

With the help of God, I will.

Have you ever tried to keep a promise? It might be something small like keeping a nice surprise from someone for a few days or it could be something serious like when a husband and wife exchange their marriage vows for life.

I have been thinking about promises this week when meeting with several baptism families where I go through the service with them and explain to the parents and Godparents the promises they are making to God and to their child and God child. I love the responses they have to make from the service book as they say in response to the questions asked “with the help of God I will.” This response is echoed in an ordination service where the candidate being ordained deacon or priest says in response to the promises they are being asked to make “By the help of God, I will.”

“ ‘With’ or ‘by’ the help of God, I will” is such a poignant reminder that we cannot keep any promise easily by ourselves – but rather we need God’s help and grace to live out any promises we make to him. Michael will be making his promises again as he is ordained Priest this summer. I made the same promises 10 years ago as I was ordained Deacon. We still both need God’s help to keep any of the promises we made at ordination and we all need God’s help to fulfil the things he calls us to do and in order to become the people he calls us to be.

We were not designed to do life by ourselves – so if you need help – just ask God and think ‘by the help of God, I will – as he longs to hear and answer our prayers much more than our willingness to ask!

God Bless, Heather <><

SERVICES AND SEASONAL DATES FOR THE DIARY

<u>5th July – 10.00am</u> Holy Communion	5 th after Trinity / Proper 9	Mark 6:6 ^b -13
<u>12th July – 9am</u> Holy Communion	6 th after Trinity / Proper 10	Psalm 24
<u>19th July -</u> <u>10.00am</u> Holy Communion	7 th after Trinity / Proper 11	Mark 6:30-34, 53- 56
<u>26th July -</u> <u>10.00am</u> ALL AGE	8 th after Trinity / Proper 12	Psalm 145:10-19 OR Ephesians 3:14-21

WHAT'S ON IN JULY

Thursday 2 nd July	7pm Singing Group
Wednesday 15 th	3.30pm Messy Church
Wednesday 15 th July	7pm Mother's Union Summer Barbecue
Thursday 16 th July	PCC
Saturday 18 th	1pm Sausage Sizzle
Saturday 18 th	7.30 pm Jaguar Land Rover Band Concert

Prayer group takes place in Church every Tuesday

Children' groups take place on 1st and 3rd Sundays

Trinity Tots every Monday during term time 1pm

Over 50s group every Wednesday 1pm – 3pm



For Hartshill, Chapel End and Galley Common

We were blessed with good weather again this year for our churches together Songs of Praise service. It is with many thanks to our friends at The Friends who hosted us in their growing and developing eco-garden. Our theme was creation and it was fitting to be reading and reflecting about God as creator whilst sitting in such beautiful surroundings.

Things take a little break over the summer for our services programme but dates to look forward to include another Beetle Drive September 9th 7pm at the Quaker Church.

The Friends are also hosting an event on the same day as our Sausage Sizzle to support “@nker radio” (who picked the date!) which is a Coffee Morning from 10am – 1pm then afternoon tea from 1-4pm on Saturday 18th July – all welcome.

Do join us if you can.....for..... *“How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity...for there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.” (Psalm 133)* **God Bless,**

Heather <><



**All are
welcome**

Our dates for the next few sessions are:

**Come along for fun, crafts,
food and a little mess!!!**

Dates for 2015

Wednesdays at the usual time of 3.30pm – 5.30pm

July 15th – Our Community

August 19th – Summer Games

September 16th – Harvest

October 21st - Light

***** At Hartshill Community Centre ***
(next to Holy Trinity Church, Church Road)**

**All ages Welcome for
Food, fun, crafts and friendship**

**Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Cost? Free – but donations are welcomed.**

Hope to see you there!

Praying for our Parish in *July*

Be Still and know that I am God

1	We think of all who are housebound and their visitors.
2	We give thanks for the joy of worshipping in song as our Singing Group meets tonight.
3	We think of Andrew and Jen who are marrying today, may they know God's love in their lives.
4	We pray for the wedding of John and Rebecca, may they know God's presence in their future together.
5	We think of all students awaiting results and ask for guidance on the next step of their journey.
6	We think of all couples preparing for weddings this summer.
7	We pray for all members of our uniformed groups and the leaders who work so hard.
8	We pray for all who work in schools, that they may make education a memorable experience.
9	We think of all who attend house groups and enjoy fellowship together.
10	For all who donate to, or volunteer at, the Foodbank.
11	For all groups that meet together in God's name, may they enjoy each other's company.
12	We pray for all who are sick and ask for comfort in their suffering.
13	We pray for looked after children and their carers
14	We pray for Heather, that she may have strength to carry out her ministry

15	For everyone who helps at and attends Messy Church that a fun time is had by all
16	Our PCC meets tonight, pray for God's guidance in its decisions
17	For everyone who works in schools, may they enjoy rest and relaxation during the holiday
18	For our Sausage Sizzle and the Jaguar Landrover Brass band concert held today, for fun and fellowship for all who attend
19	Keep our children safe and happy over the long school holiday
20	We think of those in financial difficulties or in danger of losing their job
21	We pray for safety on the roads for all drivers
22	We give thanks for long evenings and warm weather that we may appreciate God's creation
23	For the work of the Mothers' Union in our Diocese and throughout the world
24	We give thanks for our Readers as they preach God's word
25	For the Armed Forces, keep them safe in their duties
26	We pray for everyone affected by natural disasters in the world, may they rebuild their lives with God's guidance
27	For all who work in hospitality to make our leisure time enjoyable
28	We pray for our churchwardens in their responsible roles for our church
29	We give thanks to God for our families and friends
30	We say thank you for our musicians and the joy of music in our lives
31	We think of all who have lost a loved one, that they will know God is with them in their daily lives

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Sausage Sizzle Fun-day

Saturday 18th July

Sausage Tasting 🕶️

1.00-3.00pm

Games - Quiz - Prizes

Pet Show competition

New
2015



Holy Trinity Church - Hartshill Fund Raising Concert

featuring
Jaguar Land Rover Band



Saturday 18th July 2015
Holy Trinity Church - Hartshill
7:30pm

Refreshments

Come and join us!

Tickets: £10 in Advance - £12 on the Door

(All profits to Holy Trinity Church funds)

To reserve tickets call Nick on 02476 394339, email nick.miles@sky.com
or call in at the Community Centre - Church Road Hartshill, Nuneaton CV10 0LY

Holy Trinity Social Committee - Dates for Your Diary

Harvest Supper - Saturday 26th September at 6pm.

Admission by ticket, adults £5, children £3. Includes supper and quiz.

Beetle Drive and Afternoon Tea - Saturday 7th November at 2pm.

Christmas Fayre and Holly Wreath Festival - Saturday 5th December at 2pm.

Please come and join us at any or all of these informal events, you will be very welcome. Further details will be in future magazines or please ask a member of the Social Committee for information.

Our next Social Committee meeting is to be held on Monday 14th September, We always welcome ideas or new members and help at individual events.

Singing Group

"I will praise God's name in song" Psalm 69

The singing group meets on the first Thursday of each month (except August) in church at 7pm. We get together and simply sing our favourite worship songs. Occasionally there is the opportunity to learn a new piece and we lead a few evening services throughout the year, for example Pentecost Praise.

It is a real pleasure to join in fellowship together through song. New members are always very welcome, you do not need to attend every month and don't need to know anything about music - we are a very informal group who simply enjoy making a joyful noise!

If you would like more information, please ask Wendy Albrighton or Nick Miles or just turn up to one of our meetings and see for yourself.

Hartshill Community Library

The volunteer-run Community Library is in the 'old vestry' with access from the Community Centre.

There is a large range of library books available for all age ranges including large print and audio books. The children's section includes a good range of books and a selection of DVDs.

The library includes a number of computers that are connected to the Internet and County Library Information Systems available for use by visitors.

Currently the opening hours are as follows:

Tuesday 10am to 2pm

Wednesday 2pm to 4pm

Thursday 2.30pm to 4.30pm

Friday 10am to Midday

Saturday 10am to Midday

The following sessions are also held in the library:

Family History Group Mondays 1pm to 3pm

Book Club Tuesday 10.30am

IT Support Sessions Tuesdays 2pm to 4pm

Interested? Why not come along to the next session(s) and join in?

Volunteers are always welcome to assist in the library and no prior experience is necessary as training can be given. Volunteering may provide valuable work experience. Why not call in or make contact on how we can mutually benefit each other?

Contact: Nick and Jan Blamire-Brown 02476 395467



We have a thriving branch of the Mothers' Union at Holy Trinity Church which meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. Not every Church has a Mothers' Union branch and so we are fortunate to have some members from other nearby Churches. In addition to attending our own meetings, we are also invited to participate in Mothers' Union events within the Nuneaton Deanery, the Coventry Diocese, the Province of Canterbury and the Mothers' Union worldwide.

In the past couple of months, we have also enjoyed a Coffee Morning at St Peter's, Mancetter, an International Day where we learnt of our new worldwide prayer links at St Martin's Finham, and a Strawberry Tea at Holy Trinity, Attleborough.

We were also very pleased to host this summer's Nuneaton Deanery service on Wednesday 3rd June. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of Hartshill Mothers' Union members for making this such an uplifting experience. Every member of Hartshill branch contributed to the service and I received lots of compliments from members of the other branches. (The refreshments were superb as usual. It isn't only the WI who can make cakes!) Thank you also to Heather for leading the service.

The theme for our service was 'United in Prayer' which is this year's Mothers' Union theme. This develops the 2014 theme – 'Sowing the Future together', by focussing on the centrality of prayer in the work of Mothers' Union across the world. As we continue to plan for the future and grow together, prayer is at the heart of all we do.

We have a lively and varied program of events. In June, we enjoyed a talk on his experiences as a Street Pastor from our own Rob Kinderman. I knew nothing about Street Pastors and so I was amazed to learn that

there are Street Pastors on the streets of Nuneaton every weekend, engaging with people on the streets to care for them, listen to them and help them.

If you want to find out more about the Mothers' Union, visitors are always welcome at our meetings. (We also have tea and biscuits!)

We take a short break over the summer and so our next full meeting is on 16th September when we will be delighted to welcome Di Sliwinski, the Diocesan President of the Mothers' Union, who will be talking to us about 'Who are the Mothers' Union?' So if you want to know, please put the date in your diary and we will see you in the Library at 7.30 on Wednesday 16th September.

Sue (Hartshill branch leader)

The Mothers' Union Prayer

Loving Lord,
We thank you for your love so freely given to us all.
We pray for families around the world.
Bless the work of the Mothers' Union
as we seek to share your love
through the encouragement, strengthening
and support of marriage and family life.
Empowered by your Spirit,
may we be united in prayer and worship,
and in love and service reach out as your hands
across the world.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Things Kids Say

3-year-old Reese:

"Our Father, Who does art in heaven,
Harold is His name.
Amen"

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A little boy was overheard praying:  
"Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it.  
I'm having a real good time like I am."

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After the christening of his baby brother in church,
Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car.
His father asked him three times what was wrong.
Finally, the boy replied,
"That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home,
and I wanted to stay with you guys."

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One particular four-year-old prayed,  
"And forgive us our trash baskets  
as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

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A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they
were on the way to church service,
"And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"
One bright little girl replied,
"Because people are sleeping."

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A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin 5,  
and Ryan 3.  
The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake.  
Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson.  
"If Jesus were sitting here, He would say,  
'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.'  
Kevin turned to his younger brother and said,  
"Ryan, you be Jesus!"

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A father was at the beach with his children
when the four-year-old son ran up to him,
grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore

where a seagull lay dead in the sand.
"Daddy, what happened to him?" the son asked.
"He died and went to Heaven," the Dad replied.
The boy thought a moment and then said,
"Did God throw him back down?"

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A wife invited some people to dinner.  
At the table, she turned to their six-year-old daughter and said,  
"Would you like to say the blessing?"  
"I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied.  
"Just say what you hear Mommy say," the wife answered.  
The daughter bowed her head and said,  
"Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

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Thank you, Lord, for opportunities to work, rest and play;
help us to get the balance right and to be sure that the
busyness we get caught up in is what you want us to be doing.
May we find opportunities to be alone with you and to listen
to your voice. Amen.

Answers to crossword on page 17 (Don't read them now!)

ACROSS: 1, Sabbatical. 7, Opinion. 8, Laing. 10, Olga. 11, Galilean.
13, Sardis. 15, Severe. 17, Adultery. 18, Flea. 21, Swazi. 22, Acetate.
23, Revelation.

DOWN: 1, Sling. 2, Brim. 3, Annual. 4, Ill-timed. 5, Abilene. 6,
Colossians. 9, Gennesaret. 12, Diatribe. 14, Roulade. 16, Errata. 19,
Learn. 20, Levi.

Rest and Be Thankful Chocolate Cake

Taken from “Cakes, Bakes, Puddings and Prayers” by Susan Over which contains mouthwatering recipes accompanied by meditations.

Ingredients

150g (5oz) self-raising Flour
75g (3 oz) drinking chocolate
175g (6oz) castor sugar
175g (6oz) butter or marg -room temperature
3 large eggs
3 tablespoons boiling water

Method

Preheat oven to gas mark 4/180 degrees C/ 350 degrees F. Grease and line a 20cm (8in) round cake tin.

Sift flour and drinking chocolate into a large mixing bowl.

Add all other ingredients and blend together. Beat for a couple of minutes until smooth.

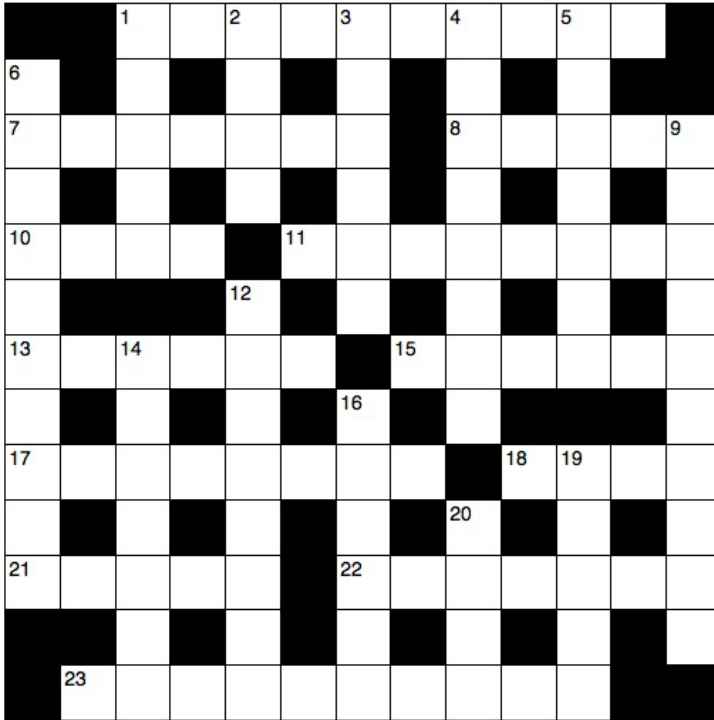
Turn into tin and bake for about 45-60 minutes until a fine skewer inserted in the middle comes out clean.

Leave in tin for a few minutes, then cool on wire rack.

Ice with your favourite icing or melted chocolate.

To make chocolate fudge icing, put 110g (4oz) granulated sugar and 115ml (4 fl oz) milk into a pan, Simmer for 9 minutes, then add 150g (5oz) plain chocolate, 50g (2oz) butter and 2 tablespoons double cream. Leave to cool and then spread over the cake.

Crossword



Across

- 1 Relating to the Jewish day of rest (10)
- 7 Point of view (Matthew 22:17) (7)
- 8 20th-century Brethren philanthropist whose construction company became one of the UK's biggest, Sir John — (5)
- 10 Girl's name (4)
- 11 Peter was accused of being one in the courtyard of the high priest's house (Luke 22:59) (8)
- 13 The fifth of the 'seven churches' (Revelation 3:1–6) (6)
- 15 'Now the famine was — in Samaria' (1 Kings 18:2) (6)
- 17 Banned by the seventh Commandment (Exodus 20:14) (8)
- 18 Insect most closely associated with itching (1 Samuel 24:14) (4)
- 21 Bantu tribe which gives its name to tiny landlocked country in southern Africa (5)
- 22 Familiar material in churches that use an overhead projector (7)
- 23 Last book of the Bible (10)

Down

- 1 The young David's favourite weapon (1 Samuel 17:40) (5)
- 2 'Your vats will — over with new wine' (Proverbs 3:10) (4)
- 3 Once yearly (Exodus 30:10) (6)
- 4 Milled it (anag.) (3-5)
- 5 Region north of Damascus of which Lysanias was tetrarch (Luke 3:1) (7)
- 6 Comes between Philippians and 1 Thessalonians (10)
- 9 Lake where the first disciples were called (Luke 5:1-11) (10)
- 12 Abusive outburst (8)
- 14 Are loud (anag.) (7)
- 16 Printing errors (6)
- 19 'Take my yoke upon you and — from me' (Matthew 11:29) (5)
- 20 Jacob's third son (Genesis 29:34) (4)

(Answers on page 14)

To Colour



Church Flowers



5 th July	For Mrs B Percival
12 th July	For Christopher Merry
19 th July	For Marian Wilkinson
26 th July	For Walter & Betty Miles

Church Flower Sponsorship

I think we all agree that the flowers in church are always a picture and thanks go to Jan and her team for decorating the church so beautifully. However, effective displays inevitably cost and contributions are always welcome. Please do consider sponsoring the altar flowers, perhaps in memory of someone you love.

A number of dates are available. For details, see Jan in church or telephone her on 02476 395467. Also, if you enjoy arranging flowers and would like to join Jan's team of flower arrangers, please talk to Jan.

Useful Websites

Holy Trinity Church	http://holytrinity.avexi.co.uk/
Hartshill Mothers' Union	http://www.little-blue-boat.co.uk/mu/
St Peter's Church Galley Common	http://www.stpetersgalleycommon.com/
Holy Trinity Church Facebook Group	https://www.facebook.com/groups/holytrinityhartshill/
St Peter's Church, Galley Common Facebook Group	https://www.facebook.com/groups/122940111240893/
Hartshill Community Centre, Library and Hub	http://www.hartshillcommunitycentre.co.uk/
Nuneaton Deanery	http://www.therogersfamily1.webspace.virginmedia.com/Nuneaton%20Deanery.html

From the Editor

I would like to give my sincere thanks to Jane Guy for editing this magazine so faithfully over the last 10 years. Jane has decided to retire from this task and I am very pleased to be taking on the challenge. However, I am only the editor. It is your magazine and so, if you have anything you want to contribute, please email it to me at susan.foster@bcs.org or talk to me. Also, if you have any suggestions on things you would like to be included in the magazine please let me know. I would like all contributions by the second Sunday of the month please. Thanking you in anticipation, Sue.



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