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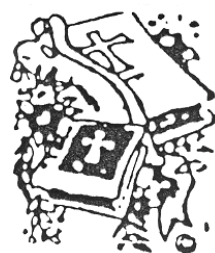
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### **Sunday Services**

Full details of these and any other services are set out in the Church Calendar for the month, which is shown on page 5

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Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals contact Busbridge and Hambledon Church Office Tel No: 01483 421267 (Mon – Fri 9.30 – 12.30pm)

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## Pastoral Letter—November

*Dear Friends,*

November's here again and it's almost time to get my fabric Advent calendar out: each day I velcro on a new figure to make up a nativity scene, and I associate the different stages with increasing levels of panic about getting everything done in time. As the stars and palm trees go on, things are still okay – but if the Christmas services aren't all planned by the time the cow is in place and I've started on the shepherds, then I know I'm in trouble... I'm always aware, though, that on my calendar everyone turns up in the wrong order: it seems right that the little fabric Jesus shouldn't be velcroed into his manger until Christmas Eve, but that means that the shepherds and the wise men and so on are all there waiting for him when he arrives...

Which, when you think about it, is a bit like the way Christmas happens in real life: everyone gets there before Jesus does. We rush through Advent because we know that before it's even half way over we'll be heavily into carol services and parties. Advent is a season of penitence, like Lent – a time of preparation and reflection, allowing God to prepare us for the coming of His Son – not as a tiny infant at Christmas, but as a king coming in glory that all the world will recognise. It's right and proper that we give time to considering that second coming, and to what kind of lives we want Jesus to find us living when He comes back.

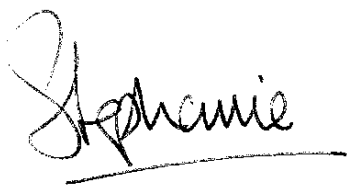
We need to be in a right relationship with our heavenly Father, which will show itself in the kind of people that we are. Note that it goes that way round: relationship first, behaviour second. We are invited into a relationship with God, a relationship of love and forgiveness for everything we've ever done wrong. Part of Advent is about reflecting on just how much and how often we get things wrong, and what an extraordinary gift it is that God chooses to forgive us for all that. It's when we're most aware of the cost and depth and love that God offers so freely that we are best able to live as God wants us to live in response. We can live lives of love and obedience – not in order to earn God's love, but because He has freely given it – it's ours for the asking, which makes us want to live in a way that pleases the One who has given us so much.

Seasons of penitence are important, not so that we can beat ourselves up about how wretched we are, and somehow beg and badger God into forgiving us. He forgives us freely – that's the extraordinary heart of the Gospel. Seasons of penitence are important because we need to remember just how much it costs for God to make that free gift: the cost of becoming a human being in Jesus and dying a terrible death to take the punishment that we all deserve. It's fitting that before we join in all the parties and celebrations of God's great gift of Himself at Christmas, that we pause to remember how unworthy we are to receive such a gift. Then the knowledge that He gives Himself anyway can strike us afresh with at least a little of the awe and gratitude it deserves. What a Christmas celebration that would be!

Wouldn't it be amazing if one year we did Advent properly? If we spent it in reflection and repentance, readying ourselves to live as God's faithful people until He chooses to begin a whole new Chapter with the return of His Son? Reaching midnight on Christmas Eve after five weeks of penitence, and singing "Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning..." with a true sense of wonder and joy, rather than after having already sung it at twenty-seven services and nativity plays and carol singing evenings already...?

Don't worry. I'm not about to call for the cancellation of the carols or the Crib service or the Nursery School Nativity play – not least because I enjoy them all as much as everyone else. But

perhaps we can set aside some time this Advent to reflect on how desperately even the best of us are in need of God's forgiving, restoring grace. Then when that Grace breaks into the world at Christmas we can receive Him, not as our right, but with tears of relief for a gift so desperately needed, so profoundly undeserved, and so freely and lovingly given.



Stephanie Couvela,  
Associate Minister,  
Busbridge and Hambledon

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### November 2009

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>All Saints' Day</b>	8.00 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) All Age Worship and Baptism
<b>8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>3rd Sunday before Advent</b>	<b>10.50 am</b>	<b>Remembrance Service</b> (with Children's Groups)
<b>15<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2nd Sunday before Advent</b>	9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Worship (with Children's Groups)
<b>22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>Sunday next before Advent</b>	9.30 am 11.00 am	Morning Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (with Children's Groups)
<b>29<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Advent Sunday</b>	9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (CW) Morning Worship (with Children's Groups)
<b><u>And in December</u></b>		
<b>6<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b>	8.00 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Worship (with Children's Groups)

#### Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November

**9.00 am to 10.00 am - Church Rooms**

**A time to meet together for prayer: all are welcome**

#### Services at St. John's, Busbridge – every Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion (2nd Sunday in the month BCP)

10.00 am "Classic" service in Church; "Contemporary" service in Busbridge Junior School; Groups for children of all ages in various locations – turn up and ask!

6.30pm Evening Worship

*If Christ's lordship does not disrupt our own lordship, then the reality of our conversion must be questioned. - Charles Colson*

## PARISH & PEOPLE



All good wishes to Rose Cole who this month celebrates her 94<sup>th</sup> birthday. Rose and her husband Ross lived for years at Hydestile Cottage and she continued to live there as a widow before moving to Bognor to live with her daughter Brenda and her family. Much love goes to Rose from past neighbours and friends.

A belated welcome to Charles Timothy Little who arrived in August. Proud parents Amanda and Nigel with sister Martha and brother Benjamin. A grandson for Chris and Sylvia Harrison.

At long last Marylin Sertin has made her longed-for move to Bath. We are delighted to hear the news and send the good wishes of her past friends and neighbours in Hambledon. Marylin is the widow of Peter who was our Rector here in the 1980's and on retirement they acquired a house in Liss. Peter sadly

died in 1997, so retirement for the two of them was short lived and for 12 years Marylin has travelled from Liss to visit various family members scattered over a wider area. At one time her son James and his family were living in East Africa but they are now based in Bath and so is her daughter Joanna and family. The remaining family, Kathy and Johnny, at the last count, were living in the London area, so Bath became Marylin's choice. We fondly remember the family in our church and village life, even though it is some 20 years since they moved on to their last parish before retirement.

And finally ..... Thank you to all who made our church look so beautiful for Harvest. It was a lovely sunny day on 4<sup>th</sup> October and we all very much appreciate the efforts of so many.

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## Gwen Freemantle

It is with much sadness that we have learned of the recent death of Gwen who would have been 95 years of age in December.

Gwen arrived in Hambledon during the second world war to teach in Hambledon Village School and at the end of hostilities when Ephraim (Eph) Freemantle returned home he and Gwen married and set up home in the village.

When building restrictions were lifted they were able to build their home at Daremead adjoining the coal yard. Eph had succeeded in running the coal business from his father and he and Gwen raised two children George and Valerie.

On the death of Eph, George carried on the business and he and his family moved into Daremead; Gwen moved from her home to a house in Petworth Road where she remained until moving to Witley with Valerie and her husband Mac Copplestone. Eventually the three of them took a small holding in Wales which became Gwen's final home.

Gwen is fondly remembered by many in the village, not least by those she taught in the village school. She took an active interest in village affairs and for those of us privileged to visit her she was always anxious to know of any news concerning her neighbours and especially anything to do with past pupils which of course spanned many years.

Freemantle's coal yard is now only remembered by those of a certain age. With the death of George at a comparatively young age the business ended but George will always be remembered for the wonderful steam engine that on occasions would trundle up School Hill and through the village with a friendly toot on the whistle if you happened to give him a wave.

Gwen arrived in Hambledon from her native Wales and never lost her Welsh lilt. It is pleasing to think that her final home returned her to her roots.

To Valerie and the family we send the loving sympathy of many friends and past neighbours in Hambledon.

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Death is only putting out the lamp at the rise of a new dawn. - *David Watson*

God assures us of a future that is better than all our past. - *J C Stern*



## EVE THOMPSON

Eve was the widow of our former Rector David Thompson. Eve died sadly on September 14th and a Service of Thanksgiving for her life was held at Battle Church on September 24th at which Ray and Pat Williams were able to attend as representatives of Hambledon Church.

Eve and David came to Hambledon from Wallington in 1974 on the retirement of Ted and

Eileen Elton and in 1984 they retired to Battle. They were able to enjoy 25 years of retirement living close to their elder daughter Clare and her family, where they were able to be involved in the activities of four growing granddaughters. David and Eve were a very close couple and David's death in 2008 must have left a great void in her life. Knowing Eve she would not have wished to be alone for much longer.

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## Pot Luck Lunch in aid of CORD

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Pot Luck Lunch in the church rooms following our harvest service at the beginning of the month. As usual on these occasions, the food was amazing and plentiful and it was a good to sit and relax and chat in the bright church room.

A donation was made to CORD from monies collected on the day and they have advised us that they will be buying a toilet for a community in Uganda and a beehive for a community also in

Africa, life changing gifts that we take for granted. CORD is an established charity whose peace building strategy is to help local people develop sustainable, stable communities where hope, trust and reconciliation emerge out of violent conflict. They have been working in Chad, Cambodia and Darfur in recent years. In 2008, CORD spent 2.1 million pounds on their work. If you would like to know more about CORD then please look at their website

[www.cord.org.uk](http://www.cord.org.uk)

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## CHIDDINGFOLD SURGERY APPEAL GROUP

Many thanks to all of you who supported our open evenings on Thursday 8th October at Chiddingfold Village Hall and Wednesday 14th October at the Dunsfold Village Hall.

We enjoyed a most interesting presentation of the medical services currently being provided at both the Chiddingfold and Dunsfold Surgeries and some of the plans for the future. Dr Darren Watts gave an explanation of the medical equipment they have in use and emphasised the need for this to be kept up to date with the advances in Medical technology over recent years.

The fact that this apparatus is on hand, and on call, means that patients benefit immensely since diagnostic work can be carried out in the known surroundings of the Surgery. This obviates the need to undertake the difficult journey to Royal Surrey, expensive car parking fees and tiresome queuing time to see the Consultant, Doctor or other member of the medical staff.

Creighton Redman went on to explain that most of the equipment bought by the Surgery Appeal Group is now getting towards being ten years old

and, as such, is in need of updating and replacement. Hence the launch of the Tenth Anniversary Appeal when the Committee sought to raise a target figure of £30,000 to meet all their objectives.

New medical equipment, by its nature, is expensive and a plea was made to all present to commence the Appeal with a bumper start by digging deep into their Bank Balances to support it. Some generous donations have already been received and money continues to flow in but if you were unable to attend either of the presentations the Appeal Fund remains open. Paul Gilbert, The Treasurer, will be happy to receive any further monies you might care to give. Please write to him at College Copse, Skinners Lane, Chiddingfold, Surrey. GU8 4UR

That said, there remains plenty to do towards the furtherance of the success of the Appeal and should anyone have time or help to offer please contact Creighton Redman or the Group's Secretary, Mrs Julia Quaile, who would be delighted to hear from you.

We will keep you in touch with progress.

Creighton Redman, Chairman

# Ross's ramblings

## Autumn chill in the air in Lyme Regis

**N**ovember! Summer tucking itself away for a nice long snooze until spring. Time to empty your hip flasks and put them away for warmer weather. (Although a drop of brandy in a medium sized flask is always handy on those bitter dog-walking days) No doubt both Godalming and Chiddingfold will have their fireworks on the same night so that you have to choose which one to go to! Possibly the 7<sup>th</sup> I should think.

How about this from the Bristol Evening Post in July:

*Outside Bristol Zoo is the car park, with spaces for 150 cars and 8 coaches. It has been manned 6 days a week for 23 years by the same charming and very polite car park attendant with the ticket machine.*

*The charges are £1.00 per car and £5.00 per coach.*

*On Monday 1 June he did not turn up for work. Bristol Zoo management phoned Bristol City Council to ask them to send a replacement parking attendant.*

*The Council said, "That's your responsibility."  
The Zoo said, "The attendant was employed by the City Council ... wasn't he?"  
The Council said, "What attendant?"*

*Gone missing from his home is a man who has been taking daily the car park fees amounting to about £400 per day for 23 years*

***That's £3.3 million quid***

***PURE GENIUS!***

### **Goodwife Jan's 'Last of the Summer Wine Tour**

As we don't have a sat nav we made the trip to Warham in record time and were soon sitting by the River Frome. The Rev Heathenwacker and I with glasses of foaming ale, Goodwife Jan and Cerridwen with slightly smaller glasses of red wine and all basking in the late summer sunshine.

"So", I said to the Rev, "what's the name of the last remaining sect in Lyme Regis?"

"Cobblers", he said.

"I beg your pardon", I said

"Cobblers", he said again, "named after the harbour in Lyme Regis called the Cobb. They are supposed to have a base in the area, but no one ever found it", he continued.

"Aren't we staying in The Pilot Boat Inn near the Cobb", I asked.

"Don't worry", he said, "this time it's just a holiday and we won't get mixed up with any funny business, although", he said after a pause, "Nosey Bumpkin has been let out on parole."

"Good grief when?" I queried.

"About a month ago I think, but he would be mad to come down here, wouldn't he?"

But he is I thought!

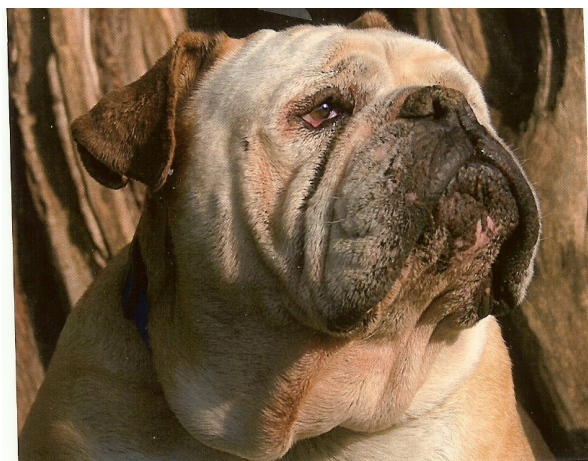
A few hours later found us outside the Copper Kettle (an unusual name for a tea shop) in Lyme Regis, digging into an enormous afternoon tea, with I might add GWJ and Cerridwen making the running! The Rev and I left the ladies to their cream, jam, muffins, tea etc and wandered over to look at the Cobb where a fishing boat was dropping anchor. My heart sank and I passed the glasses to the Rev.

"Take a look at that man letting down the anchor."

He looked, then said, "It's a long way, and I am sure there is more than one person in Dorset with a big nose."

We both looked at each other .... Next month – more of the same

### **Icons of England**



### **Some thoughts on genealogy**

- \* Genealogy: tracing yourself back to better people.
- \* I trace my family history so I will know who to blame.
- \* Can a first cousin, once removed, return?
- \* Searching for lost relatives? Find them fast - win the lottery!



And now a poem from Goodwife Jan

## People

Please don't point the finger  
To criticise or curse  
Gypsy, Jew, black or white  
There's none that's better or worse.

Intellect and culture  
They must play their part  
Fortune and weather  
And our human heart.

For here inside us – what we feel  
The joy, the hurt, success or blows  
How we deal with the hand of fate  
Others presume, but no one knows.

Try tolerance, patience, kindness  
“Not working”, you say and yet  
when least expected you may find  
the smile you gave, you get.

## Miscellaneous observations

Dijon Vu - the same mustard as before.

By the time you find greener pastures, you can't  
climb over the fence.

The psychiatrist really helped me a lot. I would  
never answer the phone, because I was afraid. Now I  
answer it whether it rings or not.

I was thinking of becoming a doctor. I have the  
handwriting for it.

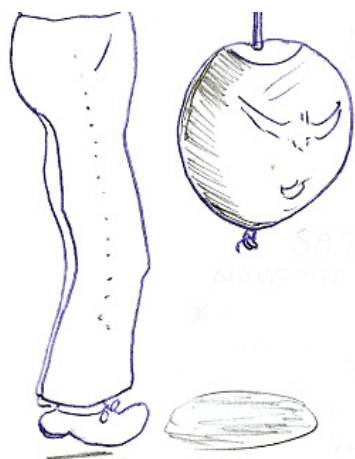
98 per cent of the time I am right. Why worry about  
the other three per cent?

The fridge light DOES go out. Now let me out of  
here!!

Experience is something you don't get until just  
after you need it.

How do you find where a flea has bitten you?  
Start from scratch!

Any married man should forget his mistakes -  
there's no use in two people remembering the same  
thing.



## “Grand Conker Match”

Merry Harriers  
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November  
at 2.30 pm

No hard hats

No goggles

Plenty of ‘Stampse’s, ‘Stringse’s and ‘Windmills’  
Conkers provided.

**All at your own risk!**



Ross

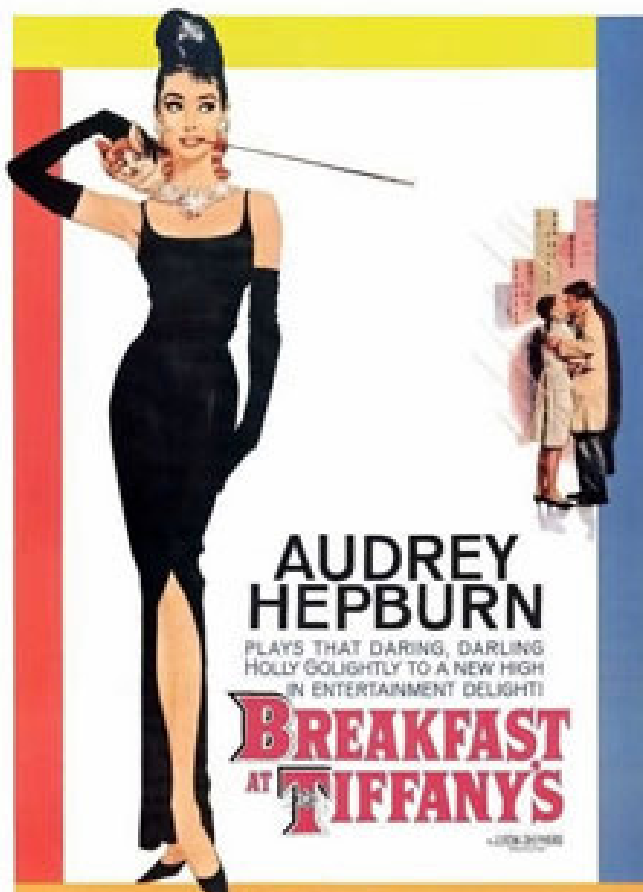
## St. Peter's Harvest Festival

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October St. Peter's celebrated Harvest Festival. As usual, the church was beautifully decorated in seasonal colours and the fruits and vegetables kindly supplied by Secretts reminded us all that Autumn has arrived.

This year's fresh fruit and vegetables and tinned/dried fruit have been donated to The Cellar Café in Godalming and I had the pleasure of being able to hand them over to the staff who are all so grateful to everyone at St. Peter's for our continued interest and support. Among the produce were some fine leeks grown by David Jenkins (must be in the Welsh blood) and a wonderful pumpkin which Cinderella would have been grateful to receive was

grown by John Adams.

On a serious note, whilst I was in The Cellar I overheard one of the clients asking for a sandwich, not unusual in a café, however, this client was asking for a sandwich because this morning she did not have any food in her home. This is the reality of many of the clients who visit The Cellar and we are all so grateful for the work that the staff and volunteers do in our community. If you would like to find out how you can get involved with the Cellar check out their website [www.thecellarcafe.co.uk](http://www.thecellarcafe.co.uk) or pop in for a coffee next time you are in Godalming, you will be made to feel very welcome.



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at

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on

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## How times change!

**Parental Guidance 1961 Style  
(An age of innocence?)**

### Breakfast at Tiffany's

#### Sex and Nudity

Holly Golightly reveals that she is paid \$50 by men for 'trips to the powder room.'

Holly asks to join Paul in bed (literally) when she is avoiding her apartment during the night. She falls asleep against him.

Some of a stripper's routine is shown, including removal of her bra, but breasts are not shown. She is wearing a very tight dress and dances sensually. She also teases the audience by almost showing her thong under her dress. The men just stare with blank, dazed faces when her bra is off. **Parents be careful with this scene.**

There are a few part scenes that show close partner dancing. There are also women in tight dresses and men glaring at them (their bottoms in particular). A man and a woman are caught kissing in a shower with their clothes on at the party.

#### Violence and Gore

Holly destroys her apartment after finding out her brother has died. She throws her cat against the wall. The cat is not hurt.

#### Profanity

Nothing at all serious.

#### Alcohol/Drugs/Smoking

An inebriated party guest loses consciousness and collapses to the floor. Drinking alcohol is shown at Holly's party. Holly and Paul drink champagne first thing in the morning before breakfast. Holly and Paul have cocktails at a burlesque bar.

Holly gets drunk in one scene of the movie.

Main characters smoke throughout the movie. Holly and her cigarette holder are iconic images.



## Time to put away the summer silks



**Health and safety the worlds biggest spoilsport!**

**E**arthworm longed for an Indian Summer and got it! However this was at the “expense” of one of the driest of Septembers. After the dismal August the blue skies, sunshine and warmth that came seemingly day after day, were really welcome, before Autumn arrived. But garden duties have been “on hold” until the rain came to soften the ground and revive dry, even parched lawns. Earthworm was finding it very hard going quite literally, and longing to plant Spring bulbs, move plants around and put in some new ones. Of-course there was no need to mow so his compost heap growth has been static, rather like the economy he muses.

The Chestnut trees have dropped their conkers but no longer do children gather under them to reap the hoard. They are such attractive things when fresh with their shiny coats and so smooth to the touch. Alas these qualities are quickly lost when brought inside. Health and Safety, our world’s biggest spoilsports, have destroyed the fun of conker battles.

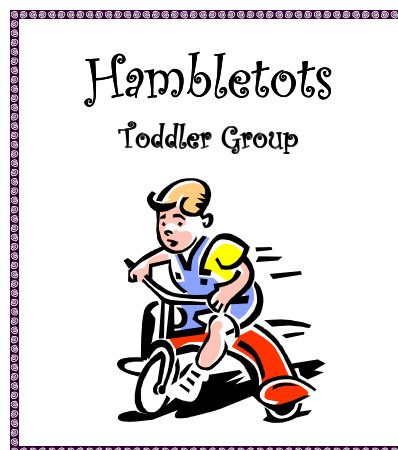
The days are fast shortening and the evening temperatures are falling fast after sun-down. No doubt the first frost warning will not be long in coming. It is time to get out the winter woollies again

and put away the summer silks. Let’s hope the wretched clothes moth has not been at work in the intervening months. This nasty creature seems to be epidemic and difficult to control. Again it is legislation that has caused all the effective preparations to be withdrawn, a result mostly muses Earthworm from edicts from Brussels. Is the European Union really a good thing? However Green one wants to be, both in house and garden, there seem to be times when soap and water will not control black fly or cabbage caterpillars and the preparations now available seem totally ineffective. Nasturtiums have been gobbled up over night and brassica leaves shredded in an instant. Could it be a shortage of garden birds, thinks Earthworm, that is making pest control more difficult? Moles too, seem to be having a burrowing field day in the garden. Moth balls placed carefully down the run used to work by encouraging the mole to go elsewhere ( preferably not in to the neighbour’s patch), but their composition must have changed as even this fairly harmless practice no longer works.

The “mole-man” used to use poisoned worms. The very idea makes Earthworm shiver in horror.



"But, apart from the pews, the sermon, the hymns, the coffee and, 'all that praying', you'd come again?"



To all local Mums with babies and toddlers: we meet every Wednesday (except the third in the month) at Hambledon Village Hall from 10am to 11.30am. There are toys, activities, music time and a drink and biscuit for all who attend.

The cost is £1 (under 1 year old) and £2 (over 1 year old).

For more information, contact Jo Ingham on 01428 684002

# THE SOLDIERS ON HAMBLEDON'S FIRST WORLD WAR MEMORIAL

## Time to remember the fallen of two World Wars

**N**ovember again, and another year to remember the fallen of the two World Wars and their names on the memorials in our church: by looking at the census records, and the registers of birth, I have been trying to find more information about the soldiers of the First World War to put in the Hambledon Heritage Society Archives. There are six names on the memorial but it isn't always clear how their connection with Hambledon arose. Four of them were with the Queen's Regiment (the Royal West Surrey Regiment): the other two were with the Essex Regiment and the London Regiment.

**Private Arthur Balchin** was the son of Morton William Balchin and Eliza, his wife. He was born in 1891 and would have been 25 years old when he died at the Somme on 15 July 1916. His father was a bricklayer's labourer who had been born in Chiddingfold but his mother came from Hambledon and he and his siblings were also born there. In 1891 the family were living at Church Farm Cottage but by 1901 they had moved to the Cricket Ground (for the brickyard) and Arthur's mother was still living there in 1916.

**Private Apsey Hammond** died aged 19, on 9 August 1918. He was the son of Alfred and Rose Hammond of Hambledon Brickyard, who were described as Travelling Hawkers, and in each census they are registered as living in a caravan. Their seven children had different birthplaces: Apsey's being in Hambledon.

**Private Alfred Linegar** was the son of William Linegar and his wife, Charlotte. He was born in 1887 and died on 14 August 1916 in hospital at Boulogne aged 28. His father was an agricultural labourer, a carter on a farm, and would appear to have moved on an annual basis. Alfred was the youngest of a family of six children, two boys and four girls, who were born variously at Bramley, Guildford, Northbourne (Farncombe) and Dunsfold, but they were living in Hambledon when Alfred was born. In 1891 the family was living at Farncombe, in 1901 at Binscombe, in 1911 at

Chiddingfold but by 1916 Alfred's mother had moved to Hascombe.

**Captain Alan John Renton** (Essex Regiment) died aged 23 on 2 December 1917 and is buried near Jaffa. His father, James, was a barrister and in 1901 they are living at Bradstone Brook in Shalford but, in a list dated 1 November 1914, he is included in the Hambledon section of *Men Serving in His Majesty's Navy and Army*, though on the Commonwealth War Graves website his address is given as London.

**Private Harold Ritchie** (London Regiment) died on 22 August 1918. The only person of that name I have been able to find was born in 1897 at Haslemere, making him 21 when he died. His father, James Ritchie, was a gardener living in Grayswood in 1911, who had been born in Scotland, and his mother Kate had been born in Blewbury, Berkshire. Maybe Harold's connection with Hambledon came later in his life.

**Private A.F. Stevens** died 4 October 1917 and again I could not find anyone in Hambledon of that name. The only Arthur F. Stevens was born in 1896 at Woking (making him twenty-one when he died) and was living at the Farm Buildings, Peperharow, with his father, a groom on the farm, his mother and baby sister in 1901. By 1911 he is living in Guildford, working as a compositor.

In his article in the Parish Magazine of November 2003, John Adams mentions Alfred Hammond and Cecil Hammond as being in The Queen's and who died in 1915 and 1916 respectively but were not mentioned on the Hambledon memorial. I could not find anyone called Cecil with a connection with Surrey, let alone Hambledon, but I did find an Alfred.

**Private Alfred Hammond** died on 16 May 1915. The one I found was the son of Edward and Ellen Hammond. Edward was an agricultural labourer born at Godalming, but his wife and all their children were born at Hambledon at Busses Common but by 1891 they had moved to Munstead. Alfred was born in 1879, making him 36 on his death.

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*The most persistent sound that reverberates through men's history is the beating of war drums.*

*Arthur Koestler*

# Annual review

**Jam doughnuts and Belgian buns available daily!**



This is the time when I look back and see what has been achieved in the last year. It is important it keeps moving forward-we don't want a shop that stands still. I personally have finished my third year as chief volunteer. It gets easier all the time and I can now fit in all my other commitments with no problem. The shop is now run by a team so any person can take over another's tasks.

The new chiller units have enhanced both the look of the shop and allowed us to stock more fruit and vegetables, as they last longer, and this in turn has increased the sales so there is a quicker turnover and the products remain fresh. We throw very little away.

The cake ladies are doing very well-we sell more and more-and they have all been inspected and passed. Who is going to be brave and make pate's for us!

Wine sales are booming and I can now buy larger quantities with a better discount. This helps as the

pound sterling continues to fall against the euro. Milk and egg sales are up, we haven't had to increase the prices for nearly three years. We finally have fresh bread in 6 days out of 7, with the help of the Granary at Haslemere. You will also notice daily jam doughnuts and Belgian buns. These and many other items can be ordered for you for the next day.

Other achievements include altering the phone lines so the card machine works at the same time as the phones. The till computer has been replaced and is now far more reliable. The scanner is not for general use, but it should be a reference point for the prices of most of the products in the shop. The task of keeping it up to date and correlating with the price labels is beyond us, and that we have accepted.

Some people have said how wonderful it is that residents can come to the shop and talk over their problems. We have even gone beyond this. A badly injured hand came over to the shop to be bandaged using our first aid tin. What next?

P.J.U.

## The Village Fete

As you know, we have a fete every second year. It will be coming around again next year. The date has been fixed and is Sat .June 19<sup>th</sup>. Put this in your diaries and it is easy to remember as it is the closest Saturday to Mid Summer Day.

The next thing to decide is who is going to run it and receive the proceeds. I gather the Football Club needs help and I do wonder about the Village Hall, as they missed out last time. Please come and talk to me in the shop so we can firm up on this fundamental point.

P.J.U.



'He's on the web'

A husband and wife went to a counsellor after 15 years of marriage. The counsellor asked them what the problem was and the wife went into a tirade listing every problem they have ever had. Finally, the counsellor got up, went around the desk, embraced the woman and kissed her passionately. The woman shut up and sat down quietly in a daze.

The counsellor turned to the husband and said "that is what your wife needs at least three times a week. Can you do that?"

The husband thought for a moment and replied, "Well, I can get her here Monday and Wednesday ..... but Friday I play golf."



# Caddy's wisdom

If you play golf, don't read on—some of these comments might just seem too close to the truth

Golfer: I think I'm going to drown myself in the lake.

Caddy: Do you think you can keep your head down that long, sir?"

Golfer: I'd move heaven and earth to break 100 on this course.

Caddy: Try heaven, sir, you've already moved most of the earth.

Golfer: Do you think my game is improving?

Caddy: Yes, sir, you miss the ball much closer now.



Golfer: Do you think I can get there with a 5 iron?

Caddy: Eventually.

Golfer: You're the worst caddy in the world.

Caddy: I don't think so sir. That would be too much of a coincidence.

Golfer: Please stop checking your watch all the time. It's too much of a distraction.

Caddy: It's not a watch, it's a compass.

Golfer: How do you like my game?

Caddy: Very good, sir, but personally, I prefer golf.

Golfer: This is the worst course I've ever played on.

Caddy: This isn't the golf course. We left that an hour ago.

And the best caddy comment ever:

Golfer: That can't be my ball, it's too old.

Caddy: It's been a long time since we teed off, sir.

## Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

This year house-to-house collections for Hambledon and Hydestile will take place from Saturday 24th October until Saturday 7th November. There will also be volunteers collecting outside the village shop on the 7th November.

The Remembrance Day service at St Peter's Church, Hambledon will be on Sunday 8th November at 10.50am.

As always, we are looking for people who can help collect. For the house-to-house collections, we need 14 volunteers and it would be lovely to give some of the regulars a well-earned rest.

Please contact me on 01428 684002 if you can lend a hand. Thank you.

*Joanna Ingham*



Mendelssohn

## ELIJAH

21 November 2009

7.30pm

Charterhouse Chapel, Charterhouse School  
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**Conductor : Michael Veazey**

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**Teble : William Pickering**

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**[www.godalmingchoral.org.uk](http://www.godalmingchoral.org.uk)**

Godalming Choral Society is a Registered Charity  
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# Magpie berates SCC yet again!

## Choice of contractor for road repairs questioned!

**O**h sad day! Our esteemed editor is to retire early next year and I hear that he cannot be talked out of it! What a space to fill, what a man to follow! Who can take up the reins or will our wonderful Parish Mag shrink away to the tiny photocopied few sheets of other jealous mags? Perhaps there is someone with the necessary skills to take over.

*(We shouldn't forget that over the last 18 months Philip Ryland has contributed a great deal to the improvement of the magazine and hopefully he will continue in whatever role.)*

Guess what? The Surrey County Council at Kingston (Recently voted one of the most out of touch councils in England) have renewed the contract of Ringway and Carillons for road repairs. If you think that watching Ockford Road gas repairs was like watching the 'Mousetrap' twice over watching the Ringway chaps is akin to phoning the tax office, the Dvla and Sky continuously for a week. They promise everything do nothing, take forever, then charge the earth!

Well done the SCC and of course with our money .... Shall we mention potholes, or the bank slasher? Perhaps not nor even the Hambledon Road closed for the painting of a few windows! Health and safety gone mad.

## BYWAYS

An occasional  
column  
from  
around  
our  
plot



And now a poem:

### The Duvet

by Paricia Trudie Hodge

She did not love her husband any more.  
He was rich as Croesus but a bore  
and always hogged the duvet, didn't care  
he left her with her legs and bottom bare.

He didn't guess, when they sat down to dine,  
she's crushed the tablets, mixed them with the wine.  
She helped him up to bed, she heard him snore,  
Left tablets and the bottle on the floor

then left the house to spend the night with Di –  
her friend, her unsuspecting alibi.  
The police were kind, they pandered to her needs  
(she looked so fetching in her widows weeds.)

Now she's a millionairess, 'How divine,  
This king sized bed and duvet's mine, all mine.'  
Yet, every night, a ghostly presence there  
pulls off the duvet, leaves her bottom bare.

**Last thought** – What will be the effect on the shops  
in Milford if the Red Lion is turned into a 'Tesco Ex-  
press.'

## Support for Good Causes.

**L**argely thanks to the increasing use of the magazine by advertisers over the last 10 years (and we are indebted to Tony Parker for his diligence in this area) and the consequent increase in revenue, we have built up a modest surplus, from which we propose making two donations of £500.

The local one is the Hambledon Community Fund which has been set up to support village activities and the other is ZANE, which strives to relieve, by providing food and medicines, the plight of the old in Zimbabwe (including WWII servicemen and their dependants) who have been made virtually destitute

by the destruction of savings and pensions by galloping inflation.

It is, of course, essential to hold a sufficient balance in the magazine account as a buffer against rising costs and to maintain price stability for as long as possible, but we are hopeful that some money will be available in 2010 to enable further donations to be made. The editor would be glad to receive suggestions as to the possible recipients; it would be helpful to have reasons for the proposal in case there are more potential candidates than we can reasonably support and they have to be whittled down.



## Shoreham, the river Adur and the South Downs

**Most meet the challenge of the 'fat mans' friend'!**

**A**nother glorious autumn day and sixteen of us set off for Sussex the seventeenth and leader was collected en route.

Suitably sorted and booted we set off along the river Adur, a tidal waterway with the tide out but on its way in. Our route wandered along the river bank for a while before we branched off across the road and up towards the Downs. As we left the road we passed Coombes farm and a little way on passed through a proper swing gate ie. pivoting in the centre, with a "fat man's friend" alongside. Some might have called the latter a dog gate! both leading to Coombes church. This old Saxon stone building still shows the remains of ancient wall painting inside. Its bell is reported to be one of the oldest in the country. A major restoration project was completed a few years ago and one can imagine it standing there, a sanctuary, for hundreds of years to come.

A slight uphill climb through a little wood brought us out on the downs, sunshine and views. It is a pity the old cement works is such a mess now it is redundant, the carved chalk cliff might be quite attractive on its own. On past a few flocks of sheep, their modern day shepherd on his quad bike with dog behind, and Lancing college on the skyline. The college chapel is a most imposing building seen from any angle quite dwarfing the school buildings alongside. As we left the farmland a few of us were late over the last stile and "woops" our party had disappeared, which way? (One of three possibilities). It is amazing how fourteen people can vanish. Luckily a dog walker on her way up the hill had passed our party on the way down "couldn't miss 'em" so we were reunited. As we started gently down hill once more we came upon a small cottage garden in which sat a "Skiffle Group" composed of Mickey and Minnie Mouse, Pooh bear, another larger bear, a guitar playing monkey and hiding her head in the hedge a bashful girl. Hopefully photo is attached. A little further, on the boundary of Lancing College fields we found a small picture of a Hurricane bomber and the words Hurricane Copse, Lest We Forget.

Now we were in sight of Shoreham airport with little planes busy in and out constantly, the sea behind and views of Brighton and the Seven Sisters cliffs. We managed to cross the busy main road noting an advertisement for "Rabbit Skips" and headed

for Shoreham Toll Bridge and lunch. The Red Lion on the road, not imposing from outside but an old gem inside with a garden area at the back. Good service, good value.

We retraced our steps across the South Downs Way and then the old bridge, trying to take in a little of its history. It is no longer a vehicle route but has been restored as a foot/bridleway across the river. Birds feeding on the mud banks, (Philip we needed you for identification) one brown speckled young gull? had just caught a small flat fish and was having difficulty over its next move. Back along the river, under the main road this time and soon returned to base.

Thank you Lizzie and Angela for a very pleasant gentle day out and another bit of country explored.

*Mary Parker*



### **Next Walk - November 10th**

Leader John Adams

The walk will be around The Trundle (Goodwood), West Dean and Singleton, about 8 miles, pub lunch.

**Meet at the Village Hall 9.0 pm**

### **Short Walk - November 24th**

Leader Mary Parker

**Meet at the Village Hall 2.00pm**

Further details available from :

Derek Miller Tel: 01428 684362 (Long walk)  
Mary Parker Tel: 01483 860339 (Short walk)

# A reminder of that Greek holiday and a taste of Autumn

The best cookery corner

in the South East



*This is a very versatile dish as most of the ingredients can be found in an everyday cupboard. Serve with a nice crisp salad.*

*Guy Lemieux*

## Moussaka - Serves 6

2oz	Butter	1½lb	potatoes peeled and thinly sliced
2	large onions finely chopped	½pt	milk
1lb	minced lamb	3oz	grated cheddar cheese
2oz	flour	2 tbs	fresh breadcrumbs
	Large tin of chopped tomatoes		Pinch of nutmeg
2tsp	Worcestershire sauce		Salt and pepper to taste
1	beef stock cube		

Melt half the butter in a large frying pan, add the onion until soft. Add the lamb and cook until brown. Stir in half the flour, tomatoes, Worcestershire sauce, stock cube, 75ml cold water and seasoning. Cook over a gentle heat for about 3 minutes stirring often. Spread half the meat mixture on the base of your casserole dish. Cover with half the potato slices. Re-

peat the process until all has been used up. Make a white sauce with remaining flour, butter, and milk. When it has been made add the cheese and nutmeg. Season to taste. Pour over the potatoes, then sprinkle over the breadcrumbs. Bake at Gas Mark 6 for about 70 minutes.

## Baked Apples in Pastry - serves 4

*This is a very old baked apple dumpling recipe but it is so easy.  
Serve hot or cold with custard or ice cream.*

8oz	ready-made shortcrust pastry
4	small cooking apples, peeled and cored but not sliced
1 oz	sultanas
1 oz	light soft brown sugar
1 oz	butter
¼tsp	ground cinnamon

1. Preheat oven to 220 degrees C / Gas mark 7.
2. Roll out the pastry on a floured surface and cut four circles round a saucer.
3. Place one apple in the centre of each piece of pastry.
4. Mix together the sultanas, sugar, butter and cinnamon and place equal amounts in the
5. centre of each apple.
6. Enclose the apples completely in pastry and invert onto a baking sheet.
7. Brush the top of the pastry with egg or milk and bake for twenty-five minutes. Sprinkle with caster sugar as they come out of the oven.





### **Hambledon 1st. XI**

Hambledon's 1st XI, was awarded the Village League Trophy for winning the League 1 of the Village Cricket League at the Village League Annual Presentation Dinner on the 16<sup>th</sup>. October. The 1<sup>st</sup>. XI won 9, drew 3 and only lost one match during the season.

### **Further Activities**

The Hambledon CC's Presentation Dinner was held on the evening of Sat 26<sup>th</sup> September at the Merry Harriers. The evening was a great success and very enjoyable with around 50 sitting down to a 3 course meal. After the dinner presentations were made to:

#### 1st. XI

Batting: Jack Cunningham

Bowling: Ian Houston

Fielding: Andrew Houston

Sixes: Jack Cunningham

Clubman's Cup: Gill Houston & Elaine Luff

Player's Player: Ian Houston

#### 2<sup>nd</sup>. XI

Batting: James Barber

Bowling: James Barber

Fielding: Sean Burton

The "Golf Day" scheduled for Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October at Milford Golf Club was cancelled due to insufficient numbers.

### **Fund Raising:- The Fund raising draw event of the 200 Club for September were:**

1<sup>st</sup>. Prize £50.00 - No. 9 - A. Parker

2<sup>nd</sup>. Prize £30.00 - No. 67 - A. M. Bailey

3<sup>rd</sup>. Prize £20.00 - No. 84 - G. Walker

4<sup>th</sup>. Prize £10.00 - No. 29 - CT/Roy Treadwell

The final "Grand Draw" for the "The 200 Club" with prizes of £250.00, £150.00, £100.00 and £50.00 will take place next month. Good luck to all participants.

### **HAMBLEDON CRICKET CLUB**

#### **COLTS SECTION for 2010**

We will be running Colts sides in 2010 for, Under 9's, 11's and 13's. All age groups will be entered into the Berkley Sports League for their relevant age group and there will be between 8-10 league games for each age group. Further information will be sent out shortly

### **However we need extra help with coaching & team manager(s) for all groups.**

If you are interested and would like more details, please call Bob Cunningham on either 01428 683970 or email [bob.cunningham@gom.co.uk](mailto:bob.cunningham@gom.co.uk). The season runs from mid April through to early July and generally involves a training session each Saturday morning or a week day evening and there will be matches at the weekend either on a Friday night or Sunday morning. This role could also be shared between two or three people. Training for coaches is available via the Club under the Surrey CC guidance etc.

**Future Date for the Diary.** The **Cricket Club AGM** will be held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>.February 2010 at 8.00pm at the Cricket Pavilion.

Should you require any information about the club, please call the club captains:

Ian Houston on 020 74502591 / 07751832646,

Chris Jenner on 07788970770,

Mark Burton 01428 682714 / 07813 708896

Club Welfare Officer:

Bob Cunningham on 01428 683970

President, Mic. Coleman on. 01428 682977.

*Arthur Blackman, Chairman.*

## **Wednesday Afternoon Group**

Our next meeting is to be held at Hambledon Village Hall

**Wednesday 11th November at 2009**

Please come and meet Miss Patricia Bland

Spaeaking on behalf of

**PAT CHAT**

A charity supporting Pets for Therapy

Tea and cakes will follow

Contact Number: Jan Kilsby 01483 423637



# The dogged truth

**Hambledon's neighbourhood police officer, PC Sam Barnett, outlines some of the responsibilities of keeping a dog—and what you should do if you find a stray one**

**W**hat is the difference between a cat and a dog? Apart from the obvious, the key difference is that, as an owner, you are legally responsible for your dog, but not for your cat. If your cat gets into a neighbour's garden and trashes the vegetable plot looking for a nice place to do its business, then that is just the way things go. If your dog does it, then you may face a large bill or some kind of civil action against you.

Part of the responsibility of owning a dog is making sure it is safe and secure at ALL times. As the local police officer, I have on several occasions had to come and deal with loose dogs, and endeavour to deliver them back to their owners. The ones I deliver back are the lucky ones. I know of one dog that was killed after it got out of its garden and ran onto the main road. Very sad and totally avoidable.

Apart from the risks to the dogs themselves, there is also a risk to others if they are out unaccompanied. Loose dogs can cause road traffic collisions, which not only endangers them but the driver and passengers of the vehicles involved. Loose dogs are also unpredictable – to their owners they may be kind and loving, but a frightened or hurt dog in unfamiliar surroundings may present a risk to any well meaning pedestrian trying to rescue it.

So what do you do if you find one? Waverley Borough Council has a dog warden who can be contacted during office hours on 01483 523333. Out of

hours, the number to ring is 02392 242161. The dog warden may be able to come out and collect the dog, and will try to locate the owner. If no owner can be found, the dog will eventually be re-homed.

If you are unfortunate enough to hit a dog with your car, you **MUST** report it to the police station. If you do not, you may be committing an offence.

If there are persistent problems with either the same dog getting loose or dogs escaping from the same location, please let the local police know. As mentioned before, owners are liable for their dogs, and failure to keep them secure could be a criminal offence.

## Children's wisdom

Teacher: John, why are you doing your maths multiplication on the floor?

John: You told me to do it without using tables.

Teacher: Glenn, how do you spell "crocodile?"

Glenn: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L'

Teacher: No, that's wrong

Glenn: It might be wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.

Teacher: Donald, what's the chemical formula for water?

DONALD: H I J K L M N O.

Teacher: Donald, what are you talking about?

Donald: Yesterday you said it's H to O.

Teacher: Winnie, name one important thing we have today that we didn't have 10 years ago.

Winnie: Me.

Teacher: Glen, why do you always get so dirty?

Glen: Well, I'm a lot closer to the ground than you.

Teacher: Millie, give me a sentence starting with "I",  
Millie: I is. . .

Teacher: No, Millie, always say, "I am"

Millie: All right, I am the ninth letter of the alphabet

Teacher: Now, Simon, tell me honestly, do you say prayers before meals?

Simon: No sir, I don't have to, my Mum is a good cook.

Teacher: Clyde, your composition on My Dog is exactly the same as your brother's. Did you copy his?

Clyde: No, sir. It's the same dog.

Teacher: Harry, what do you call someone who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?

Harry: A teacher



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## NOVEMBER AT THE MERRY HARRIERS

*"The third day comes a frost, a killing frost" -  
William Shakespeare*



**Movie Mondays:** To get us all in the mood for the 21st, we are showing a 007 film each Monday. Sean in 'Goldfinger' on November 2nd; 'Live and Let Die' with Roger on the 9th; 'The World is Not Enough' starring Pierce on the 16th and 'Casino Royale' with Daniel Craig on the 23rd. A vodka martini (shaken not stirred) each for any couple here for all three films!

### Free Bubble 'n' Squeak Monday evenings 7.00 - 8.30pm

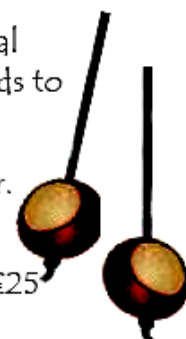
**Tuesday 3rd:** Winter Tapas Night. Just like the summer one but with a heartier 'patatas bravas' feel.



**Wednesday 4th:** Book Club at 8.00pm. November book selection: Markus Zusak's The Book Thief

**Tuesday 10th:** Return of the '70's quiz. 4 rounds of music and 4 of general knowledge, starting at 8pm. £1 per person with a £20 first prize; all proceeds to CHASE.

**Saturday 14th:** Conkers Championship. Bring your best eight-niner or whatever. Strings away at 2:30pm.



**Tuesday 17th:** Steak Night - 2 rumps and a bottle of house wine for £25



**Saturday 21st:** 007 Casino Night with Black Tie & Evening Dress, Roulette, Poker, Blackjack. Come and try your luck at the tables. All for charity -look out for details.

**Thursday 26th:** Curry Night - Booking essential.

**Saturday 28th:** The extraordinarily popular StrauBenZee are back, playing live at 8.30pm



**Bookings being taken now for Christmas parties and Christmas Day.**

If you would like to go onto our mailing list for future events, just leave a card or jot your email address down and hand it to one of the bar staff.

Tel: 01428 682885 email: merryharriers@btconnect.com



## The Cellar Café in Godalming

### Cake Sale on Saturday 28th November from 9.00 onwards

**A**s part of Godalming town day, this is to help raise much-needed funds for The Cellar, and will be held outside The Cellar in Crown Court. How can we help?

Please could you contribute cakes, biscuits, preserves, Christmas items, etc, which will be much appreciated and can be brought to the Cellar at any time before, or on, the day. They are also selling books/CD/videos, so if you have any you could donate, they would be gratefully received.

Please come and support them on the day by buying from the range of goodies.

#### Harvest thanks!

They write a big **thank you** to all who brought gifts for The Cellar to our church at the Harvest Thanksgiving Service. The tinned and packaged goods will help to make up Christmas food parcels for the regular customers, and other needy individuals and families known to The Cellar to bring them a little cheer this Christmas.

**The Cellar Holiday 2009** The Cellar team is very grateful to all those who helped to make this holiday possible. They were able to take quite a few needy regulars who would otherwise not be able to have a holiday. Debbie Portsmouth writes:

*"This year's holiday to Stratford-upon-Avon was enjoyed immensely by everyone. We stayed in the centre of town in a beautiful hotel called The Shakespeare. The hotel was built in 1650 and was full of character. The food was wonderful and beautifully presented and we all felt very spoilt."*

*"Although the weather was awful we still got out every day visiting the Vale of Evesham the picturesque Cotswold villages of Bourton-on-the-*

*Water and Stow-on-the-Wold and definite highlights were the visit to the butterfly farm in Stratford and the lovely boat trip. (The sun managed to shine on that day!)"*

*"A big **Thank you** to everyone who supported the holiday financially and prayed for us while we were away. This annual holiday is a highlight in our customers' year and they are already discussing where we should go next year."*

**Christmas Appeal 2009** They would be most grateful to receive donations of cash, gift vouchers or festive food items to enable us to help both individuals and families who are struggling with their finances this coming Christmas. Please contact Debbie, at The Cellar, for more information and address any donations to her. Again thank you!

**30 Years old!** This autumn marks the 30th Anniversary of the founding of *The Warehouse Christian Trust*, which runs both *The Cellar* and *Skillway*. They write *"it is great that we are still able to work in the town to share the love of God through our actions and services. We are truly grateful to God for all that has been achieved in the past and enables us still today to make an impact on the lives of our customers, those we regard as The Cellar Family and the youngsters who have been encouraged and supported through the endeavours of the Skillway team. We have been magnificently supported by the many Friends and by lots of others who have not 'signed up' to offer such regular support. We trust that we shall be able to continue to offer our Christian support to many in the future through the actions of our volunteers."*

Jacqueline Hindley

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## The Thief

Autumn wind came stealing  
Through the woods one day,  
And, creeping round the tree, he stole  
Their beauty all away.

*Lines from a poem by Irene F Pawsey*



# Slow down and look

The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with a look at El Greco's *The Saviour*

## GOD IN THE ARTS

The philosopher Wittgenstein gave the following advice to people visiting an art gallery or exhibition: never try to rush through all the paintings on show, but choose one painting. Sit in front of it for 20 minutes. Then get up and leave the art gallery. It is difficult advice to take to heart because we feel we want to get our money's worth from an exhibition, especially if we have paid an entrance charge. Once in the gallery we then feel so overawed by the number of paintings on show and the pressure of the crowd that we go quickly from one canvas to the next.

The rushing around there is part and parcel of the way we meet each day. We rush out of habit, and we rush because everyone else is rushing. Our world seems set in the fast lane. Carl Honoré in his book *In Praise of Slow* tells how, as a busy journalist, he experienced a flashback to a time in his youth when life was unhurried. He reflects, with regret, that it was a better life then.

If we do want to take Wittgenstein's advice seriously and find ourselves in the National Gallery in Edinburgh, we could do no better than choose to sit in front of this month's painting: El Greco's *The Saviour*. El Greco was born in 1541 in Crete. From Greece, he travelled to Venice and Rome and finally to Toledo in Spain where he died in 1614.

His art is a fusion of eastern and western traditions, given extra fervour by the Counter Reformation and resulting in a unique style of painting. His canvases are peopled by elongated figures who seem always to be straining upwards, just as the Counter Reformation was exhorting the faithful to set their sights on heaven as they made their journey through life.

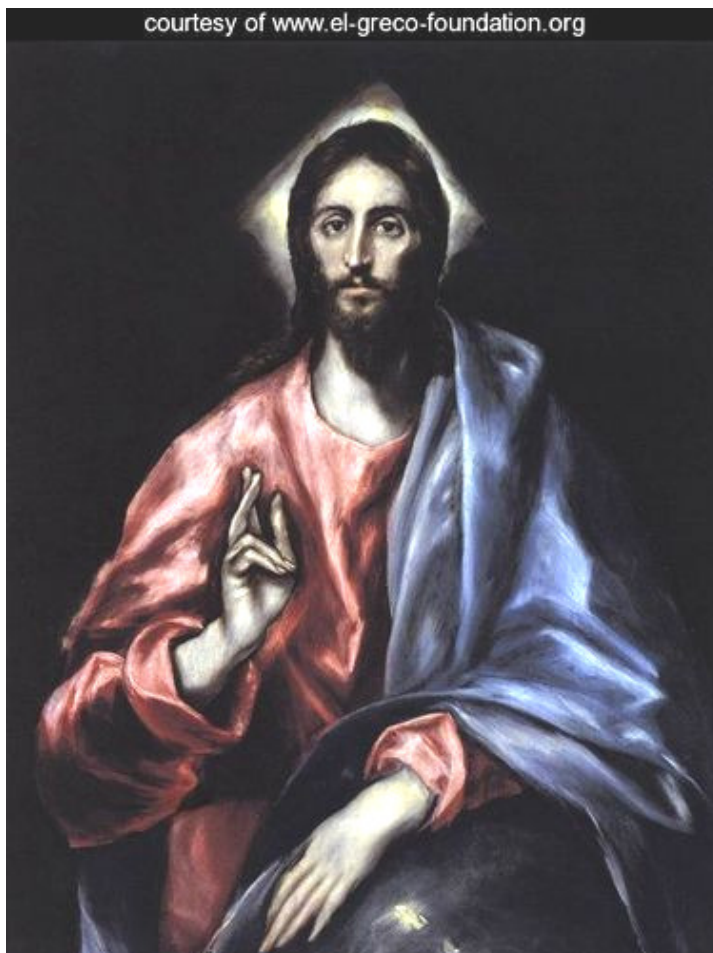
In his early years in Crete El Greco trained as an icon painter, and that is much in evidence in *The Saviour*. It shows a half-length figure of Christ – he was to paint a fuller figure later. This Christ, like an icon, is looking out at us, with his right hand raised to bless us and this world, while the left hand holds that same world in his care. We can see in the eyes an inner strength, but also the poignant sadness of longing, for this is a saviour who has come through suffering and death to bring us new life.

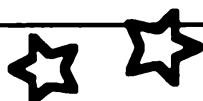
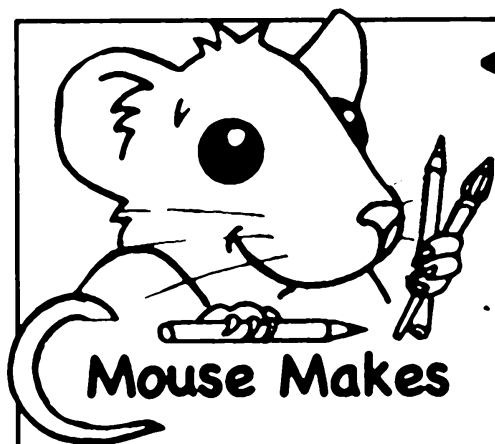
As we look and see, we find here in El Greco's work a Christ-calmed steadiness amid the spinning world of rush and busyness. The nearer we draw to this Jesus, the slower we will

find ourselves spinning. The duties and responsibilities that demand so much from us take their place in the wider perspective of the Saviour's grace and love. Then we can begin to experience that peace which the world cannot offer, but which Christ can bring.

The first step in that process is to stop and look. The Curé d'Ars, a parish priest in France in the early 19th century, told how he noticed an old man sitting at the back of his church every day. He didn't seem to be doing anything, just sitting there in the same place at the same time, looking towards the Blessed Sacrament on the High Altar. Eventually the young priest became suspicious. He asked the man what he was doing. "I'm praying," came the reply. "Yes, but what exactly is it you do?" enquired the priest. "Well, I look at him and he looks at me."

You can see a copy of the illustration at: <http://www.el-greco-foundation.org/Christ-as-Saviour-1610-14.html>



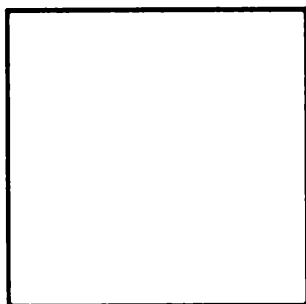


## SHINE LIKE STARS

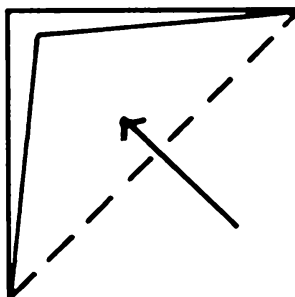
Just like the stars that shine in the dark and light the way for us to see, so God sent Jesus '**the light of God**' to light the way and show us the path to God.

The Bible tells us to '**shine like stars**' too so we can show our friends the way to Jesus and the path to God.

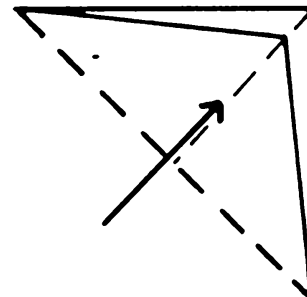
See: *Matthew 5:16 and Phillipians 2:14-15*



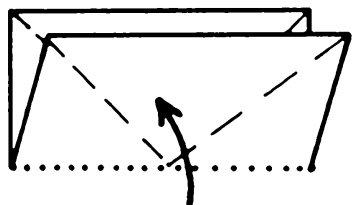
1. Cut 8 squares of paper (8cm x 8cm is a good size)



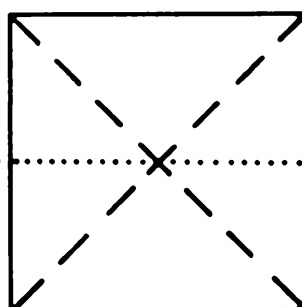
2. Take one of the squares and fold in half diagonally



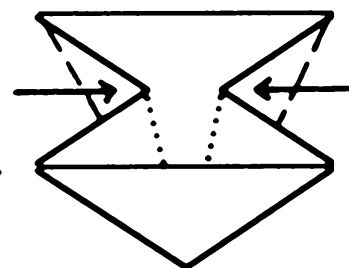
3. Open out then fold in half diagonally the other way



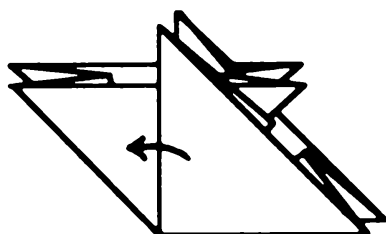
4. TURN OVER then fold in half



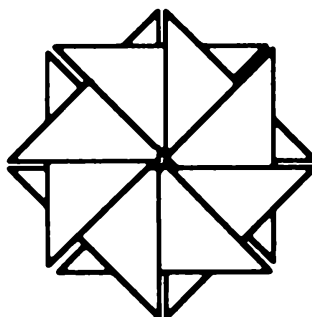
5. Open out then push the sides together....



.....to form a triangle.  
6. Go back to step 2 and make all 8 triangles



7. Slot and glue each triangle in turn to make a star.



Make lots of stars to hang up for Christmas



## Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

On a clear night look up at the stars. The **red** stars are the coolest then **orange**, **yellow**, **yellow-white** and the hottest stars shine **blue-white**.





# Rainbow Rhymes

Poems and Promises to cut out and collect.

## Saying Goodnight

Sharing a room with a sister,  
Who's older and thinks she has rights,  
Isn't easy when rights are unequal,  
And she has control of the lights.

Because she was born first she chooses  
If we should talk, read or fight,  
But I won't go to sleep till I know that I've been  
The last one to whisper, *Goodnight*.

No I won't go to sleep till I know that I've been  
The last one to whisper, *Goodnight*.

It starts when she switches the light off,  
And calls out *Goodnight*. I reply.  
Each of us knows that we *must* say it last,  
Though neither really knows why.

The *Goodnights* fly to the ceiling,  
They bounce quickly down to the floor  
For at least half an hour the *Goodnights* come and go,  
Passing bookcase and wardrobe and door.

I wait till she thinks that I'm sleeping,  
Till she thinks that her victory's complete,  
Then I whisper *Goodnight*, and the real truth is known  
By the darkness and me and the sheet.

Yes I whisper *Goodnight*, and the real truth is known  
By the darkness and me and the sheet.



# GOODNIGHT!

Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all, and servant of all."  
(Mark 9:30 NRSV)

Poem by Daphne Kitching, Picture by Elaine Hill, Coloured by .....



## POPPIES

Poppies flower in the summer, don't they? So why poppies in November? You will see them everywhere in the next week or so, and everyone from the smallest Rainbow or Beaver to the Queen will be wearing a poppy on Remembrance Sunday.

We wear poppies because, among all the mud and chaos of the battlefields of the Great War, men were amazed to see the humble field flower of home spring up where the earth was disturbed – a blood red splash of colour in a sea of khaki.



When the British Legion started an appeal to help those whose bodies or minds had been smashed by war, the poppy seemed an ideal symbol. And even now, when World War I and II seem so far away, our troops are fighting, being wounded and dying; reminding us that the poppy is also a symbol of sacrifice.

## PRINT A POPPY

How? Well the answer lies in your own hands. You will need a white paper plate, red and black finger or poster paint and two margarine lids or saucers to put the paint on.

Put some newspaper on the table and start. Squeeze some red paint onto one lid or saucer and put black paint on the other one. Put your thumb into the red paint and use it to make 5 overlapping petals in a circle on the edge of your plate. Put your index finger into the black paint and use it to stamp a centre for your poppy.

Continue printing poppies all round the edge of your plate to make a wreath. Leave it to dry and then you can write 'Lest We Forget' or 'Remembrance' in the middle of the plate. You could hang the plate in your front window to share with others.



### **When is the first food fight mentioned in the Bible?**

'I looked and behold a flying roll!'  
(Zech 5:1 KJV)

### **Do you know the phone number for the Garden of Eden?**

Adam 8-1-2

### **Did you know that Paul was the 1st surfer in the Bible?**

Remember in Acts when he 'came ashore on a board'?

# Gardening

## Essential tasks in November

**M**aking your garden look it's best is one of the essential jobs for November.

### Flower Garden

Start planting your spring bulbs, make certain that you place them at the right depth.

If you have not prepared your border spacing try planting your bulbs in large pots instead. These bulbs can then be planted later to fill in the gaps.

### Tidy borders

By November you will start to notice that your borders are starting to look a little messy. Any perennials past their best can be cut right down, clearing away remains and adding them to the compost heap.

The secret is to divide clumps every second or third year after removing old flowering stems and replant the new sections, watering them in thoroughly.

### Wallflowers

Fill gaps in borders with wallflowers for a great blaze of spring colour.

Try spacing wildflowers so that they will grow into one another.

For that extra flare, why not try planting tulips with flowers in a contrasting colour between them.

### In The Greenhouse

Clean those dirty windows in your greenhouse. Every year you will need to give the outside of the greenhouse a good wash down. General dirt, algae and grime works up on the glazing. This can reduce the amount of light getting through to your loved plants inside.

A Good tip is to use a hose and a stiff brush, slowly spraying and brushing every glazing panel in turn. Choose a warm November's day to complete the job.

### Insulate your greenhouse

Now is a good time to insulate your greenhouse before the harsher months of the winter come in.

Insulate your greenhouse with bubble polythene. When choosing find the grades that are especially for greenhouses, as these contain UV stabilisers which prevent them from breaking down in daylight.

You can also use sheets of white polystyrene to line the glazing under the staging. This also reflects extra light back into the greenhouse.

### Green House: Check the health of plants

Check plants every week. Pick off discoloured leaves and dead flowers, which can encourage diseases. Make sure plants are free of pests

Start watering plants a little less now conditions are turning cooler and make sure there is good circulation around their foliage, to prevent fungal diseases.

### Bulbs in containers, pots and bowls

Finish planting up bowls of spring-flowering bulbs, including narcissi, crocuses, dwarf irises and tulips.

Place bulbs in a cool area to grow making sure they are protected from heavy rain.

### Lawn care

Spike/ Fork your lawns using a hollow-tined aerator and brush grit into the holes to improve drainage. Get your lawn in tip top condition.

### Frost protection

Keep an eye out for frost. Frost can bring a sudden end to flowering displays.

Start bringing in any tender plants and crops under cover or

If you run out of time throw over sheets of fleece over plants or containers to give give some temporary protection.

### Seeds

By saving your seeds it is cost effective and can give some fantastic results.

Leave the last of your sweet peas on the plant to set seed and develop pods.

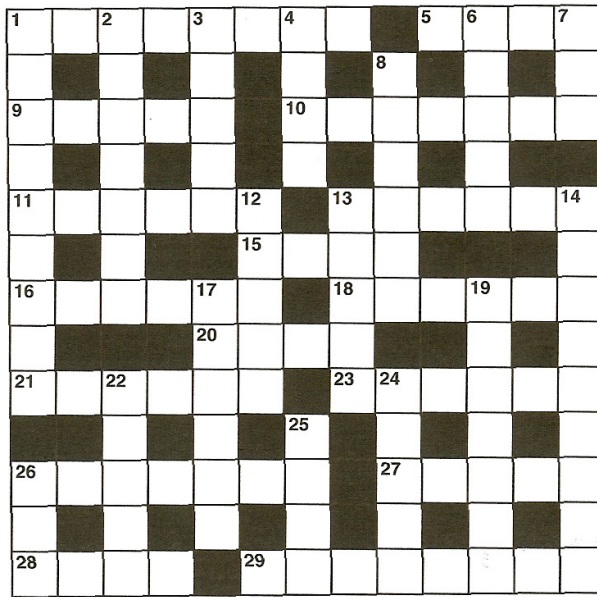
Once ripe pods can be picked and the seed removed, cleaned and stored.

Another option is to sow sweet peas now for some early blooms.

Save seeds from peas and runner beans.



# Quick Crossword



## Across

- 1 Domestic store (8)  
 8 .... Women Want, Mel Gibson film (4)  
 9 Aptitude, style (5)  
 10 Thought (to be) (7)  
 11 ..... Kitt, vetean entertainer (6)  
 13 Country's song (6)  
 15 Sudden loud noise (4)  
 16 Give unwanted moral advice (6)  
 18 . .... O'Leary, presenter of *The X-Factor* (6)  
 20 Lions bellow (4)  
 21 Fit of anger (6)  
 23 Breadwinner (6)  
 26 Christmas chocolate cake (4,3)  
 27 Famous novel about a Swiss girl (5)  
 28 Stalin's empire (inits) (4)  
 29 Perform (a skill) regularly (8)

## Down

- 1 Espresso container (8)  
 2 North American grassland (7)  
 3 ..... Winfrey, American TV hostess (5)  
 4 Barely cooked (4)  
 6 TV detective, partner to Starsky (5)  
 7 ..... Hughes, 1980's Poet Laureate (3)  
 8 Steamed pudding (6)  
 12 Regard with horror (5)  
 13 Peter .... *Insania* singer (5)  
 14 Fast vehicle used by couriers (9)  
 17 Cuisine similar to Cajun (6)  
 19 Henry ...., writer of *The Pink Panther* theme (7)  
 22 Thaws. Dissolves (5)  
 24 As the need arises (2,3)  
 25 Seaweed jelly (4)  
 26 Second person singular (3)

## Solution to October Crossword

### Across

1. Cabbage 5. Shark 8. Used 9. Wore down  
 11. Dough 12 Cyanide 15. ID card 16 Howler 18.  
 Hands-on 20 Aside 22. Jettison 24. Aura 25. Adapt  
 26. Goodbye

### Down

2. Abscond 3. Bodyguard 4. Gown 6. Hid 7.  
 Rowed 10. Rhythm 13. News-stand 14. Odious  
 17. Elderly 19. Ahead 21 Undo 23 Tip

## November Sudoku

				8				5
		1	9					
7							1	6
			1			6		9
3		5				1		4
6		8			3			
5	6							2
					5	4		
9				2				

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## Solution to October Suduko

1	6	8	9	5	4	2	7	3
3	9	5	2	7	8	4	6	1
2	7	4	3	6	1	9	8	5
8	1	6	4	3	9	7	5	2
4	2	3	7	8	5	6	1	9
7	5	9	1	2	6	8	3	4
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5	4	2	6	1	7	3	9	8
6	3	1	8	9	2	5	4	7

# Useful Information and Telephone Numbers



## G.P. SURGERIES AND HEALTH CENTRES

**Witley** – The Surgery, Wheeler Lane, Witley GU8 5QR

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Some items only required for a short time (usually 3 months) may be borrowed. Type of equipment available includes bed blocks, bed cradles, back rests, commodes, wheelchairs, bed pans, urinals etc.

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or Mrs Hayle, Weycourt Godalming (Open Tues 7.30-8.30 pm) 01483 416326

## POLICE

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Non-urgent and crime reporting.....0845 125 2222

Neighbourhood Specialist Officer (PC 2480 Sam Barnett).....01483 638878

Direct Line (Spire) 07967 988803 (Mobile)

email: 2480@surre3y.pnn.police.uk

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Parish Council Representative	Mr R. Vickery		01428 682036

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## **GENERAL**

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## **VETERINARY SURGEONS**

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### **Hambledon Village Shop & Post Office Opening Times**

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<b>Wednesday</b>	9 – 5.00	9.30 – 12.30	Closed
<b>Thursday</b>	9 – 5.00	9.30 – 12.30	1.30 – 4.30
<b>Friday</b>	9 – 5.00	9.30 – 12.30	1.30 – 4.30
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