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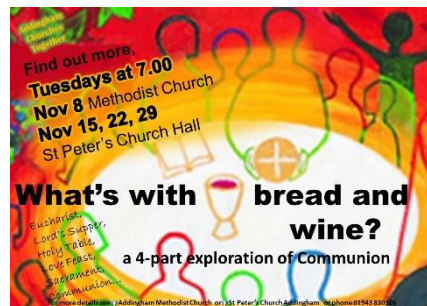
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## Communion insights

*During November, Mark and Shannon will be leading 4 meetings exploring Holy Communion, called "What's with bread and wine?". Friendly and informal, these are a chance to share different insights into this central practice of the church.*

Find out why we do it, and how, why such a variety of names, what it means to different people, why it matters, and more.



**Tuesdays at 7pm:**  
**Nov 8 at Methodists,**  
**Nov 15, 22, 29 at**  
**St. Peter's hall.**

If you've never joined in a group like this before, now's your chance – come along for friendly company, refreshments, and food for thought.

## Have you noticed the Noticeboard?

The new noticeboard is now in place at the entrance to Church Field. Many thanks to Gordon all his patient work to achieve this, and to Jacqui for investigating options.



# Nature Notes for November

Margaret Spencer

This morning the Aire Valley was covered in **mist** – it looked really weird but fortunately the blue sky plus bright sunshine quickly appeared and the mist was gone! In the garden there's been a most handsome looking **Thrush** on several days, plus lots of **Sparrows** and **Dunnocks** too and a pair of **Robins** – really lovely. I hastily bought a new lot of nuts etc. for them which I am sure were appreciated. The presence of the birds continues to be a pure joy. And it is always lovely to simply write about nature and what can be seen here and there. The night sky via Kielder Observatory is always interesting. Apparently there is a meteor shower about this time of year called "*The Orionids*" and it tells of the earth passing through the trail of debris left by Halley's Comet – there is often a chance that we can catch a view of it all which I am sure must be really wonderful, but I guess the timing of these



things has to be just right!

I was reading about the lovely **Goldfinch** with its bright colours - apparently its scientific name *Carduelis Carduelis* is derived from the Latin *Carduus*, meaning thistle, which is the bird's favourite food, and it even has a slim beak so it can reach into the thistle easily! Saw a **Buzzard** flying over the fields calling – the view of it takes your breath away, it is so beautiful as it flies along - and quite a few **Geese** making a huge noise flying over the canal too, quite lovely.

**Sparrows** seem to visit the garden just now, they love to splash in the water and make a real fuss dashing here and there - I always enjoy their company and wonder where they nest just now. Not so many **Starlings** about, I notice, not sure why. The trees across the road are losing their leaves and of course the **conkers** have all fallen down onto the pathway - much to the children's joy coming home from school! I am enjoying my bird book by Jim Moir also known as Vic Reeves! If anyone is interested, do please let me know, I think it is really special. Enjoy all these bright days!

Contact details : you can get in touch with God by knee mail

## From the Registers

### Funerals



October 4<sup>th</sup> Brenda Wilson  
October 4<sup>th</sup> Lexa Robinson  
October 5<sup>th</sup> Michael Rickaby  
October 14<sup>th</sup> Andrew Mann  
October 19<sup>th</sup> Margaret Watson  
October 26<sup>th</sup> Barbara Bytheway  
October 27<sup>th</sup> Simon Bayntun

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Aid on top of that).

Thanks to all who  
contributed,  
especial  
congratulations to  
**Brenda** for this  
superb result.

## Thoughts & Prayers

DO NOT BE ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING,  
BUT IN EVERY SITUATION, BY PRAYER  
AND PETITION, WITH THANKSGIVING,  
PRESENT YOUR REQUESTS TO GOD.  
AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH  
TRANSCENDS ALL UNDERSTANDING,  
WILL GUARD YOUR HEARTS AND  
YOUR MINDS IN CHRIST JESUS.

PHILIPPIANS 6:6-7

When fear knocks on your  
door, send faith to answer.



I sing a song of the saints of God,  
patient and brave and true,  
who toiled and fought and lived and died  
for the Lord they loved and knew.  
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,  
and one was a shepherdess on the green:

they were all of them saints of God, and I mean, God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and God's love made them strong;  
and they followed the right, for Jesus' sake, the whole of their good lives long.  
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast:  
and there's not any reason, no, not the least, why I shouldn't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of thousands still;  
the world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will.  
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;  
for the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

### Podcast Preview

*It is not enough to talk about peace, one must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it, one must work for it.*

*Eleanor Roosevelt*

### Wulfherans report

On 4<sup>th</sup> October, Richard Thackrah spoke about child refugees. Refugees are people who have been forced to leave their countries in order to escape war, persecution and natural disaster, and a high proportion are child refugees and young adults. Many are susceptible to disease, malnutrition, and physical violence. They are at risk from trafficking, slavery, sexual exploitation and even military recruitment. They need food, clothing and shelter. There is a need to protect children's rights and to give them a chance to tell of their experiences. Legal identification is paramount and age assessment can be a



problem. It is heartbreaking for parents to send their children from a war torn country to a safer region. Gulwali Passarlay at the age of 12 fled from Afghanistan for the UK, and now aged 29 has made a successful life for himself. His interesting book is entitled "The Lightless Sky: My Journey as a Child Refugee" (Atlantic Books).

*Thank you Richard for these insights.*



*An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind.*

*Mahatma Gandhi*

Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God.

## RECOLLECT AND REMINISCE

by Richard Thackrah

November is the month of recollection and reminiscence. This year we remember our late Queen and her attendances at the Royal Albert Hall and the Cenotaph over Remembrance weekends. Remembering the numbers of people involved in wars around the world in the 20th century and subsequent wars, there is the feeling of loss and a need to remember their sacrifice of giving their lives for freedom. Also we remember the feelings of people who have experienced the end of war and the beginning of peace. We show respect for evermore for those who have made the sacrifice and those with disabilities caused through wars.



Remembrance is an action that brings the power of Jesus into our lives. Indeed “remember and do not forget” is a constant message in the Bible.

Remembrance is a challenge to people who find it difficult to talk about details of what actually happened. Annually, we speak the names on memorials and honour their efforts and promises to bring a better future. The words of the poet Laurence Binyon remind us that those who died in wars “shall not grow old as we that are left grow old”. The Royal British Legion reminds us that we are remembering and commemorating both military and civilian service. The work of the Legion is vital, and it is proud to act as the national custodian of remembrance, commemoration and memorialisation.

A very commendable thought at this time is never to repeat the mistakes of the past.

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You can also follow **C.a.f.e** – **children and family events** at St. Peter's Addingham 

## Website news



St. Peter's new website is now live – same address, new look. It works on computer screens, tablets and mobile phones. News, events, information, faith, rotas, history, services, diary, contacts and more – take a look. Many thanks to web designer Mark Pollard from Flair Digital, to Andrew, Penny, Roger and Lucy, and Ian B for the unique logo.

Prayer : don't give God instructions, just report for duty