CHURCH NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2015



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PLAY

In the library of my school there were some paintings, and one which I particularly liked was by Pieter Breughel the Elder. It is called 'Children's Games' and I liked to work out all the different activities depicted. There were obvious "games" but also activities, like top-spinning and playing with hoops. And there was an interesting contrast



between that scene and the school yard, where play might be conkers (at the right time of year), draughts or chess on precariously balanced boards, but more likely groups of boys kicking around a tiny ball. I remember the balls, because to protect windows, they were full of holes and made of plastic!



Play has been described as a "free activity", outside our "ordinary life", which is not serious but is intensely absorbing. It may appear to be frivolous but when it has an object and is structured as in a game, then it provides an intense focus, which may be simultaneously very relaxing. We know that play is a vital tool in our physical and emotional development, and in education too. Children seem to have a natural gift for play and it always seems to me sad

when older people give up play. It doesn't have to be energetic!



Summertime is a great season for play: in the warm sunshine, the playgrounds in our villages are full of children; there is the essentially English scene of white-clad cricketers against the green of field and tree. Whether it is a paddling pool in the garden or the Mediterranean Sea off Mallorca or Greece, water is inviting as a place of play.

It seems to me, play is part of the Sabbath tradition: not, I hasten to add, of the puritanical Sundays of former centuries when even play was forbidden, but from its original purpose, of rest. Yes, as you would expect me to say (!) Sunday is for worship, but it is also time away from the ordinary, a time for play: a time for being less serious, perhaps goal-oriented, but free and relaxing. I think these are things at the heart of what it is to be human.

So I hope August will bring you time to play. And as they say in restaurants: Enjoy!!

Fr Roger

(illustrations taken from Breughel's picture. 1. Handstands, 2. Playing with a hoop, 3. Blowing soap bubbles, 4. Playing on a rustic pole.)

SERMONS in August at 11am in King's Sutton:

On the 2nd we will welcome again Shahriah Ashrafkhorosani. He has completed his degree from Brookes and is going to start his training for the priesthood at S Stephen's House in Oxford this autumn.

Then Fr Roger will preach on Christianity and other faiths on the following Sundays. These, together, with a background paper, will be available by early September.

From the Registers:

Weddings:

June 20th Adam Foster and Emma Catlin
July 11th Gareth Edmunds and Rachel Stott

<u>Celebration of Light</u> Since the last newsletter, the floodlighting has been sponsored to remember:

August 9th James Barber

If you would like to sponsor the floodlights of the church to remember an anniversary or other significant event in your family, please either contact Stephen Allday (811473) or take a form from the ledge just inside the church.



If you have a smart-phone, try scanning this QR code....it will give you more information about the church.

CHURCH FETE 4th July

Many thanks to all whose work and support made the Fete so successful. The amount raised was over £1500. The lovely sunny afternoon brought many visitors to enjoy the cream teas and attractions which included the Adderbury Morris. Well done to everyone.

Children and families

PARENT AND TODDLER WORSHIP is at 9.30am every Friday during term time. We are in church for a short simple service and then play and chat in the Church Room. Why not join us when we reconvene in September? Watch for further details in the September Newsletter.

Please come to our

Summer Celebration

for the Children's Society



Please join our summer celebration, and bring hope to this country's most vulnerable children:

Date: Saturday 22nd August Time: 11.00 am

Venue: In and around the church

Details: Short act of worship at 11am, followed by a 'bring

your own' picnic – drinks will be provided.

Please let Father Roger know if you would like to come



The Children's Society runs over 70 projects up and down the country to support children who have nowhere else to turn — including young runaways, children in care, neglected teenagers and young carers. Celebrations held all over England this summer will help the Children's Society continue this life-changing work.

To find out more, look at: childrenssociety.org.uk/summer



One of the most popular musicals is 'Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat', and many of you will have sung the songs.



You think you know about Joseph???

Try this little quiz (answers inside back cover and in Genesis 37, 39 – 45)

- 1. How old was Joseph when the story starts? a)19 b) 18 c) 17
- 2. To whom did his brothers sell him? a) Edomites b) Jebusites c) Ishmaelites
- 3. Which of his brothers suggested selling Joseph?
- a) Asher b) Judah c) Reuben
- 4. Which brother wanted to save Joseph? a) Asher b) Judah c) Reuben
- 5. To whom was Joseph sold in Egypt?
- a) Potiphar b) Pharaoh c) A captain of the guard
- 6. What put Joseph in prison?
- a) He stole from his master b) A scorned woman c) He had an affair
- 7. Two other prisoners are mentioned. One was a baker; the other was
- a) a carpenter b) a cook c) a cup bearer
- 8. What did Pharaoh dream about?
- a) Sheep and goats b) cows and corn c) corn and wheat
- 9. What did Joseph warn Pharaoh of as a result of his dreams?
- a) Disease b) Invasion c) Famine
- 10. When Joseph's brothers returned home from Egypt the first time, who stayed behind as a prisoner? a) Simeon b) Benjamin c) Reuben
- 11. What did Joseph order to be hidden in Benjamin's sack?
- a) gold coins b) gold ring c) silver cup
- 12. Which of the brothers reduces Joseph to tears as he pleads for Benjamin?
- a) Asher b) Judah c) Reuben



SOLID GOLD SHOW!

Saturday 8th August, 7pm

HALLMARK OF HARMONY

& friends

2014 Gold medal barbershop chorus

with a stunning repertoire of songs including: soul, swing & show tunes as well as barbershop









TAGLINE 2015 QUARTET CHAMPIONS

Entry £10 / Children free

Advance tickets: call 01295 810967 (unallocated seating)

If you've never heard them before, do come to support them, as many of the singers will have travelled from Sheffield. If you've heard them, you will know we are in for a treat!

IT'S A ONE-OFF OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR THE BEST IN BRITAIN!

Future date for your diary:

Sunday, September

Entry free, donations invited

3pm

THE WALTON STRING QUARTET

Simon Stace, Claire Hedges, Rhian Frankcom and Peter Crowther

play a programme including works by:

Mozart, Ravel, Dvorak & Leroy Anderson

A note for your diaries

Saturday 3rd October - An entertaining evening talk on the Impressionists to be given by Barry Whitehouse - venue and time to be confirmed.

Answers to the quiz about Joseph:

The Catholic Congregation meets for Mass at 9am each Sunday in the Parish Church.

Fr James Evans is the parish priest: 01295 660592 www.sacredheart.btck.co.uk

Services at Newbottle Church in August at 9.30am

| Sunday | 2 nd | Trinity 9: Sung Eucharist | |
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| Sunday | 9 th | Trinity 10: Matins and Holy Communion | |
| Sunday | 16 th | Trinity 11: Sung Eucharist | |
| Sunday | 23 rd | Trinity 12: Matins | |
| Sunday | 30 th | Trinity 13: Matins and Holy Communion | |

Calendar of Services for August 2015

| Sat | 1 | Mass 10am |
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| Sun | 2 | Trinity 9: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am – Preacher Shahriar |
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| Tues | 4 | S Jean Vianney: Mass 9.30am |
| Weds | 5 | Eve of the Transfiguration: Mass 7pm |
| Thurs | 6 | , , , , , , |
| Fri | 7 | Mass 12 noon |
| Sat | 8 | S Dominic: Mass 10am; Wedding |
| Sun | 9 | Trinity 10: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm |
| Mon | 10 | |
| Tues | 11 | S Clare: Mass 9.30am |
| Weds | 12 | Mass 7pm |
| Thurs | 13 | |
| Fri | 14 | S Maximilian Kolbe: Mass 12 noon |
| Sat | 15 | Mass 10am |
| Sun | 16 | The Assumption: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm |
| Mon | 17 | |
| Tues | 18 | Mass 9.30am |
| Weds | 19 | Mass 7pm |
| Thurs | 20 | |
| Fri | 21 | Mass 12 noon |
| Sat | 22 | Mass SOLW 10am |
| Sun | 23 | Trinity 12: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong for S |
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| Mon | 24 | |
| Tues | 25 | Mass 9.30am |
| Weds | 26 | Mass 7pm |
| Thurs | 27 | |
| Fri | 28 | S Augustine of Hippo: Mass 12 noon; Wedding |
| Sat | 29 | Beheading of S John Baptist: Quiet Day, venue tbc. |
| Sun | 30 | Trinity 13: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm |
| Mon | 31 | |

Please check with the latest Sword & Keys for updates on these services.