking worried when his Mom asked what was troubling him. He replied, "I don't know what'll happen with this bed when I get married. How will my wife fit in it?"

MARC (age 4) was engrossed in a young couple that was hugging and kissing in a restaurant. Without taking his eyes off them, he asked his dad: "Why is he whispering in her mouth?"

TAMMY (age 4) was with her mother when they met an elderly, rather wrinkled woman her Mom knew. Tammy looked at her for a while and then asked, "Why doesn't your skin fit your face?"

JAMES (age 4) was listening to a Bible story. His dad read: "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city but his wife looked back and was turned to salt." Concerned, James asked: "What happened to the flea?"

Arbury Carnival 2013

After a very successful carnival this year, the committee are already thinking about next year's event!

This will be held on Saturday 8th June 2013 from 11 am. The first planning meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th September 7pm at NO 37 Lawrence Way Community house.

If you fancy getting involved either to help plan the event or to help on the day of the carnival then please do come along, you will be more than welcome!!

If you cannot make the meeting but are interested in getting involved then please contact the Arbury Carnival Committee on Tel 01223 712038 or have a look at the website www.arburycarnival.org

Thank you

Tom and Gill Ambrose would like to thank everyone who came to share in their fortieth wedding anniversary party making it such a happy occasion. We really felt supported by the love of so many people, young and old alike. We think that contributions from friends near and far amounted to enough for Water Aid to provide forty toilets for families without proper sanitation. We had a lovely letter from Water Aid thanking us – and we would like to thank all of you.



Shoebox Sunday

Sunday November 18th may seem a long way off in these sunny, summer days, but now is the time to begin planning your shoebox, if you haven't already!

For starters, Clinkards in the Grand Arcade have said that they can always provide boxes and also Shoe Zone in Fitzroy Street. There are plenty of small items, like pens, pencils and felt-tips available in places like the Pound Shop going cheap so start hunting when you next go shopping!



THE PRODIGAL SON RETOLD

Feeling footloose, fancy-free and frisky, this feather-brained fellow finagled his fond father into forking over his fortune. Forthwith, he fled for foreign fields and frittered his farthings feasting fabulously with fair-weathered friends.

Finally, facing famine, and fleeced by his fellows in folly, he found himself a feed flinger in a filthy farm lot. He fain would have filled his frame with foraged food from the fodder fragments.

"Fooley! My father's flunkies fare far fancier" the frazzled fugitive fumed feverishly, frankly facing fact.

Frustrated from failure and filled with forebodings, he fled for his family. Falling at his father's feet, he floundered forlornly. "Father, I have flunked and fruitlessly forfeited further family favours."

But the faithful father, forestalling further flinching, frantically flagged his flunkies to set forth the finest fatling and fix a feast.

The fugitive's fault-finding frater, faithfully farming his father's fields for free, frowned at this fickle forgiveness of formal falderal. His fury flashed, but fussing was futile.

His foresighted father figured, "Such filial fidelity is fine, but what forbids fervent festivities? The fugitive is found! Unfurl the flags! With fanfare flaring, let fun, frolic and frivolity flow freely, former failures forgotten and folly forsaken. Forgiveness forms a firm foundation for future fortitude."



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Russian Classical Ballet Syllabus

Venue: St George's Church Hall, Chesterfield Road, Cambridge. CB4 1LN



TIMETABLE STARTING SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2012

9.30am – 10.30 am	'My First Ballet Class', Beginners Ballet. <i>(duration 40 mins within the hour)</i>	3 yr olds only
10.30 am – 11.30 am	PRIMARY GRADE BALLET	5, 6 & 7 yr olds
11.30 am – 12.30 pm	GRADE 1 BALLET	7, 8 & 9 yr olds
12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	'Budding Ballerinas', Pre-Primary Ballet. <i>(duration 40 mins within the hour)</i>	4 & 5 yr olds only
1.30 pm – 2.30 pm	NEW BOYS ONLY CLASSICAL BALLET CLASS	7-11 yr olds (or over)
2.30 pm – 3.30 pm	GRADE 2 BALLET	9, 10 & 11 yr olds
3.30 pm – 4.30 pm	GRADE 3 BALLET*	12/13+ yr olds

The Beginners Ballet and Pre-Primary Ballet classes are free for the first class and then you pay termly fees which work out at £2.50 per pupil per class.

All hourly classes are free for the first lesson and then the termly fees are payable

(in 5/6 week blocks) at £4.50 per pupil/per class.

***The GRADE 3 BALLET CLASS WELCOMES ANY NEW ADULTS
BEGINNERS/IMPROVERS aged 14 yrs + (First class is FREE, weekly fee: £4.50 pw)**

For further enquiries please contact: **Tel: (01223) 366588 – evenings/mobile 'phone no. 0771
4212 875**

Or email: chestertonballetschool@hotmail.com

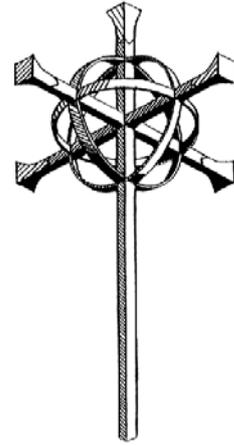
IN THE CHURCH HALL

THE SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB 1 st Sunday of the month noon – 1.30pm	John & Elizabeth Lamont	565559
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	Margaret Briggs	01954 250870
THE GOOD SHEPHERD RAINBOWS Tuesday 6.15 – 7.15pm	Miss Rachel Marsh	574520
DOG TRAINING CLASSES Tuesday 7.30 - 9.30pm	Susannah O’Hanlon	235281
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	D. Fisher	262282
THE GOOD SHEPHERD BEAVERS Thursday 6.15 - 7.30pm	Emma Roberts	426043
THE GOOD SHEPHERD SCOUTS Thursday 7.30 – 9.00pm	Chris White	0700 891511
CHURCH TODDLERS’ CLUB Friday 9.15 – 11.30am	Claire Duell	0787 4850867
TAI CHI Friday 2 – 3pm	Mike Tabrett	503390
DOG TRAINING CLASSES Friday 7.30 - 9.30pm	Arbury Road Vet. Surgery	361911

TO BOOK THE CHURCH HALL

Please phone 352151 (evenings)

**Submission date for
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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

Church website: www.churchofthegoodshepherd.co.uk

