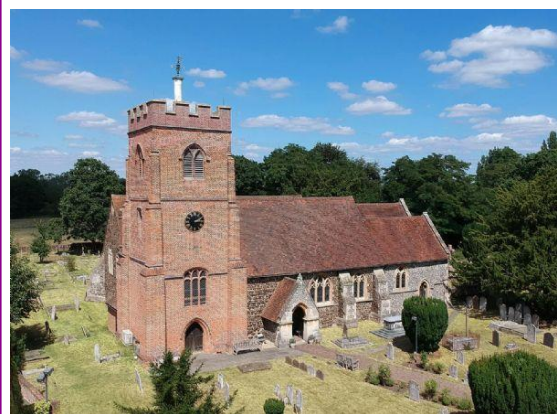


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The Elixir – George Herbert 27 February

An elixir will turn anything to gold. George Herbert's poem 'Teach me, my God and King' can be regarded as inspirational for all who work in our parish: doing it for God turns their labour to gold. A good thought for our parish's future. The story of the 17th century poet George Herbert's life can be found on page 12.

Teach me, my God and King,
In all things Thee to see,
And what I do in anything
To do it as for Thee.

To scorn the senses' sway,
While still to Thee I tend,
In all I do be Thou the Way,
In all be Thou the End.

Not rudely, as a beast,
To run into an action;
But still to make Thee prepossest,
And give it his perfection.

A man that looks on glass,
On it may stay his eye;
Or if he pleaseth, through it pass,
And then the heav'n espy.

All may of Thee partake;
Nothing can be so mean,
Which with this tincture - "for
Thy sake"

Will not grow bright and clean.

A servant with this clause
Makes drudgery divine;
Who sweeps a room as for

Thy laws,
Makes that and th' action fine.

If done t'obey Thy laws,
E'en servile labours shine;
hallowed is toil, if this the cause,
The meanest work divine.

This is the famous stone
That turneth all to gold;
For that which God doth touch and own
Cannot for less be told

Our Parish future –

Whole Church meeting 11 January 2025

About 30 people, from all three churches, attended the Whole Church Meeting at St Peter's church on the morning of 11 January. The objective of the meeting was to obtain views from parish people on the parish profile that was to be prepared to start the process for

a second Interim Minister for the parish of Winkfield, Cranbourne and Chavey Down.

The meeting was conducted by Rhodri Bowen, the Parish development adviser, and took the form of a workshop. Attendees sat at tables of about four or five people, who would be invited to provide thoughts on notelets at various stages of the meeting.

Rhodri explained that the purpose of the profile was to attract priests who might be interested in taking on the Interim Ministry post following Revd Patrick Mukholi. He was clear that a lot of work had been done on the parish profile's form and general content, based on two Retreats that had been held in the parish; this present meeting was there further to sound out the views of parish people. Expressing these views in the profile should lead to these people feeling ownership' of it.

There was some unhappiness that the post would be a second Interim Ministry, and not a full Vicar's post. Rhodri explained that the last vicar was Revd Huw Mordecai, who had very sadly died as Vicar of Winkfield not long after becoming Vicar after a period as Interim Minister, and his successor, Revd Patrick Mukholi, had not achieved all of his objectives as Interim Minister. The diocese had decided that a second Interim ministry was required, although this left many of the group disappointed. Details of the reasons for the decision were not given in full, as Rhodri explained that the purpose of the meeting was to move forward, and not to be judgmental about the past.

Having a third interim ministry is against diocesan rules.

After considering the Epistle to the Philippians 2 vv1-18, and its implications, including the need to listen to and learn from each other, the meeting was invited to consider what was good in the respective churches, and this drew a variety of responses, from the friendliness and welcome that was shown in them to features such as the bell-ringing and musical life, and activities that reached out, particularly to young people and families, and to the local community. Rhodri noted the benefit provided by the church wardens, PCC members, and the many other volunteers who make the parish tick.

Although one person present suggested that ‘people in the three parishes had a mindset that they were distinct’, John Kimbell reminded the meeting that distinctness did not preclude unity, quoting the Trinity in the creed as a perfect example. In the discussions that followed, unity within the parish was clearly overwhelmingly supported, both as an idea and in practice.

Discussion turned to what was most important to be achieved by our parish in the selection of an interim minister, and the clear view was that we should extend and grow by outreach and become more valuable to our local community as a whole. We would need a minister who was a leader, developing quality of relationships even though we used different liturgies, managing changes needed, through shared faith. Communications between minister, churches and the local communities was important.

This was a valuable meeting and showed a great level of unanimity and agreement. Rhodri has many notelets that represent the thoughts of attendees at their tables, and the work now is to synthesise these and the supporting discussions into a working document. He thanked the meeting for their work that morning.

Brian Cox

We are very sad to announce the death Brian Cox , aged 88 on 13 January, and we send deepest sympathy to his family in their loss. Brian, who was a builder by trade, was a leading figure in our church community for many years, with a special interest in maintaining the fabric of St Mary’s church. His funeral will be held in St Mary’s church at 2pm on Monday 3 February 2025.

From the Parish Registers for December 2024

Baptisms, Weddings

No baptisms, weddings or blessings have been reported.

Confirmations

No confirmations have been reported.

Funerals

No funerals etc. have been reported,

Notices

Church Office

Office hours are Monday-Friday 9:30am-12noon. The Church Office is open to visitors on Tuesdays & Fridays. Contact info: Church Office: c/o St Martin's Church, Church Road, Chavey Down, SL5 8RR, phone: 01344 882933 or email admin@winkfieldandcranbourne.org.uk

Website: <https://www.winkfieldandcranbourne.org.uk>

Note. This link will not work without including the www part of the URL.

If you are arranging an event, please contact Stephanie in the Church Office at the email address above, so that it can be noted in the Church diary and recorded on the website. Don't forget to use our fundraising links:

<https://www.winkfieldandcranbourne.org.uk/donate.htm>

Safeguarding in the Parish

The Parish safeguarding details are at:

<https://www.winkfieldandcranbourne.org.uk/safeguarding.htm>

Safeguarding is part of our core faith, and an integral feature of Christian life. Please be alert to the fact that Safeguarding concerns arise in many different guises. So, we should always have faith to question, especially when something does not feel right.

Should you have any Safeguarding concerns, please contact our Parish Safeguarding Officer, Mrs Camille Jeffs, via the Church Office on: 01344 882933, or email safeguarding@winkfieldandcranbourne.org.uk (please begin message with 'SAFEGUARDING').

End of year news on 'Andrea's Happy Hedgehogs'

Following the article in the in [April 2024 parish magazine](#), thank you to everyone who bought tinsel hedgehogs. The end of year total was £900 and this is now on its way to Alzheimer's and Ataxia UK. I have now raised over £4000 for these charities. I visited two primary school Christmas fayres, and the hedgehogs I sold in the Parish have

all been decorating trees and bringing a smile to those who received them as presents.

I've now started knitting for 2025, taking orders throughout the year. The new key rings were popular. A big thank you to my dear friend Penny who tirelessly knitted paws and she did knit a lot !

Thankyou.

Andrea Stephens

Local events and reports

St Mary's Choir

The choir anthem on Sunday 15 December was The great Forerunner (tune: 'Puer nobis nascitur') with The MacMillan, St Anne's Mass for the Communion setting. The Nine Lessons and Carols service on 22 December included the following as choir items:

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, What Child is this,	A Maiden most gentle and Lully, Lulla, Lullay (Stopford)
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Several of our extra singers took part in both these services with William Bishop as the organist. A small choir attended the Christmas Eve midnight Holy Communion service with Josh Tuffley playing the organ.

St Mary's Women's Guild

The Guild does not meet in January, but assisted with stripping the Christmas trees and removing left-overs from the stalls for the Christmas Tree Festival. The next meeting is on Tuesday 11 February at 2.30pm in St Mary's. New members are always welcome.

St Mary's Family Praise, Crafty Church and Family Matins

There were two Family Praise services in December, as there is no Crafty Church. The first one on 11 December – the 3rd Sunday in Advent – explained the meaning behind the Advent Candles. The children as usual read the Bible passages and prayers.

The service on 22 December, the 4th Sunday in Advent, told the story of Christingle. Again, the children read the Bible passages and prayers with two of them also playing the piano. William Bishop

played for all the carols. Family Matins in February will tell the story of the Wise men finally arriving in Bethlehem.

Friends of St Mary's Winkfield

A successful year for the Friends, with more than £11,000 raised by fund-raising events and a grant from the Mercers' Company of the City of London, and other donations (enhanced by GiftAid). The fundraising events included the Music and Merriment Christmas concert and the Mayday Fayre.

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Candlemas

**2nd February 2025 at 11am
St Peter's Church, Cranbourne**

Candlemas is a special service at St Peter's, celebrating the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, known as the "Festival of Lights" and in Medieval times was considered to be the end of Christmas.

All the greenery decorations that were put up on Christmas Eve were taken down and the candles were blessed on Candlemas Day.

Come along to find out more, join in with the Candlelight Procession, the singing and music and start looking towards Spring and Easter.



www.winkfieldandcranbourne.org.uk

**St Mary's Church
Bellringers**

QUIZ

In aid of
St Mary's Church

7:00pm BROWNLOW HALL

Saturday 15 February 2025

£12 **PERTICKET**
Max 6 Per Team

Including ploughmans supper (B.Y.O.B)

tickets available from 01344 886087 or any bellringer

RAFFLE TO BE DRAWN ON THE NIGHT

A milestone was reached with the completion of the upgrade to St Mary's electrical systems. The contractor for the work was used to working in listed buildings and churches, and was extremely efficient and accommodating.

The AGM of the Friends of St Mary's Winkfield will take place at 7.30pm in St Mary's church on 4/4/25. A notice will be sent to members in due course.

Carols by Candlelight Services

These two services on Christmas Eve were very well attended. The singing of the congregations for all the carols was truly magnificent!!

St Mary's Bellringers December 2024

The hand bell ringers had several outings in December in the lead up to Christmas.

We were made very welcome at St David's Nursing Home where we entertained the residents and staff. After ringing a few Christmas Carols, we got out the belle plates for the residents and staff to have a go at "Ring and Sing". The belle plates are much lighter than the bells and therefore easier for folk to manage with arthritic hands!

A new event for us was joining Bracknell Choral Society at the Royal Holloway College. After a wonderful concert by the choral society we adjourned to the spectacular Picture Gallery to ring Christmas Carols while the choir and audience enjoyed wine and mince pies. A really lovely event at a spectacular location!

There was a very busy time for us when we were invited to ring the next day at the Savill Garden building where we rang Christmas Carols for the shoppers and staff - another lovely location! We then went on to Wokingham Hospital where we entertained patients and staff on two wards – another new event for us. It was greatly appreciated by all at the hospital, with several people joining in and singing along.

Our bell's Christmas dinner was at the Stag and Hounds this time and we enjoyed a delicious meal and a sing-along. Thanks to Sue W for organising.

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Services in the Parish – February 2025

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH Common Worship Services

Date	Day	Time	Service
2	Candlemas	9.30am	Family Praise / Morning Prayer
		4pm	Family Craft Café
9	4 th Sunday before Lent	9.30am	Family Praise / Morning Prayer
16	3 rd Sunday before Lent	10am	Community Café <i>in the Church Hall, no service</i>
23	2 nd Sunday before Lent	9.30am	Holy Communion led by Rev'd Alan Dibden

ST MARY'S CHURCH Book of Common Prayer Services

Date	Day	Time	Service
2	4 th Sunday after Epiphany	10am	Family Communion led by Rev'd Alan Dibden
9	5 th Sunday after Epiphany	10am	Family Matins
16	Septuagesima	9.30am	Family Praise
		11am	Holy Communion led by Canon Dagnell
23	Sexagesima	9.30am	Crafty Church
		11am	Morning Prayer

ST PETER'S CHURCH Common Worship Services

Date	Day	Time	Service
2	Candlemas	11am	Candlemas Service
9	4 th Sunday before Lent	11am	Holy Communion

Date	Day	Time	Service
			led by Rev'd Terry Ward Hall
16	3 rd Sunday before Lent	11am	Morning Praise & Prayer
23	2 nd Sunday before Lent	11am	Holy Communion led by Rev'd Roy Burgess

St Mary's Bellringers December 2024 (continued)

One of my favourite services is "Nine Lessons and Carols" and we were again pleased to participate ringing 'Away in a Manger' and 'Infant Holy, Infant Lowly' as part of this event.

As usual on Christmas Eve, we rang at The White Hart after the Carols and Candlelight service. The pub was packed, and we rang a selection of Carols - a great start to Christmas!

The tower ringers congregated at the pub again on New Year's eve for a few drinks, before crossing the road to the tower in order to ring out the old year with half muffled bells. Sue B struck the tenor bell twelve times at midnight to mark the end of 2024 before the muffles were removed, and we rang in the New Year.

In all there were 18 of us in the tower celebrating - friends and family all had their annual "dong". We even had three young ladies from America join us with their grandfather (who rings with us regularly) and it was a delight to welcome them to the tower.

If this all sounds like fun, then come along and have a go - contact Tony for the tower bells and me for the hand bells.

An important date for your diaries is February 15, when our very popular annual quiz takes place.

Happy New Year from all the ringers.

Jill Glennerster 07821131303

Thoughts of all sorts

George Herbert – priest and poet 1593-1633

If we were to name someone prominent from the 17th century, we might mention Rembrandt or Shakespeare. It is unlikely we would remember George Herbert. However, he was a prolific writer, a gifted speaker and musician. His hymns are still sung today.

Herbert was born into a wealthy family in Mid-Wales on 3rd April 1593. His father was a Member of Parliament who died when Herbert was three years old. His mother moved her large family to London where, aged 12, Herbert entered Westminster School. In 1609, his mother remarried, and Herbert left home to be a student at Trinity College, Cambridge.

By the age of 23, Herbert had graduated with two degrees. He was fluent in Latin and Greek and in 1620 was elected as the University's Public Orator. He held this position for seven years, and for a short time was MP in his hometown in Wales.

Although Herbert was securing an illustrious future and his speeches had gained the attention of King James I, he was restless. He felt God was calling him to the priesthood and much of Herbert's poetry expressed his inner spiritual conflicts.

When the King died in 1625, and two influential patrons also died at about the same time, Herbert responded to God's call on his life and gave up his secular ambitions. He married in 1629 and became a priest in a small Anglican church in Bemerton in Wiltshire.

Here he found inner peace at last, serving God in the local community. His poetic talent continued to flourish along with his musicianship as a skilled lutenist. After only three years as a priest, he died of tuberculosis on 1st March 1633. He was 39.

Some ninety of Herbert's poems have been set to music by such composers as Ralph Vaughan Williams and Benjamin Britten. His most well-known hymns are *Teach me my God and King*, *Let all the world in every corner sing* and *King of glory, king of peace*.

A number of artistic commemorations of Herbert exists in several churches and cathedrals including a stained-glass window in Westminster Abbey and a statue at the front of Salisbury Cathedral.

Episode 48 – Darien, Connecticut

Continuing Anthony Hodson's serial memoirs.

After we left Atlanta in January 1969, we drove up to New York, staying overnight at a hotel near John F. Kennedy International Airport, on Long Island. This major airport had been renamed in honour of the assassinated President Kennedy in 1963 just over a month after his death, a shocking event that took place four days before our son James was born.

Margaret-Anne and the children, James (5) and Lucy (a lively one-and-a-half year-old) set off for four months to stay first with her parents, Gerald and Hazel Incledon (who had retired to live near Pietermaritzburg in South Africa), and subsequently to England to stay with my parents Harry and Margaret Hodson. At the time, they were living in Ditchley Park, the Anglo-American conference centre, where my father was Provost, the resident head of the organisation since 1962.

Meanwhile, I was to start work as a research consultant with the Diebold Research Programme in New York City, living as a lodger with Lucy and Peter Loucks in Garden City, Long Island until Margaret-Anne returned, and getting 'my feet under the table' with my new job.

The first step for Margaret-Anne and the children was the long flight by air to Johannesburg. This was a new route for South African Airways, and involved flying first to Rio de Janeiro, and then on to Johannesburg. There they would be met by Gerald, and, after staying with friends for a night, would be driven the nearly 250 miles to the small town of Nottingham Road, near Pietermaritzburg, where Gerald and Hazel (with Margaret-Anne's two youngest siblings Moya and Jonathan) now lived. Jonathan was less than a year older than James, his nephew

It was an epic journey for Margaret-Anne and the two young children. Lucy was reported as having run up and down the Boeing 707 so many times that she seemed to have covered the equivalent distance on foot. Of particular interest was a Catholic nun, dressed in full traditional costume, complete with wimple, who suffered being stared at many times. With a six-hour time change, James was

confused about which meal he was having by the end of the journey to Johannesburg.

They all had a happy three months in South Africa, although it was with great sadness that they learned of the death of Bertram, our beloved basset hound. That story will be continued below.

James started his main schooling at the excellent English-speaking school that his uncle Jonathan attended. (He had previously attended a Montessori school in Dunwoody near our home there.) After this Margaret-Anne and the children went to England, and stayed with my parents, and also with her married sister Heather, two years her junior.

During this time, I was being integrated into the work of the Diebold Research Programme, becoming more familiar with computers as management tools in big organisations, not only in their operations but in their management. During this time, I also had to find a house for us all to live in when Margaret-Anne returned.

I was very attracted to the Connecticut coastline. Moving along the Long Island Sound coastline, which was a great attraction for sailing people, Greenwich was a favourite commuter town, and so too expensive. Stamford was an industrial town, and not the ideal choice; the next town, Darien, seemed as good as we could get.

I found a house, 6 Devonshire Drive, not far from the coastline, but a reasonable walking distance to the Noroton Heights 'train-station' for commuter trains to New York City. Like most relatively new houses, it was timber-framed, on two floors, with three bedrooms and a basement (that we didn't much use), and in good but not perfect condition for a 25-year-old house. The state of interior decoration was poor, and repainting the walls was an early priority. We were repainting at the very moment that we were up late to watch the Apollo 11 moon-landing on 20 July 1969.

6 Devonshire Drive was on a little hill above the big Interstate 55 Connecticut Turnpike, from which there was always a steady rumble (except after a heavy snowfall). This was a negative, but also made the house affordable, so I decided that we could live with it.

It was now late May. The house was purchased, and the furniture moved into it as best I could arrange it, and I made my sincerest

thank-you's to Lucy and Peter for my stay with them on Long Island, and moved in. My first night there showed up a major problem.

The summer climate of New York and its area was both hot and humid, and the first such spell was happening just then, and I couldn't sleep. The mugginess was far worse than anything that we had encountered in Atlanta, which, inland and at an altitude of 1000 feet, was far less humid. We had never felt the necessity of air conditioning in Atlanta, but I felt it strongly now in Darien.

Fortunately, there was a relatively low-cost solution: a sash window air-conditioner, widely used in the USA and elsewhere to give relief when central air conditioning was not feasible. Off I went to the local Sears department store and bought one. It was quite heavy, and I sensed the nightmare scenario of it jumping out of the window as I was installing it and falling 15 feet to its doom, but all went well, and its cooled air did the trick.

In a few days, I met Margaret-Anne and the children at JFK airport, and took them to their new home. "The dark grey of the walls is awful, so depressing," Margaret-Anne immediately pronounced, but fortunately this was something that we could do something about. Apart from that, it was considered a suitable house, and we were very fortunate in our nearest neighbours, Judy and Jim Garvey a little older than us, with daughters Margaret and Elizabeth aged 11 and 7, who became wonderful life-long friends.

Judy and Jim were great characters, of Irish Catholic stock, and welcomed us warmly, and helped us settle in. The daughters were potential baby-sitters, too, and eventually became involved with the Bertram basset situation. Margaret became a vet.

Bertram, our beautiful basset hound, had been left with Lloyd and Grace Flatt to look after in Atlanta while we settled into the New York area. Lloyd was the agent in the USA of Elliott Flight Automation, my previous employers, and now a personal friend.

After Bertram's sad death when he was hit by a car, Lloyd was determined to replace him, and flew to England to Bertram's breeders to see what could be done. He purchased a puppy of close blood-line, and took it back to the USA, hoping that he and Grace would be able to train him, but soon after Margaret-Anne arrived

back to the USA, he decided that this was impractical, and contacted Margaret-Anne to say that he wanted us to have the dog (who was called Bertram2, or B2 for short).

So B2 arrived, and Margaret-Anne undertook his upbringing as a house-dog (not easy with basset hounds – or any hound), and the Garvey's were delighted to have a basset as a neighbour.

When we left the USA to live in England in the autumn of 1970, we gave B2 to the Garveys rather than him enduring 6 months of quarantine on arrival, as was then the requirement in the UK.

We felt lucky soon after we arrived when a lady came to our door to ask Margaret-Anne if, as a newcomer to the area, she would like to join a Bowling Club. The lady was Phyllis Colin, and she and her husband Bob became lifelong friends. Margaret-Anne did join the bowling club and was good at it.

Bob was a Wall Street broker, and in a different financial league to us. He had recently bought a 33-foot cruising sloop called Frontier, but did not have the sailing expertise to use the sails, so he had just resorted to sailing around under diesel power. He was delighted to know that I had some expertise in sailing. Although my main experience had been in dinghy sailing, I was able to help Bob to use his sails, and even to set up the boat's huge spinnaker. (By its scale, this was a new experience for me too, but we achieved it.) I remember Bob lying on his back gazing upwards at the huge sail and its attachments, and exclaiming "Ah, yes, I think I understand it."

I yearned to have my own boat, but that is for a later tale.

James was going to be 6 in the autumn, and it was a good idea for him to start school. The normal starting age for first grade in the USA was 6 at that time, but James had attended Montessori school when we lived in the Atlanta area and had also attended school for a term in South Africa. So the Darien school system took him anyway, putting him in the top class for the first-grade because of his earlier educational experience. He was a few months short of 6.

He liked Mrs Peterson, his teacher, although she was a strict disciplinarian, and he learned reading and writing skills well, although, as a left-handed child his writing had a habit of going back-to-front, and his hand-writing has always been quirky.

St Martin's Church Chavey Down



Coffee Morning

In the Hall
Every 3rd Sunday of the month
From 10am



The Parish of
Winkfield Cranbourne & Chavey Down

I became used to the commute to New York City every day. This entailed a walk to the station to catch the 6:50am train to Grand Central Station. The station had a big urn of coffee and a pile of doughnuts waiting for commuters, who paid on an 'honesty' basis. It was just under an hour's commute. Grand Central Station was bigger than Penn Station (which served Long Island), so claustrophobia in the crowds was less of a problem. It was also a little shorter walk down Park Avenue to the office, which was good in the muggy New York weather. Returning to Darien in the evening, there was a gin and tonic stall on the platform to give a little coolth and comfort. Despite the early start, the regime was pleasantly regular, and evening working was seldom required.

The story will continue in the March Edition.

All episodes at www.fosmw.com/parishmag/an-interesting-life.pdf

Puzzles

Across

8 Interrogated (Acts 12:19) (5-8)

9 'Burn it in a wood fire on the — heap' (Leviticus 4:12) (3)

10 Tobit, Judith, Baruch and the books of Esdras and the Maccabees are part of it (9)

11 Science fiction (abbrev.) (3-2)

13 Clay pit (anag.) (7)

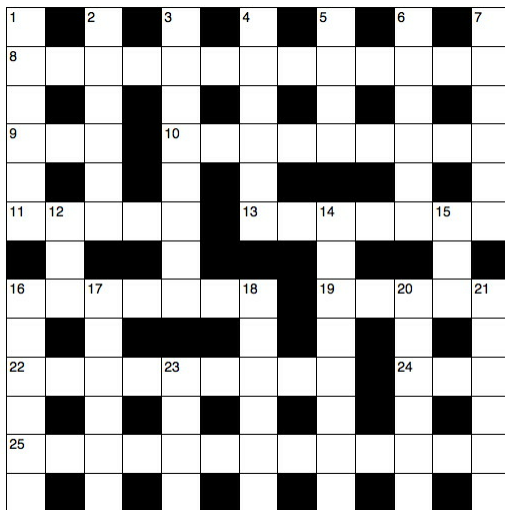
16 Went to (John 4:46) (7)

19 'Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to — your bodies as living sacrifices' (Romans 12:1) (5)

22 David's plea to God concerning those referred to in 14 Down: 'On — — let them escape' (Psalm 56:7) (2,7)

24 Royal Automobile Club (1,1,1)

25 How the book of Ezekiel refers to God more than 200 times (Ezekiel 2:4) (9,4)



Down

- 1 Seas (Proverbs 8:24) (6)
- 2 One of the sons of Eli the priest, killed in battle by the Philistines (1 Samuel 4:11) (6)
- 3 Specialist in the study of the Muslim religion (8)
- 4 'Do not rebuke an older man harshly, but — him as if he were your father' (1 Timothy 5:1) (6)
- 5 One of Esau's grandsons (Genesis 36:11) (4)
- 6 Taking a chance (colloq.) (2,4)
- 7 God's instructions to the Israelites concerning grain offerings: ' — salt to — your offerings' (Leviticus 2:13) (3,3)
- 12 Confederation of British Industry (1,1,1)
- 14 'All day long they twist my words; they are always — to harm me' (Psalm 56:5) (8)
- 15 The crowd's reaction to Jesus bringing back to life a widow's son in Nain (Luke 7:16) (3)
- 16 Disappear (Psalm 104:35) (6)
- 17 How Jeremiah was likely to die if he wasn't rescued from the cistern where he was imprisoned (Jeremiah 38:9) (6)
- 18 What the prophets do to a wall, with whitewash (Ezekiel 13:10, RSV) (4,2)
- 20 Made by a plough (Job 39:10) (6)
- 21 Noah was relieved when the flood waters continued to — (Genesis 8:5) (6)
- 23 Jesus gave the Twelve the power and authority to do this to diseases (Luke 9:1) (4)

ACROSS:

8, Cross-examined, 9, Ash, 10, Apocrypha, 11, Sci-fi, 13, Typical, 16, Visited, 19, Offer, 22, No account, 24, RAC, 25, Sovereign Lord.

DOWN:

1, Oceans, 2, Hopini, 3, Islamist, 4, Exhort, 5, Omar, 6, On spec, 7, Add all, 12, CBI, 14, Plotting, 15, Awe, 16, Vanish, 17, Starve, 18, Daub it, 20, Furrow, 21, Recede, 23, Cure.

Children's Corner

The parable of the Shrewd Manager



JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS



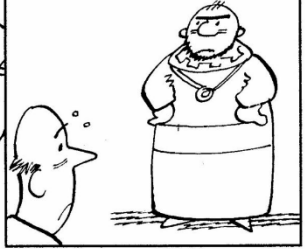
ONCE JESUS TOLD A STORY ABOUT A RICH MAN...

...AND HIS SERVANT, WHO MANAGED THE RICH MAN'S PROPERTY.

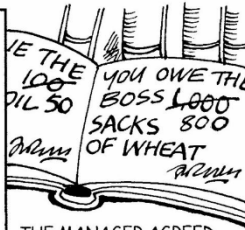


THE RICH MAN HAD HEARD THAT THE MANAGER HAS BEEN WASTING MONEY.

SO HE CALLED THE MANGER TO ACCOUNT FOR HIMSELF!



OH NO! I AM GOING TO GET THE SACK!!

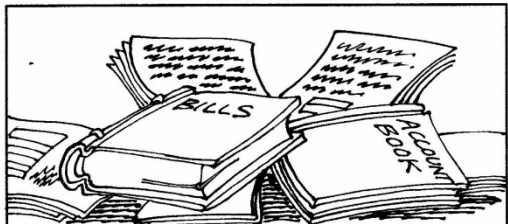


THE MANAGER AGREED TO LET THE RICH MAN'S TRADERS FIDDLE THEIR BOOKS!



SO THEY ALTERED THEIR DEBTS - AND STAYED FRIENDS WITH THE MANAGER.

JESUS EXPLAINED THAT THE MANAGER HAD BEEN WISE IN MANAGING HIS FUTURE... EVEN THOUGH HE WAS BEING DISHONEST.



JESUS WAS TRYING TO ENCOURAGE THE PEOPLE TO THINK ABOUT THEIR OWN FUTURES TOO. BUT IT'S A HARD PARABLE TO UNDERSTAND!

Annex

Could Winkfield Parochial Charities (WPC) help you?

You may not already know of WPC. This group of local charities was originally set up as a range of individual funds, donated in Victorian times, to help Winkfield residents in need. Support was available for accommodation, fuel and education, in times well before aid from the government.

Nowadays the charities' - which are managed by a group of volunteer trustees - main activity is running the almshouses next to St Mary's Church. It also owns Popels Hall and the two attached cottages, whose rent contributes to the charities' expenses.

There is currently a vacancy in one of the almshouses. Applicants should be single ladies aged 60 and above, retired or close to retirement, capable of living independently, being of limited means and either already living locally or with local connections.

Educational grants are available to students in need of educational trips and equipment, usually via a school or youth organisation.

If you would like to find out more, please contact the Clerk at Winkfieldparochialcharities@outlook.com or 07522 306988.

Please think about donating with the Parish Giving Scheme

REGULAR GIVING: YOU CAN SET UP A DIRECT DEBIT THROUGH PGS THAT COLLECTS YOUR GIFT, MONTHLY, QUARTERLY OR ANNUALLY. THERE ARE NO PROCESSING FEES, AND YOU REMAIN IN CONTROL OF YOUR GIFT.

GIFT AID IS ALSO CLAIMED ALONG WITH YOUR DONATION

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A message from Peter Frost

Buy a book to support Ukrainian Children!

My name is Peter Frost, and I am a local, having lived in Ascot for over 30 years, and I also work there.

I have written two books (see the next page) to support the charity World Vision, and their work with children all over the world, and specifically in Ukraine.

I already sponsor a child in Africa through World Vision, and, in order to support Ukrainian children, have written two books, each of which is a collection of short cosy mystery stories, all with a twisty ending, I will contribute proceeds from the books to the Ukraine fund of World Vision.

My interest in Ukraine is inspired by a Ukrainian lady with whom I work. World Vision are keen to see me raise the money in this way.

The books are available via Amazon – access them by googling:

- Amazon "Uncle Chris's Collection of Crafty Short Stories"

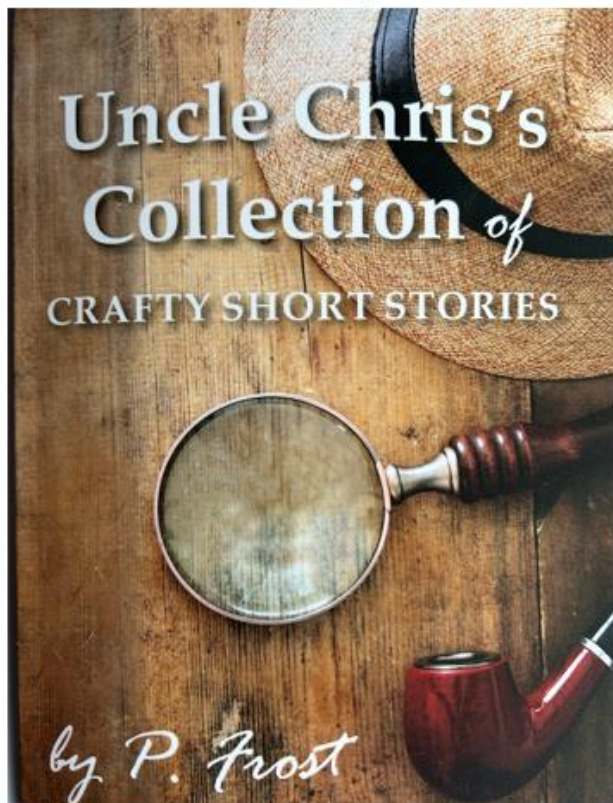
Or they are available on Waterstones by googling:

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You can find more information about World Vision at

<https://www.worldvision.org.uk/about/>

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I aim to generate at least £500 to contribute to World Vision's
Ukraine/children work. Thank you.

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