

June 2026

AROUND THE SPIRE



*In memory of
Fr. Hugh*



From the Editor's Desk

This is an editorial I had hoped never to write. As many of you know Fr. Hugh passed away at the end of April. His death came as a great shock to many of us, as we had seen him only a day or two before.

The magazine this month is a tribute to the work and dedication that Fr. Hugh not only put into this magazine, but the church as well.

As many of you know, for a number of years, Fr. Hugh and I worked together, on the monthly magazine. It was only April of this year that Fr. Hugh decided to retire as Editor. He brought a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role, and over the many years as Editor, helped the magazine reach countless people in the parish. Fr. Hugh always hoped that it would appeal not only to those who are regular churchgoers, but also to those who have never set foot in a church before.

Although the magazine is now available online, Fr. Hugh was adamant that it should also remain in print. The first issue was produced in 2015 — black and white, photocopied, and with very few articles. By 2020, it was still A5 in size but now printed in colour, thanks to Alpha Printing. From there, the magazine went from strength to strength.

Fr. Hugh was also determined that the magazine should be available beyond the church. He persuaded Theresa Fisher and the manager at Tesco that it would be an asset, and it is now available each month in the Tesco coffee shop. You can also find it in our schools, the Q Club, and other local organisations.



In the early editions, Fr. Hugh often wrote about optimism. He regularly pointed to signs of growth and renewal at Saint James'. In July 2020, when everyone was despondent about Covid, he wrote: *"Yes, we shall come out of it all — don't know when, but we shall, and with God's grace be all the stronger in our lives of discipleship as a result."*

I believe we have — and the magazine has played its part in that renewal. Whoever takes on the role of Editor will have some very big shoes to fill.

I hope Fr. Hugh would have approved of this month's issue!

Jackie

Jackie Hall Deputy Editor

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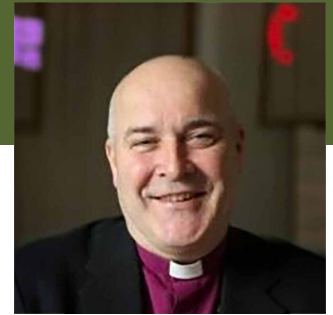
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The Most Revd & Rt Hon Stephen Cottrell



Following Fr. Hugh's resignation as Editor of this magazine, the Archbishop wrote to him personally. The Archbishop was deeply saddened to learn of Fr. Hugh's death and requested that the following tribute be published in the magazine. A copy of this issue will be sent to the Archbishop.



Hugh had a varied ministry in the Church of England, serving in Hereford, Portsmouth and in Europe, before returning to Gloucester in retirement. I knew him and worked with him on a number of occasions over the years, and was always struck by his abilities as a communicator and his great faithfulness. I am thankful for his many years of service and am holding his family and friends in my prayers.

+Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York.

Out and About with Revd. Mark



A joy of parish ministry is the breadth of folk I meet...

A joy of parish ministry is the breadth of folk I meet and the fun we have. Over the last month I have had huge fun reflecting on the wearing of sackcloth as part of Christian traditions of fasting. In the photo you will see the sack cloth clothes competition at Messy Easter. It is important for me to remember that the joy on these two girl's faces is also part of the identity of the folk I meet at Chestnut Court Care Home. These elderly folk often remember and share moments from their own childhood just like the photo. Equally, one day these two girls may be in a care home themselves, reliant on the love and care of others and the joy we all share. This month we were able to restart a full act of worship with communion and two hymns at Chestnut Court after 18 months during which the original worshipping community had died or were too unwell. It was a joy to come together once more and our final hymn, *What a Friend I have in Jesus*, was just right. A hymn we can sing to celebrate the joys of both youth and older age. *What a Friend we have in Jesus* throughout our lives!



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Times and Seasons the Christian Year

Fr. Ian Robb

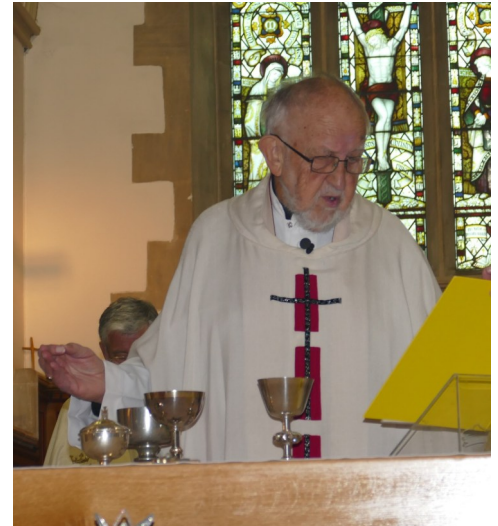
“Times and Seasons” - the Christian Year This month: A reflection shared with our dear friend and priestly colleague, Fr. Hugh, on the Eucharist.

Fr. Hugh opened our discussion by saying “I’m sure that you will agree with me when I say that the celebration of the Holy Eucharist is a great privilege and a very important part of our priestly ministry.” Health concerns had recently led him to scale down his ministry but he was thankful that he would still be able to preside in St James’ at our Wednesday morning Eucharist. He asked if I would be willing to assist him when he was on duty, so we met to decide what each of us would do in the service.



Having agreed on what we might call the “choreography”, we reflected on the theology – what does the Church do when we meet for the Eucharist? What happens in each part of the service? Most importantly, how do we, priests and laypeople, prepare for the Eucharist?

Our years of Church membership, study, training, and experience of parish ministry have combined to assure us that the Eucharist, one of Sacraments of the Church, is a gift from our Lord Jesus Christ which he first shared with his disciples on Maundy Thursday, and through which they, and we, have come to know that Christ is present in his Church still, in a new and more powerful way. He feeds us today as he fed them; he strengthens us for ministry as he strengthened the twelve. Hugh and I shared the belief that the Holy Spirit is at work in and through the priest at the altar, infusing the bread and wine, so that they become the Body and Blood of Christ. The physical forms of bread and wine become vehicles for the spiritual presence of Christ with us.



We reflected on the need for proper preparation before presiding at the altar and for receiving Holy Communion. Some words of Archbishop Michael Ramsay struck a chord in both of us: “There should be awe and reverence as we approach the Eucharist. We are in the presence of Christ; he comes to us as individuals and as a congregation, a body of believers.”

We spoke of the need for a time of silence and reflection before the service begins; Hugh mentioned a notice displayed in a church some time ago: “Talk to God before the service, and to each other afterwards” - the power of silence is underestimated today. Trained as servers, we both learnt the discipline of silence in the vestry before the service begins.

We also spoke about physical preparation; we discovered that we had both, during our weeks of preparation for Confirmation, had learnt about the discipline of refraining from food and drink before Holy Communion – at least for one hour, so that people who have special dietary needs will not feel excluded.



Having grown up at a time when the Book of Common Prayer was our only service book, we were both familiar with the description of the Eucharist as the “Holy Mysteries”, a title which describes the wonder, majesty, and seriousness of the occasion. We felt that it is the duty of all the clergy to set an example of how we should all approach the Sacrament.

Our discussions concluded with thoughts about the importance of thanksgiving after making our Communion. Before we “Go in peace” there is time for a few moments of reflection on what has been given and received, and acknowledging the love and generosity of God – there are prayers printed at the back of our service booklets.

Father Hugh, I thank you for your friendship and fellowship; we had different opinions on various topics, but were united in our commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ and in our thanks for being able to serve as priests in His Church. May you rest in peace and rise in glory. Alleluia!



RIDE + STRIDE for Churches

The annual Ride and Stride this year is scheduled for 12 September. It is a special day out cycling around the local countryside calling at churches within the area. Whilst the route is around 20 miles and takes in a few bumps, it is not too arduous but encourages young and mature riders to participate in a fun parish day out on relatively safe minor roads. However, the main purpose of this reminder, is to ensure both you and your bike are in good condition for the ride.

That said, we must not forget that the main aim is to sponsor riders to support our church buildings and save our historic heritage.



If you need any further information, then please contact Paul Bridges on 07765 362969.

What I am praying about ...

Revd. Mark



This time last month I was able to write prayers of thanksgiving for Fr. Hugh Broad who had concluded a long and successful tenure as editor of *Around the Spire* spreading great joy and the Good News of Jesus for well over 100 monthly editions. This month I am called to remember Hugh for different reasons as he has gone to glory. Grief is deepest for families and I am remembering Hugh's wife Jackie and their family in particular. Hugh's death is a great loss to a worshipping community and as parish priest I have particular responsibility for pastoral care at St James.

Lord Jesus, help our grief to be proper. Help us to give space and let silence be when needed and come together when needed. Help us be busy enough to not get lost in grief but not too busy to ignore it. We ask for your help Lord Jesus and that we find rest in You. In the midst of grief help us to know the hope of the new life that Hugh was so faithful to. In your Holy Name, AMEN

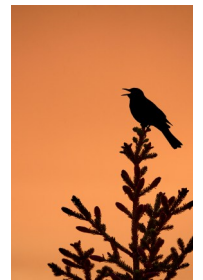
Creation Care - Revd. Mark

Does an early wake up because of a noisy dawn chorus annoy you because you need more sleep or is it a source of joy? Read on ...

The way we lead our lives rather dictates how we relate to Creation around us. I gave a talk to a Mothers' Union recently about our cycling lifestyle and I made a point that I often do feel that it's crazy to move a ton of metal (i.e. a car) half a mile to pick up a pint of milk if you are able to walk or bike to pick it up. 'I know what you mean - but what if you just don't have time?' came the response. Well that got me thinking. Maybe that rushing is the real problem. Maybe 'not having the time' to do something so simple and humane as walking to the shops tells us something deeper about how we are living our lives. How the time we spend does not always reflect what is most valuable.

I took a wedding last Saturday. As I waited at the church door on Saturday for the bride to arrive I was out of the wind with the sun on my face. I noticed the longer grass beneath the yew trees blowing in the breeze, shimmering as it moved. It was only a minute or so but it gave me chance to pause, to remove the sense of rushing, to celebrate and be present at this most important moment in the lives of this lovely couple.

I will close with a question: Does an early wake up because of a noisy dawn chorus annoy you because you need more sleep or is it a source of joy? How might you discover that joy and find value in something that otherwise might be annoying? Christians are called to 'seek first the Kingdom of God' and not lead ever busier lives. Pausing, we may find it right there in front of us.





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People and Places in the Bible - Peter and Paul

When looking at people and places in the New Testament let's start with two of its primary authors; Peter and Paul. Both were Jews, Paul having the distinction of also being a Roman citizen. Both were to have their lives changed in a dramatic way. Peter was the fisherman who fished all night and caught nothing, humoured Jesus's suggestion to try again, and caught a huge shoal in his nets (Lk 5. 1-11). This so shook Peter that he begged Jesus to depart from him, for he himself was a sinful man, suddenly aware of Jesus' holy nature. But Jesus' encouragement ensured that from that time on Peter and his brother Andrew became disciples of Jesus, with Him throughout His ministry. Peter has sometimes been termed, 'tempestuous Peter', referring to his occasional blustery nature. We see this in the Gospel stories when Peter declared to Jesus that even if everyone else denied Jesus, he never would; he would even die for Jesus (Mark 14. 27-31). But within just a few hours of saying that, Peter publicly denied three times ever knowing Jesus. Yes, Peter could be full of bluster and bravado; then backing out in fear. Yet, filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 2. 4, 14-40), Peter went on to become the 'Rock' that Jesus said he would be; the firm believer and determined preacher; a man very much for Jesus and zealous that all people should also believe.



Paul we initially meet as 'Saul', a young man who was fiercely opposed to the Christian faith and who witnessed a Christian stoned to death for his faith. Saul approved of this (Acts 7. 54 – 8. 1) and it spurred him on in his determination to root out all belief in Jesus. He embarked on a mission to seek out and imprison all the believers he could find, but on his journey to Damascus he encountered the voice of Jesus Himself, whereby Saul became a firm believer in Jesus as Lord (Acts 7. 54 – 8. 3). Now, as Paul, he was soon embarking on a mission to preach the Good News of Jesus and establish churches all around the Mediterranean region.

Peter and Paul had their lives totally transformed by their encounter with Jesus. Neither of them would have had the utter conviction they had if they thought that the tomb in the Garden of Gethsemane still contained Jesus' dead body. And the authorities could have easily shown them Jesus' Body – if it had been there! Instead, their faith and their very lives proclaimed, 'Christ crucified, buried, risen, ascended and Lord'. And with faith and conviction like theirs, there was no way that they could keep that sheer enthusiasm to themselves. The Christian Church was destined to grow.

Hence the letters to the churches that we read in the New Testament; words of teaching, rebuke and encouragement. We'll continue next month by considering one of Paul's earliest writings; the two letters that he wrote to the Church in Thessalonica; 1 & 2 Thessalonians.

Steve.



After listening to the story 'Oliver's Vegetables' by Vivian French, the children in Pre-School made a vegetable soup. They carefully used knives to cut up carrots, potatoes, parsnips, peas and onions. Mrs Neagu cooked the vegetables in a saucepan until they were soft and then the vegetables were put in the blender. The children really enjoyed eating the home made soup for their afternoon snack with some delicious bread and butter.



Snappy Snippets



Our British Bumblebees

Did you know we have about 270 kinds of bee in the UK, including 24 types of bumblebees? Here are just six of them:

Early Bumblebee: – Found throughout the UK. Rather small, with distinctive lemon-yellow bands on thorax and abdomen, and an orange tail. An important pollinator of our soft fruit.

Common Carder Bee: – One of our most common bees, and often still feeding in November. Fluffy, brown and orange, with sometimes darker bands on the abdomen.

Tree Bumblebee: – Found in England and Wales, and recently Southern Scotland. A fuzzy bee, with brown-orange hairs on its thorax, a black abdomen, and a white tail.

Red-tailed Bumblebee: – The female is very large, with a big red 'tail', while males are smaller.

Garden Bumblebee: – A scruffy-looking large bee, with a long tongue and face. It has yellow bands at the collar, rear of the thorax and at the first segment of the abdomen, and the tip of the tail is white.

Buff-tailed bumblebee: – The biggest of our bumblebees, with a yellow collar near the head and another on the abdomen. The queen has a buff-coloured 'tail', while the workers have white 'tails' and black hair on their faces.

Be kind to our bees. They are in steady decline across the UK.

21st June—Longest day of the year

June, of course is the month of the summer solstice, the month of the Sun. *Sol* + *stice* come from two Latin words meaning 'sun' and 'to stand still'. As the days lengthen, the sun rises higher and higher until it seems to stand still in the sky. The Summer Solstice results in the longest day and the shortest night of the year. The Northern Hemisphere celebrates in June, and the Southern Hemisphere celebrates in December.

Quiet prayers

The little boy was saying his go-to-bed prayers in a very low voice. "I can't hear you, dear," his mother whispered.

"Wasn't talking to you," said the small one firmly.

Motoring holiday

Lost Husband: Where are we now?

Wife: Halfway between Paris and Marseilles, dear.

Husband: Don't bother me with details. What country are we in?

All but God is changing day by day.

C Kingsley

Saint James' Church hosted a very successful concert from Gloucester and District Christian Choir, which raised £350 for St James.

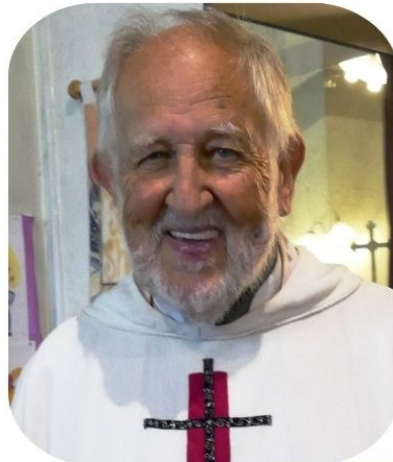
Rev. Mark is in conversation with the Christian sports mentoring charity, Sportily, to begin weekly evening exercise classes using worship music in Autumn called 'Praisersise'. Plans for a youth choir beginning in Autumn are on hold as we seek a new choir lead

Songs of Praise
for every season
Sunday 14th June
Saint James' Church Quedgeley
4.30pm - 6.00pm
Refreshments available

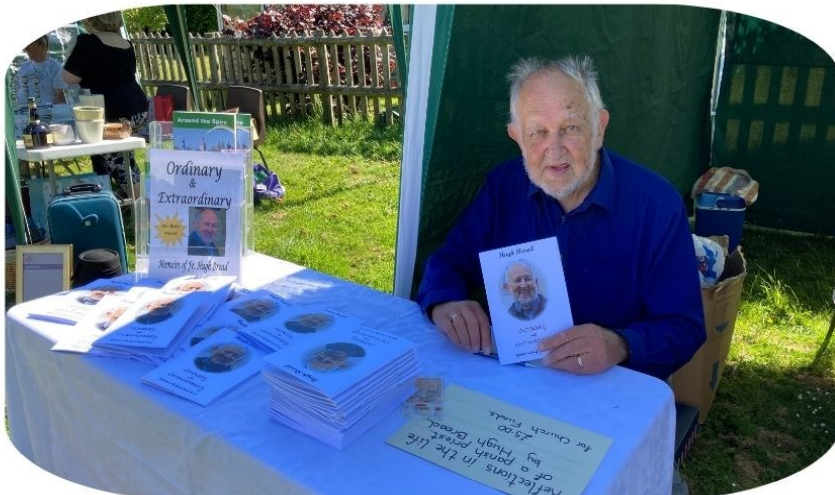


“Hugh loved a joke and I was always keen to pass on any ‘funnies’ to him that I came across. He would always come and give Rita a hug and ask how she was. He told me he was back on his scooter and would come round and see us again...”
 Lovell Cornwall

“Fr. Hugh told me all about the places he’d been to in his life. I haven’t achieve a quarter of what he has - a fantastic guy. We’ll miss him” - Keith W



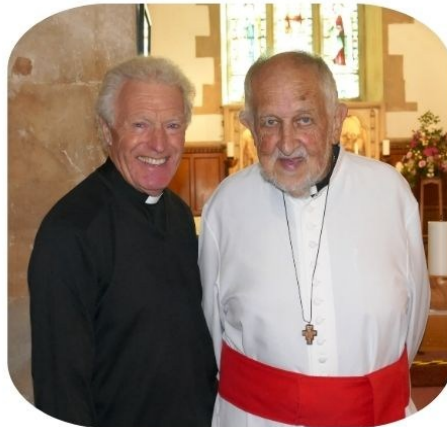
“This is sad news, he was a lovely man. Rest in Peace Reverend Hugh”
 Lindsey McEwen—
 Clearwater School



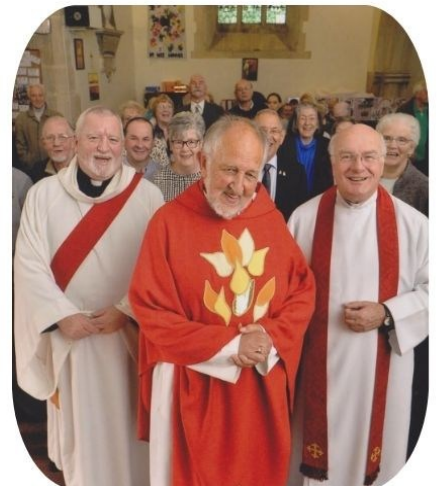


When Joy and I came to St James's church for the first time Fr Hugh made us so welcome and at home, I found his leadership in the prayer cell most helpful we will miss him.
- Tony C

He was always very friendly and answered any question you put to him. A true gentleman.
- Ann H



I found him to be very caring and thoughtful. He was always friendly and approachable. He'll be truly missed
- Carol W



City Councillors Report

The changes due to come to Local Government – whether you approve or not, will undoubtable make certain things simpler, for example who do you go for help- City or County? In some areas the same person represents both councils, but here in Quedgeley this is not so. Victoria was reminded of this when she was trying to chase up some work on a local underpass. A report was made to the city council that there was graffiti covering the walls, some of which was very offensive. When checking up on things a few weeks ago it was noted that though some images had been cleaned up, the walls were still covered with graffiti. The City Council was contacted. The reply received was that Ubico had been down and cleaned away the offensive markings but for the rest a report had to go to Highways as, due to its position, it came under the umbrella of County. Needless to say, it has been reported it to your County Councillor.



Andy who has represented Quedgeley for many years, states that graffiti has been an issue in this location for a long time. Even though anti-graffiti paint has been applied there is still the ongoing problem of keeping it clean.

What do you think? Is it just an expression of urban art and as such should be left? Or do we continue to report it and ask Highways to clean it up? Could there be a community art project set up like there is in other areas of the city? This would allow the community to take ownership and feel some pride in the area they live in. Please do get in touch 07799590250 with your point of view.

On other matters our last litter pick was held on 9th May. The sun shone brightly and the hour passed quickly. This time it was mostly cigarette butts, fiddly things that take time to pick up and don't give much satisfaction – the bag never gets that full. Our next sessions is on 13th June, if anyone sees an area that could do with a litter pick please get in touch.

The 9th May was also the date of Polish Heritage Day which was celebrated in Gloucester Park. This was a busy event with lots of people – the weather was perfect for enjoying the traditional dishes on sale while being entertained from the stage. Victoria enjoyed a Zapiekanka (open faced sandwich with mushrooms and cheese) while listening to a children's choir from the Polish Academy that meets on Saturday in Kingsway Primary School, Quedgeley. Lovely!

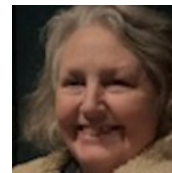


The next few dates for the Tesco Surgery are:

11th June
2nd July



Cllr Stephanie Chambers



Cllr Victoria Miller



Cllr Andy Lewis

Dates for your diary

- ◆ Happy Birthday Meal at The Thatch on Tuesday 10th June, limited numbers.
- ◆ Summer Quiz Night (venue still to be confirmed) on Friday July 10th at 7.00pm. Teams of 4 (or less). Bar, raffle, etc.
- ◆ Quedgeley Show (August Bank Holiday Sunday) August 30th at Severn Vale School (including the Annual Dog Show). Bar, Refreshments, demonstrations.
- ◆ Visit to the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire. Tuesday 8th September.
- ◆ Festival of Reflection in Severn Vale School based on the Royal Albert Hall Festival of Remembrance. Friday 6th November at 7.00pm. Choirs, Soloists, Dancers, etc.

We are always looking for support members to help at events, etc. Please do let us know if you want to join.

For further information please contact Steve Smith on 01452 725343



RSPB advice - Red Alert !!



To help prevent disease amongst the wild bird population the RSPB has issued the following advice:-

1st May –31st October—Pause filling bird feeders with seeds or peanuts. You can offer small amounts of meal worms, fatballs or suet.

1st November –30th April—You can feed birds a full range of bird foods including seeds and peanuts.

Quedgeley WI

May for WIs means Resolutions when members choose and vote on important issues on which they want the National Federation of Women's Institutes to campaign. From equal pay to climate change, mental health and violence against women, over the past 100 years the WI have embraced a diverse set of challenges that has brought about a real change. This year there were two Resolutions to discuss, Accessible public toilet facilities to promote dignity, health and social inclusion and Action on women's homelessness. Members vote and the results are taken to the Annual General Meeting and eventually go on to form the basis of a WI campaign.

After the usual business and the discussion of the Resolutions there followed an enjoyable Social Evening, with wine, nibbles and a General Knowledge Quiz. Who knew that the internet was created in the 1960s or that the strongest muscle in the human body is in the jaw? We are nearly half way through the year but there are still plenty of things to look forward to, theatre trips, our August outing to Bath and the American Museum and more interesting talks. We meet at 7.30pm. on the second Wednesday of every month at Quedgeley Village Hall and if anyone would like to come to our meetings as a visitor or new member they will be made very welcome.

Spring Fayre 2026



We held a large part of the Spring Fair in the church due to the weather. However, this didn't deter people from enjoying a wonderful afternoon. There were stalls selling hot food, plants, crafts, books, and knitwear, alongside the usual tombolas and raffle, plus a games section for the children. Our refreshments area provided visitors with a much-needed cup of tea and delicious cakes.

Gardening with Victoria



In this month's edition, Victoria shares her advice on bedding plants, roses, and preventing disease in the garden. If you would like to ask Victoria a gardening question, send it to aroundthespire@gmail.com — we'd love to hear from you!

With the warmer days and longer evenings, June is when we spend more time sitting and relaxing in the garden, enjoying the fruits of all your hard work during the previous months. Needless to say, this does not mean that there aren't any jobs that can be done to maintain or enhance your work of art which is your garden!

There is great range of different bedding plants that can be found in Garden Nurseries, even supermarkets now sell them (though not always well looked after and they may need some extra TLC!). Once you prepare the ground where you plan to plant up just remember to water them well in. Talking about watering this can become rather a chore during the summer months, making sure pots and hanging baskets etc don't dry out. There are different companies that sell water saving gel which can be used in containers and pots that can help with this.

You can even buy compost that has this already in the mix! Due to the dryer summers that we have been having some Gardening Bodies like the RHS, advise us to think about opting for drought hardy plants. Geraniums, Antirrhinum (Snapdragons) Lavender and Salvias are just a few that are tolerant of dryer conditions – as well as herbs such as Sage, Thyme and Rosemary.



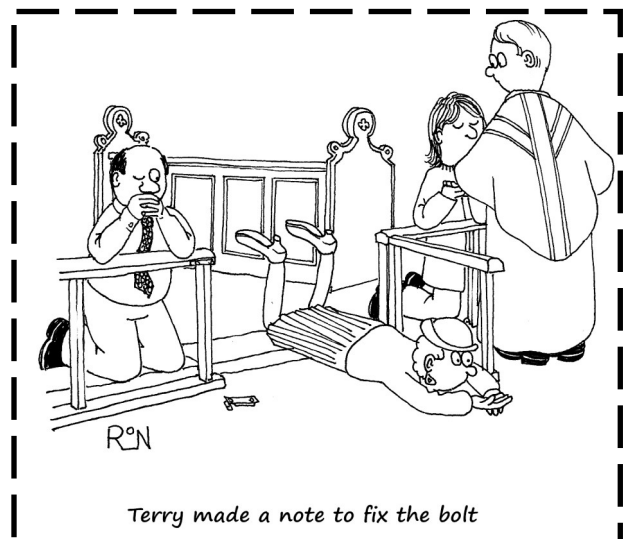
While we know that there is a need to water, we can still consider the impact to the environment. Water butts are a great way to harvest our rain water, I have several around the garden and I find them very useful. The time of day when we water also helps as watering in the cool of the morning or evening stops waste from evaporation. Another way that you can help cut down the amount of water you use is by using a watering can rather than a hose. This allows you to provide a more controlled and targeted watering to your plants, though it does make the job of watering more of an effort. Fourthly if you provide a mulch around the base of your plants this will help to retain moisture – as well as feeding the plants and suppressing the weeds. I remember my Father always used to put the grass clippings around the roses – happy memories!

I happen to love roses and I am lucky to have a few in my garden, including climbing ones. Looking after them does take a bit of time, in June it is important to remember to check for black spot and rust. If you find any signs you need to remove the leaves, also check the earth around the plant and pick up any fallen diseased leaves as they can reinfect the soil. An organic remedy I am told is 1 teaspoon of baking soda to 250ml of water with a few drops of soap, this should be used weekly.



There are also Fungicides that can be used at the first sign of infection. Greenfly and Sawfly Larvae (I thought these were caterpillars until recently!) can also attack roses so keep an eye open for these. The larvae can be brushed off by hand and left for the birds, the greenfly can be got rid of by spraying with soapy water – make sure you look under the leaves too! Another job with roses is to remember to dead head them - this ongoing task helps keep them looking tidy and can promote further blooms. For climbing roses, it is good to keep an eye out for any new stems that need tying to the support you are training them to. This, like dead heading, keeps them neat and encourages more flowers.

Last but not least just before you go and get a cool drink to enjoy in your garden, keep that handy hoe close by so you can dislodge any unwanted weeds that raise their heads in your borders to disturb your peace.



Terry made a note to fix the bolt

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First of all a reminder that the Town Council Accounts are available for viewing from 15th June 2026. Please make an appointment with the Clerk if you wish to view anything. All accounts are transparent and every year we have to provide a window of 30 working days to enable local residents to come in and view. That window commences on the above date.

Moving onto the fun stuff! Our Summer Fiesta will take place on Saturday 4th July 2026 at Fisher's Meadow from 10.00am. Included in the day will be stalls, a bouncy castle, Ice-cream Van, Free Dog Show, exhibitors and much much more. It's been a few years since we ran a Summer fun day so we hope that people will be eager to come along and see what's available in their community. This council is well known for delivering family fun events which are either free or very cheap. This event proves to be no different with free entry and just some small change required for refreshments/bouncy castle etc. Further information is available from the Town Council office.



Fishers Meadow, Quedgeley Free Entry

Waterwells Sports Centre is enjoying a facelift with a new front door and the entire inside being repainted. Each year one centre is chosen for remedial repairs to make sure that we are able to provide the best facilities to our community. This year it's Waterwells. Also being reviewed are our playparks which are inspected on a weekly basis. A few repairs have been identified that might enhance the experience for those that use them. We were really happy to see our new benches at Bristol Road Rec being used in the nice weather. These were installed last year and it was lovely to see young families enjoying these new facilities.

We continue to enjoy a full compliment of 16 councillors which means that our committee meetings are well attended with each councillor taking on dedicated tasks.



And finally, a really worthwhile meeting took place at the BMX track recently. Youngsters who use this track have been trying to provide their own 'jumps', rendering the track unsafe. A meeting took place between City Councillors and officials, Town Councillors, the Neighbourhood Connectors and BMX track users. It was inspiring to see such fantastic communication between all parties with youngsters voicing their wishes and City Councillor staff listening with good intentions. Sometimes it works to just get everyone together to talk and there was a real sense of respect between all. Mind you, we think the snacks helped!

A reminder that any big announcements are made on our Facebook page or on the front of our website.

Visit us either online at www.quedgeley-tc.gov.uk or visit our office which is situated in the Matalan Retail Park, Mondays – Fridays, 9.00am – 2.30pm.

Puzzle & Colour

Mouse Makes

"May the grace of the Lord **JESUS CHRIST** and the love of **GOD** and the fellowship of the **HOLY SPIRIT** be with you all."
 2 Corinthians 13:14

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The tale of the Salt and Light

JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS

HE ONE EXPLAINED TO HIS FRIENDS THAT THEY WERE A BIT LIKE SALT!

IN JESUS' DAY, SALT WAS VERY PRECIOUS. IT HELPED PRESERVE FOOD...

...AND SALT GAVE FLAVOUR. IT WAS VERY USEFUL INDEED

SALT HELPED MAKE LIFE BETTER - WE TOO SHOULD HELP MAKE LIFE BETTER IF WE CHOOSE TO FOLLOW JESUS!

JESUS ALSO SAID HIS FOLLOWERS SHOULD BE LIKE LIGHTS

'NOBODY LIGHTS A LAMP - THEN PUTS IT UNDER A BOWL', SAID JESUS

THE WAY WE LIVE OUR LIVES AS CHRISTIANS SHOULD BE AN EXAMPLE TO THE REST OF THE WORLD.

JUST LIKE A CITY BUILT ON A HILL!

to dad

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DAD

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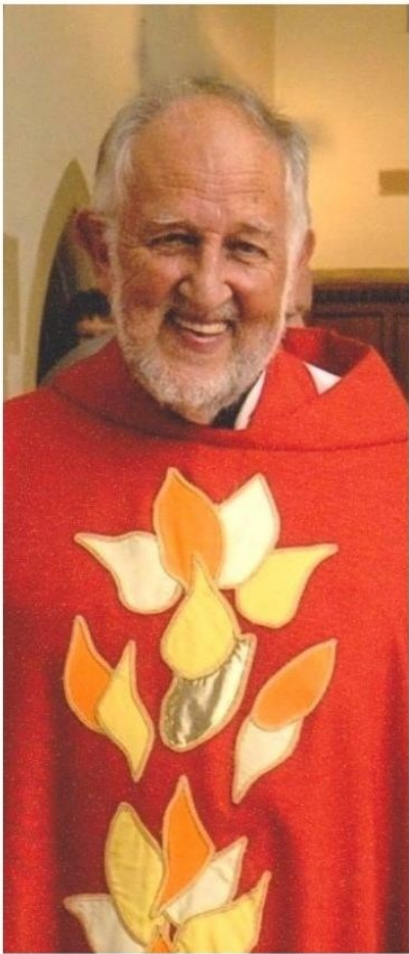
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"The Holy Spirit is a healing spirit.

When the Holy Spirit is present, anything is possible."

— Reinhard Bonnke



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