#### You are somebody Special to God

Being a Lancashire lass there is nothing I like better than a bargain! So when I see things such as 'special offer', 'special price', 'special discount', I am naturally interested.

And then there are other ways in which "special" is used. 'Special recipe', 'special delivery', 'special constable', 'special edition'......there must be something better about being special? The dictionary definition of special says "distinguished from, set apart from or excelling others of a kind"

So what does it mean for each of us to be special to God?

Well, there was never a 'you' before and there will never be another 'you'. Even twins are very different. And God knew us from the very beginning, before we were born. "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you" Jeremiah 1v5. And he knows us now as his precious children. "Indeed, the very hairs of your head are numbered" Luke 12v7. Psalm 139 reminds us how much God knows us (it's worth another read).

In many cases when the Bible speaks of God as "knowing" a person it implies more than mere comprehension. It suggests affection and can be often substituted for love and care.

Each one of us is special to God. He loves and cares for us so much that He was prepared to send His Son, Jesus, to die for us. (John 3v16). We matter to God and nothing thrills Him more

than a person being in relationship with Him by acknowledging their sins and accepting His forgiveness through Jesus.

In that relationship He longs to share with us the ups and downs of life, to hear and respond to our prayers, and to help us to become the person He wants us to be. "For we are God's workmanship" Ephesians 2v10.

So never doubt...you are very special to God.

Yours in Christ

Sally Young

#### Cov100

Coventry Cathedral staged the Massive Mini Church project over the weekend of 9th and 10th June and Holy Trinity and St Peter's Churches were proudly on display together.



#### **Church Flowers in June**



1st For Christopher Merry
8th for Sandra Smith
15th for Albert Latham
22nd for Walter & Betty Miles
29th for Marian & Robert Wilkinson
Thank you for your generous donations
towards the flowers.

If you would like sponsor the altar flowers, perhaps to celebrate an event or remember a loved one, please see Jan in church or telephone her on 02476 395467.

Also, if anyone would like to help with arranging the flowers, Jan would be delighted to hear from you!

#### **Hartshill Community Library**

#### Your Warwickshire Library card works here!



Tuesday 10am to 2pm Wednesday 2pm to 4pm Thursday 2pm to 4pm Friday 10am to Midday Saturday 10am to Midday

The following sessions are also held in the library: Family History Group Mondays 1.30pm to 3.30pm Needles and Natter Fridays 10am to 12pm Book Club first Tuesday of the month 10.30am

If you feel able to join our band of volunteers, pop in any time.

#### **Service Dates in July**

Date/Time & Service	Season / Theme	Readings to reflect on
1 <sup>st</sup> July – 10.00am	5 <sup>th</sup> After Trinity /	Lamentations 3
Holy Communion	Proper 8	v22 to 33
	4	
8 <sup>th</sup> July – 9am	6 <sup>th</sup> After Trinity /	
Holy Communion	Proper 9	
15 <sup>th</sup> July - 10.00am	7 <sup>th</sup> After Trinity /	Psalm 85
Holy Communion	Proper 10	v8 to13
22 <sup>nd</sup> July - 10.00am	8 <sup>th</sup> After Trinity /	Mark 6
ALL AGE	Proper 11	v30 to 34
29 <sup>th</sup> July – 10.30	9 <sup>th</sup> After Trinity /	NO SERVICE AT
Joint Service + Picnic	Proper 12	HARTSHILL
at Galley Common	+ farewell to	
	Hilary	

WHAT'S ON IN JULY		
Wednesday 18th	3.30pm Messy Church in the Community Centre	
Wednesday 25th	7pm Mothers' Union Summer Party at Sally's	

Prayer group takes place in Church every Tuesday at 9.15am

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

Communion

Trinity Tots in the Community Centre every Monday during term time at

1pm

Over 50s group in the Community Centre every Wednesday at 1pm – 3pm



# All are welcome

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

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

Dates for 2018 - Theme - People who met Jesus

July 18th – The Disciples on the beach

Aug 15<sup>th</sup> – Summer games and activities

Sep 19th - Harvest (Parable of the Sower)

All at the usual time of 3.30pm – 5.30pm

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

#### **Praying for our Parish in July**

'For I am the Lord, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear, I will help you' (Isaiah 41:13)

- 1 Pray for Sharon and Bill as they are ordained as Curates.
- 2 Thank God for His love and care and for the forgiveness that He offers each one of us.
- 3 Look through your window and see God's amazing creation. Thank and praise Him for this beautiful world that He has given us.
- 4 Ask God to show us how we can be good stewards of all that He has given us.
- 5 Thank God for providing us with all our daily needs and pray for those who are not so fortunate as ourselves.
- The sun may be shining, but there are still many who do not have homes. Pray that their needs may be met.
- 7 Sausage Sizzle Day! Please pray that the event will be well received in the community again this year, for the weather and for the organisation of the event.
- 8 Sharon joins Holy Trinity as Curate pray for God's guidance, care and wisdom as she serves him.
- 9 As the PCC meet today, pray that their hearts and minds will be open to God's prompting on the way forward for our fellowship.
- 10 Think of your family and pray for each member for their physical and emotional wellbeing but also their spiritual wellbeing.
- 11 Think of your friends and pray for each of them.
- 12 Pray for your colleagues at work or school or those you have previously worked with.
- 13 Remember those who do not have work.
- 14 Pray for your neighbours that you will be a good friend and support to them.

- 15 Pray for Heather and all clergy that they will remain faithful to Your word and the calling to which they are serving. Remember especially those working abroad.
- Give thanks for the freedom that we have to worship in this country. Pray for those who are persecuted for their faith.
- 17 Pray for those who are not well in body, mind or spirit. Remember also those who love and care for them.
- 18 As the children meet for Messy Church, pray that they will have lots of fun as they learn more about Jesus.
- 19 As we celebrate 70 years since the NHS was created, give thanks for that vision and for all who have worked within this caring environment and those who continue to do so.
- As the schools prepare to break for the summer holidays, pray for the safety of the students and staff over the summer period.
- 21 Pray for safety for all who will be going on holiday over the coming weeks.
- 22 Pray for the family and friends of those involved in the baptism today.
- 23 Remember all those who have lost a loved one and still grieve for their loss.
- 24 Pray for the leaders (and opposition leaders) of our country for wisdom to make decisions for the good of the people and to fight social injustice.
- As the Quinquennial building inspection takes place, pray for the safety of those involved and that any problems can be easily resolved.
- As Brexit draws closer, pray for patience, a willingness to listen and compromise, a willingness to look at all points of view and the will to move forward to the benefit of all nations.
- 27 Pray for the safety of those who live in war torn areas. That their leaders will seek a way to peace so that lives, homes and nations can be re-built.

- 28 Pray for the couple getting married today that their marriage will be happy and blessed.
- We give thanks for the faithful service of Hilary as she retires from her work at Galley Common. May she be blessed in all that she does in the future.
- 30 Remember all those who volunteer in so many organisations and keep many vital services going. Give thanks for their sacrifice and continued commitment.
- 31 Give thanks to God for His continuing love and care of you and your family.

We must keep our eyes on Jesus, who leads us and makes our faith complete (Hebrews 12:2)



#### \*\*\* STOP THE PRESS \*\*\*

It's with great delight I am able to announce that Sharon Crofts (who was with us on placement back in 2016) will be returning to Hartshill and Galley Common as a curate (an assistant minister). She will be ordained at Coventry Cathedral on Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup> at 4pm – all are welcome. We will then be officially welcoming her to the church half-way through the Sausage Sizzle on Saturday July 7<sup>th</sup> at 2pm – do come along and say hello to her © and she will be adding her own words of hello in the next magazine.

Heather

### HARTSHILL CHURCH SAUSAGE SIZZLE

# SATURDAY 7TH JULY

# TIME: L - 3 PM

Free -"Sausage Sampling"



# Treasure Hunt!





#### Games:-

- Batter a Sausage,
- Sausage Can Shy,
- Fish 4 Sausages,
- Sausage'Wanging':-)



#### REFRESHMENTS

TEA AND COFFEE

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REFRESHMENTS BY -

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CANCER SUPPORT







A little known charity this month, which works in the world's newest country - South Sudan, which gained independence from Sudan on 9th July, 2011. The charity was formerly known as Aid Sudan but changed its name in May 2012. South Sudan is one of the poorest countries in the world and has long been troubled by civil war and ethnic violence. It has a loosely estimated population of 8 - 12 million people but due to the war there have been many deaths and many displaced people and an estimated million people also fled to neighbouring countries.

South Sudan has the world's highest maternal mortality and infant mortality is extremely high. There are very few hospitals in the country and it has one doctor for every 500,000 people in some areas. It is a land where child marriage has a high rate and violence against women is common. Famine and a lack of clean water adds to the problems faced by the suffering population. It has a mostly Christian based population.

Every Village exist to bring glory to God through the transformation of every village in South Sudan by the spread of the gospel and community development. This takes 3 forms - Water, Missionaries and Radio.

1) Water. The charity drill wells to provide thirsty people with pure and refreshing water. Wells deepen the relationship with community leaders and offer tangible expressions of God's love.

- 2) Missionaries. They mobilize local leaders to be ministers and church planters, supplying them with training, discipleship and resources. Missionaries called to serve God in South Sudan live a harsh life in rustic living conditions but find it also incredibly rewarding and describe the locals as beautiful people.
- 3) Radio. The charity has supplied radio masts and the radio network can reach the masses with the gospel and also community development teaching, broadcasting Bible stories, alongside health and hygiene training, news and education programmes in local languages. As illiteracy is rampant in South Sudan, people cannot read the Bible for themselves even if they were fortunate enough to possess one and it may be hard for us to imagine not being able to read a newspaper for information, or instructions regarding health and hygiene or for education, but for many in the world it is a daily reality, hence the importance of being able to hear the aural message. The hand held radios are solar powered and are distributed to local communities. A radio costs just a few pounds each and are bought by supporters of this charity, one person or family buys one radio for one community or family in South Sudan, demonstrating once again how lives can be changed simply by one person donating to one other person. Sometimes the problems in the world seem so great that we think our little bit won't make a difference, but it does.

It is the charity's aim for every village to have access to clean water, every village to access a radio and for every village to have missionaries, hence the name.

As this charity is based in America, there are no contact details this time, but I thought it was interesting enough to give a mention.

Lynda Kelly

#### Time to Pray

I got up early one morning and rushed right into the day;

I had so much to accomplish that I didn't have time to pray.

Problems just tumbled about me, and heavier came each task.

"Why doesn't God help me?" I wondered. He answered, "You didn't ask."

I wanted to see joy and beauty, but the day toiled on, grey and bleak;

I wondered why God didn't show me. He said, "But you didn't seek."

I tried to come into God's presence; I used all my keys at the lock.

God gently and lovingly chided, "My child, you didn't knock."

I woke up early this morning, and paused before entering the day;

I had so much to accomplish that I had to take time to pray.

Author unknown





#### **Poppy Knitting**

We had a very productive evening knitting poppies for Warwick Poppies at our June meeting. If anybody has any poppies that they want delivering to Warwick Poppies, any member of Hartshill Mothers' Union will gladly ensure they get there.



## Hartshill Community Cafe



Open Every Tuesday 11:00 – 2:00 In the Community Centre

Enjoy home made food and good company

#### Sharon's Recipe - Fabulously Fruity Flapjack Biscuits

#### Makes 20

#### **Ingredients**

100g Plain white flour

1 tsp Mixed spice

75g Unrefined light muscovado sugar

150g Porridge oats

100g Butter (unsalted)

2 tbsp Golden syrup

1 tsp Bicarbonate of soda

2 tbsp Water (boiling)

100g Dried mixed fruits

#### Method

- Preheat the oven to 180°C (160°C fan / gas mark 4). Grease and line two baking sheets.
- 2. Place the flour, spice, sugar and oats in a bowl.
- Melt the butter in a small pan over gentle heat and, once melted, stir in the golden syrup. Remove from the heat.
- 4. Dissolve the bicarbonate of soda with 2 tablespoons of water then stir in to the pan.
- Make a well in the centre of the dry ingredients and pour in the butter and golden syrup mixture. Stir together until thoroughly combined. Stir in the dried fruit.
- Place balls of the mixture, approx 3cm in size, on to the baking sheets. Space them well apart as they will flatten and spread on baking. Bake for 10 minutes until golden. Leave to cool slightly before enjoying.



# BID BITE

# A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Buble in Matthew 7:24-26 and Luke 47-49 Tesus explained the difference between just listening to what he taught, and actually doing it, by using this story...







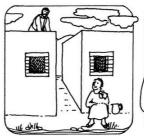


I don't care. I'm going to build on this nice flat Sand. No digging needed!

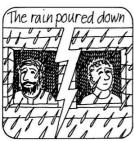


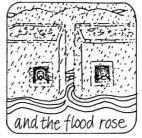






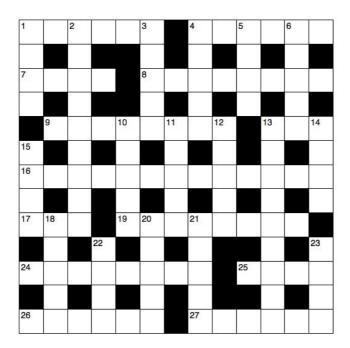








#### Crossword



#### Across

- 1 'I pray that out of his glorious he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being' (Ephesians 3:16) (6)
- 4 'Saul's father Kish and father Ner were sons of Abiel' (1 Samuel 14:51) (6)
- 7 'Praise the Lord, O my ' (Psalm 103:1) (4)
- 8 See 5 Down
- 9 Laws (1 Kings 11:33) (8)
- 13 'Who of you by worrying can a single hour to his life?' (Luke 12:25) (3)
- 16 Artistry (Exodus 31:5) (13)

- 17 'Your young men will see visions, your men will dream dreams' (Acts 2:17) (3)
- 19 How David described his Lord (Psalm 19:14) (8)
- 24 'If this city is built and its — restored, you will be left with nothing in Trans-Euphrates' (Ezra 4:16) (5,3)
- 25 'The holy Scriptures, which are able to make you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus' (2 Timothy 3:15) (4)
- 26 Intended destination of arrows (Lamentations 3:12) (6)
- 27 Eve hit (anag.) (6)

#### Down

- 1 'For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find for your souls' (Matthew 11:29) (4)
- 2 Where Peter was when he denied Christ three times (Luke 22:55) (9)
- 3 Remarkable early 20th-century Indian evangelist, a convert from Hinduism, Sundar Singh (5)
- 4 'Now the king had put the officer on whose — leaned in charge of the gate' (2 Kings 7:17) (3,2)
- 5 and 8 Across The Lover describes this facial feature of the Beloved thus: 'Your is like the tower of Lebanon looking towards '(Song of Songs 7:4) (4,8)
- 6 'Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled your waist' (Ephesians 6:14) (5)
- 10 Trout (anag.) (5)
- 11 Easily frightened (1 Thessalonians 5:14) (5)
- 12 The ability to perceive (Ecclesiastes 10:3) (5)
- 13 One of the clans descended from Benjamin (Numbers 26:38) (9)

- 14 "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who bread into the bowl with me" (Mark 14:20) (4)
- 15 Resound (Zephaniah 2:14) (4)
- 18 Traditional seat of the Dalai Lama (5)
- 20 Precise (John 4:53) (5)
- 21 Build (Ezekiel 4:2) (5)
- 22 Beat harshly (Acts 22:25) (4)
- 23 Darius, who succeeded Belshazzar as king of the Babylonians, was one (Daniel 5:31) (4)

## **Eco Top Tips** Your electrical appliances



- You can save around £30 a year just by remembering to turn your appliances off at the plug rather than leaving them in standby mode. www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energyefficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins
- 2. Take your phone charger out of the socket when not in use. It uses energy even when it's not charging your phone.
- 3. Buy A-rated electrical appliances whenever you can. They may be more expensive initially but you will save on your energy bills.
- 4. The location of your fridge can make a difference in how energy efficient it is. Make sure it is out of direct sunlight and not close to the oven. Keeping it against an outside wall will help the heat it generates escape easily, and always make sure that there is a few inches space all around the fridge so that air can circulate.
- Electrical gadgets are great, but the environmental impact of manufacturing them and disposing of them at the end of their life is high. Think before you buy more gadgets.

# SUMMER CONCERT

Music from the Musicals

#### Friday 13th July 2018

In St Peters Church, 7.30pm Start. Admission Adults £4.00. Children FREE.

Raffle. Refreshments provided

INCLUDES THE OPENING OF THE

#### St Peter's Art With Heart

Exhibition of beautiful arts and crafts created by groups and friends of St Peter's Church.

Solution to crossword on page 15

#### **ACROSS:**

1, Riches. 4, Abner's. 7, Soul. 8, Damascus. 9, Statutes. 13, Add. 16, Craftsmanship. 17, Old. 19, Redeemer. 24, Walls are. 25, Wise. 26, Target. 27, Thieve.

#### DOWN:

1, Rest. 2, Courtyard. 3, Sadhu. 4, Arm he. 5, Nose. 6, Round. 10, Tutor. 11, Timid. 12, Sense. 13, Ashbelite. 14, Dips. 15, Echo. 18, Lhasa. 20, Exact. 21, Erect. 22, Flog. 23, Mede.

If anybody has anything they would like to share with readers of the magazine, please either write it down and give it to me or email it to me at <a href="mu@susanmfoster.co.uk">mu@susanmfoster.co.uk</a>. Please send text in either email form or as a word attachment and send photos as jpg attachments.

The deadline for articles for the August/September magazine is 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018.

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Hartshill Mothers' Union website: <a href="http://hartshillmu.uk/">http://hartshillmu.uk/</a>

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