

## *Blessings*

Autumn is a time of harvest, conkers, root vegetables, hearty stews, and the beginning of that time of the year where things start to get a little dark. At this time, some people get a bit down – the sun has gone, the warmth has gone, and they are replaced with grey skies and cool temperatures. When we think of harvest, we think of how well God provides for us in the produce which comes from the land. We thank him for the food and the farmers, and we give produce, both fresh and processed, which is then offered to others who may have less than we do. What an apt time, then, to thank God for all of his blessings.

Personally I know that I am so blessed – I have a fabulous family, friends, home, job...life!! I know that I have so much more than so many people, and I sometimes forget this, as I'm sure we all do. While I was thinking about this, I looked up some bible verses relating to blessings – I'm not going to write them out here, but leave it to you all to look them up and think about the ways in which your own lives are blessed by God.

Ephesians 1:3

John 1:16

Psalm 68:19

1 Peter 1:3

Philippians 4:19,

and my personal favourite, 2 Corinthians 9:8 .

But, how deeply do we consider our blessings? Earthly blessings can disappear overnight – just look at Job – he lost everything in a very short space of time, and his faith only deepened. I find that when I am most in need, when things are not going quite as well as I would like, I feel God's blessings even more richly, and fervently look for verses which will help

and comfort me – this is when we are closest to God, when we take notice of the words he wants us to read. Our trials can in themselves be blessings as they bring us closer to a real relationship with Him.

So, thank God for your earthly blessings, but remember that your relationship with him is so much more than that – we are blessed because he wants to have that relationship with each and every one of us.

*Carol Miles*

### **Church Flowers in October**



7<sup>th</sup> For Iris & Jess Farndon

21<sup>st</sup> Elizabeth & Michael Hollins

28<sup>th</sup> Mrs Farn

Thank you for your generous donations towards the flowers.

If you would like to 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!

## Service Dates in October

<b>Date/Time &amp; Service</b>	<b>Season / Theme</b>	<b>Readings to reflect on</b>
<u>7<sup>th</sup> October –</u> <u>10.00am</u> Holy Communion	19 <sup>th</sup> After Trinity / Proper 22	Psalm 8
<u>14<sup>th</sup> October – 9am</u> Holy Communion	20 <sup>th</sup> After Trinity / Proper 23	Hebrews 4:12-end
<u>21<sup>st</sup> October -</u> <u>10.00am</u> Holy Communion	21 <sup>st</sup> After Trinity / Proper 24	Mark 10:35-45
<u>28<sup>th</sup> October -</u> <u>10.00am</u> ALL AGE	Last After Trinity / Proper 25	Mark 10:46-52

### WHAT'S ON IN OCTOBER

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>, 7pm Singing Group in church

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>, 3.30pm Messy Church in the Community Centre

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>, 7pm Mothers' Union meet in the library. Alistair Crooks will be talking to us about the work of the Mission Aviation Fellowship.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>, 5pm to 7pm Light Party (see page 6)

Children' groups take place on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays during Holy Communion

Trinity Tots takes place in the Community Centre every Monday during term time at 1pm

Prayer group takes place in Church every Tuesday at 9.15am

Fellowship Group takes place every Tuesday during term time at Nick and Carol's at 7.30pm

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



**For Hartshill, Galley Common and area**

The summer is a quiet time for our churches together group. But we meet again in a few weeks as a committee to start to plan for the term ahead which will include our joint Advent service on Advent Sunday (details to follow in next month's magazine) and Christmas carol singing in the community.

If you have any ideas for future events or want to get involved in the planing of any future services....just let me know

As always all are most welcome – so do get involved where 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)

*Heather*



Date for your diary..... Hartshill Holy Trinity Christmas party 🍷 Saturday 8th December 5 till 7pm in the community hall. Celebrating the birth of our Lord in fellowship and fun. In the words of a hymn ‘Come on and celebrate, His gift of love we will celebrate’



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  
Oct 17<sup>th</sup> – Centurion  
Nov 21<sup>st</sup> – Elizabeth, Zachariah and John the Baptist  
Dec 19<sup>th</sup> – The inn keepers (Christmas)

All at the usual time of 3.30pm – 5.30pm

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

**FREE**

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, HARTSHILL**

Warmly welcome you to a

# LIGHT PARTY

**SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 5PM - 7PM**

At the Community Centre - Next to Church  
Children Ages 7 - 11, accompanied by an adult  
(Younger siblings welcome!)

**ART & CRAFTS, REFRESHMENTS,  
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**JOIN US FOR A FUN PARTY FULL OF LIGHT AND LIFE!**

## Praying for our Parish in October

*Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever. [Psalm 107:1](#)*

<b>1</b>	This month, Father, may our eyes be opened to see the beauty in all that is ordinary - yet special around us. May the glory of all that you have made remind us of your presence and lead us closer to you. Help us to make everyday count for you.
<b>2</b>	Help us to see beyond the lifestyle and behaviour so often shown in the media today and like Jesus, may we be loving, kind and gracious.
<b>3</b>	As Churches Together meet, pray for unity of heart and mind to work together for God's glory.
<b>4</b>	Pray for those you know who are not well (in body, mind or spirit) and for all who care for them.
<b>5</b>	Pray for those who have recently lost family members.
<b>6</b>	Help us to be obedient to what Jesus asks us to do in the way He asks us to do it and may everything in our lives be accomplished at just the right time.
<b>7</b>	As we worship at the Lord's Table today, help us to remember Him and all that He has done for us.
<b>8</b>	Pray today for all the groups meeting each week, Over 50's, fellowship groups, prayer group, tots etc.
<b>9</b>	Thank God for all those who volunteer to ensure that many community groups are able to run.
<b>10</b>	As the Diocesan Synod meet, pray for wisdom as they seek God's will for our diocese.
<b>11</b>	God has important work for us to do, may we wait and listen for His complete instructions and then move forward by the power of the Holy Spirit to see it completed

<b>12</b>	Friends are special, think of current friends and those you may have lost touch with.
<b>13</b>	Pray for members of your family.
<b>14</b>	Pray for Heather and Sharon in their service at Hartshill, Galley Common and the wider diocese.
<b>15</b>	Finance can be a difficult topic, pray for justice and fairness at the Deanery Finance allocation meeting..
<b>16</b>	Pray for all those in government, that they lead and make decisions with wisdom
<b>17</b>	For fun, fellowship and an openness to learn about Jesus at Messy Church.
<b>18</b>	Think of those who are struggling at the moment – through lack of work (or poor pay), homelessness, loneliness etc.
<b>19</b>	Thank God for the many charities that help people who are struggling. Ask for wisdom as to whether there is anything you can do to help.
<b>20</b>	Help us to keep watch and pray so we will not give into temptation, for the spirit is willing but the body is weak.
<b>21</b>	Help us to be God pleasers who do not give into peer pressure but make right decisions based on truth.
<b>22</b>	When we feel let-down or betrayed, help us to be gracious in our response.
<b>23</b>	Instead of taking matters into our own hands, may we look to God for direction and rather than forcing the issue, trust God to work out His plan and purpose in the situation.
<b>24</b>	Many throughout the world are persecuted for their faith, remember them.
<b>25</b>	Pray for those who those suffering in war torn countries and for refugees, wherever they may be.




26	We pray for patience as we trust God's timetable for our lives; for He alone has the authority to set the times and the seasons of life.
27	As our minds are opened to understand the scriptures, may God also give us the insight and ability to apply it to our lives.
28	Pray that the Light Party will be a blessing to our community.
29	Help us to find a place where we can go to pray and may it become a habit in the rhythm of their lives.
30	As we enjoy the last of the Autumn colours, praise God for his beautiful creation. Help us to enjoy it but also look after it.
31	For the many blessings that we have received over the past month, thank God.

*Memorial Service*  
*Sunday 4th November, 4pm*

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*All are welcome to a simple service  
where we remember our loved ones .*



*ALL WELCOME*

*There will be an opportunity  
to light a candle as part of the service if you wish*

*If you would like to have a loved one's name read  
out in the service or a name added to our book of  
remembrance – please contact the vicar:  
Rev'd Heather Barnes – 024 7639 2266*



## **UNITED BEACH MISSIONS (UBM)**

The aim of UBM is to glorify God and to save souls.

United Beach Missions started in the early 1950's when a group of young people wanted to evangelize in their summer holidays and saw that beaches could present an opportunity. Starting in Llandudno, Rhyl and Blackpool the work soon spread to other UK resorts and not long after, the work in Ireland and Europe started.

Today UBM operate in over 30 locations in England, Wales, Ireland and Europe, with almost 1,000 Christians, of all ages, giving their time voluntarily to spread the Gospel for one week or more.

If you've been fortunate enough to have been to the coast this summer, maybe you've come across a group of people in navy shorts and UBM t-shirts or polo shirts on the beach organizing games for children. Or maybe in summers gone by, you've been one of the children who have been entertained by UBM. Maybe someone reading this came to Christ through this beach mission. If so, we'd love to read your story in this magazine one day.

The Mission run games in the morning sessions for children on the beach, then children are split into age groups to hear a Bible story, followed by another game. Some team members run a game of volleyball for teenagers and after the game they engage in conversation regarding the Bible or life issues.

Over lunchtime there may be something for the parents such as dads' penalty shoot out or mums' volleyball, or for the whole family a sand modelling competition.

Then there is the Tug of War just before the afternoon session, sometimes involving hundreds!!

The Holiday Special is a time where the Gospel is presented directly to the children and parents in a way that is fun, but challenging. Bible verses are taught, choruses are sung and Gospel truths taught. Quizzes are often used too.

In the Evening Family Event session there may be family Olympics, smugglers trails or sand modelling competition and again the Gospel is preached.

At the Open Air meetings the team organizes nightly community hymn singing on the promenade with music and a singing group and sometimes testimonies are given.

Lots of families come along daily for the beach time fun and many people have asked for literature or further help to find the Saviour and many have stayed in contact for years.

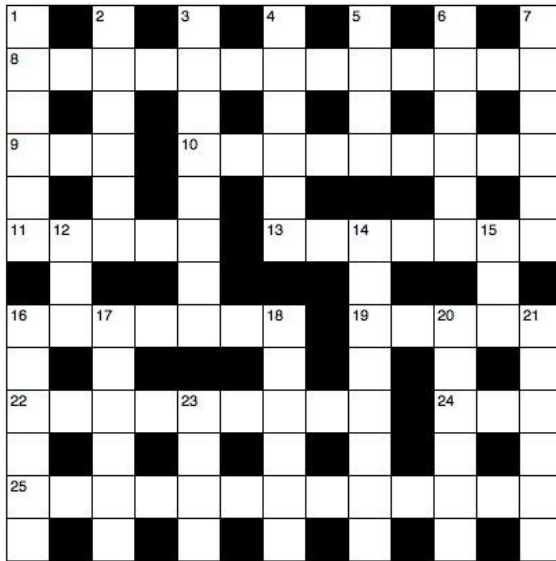
Volunteers come from all walks of life - the minimum age for joining a team is 15 and there is no upper age limit - some in their 80's have been known to join teams!

The team stay together in varying accommodation, often in church halls and share fellowship, prayer and Bible study together along with a few chores and working together on the beach.

Contact details are:- United Beach Missions, c/o Bridge Street Church, Bridge Street, Leeds LS2 7QZ. Tel: 01132304362 or online at <http://www.ubm.org.uk>

*Lynda Kelly*

## *Crossword*



### Across

- 8 Where the Ark of the Covenant was kept for 20 years (1 Samuel 7:1) (7,6)
- 9 One of the parts of the body on which blood and oil were put in the ritual cleansing from infectious skin diseases (Leviticus 14:14–17) (3)
- 10 Uncomfortable (3,2,4) 11 ‘Yet I have loved Jacob, but Esau I have — ’ (Malachi 1:3) (5)
- 13 Where Paul said farewell to the elders of the church in Ephesus (Acts 20:17) (7)
- 16 ‘Jesus bent down and — to write on the ground with his finger’ (John 8:6) (7)
- 19 Prophet from Moresheth (Jeremiah 26:18) (5)
- 22 Comes between Exodus and Numbers (9)
- 24 and 2 Down ‘Then Elkanah went home to Ramah, but the boy ministered before the Lord under — the — ’ (1 Samuel 2:11) (3,6)
- 25 There was no room for them in the inn (Luke 2:7) (4,3,6)

## Down

- 1 Rough drawing (2 Kings 16:10) (6)
- 2 See 24 Across
- 3 Underground literature (including Christian books) circulated in the Soviet Union (8)
- 4 Lo, mash (anag.) (6)
- 5 The Bible's shortest verse: 'Jesus — ' (John 11:35) (4)
- 6 'Can a mother forget the baby at her — and have no compassion on the child she has borne?' (Isaiah 49:15) (6)
- 7 Can be seen in a dying fire (Psalm 102:3) (6)
- 12 'Send me, therefore, a man... experienced in the — of engraving, to work in Judah and Jerusalem' (2 Chronicles 2:7) (3)
- 14 Second city of Cyprus (8)
- 15 United Nations Association (1,1,1)
- 16 One of the women who first heard that Jesus had risen from the dead (Mark 16:1) (6)
- 17 Braved (anag.) (6)
- 18 — of Evangelism, outreach initiative in the 1990s (6)
- 20 'Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and — in their own sight' (Isaiah 5:21) (6)
- 21 'Neither — nor depth... will be able to separate us from the love of God' (Romans 8:39) (6)
- 23 What Jesus shed in 5 Down (4)

(Solution on page 16.)





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## Sharon's Recipe – Warm Mozzarella and Penne Salad - Serves 4

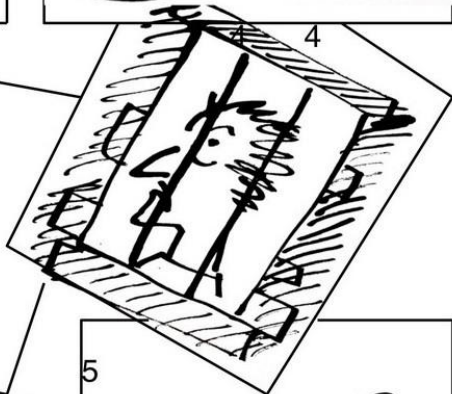
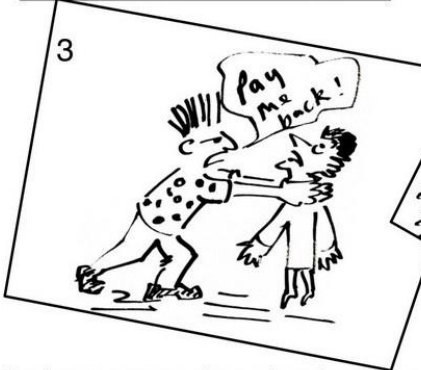
Ingredients	Method
<p>12 oz Penne Pasta</p> <p>1 tsp dried oregano</p> <p>½ tsp dried basil</p> <p>1 clove garlic crushed</p> <p>½ tsp salt</p> <p>Freshly ground black pepper</p> <p>1 lb mozzarella cheese drained and cut into bite sized pieces</p> <p>2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil</p> <p>1 tsp lemon juice</p> <p>1½ lb ripe tomatoes chopped in bite sized pieces</p> <p>1 tsp dried parsley</p> <p>16-20 pitted Kalamata olive</p> <p>Grated Parmesan (Optional)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cook the Penne pasta according to packet instructions until al dente, drain and return to the warm pan.</li> <li>2. Add the oregano, thyme and garlic, salt and pepper and mix well</li> <li>3. Add the mozzarella, olive oil, lemon juice, tomatoes and parsley and stir to mix slightly, add the olives.</li> </ol> <p>Serve immediately in pasta bowls with grated parmesan if desired.</p>

Solution to crossword on page 13

**ACROSS:** 8, Kiriath Jearim. 9, Toe. 10, Ill at ease. 11, Hated. 13, Miletus. 16, Started. 19, Micah. 22, Leviticus. 24, Eli. 25, Mary and Joseph.

**DOWN:** 1, Sketch. 2, Priest. 3, Samizdat. 4, Shalom. 5, Wept. 6, Breast. 7, Embers. 12, Art. 14, Limassol. 15, UNA. 16, Salome. 17, Adverb. 18, Decade. 20, Clever. 21, Height. 23, Tear.

# Do I have to keep on forgiving?



Do I ever get to a place when I can stop forgiving? Not according to Jesus! His early followers hoped there might be a cut-off point - maybe after forgiving seven times. But no Jesus said - you must forgive 70 times seven! In other words keep forgiving for ever. He told a story about a King who forgave his servant, only for that servant to refuse to forgive a fellow-servant - and throw him in jail. The King felt betrayed so he threw the first servant in jail! And that's what happens when we don't forgive - we end up in a jail of our own making! **How about you? Are you a good forgiver? Read more in Matthew 18: 21-25.**





## Bible Sketchbook Bible Study!

Your study to go with the Bible Sketchbook “**Do I have to keep on forgiving?**” For personal or group study. Please have a Bible and print off as many copies of this study and Bible Sketchbook that you need.

Read Matthew 18: 21-35

v 21 How many of us can identify with finding it hard to forgive ‘my brother’? Do we set limits on forgiveness?

v22 What does Jesus mean by forgiving 77 or 70X7 times? Think of this in terms of the No 7 being a symbol of eternity. Is there any limit to forgiveness?

v 23 If this is a story about the Kingdom of Heaven, then who is the ‘King’ here?

v 26-27 The King was sorry for him and forgave him. Do you think the servant was really repentant?

vv28-30 If we’ve been forgiven something, how good are we at forgiving others? A Christian is one who knows all their sins have been forgiven. What does mean when it comes to forgiving others?

Matthew 6: 12 ‘forgive us our debts/sins as we have also forgiven our debtors/those who have sinned against us.’ Think of this in relation to the unforgiving servant in Matthew 18: 21-35.

v 34 Think of the ‘debt’ as the servant’s unforgiveness. For him it meant being in jail and punished or tortured. Can you think of examples today where lack of forgiveness has a similar effect on a person?

Read v22 again. Discuss and pray about the implications for our homes, communities and world today.

## Eco Top Tips Keeping Warm



1. Make sure you close your curtains when it gets dark to stop heat escaping.
2. Get draft proof to stop losing heat. Professional draught-proofing of windows, doors and blocking cracks in floors and skirting boards can cost around £200, but can save around £25 a year on energy bills. DIY draught proofing can be much cheaper. Installing a chimney draught excluder could save around £15 a year as well.  
[www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins](http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins)
3. Make sure your hot water tank is insulated with a thick jacket. It will save you lots of money not to mention reducing your carbon emissions.
4. Has your loft got loads of insulation? It's one of the cheapest and easiest ways to save energy and will pay for itself in hardly any time.

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 [mu@susanmfoster.co.uk](mailto:mu@susanmfoster.co.uk). Please send text in either email form or as a word attachment and send photos as jpg attachments.

The deadline for articles for the November magazine is 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

Also, if you would like to advertise in the magazine, the cost is £17 for the year.

*Sue Foster*

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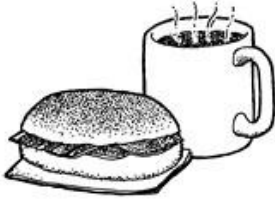
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**Hartshill Mothers' Union website:** <http://hartshillmu.uk/>

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Thursday 2pm to 4pm

Friday 10am to Middy

Saturday 10am to Middy



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.**