

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 VE day and have managed to source some bunting from our British legion which is outside St Michael's Church—I'm really grateful to them for it and it seems so right to leave it up until after the Funeral on 16th May for David Folkes. St Eadburgha's has a commemorative tea towel on it's gate.

Having done a bit of research I found these fascinating facts:

8 Interesting Facts About V-E Day And The End Of WWII

8th May marks the anniversary Victory in Europe Day, or V-E Day. In 1945, the Nazis officially surrendered on 8th May, bringing an end to WWII. This year is the 75th anniversary of V-E Day. Today we may only remember people celebrating in the streets as the end of the war was announced, but there's a lot more to V-E Day than that. In honour of V-E Day, here are eight interesting things you may not have known about the end of WWII.

- *70 million people fought in WWII. The Soviet Union lost 7.5 million soldiers, the most of any country involved in the war. Other major players in the Allied powers saw massive casualties as well. The U.S. lost 400,000, Great Britain lost 330,000, and China lost 2.2 million. Among the Axis powers, the German army saw 3.5 million casualties, Italy lost 77,000 and Japan lost 1.2 million.*
- *As Winston Churchill announced the end of the war in London, crowds filled the streets from Trafalgar Square up to Buckingham Palace. Princess Margaret and her sister Elizabeth, the future Queen Elizabeth II, were among the crowd taking part in the celebrations.*

- *In the U.S., President Harry Truman was celebrating his birthday on V-E Day. He dedicated the victory to the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who died one month before the end of the war. Roosevelt helped create the alliance between Britain, the Soviet Union and the U.S., which made it possible to defeat Nazi Germany.*
- *While the war was coming to an end, survivors of the concentration camps continued to suffer. When they returned home and found their former lives destroyed and their communities gone forever. Many survivors lost their entire families and had no home to return to.*
- *V-E Day marks the official end of WWII in Europe, but small pockets of fighting still continued into the next day. German and Soviet forces confronted each other in Silesia on May 9. The Soviets lost 600 more soldiers before the Germans finally laid down their arms.*
- *The Germans' surrender marked the end of WWII in Europe, but Japan didn't surrender until 15th August, 1945. Their surrender became official on Sept. 2, 1945, which is now celebrated as Victory over Japan Day or V-J Day.*
- *Technically, WWII still hasn't ended due to the fact that Russia and Japan never signed a peace treaty to end the Kuril Island dispute. The Kuril Islands are situated in a chain of islands between Russia and Japan. Historically, Japan had ownership of the islands, but Russia took control during WWII. Neither side has ever agreed to sign papers settling the territorial dispute.*
- *Some Japanese soldiers never got the message that the war was over, including Hiroo Onoda, who was stationed in the Philippines. He hid out, fully armed and ready for battle, until 1974 when he was discovered. Onoda refused to surrender until his commanding officer flew to the island and convinced him to.*

I hope to join in tomorrow with the two minutes silence and also with some of the other things suggested we do tomorrow—listen to Churchill, have a glass of something in the garden and afternoon tea, sing 'We'll meet again'... the timings of these are all over the page.

It's good to have times where we join together, even social distancing, to honour what people have done and are doing for us. I find it particularly poignant coming out to clap every Thursday for our NHS

and key workers as a street and village. I'm in awe of those working in intensive care and pray for them every day.

At times like these I find it's good to have a faith and to hand everything over to God. My favourite hymn when I need to hand everything over to God is 'Blessed be your name'
Where the verse says—

Blessed Be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed Be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord
Still I will say

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

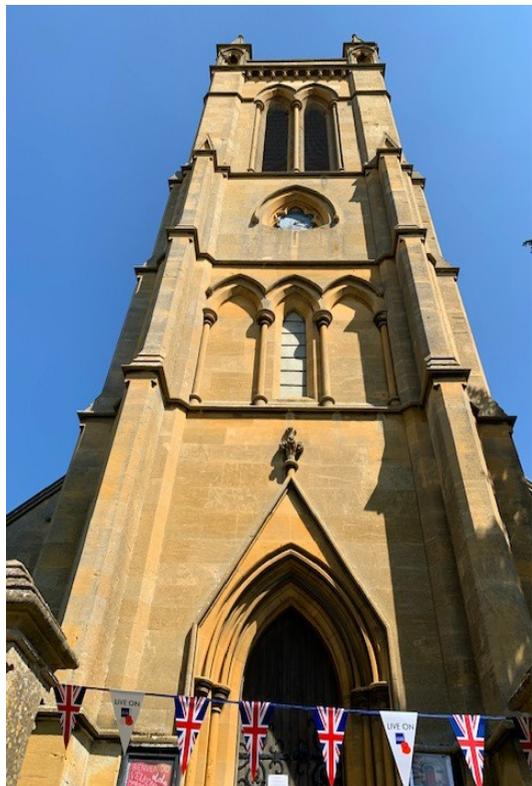
Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be'
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Please stay home and safe

Shellie





Anyone remember the poetress
Pam Ayres?

Well, she's 73 and still going
strong.
This is her latest ode to
coronavirus...



I'm normally a social girl
I love to meet my mates
But lately with the virus here
We can't go out the gates.

You see, we are the 'oldies' now
We need to stay inside
If they haven't seen us for a while
They'll think we've upped and died.

They'll never know the things we did
Before we got this old
There wasn't any Facebook
So not everything was told.

We may seem sweet old ladies
Who would never be uncouth
But we grew up in the 60s -
If you only knew the truth!

There was sex and drugs and rock
'n roll
The pill and miniskirts
We smoked, we drank, we partied
And were quite outrageous flirts.

Then we settled down, got married
And turned into someone's mum,
Somebody's wife, then nana,
Who on earth did we become?

We didn't mind the change of pace
Because our lives were full
But to bury us before we're dead
Is like a red rag to a bull!

So here you find me stuck inside
For four weeks, maybe more
I finally found myself again
Then I had to close the door!

It didn't really bother me
I'd while away the hour
I'd bake for all the family
But I've got no flaming flour!

Now Netflix is just wonderful
I like a gutsy thriller
I'm swooning over Idris
Or some random sexy killer.

At least I've got a stash of booze
For when I'm being idle
There's wine and whiskey, even gin
If I'm feeling suicidal!

So let's all drink to lockdown
To recovery and health
And hope this awful virus
Doesn't decimate our wealth.

We'll all get through the crisis
And be back to join our mates
Just hoping I'm not far too wide
To fit through the flaming gates!



FRIDAY
8th MAY

VE
DAY

75TH
ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

Join your neighbours
in a nationwide 'stay
at home' street party!

Prepare for the day by decorating your house in red, white and blue.

11am

2 minutes silence on your doorstep

3pm

Churchill speech shown on BBC

Then grab your picnic blankets or garden table and head to your front garden for:

4pm

Tea & scones (or coffee & cake)

6pm

Dinner and raise your glass to your neighbours

9pm

Nationwide sing-a-long to 'We'll meet again' with Royal British legion after the Queen's address

Please remember to follow the social distancing rules



In a building!!!

In a building kneels a soldier,
A gun upon his shoulder.
Sniping Germans from the air,
Is helpful, but is it fair?
Running through the village is brave soldier's blood,
Enriching the soft, squeaky mud.
As he sees the enemies parachuting from the sky,
He gets ready to fight, not die.

In a building lies a soldier,
A broken leg and shoulder.
As he looks around and sees the trees waving goodbye,
He sees other brave soldiers fight and die.
As a street gets bombarded,
The soldier was meant to have been guarded.

In a building is a dying soldier,
A bleeding arm and shoulder.
As he starts saying goodbye to his life,
He sends a letter to his wife.
He is like a wolf waiting for his mates,
At the entrance of Heaven's gates.

In a building a soldier dies,
As he says his goodbyes.
He is a saviour of our lives,
Watching the golden sunrise.
As he waits at the gates of Heaven,
He waits to go to God's tavern.

Ben Harper (age 9).

A prayer for VE Day

From the Act of Commitment for Peace

Lord God our Father,
we pledge ourselves to serve you and all humankind, in the cause of peace,
for the relief of want and suffering,
and for the praise of your name.
Guide us by your Spirit;
give us wisdom;
give us courage;
give us hope;
and keep us faithful now and always.
Amen.

In the May Prayer Booklet there is a service you could choose to pray today.

A wreath has been placed on Broadway War memorial and bunting put up from the British Legion outside St Michael's Church. There is also a Union Jack outside the Lygon Arms.

Attached to the musings is a pdf of the original service from Westminster Abbey.



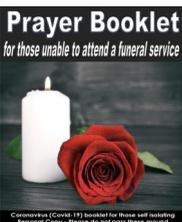
Coronavirus / Covid 19 update



Prayer Booklet

Prayer Booklet for May

www.shelliem.wordpress.com/2020/04/28/prayer-booklet-for-may-during-covid-19/



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

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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 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.

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.



Number. 32 Broadway is at Number. 32 Broadway.

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We are expanding our delivery menu! Now offering a selection of burgers and sides. We are delivering Thursday, Friday & Saturday 5-8pm. Our new menu will be going live on our website soon for orders. @ Number. 32 Broadway



Delivery Menu

Delivery is £3 for orders in Broadway, Childswickham & Willersey.

Burgers

All Served in Peter Cook's Brioche Buns

No.32 Burger £8

Dry Aged Beef Burger, Streaky Bacon, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Gherkin, Red Onion & Paprika Mayo

Pulled Pork Burger £7

Harissa Spiced Pulled Pork, Cheese, Red Cabbage 'Slaw' & Homemade BBQ Sauce

Bacon Burger £8

Dry Aged Beef Burger, Cheese, Streaky Bacon, Bacon Jam & Baconnaise

'Imposter' Burger £8

100% Plant Based Burger, Caramelised Red Onion, Grilled Halloumi, Lettuce, Tomato, Gherkin & Garlic Mayo

Pizzas

Margherita £12

Tomato, Mozzarella, Oregano & Basil

Hawaiian £13

Tomato Base, Bacon, Parma Ham, Pineapple & Mozzarella

Pulled Pork £13

Tomato Base, Harissa Spiced Pulled Pork, Bacon, Jalapenos, Red Onion & Mozzarella

Zeus £13

Tomato Base, Sun Blushed Tomatoes, Olives, Artichoke, Spinach, Red Onion, Halloumi & Mozzarella

Fest of Meat £14

Tomato Base, Pepperoni, Salami, Bacon, Parma Ham, Mozzarella, Rocket & Balsamic

Sides

Skin on Fries £3

Rosemary Salt

Sweet Potato Fries £4

Halloumi Fries £5

Pineapple & Chilli Salsa, Hot Sauce

Red Cabbage 'Slaw' £3

Homemade Sauces

Roast Garlic Mayo £0.5

Smokey BBQ Sauce £0.5

Paprika Mayo £0.5

Baconnaise £1

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 YouTube.

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/>



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers

3 May

A PRAYER FOR THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY

Please pray for all those around the world impacted by World War 2. We give thanks for the ultimate sacrifices made and hope deeply for international peace and freedom in the future.



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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

NSPCC
0808 800 5000
(24hrs)

National Domestic Abuse Helpline
0808 2000 247
(24hrs free)

Mind
0300 123 3393
(Mon-Fri 9-6)

Victim Support
0808 168 9111
(24hrs)

NEVER ALONE



Cruse Bereavement
0800 808 1677
(Mon-Fri 9-5)

ChildLine
0800 1111
(24hrs)

Action on Elder Abuse
0808 808 8141
(Mon-Fri 9-5)

Respect - Men's Advice Line
0808 801 0327
(Mon-Fri 9-5or8pm)

Samaritans
116 123
(24hrs free)

National Centre for Domestic Violence
0207 186 8270

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#>

how to help a loved one with a mental health problem:

- Keep including & inviting them
- check in regularly to see how they are
- listen & ask questions
- visit them in their safe space
- notice & remind them of their small victories
- learn about their health problem



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TELE : 07495896695

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"The beginning of love is to let those we love be perfectly themselves, and not to twist them to fit our own image. Otherwise we love only the reflection of ourselves we find in them."
(Thomas Merton: *No Man Is an Island*)

wow!!!

@PeacefulMindPeacefulLife

Who else just wants
to sit and watch
the ocean for
a while?



How I feel when I take off my mask after work.



Church, we must end our preoccupation with member preferences and “the way we’ve always done it,” and instead focus relentlessly on the church’s mission and purpose.



We will not go back to normal. Normal never was. Our pre-corona existence was not normal other than we normalized greed inequity, exhaustion, depletion extraction disconnection confusion rage, hoarding hate and lack. We should not long to return, my friends. We are being given the opportunity to stitch a new garment. One that fits all of humanity and nature.

Brene Brown



It's Not Just About You.
Follow The CDC Guidelines.
Love Your Neighbor.

I love the smell of socially acceptable chemical dependence in the morning.



thechurchsofa.co.uk

Fencing: the perfect COVID-19 Sport

1. Masks
2. Gloves
3. If anybody gets closer than 6 feet to you, you stab them.

APRIL 20, 2018 BY THATANDY

Worried about differences between the four Gospels?

Do you like the Bible?

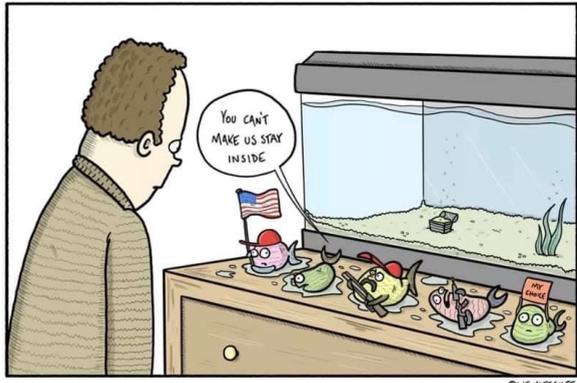
(Hope so)

Do you like the Gospels?

Are you worried about the differences between the Gospels?

Its ok.

Jesus saw it coming...



Student midwives watch birth shows like men watch football.



Mrs. Jones got a little too used to watching online worship from home.

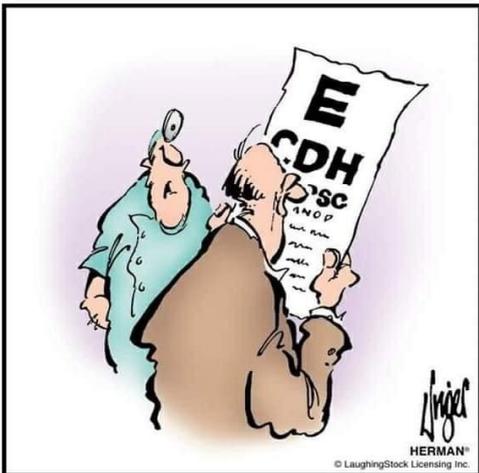
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I just Need a Break from all the NUTS

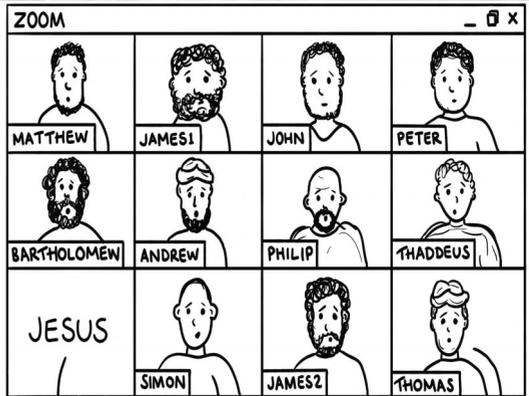
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NOAH DIDN'T GO SWIMMING IN THE FLOOD TO PROVE HIS FAITH IN GOD

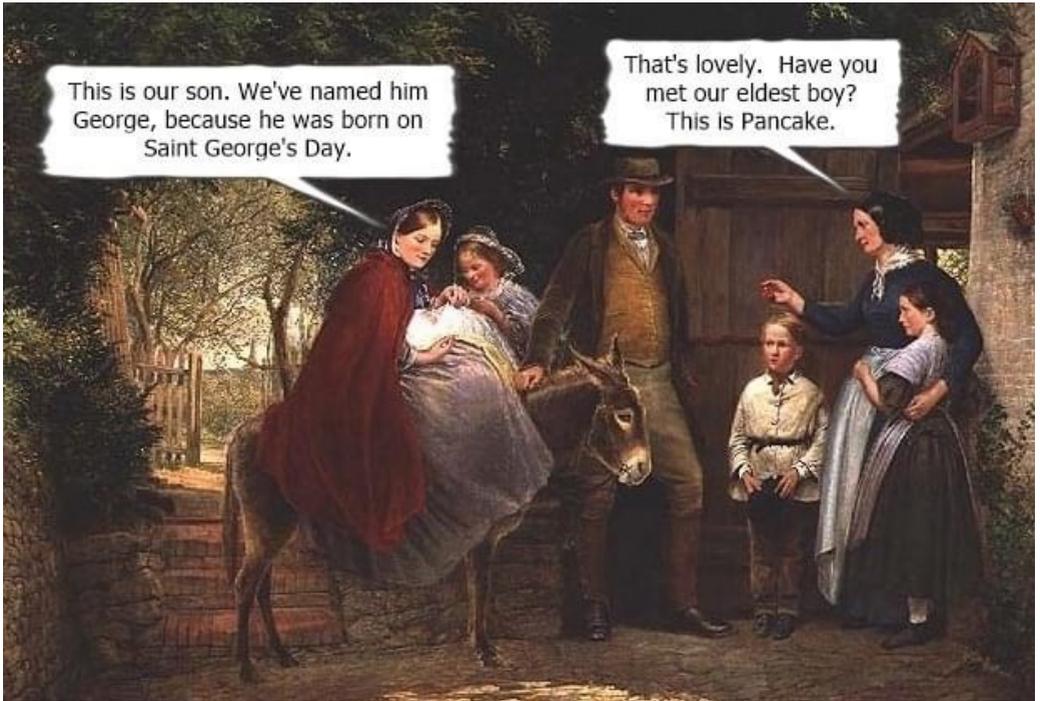
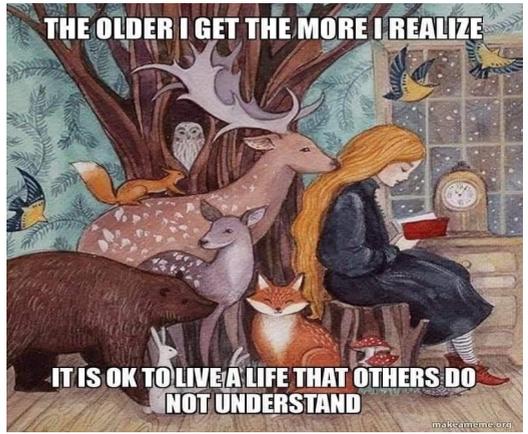
HE SHOWED HIS FAITH BY STAYING IN THE ARK AND WAITING UNTIL IT WAS SAFE TO COME OUT



"Just put it back on the wall."



HEY. HOW ON EARTH IS HE IN THE MEETING? UNLESS HE TURNS ON HIS CAMERA, I WILL NOT BELIEVE IT



We are all free to make bad choices and experience the consequences of those choices. But in a world of Coronavirus, others may experience deadly consequences from our bad choices.

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

Isolation: Jour vingt plus. Tuesday

by Bryn Richards

Many people are unaware of the many advantages of Park Homes but we know they are spacious, well insulated and have the massive advantage of having wheels. It goes without saying that team games requiring close contact are not allowed during this age of social distancing but with a little ingenuity and planning there are games that will bring pleasure to (nearly) the whole park.

HUNT THE PARK HOME.

This is obviously an upscaled version of the children's Hunt the Thimble but the hiding is "In Plain Sight" and required carefully planning and teamwork. There are 3 basic versions each increasing in effort both to hide and to find.

Simple: an easy one to begin with, this will require a little loosening of bricks in advance, perhaps best done under cover of darkness. Once the owners have gone on their weekly shopping trip spin the house through 180 degrees. Imagine the fun they will have trying their back door key in the front door and trying to work out where the washing machine is. Everything will be familiar - but different

Intermediate: This is a little more tricky, wait until the home owners are out on their daily exercise programme then very quickly paint the outside of the house, replace the soft furnishings indoors and reorganise the furniture. The owners on their return will be uncertain if the home is theirs and a glance through the windows will confuse them further. Be careful your giggling from behind the hedge isn't heard.

Advanced: This one is best left to the real experts amongst you. It requires elements of both the previous games with the addition of dragging the home to a spare plot on phase 3. Even when the owners find their home they won't be sure its theirs. And as an added bonus, imagine Bob's face when he tries to sell a plot with a home already occupied in situ.

Note 1: A good way to prepare for this is by unravelling a woollen garment and then re-knitting it with subtle changes. You could persuade a partner that they have put on or lost a good deal of weight or even grown an extra appendage somewhere.

Note 2: The obvious progression from these games, Park Home Racing requires well trained teams and so would need a longer period of lockdown. Perhaps next year

Supplies: In need of exterior paint

Spirits: Level

Isolation Day Several Thursday

by Bryn Richards

Whilst we have been concentrating on the effects of the virus in this country we have had statistics reported from across the globe. However the detailed facts about how other peoples have coped have been harder to find. Here they are.

France: The French have an inbuilt advantage in social distancing. Their love of strong cheese, garlic, noxious tobacco and unshaved armpits means that people stay a minimum of 2 metres apart any way.

Italy: Social distancing depends on the circumstances Italy. When meeting friends 2 arm lengths distance is seen as the only safe way to avoid injury when the gesticulations become excited. When driving however the intention is to be as close to other drivers as possible, contact is to be encouraged.

USA: Groups of "Preppers" have been preparing for this moment for many years hoarding food, survival supplies and a vast armoury of weapons in anticipation of a breakdown of civilisation. Unfortunately they failed to consider the damage a lack of a haircut could cause. Luckily their assault weapons meant they could take to the streets to demand the government restore their access to hair stylists.

Australians: The Australians have coped especially well with with the virus in their own inimitable style. They have not so much flattened the curve as knocked it onto the floor and stamped on it whilst insulting its ancestry. The science is simple, there are not many viruses that can withstand the heat of a barbie.

Supplies Could do with another stubby.

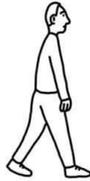
Spirits: Over-rated, pass another stubby

NAME: _____

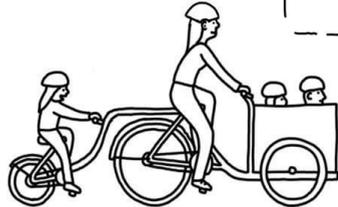
EXERCISE

STEPS
TODAY:
(MAKE THIS UP)

DRAW / COLOUR / FILL IN THE GAPS



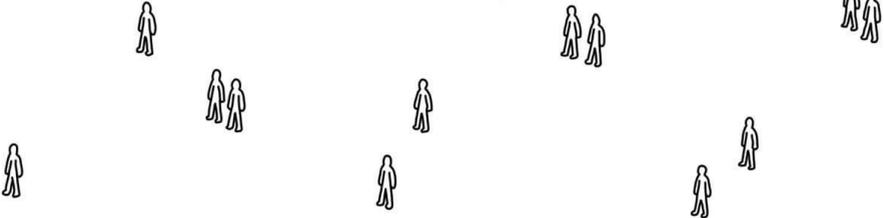
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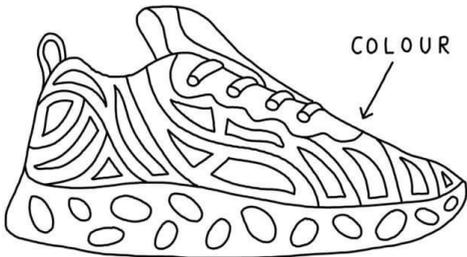
GET FROM (A) TO (B) STAYING 2 METRES APART ←-2M→

(A)

(B)



SPORTS SHOES



TREASURE FOUND
WHILST EXERCISING

PEOPLE I'M MISSING (PORTRAITS
OR LIST)

THINGS TO BE THANKFUL FOR

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The Naval Prayer

O Eternal Lord God,
who alone spreadest out the heavens and
rulest the raging of the sea;
who has compassed the waters with
bounds
until day and night come to an end;
be pleased to receive into Thy almighty and
most gracious protection
the persons of us Thy servants,
and the Fleet in which we serve.
Preserve us from the dangers of the sea
and of the air,
and from the violence of the enemy;
that we may be a safeguard
unto our most gracious Sovereign Lady,
Queen Elizabeth,
and her Dominions,
and a security for such as pass upon the
seas upon their lawful occasions;
that the inhabitants of our islands and
Commonwealth may in peace and
quietness serve Thee our God;
and that we may return in safety to enjoy
the blessings of the land,
with the fruits of our labours,
and with a thankful remembrance of Thy
mercies
to praise and glorify Thy Holy Name;
Amen.

An Army Collect

Almighty God,
whose command is overall and whose love
never fails,
let us be aware of your presence and
obedient to your will.
Help us to accept our share of
responsibility with strong heart and cheerful
mind.
Make us considerate of those with whom
we live and serve,
and faithful to the duties our country has
entrusted to us.
Let our uniform remind us daily of the
traditions of the Army in which we serve.
When we are tempted to sin, let us resist.
When we fail, give us courage to try again.
Guide us with the light of your truth,
and keep before us the example of Jesus
in whose name we pray
and in whom we trust.
Amen.

Royal Air Force Collect

Almighty God,
who has promised that they who wait upon
thee
shall renew their strength and mount up
with wings, as eagles,
we commend to thy fatherly protection all
who serve in the Royal Air Force.
Uplift and support us in our endeavour, that
we may be a safeguard unto our most
gracious Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth
and a sure defence to our homeland.
Help us to fulfil our several duties with
honour, goodwill and integrity,
and grant that we may prove to be worthy
successors of those who by their valour
and sacrifice
did nobly save their day and generation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

For those who served and died in World War II

O God of truth and justice,
we hold before you those men and women
who have died in active service,
particularly in the Second World War,
whose sacrifice brought Victory in Europe.
As we honour their courage and cherish
their memory,
may we put our faith in your future;
for you are the source of life and hope,
now and for ever.
Amen.

For those who serve today

O Lord God of Hosts,
stretch forth, we pray, your almighty arm
to strengthen and protect our service men
and women.
Support them in times of conflict,
and in their rest and training keep them
safe from all evil;
endue them with courage and loyalty;
and grant that in all things they may serve
without reproach;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer of Saint Ignatius

Teach us, good Lord,
to serve thee as thou deservest,
to give and not to count the cost;
to fight and not to heed the wounds;
to toil and not to seek for rest;
to labour and not to ask for any reward;
except that of knowing that we do thy will.
Amen.

Collect for peace

O Lord our God,
as we remember,
teach us the ways of peace.
As we treasure memories,
teach us to hope.
As we give thanks for the sacrifices of the
past,
help us to make your future in this world,
until your kingdom come. Amen.

For the peace of the world

O God, who would fold both heaven and
earth
in a single peace;
that the design of your great love lighten
upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows
and give peace to your church,
peace among nations,
peace in our dwellings and peace in our
hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

