



St Mary's Parish Church Kirkintilloch

May 2022

THE PARISHIONER

Risen and Ascended
Lord,
as you were raised up,
so lift us
into your presence
that we learn
a greater awareness
of the needs of others
and become stewards
of your goodness.



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PASTORAL LETTER . . .

Dear Friends,

The cherry blossom trees are blooming, brown branches are turning green and clothes lines in gardens are filling up with washing: spring has finally sprung! Alleluia! Even today, the air feels that little bit warmer and I am really looking forward to spending some time in the garden.

I confess that I am not particularly green fingered, but my parents are and this week we had a lovely time planting some flowers in the front garden, putting up solar lights on the back fence and giving the grass

the first cut of the season. Grace very quickly became involved and at one point three generations were planting together – my Mum keeping us right as we went along! It is all looking blooming marvellous (as one of my flowerpots says!) and it is great to stand back and see the fruit of our labour. Of course, the grass will grow and the weeds will too, and so we will have to keep on top of it to keep it looking good and I know, because my Mum told me several times, I will have to water the plants!

We stand on the other side of Easter, where we remember that it was in a garden that the first disciples realised that Jesus was alive. Mary mistook Jesus for the gardener, and I love that the promise of new life was proclaimed there first. Generation after generation have passed this message of good news on and, in doing so, they have planted seeds of faith that have blossomed and grown. We now find ourselves in the season of Easter and are waiting, liturgically, for Pentecost and the promise of the Holy Spirit. Of course, we do not have to wait – God's Spirit is alive and active in our world and yes, wants to be in our lives, pruning, cultivating, tending and growing the stuff of the Kingdom. What is that? Well, Galatians chapter 5 springs to mind: **'the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. There is no law against these things!'** (Gal. 5.22-23). The rest of the letter is worth a read, for Paul goes on to say that we harvest what we plant and, therefore, we should not get tired of doing good but keep on, I suppose, watering the good stuff, the seeds that last and lead to everlasting life. These are the fruits that are mentioned above, which are not just life giving for us but for those around us and, to see them thrive, we need to get rid of, pull up the weeds, of all those things that are not.

As we head towards Pentecost and summertime, I wonder how your garden is growing? Not the one that you might sit in and have a coffee but the one within, the garden where the fruits of the Holy Spirit grow. What seed of the Spirit would you like to see sprout in your life and what needs to be pulled up to give it room to grow?

Whatever it is, as the rain falls and the sun shines, may we trust that God the good gardener is at work and is as faithful as ever, from generation to generation, and put in the labour required in our lives to ensure that what others see and encounter in us is blooming marvellous!

With love and blessings,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Ruth', written in dark ink.

PARISH REGISTER

FUNERALS

Jesus said 'I am the resurrection and the life ...'

'Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted'

Jesus said 'The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God'.

April 29 Mrs Rae Stirling, 3 Northbank Avenue, Kirkintilloch
Mr Joseph McCrae, 24 Poplar Drive, Lenzie

Our thoughts and prayers from all at St Mary's are with both families at this sad time.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mrs Olga Alexander formerly 19 Alloway Terrace, now residing at 54 Regent Street, Kirkintilloch

Mrs Mary Bett formerly c/o 15 Glasgow Road, Kirkintilloch, now residing at 16 Fern Court, Fern Avenue, Lenzie.

Mrs Isobel Waddell formerly 3 Bridgeway Road, Kirkintilloch, now residing in Lillieburn Care Home, Milton of Campsie.

Working Together

Thank you to everyone who has handed in bunting flags for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. They are all currently being stitched together. Thanks too for all the poppies that have been handed in. We are making good progress with our installation but need more white poppies! Please keep knitting and handing them in.

Your support is very much appreciated.



CHURCH FLOWERS

We can now display and deliver church flowers once again - their presence has been missed. We have, however, agreed to some changes in the way we do things. For the next few months, we will only have four arrangements in church each week (or four vases of flowers). The flower arrangers on duty each week will also deliver them.

Recipients will be contacted each week to check if they are happy to receive flowers, which will be delivered following Covid guidelines. Thank you for continued donations.

Please know we continue to think about and pray for all those who would benefit from church flowers.

***Fiona Leishman, Sandra Burns, Ruth Poynton,
Elizabeth Walker
The Flower Committee***

Copy for the Summer issue (June / July / August), should be e-mailed to sandraburns.me@gmail.com no later than

Sunday 29 May. If there are

any changes to our current situation prior to this date, further information will be issued accordingly. With continued thanks to those who make donations towards the cost of producing the magazine.

Church Office

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the Church office still remains closed at present.
Telephone number is 0141 775 1166 or e-mail: office.stmarys@btconnect.com

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Missed or lost your copy of the Parishioner ... why not go to www.stmaryskirkintilloch.org.uk and see this month's copy. Stephen McKean, Webmaster, has built up previous issues online so you can look back on past copies.

Also if you wish any news or information to be put on the website please e-mail **webmaster@stmaryskirkintilloch@btinternet.com** and we will put these on the News page of the Website.



BELL RINGERS

We are pleased to intimate that the bells will continue to be rung on alternate Sundays by Leslie Bevens and Jen Biggans.



Nursery Update

Our thanks to the nursery children for helping to decorate the church for Easter by painting our origami angels - what a colourful display was created.

The final term of this session has started and planning for our graduation at the end of term is already underway! This term the nursery will be focusing on planting as well as revamping the garden areas. We are planning to start trips again and get the children out and about in the community.

Our pre-school children will have induction events as they plan to start school in August.

Fiona Leishman, Nursery Convener

Session Report

The Kirk Session met via Zoom on the 10th of April, as previously intimated. This meeting was called specifically to consider the proposal to form a cluster with the other congregations in Lenzie and Kirkintilloch, in order to develop our Presbytery Mission Plan.

Session unanimously approved the proposal and I have subsequently advised Presbytery accordingly. Presbytery initially asked for our responses by 15th April, but this date was subsequently extended to 30th April.

So all Kirk Sessions will have advised Presbytery of their decisions by the end of the month.

Presbytery will then meet on the 3rd May to determine the allocation of congregations to cluster groups within each of the zones, for the purpose of the Presbytery Mission Plan. This will allow us to start the process of creating our Mission Plan, which will include the allocation of a professional facilitator to support the conversations and the planning that will be required.

We are working to very short timescales and arrangements will move forward at pace, so please watch out for the latest news and updates on our website.

**Gordon Morrison,
Session Clerk**

Christian Aid Week

15th – 21st May, 2022



Join us this Christian Aid week and help turn hunger into hope. Hope lives in you.

In Zimbabwe the climate crisis is causing aching hunger for families. The combined effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, conflict and drought have robbed people of the power to provide for their children. Without the fertiliser and food like wheat and cooking oil, produced in Ukraine and Russia, vulnerable families will be pushed even deeper into hunger. But hope does not disappoint. Hope lives in you. Your gift this Christian Aid week could help families set up water taps, teach people to grow food and provide seeds that thrive in drought, giving families everything they need to turn their dry, dusty land into a garden of hope. St Mary's effort:

- 1: There will be a retiral collection on the Sundays of 15th and 22nd May.
- 2: Envelope delivery. In place of the House-to-House collection there will be a delivery of envelopes in 9 streets in Lenzie, where St Mary's previously collected in the House-to-House collection. This will be delivery only and anyone taking part will not be required to knock doors. Inside the envelope will be a note with information where it is to be returned, i.e. there are 2 shops in Lenzie participating in the event.

Along with other churches in the area, this event took place last year and the sum of £2,373 was raised.

Anyone who could help with the delivery of these envelopes or who would like more information please contact me on 578 1520/ 07452516108. The envelopes would need to be delivered during the early part of Christian Aid Week.

Thanking you for all your past support.

Paul Malcolm, Christian Aid Coordinator

Accounts

***Our congregational finances for 2021 as extracted
from our overall accounts***

INCOME	£	
OFFERINGS	100,597	
GIFT AID TAX RECOVERY	22,688	
NATIONAL GIVING DAY	1,870	
GIFT AID TAX RECOVERY		238
LEGACIES	17,500	
STIPEND ENDOWMENT	896	
HMRC FURLOUGH GRANT	2,498	
OTHER INCOME	2,515	
WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS	775	
HALL LETS	20,318	
INVESTMENT INCOME	205	
GAINS ON INVESTMENTS	<u>1,081</u>	
TOTAL INCOME	171,181	

EXPENDITURE	£	
OFFERING ENVELOPES	540	
MINISTRIES AND MISSION	57,211	
PRESBYTERY DUES	3,892	
LOCUM FEES	7,835	
MINISTERS EXPENSES	1,006	
COUNCIL TAX	2,026	
PULPIT SUPPLY	120	
SALARY COSTS	11,948	
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	25,994	
WATER AND INSURANCE	8,666	
HEAT AND LIGHT	14,483	
CLEANING	642	
CHURCH OFFICE	1,633	
ORGAN & MUSIC	8,654	
DEPRECIATION	6,464	
NATIONAL GIVING DAY	910	
OTHER EXPENSES	<u>398</u>	
	152,422	
SURPLUS FOR YEAR	<u>18,759</u>	

This was once again an exceptional year due to the various restrictions placed on us by the Covid -19 pandemic, which greatly impacted on what we could do for the major part of the year. We were also very fortunate to welcome the Rev. Dr. Ruth Morrison as our new minister in August, which has given new impetus to the congregation.

Whilst the figures for the year look very impressive and many thanks are due to all who have contributed by way of giving of money or talents, there are a number of factors which need to be taken into account. We were fortunate to receive legacies of £17,500 together with the furlough grants of £2,498 and our hall income remained at a high level due to our Nursery contributing £18,000 in this manner. On the expenses side Ministries and Mission was lower than normal partly due to us being in vacancy and to the rates charged being reduced for one year to help counteract loss of income due to Covid. The charge for repairs is higher than normal largely as a result of extras for the new manse and various items in the Church needing upgrading. The organ also required remedial work to be done on it which was covered by part of two of the legacies.

All in all, the result for the year was very encouraging and is a credit to the congregation and all of those who have given freely of their time and talents during the year. What we must remember however is that in 2022 our costs will rise significantly as we will be paying over £72,000 for Ministries and Mission, salary costs will rise and there will be no furlough grant to offset part of this cost, Council Tax will be payable for the full year and further organ repairs are being carried out. We also hope to install the disabled toilet in the old vestry as planning permission has been granted for this.

In 2021 we received substantial amounts from the Nursery school to assist in installing the new heating system in the halls. As their income is very dependent on numbers there is no guarantee similar sums can be forthcoming in the current year which could be used to further enhance the halls.

The finance team wish to thank everyone who has contributed to the Church and appreciate that times are difficult with rising fuel costs also driving up food costs but would again ask everyone to look at their level of giving to the Church and the manner in which they contribute. Once again, we commend the Gift Aid Scheme and the Standing Order Scheme to you if it is appropriate.

If you have any questions on the accounts or your method of giving

please contact either Hugh Biggans 578 0586, hmbiggans@hotmail.co.uk or John Thomson 239 2611, johnm.thomson@ntlworld.com as they will be only too willing to help you.

Hugh Biggans, Finance Convenor and John Thomson, Treasurer

Questions and Answers on our Annual Accounts

Question 1) How much of our income is of a recurring nature.

Answer: Approximately £148,000 would be considered as regular income.

Question 2) What is likely to happen to our expenditure in 2022.

Answer: Like the rest of the country, we are likely to see considerable increases in expenditure with our contribution to Ministry and Mission alone increasing by over £7,000 and Council Tax costs will approximately double as we only had the new manse for part of the year in 2021. If, as we hope, the premises will be open for the full year, costs of fuel will also increase despite us having a fixed rate for gas and electricity until March 2023.

Question 3) Will we be able to reduce the substantial repair costs incurred in 2021.

Answer: This very much depends on what projects are carried out in the year, with the main one at present in progress being the Disabled Toilet facility being provided in the old vestry. Other projects may well depend on the outcome of the New Presbytery Plan and where St. Mary's fits into this.

Question 4) Why do our accounts for the year to December 2021 look so good.

Answer: A great deal of the surplus achieved in the year was generated by the Nursery School as a result of

the change to 1140 hours. The numbers attending were very good which meant extra funds could be transferred to the Church; however there is no guarantee that such levels can be sustained as we are dependent on attracting new children annually to replace those going to school.

Question 5) What can we do to increase income.

Answer:

We can only ask that even in these hard times the congregation continue to support the church to the best of their ability and would encourage all members on our roll to contribute to our income no matter what it may be. We also ask those who have not yet done so to consider setting up a standing order and / or join the Gift Aid Scheme if appropriate.

**Hugh Biggans, Finance Convenor
and John Thomson, Treasurer**

Property Report

With help from other elders, a new roof has been fitted to the Gas meter house next to the gates to the Church Car park.

The upgrade to the controls of the Organ has been completed. The Church and halls heating system has settled down since it's winter installation and removal of the old oil heating boiler in the halls utilising the two existing church boilers to supply both Church and Halls. It is early days but it looks like we are seeing a reduction in our utility bills compared to when we used oil for fuel for the Halls.

The continued maintenance of our buildings is essential and my thanks go to the small team of willing helpers who work away in the background without whom we would need to rely on bringing in contractors at great expense.

**If you wish to join the small group please contact me on
07510307733.**

David Tinto, Fabric Convenor

Treasurer's Report

Thank you all for your continued support and giving.

Some recent receipts I wish to mention:

Donation to Parishioner £30

Donation to Fabric Fund £20

Donations to General Funds £20, £20, £100, £50

Donation from Cynthia and David Keellings £300

John M Thomson, Treasurer

The Refugee

All that I was, I no longer am
All that I have, I hold in my hand
My home, my love, my world are
all gone

One among thousands, I shuffle
along.

Only last week I knew who I was
All that has gone, and only
because

Someone in a land a long way
away

Turned life into hell one terrible
day.

He started a war, his heart icy
cold

He rained down his hell on the
young and the old

I ran for my life for I had no
choice

And nobody heard the fear in my
voice.

Everything's gone, and all that is
'me'

Summed up in a word – the
word 'refugee'.

I have no control, no say in my
fate

Just one in a crowd, I stand and
I wait.

Waiting for what? The future's
unclear,

For armed men have taken all
that I held dear

Along with my hopes, and all I
had planned

All swept away by the tanks in
my land.

One thing alone puts a smile on
my face

A far nicer stranger has come to
this place;

A bed for the night? A cup of hot
tea?

And - best of all - someone who
sees me as me.

By Nigel Beeton

LET'S CELEBRATE! LET'S CELEBRATE

In the life of every person and every society there are important milestones recognised by all and celebrated by all. On Sunday 5th June we have the chance to celebrate two such events. This Sunday is both Pentecost, which is accepted by many as the birth of the Christian church as the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples, as well as the anniversary weekend of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Why celebrate?

Imagine a life without St Mary's and all it means; without Pentecost it would not be here.

Imagine living a life constantly in the spotlight (some of us do not like being watched while we park the car) and rarely putting a foot wrong. On Sunday 5th June when we have our first Strawberry Lunch in over two years we can celebrate both in style. There will be two courses, Main and Pudding - Strawberries will feature in both but can be avoided if you do not like them. We can cope with a variety of dietary needs if you tell us when you buy your ticket.

Although all restrictions have been lifted measures for your safety will be in place. Tickets go on sale after the service on Sunday 15th May, costing £1 to reserve your place and give us an idea of how many we are catering for. On the day, you leave a donation of whatever you think appropriate for the meal provided.

Children of all ages are very welcome.

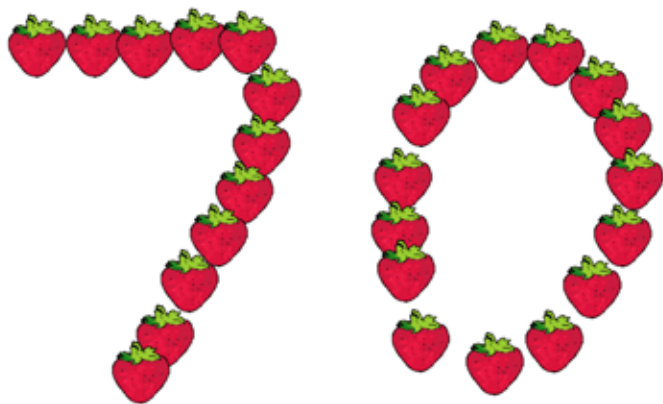
A BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY ALL IN ONE WEEKEND – LET'S CELEBRATE!

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE

JUBILEE DAY



LET'S CELEBRATE!



YEARS

STRAWBERRY LUNCH

Tickets £1 (plus donation on the day)



on sale from Sunday 15th May

Rogation Sunday

(Sunday before Ascension)

Rogation means an asking of God - for blessing on the seed and land for the year ahead. It is appropriate in any emergency, war, plague, drought or foul weather. The practice began with the Romans, who invoked the help of the gods Terminus and Ambarvalia. In those days a crowd moved in procession around the cornfields, singing and dancing, sacrificing animals, and driving away Winter with sticks. They wanted to rid the cornfields of evil.

In about 465 the Western world was suffering from earthquake, storm and epidemic. So Mamertius, Bishop of Vienne, aware of the popular pagan custom, ordered that prayers should be said in the ruined or neglected fields on the days leading up to Ascension. With his decision, 'beating the bounds' became a Christian ceremonial. Rogation-tide arrived in England early in the eighth century and became a fixed and perennial asking for help of the Christian God. On Rogation-tide, a little party would set out to trace the boundaries of the parish. At the head marched the bishop or the priest, with a minor official bearing a Cross, and after them the people of the parish, with schoolboys and their master trailing along. Most of them held slender wands of willow.

At certain points along the route - at well-known landmarks like a bridge or stile or ancient tree, the Cross halted, the party gathered about the priest, and a litany or rogation is said, imploring God to send seasonable wealth, keep the corn and roots and boughs in good health, and bring them to an ample harvest. At some point beer and cheese would be waiting.

In the days when maps were neither common nor accurate, there was much to be said for 'beating the bounds.' It was still very common as late as the reign of Queen Victoria. Certainly, parish boundaries rarely came into dispute, for everyone knew them. (Do you know yours today?)

21st May - Ascension Day: 40 Days with the Risen Christ

40 days after Easter comes Ascension Day. These are the 40 days during which the Risen Christ appeared again and again to His disciples, following His death and resurrection. (Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; and John 20.)

The Gospels give us little of Christ's teachings and deeds during those 40 days. Jesus was seen by numerous of His disciples: on the road to Emmaus, by the Sea of Galilee, in houses, etc. He strengthened and encouraged His disciples, and at last opened their eyes to all that the Scriptures had promised about the Messiah. Jesus also told them that as the Father had sent Him, He was now going to send them - to all corners of the earth, as His witnesses. Surely the most tender, moving 'farewell' in history took place on Ascension Day. Luke records the story with great poignancy: 'When Jesus had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, He lifted up His hands - and blessed them.'

As Christmas began the story of Jesus' life on earth, so Ascension Day completes it, with His return to His Father in heaven. Jesus' last act on earth was to bless His disciples. He and they had a bond as close as could be: they had just lived through three tumultuous years of public ministry and miracles – persecution and death – and resurrection!

Just as we part from our nearest and dearest by still looking at them with love and memories in our eyes, so exactly did Jesus: 'While He was blessing them, He left them and was taken up into heaven.' (Luke 24:50-1) He was not forsaking them, but merely going on ahead to a kingdom which would also be theirs one day: 'I am ascending to my Father and to your Father, to my God and your God...' (John 20:17)

The disciples were surely the most favoured folk in history. Imagine being one of the last few people on earth to be face to face with Jesus and have Him look on you with love. No wonder then that Luke goes on: 'they worshipped Him and returned to Jerusalem with great

joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.’ (Luke 24:52,53) No wonder they praised God! They knew they would see Jesus again one day! ‘I am going to prepare a place for you... I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.’ (John 14:2,3) In the meantime, Jesus had work for them to do: to take the Gospel to every nation on earth.

24th May – The hymns of the Wesley’s

Later this month the Church calendar celebrates the lives of John and Charles Wesley. John’s great gift to the Christian cause was the little matter of founding the world-wide movement known as Methodism. His brother Charles had an equally profound impact through his hymns. He actually wrote over 6,000, most of which aren’t sung nowadays, but among the ones we do still sing are all-time favourites – ‘Love divine, all loves excelling’, ‘O for a thousand tongues to sing’. ‘Jesu lover of my soul’, ‘Hark the herald angels sing’ – and scores more.

40 years ago, almost everybody knew quite a lot of hymns, but sadly that’s no longer true. Traditional hymns aren’t usually sung at school assemblies, not even in church schools, and while the audience for ‘Songs of Praise’ on BBC TV is substantial, most of those watching are over 50.

With only about ten per cent of the population even irregular churchgoers there is inevitably a lack of familiarity with hymns of any kind. Christmas carols are an exception, as is ‘Jerusalem’ and ‘Amazing Grace’, because they are frequently heard outside church. Singing hymns is a wonderful experience at its best – just ask a Welsh rugby crowd singing ‘Bread of heaven’! It seems a pity to lose it.

It’s not a bad idea to take ten minutes and think about what your favourite hymn is, and why – ancient or modern doesn’t matter. Then try singing it in the bath or under the shower – a very purifying experience!

The Rectory

St James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

A Spring parish picnic is always a good idea – although you must bear some details in mind. First, whatever date you choose will turn out be the wettest of the year. English picnics are invariably eaten under umbrellas while wearing Wellingtons and the sort of determinedly cheerful look that defies anyone to admit they would rather be home in front of the fire. Second, no matter how early in the year, wasps will emerge from hibernation in huge numbers, and terrorise Mrs Hornby with the picnic baskets. And thirdly, someone will bring along their (hungry) dog. Last time Colonel Psmith's spaniel outdid herself: she leapt up, head butted a piece of Madeira cake out of Mrs Horngirdle's hand - and ate the lot – before even a crumb could touch the ground. A good piece of field work, that. Half-way through the afternoon, some over-excited member of the party will decide to arrange a game of rounders. (Mr Poppinjay tried this one year, as in his youth he had been athletic. Fortunately, the ambulance got there quickly, and the ankle healed

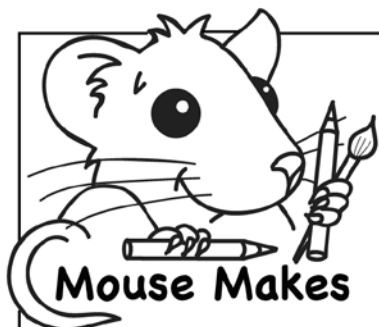
well.) Then the mothers who join in will completely ignore the ball sailing past them, while they discuss some burning topic of Mother's Union gossip.

In the meantime, the young choir members, who were the reason for arranging the game in the first place, will have drifted off to the lake to throw stones at the ducks while no one is looking.

For our annual picnic, I use my own car, making sure it is so full of clerical robes and church magazines that no one else can fit in. Throughout the day, I keep returning to it to make sure no one has broken in to steal the Communion wine – and taking the opportunity to catch up on the cricket scores. By the middle of the afternoon, I usually remember that some urgent duty, such as blessing a traction engine, demands my departure.

The rest of the party, by now soaked, cold and knowing the coach to take them home is still several hours off, only wish they had such demanding work to tear them away.

Your loving uncle, Eustace



"Give thanks to the
Lord for He is good,
His love endures
forever"
Psalm 136:1

Jesus said,
"This, then, is how
you should pray:

Our

_____ in _____
hallowed be your

_____ your

_____ come,
your _____ be
done, on

_____ as it
is in _____.

Give us this day our
daily _____.
And

_____ us our _____,
as we also have
forgiven our debtors.
And _____

us not into
temptation, but

_____ us from the
_____ one."

Read Matthew 6:9-13
to fill in the words.

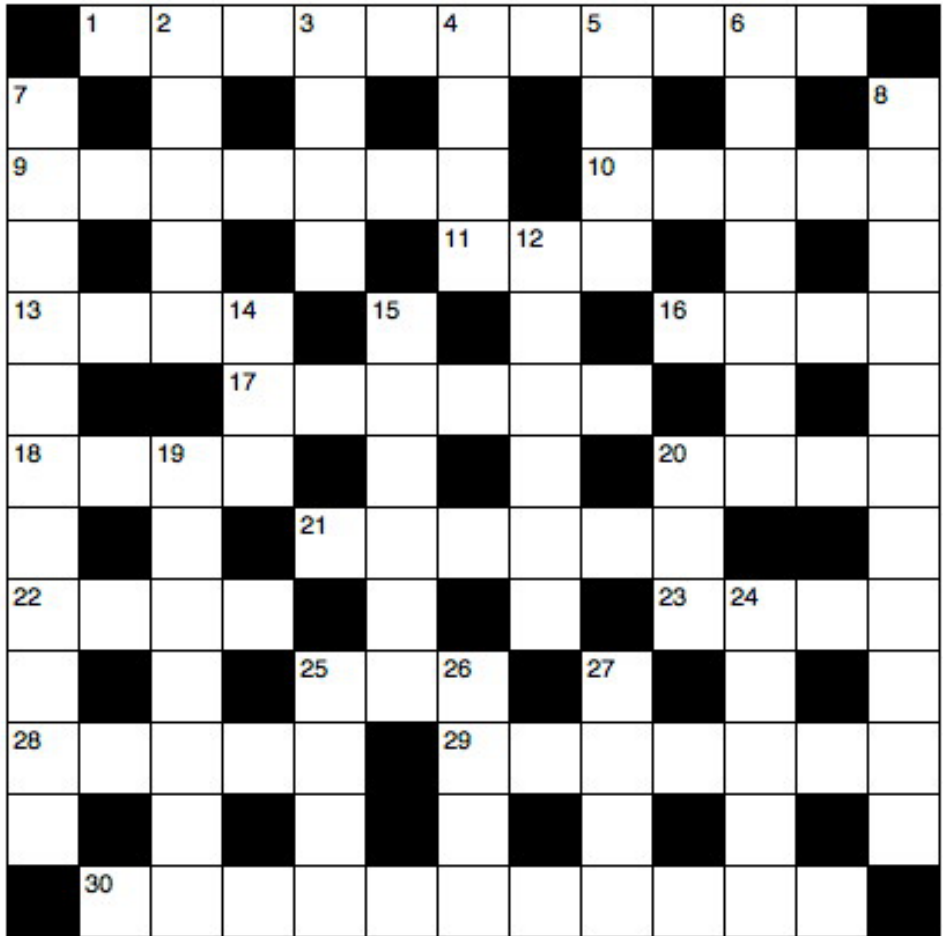


"Never stop praying."
1 Thessalonians 5:17



"Do not be anxious about
anything, but in every situation,
by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving,
present your requests to God."
Philippians 4:6

Crossword



Across

- 1 Overpowered (Deuteronomy 11:4) (11)
 9 'The — are mantled with corn' (Psalm 65:13) (7)
 10 'Each man—a sword to his side'(Exodus32:27)(5)
 11 On the death of Jesus the curtain in the temple was torn

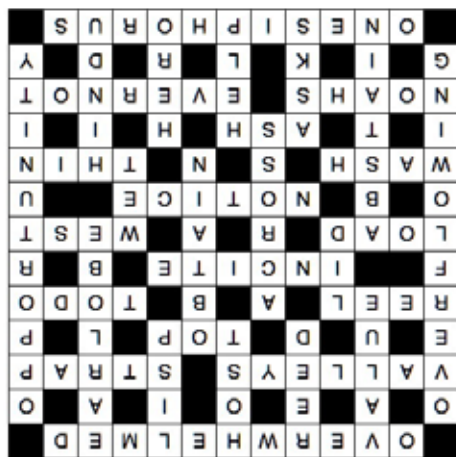
- from— to bottom (Matthew 27:51) (3)
 13 Stagger(Isaiah 28:7)(4)
 16 'Anyone,then,who knows the good he ought— —and doesn't do it, sins' (James 4:17) (2,2)
 17 Stir up or provoke(Acts13:50) (6)

- 18 Burden(Luke11:46)(4)
 20 'As far as the east is from the—,so far has he removed our transgressions from us' (Psalm 103:12) (4)
 21 Sign(Luke23:38)(6)
 22 'After that,Jesus poured water into a basin and began to—his disciples' feet' (John 13:5) (4)
 23 The nature of the seven ears of corn which swallowed up the good ears in Pharaoh's dream (Genesis 41:23) (4)
 25 Has(anag.)(3)
 28 'This is the account of Shem,Ham and Japheth,— sons' (Genesis 10:1) (5)
 29 'I will...make them drunk,so that they...sleep for—and— awake' (Jeremiah 51:39) (4,3)
 30 Paul said of him,'he often refreshes me and is not ashamed of my chains' (2 Timothy 1:16) (11)

- 8 'Therefore, as we have — , let us do good to all people' (Galatians 6:10) (11)
 12 Acquire(2Timothy2:10)(6)
 14 Container cover(Numbers19:15)(3)
 15 'He...became obedient to death,even death on— —!' (Philippians 2:8) (1,5)
 19 Refrain(1Peter2:11)(7)
 20 'She began to—his feet with her tears'(Luke7:38)(3)
 24 One who worships Brahma,Vishnu or Shiva(5)
 25 'Give to everyone who— you'(Luke6:30)(4)
 26 'I lift up my eyes to the hills;where does my—come from?' (Psalm 121:1) (4)
 27 One of those whom the Lord said would be taken from Jerusalem and Judah as judgment on them (Isaiah 3:2) (4)

Down

- 2 Worth (Matthew 13:46) (5)
 3 'A bruised — he will not break' (Matthew 12:20) (4)
 4 'Suddenly a great company of the heavenly — appeared with the angel' (Luke 2:13) (4)
 5 Slip (anag.) (4)
 6 'Take an awl and push it through his — — into the door, and he will become your servant for life' (Deuteronomy 15:17) (3,4)
 7 Bountiful (2 Corinthians 8:2) (11)





"It comes to something when the state of the pound is such that we *hope* to find lots of foreign coins!"



Mrs Logan went for her atmoiser and
Mrs Pugh went for hers...

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Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Genesis chapter 1 to 2 verse 3.

This story is at the start of the Bible, and the start of time...

When God first made the universe it was empty and shapeless. God said...

Let there be light!



On the next day, God separated the sky...



On the third day God separated the sea...



On the fourth day God made lights shine in the sky for day and night.



On the sixth day God made all kinds of animals...



and then He made people, men and women

God told the people ...

Take care of all I have made.



God saw that everything He had made was very good.

On the seventh day God rested...



and so did everyone else!

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animals	birds	creation
dark	day	everyone
everything	fish	good
land	light	lights
made	men	night
people	plants	rest
sea	separated	sky
sorts	universe	women

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