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**June + July + August  
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# *Diary Dates ...*

*Wednesday*

*15<sup>th</sup> August*

*Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary*

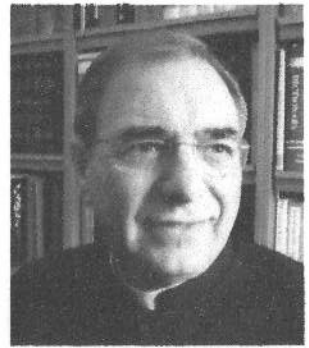
*7pm Sung Mass with procession  
Followed by supper*

*Saturday*

*28<sup>th</sup> July*

*Parish BBQ*

# Fr Terry writes ....



Dear Friends,

I write this letter on returning from our parish pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. A pilgrimage is a journey to a holy place, in which we leave behind our regular concerns and pre-occupations and travel to a place at which we can be quiet and at peace. During a pilgrimage we seek to learn about God, other people and ourselves. It is true that all Christians are on a journey that starts and ends with God, along the way we learn about love; when love is easy and when it's difficult. Indeed Christians are sometimes referred to as "a pilgrim people", journeying from Earth to heaven. A pilgrimage, therefore, represents that journey in miniature, with the object of being at one with God; this involves both speaking and listening, giving and receiving. We experienced that during the weekend in Walsingham, involving the daily Eucharist, Stations of the Cross, candlelit procession of the image of Our Lady and benediction, sprinkling of water from the well with the rite of healing, and the final Eucharistic procession. This may sound rather busy but there was also plenty of time for quiet private prayer or just to enjoy the company of others and the good food.

The origin of Walsingham as a pilgrimage site lies in a vision granted to Richeldis de Faverches, the young widow

of the Lord of the Manor of Walsingham Parva, in 1061. The Blessed Virgin showed Richeldis a vision of the house in which the Archangel Gabriel had appeared to her at the annunciation. Mary asked Richeldis to build an exact replica of the house in Walsingham. The house, known as England's Nazareth, rapidly became a site of pilgrimage looked after by a priory of Augustinian canons, but was destroyed at the reformation in 1538. In 1922 Fr Hope Patten, recently appointed vicar of Walsingham, set up a statue of Our Lady of Walsingham, copied from an image of the seal of the medieval priory. From the very first night that the statue was placed there people gathered round it to pray; the pilgrimage site of Walsingham was restored.

The point of Walsingham can be easily missed. When praying before the image of the Virgin and Child, the focus is not so much that of the Virgin but of Our Lord in his mother's arms – the mystery of our Lord's incarnation. Again, the Holy House in the shrine draws our attention to the annunciation, the gift of God's Son to the human race. Pilgrims always return home with the consolations of our faith; the gift of grace and the assurance of prayers answered. We have already arranged the date of next year's pilgrimage (17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019), so please consider whether you might be able to share in this important opportunity for spiritual growth.

With every good wish and prayers.

*Fr Terry*

# From the Archives

## The Second Half of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century - The 1960's

**1961:** The 20<sup>th</sup> January saw the Institution and Induction of Fr Geoffrey G. White MA as Vicar of St Wilfrid's Harehills.

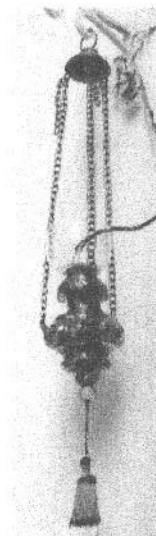
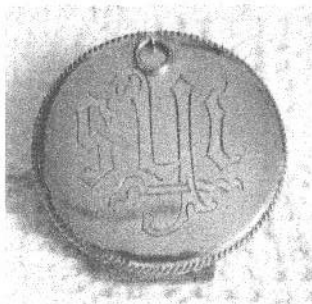
The Church Wardens at the time were: Mr D Broadbent and Mr A Buckroyd.

In March there were two additions to the interior of the Church -

A pair of Hymn Boards, given and fashioned by Mr L Peach (our Scout Master) and secondly, a very beautiful antique Italian silver Sanctuary Lamp to hang in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Experts say that it was made by the same silversmith who made the gates at the Shrine of St Anthony at Padua – it is dated about 1640AD and is a gift of the Youth Fellowship.

Other gifts given during the same year were:

A fine new silver-gilt Pyx, in which the Blessed Sacrament is carried to the sick and a leather bag equipped with a crucifix and two brass candlesticks for sick Communions.



On Advent Sunday, the Bishop of Ripon administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to 38 members of St Wilfrid's.

At the time of writing (October 1982) we have a complete set of monthly Church Magazines from January 1961. This will help us to refresh our memories when we look back. Fr White suggested this should be done.

The Diocesan Quota for 1961 was £105.00.00 plus £36.02.04 (Augmentation).

**1962:** At a recent Parochial Church Council Meeting a resolution was passed, by a majority, to have a development scheme of our Christian Stewardship Campaign. Come June, it will be three years since the original campaign was launched.

Scouts: Our 3<sup>rd</sup> N.E. Leeds troop celebrate 50 years of Scouting, their Golden Jubilee year. The troop began at St Wilfrid's in March 1912. Although passing through the World War, covering about 10 years, it was kept in existence and managed to survive unbroken to this day. In the early days, we had many different Scout Masters (up to 1920). Eight men kept the 'flag' flying during this period.

Then came the great change, Mr Donald R Jobson arrived from Scarborough and for 40 years guided the 3<sup>rd</sup> N.E. Leeds Scouts through many vicissitudes.

On the occasion of the Great Jubilee Mr Laurence (Laury) Peach and Mr John Blackburn, for and on behalf of the Scouts, provided a new Vestment Chest for the Sacristy, this is a very invaluable piece of furniture.

(The church magazine for April 1962 gives a full report of the celebrations in connection with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the formation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> N.E. Leeds St Wilfrid's Scout Troop).

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> April at the PCC Meeting, the Church Wardens were Mr D Broadbent and Mr L Peach.

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May will begin a development of our Christian Stewardship Campaign.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> July was our Sunday School outing to Bridlington.

The New English Bible is now used for the Lessons on Sunday at Evensong.

Vatican Council – extract from Pope John's edict – It is the express wish of the Holy Father that the separated brethren should join in prayer for the Council and he has made it clear that it must be concerned with Jesus Christ and His work. It is our duty to pray that this Council will lead to a deeper understanding between Christians and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit may provide direction for all.

On 24<sup>th</sup> September the Brownie Pack celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – a service was held in Church on the 16<sup>th</sup> September to commemorate their foundation.

The Bishop has given permission for Mr A. V. Davidson, who is a licensed Reader, to assist the the Chalice at the parish Eucharist on Sundays.

Wells Organisations Ltd Development Scheme fees and expenses were £1,046.13.03.

The Leeds Gallery of Art has made some new Lenten arrays for our Altars this year. They will be similar to the previous ones but will have bolder passion symbols printed on them. We are grateful to the two lecturers at the college who have given much of their time to print them.

**Sign of the Cross – One of the devotional acts which Christians use is the sign of the Cross which probably dates from the days of the Apostles. There is reason to believe that it was used in the early days as a sign of recognition by which Christians in the heathen world might make themselves known to each other.**

**Certainly, it was in common use by the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> century. At our Baptism, we were signed with the Cross by the priest.**

**(Special note: It's interesting to note that there was nothing recorded for 1958 and yet for 1962 there were 5 pages!)**

*This article is attributed to Mr William Ascough, Church Warden*

Compiled by *David Simpson*

*Watch out for the next issue of "From the Archives"*





# Spotlight on the Sacraments

(Part 4)

## Anointing of the Sick

"Come here darling and I'll kiss it better" ... how many of us remember with fondness such words of tenderness – especially after a fall, a tummy ache or any other occasion when we needed, quite simply, a bit of hands-on TLC? The Church's Sacrament of Holy Anointing is the liturgical equivalent to this and although it has sometimes been either restricted in use or even somewhat misunderstood in intent, it is actually one of the most "touchy-feely" of the Sacraments being directly connected to our deep desire for "healing" and "wholeness". Like each and every one of the Sacraments.

Holy Anointing was instituted by Jesus Christ ("the anointed one") during his earthly ministry. St Mark's Gospel refers to this Sacrament when he recounts how Our Lord sent out his disciples to preach and "they cast out many demons and anointed with oil, many that were sick and healed them" (Mark 6:13). Significantly in his Epistle St James says "Is there any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church and let them pray over him anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord and the prayer of faith will save the sick man" (James 5:14-15).

Once called "Extreme Unction" or "Last Rites" this gave "Anointing" a rather frightening, sombre image being seen as only a "Final" Sacrament confined to those most close to death and at their last hour! In more recent years the Church has encouraged a far more positive and holistic viewpoint – so that the "Sacrament of the Sick" can be cherished by Christians, not only those in the immediate danger of death, but also for wherever there is "brokenness" - ie "physical" "mental" or "spiritual" sickness. Seen

In this context it is a powerful agent of Christ's healing touch. It becomes no longer merely a "last rite" but instead can be administered (often combined with Holy Communion and/or Confession/Reconciliation) in a wide range of pastoral and spiritual circumstances.

The Sacrament of Holy Anointing can be offered several times during the Christian pilgrimage of life and the powerful grace bestowed can help bring comfort, offer strength and convey an inner healing helping to conquer problems, difficulties and diseases.

The oil (called "Oil of the Sick") is usually made from pure olive oil. This is one of the three Holy Oils blessed by the Bishop at the Annual Chrism Mass – often celebrated on Holy (Maundy) Thursday or on a day close to it. Many parishes try to attend this very special service and Priests will gather at the Chrism Mass to collect the various holy oils to be used in the Parish setting as the sacraments (Baptism – Confirmation – Anointing) are celebrated in the year ahead.

The actual anointing of the sick person is done on the forehead by a Priest, who says this prayer: 'Through this Holy Anointing, may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit' and then on the hands with the prayer "May the Lord who saves you from sin, save you and raise you up". It is also permitted to anoint other parts of the body, such as the area of pain or injury. Many Parishes hold regular "Healing Services" where the Sacrament of the Holy Anointing is offered. Others may experience this when on Pilgrimage or at special Christian places such as the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Anointing can be offered in this "public" setting or in the quiet intimacy of a hospital room for a patient preparing to undergo treatment or surgery.

Holy anointing can be beneficial for anxiety or to help depression – indeed any time we might encounter “the dark of the soul”. It is often quite remarkable how comforting I find the Sacrament to be; the healing touch of the Holy Spirit the overwhelming sense of grace comforts the soul of the person (body, mind and spirit) and feels almost like a peaceful “kiss” from God, our tender hearted Father who indeed says quiet inner being: “Come here and I’ll make it better!”

*Fr Barry Smart SSC*

## **Prayer of dedication**

Lord Jesus

I give you my hands to do your work,  
I give you my feet to go your way,  
I give you my eyes to see as you do.  
I give you my tongue to speak your words,  
I give you my mind that you may think in me,  
I give you my spirit that you may pray in me.  
Above all, I give you my heart  
that you may love in me  
your Father and all mankind.  
I give you my whole self that you may grow in me  
so that it is you, Lord Jesus,  
who live and work and pray in me.

Amen

# Parish Pilgrimage

## to Walsingham



*(part 1) more in next issue*

Before I start, I would like to thank Harry & Kate for taking Allen and myself and bringing us back from WALSINGHAM which we both appreciated very much. Also Father Terry, Pam and Lynne for all the hard work they put in to make it a lovely weekend. Thank you all.

We set off on the Friday morning for a weekend to celebrate Pentecost. The weather could not have been any better. We all met up in the early afternoon – Mike & Liz, Pam, Lynne, Harry & Kate, Father Terry & Elizabeth, and Allen & I.

We were given a list of the services which you could go to. The first was to the Holy Shrine that was a bit of a let down because we could hardly hear, the priest spoke very quietly. Then later on we went to the Holy House which I enjoyed a lot better and I started to relax. On the Saturday we went to the Stations of the Cross, (after we got the right one) we set off and I found that really good and I started to understand what Pentecost was about. We then went to a Mass for the Parish in the Holy House where we were confirmed. The Pilgrimage Mass was lovely and the singing was a bonus. The Procession of Our Lady was very uplifting and I could have just stopped all night just listening to the singing and walking around with the procession. On the Sunday we went to St Mary's Parish Church, the church is very big, it is more like a Cathedral, it had a beautiful stained glass window over the altar. I walked down to the Church with a gentleman and he explained about St Mary's, he told me this was the second one to be built as the first one was hit with lightning, the second one did not have an organ, so they got the local musicians to play at the services, then after they went to play in

the pubs. The congregation decided to get an organ, but the musicians were not happy so they put gun powder all round the church and tried to blow it up. Glad to say it failed ... hurray. When the service started the singing was very nice but when they sang the GLORIA in Latin it just blew me away, it was out of this world. Later on Sunday we went to the Sprinkling at the well, that was another moving service. Then all too soon it was time to start back home.

It brought lots of memories back when I went with Christine Gabittus for the odd days, which we both enjoyed, but going for the weekend I did enjoy it because it gave me time to study what Christianity really meant to me.

It was Allen's first time to the Shrine and he told me he had really enjoyed it, the only thing he could not get used to, was not having the en-suite. We all had a good laugh.

Thank you all who went to the WALSINGHAM Pilgrimage and helped us to have a very pleasant weekend.

God Bless

*Allen & Joan*



# Children's Page ...

## Hail Mary



Hail Mary full of \_\_\_\_\_  
the Lord is with you. \_\_\_\_\_  
are you among women and blessed is  
the \_\_\_\_\_ of your womb  
\_\_\_\_\_. Holy Mary \_\_\_\_\_  
of God, pray for us sinners now and at  
the \_\_\_\_\_ of our death Amen.

GRACE	BLESSED	FRUIT
JESUS	MOTHER	HOUR



# Books of the New Testament

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**Matthew**

**Mark**

**Luke**

**John**

**Acts**

**Romans**

**Corinthians**

**Galatians**

**Ephesians**

**Philippians**

**Colossians**

**Thessalonian**

**Timothy**

**Titus**

**Philemon**

**Hebrews**

**James**

**Peter**

**Jude**

**Revelation**

# Dealing with Resentment

Most people have to deal with resentment in their lives; they relive a feeling, together with events leading up to it, in such a way that it rekindles feelings of anger or distress. These feelings affect us emotionally, physiologically and spiritually in very destructive ways. Unless we learn to overcome resentment it can damage all our relationships, including those important ones with family and friends. Although resentment can be due to recent events, its origin may date back much further. The anger of a "recent snub" may be fuelled by years of imagined, or real, episodes of disrespect or disregard. Resentment occurs when we feel that what people did to us was unnecessarily mean, hurtful and thoughtless. It was not what, we feel, they should have done.

Resentment involves choosing not to forgive; instead we review, and relive, our painful past. We do so because we are under the illusion that by belaboring our resentment, we will somehow achieve the justice we believe we are due. We cling to a futile need to be "right", which overrides the capacity to heal and be at peace with ourselves. This hinders our capacity to move on and be healed.

An anonymous author wrote: "The moment you start to resent a person, you become his slave. He controls your dreams, interferes with your digestion, robs you of your peace of mind and goodwill, and takes away the pleasure of your work. He ruins your religion and nullifies your prayers. You can't take a holiday without his going along. He destroys your freedom of mind and hounds you wherever you go. There's no escape from the person you resent. He is with you when you are awake. He invades your privacy when you sleep. He is close beside you when you drive your car and when you are at work. You can never have contentment or happiness. He influences even the tone of your voice. He requires you to take medicine for indigestion, headaches and loss of energy. He even steals your last moment of consciousness before you go to sleep. So, if you want to be a slave, harbour your resentments!"



The only person resentment hurts is you; it poisons your mind. Here are 10 steps to letting go of resentment:

- 1 Realise that resentment is an addictive state of mind.
- 2 Accept the fact that you use resentment to replicate old dramas and acknowledge that you cannot change the past – it's over and done with.
- 3 Question whether resentment is confusing people in your present life with people from the past.
- 4 Accept that you cannot control those who have rejected you.
- 5 Recognize that your resentment gives you only an illusion of strength; instead, embrace your real strength and power in forgiveness.
- 6 Recognise when you are prone to feelings of resentment; use the acronym HALT (Hungry, Angry, Lonely and Tired).
- 7 When feelings of resentment surface put another thought between them such as thankfulness for God's gifts.
- 8 Acknowledge your part in the situation and resolve not to let it occur again.
- 9 Declare amnesty with the person you resent and yourself.
- 10 Ask God to give you strength to forgive and practice wilful and deliberate forgetfulness when you cannot; keeping in mind that these acts are gifts to yourself rather than capitulation to the people you resent.

Fr Terry

## READERS' ROTA & OFFERTORY

	First Reading	Second Reading	Intercessions	Offertory
<b>Jun</b>				
03-Jun	Elizabeth Buckingham	Lynne Dransfield	David Simpson	Shola Abolade & children
10-Jun	David Simpson	Andrew Buckingham	Elizabeth Buckingham	Elizabeth Buckingham & Alexandra Ward
17-Jun	Tom Ward	Elizabeth Demaine	Anthony Attakora	Anthony & Madrid Attakora
24-Jun	Anthony Attakora	Harry Bowden	Christine Moran	Pam Dimery & Lynne Dransfield
<b>Jul</b>				
01-Jul	Paul Moran	Lynne Dransfield	Andrew Buckingham	Joan & Allen Croft
08-Jul	Keith Thompson	Michael Brown	Tom Ward	David & Gillian Simpson
15-Jul	Elizabeth Buckingham	Christine Moran	Anthony Attakora	Nikki Oyeboode & Omatayo Makinde-Barth
22-Jul	David Simpson	Andrew Buckingham	Keith Thompson	Elizabeth Demaine & Carol Page
29-Jul	Tom Ward	Harry Bowden	Elizabeth Buckingham	Keith Thompson & David Simpson
<b>Aug</b>				
05-Aug	Anthony Attakora	Elizabeth Demaine	Lynne Dransfield	Lydia Cunningham & Gillian Simpson
12-Aug	Lynne Dransfield	Chelsea Oyeboode	Harry Bowden	Shola Abolade & children
19-Aug	Keith Thompson	Paul Moran	David Simpson	Elizabeth Buckingham & Alexandra Ward
26-Aug	Michael Brown	Elizabeth Buckingham	Christine Moran	Anthony & Madrid Attakora

If any of the dates above are inconvenient, please arrange with someone else and let Lynne Dransfield know (273 0323)

# FLOWER ROTA

<b>Jun</b>		<b>Donated by</b>	<b>for</b>
3 June	Lynne Dransfield	-	Amy Belt
10 June	Joan Croft		
17 June	Elizabeth Demaine	Joan & Allen Croft	Arthur Robinson (birthday)
24 June	Lynne Dransfield	Carol Page	Thomas Kirbitson
<b>Jul</b>			
1 July	Joan Croft	Tom & Alex Ward	Wilfrid's birthday
8 July	Elizabeth Demaine		
15 July	Lynne Dransfield	-	Esther Jameson
22 July	Joan Croft	Fr Terry, Elizabeth & Andrew	Tom & Alex's wedding anniversary
29 July	Elizabeth Demaine	Tom, Alex & Andrew	Fr Terry & Elizabeth's wedding anniversary
<b>August</b>			
5 August	Lynne Dransfield	Carol Page	Edna Kirbitson
12 August	Joan Croft	Keith Thompson	St Clare of Assissi
19 August	Elizabeth Demaine		
26 August	Lynne Dransfield	-	Fred Dimery



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## Fr Kevin Smith



### *Priest Administrator at Walsingham*

"I first visited the Shrine when I was 14, attending the National Pilgrimage in 1980. My Parish Priest thought it might be something I'd enjoy. He was right! I remember the day very clearly and for some reason was particularly struck by the sight of the large silver Maltese Lanterns carried in the Procession – not the kind of thing we had in our church at home! It was the first time I had encountered such explicit devotion to Our Lady and it made a deep impression.

"The Shrine is a place where the eternal truths of God's love and mercy are honoured and celebrated, and so it shouldn't come as a surprise that so many experience at Walsingham the renewal and strengthening of their hope and faith. The Church has always needed centres of pilgrimage and prayer to ensure that she remains focussed on what lies at the heart of her work and mission. Our Lady teaches us so much about these things and the Shrine is a real gift to the Church as well as to the Nation."



**Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham  
17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

# Easter 2018



**Our new  
altar  
linen**



# Diocesan news

## Agnes Logan Stewart

The Bishop of Kirkstall, Paul Slater, has unveiled a Blue Plaque to honour the life of religious, educational and social benefactor Agnes Logan Stewart of Leeds.

Leeds Civic Trust developed the plan for the memorial wall sign, which has been erected at Bridge Street Church, Rider Street, Burmantofts, Leeds, the site of the former Agnes Stewart Church of England High School. The wording of the Blue Plaque reads:

### AGNES LOGAN STEWART

Between 1872-1880, this religious, educational and social benefactor established an orphanage and two schools in the area with her own money. Her legacy, to support the 'education of East Leeds children' enabled the building of Agnes Stewart Church of England High School in 1965 on this site. 1820-1886



## The Wilfrid Walks to Spiritual Destinations

In a new venture, Ripon Cathedral is leading a series of mini pilgrimages through the North Yorkshire countryside over the summer.

The 'Wilfrid Walks' will provide space for prayer, reflection and fellowship as well as the opportunity to discover unseen spiritual places not normally open to the public.

The first pilgrimage on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June is focused on the theme of sanctuary. After meeting in the quire of the Cathedral, pilgrims will pause in the ancient Anglo Saxon crypt, which is now

over 1300 years old. The walk will then follow part of the sanctuary way to the Anglo Saxon sanctuary cross at Sharow. Originally one of eight markers, the cross marked the limits of the Sanctuary of Ripon, where fugitives could seek refuge. The prayers and readings used during the walk will reflect on the importance of sanctuary in Anglo Saxon times and today.

On Saturday the 25th of August, a second walk will begin in the Cathedral's 12th century Chapel of the Resurrection with its ancient altar stone. After walking to Markenfield Hall, there will be the opportunity to experience a short prayer service in the private chapel of the hall, which was built in 1310. The house of a Catholic family, Markenfield suffered under the violence and upheaval of the reformation. It is therefore a perfect place to pray for reconciliation and forgiveness across the world.

On the 8th of September, there will be a pilgrimage from Fountains Abbey West Gate, through the countryside surrounding the abbey. As the walk circles this Cistercian monastery, prayers for peace and contemplation will be offered.

Walks will begin at 10am, and there will be an opportunity to eat a packed lunch while on the walk, as well as a pause for refreshments and/or a rest in the pub at the end!

Details can be found at [reverendcaitlin@riponcathedral.org.uk](mailto:reverendcaitlin@riponcathedral.org.uk) or on 07377657391.

### **Black Dyke Band**

Ripon Cathedral is holding another concert by the Black Dyke Band in the Nave of the cathedral on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm.

Tickets are available online or at the Cathedral Shop.

# At the supermarket

Six pounds of Edwards, raspberry jam,  
Marmite, a nice piece of cheddar, four yoghurts, a packet of butter:  
Slowly I mutter  
the half-recalled litany of my list.

Ten per cent extra on chocolate digestives  
sounds like a bargain to me,  
and there – oh my prayer! - black forest gateau:  
buy two, get one free.

Is this how God sees my mortal days?  
Up and down, up and down, in a wandering haze,  
plodding feet, vacant eyes, empty grin,  
filling my basket with goodies, and worse,  
loading my trolley with sin?

When I stand there at life's final checkout,  
And the time comes to curse or to bless,  
will they look in my basket for virtues,  
and find only six items or less?

Or will God himself empty my trolley,  
and pay off the bill of my fate,  
and will judgement be triumphed by mercy,  
as I come to my own sell-by date?

I have witnessed the glory of Sainsbury's,  
I have roamed Tesco's vast marble halls,  
I have sipped at the fountains of Waitrose,  
I have hunted within Asda's walls,

but when life is through  
and I join my last queue  
at the Co-op or Seven-Eleven,  
Lord, be there beside me,  
to keep and to guide me,  
and grant me a Safeway to heaven.



Father Lewis woke up Sunday morning and realizing it was an exceptionally beautiful and sunny early spring day, decided he just had to play golf.

So... he told the Associate Pastor that he was feeling sick and persuaded him to say Mass for him that day.

As soon as the Associate Pastor left the room, Father Lewis headed out of town to a golf course about forty miles away.

This way he knew he wouldn't accidentally meet anyone he knew from his parish. Setting up on the first tee, he was alone. After all, it was Sunday morning and everyone else was in church!

At about this time, Saint Peter leaned over to the Lord while looking down from the heavens and exclaimed, "You're not going to let him get away with this, are you?"

The Lord sighed, and said, "No, I guess not."

Just then Father Lewis hit the ball and it shot straight towards the pin, dropping just short of it, rolled up and fell into the hole.

**IT WAS A 430 YARD HOLE-in-ONE!**

St. Peter was astonished. He looked at the Lord and asked, "Why did you let him do that?"

The Lord smiled and replied, "Who's he going to tell?"



Atheist: "Do you honestly believe that Jonah spent three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish?"  
Preacher: "I don't know, sir, but when I get to heaven, I'll ask him."  
Atheist: "But suppose he isn't in heaven?"  
Preacher: "Then you ask him."

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# Hall and Church bookings

## **Saturday**

### **Eritrean Orthodox Church**

Children's worship 12pm-3pm  
(and preparing church for their Sunday worship)

Eritreans (in hall) 4pm – 6pm

**Prophetic Mission Church (in hall) 7pm – 8pm**

## **Wednesday**

**Prophetic Mission Church (in hall) 7pm – 8pm**

## **Sunday**

**Eritrean Orthodox Church (in church) 3am – 9am**

**Prophetic Mission Church (in hall) 1.30pm – 4.30pm**

*Please also check the calendar in the office for further bookings*

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Your creation  
Rolled into a sphere  
Packaged in sunshine  
Gift-wrapped in love  
Given to us

Thank you

