

# THE CLARION

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## Holiday

If you consult Wikipedia, it tells you that the word holiday comes from the Old English word *hāligdæg* (*hālig* 'holy' + *dæg* 'day'). Most of our statutory holidays are from Christian festivals (Christmas, Easter, Pentecost), but for most of us the word holiday is perhaps more strongly associated with a week or two away, and the connection with anything holy may be rather tenuous. However, the extra space and time holidays offer can be just what we need to take stock of our lives and decide to make a change.

If you want a really 'holy' holiday, there are other options. The most obvious is a retreat, which can vary from silent retreats for up to 30 days to more low key affairs in beautiful places like Iona, where the people you meet can definitely add to the experience. I know that many of you have been on Parish Pilgrimages, where a group from St Mary's have chosen to travel to a particular place in order to relax, have fun and worship together. What has been clear from the feedback I have had so far is that these trips have been greatly valued by those who went on them. Not just because they have been enjoyable trips in and of themselves, but because those who have gone on them have made new friends within the congregation and strengthened the friendships they already had.

I am keen to continue this great St Mary's tradition, but was wondering if it might be possible to embrace an option that would suit all our church members, rather than just the adults. I have recently contacted a Christian accommodation website that gives details of child-friendly centres around the country. Some of these are rather rough and ready bunk-houses, but others are considerably more civilised, while including a range of activities that children would love. There are also places like Iona, Lee Abbey and Scargill House, where a group of Christians live in community and

include visitors in their praying and worshipping life. The advantage of places like Lee Abbey and Scargill, from your vicar's point of view, is that there is bible teaching or activities suiting all ages, so you get to hear a fresh voice and I get to learn alongside you.

The main issue with organising a parish week or weekend at either of these places is that you have to book considerably in advance to get a suitable time, and need to have a critical mass willing to sign up. The electoral roll at Bath Abbey was about 500, but we only just managed to have the Sidholme hotel to ourselves, although we did not fill all the 130 beds.

Another option is to join one of the Christian Festivals. During my Methodist days I discovered the joys of Spring Harvest, and more recently I have survived camping at New Wine and Greenbelt. Greenbelt would probably feel the most familiar in terms of its approach to faith, and has amazing speakers, like Giles Fraser and Lucy Winkett, as well as arts, music and a wonderful atmosphere. Greenbelt used to be based on the racecourse in Cheltenham, so bed and breakfast accommodation was plentiful nearby, and while they now have a much more beautiful venue in Northampton, bricks and mortar accommodation for those that want it is now 30 minutes off site and camping is the main option. Spring Harvest, because it is based at Butlins (Minehead or Skegness) has everything to keep your children happy, but it's not just good for children. Although the site is large, it is fully accessible, with optional scooter hire to get about. Spring Harvest is more evangelical in its teaching and worship than Greenbelt, but it is also more ecumenical and diverse, and has benefitted from the presence of people like Paula Gooder in the past few years. All of these festivals have day tickets, (in some case half day) so you can choose to stay for as little or as long as you like. I also have a priest friend in

Minehead who will let me use his church for communion if we went there.

Thanks to the internet, all these festivals and venues have websites so you can get a flavour of what you might be letting yourself in for. Please send a list of your top three preferences (either a Christian Centre, Christian Community or from the list of festivals e.g. 1) Christian Centre; 2) Christian Community; 3) Greenbelt) and we will take it from there.  
*Sarah Archer*

## **How I came to St Mary's**

It has been a few weeks now since I joined you and I should have written this article before now, but better late than never! I thought I would give you a potted history of my life, in particular that relating to church. It has been a varied history, so for clarity I am doing it in the format of year, place where I was living, school/work place and what I was doing; and where I was going to church.

1966-1971, Hatch End, Pinner; St Anselm's Primary; St Anselm.

1971-1984, Northwood; Holy Trinity Primary; Haberdasher's Askes's School for Girls; Holy Trinity Northwood.

1984-1989, Notting Hill, Shepherd's Bush, Putney, Pimlico; Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School; Roman Catholic Society, St Barnabas Kensington.

1989-1990, Penzance; West Cornwall Hospital (Surgical House officer); Chapel Street Methodist church, Penzance, where my faith really came alive. Became part of the monthly ecumenical healing Team at Trelowarren Retreat House;

1990, Westminster; Westminster Hospital (Medical House officer); Holy Trinity, Northwood and attended Alpha Course at St Barnabas Kensington.

1990-1991, Northwood; Kobler Centre (HIV) and Westminster Hospital; Holy Trinity Northwood; Set up contemplative prayer group.

1991, Truro; City Hospital, Truro (A&E); Chapel Street Methodist, Penzance.

1991-1992, New Zealand; Horowhenua Hospital, Levin (Geriatrics) and Travelling;

Anglican and Assemblies of God churches in Auckland and Levin.

1992-1994, Truro 1.5 years and Penzance six months; GP Training Scheme in Truro, Penzance, and Redruth (Paediatrics, Psychiatry, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, A&E, Geriatrics); Chapel Street Methodist, Penzance.

1994-1995, Bodmin; GP Trainee at Carnewater Practice; St Petroc's, Bodmin (run first Alpha Course in Bodmin).

1995-1997, Devoran, near Truro; GP in Phoenix Surgery, Camborne and Sexual Health in City Hospital, Truro; St John and St Petroc, Devoran (ran Alpha Course).

1997-2000, Oxford; Ripon College Cuddleston (Ministry Training), MA Oxon Theology, Diploma in Ministry; St Helen's Abingdon, St Aldate's Oxford, St Mary Magdalene's Oxford; Coleg y Groes, Wales, for 30-day Ignatian Retreat in final year.

2000-2003, Dulwich; St Barnabas Dulwich, Heythrop College, University of London: MA in Psychology of Religion; St Barnabas, Dulwich, occasional trips to St James-the-Less, Pimlico; became a Duty Chaplain at Westminster Abbey.

2003-2007, White City; St Michael and St George, White City; Chair of Governors Canberra Primary School; Sexual Health, West London Centre; Parish of St Stephen and St Thomas with St Michael and St George; became a Priest Vicar at Westminster Abbey.

2007-2008, Northwood; Sexual health at West London Centre and Victoria Clinic; PTO Willesden Episcopal Area, Holy Trinity Northwood (set up healing prayer training).

2008-1015, Bath; PTO Bath & Wells, Licensed in 2010 to Bath Abbey with St Michael's Without; work as sexual health doctor and GP; Bath Abbey,

It may look alarming or unstable, but moving jobs and places as a doctor is part of the deal, and it has given me a wealth of experiences of different churches and denominations. Having said that, you will see that I have worshipped on and off at Holy Trinity Northwood since 1971, a middle of the road church very much like St Mary's, so I have had a wonderful opportunity to see how that has changed and developed slowly with time. I am aware that this looks very much like a CV, but behind the places are friends and fellowship that have

blessed my life very richly, and an increasing commitment to the idea of local parish ministry. I have also been on retreat to nearly 30 different convents, monasteries and retreat houses from Iona to Brittany over the years, which has also had a profound influence on my faith and spirituality. I don't fit neatly into any particular box of spirituality, although it would be fair to say I have most in common with the Anglo-Catholic renewal movement.

I am blessed with a wonderful sister, Mandy, who works for Deloitte in hospital improvement and lives in Birmingham, nephew Joshua and niece Ella (twins of 19), both recently flown the nest to Sheffield and Bath Unis, and my parents Barrie and Gerry, who live in Northwood where Mum continues to attend Holy Trinity and helps with the flowers. I am currently sharing the vicarage with lodgers Emilia and Nick Kenchington (Nick's father is a vicar in Bath), who you will see at church; and Alice Taylor, who is a verger at Westminster Abbey and who you mostly won't! I have plans to add to our number with a four legged friend of the feline variety.

*Sarah Archer*

## **Advent Course**

The Advent Course this year will run in the church on Sunday 22 & 29 November and 13 December, starting at 12 noon. We will also run the course on Wednesday 2, 9 & 16 December starting at 10.30am to 11.45pm followed by the Mid-week Eucharist.

## **Memories of war**

Conscientious objectors also demand our respect for their strongly held views during the war. Ernest Lough, the famous 'O for the wings of a dove' boy soprano was one of them. The organist who accompanied him was Sir George Thomas Thalban-Ball, who realised the unique qualities of the boy's voice and had a record made.

Ernest became a London fire fighter. One night he was trying to quench the fire of a particularly difficult building, and as dawn broke, his team was successful. Weary and exhausted, Ernest looked down at his feet and saw a vinyl record curved in different directions but still almost intact. He picked it up out of the gutter

and it was his own recording of 'O for the wings of a dove'. It became a very precious object for him.

*Pat Schleger*

## **An afternoon of relaxed and friendly bridge in memory of my darling June**



A few months ago I was approached by Judy Graham, a dear friend who attended and was moved by June's funeral but who had not known June well. Having met June and known of her love for bridge, Judy had an idea: to hold an afternoon of friendly uncompetitive and relaxed bridge in June's memory to help raise money for the Royal Marsden Cancer Charity.

June would have loved the idea (any excuse to play!) and I introduced Judy to John McVeigh to discuss St Mary's as the venue, and also to June's close bridge friends Maggie Worsdell and Bernadette Henniker, who liked the idea and were able to articulate what June would have wanted.

On Tuesday afternoon 27 October, 44 ladies sat down at 11 bridge tables loaned for the occasion, to enjoy a happy and memorable event. The venue was perfect, as June had worshipped at St Marys for 45 years and June and I were married there in March 1975.

After I introduced myself and welcomed everybody, the church hall became a buzz of concentration, conversation, cards being shuffled, bids being made and contracts being entered into. Play continued for two hours and was followed at 4.30pm by a delicious afternoon tea of sandwiches and some amazing cakes.

This happy event has raised £630 for the Royal Marsden Cancer Charity, which I will deliver by hand to the Marsden this week. Thank you St Mary's, and thank you to everyone who took part.

*Richard Brudenell*

## Lament of a technophobe



We live in a technological age and I am proud that at St Mary's we have a website, a communications committee and the technology to contact, co-ordinate and reach out to parish and diocese. To work in the church office, or indeed any office these days, computer skills are essential. The advantages are obvious and in the circumstances, I have decided that I must succumb to the inevitable and learn to love my computer.

However, while I admit to being something of a dinosaur, I do most emphatically deny any phobia. The fault lies in the fast changing technological age; it is, in a nutshell, from penny slot machine to Apple Mac in one life time.

I hasten to dispel the myth that my youth was without technology. Embryonic perhaps, even a little primitive, but my first experience of 'electronic control' was, as a small child, in the pavilion on Brighton Pier. This may seem an unlikely venue, but there are those who will remember that for the price of 1p, one could watch the magic happen. What Internet programme could possibly compare with the gripping scene of 'What the Butler Saw', and 'The Laughing Sailor' who never laughed alone? We really knew how to party in those days. Nothing, however, could compare with 'The Execution of Mary Queen of Scots'. In response to the al-powerful penny, a light came on and three small doors in the display case opened in sequence. First, the trial, second the Queen at her prayers and, thirdly the execution. This was the dramatic climax when a six-inch high executioner cut the unfortunate

doll's head from her body. I was all of six years old, had nightmares for weeks afterwards, and would not like to contemplate the long-term effects on my psyche. Needless to say I always spent most of my money on that exhibit.

My second technological challenge was the cash dispenser at the local bank. It came considerably later in my life and lacked any dramatic import. I was, however, highly motivated to succeed.

It is not surprising that the small computer screen fills me with dread, and I know I am not alone. But I try, I really do. In the meanwhile, if it could be arranged for there to be a little penny slot on the side of the computer screen, I might be encouraged to do even better.

*Ann Mulcare*

## Mercy 2

'Angels and ministers of grace defend us'.  
(Hamlet, IV, I, 39)

In the previous article I described how, during the war, I came close to death by an act of my own folly, and the life-changing consequences that ensued. Since then there have been at least half a dozen occasions when, due to my own actions, whether foolish or merely inept, I have again flirted with death.

Two of these occurred when I was commanding a squadron of engineers in Germany. The first was when I was running a course on mine warfare for officers of the armoured corps. To demonstrate the effects of an anti-tank mine I arranged to detonate a similar amount of explosive under the track of a disused tank hulk. The rules said that the safety distance for spectators was 1000 yards. This seemed to me to unnecessarily restrictive and I stationed the spectators (and myself) in a deep cutting only about 200 yards from the explosion. The bang and resulting cloud of ascending debris were most impressive, but soon there came a noise like a ram-jet engine. It was caused by a complete track-link descending almost vertically – a lethal projectile. It fell among us and buried itself harmlessly in the ground. Only by sheer good luck was no one killed.

The second came when I was leading my unit back from the training area to barracks at the end of a long exercise. It was night and all were tired. There were a number of railway crossings un-gated and unmanned. The rule was to station a motor-cycle despatch rider at each such crossing to act as traffic controller. We approached one crossing at a moment when all our motor-cyclists were busy policing other tricky points, and we should have waited until one of them caught up with us. Instead I said to my driver 'We'll take a chance on this one' and kept going. As we crossed the line I saw the lights of an approaching train only 100 yards away. Having crossed the line I scrambled out of my Landrover, hoping to stop the rest of the convoy, but it was too late. The next vehicle came on across the rails, and as it did so the train hit its trailer. Once again, providentially, no one was hurt. At the ensuing board of inquiry I had only to account for a bent trailer, damaged cooking gear and a cracked buffer belonging to the Deutsche Bundesbahn.

Later, my family and I took up sailing, and soon progressed to a 35-foot catamaran. One year, with one of my sons and two friends we took part in the 'Round the Island' race. When close to Ventnor the boat was suddenly hit by a combination of downdraught and wave that turned us over and we had to swim out from underneath. It is important to hold one's breath because a gulp of inhaled water can be fatal. Luckily we were all in the cockpit, wearing neither safety harness nor personal buoyancy, either of which would have been serious impediments. I remembered to swim downwards to clear the safety lines but actually emerged between two of them without getting snagged. Everyone was safe and we were soon rescued by a passing boat. No doubt we had been carrying too much sail, thus endangering all our lives.

The next year I had bought a conventional cruiser-racer and we entered the Fastnet Race. It was the year of the great storm in which 23 boats sank or were abandoned, 136 crew members were saved by the rescue services and 15 drowned. When the storm blew up at about midnight at first we lay 'ahull', which means taking down all sail and letting the boat lie as she will, across the waves. Later we ran

off, which means steering down wind, still with no sail set, making a few knots through the water and taking the waves as far as possible on the stern. On several occasions waves broke into the cockpit filling it to the level of the seats, but the main hatchway was watertight, the crew well secured and the cockpit drains slowly took the water away. By afternoon the wind started to die down and we were able to set sail and return via Land's End to Penzance. The crew were undamaged, apart from one split lip, but when the boat was taken out of the water at the end of the season it was found that the rudder was cracked and had almost broken away from the rudder post. This must have happened when lying ahull, because we had failed to lash the tiller thus allowing the rudder to flap to and fro. If we had lost the rudder and then gone on to lose our nerve and take to the life raft, as some did, we might not have survived.

Living for some 20 years in the New Forest I often drove to London along the M3. One day, suffering mildly from hay fever, I was given an anti-histamine pill by my wife. I had a small glass of beer for lunch, not realising the effect of this combination. On the way up to London, in a Morris 1800, I awoke on the central reservation with the grass going past on both sides at about 40mph. Luckily there were no ditches and the other traffic was so dumbfounded that they let me back on to the fast lane, albeit driving much more slowly. Since then I have dozed off at speed at least once more, hitting the kerb but mercifully not bursting a tyre. There is no excuse for this highly dangerous and anti-social behaviour, because a few minutes' rest in a layby and a drink of Coca-Cola affords a complete remedy.

I am sorry to say that all these episodes, like my wounding in the war (*Clarion*, November 2015) have been caused mainly by my own bravado, impetuosity or the desire to cut a dash, and failure to obey simple rules of prudence perfectly well known to me. In every instance I have put others beside myself at risk. Being naturally cautious and introverted I cannot explain why I break out in these ways. St Paul describes the problem when he says, in Romans 7:19 and 23, 'The evil which I would not, that I do... I see another law in my members, warring

against the law of my mind'. Equally puzzling is the place of God in this. If he has stepped in on all these occasions to save me from my folly, how and why has he done this? By means of a Guardian Angel? To save me for some good work that only I can do? This sounds like unwarrantable arrogance. Are there not better men and women in plenty without picking on me? (To be continued)

*Hugh Beach*

'New mercies, each returning day Hover around us while we pray.' John Keble, (1792-1866) *English Hymnal*, No. 238



### **Advent Procession**

The great Advent Procession takes place on Saturday 28 November at 6.00 p.m. This is a moving and uplifting service in which the Cathedral Choir moves throughout the building singing music which reflects the Advent themes of light and hope, together with readings from scripture and literature and some of the best-loved of the Advent hymns. The service will last approximately an hour and a quarter and you will need to be seated by 5.30pm at the latest. If you would like to attend, please let John in the parish office know how many tickets you require by **21 November**.

[john@stmarytheboltons.org.uk](mailto:john@stmarytheboltons.org.uk)  
or 0207 835 1440.

### **Out in the garden...**

Just as the garden is shutting down for the winter, out come the nerines in the rockery. These wonderful pink bulbs, linked to the amaryllis family, are native to South Africa and enjoy rocky conditions. Do go and admire their astonishing pink flowers that stand up straight without any leaves as yet. The other decorations of the garden are the leaves falling from our neighbours' garden and we will be having the annual Great Leaf Rake on 29<sup>th</sup> November, which tends to be a half-hour of active fun.

I will start this column again in the spring when the primroses start to flower again, though, if you look carefully, some are already flowering in the rockery.

*Verena Tschudin*

### **Medical Missionary looking for accommodation in London**



Mary and Paul Ushie are full time medical missionaries to the North East of Nigeria. They work amongst extremely poor communities, offering free medical care, giving out food and clothes and sharing Jesus with them. They have 4 grown up children, 3 in the process of studying for degrees.

Mary is a registered nurse and she comes to the UK to work in order to support the family and the ministry and to keep her registration. She comes for 3 months at a time and then goes back to the field in Nigeria for four months, visiting the UK approximately twice a year.

#### A Room in London

Mary is looking for accommodation for when she is working in London. She is in need of a room from January to March and would contribute to the running cost of the house. It would be helpful if Paul could stay as well at times, enabling him to network with supporters. Mary and Paul are personally known to us and are extremely gracious, appreciative, godly people who we would be happy to have living in our home.

#### Storage

They are also looking for a place to store gifts donated to the Mission work in the form of medical consumables and clothing mainly. The charity they run is known as Rapha and more information can be found on their website <http://www.raphamedica.org/>

If you know of anyone who could help provide accommodation or storage we would be very grateful.'

### **November's Year's mind**

Catherine Barclay  
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### **Upcoming dates at St Mary**

#### **Sunday 1 November**

10.30am All Saints

5.00pm Eucharist for All Soul's Day

#### **Saturday 7 November**

Confirmation at St Paul's Cathedral

#### **Sunday 8 November**

Remembrance Sunday 10.30am

#### **Sunday 29 November**

12noon The Big Leaf Rake

Advent Taizé 5.00pm

#### **Thursday 3 December**

Trinity Hospice Carol Concert

November 5.00pm

#### **Sunday 6 December**

10.30am All Age Worship with Nativity Play

St Nicholas Family Lunch

#### **Wednesday 9 December**

7.00pm Sentebale Carol Concert

#### **Sunday 13 December**

7.00pm St Marys Carol Service

#### **Thursday 24 December**

Christmas Eve:

Crib Service 4pm

Midnight Mass 11.30pm

#### **Friday 25 December**

10.30am Christmas Day

## **Trinity Hospice** *Living every moment*

### **Light up a Life**

Christmas is a special holiday for many people who use this period to spend time and create memories with their family and friends.

However it can also be a sensitive and difficult time of year for those who have a loved one living with a terminal illness.

We are delighted to welcome our local hospice Trinity Hospice back to St Mary the Boltons for their second annual Light up a Life

remembrance service which takes place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015 at 7.30pm.

Everyone is welcome to this lovely service, which will include Christmas carols and wine and mince pies afterwards

### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

8.00am Eucharist, 10.30am Sung Eucharist

*The meeting room at the back of the church is available for people with pre-school children.*

*There is a baby changing facility in the wheelchair accessible toilet in the hall.*

### **WEEKDAY SERVICES**

Usually Morning Prayer is said daily at 8.30am (Eucharist on Feastdays); except Public Holidays.

Wednesday 7.00pm Eucharist

#### **Sunday 1 November All Saints**

Readings at 10.30

*Isaiah 25. 6-9;*

*Revelation 21. 1-6a;*

*John 11. 32-44*

#### **All Souls**

Readings at 5.00pm

*Romans 5 5-11;*

*John 5. 19-25*

Wednesday 4 November 12 noon

Eucharist with Prayers for Healing *Romans 13. 8-10; Luke 14. 25-33*

#### **Sunday 8 November Remembrance**

Readings at 10.30am

*Johana 3. 1-5 10*

*Hebrews 9. 24-end;*

*Mark 1. 14-20*

Wednesday 11 Eucharist Martin Bishop of Tours

12 noon *Wisdom 6. 1-11; Luke 17. 11-19*

#### **Sunday 15 November Second Sunday before Advent**

Readings at 10.30

*Danial 12. 1-3;*

*Hebrews 10. 11-14, 19-25;*

*Mark 13. 1-8*

Wednesday 18 Elizabeth of Hungry

Eucharist 12 noon *Revelation ch4;*

*Luke 19. 11-28*

**Sunday 22 November Christ the King**

Readings at 10.30am *Danial 7. 9-10, 13-14;*

*Revelation 1. 4b-8;*

*John 18. 33-37*

Wednesday 25 Eucharist Catherine of Alexandria

12 noon *Danial 5.1-6, 13-14, 16-17;*

*Luke 21. 12-19*

**Sunday 29 November First Sunday of Advent**

Readings at 10.30am *Jeremiah 33. 14-16 ;*

*1 Thessalonians 3. 9-end;*

*Luke 21. 25-36*

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The St Mary The Boltons' Safeguarding Officer is Julie Crutchley. Her role is to help us to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults at risk. She is the first point of contact for children, adults at risk and other members of the congregation regarding suspicions of abuse and other safeguarding concerns.

If you have any concerns, please contact Julie on 07764497413. Alternatively, speak to: Sheryl Kent, Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser: 020 7932 1224

Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service (CCPAS) helpline: 0845 120 4550  
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