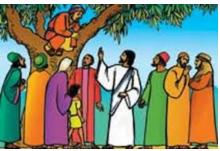




The Minister writes:

For many people September is a time of change and new beginnings. It certainly is for families with children; each one starting a new class, school or college. It can be difficult for our children who leave a familiar environment and move into the unknown. What will the new teacher be like? Will I make any friends? As parents we accept and welcome these changes as being helpful and beneficial. As adults we often resist change but part of the work of the Holy Spirit is to stir in us a holy discontent. Not one that will lead to grumbling, but to growth.

In the Bible there are many stories of people whose lives are changed by an encounter with God. Zacchaeus was a tax collector who took more than he should to make himself rich. He ended up with plenty of money but no friends. Jesus spotted him hiding in a tree and



invited himself to tea. This meeting with Jesus changed Zacchaeus's life. He gave back to people all that he had swindled four times over. He had changed from being selfish to being selfless. It must have made quite an impact on the community and made Jesus even more of a hero.

We may not be able to sit down with Jesus over a cup of tea, but an important part of prayer and reading the Bible is asking God to speak to us. It is nice to receive assurances of God's love and comfort. It can be a more life changing to be challenged about how we are in way that leads to change and ultimately a richer and fuller life. How selfish are we in our attitude to money, to the poor, to our neighbour, to those who hurt us?

Migrants are a big part of the news at the moment. It is hard to imagine what horrors drive people to risk death and exploitation. It is a difficult problem that needs a global response. We must remember that these are human beings like us, only born in a different place. Our response must be to care for those seeking escape as well as seeking to deal with the causes that drive people to such extremes.

Rev Bill Henderson



St Peter's Church Services All services are held at the Church Centre, Lake Lock Road, Stanley		
Sunday	10am	Family Communion
	4pm	Evensong (on the first Sunday of every month)
Tuesday	2pm	Prayers
Wednesday	9:30 am	Holy Communion
Thursday	9:15 am	Children's Ark

Other Christian Worship

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Sunday:

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:

10:30am Service11:00am Sunday School & crèche7:30pm Prayer meeting7:30pm Bible Study, discussions

Minister: David Dixon, telephone: 01924 872262



DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

Weds 2nd Sept 2pm-4pm	<u>Mount Road chapel Coffee afternoon</u> with cakes, refreshments and other stalls. See p10.
Weds 2nd Sept 7.30pm	<u>Taize Service</u> with meditative music and contemplation. All welcome.
Tues 8th Sept 10am—2pm	Senior Citizens' Lunch club with activities and a hot meal, every Tuesday. See p13 for details.
Weds 9th Sept 7.30pm	PCC Meeting at the church.
Thurs 10th Sept 6pm	<u>Moorhouse Action Group meeting</u> : come and share any issues about Moorhouse. See p9.
Fri 11th Sept 7.30pm	<u>Film Club: 'Hope Springs'</u> starring Meryl Streep and Tommy Lee Jones. See page 14.
Sat 12th Sept 10am-12pm	<u>Coffee morning</u> at the Community Centre with tombola, cake stall, and much more, see p10.
Sun 13th Sept 10am	<u>Family parade service</u> with a talk by the 'Cross Project', a local Christian youth work team.
Weds 16th Sept 1.30pm	<u>Jumble Sale</u> at Mount Road chapel. See page 10 for details.
Fri 18th Sept 2.30pm—5pm	<u>Macmillan Coffee Afternoon</u> at St Peter's Church. See page 12 for details.
Sun 20th Sept 7.30pm	<u>Holy Space:</u> an informal monthly evening service with prayer and worship.
Fri 25th Sept 7pm	<u>Murder Mystery evening</u> : a fun entertaining evening with 3 course meal. See page 12.
Sat 10th Oct 10am—4pm	Exhibition of Arts and Crafts: with displays, workshops and refreshments. See page 11.
Sun 11th Oct 10am	<u>Harvest Festival and Parade service:</u> followed by a soup and bread lunch.
Tues 13th Oct 12pm	<u>Harvest lunch</u> : all welcome to this free lunch prepared by the church and café staff.

STANLEY LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

Stanley Library offers a wide selection of books, talking books, selected language tapes, DVDs for hire, as well as a photocopier/A4 colour photocopier, fax machine, newspapers and selected magazines. There are also public access computers, offering free internet access, and basic computer programs (i.e. word processing). There are also free UK Online computer courses available offering internet training and Introduction to Computers —please ask in the library.

OPENING HOURS

Monday	9am—5pm
Tuesday	9am—5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	9am—7pm
Friday	9am—5pm
Saturday	9am—1pm

Reading Groups: There are two Reading groups: one meets in the morning of the first Monday of every month, and the second meets in the evening of the first Thursday of every month. Check with the library for times and book details.

Activities for Children: There is a Tiny Tots Storytime for under 5's, 11:30-12pm on certain Mondays: check with the Library for dates. Other activities for children are organised in most school holidays—please ask for details.

Family History Group: Family history sessions take place in the library on Saturday mornings from 10am-12pm.

Coffee Morning: There is a coffee morning every Thursday morning, 10am-12 noon. Come and relax with friends over a cuppa.

The Community Centre: The hall, two rooms and well equipped kitchen are available for hire. Contact the Librarian on 01924 303130 to book in advance.

Summer Concert Review

Thank you to everyone who supported the Stanley Community Singers' Summer Concert on Sunday 12th July at St Peter's Church. It was an excellent event and everyone seemed to enjoy them-



selves very much. The Singers performed a number of well-known songs including 'Danny Boy', 'You raise me up', 'Make you feel my love', and songs from musicals such as 'Joseph', 'Lion King' and



'Aladdin'. Also appearing in the concert were some junior singers, musicians and dancers.

The concert raised $\pounds 132.50$ for the charity Mary's Meals which provides over 1 million African school children with a daily meal. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously.

The Stanley Community Singers meet every Monday afternoon in term time at St Peter's Church on Lake Lock Road from 1pm-2.30pm with singing from 1pm-2pm with time afterwards for refreshments and chat. Come and join us! - no previous experience required, just a love of singing. We sing a variety of different music including pop, musicals, spirituals and modern classics. Come along, make some new friends and enjoy a good sing-song!



Prayer Meeting—every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm

The weekly prayer meeting at St Peter's Church continues to meet every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm, led by Calli McKenna. Call in to pray for those in trouble, sorrow, sickness or need; for family, friends, the community and the world. Everyone is very welcome; please just come along.

Moorhouse Community Action Group

The next meeting of the Moorhouse Community Action Group will be on <u>Thursday 10th September at 6pm</u> at St Peter's Church. Please come along and raise any issues specific to Moorhouse with local councillors and WDH representatives.



Mount Road Methodist Chapel Events

• The next <u>Coffee Afternoon</u> at Mount Road chapel will be on Wednesday 2nd September from 2pm—4pm with various stalls and refreshments. Everyone is welcome.



- The next <u>Jumble Sale</u> will be on Wednesday 16th September at 1.30pm with the usual stalls. Donation of jumble for this event gratefully received.
- The <u>Harvest Service</u> will be on Sunday 20th September at 10.30am, led by Mrs Thelma Crossley. The gifts donated will be given to the Trinity Mission in Castleford.
- The <u>October Coffee afternoon</u> on Wednesday 7th October will be in aid of the annual Macmillan coffee morning appeal; further details next month.

Knit and Natter, Sew and Chatter!

At St Peter's Church Centre, every Thursday, 2pm-4pm Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!

Please come and join this established group of ladies as they knit, sew, compare ideas and patterns, learn new crafty skills, and share conversation, refreshments and friendship.

Just turn up: you will be very warmly welcomed

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Coffee morning thank-you

Thank you to everyone who supported the last two church coffee mornings at the Community Centre; in July, £205.90 was raised, and in August £180 was raised. The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 12th September from 10am—12pm at Stanley Community Centre.



As always, there will be lots of great stalls: a superb cake stall, handmade greetings cards, tombola, raffle, tombola, jigsaws, books and toys, and more! Please join us for a very pleasant and enjoyable morning.





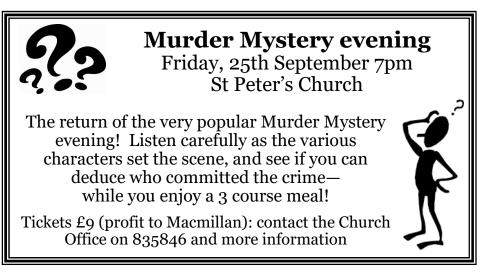
From the Stanley Parish Register

Funerals

Carlton Greasley	13 July 2015
Jack Chatton	13 July 2015
Wendy Proctor	17 July 2015
Terry Woodfield	21 July 2015
Barbara Dexter	13 August 2015
May Leah	20 August 2015
Gladys Ovenden	25 August 2015
Henry Turton	25 August 2015

Baptisms

Tahlia Keira Sharry	9 August 2015
Kian Colin Joseph Chivers	23 August 2015



New chairs! The St Peter's church PCC has ordered new chairs for the church which will be delivered sometime this month. All users of the church building have for many years benefitted from the use of wooden framed chairs which originally came from the old prison officers' college. However, the old chairs are now rather tatty, are very heavy, and do not stack. The new chairs will be cushioned and comfy, but with aluminium frames making them much lighter. They will also be stackable, making for more flexible use of the church building.

Macmillan coffee afternoons

Friday 18th Sept, 2.30pm-5pm, St Peter's Church Wednesday 7th October, 2pm-4pm, Mount Road Chapel Saturday 17th October, 12pm-3pm, St Peter's Church

Every year, Macmillan Cancer Support holds its 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' event to raise money to provide medical, emotional, practical and financial support to cancer patients and their families, as well as campaigning for better cancer care. Please come along to one of the events detailed above for refreshments and cakes, and help raise money for this worthwhile cause.



	Ple	ease come to our senior citizens'	
Eve	At St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road Every Tuesday, 10am—2pm Activities booked for the next few weeks:		
Tues 1st S	Sept	Healthy eating cookery	
Tues 8th	Sept	Film—'2nd Best Marigold hotel'	
Tues 15th	Sept	Indoor games e.g. beetle drive	
Tues 22nd	d Sept	Healthy eating cookery Film—'2nd Best Marigold hotel' Indoor games e.g. beetle drive Silver Line charity talk	
Tues 29th	Sept	Guest speaker	
Tues 6th	Oct	Healthy eating cookery	
Tues 13th	from 10am-10.30 and enjoy tea or coffee chat, followed by the activity of the day.		
 Arrive from 10am-10.30 and enjoy tea or coffee and a chat, followed by the activity of the day. Lunch served from 12:30pm: a freshly cooked hot meal followed by dessert. Ideal for anyone wanting a bit of companion-ship and something to do! 			
Cost per person = £5			
Phone the c	Phone the church office on 01924 835746 for more info.		
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St Peter's Church





Friday evening, 11th September 7:30pm

'Hope Springs' (2013) 12 Rating

Kay (Meryl Streep) and Arnold (Tommy Lee Jones) are a devoted couple, but decades of marriage have left Kay wanting to reconnect with her husband. When she hears of a renowned couple's specialist (Steve Carell) in the small town of Great Hope Springs, she attempts to persuade her sceptical husband, a steadfast man of routine, to get on a plane for a week of marriage therapy. Just convincing the stubborn Arnold to go on the retreat is hard enough; but the real challenge comes as they try to re-ignite the spark that caused them to fall for each other in the first place. With a highly intelligent script, and excellent performances by Streep and Jones, this is a surprising, understated and touching film.

Doors open 7pm, film start 7.30pm

Free admission, tea & coffee; bring your own popcorn!

West Rídíng Watercolour Society & Art Group



The group meets monthly at St Peter's Church for demonstrations by artists, or to share techniques and knowledge. Open to everyone; cost is £3 per session.

<u>Next meeting: Wednesday 23rd September, 7pm-9pm:</u> (note meeting is on Wednesday, not a Monday as previously)

Painting demonstration evening with artist Ian Risley. Phone 01924 784747 for more information.



Murder most popular

With St Peter's 'Murder Mystery Evening' coming up on Friday 25th September (see page 12), it seems appropriate to think about Agatha Christie, who was born 125 years ago this month. It seems curious that a woman who spent years thinking up ingenious ways to kill people should be so loved by us, even so long after her birth.

Yet Agatha Christie's crime/mystery stories made her the best-selling writer of all time. Born into a wealthy middle-class family in Devon on 15th September, 1890, Agatha Christie's first published novel in 1920 introduced Hercule Poirot to the world. Soon Miss Marple joined him, and the rest is history. Christie's 66 detective novels and 14 short story collections have sold two billion copies, just behind the Bible and Shakespeare. Her play, the 'Mousetrap', is was the world's longest-running play.



Why does murder and detection appeal to so many millions of us at the end of a busy day, as we slump over our meal in front of the TV? Perhaps it is our anticipation that no matter how bad things are, that in the end, evil will not beat goodness, but instead truth will triumph. Sounds like an echo of the Christian message.

Report from St Peter's CofE Primary & Nursery School Lake Lock Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4HS Tel: 01924 303175, Headteacher: Mr Paul Fenton

We welcome back all our children, families and staff to the start of a new and exciting school year.

Our summer term finished with lots of very memorable events. We took 44 children on a two-day trip to London, where they visited the theatre, a museum and the London Eye. Also, our Year 3 and 4 children travelled to Home Farm at Tatton Park, Cheshire, where they pretended to be war evacuees, working on the farm, feeding the goats and hens, and experiencing an air raid drill. Meanwhile, the Key Stage 1 children went to Filey, where they walked along the seafront, played games in the sand and ate their ice-creams. We now look forward to the start of another eventful year.

'Patriotism is not enough'—a tribute to Edith Cavell By Canon David Winter

In September 1915, at the height of the battles in Belgium and Flanders, a British nurse working in a Belgian hospital was arrested by the Germans and charged with treason.

Edith Cavell had resided and worked in Belgium for seven years after training at the London Hospital in Whitechapel (now the 'Royal London') and working in several hospitals in England. Now, as the brutal conflict raged around her and the German army occupied most of Belgium, she determined to do all she could to save the lives of those caught up in the fighting, whatever their nationality.



She provided shelter and medical care for Germans, Belgians, French and British troops. In the latter two cases she also – and this was the core of her offence – assisted them in escaping from areas occupied by the German forces and making their way back to their homelands.

Her motivation for this was entirely Christian. The daughter of a vicar, she had enthusiastically embraced the faith for herself, and now saw that the time had come to put the principles of the gospel to practical effect. Her own home became

a secret staging post for escapees, but she did this not to 'take sides' but out of concern for the young men involved. She took a high view of her vocation as a nurse, seeing it as a calling that transcended racial and national barriers. For her, healing and rescue were simply part of the calling to be a good neighbour.

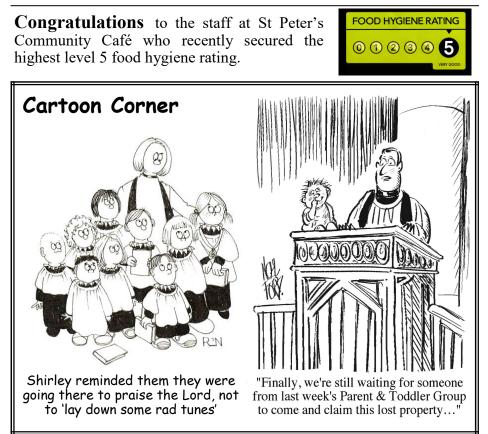
Those arguments didn't, of course, carry much weight with the German occupying power. As a Belgian resident, she was charged with treason, an offence which carried a death penalty. Her trial was widely reported, and there were many diplomatic moves made on her behalf, especially by the Americans (then neutrals in the conflict), but they fell on deaf ears.

She was found guilty and sentenced to death. On 12th October 1915, at the age of 49, she was executed by a firing squad, to world-wide condemnation. Nor was Edith Cavell's death to be forgotten.

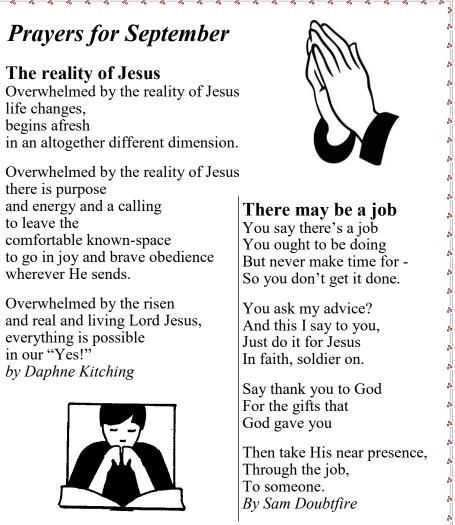
After the war her body was brought back to Britain and a service of commemoration held in Westminster Abbey. Her body was reburied in the grounds of Norwich cathedral, near the village of her birth.

A statue which stands in St Martin's Place, Trafalgar Square, London commemorates the life of this woman who gave herself totally to her calling - a pioneer of modern nursing methods as well as an heroic war-time figure. The statue records her most famous saying, words which capture the heart of her commitment: 'Patriotism is not enough. I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone.'

* Edith Cavell is commemorated in the Anglican Church Calendar on December 12th.



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September Prayer

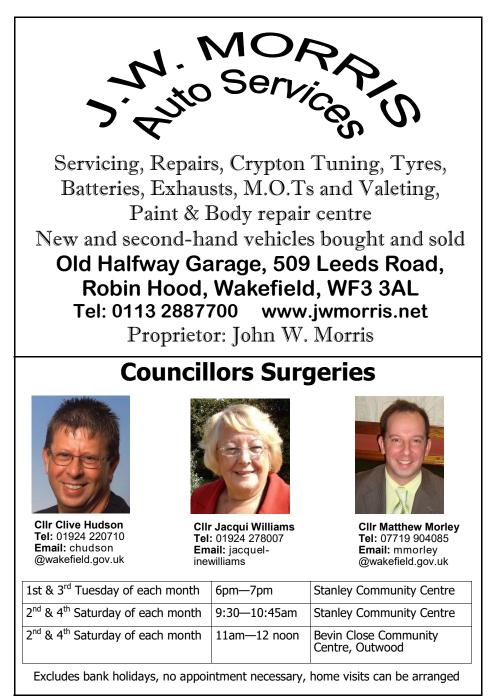
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Loving Father, please help us with all the new things September brings: a new school year, new stages of life, with children moving on or out, new challenges for many as summer gives way to autumn. Help us in this season of change to know the constant reality of Jesus. Thank you for the new life He freely offers to all who turn to Him. In Jesus' name, Amen. By Daphne Kitching

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