

Vicar and Curate's Musings

*and any other information we found interesting,
funny or a need to share!*

Vicar's Musings

I've been thinking a lot about church and what it means to be church at the moment. I don't know about you but I found not celebrating together whether in our church buildings or on the village green together at Easter hard. There's something about physically, corporately worshipping together that was missing for me.. However, Church Street came out into our front gardens and sang 'Jesus Christ is risen today' and 'Thine be the glory' that was and had that special something—'being, worshipping God together' (even if we remained socially distancing!)

To me our church buildings are a centre where people gather to worship. I know that for others they are hugely significant and there is a story behind every window, pew etc that goes back years for some families. For others they stand as a holy space, a place to go and pray and be calm where people have prayed for centuries and for others they are a villages history. I know I've named only a few reasons the buildings are important to us but on Easter Day whilst we worshipped corporately in different ways at home—or together on Whatsapp / the Church of England internet service or Songs of Praise it seemed odd to me to not meet together and celebrate the core of our faith together.

I came across this affirmation which I shared this week on Whatsapp which I found very profound:

THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING

Affirmation *by Margaret Weis*

Note: Rev. Margaret Weis invites you to replace "church" with "congregation" or "Fellowship" if that feels most appropriate for your community.

The church is not a place; it is a people.

The church is not only a steeple above the treeline, streets, and cars.

Rather, it is a people proclaiming to the world that we are here for the work of healing and of justice.

The church is not walls built stone upon stone, held together by mortar but rather person, linked with person, linked with person: all ages and genders and abilities—a community built on the foundation of reason, faith, and love. The church is not just a set of doors open on Sunday morning, but the commitment day after day, and moment after moment, of our hearts creaking open the doors of welcome to the possibility of new experience and radical welcome.

The church is not simply a building, a steeple, a pew.

The church is the gathering together of all the people, and experiences, and fear, and love, and hope in our resilient hearts; gathering, however we can, to say to the world: welcome, come in, lay down your heartache, and pick up hope and love.

For the church is us—each and every one of us—together, a beacon of hope to this world that so sorely needs it.

Someone said to me recently, “We pull through this by pulling together.” Those words have stayed with me. They remind me that I am not in this alone, that we are in this together, and that we are strong when we lean on each other and pull together.

Shared rituals and practices are important right now. They help strengthen connection despite our physical distance. As our congregations continue to meet virtually, the challenges of feeling connected can grow. I have found that lighting my own candle and praying on WhatsApp helps me feel more connected to the church community and the experience.

Today, we see the stark tensions between peoples values on full display. We have people protesting stay at home orders in the name of liberty and public officials lifting them despite the risks to public health. On the other hand, we have one of the largest examples of global solidarity ever witnessed with people staying at home and doing everything in their power to help protect their neighbours, elders, those at higher risk, and everyone who must be out working in critical essential services.

I am reminded of the story of the Good Samaritan and the tensions make me think about the Levite, Priest and Samaritan in the story especially when we think of the NHS support being called Good Sams.

“We pull through this by pulling together.”

Everything about this pandemic shows us how interconnected we are – how much we need each other. This is a time for connection, for community, for cooperation and solidarity.

During this season when our lives and world are so different than we imagined they would be just a few short months ago, may we lean in more to the rituals and practices that remind us of our interdependence.

May we lean more fully into our relationships and our community.

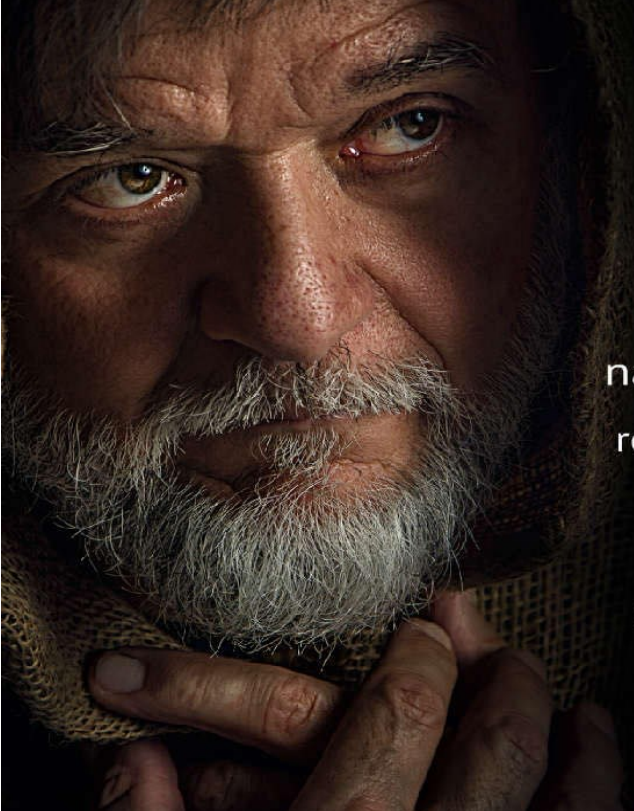
May we all find ways to give more generously, in whatever ways we are able, so that everyone in our communities, large and small, feel held and will have enough.

May we invite the practices that keep us connected, compassionate, and loving in these days.

May we find patience in abundance as well.

Stay home and stay safe,

Shellie



"I imagine that the first question the priest and the Levite asked was: 'If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?' But by the very nature of his concern, the good Samaritan reversed the question: 'If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?' The good Samaritan engaged in a dangerous altruism."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Beatitudes for a global pandemic.

Blessed are those who stay indoors for they have protected others.

Blessed are the unemployed and the self-employed,
for their need of God is great.

Blessed are the corner shopkeepers,
for they are the purveyors of scarce things.

Blessed are the delivery drivers and the postal workers,
for they are the bringers of essential things.

Blessed are the hospital workers;
the ambulance crews, the doctors, the nurses,
the care assistants, and the cleaners,
for they stand between us and the grave,
and the Kingdom of Heaven is surely theirs.

Blessed are the checkout workers,
for they have patience and fortitude in the face of overwork and frustration.

Blessed are the refuse collectors,
for they will see God despite the mountains of waste.

Blessed are the teachers,
for they remain steadfast and constant in disturbing times.

Blessed are the church workers;
the deacons, priests and bishops,
for they are a comforting presence in a hurting world
as they continue to signpost towards God.

Blessed are the single parents,
for they are coping alone with their responsibilities
and there is no respite.

Blessed are those who are alone,
for they are children of God and with Him they will never be lonely.

Blessed are the bereaved,
for whom the worst has already happened.

They shall be comforted.

Blessed are those who are isolated with their abusers,
for one day – we pray - they will know safety.

Blessed are all during this time who have pure hearts;
all who still hunger and thirst for justice;
all who work for peace and who model mercy.

May you know comfort.

May you know calm.

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all. Amen.

by Jayne Manfredi @TheWomanfredi

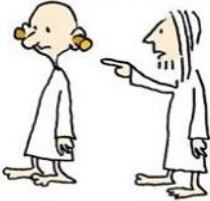


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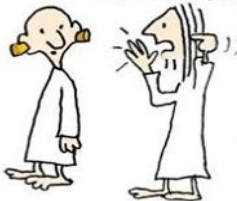
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Text TOON to 22828 for a daily dose of Man Overboard

YOU HAVE CORKS
IN YOUR EARS.



WAZZAT? CORKS! IN YOUR
EARS! CORKS!



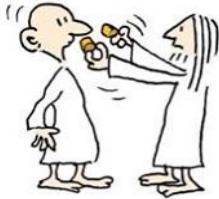
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HEAR YOU.



OH, FOR
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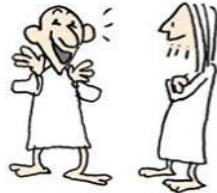
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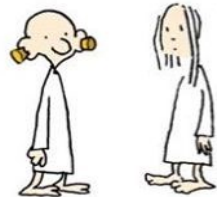
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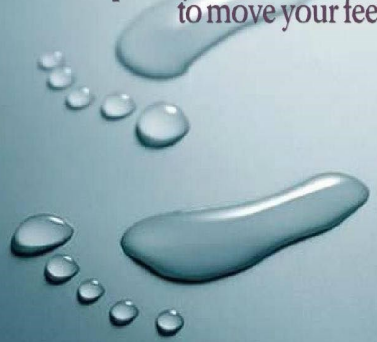
SO I WAS SAYING, YOU NEED TO
TREAT THE POOR AND LOWLY
THE SAME WAY YOU TREAT

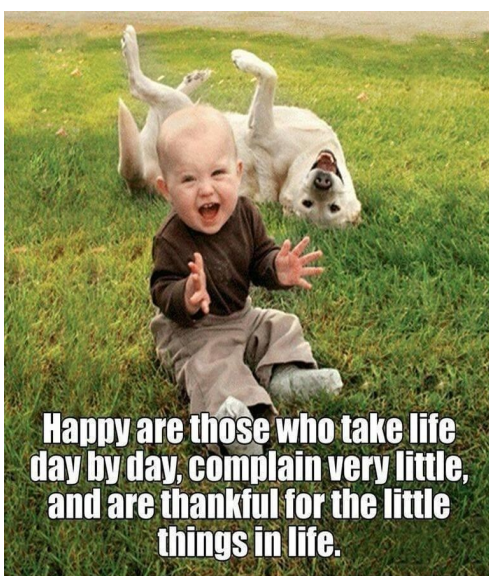


have hope
be strong
laugh ^{loud} &
live ^{play hard}
smile often ^{in the moment}
dream ^{big}
remember ^{you are loved}
never ^{never} give up



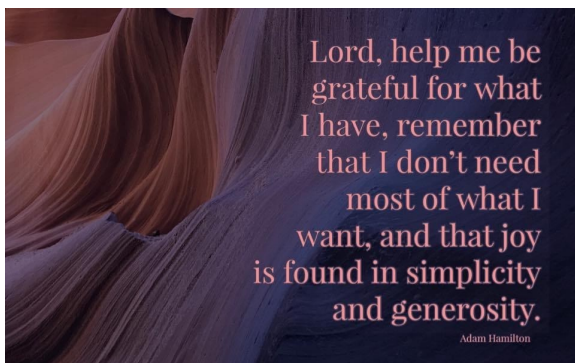
Don't ask God to guide your
footsteps...if you're not willing
to move your feet.





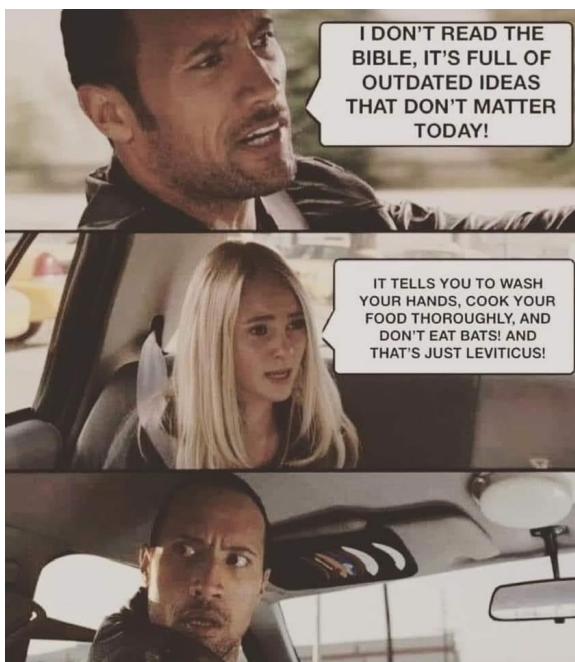
Happy are those who take life day by day, complain very little, and are thankful for the little things in life.

Some people only
write "Lockdown" because
they can't spell
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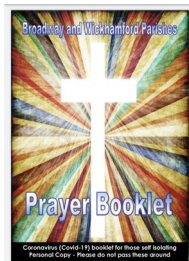


Lord, help me be grateful for what I have, remember that I don't need most of what I want, and that joy is found in simplicity and generosity.

Adam Hamilton



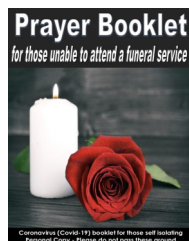
Coronavirus / Covid 19 update



Prayer Booklet

We've produced a prayer booklet for those self isolating and will produce another if this goes beyond April and will give you the new link to the digital version.

[#pray](https://shelliem.wordpress.com/.../prayer-booklet-for-those-.../#pray) [#prayer](https://shelliem.wordpress.com/.../prayer-booklet-for-those-.../#pray) Church of England Diocese of Worcester



This prayer booklet is for people unable to attend a funeral

<https://shelliem.wordpress.com/2020/03/29/prayer-booklet-for-those-unable-to-attend-a-funeral/>

Go to church this Sunday (virtually)

You can watch (and rewatch) the Church of England's virtual Sunday services:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/church-online>

Radio 3—Choral Evensong 3pm

Radio 4—Morning worship 8am

BBC radio—Hereford and Worcester—8am

Just to let you know that Churches Together in Broadway are fundraising for Christian Aid week, and they'd really appreciate your support. We cannot go door to door as we usually do so giving online through Just giving page is the way we can donate and help them.

You can donate to their JustGiving page by clicking here: [https://](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/broadwayctib?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=broadwayctib&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=eb1f318eb474498a8ce926e25e2b021e)

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/broadwayctib?](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/broadwayctib?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=broadwayctib&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=eb1f318eb474498a8ce926e25e2b021e)

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Donating through JustGiving is simple, fast and totally secure.

Once you donate, they'll send your money directly to Christian Aid, so it's the most efficient way to give - saving time and cutting costs for the charity.

Thank you,

Shellie



Broadway Coronavirus Support Network

There is a group of people who have formed a group with many volunteers—The Broadway Coronavirus Support Network—
<https://www.facebook.com/broadwaycoronasupportnetwork>

This is updated regularly on Facebook.

(UPDATED 7pm SAT 21/03) To all residents in the Parish of Broadway

We are so far a very small group of villagers working together with the Parish Council as we would like to provide help to our fellow residents during the current Coronavirus pandemic.

We are in the process of setting this page and network up so please bear with us whilst we pull together the relevant parties to assist.

This FREE service is available to residents within the Parish of Broadway who are self-isolating, vulnerable or have underlying health issues that prevent them from going to public places.

Please contact us if you require assistance with local shopping, prescription collections, posting letters or anything else you are struggling with, or if you would simply like a friendly chat over the phone:

Contact:

Tel: Revd Michelle (Shellie)Ward - 07780002565.

E-mail: broadwayvillagenetwork@gmail.com

One of our coordinators will then put you in touch with a helper who lives near to you.

*PLEASE NOTE - we will also aim to provide all of the details on leaflets and posters so that those who do not use online services can easily access the same help.

Please do not feel isolated or that you shouldn't be asking for help. We are all here for each other during this difficult time! Your contact details will only be shared with your designated Broadway Helper. We won't keep records, or publicise your details or ask you for money.

This free service will be available until the British government / W.H.O. has declared that the pandemic is no longer a threat.

*PLEASE NOTE

** We cannot provide medical advice / assistance or lifts to medical appointments or elsewhere. If you require this type of help please contact Cotswold Friends, a local charity:

Telephone 01608 651415 info@cotswoldsfriends.org

We will aim to work with our local stores provide delivery services.
The following Broadway businesses offer local delivery, and you can place your orders over the phone and pay with your bank card: We will add to this list as we go;

UPDATED FRIDAY 3RD APRIL

BROADWAY FOOD / MEALS / SHOPPING DELIVERIES

COLLINS OF BROADWAY BUTCHERS

01386 852061 for any orders big or small.

WAYSIDE FARM SHOP can take orders, payment and deliver to door as well as collection; Wayside also doing roast **01386 830 546**

CO OP - offering food orders online between 10am -1pm on Tues, Weds,Thurs. Call order and pay on **01386 842870** and they will organise the food.

For those self- isolating due to illness, or those vulnerable / elderly you can then call us when you have made payment and we will arrange delivery **07780 002565**.

NISA LOCAL - BIBSWORTH AVENUE

Set up for online payment and delivery. If you wish to place an order please phone **01386 859218** before 2pm.

Also offering a drive through service - phone with order, pull up outside and it goes in the boot.

THE BROADWAY DELI – Call the boys on **07483 404497** for Deli food, letter posting, newspapers ... whatever you need :)

THE BROADWAY WINE COMPANY

Call **01386 852 501** to order your Wine, minimum of 6 bottles for home delivery.

JOHN BARLEYCORN

Selection of quality local beers, ciders, wines, loads of gins & other spirits from small British distilleries, jams, honey etc. Free delivery (on orders over £20) in Broadway and to the local area, up to 5 miles. Any orders outside this area might be subject to a delivery fee. **01386 854938** only between 9am-2pm Tuesday-Saturday with your order.

THE BAKEHOUSE

Offering fresh, daily prepped Bake@Home ready meals delivered to door. Weds – Saturday. Details on website, Telephone **01386 852277**.

www.thebakehousebroadway.co.uk/bakeathome

**** If you need a volunteer to pick up a few urgent essentials for you from the local shops please ensure you have some cash at home or a cheque book. All cash should be placed in an envelope.**

We're here to help!

Other Useful Information found on Facebook or other places online

Barn Close Surgery

COVID-19 Coronavirus

1st April 2020 Update

Lockdown continues. Please, for your own safety and for that of others, stay at home.

The NHS is incredibly busy, we are incredibly busy.

If you have your medication dispensed by the surgery, please bear with us, and please be kind and polite to our staff who are working so hard.

Dispensary opening times have changed. We are open 10:00 - 13:00 and 14:00 - 18:00 Monday to Friday

Please allow 7 working days before collecting your medication.

Thank you

23rd April 2020 Update

There is much confusion regarding "Shielded" patients who are "extremely vulnerable" if exposed to Covid-19. These patients should have received a letter from NHSE informing them of this.

There are other "less" vulnerable patients who do not qualify for this "Shielding" list but who should also be undertaking strict Social Distancing Measures.

There is an excellent FAQ from the NHS regarding this. Please click link below:

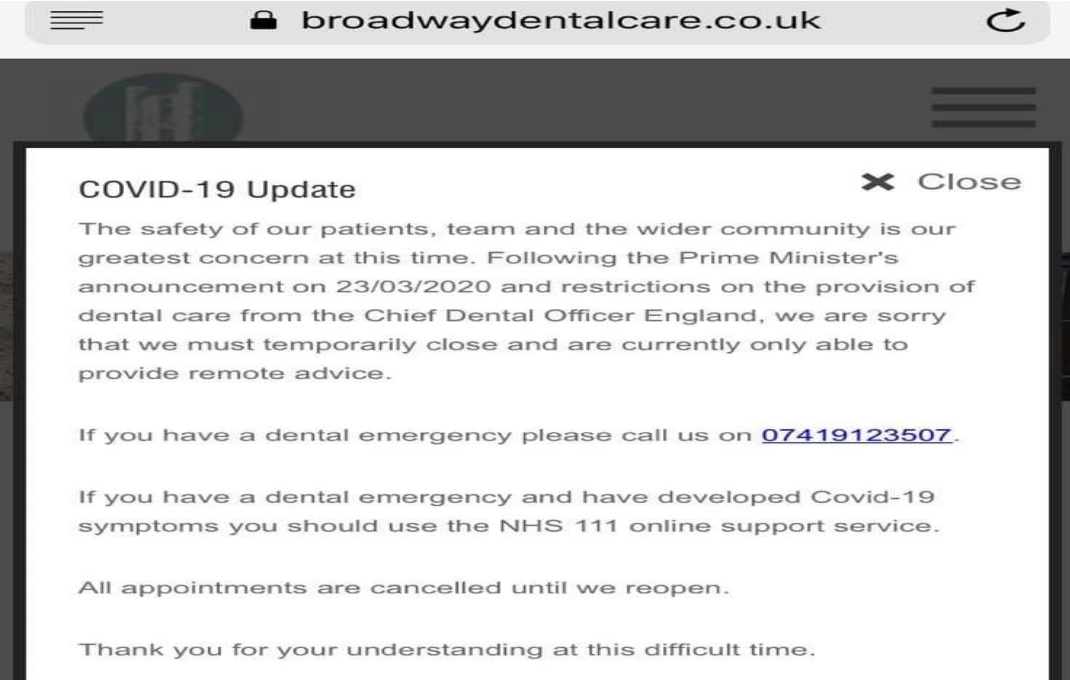
(The link from the post is attached with this musings separately.)

Broadway Dental Care

BROADWAY DENTAL UPDATE

Please read below and Phone Mark Howe, the Dentists in Broadway on 07419 123507 for urgent prescription enquiries.

The Broadway Support Network can collect and deliver as required for those Self isolating due to illness / Vulnerable / Shielding / Elderly.



The screenshot shows a web browser with the address bar displaying "broadwaydentalcare.co.uk". The website has a dark header with a logo on the left and a menu icon on the right. The main content area is white and features a "COVID-19 Update" section with a "Close" button in the top right corner. The text in the update states that the safety of patients and the community is the greatest concern, and that the practice is temporarily closed due to government restrictions. It provides contact information for dental emergencies and mentions that all appointments are cancelled until they reopen. The update concludes with a thank you for understanding during this difficult time.

COVID-19 Update ✕ Close

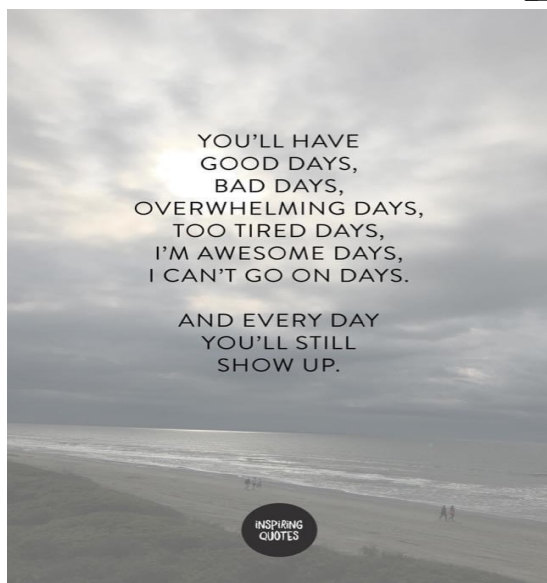
The safety of our patients, team and the wider community is our greatest concern at this time. Following the Prime Minister's announcement on 23/03/2020 and restrictions on the provision of dental care from the Chief Dental Officer England, we are sorry that we must temporarily close and are currently only able to provide remote advice.

If you have a dental emergency please call us on [07419123507](tel:07419123507).

If you have a dental emergency and have developed Covid-19 symptoms you should use the NHS 111 online support service.

All appointments are cancelled until we reopen.

Thank you for your understanding at this difficult time.



Information from the Diocese

Live Streaming of services

You can follow the links to these churches online via the diocesan page: <https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/2020/03/16/coronavirus-latest-information/>
I have chosen, for now, to offer a WhatsApp group where we can pray, share and communicate as a benefice—if you wish to join the group please send me your mobile number and download the app. There is always the prayer booklet on our churches website and a hard copy is in church.

The following churches will be live streaming. Please do point people to these if you're not able to stream worship yourself.

Worcester Cathedral will be streaming their 8.30am service each morning on the Cathedral Facebook page. (From Sunday 22 March)

All Saints in Worcester are streaming 11am morning prayer and 10pm Compline as well as a Sunday service at 10.30am on YouTube.

Holy Trinity Church, Old Hill will be streaming their Sunday service at 10.45am on You Tube.

Malvern Link with Cowleigh parish will be streaming a 9.45am Eucharist and 11.15am Contemporary Worship on Sundays on their Facebook page.

Christ Church, Lye will be streaming prayers and a sermon at 11am on Sunday morning on their Facebook page.

East Vale and Avon benefice are putting together a series of online services which can be accessed through their website.

Holy Trinity & St Matthew, Ronkswood, Worcester will be live streaming worship via Zoom on Sunday at 10am and 6pm. Details about how to join in are on the parish website.

St Mary, Old Swinford, Stourbridge is live streaming services on Thursdays at 10.30am and Sunday at 10am. More details on the parish website

St Peter, Cradley is live streaming daily morning prayer at 8.30am and Compline in the late afternoon through their Facebook page

Hagley and Clent are offering Sunday worship at 10.30am via Zoom and all are welcome to join them. Contact the Rector, Richard Newton for more details.

Morning Prayer from Worcester Cathedral

Watch Morning Prayer from Worcester Cathedral. This is one way in which we are linking members of the Cathedral community as well as the wider public to the Cathedral's daily offering of praise and prayer.

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/WorcesterCathedral/>

Prayer diary - April

Recent events have meant that many of our prayer diary entries are out of date. We will therefore be issuing monthly pdf updates.

Download the updated prayer diary for April 2020. *(I have attached this pdf with this mailing—Shellie).*

Updated prayers will also be available on our website 'prayer for the day' and our social media streams.

Sam Setchell—Communications Officer

♥ Michelle Ward and 2 others liked



Kensington Palace ✓
@KensingtonRoyal

Wishing Her Majesty The Queen a very happy 94th Birthday today! 🎂🎈



The Royal Family ✓
@RoyalFamily

The Duke of Edinburgh has written a message to everyone who is helping to tackle the pandemic and keep essential services running. Read the message in full at:

bit.ly/34TF8lg

“

I wanted to recognise the vital and urgent work being done by so many to tackle the pandemic; by those in the medical and scientific professions, at universities and research institutions, all united in working to protect us from Covid-19.

”

- The Duke of Edinburgh



For those suffering **domestic abuse**, isolation will be a terrifying prospect and **significantly increase the risk of harm**.

If you, or anyone you know is **in need of help**, please reach out to Women's Aid, us, a trusted friend or family member and consider using a code word to communicate safely.

National Domestic Abuse Helpline: **0808 2000 247**



www.fb.com/groups/wearethemotherload

SOMETIMES THE SMALLEST STEP
IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION
ENDS UP BEING THE BIGGEST
STEP OF YOUR LIFE.
TIP TOE IF YOU MUST,
BUT TAKE THE STEP.

Mental health

The Church of England has produced some mental health reflections to help you in this time of uncertainty. You can access them at: cofe.io/MentalHealth.

The Mental Health Foundation has also produced some useful resources, which can be found at: <https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/coronavirus>

You can find a host of other mental health resources from a variety of different organisations and charities. <https://www.mentalhealthatwork.org.uk/toolkit/coronavirus-and-isolation-supporting-yourself-and-your-colleagues/>

Some helpful books and resources are also available from Sacristy Press at <https://www.sacristy.co.uk/books/coronavirus-church-resources#>



Evesham & District Mental Health Support Services

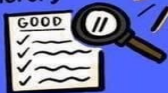
2 hrs • 🌐

Self isolation can be very hard on people suffering from anxiety. Edmhss mobile 07495896695 from 9am to 9pm 7 days a week if you need support.



DON'T forget TO

① FOCUS on the GOOD
(It's there.)



Like reading or drawing or playing or dreaming

② DO something you LOVE



③ GO outside



④ LOVE WHO you are NOW

(The past is over. Let it goooo.)

EVERY

DAY

TODAY
23

IS A

START!

FRESH

⑤ KEEP being BRAVE

It might feel hard sometimes, but the night'll end + the clouds'll part.

@POSITIVELYPRESENT

SELF-CARE FOR MENTAL HEALTH

COMPASSION

Be kind to yourself. Stop judging yourself. Practice positive self-talk.

ACTION

Set boundaries with your triggers. Work on coping skills. Do the work. Follow your treatment plan. Don't give up on yourself.



BlessingManifesting.com
See the blog for more!

SELF-CARE

Rest. Pay attention to your self-care battery. Give yourself what you need. Deprivation is not healthy. Make time for yourself.

SUPPORT

Go to therapy. Reach out for help. Mental illness is an illness. Don't hide in shame and silence. Ask for what you need. create a strong support system. Break the stigma.

TRUTH

Notice how your choices (conscious or subconscious) contribute in a negative way. Look at what isn't working in your life.

I saw this on the Leedons Park Facebook Group page and asked if I could share it.....

Isolation: Day 900 probably, its all a blur. Thursday

by Bryn Richards

As our daily exercise H and myself have taken to exploring the countryside on our bikes and what a wealth of wildlife is on our doorstep.

I am an avid birdwatcher ever since an enjoyable French holiday many years ago when our guide pointed out a range of creatures on the wetlands of Briere. He showed us a huge flock of Sauvignon Blanc searching for shell fish in the shallows and we were lucky to see a migrating pair of Merlot in the distance. It surprises me that the full bodied Shiraz can actually fly but the guide identified several. It was good to be taught by someone who knew their subject. Much better than the rather rude barman who laughed when we ordered a crisp glass of egret and a bottle of mouette. But that's the French for you.

But back to our locality. The first thing we've noticed is the number of fellow residents seen far from their natural habitats as they venture further in search of exercise. Not having a bird book (and forgetting my glasses) was a bit of a handicap but we enjoyed the sight of a parliament of penguins chattering in the treetops. I don't understand why folk claim the Golden Eagle is rare as we saw several though they are much much smaller than I had imagined. The ostrich is also much smaller but easily identified by its long ears, its running speed and its ability to bury its head (and in fact all of it) underground when startled.

We were just approaching some other cyclists when I saw a range of small birds in a hawthorn bush. I said, "Look at the tits on that," and H gave me such a slap I almost fell off the bike. We cycled back in silence. I think the isolation is getting to her.

Supplies: Plentiful

Spirits : Rock bottom

Competition Day: Friday

Its Friday so its back to your recommendations. This week its Table Top Games.

They could be card games, board games, anything appropriate for lockdown.

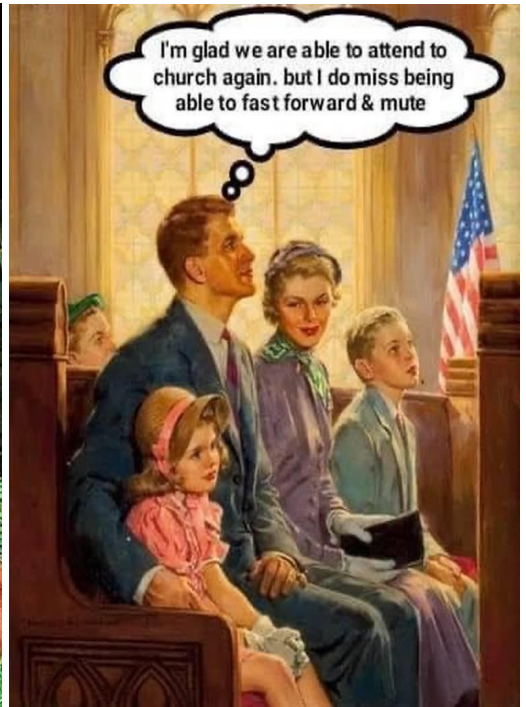
Eg Solitair
Chinese chequers
mono-poly
Etc...
Over to you..

The prize is the the opportunity to devise your very own bored game.

Supplies: An abundance of time

Spirits: Yes please, its Friday.

**Blessed are we who can laugh
at ourselves for we shall never
cease to be amused.**



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is the mud?

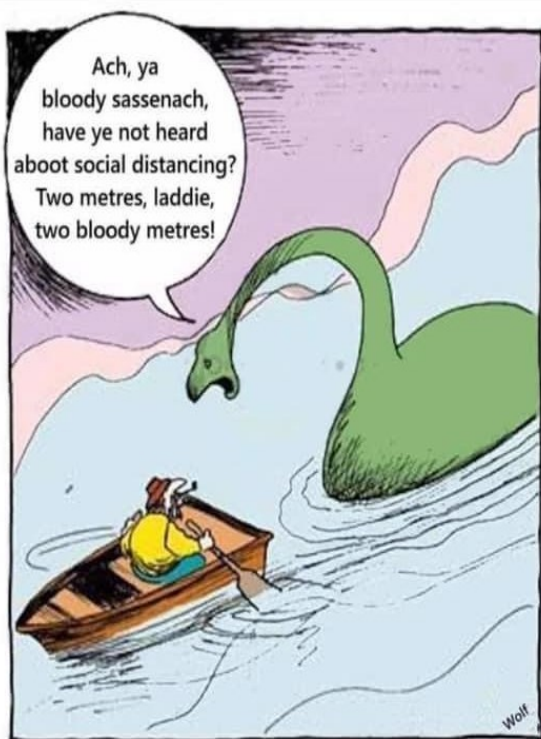
Depends on
who you ask.

We all go through the
same stuff differently.



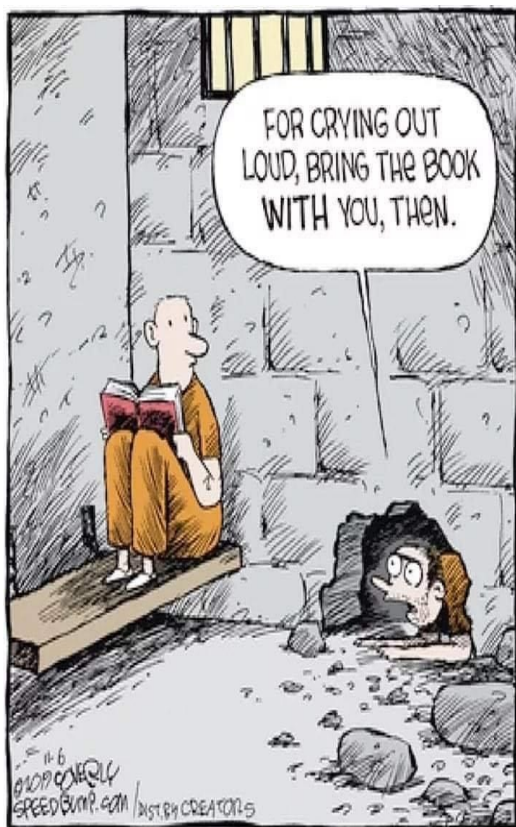
GOOD
DOG !

PERHAPS THE MOST NOBLE OF ALL RESCUE
ANIMALS: THE LAVATORY RETRIEVER



Ach, ya
bloody sassanach,
have ye not heard
about social distancing?
Two metres, laddie,
two bloody metres!

THE LOCH DOWN MONSTER



FOR CRYING OUT
LOUD, BRING THE BOOK
WITH YOU, THEN.

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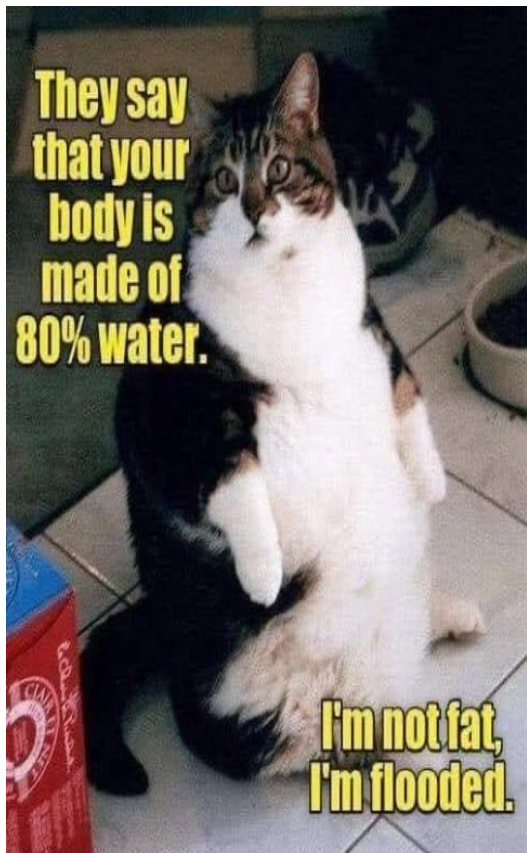
**Why are all the
humans wearing
muzzles?**

**Did they All bite
someone?**



**They say
that your
body is
made of
80% water.**

**I'm not fat,
I'm flooded.**

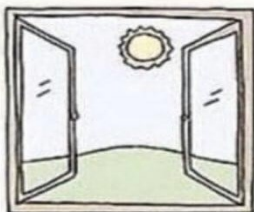


DON'T FORGET

DRINK WATER.



GET SUNLIGHT.



**YOU'RE
BASICALLY A
HOUSE PLANT
WITH MORE
COMPLICATED
EMOTIONS.**





**This cleaning with
alcohol is just not
working for me...
Nothing gets done
after the first
bottle!**

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At last, we have a cure for all!
Ailments large and ailments small,
Good health is not beyond my reach,
If I inject myself with bleach.

Radiant, I'll prance along,
Every trace of limescale gone,
With disinfectant as my friend,
Like him,

I'm clean around the bend.

If you had to name
your dog after the
last thing you ate,
what would your
dog's name be?



TO BE HOPEFUL IN BAD TIMES IS NOT JUST
FOOLISHLY ROMANTIC. IT IS BASED ON THE
FACT THAT HUMAN HISTORY IS A HISTORY NOT
ONLY OF CRUELTY, BUT ALSO OF COMPASSION,
SACRIFICE, COURAGE AND KINDNESS.

WHAT WE CHOOSE TO EMPHASISE IN THIS
COMPLEX HISTORY WILL DETERMINE OUR LIVES.
IF WE SEE ONLY THE WORST, IT DESTROYS OUR
CAPACITY TO DO SOMETHING. IF WE REMEMBER
THOSE TIMES AND PLACES - AND THERE ARE
SO MANY - WHERE PEOPLE HAVE BEHAVED
MAGNIFICENTLY, THIS GIVES US THE ENERGY TO
ACT, AND AT LEAST THE POSSIBILITY OF SENDING
THIS SPINNING TOP OF A WORLD IN A DIFFERENT
DIRECTION.

AND IF WE DO ACT, IN HOWEVER SMALL A WAY,
WE DON'T HAVE TO WAIT FOR SOME GRAND
UTOPIAN FUTURE. THE FUTURE IS AN INFINITE
SUCCESSION OF PRESENTS, AND TO LIVE NOW
AS WE THINK HUMAN BEINGS SHOULD LIVE, IN
DEFIANCE OF ALL THAT IS BAD AROUND US, IS
ITSELF A MARVELLOUS VICTORY

- HOWARD ZINN.

I've got to stop quarantine drinking... I
thought these were baby dinosaurs 🦖



THINGS WE SAY TODAY, WHICH WE OWE TO SHAKESPEARE:

"KNOCK, KNOCK! WHO'S THERE?"

"IN A PICKLE" "SET YOUR TEETH ON EDGE" "HEART OF GOLD"

"FAINT HEARTED"

"SO-SO"

"GOOD RIDDANCE"

"LIE LOW"

"FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE"

"BAITED BREATH"

"SEND HIM PACKING"

"COME WHAT MAY"

"THE GAME IS UP"

"WEAR YOUR HEART ON YOUR SLEEVE"

"NOT SLEPT ONE WINK"

"FULL CIRCLE"

"OUT OF THE JAWS OF DEATH"

"TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING"

"WHAT'S DONE IS DONE"

"NAKED TRUTH"

"BREAK THE ICE"

"LAUGHING STOCK"

"BREADED HIS LAST"

"WILD

"HEART OF HEARTS"

"VANISH INTO THIN AIR"

GOOSE CHASE"

"SEEN BETTER DAYS"

"MAKES YOUR HAIR STAND ON END"

"DEAD AS A DOORNAIL"

"FOR GOODNESS' SAKE"

"LOVE IS BLIND"

"GREEN EYED MONSTER"

"FAIR / FOUL
PLAY / PLAY"

"OFF WITH HIS HEAD"

"THE WORLD IS MY OYSTER"

"BRAVE NEW WORLD"

"BE ALL / END ALL"

"A SORRY SIGHT"

Be careful out there. Just saw an undercover dog using binoculars 🤔

The hardest 3 things to say:

1. I was wrong
2. I need help
3. Worcestershire sauce



SO WHY DO YOU ALLOW THINGS LIKE FAMINE, WAR, SUFFERING, DISEASE, CRIME, HOMELESSNESS, DESPAIR ETC. EXIST IN OUR WORLD?

INTERESTING THAT YOU SHOULD BRING THAT UP AS I WAS ABOUT TO ASK YOU THE EXACT SAME QUESTION

William DeBurgh

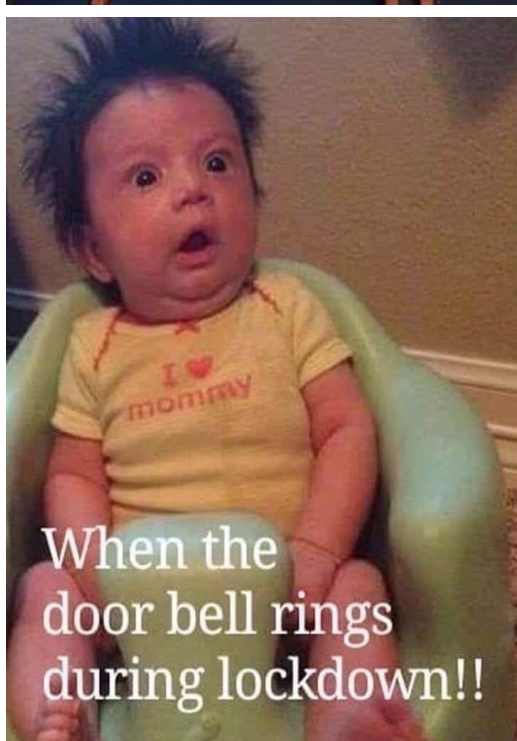
A teacher brought balloons to school and asked the children to blow them all up and then each write their names on their balloon. They tossed all the balloons into the hall while the teacher mixed them from one end to the other. The teacher then gave them 5 minutes to find the balloon with their name on it. The children ran around, looking frantically but as the time ran out - nobody had found their own balloon...

Then the teacher told them to take the balloon closest to them and give it to the person who's name was on it. In less than 2 minutes everyone had their own balloon.

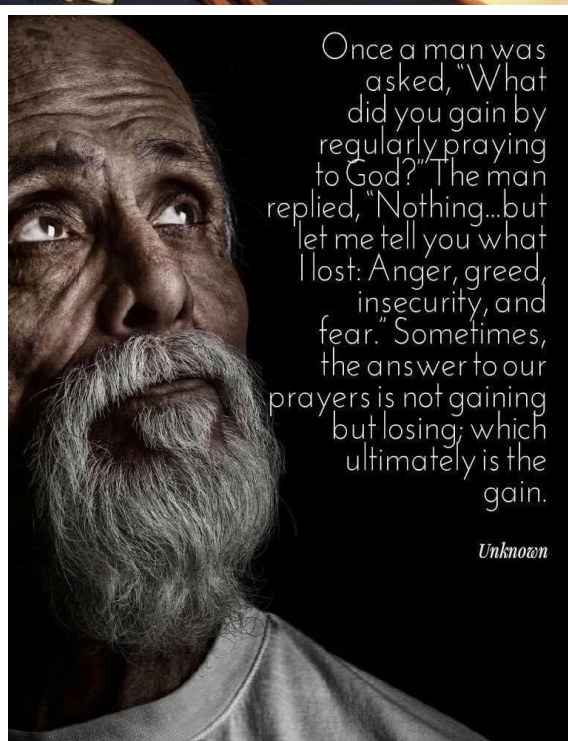
Finally the teacher said, "Balloons are like happiness. No one will find it looking for theirs only. Instead if everyone cares about each others they will find theirs as quickly as possible." 🎈

Cannot take the credit, saw it, loved it, sharing it!





When the
door bell rings
during lockdown!!



Once a man was asked, "What did you gain by regularly praying to God?" The man replied, "Nothing...but let me tell you what I lost: Anger, greed, insecurity, and fear." Sometimes, the answer to our prayers is not gaining but losing; which ultimately is the gain.

Unknown

CHOOSING A CHURCH

THE OPTIONS

LAST MONTH



THIS MONTH



Every now and then, a person with no agenda, no ulterior motive and no self-interest will take pleasure in helping you to succeed, grow and live your purpose.

This person will operate in love, will seek no praise and will want nothing in return.

This person is a gift. ☺

CRAIG HARPER



Amit Saha ► Archaeology/History Jokes & Puns (Or GTFO!)

10 March 2019 · 🌐

The photographer was lying on the ground, trying to shoot this ceiling. The pigeons were concerned.



Isolation: Day. Err, Tuesday

By Bryn Richards

As we're all in the nth day of isolation we've all become pretty expert, but this week a few extra tips

Meal planning and recipes:

Larder Surprise:

This one needs a little planning but it's well worth it and can use up some of those nearly out of date bits.

Take half a dozen varied cans from your larder and plunge them into warm water for a few minutes.

Gently peel off the labels and ideally erase any sell by dates. Carefully dry and place in a dark cool place until you've forgotten what was in them.

Eventually add one tin at random per meal over a course of days. This will lead to such delicacies as 'egg, chips and rice pudding' or 'apple pie & spam'

For an enhanced experience, eat the meal blindfold.

Field Pie

We are lucky to have a fantastic food supply on our doorstep. Why are the birds flocking over the field? They're finding lots of tasty delicacies.

Farmers regularly spray with a range of fertilisers and chemicals which can help protect you from various mildews and blight, and possibly help glossy hair growth. A shovel full of field with a shortcrust topping and sprinkled with dried stubble will have you gagging (for more!)

Top Tip

Add a liberal sprinkling of PollyFilla to any meal. It will make you feel fuller for longer and reduce the need for toilet paper.

Bon Appetit

Supplies Abundant

Spirits Good to soft

Editors Note: The Field is not guaranteed to be gluten free.

MY DEEPEST AWARENESS OF
MYSELF IS THAT I AM DEEPLY
LOVED BY JESUS CHRIST AND
I HAVE DONE NOTHING TO
EARN IT OR DESERVE IT.

BRENNAN MANNING

THANK YOU NHS

