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LETTER FROM THE VICAR

Dear Friends

As July arrives and summer unfolds in all its colour and warmth, we find ourselves in a season of long days, garden gatherings, and – we hope – some sunshine! The school year begins to wind down, holidays are being planned, and there is a noticeable easing of pace in many of our lives. For some, this brings much-needed rest; for others, the shift in routine brings its own kind of busyness.



In the church calendar, July often feels like a quieter time, nestled between the joyful celebration of Pentecost and the reflective season of harvest that will come later in the year. But quiet does not mean empty. Just as gardens grow most rapidly during these months, so too can our faith deepen in the stillness.

I wonder, as you enjoy walks in the countryside, time in the garden, or even a few peaceful moments in the shade, whether you might find new space to notice God's presence. Perhaps in the simple rhythm of nature, or in the welcome of a cool breeze on a warm day, we can hear again that gentle invitation to "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10).

July brings its own joys: summer fetes, festivals and of course, the faithful rhythm of our worship and fellowship. If you're around during the holidays, we'd love to see you. If you're travelling, please know you go with our prayers. Let us use this season not only to rest our bodies but to refresh our souls – through prayer, through Scripture, and through the quiet joy of knowing we are held in God's loving care.

Every blessing,



CHURCH NEWS

Cutting Carbon at St Mark's Reigate – How the Energy Footprint Tool helped

Watch this short video of Revd Martin Colton, Vicar of St Mark's in Reigate, as he shares how the Energy Footprint Tool helped their church reduce carbon emissions and reflect on how they care for God's creation. By highlighting their energy usage, the tool encouraged them to take practical steps – particularly through the Give to Go Green match funding project, which supported the replacement of old, expensive halogen lighting with energy-efficient LEDs.

<https://southwark.anglican.org/cutting-carbon-at-st-marks-reigate-how-the-energy-footprint-tool-helped/>



St Marks Players presents

Laughter and Tears

Friday 4th and Saturday 5th July 2025

at The Hall, St. Marks Church Centre, Alma Road,
Reigate RH2 0DA

Performance starts 8.00pm

Tickets at £12 per person are available at:
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-marks-players>

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Baggage by Bev Clark
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News from the Church of England

Assisted Dying: “Without proper palliative care, there is no choice”

The Bishop of Southwark, the Rt Revd Christopher Chessun, has written to all MPs whose constituencies fall within Southwark Diocese to raise the concerns that he believes to be most pressing as they approach the third reading of the Assisted Dying Bill in the House of Commons on Friday 20 June.

In particular, he raises concerns about:

- The lack of availability of proper palliative care – stating that, without proper palliative care, there is no real choice for those at the end of life
- The risk that people will choose assisted dying because they fear becoming a burden to others
- The risks of coercion and abuse – especially to women

He has also written to clergy and lay leaders across the diocese, urging them to pray for all MPs, that they will deliberate with care, wisdom and sensitivity – and for all those who are made vulnerable by this debate. The full text of the letter is below:

Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill

Now that the Bill reaches Third Reading in the House of Commons, I want to take the opportunity to share with the Members of Parliament whose constituencies fall wholly or partly within the boundaries of the Diocese of Southwark those points that I believe to be most relevant as you give the Bill its final consideration at this stage. Please let me say at the outset I fully understand the plea for the dignity of life through to our last breath. Indeed, I fully believe in it. I have ministered to people with terminal illness and at the point of death and I continue to do so. I also understand the argument for complete autonomy in determining one's life and its passing. I do not share that view in its entirety. For me such an outlook does not acknowledge life as a gift in creation or life in relationship with others. There are, of course, those who do wish such autonomy and seek a principled and dignified end to life at a time of one's choosing. But as the former Prime Minister, Gordon Brown put it in The Guardian Newspaper on Tuesday, “There is no effective freedom to choose if the alternative option, the freedom to draw on high-quality end-of-life care, is not available.” Mr Brown is, of course, referring to **the lack of provision for palliative care. Without a proper system of palliative care, there is no proper choice.**

As Dr Sarah Cox, the President of the Association of Palliative Medicine, stated in evidence to the select committee on the Bill, around **100,000 people a year in the UK who require palliative care die without it.** Hospice UK, as Gordon Brown points out, warned that one in five of its members were planning to cut

services last year, and evidence this year from individual hospices is that such pressure is intensifying.

On average, a hospice patient is publicly funded for less than a third of the cost. The rest is covered by charitable donations or private funding. I do not decry the origin or the basis of the Hospice Movement with which I have been associated for many years. The first, set up by Dame Cicely Saunders is in this diocese. But they are on a charitable basis and often a Christian foundation and cannot treat all from their own resources. It follows that the proposals in the Bill will privilege those with supportive families and substantial private means. **Those who fear becoming a burden to their families because they must dispose of assets to fund care, may feel pressurised to consider assisted dying.** It is worth bearing in mind that in the US State of Oregon, of those surveyed and availing themselves of assisted dying, 12% reported themselves to be a burden. In 2023, this figure had risen to 43%. Data from Oregon lists financial pressures as a factor as to why people choose assisted dying.

There is a further consideration, one which this Bill has tried to exclude. That of **coercion**. There are those who exist in a network of supportive families, friends and other social frameworks, such as faith communities. Others do not. Some are neglected by their families or are even abused by them. Others are in coercive relationships. This is **disproportionately experienced by women**. This – combined with the lack of palliative care – will mean disproportionate outcomes for the most vulnerable in our society. I do not think we can be as sanguine about identifying coercion as the Bill sets out in such cases as some have suggested.

It is not surprising, therefore, that MPs from a BAME/GMH background who are attuned to issues around disproportionality, were particularly sceptical at Second Reading and that a majority of them registered a vote against the Bill. Florence Eshalomi MP for Vauxhall and Camberwell (within this diocese) spoke powerfully at Second Reading, "Put simply, we should be helping people to live comfortable, pain-free lives on their own terms before we think about making it easier for them to die."

This Bill is one of enormous consequence. Whatever one's fundamental beliefs, to pursue its provisions without addressing the considerable gap in palliative care will, in many cases, be offering no choice at all, except an early death at a time other than one would wish to choose, driven by anxiety or by coercion.

There is enormous good intent on all sides of the argument. I wish you well in your deliberation and please be assured of my prayers.

Yours sincerely,

The Right Reverend Christopher Chessun

The Bishop of Southwark



Our World

Four ex-university friends were waiting for the next train, theirs having been cancelled. "I just cannot understand the young. They seem entirely lacking in backbone. When we were young, we just had to get on with it. We had to take things as we found them. The war had left us in a mess far worse than the present. If we had a job, we took our pay and were satisfied. Today there is far too much education, personal enjoyment and demand for high living, for a start." said Jim

"These youngsters need counselling. They need us to show we understand what they suffered though the epidemic, broken schooling and the excessive use of mobile phones. We need to understand their difficulties," said June.

"To get them back to work?" asked Jim.

"To give them hope, instead of low wages in a job far beneath their potential. More social contact and a place in community. Of course, they have to pay their way. It's a basic responsibility," said Tom.

"Well, no one felt it was their responsibility to provide work when, there was unemployment. 'Get on your bike was the answer,' " said June. "The market can do no wrong and you can't buck it, seems to be the current philosophy. You might say that drawing social security is the way young people adapt to and conform with the current lack of opportunities. Such initiative is the supposedly admiral basis for enterprise."

Stephen had been listening intently. He was normally a man of few words. "Did you know that the UK along with Italy, both of which were slow to 'lock down,' afraid for their economies, are two of the three worst in Europe for child poverty? In this country at the change in government there were 4.5million children in poverty. That's about a third of all children of which three hundred thousand do not have their own bed, and it's rising. Many of their parents have low paid jobs and still qualify for assistance."

He continued, "You know that it is well established that crime blossoms during depressions, so we lock them up and find we have not enough prison space and do nothing about that. The level of suicides increases. Do you know that national health declines during depression, especially amongst the poor? Did you know the sale of junk food explodes during recession, that fewer go to university and the social fabric declines; thousands of swimming pools, libraries and youth clubs close and stealing from pedestrians increases? Fraud increases. And did you know that the level of wealth of the better off increases, more so as the fund from Quantitative Easing finds its way into the pockets of the rich and the stock exchange instead of to those capable of work as Keynes intended."

The uneven distribution of wealth and the level of top salaries have grown during the last twenty years at the same time as real incomes have generally fallen. It's also true that the cuts divide the nation. It's quite clear to me that what you are complaining about, the reluctance of some young people to work and many of the other present ills of society are the result not of some mental disorder but that the culture we live in is not fit for purpose. We desperately need different values than just those provided by the market. We need to value our neighbour be he next door or abroad. And we need better understanding by the population of our problems throughout our society and do something about that rather than demand what we want for ourselves.

Jim ventured, "You can't change control by the market. Supply and demand will straighten things out in the long term. It's the way it is, and you cannot change it." They paused thoughtfully.

June broke the silence, "Have you heard. Jim, that we are all dead in the long run?"

"It can't come too soon for some," said Tom with a glance in Jim's direction. "Just waiting does nothing."

June continued, "I agree with all that Stephen is saying. The way things are going with AI and robots we shall no longer need most employees. What then will become of the man in the street and what kind of social fabric will we have? What's the use in building more wealth in hedge funds while the population gets poorer. What if there is nothing worthwhile for the population to do?"

"According to a Harvard professor, there is also a motivation to reduce education as is already happening in the States because an ignorant population is easier to control with simple but unreal promises."

"But you are wrong", said Roger. "Recent history is full of the struggle for better living conditions for all. Things can change, but not simply by standing back and only interfering to cut social expenditure. We have to change things basically."

Stephen struggled for words, "The Nuclear threat did not go away by ignoring it so today it is one of the three most threatening existential risks along with pandemics and Climate Change. They won't go away without international cooperation but supporters of what you call the market won't see that. It's simply not in their short-term interests. Profits are made from nuclear weapons and fossil fuels. Change won't be easy. The Liz Truss experiment was instructive. International financiers holding government stock thought its value would fall so they began to sell, and the price dropped short-term threatening the cost of public debt and long term the value of currencies. It was those factors which dominated. Governments seem to be able to do nothing without approval of financial interests. I sometimes wonder whether economic policy is mainly directed to satisfy financial institutions rather than the interests of the population. The other thing which needs to change to reduce inter-

national disputes is far better cooperation to solve problems which concern the whole planet such as climate change, nuclear weapons and biological threats, instead of playing the musical chairs game of national self-interest."

"Look out," cried Roger, here is our train and there is limited seating".

"Don't forget to give up your seat graciously Jim to someone in greater need!" said June with a laugh.

Harry Ingram



Secrets

We need to be open with each other, but all of us must have secrets from time to time and, as long as they are our own ones, we are at liberty of disclosing them to only those we feel confident that they won't tell anyone else.

If someone else has confided in us with their secrets, we should certainly keep our mouths shut. Once disclosed it isn't possible to fully take back what has been said. In times of war secrets disclosed could have dreadful results for other people and even nations.

We sometimes keep secrets from those we love if we just don't want to worry them. This can often be the case for troubles, especially of a medical nature. However, it is surely better to share such knowledge as we have so that those loved ones can think of us, care for us and pray for us, as we would do for them.

I guess that children who get into difficulties might keep such knowledge from their parents until the troubles come to a head or are resolved, whereas those parents might have been helpful in solving any problems that otherwise might be kept secret.

I remember as a teenager I was encouraged to make my confession to a priest in church. Although I didn't have what now I think to be serious sins I felt fully cleansed as I left the Church. I could have said sorry just to God but sharing what shame I had with another was extremely helpful, knowing that he would keep such secrets confidentially.

I close with the sinical saying:

"Can you keep a secret,
I don't expect you can.
Seldom with a woman,
Never with a man."

Ian Archer

CALENDAR FOR JULY 2025

Wednesday 2 nd July	9.00am Prayer Meeting 3.25pm T-Time Tales
Thursday 3rd July	St Thomas, Apostle 12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church
Sunday 6th July	3rd Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online 4.00pm Family Service – in Church
Wednesday 9 th July	9.00am Prayer Meeting 3.25pm T-Time Tales
Thursday 10 th July	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church
Sunday 13th July	4th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00 am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online 1.00pm Community Lunch
Wednesday 16 th July	9.00am Prayer Meeting
Thursday 17 th July	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church
Saturday 19 th July	8.00pm Social Ballroom and Latin Dance
Sunday 20th July	5th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online 4.00pm Messy Church
Tuesday 22nd July	St Mary Magdalene
Wednesday 23 rd July	9.00am Prayer Meeting
Thursday 24 th July	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church
Friday 25th July	St James the Great
Sunday 27th July	6th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online 6.00pm Taizé Prayer
Wednesday 30 th July	9.00am Prayer Meeting
Thursday 31 st July	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church

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CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 2025

Sunday 3rd August	7th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online
Wednesday 6th August	The Transfiguration of our Lord 9.00am Prayer Meeting
Thursday 7 th August	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church 2.00pm SMART
Sunday 10th August	8th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00 am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online
Wednesday 13 th August	9.00am Prayer Meeting
Thursday 14 th August	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church
Friday 15th August	Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 16 th August	8.00pm Social Dance in the Hall
Sunday 17th August	9th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online
Wednesday 20 th August	9.00am Prayer Meeting
Thursday 21 st August	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church
Sunday 24th August	St Bartholomew, Apostle 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online 6.00pm Taizé Prayer
Wednesday 27 th August	9.00am Prayer Meeting
Thursday 28 th August	12.45pm Holy Communion (Iona) in Church
Sunday 31st August	11th Sunday after Trinity 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP) – in Church 10.00am Sung Eucharist – in Church and Online

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Safety / Bravery

It seems to me so often in our lives there is a conflict between safety and bravery. So often by our actions and decisions we take the safe way forward, practically or by inaction, when the courageous way forward might have been better, even if we put ourselves in some danger.

So often I ask God's help to make my way safer, or even to help me find my keys! Of course, I should not do this as why should God worry about my keys or make my personal way safe? However, I feel I need help, and having no one else to provide it, why not ask God?

I have not found examples in the Gospels of God making life safe for his followers. However, he did warn them of times when they must be brave and meet troubles in the way that he did so often. He also warned them of troubles they would meet later in life if they had courage to take the harder way forward.

In the story of the Good Samaritan, if he worried as to whether he might be attacked as the poor man was, he would have walked by to keep safe. But he was brave enough to risk that in his mission to help.

St. Peter, when he saw Christ walking on the water was brave enough to try it himself, but as soon as he worried as to whether he was safe, he began to sink. Bravery was what was required on this occasion, not playing safely.

By doing nothing when action is needed can cause such damage to others, such as the rise of the Nazis before the 2nd World War. We can just think someone else might do what is needed.

Where would we all be if every one of us always took the safe way forward? So much is achieved by those prepared to take a risky way at times.

Bravery in taking the harder way forward may be good, but if such actions put others in danger, we must think twice about it. Perhaps we must try to make other people safe, even if we are thereby putting ourselves in some danger.

Ian Archer



All in the month of July

It was:

100 years ago, on 21 July 1925 that racing driver Malcolm Campbell became the first person to travel at over 150 mph. He set a new land speed record of 150.87 mph at Pendine Sands in Wales in a Sunbeam 350HP. He also went on to break the 250 mph and 300 mph records, in 1932 and 1935.

80 years ago, on 5 July 1945 that WW2 leader Winston Churchill lost the General Election to Clement Attlee's Labour Party.

75 years ago, on 11 July 1950 that the first episode of the BBC children's TV show *Andy Pandy* was broadcast in the UK.

65 years ago, on 14 July 1960 that primatologist Jane Goodall arrived in Gombe Stream National Park in Tanzania to begin her study of chimpanzees in the wild.

60 years ago, on 8 July 1965 that Great Train Robber Ronnie Briggs escaped from Wandsworth Prison in London. He lived in Brazil until 2001, when he returned to London and was re-imprisoned. Released in 2009, he died in 2013.

30 years ago, on 16 July 1995 that Amazon.com first opened its website to the public.

25 years ago, on 11 July 2000 that Robert Runcie, Archbishop of Canterbury (1980 – 1991) died.

20 years ago, that the 7 July (2005) London bombings took place. The coordinated series of four suicide bomb attacks on London's transport system during the morning rush hour killed 56 people and injured more than 700. It was the worst-ever terrorist attack on Britain, and the country's first attack by suicide bombers.



Prayer for July 2025

Lord, in this month, we, your church, remember Thomas. Thomas, who asked questions and doubted when he didn't see You with his own eyes. And Lord, You walked through those locked doors of his questions and doubts specifically to meet his needs.

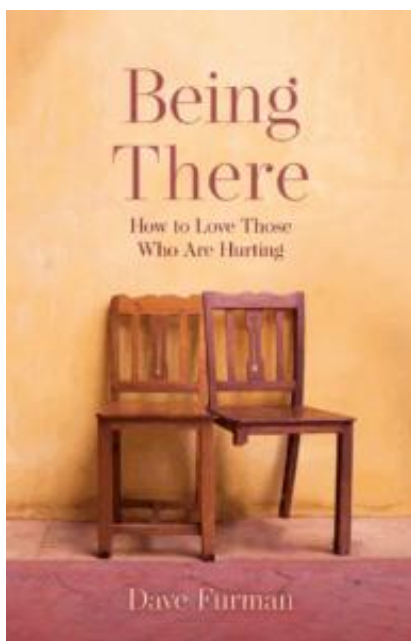
Help us to come to you, honestly, with our questions and doubts, knowing that You understand and will meet our needs too. Help us to recognize You with eyes of faith – the only One who can help us.

May we declare, with Thomas, in humility, devotion and thankfulness, 'My Lord and my God!'. We pray in your powerful name, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Daphne Kitching



Book Reviews



Being There – how to love those who are hurting By Dave Furman

Everyone has friends or family who suffer from sickness, disability, depression, or the death of a loved one. But often, while we want to help them, we are also struggling in our own various ways.

Writing from the perspective of one who needs extra help on a daily basis, Dave Furman offers insight into the support that people need when helping others. Furman draws on his own life experiences, examples from the Bible, and wisdom from Christians throughout history. Deeply pastoral, this book points you to the strength that only God can provide as you care for those who are hurting.



The Fasting Practice – a four-session guide to offering your whole self to God By John Mark Comer

The powerful yet neglected spiritual discipline of fasting can awaken your entire being to a deep hunger for God. This guide from New York Times bestselling author John Mark Comer will show you how.

In our culture of constant consumption, the biblical practice of fasting is both countercultural and transformative. This Companion Guide to the Fasting Practice from Practicing the Way offers spiritual exercises, reflection questions, and guided readings. Featuring four engaging video sessions, the Fasting Practice is available online for free.

The author believes that by incorporating fasting as a way of life, we can find a deeper connection with God, and a renewed sense of purpose in our lives.

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A Lasting Gift for St Mark's Church

Leaving a legacy

Legacy gifts can make a huge difference to churches. Each year, gifts in wills, ranging from £100s to £100,000s are received. Faithful witnesses leaving generous legacies have enabled churches to invest in their buildings, pioneer new ministries, and sustain a welcoming presence in their communities.

Why should you write a will?

Writing a will means you choose:

- How you would like to share your property and possessions;
- Who you would like to look after any children under the age of 18;
- How to support any charities or churches that are important to you.

Without a will, these decisions will be made according to pre-ordained rules, and by the courts, which may be different from your wishes. Leaving a will gives you peace of mind and lifts a burden from loved ones after you are gone.

To make it easier the Church of England has partnered with Farewill, the UK's favourite will-writer, so anyone can write a simple will online for free, in as little as 30 minutes. You can find out more by visiting <https://farewill.com/southwarkdiocese> .

We strongly advise seeing a solicitor for more complicated wills, or for people wishing to review their existing will or add a codicil.

A gift for future generations

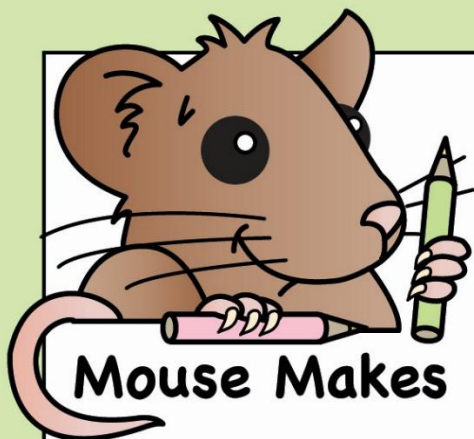
After you have made provision for your family and friends, we hope you'll also consider leaving a gift in your will to St Mark's. A legacy is a valuable expression of how meaningful a church has been during your time there. It's a way to give thanks - a lasting testimony to the faithfulness, goodness and generosity of God.

The policy of the PCC is to use legacies to help fund additional mission or development projects in the parish, whether buildings, equipment or staff. Circumstances change over the years, so church members are encouraged to leave legacies for the general purposes of the parish. The PCC will discuss the most appropriate use of the legacy in the light of current projects and the donor's known areas of interest in the church (for example, children and youth, music, buildings).

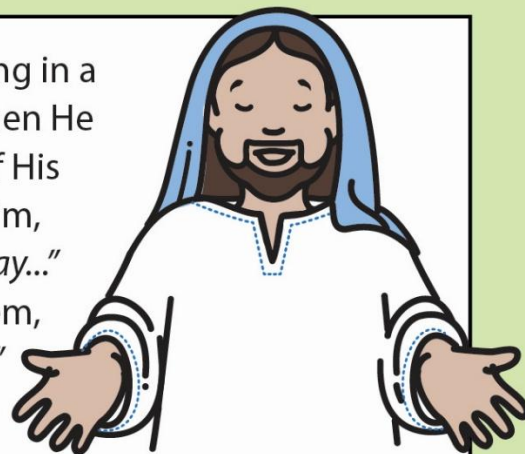
You may also receive tax benefits for including a gift to St Mark's in your will. A gift in your will to a charity is free of inheritance tax and may also reduce the amount of tax payable on the rest of your will. <https://www.gov.uk/donating-to-charity/leaving-gifts-to-charity-in-your-will>

Please consider leaving a legacy to St Mark's.

Mel Crighton, PCC Treasurer



"Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when He had finished, one of His disciples said to Him, 'Lord, teach us to pray...' And He said to them, 'When you pray, say...'"



Our _____
in _____,
hallowed be your
_____, your
_____ come,
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on _____ as it is in
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Give us today our daily
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_____ us our
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those who sin against us.
Lead us not into

but _____
us from _____.
For the kingdom,
the _____ and
the _____ are
yours now and forever.
Amen

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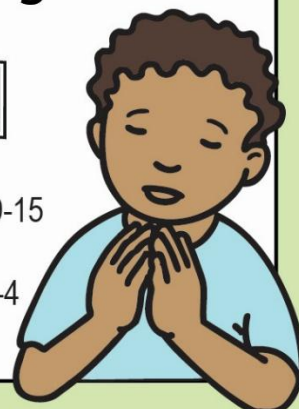
Fill in the missing words of the Lord's Prayer then find them and these extra words in the word search:
LORD'S PRAYER
DISCIPLES
JESUS
GOD
WORLD
NEEDS
FORGIVENESS
TRESPASSES
PROTECTION
REPENTANCE



The versions of **The Lord's Prayer** we say today come from the Gospels of Matthew and Luke.
Which version do you use in your church?



Read
Matthew 6:9-15
and
Luke 11:1-4

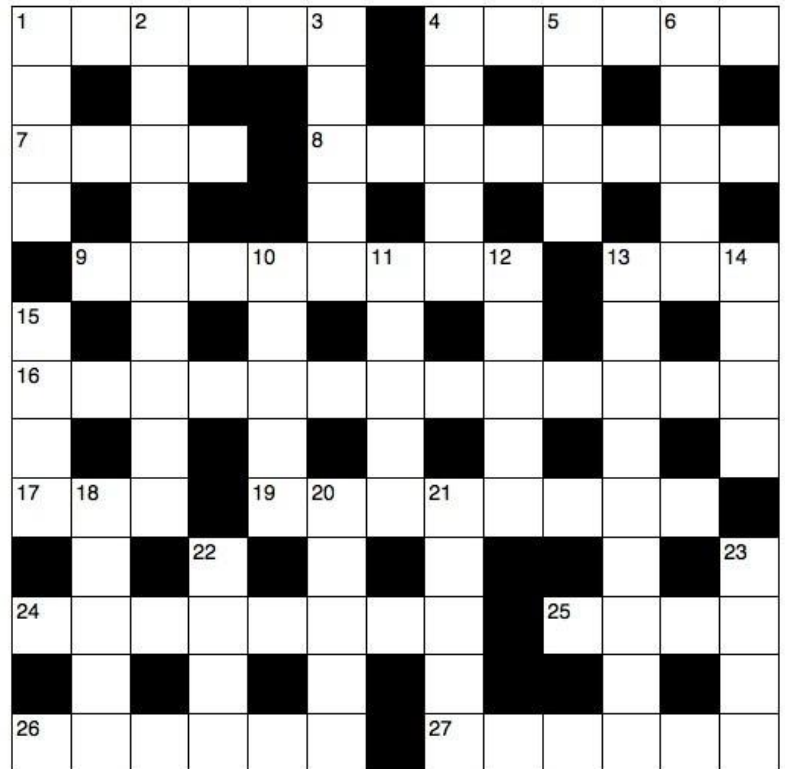


July Crossword

Biblical references are from the New International Version

Across

- 1 'I pray that out of his glorious — he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being' (Ephesians 3:16) (6)
- 4 'Saul's father Kish and — father Ner were sons of Abiel' (1 Samuel 14:51) (6)
- 7 'Praise the Lord, O my — ' (Psalm 103:1) (4)
- 8 See 5 Down
- 9 Laws (1 Kings 11:33) (8)
- 13 'Who of you by worrying can — a single hour to his life?' (Luke 12:25) (3)
- 16 Artistry (Exodus 31:5) (13)
- 17 'Your young men will see visions, your — men will dream dreams' (Acts 2:17) (3)
- 19 How David described his Lord (Psalm 19:14) (8)
- 24 'If this city is built and its — — restored, you will be left with nothing in Trans-Euphrates' (Ezra 4:16) (5,3)
- 25 'The holy Scriptures, which are able to make you — for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus' (2 Timothy 3:15) (4)
- 26 Intended destination of arrows (Lamentations 3:12) (6)
- 27 Eve hit (anag.) (6)



Down

- 1 'For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find — for your souls' (Matthew 11:29) (4)
- 2 Where Peter was when he denied Christ three times (Luke 22:55) (9)
- 3 Remarkable early 20th-century Indian evangelist, a convert from Hinduism, — Sundar Singh (5)
- 4 'Now the king had put the officer on whose — — leaned in charge of the gate' (2 Kings 7:17) (3,2)
- 5 and 8 Across The Lover describes this facial feature of the Beloved thus: 'Your — is like the tower of Lebanon looking towards — ' (Song of Songs 7:4) (4,8)
- 6 'Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled — your waist' (Ephesians 6:14) (5)
- 10 Trout (anag.) (5)
- 11 Easily frightened (1 Thessalonians 5:14) (5)
- 12 The ability to perceive (Ecclesiastes 10:3) (5)
- 13 One of the clans descended from Benjamin (Numbers 26:38) (9)
- 14 "It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who — bread into the bowl with me" (Mark 14:20) (4)
- 15 Resound (Zephaniah 2:14) (4)
- 18 Traditional seat of the Dalai Lama (5)
- 20 Precise (John 4:53) (5)
- 21 Build (Ezekiel 4:2) (5)
- 22 Beat harshly (Acts 22:25) (4)
- 23 Darius, who succeeded Belshazzar as king of the Babylonians, was one (Daniel 5:31) (4)

June answers

ACROSS:

8 Grandchildren 9 Pro 10 Marvelled 11 Strut 13 Startle 16 Babysit 19 Orate 22 Eucharist 24 Map 25 Commissioners

DOWN:

1 Egypt's 2 Favour 3 Edomites 4 Thorns 5 Blue 6 Armlet 7 On edge 12 Tea 14 Adoption 15 Lot 16 Breach 17 Become 18 This So 20 Armies 21 Expose 23 Avid

Puzzles

July Sudoku

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		7	5	3			6	
5					6	1	3	2
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	7						9	
2	5		8	9				7
6	8	9	3					1
	3			1	9	8		
		1	6					

June Solution

3	6	2	4	8	1	9	7	5
9	1	7	5	3	2	4	6	8
5	4	8	9	7	6	1	3	2
1	9	6	2	4	7	5	8	3
8	7	3	1	6	5	2	9	4
2	5	4	8	9	3	6	1	7
6	8	9	3	2	4	7	5	1
4	3	5	7	1	9	8	2	6
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