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Father Peter Writes

With November, the Christian year draws to its close. The month begins with the great celebrations of All Saints and All Souls. The days when we remember the millions of people who have been members of the Church throughout its long history.

All Saints bids us think of the vast multitude of saints who are less well known or not known to us at all, only to God. They may not be famous but without the many things they undertook and achieved in the name of God, we would not be where we are today.

The Following day is a day when we pray for them, their souls and the souls of all other faithful Christians, who perhaps have no-one else to pray for them.

At the end of November we keep, with the last Sunday of the Christian year, the great and Solemn Festival of Christ the King. Christ who is, or should be, our King, whose eternal Kingdom we are subjects of.

There is a question here for us. Do we live as though we are subjects of Christ's Kingdom ? Do we do all that we can to live our life according to His rules, His ways and His teaching ?

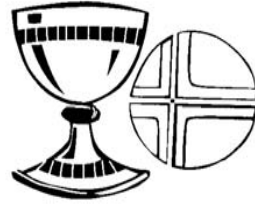
On the Solemnity of Christ the King, give thanks for those times when we manage to do this. We should also use the day to focus our attention on the coming year with God, asking Him to give us strength to do all that we can to be more faithful subjects of His Kingdom in the coming year.

Wishing you every blessing,

Fr Peter Walker

Monday Masses

5 th November	19:00	St James'
12 th November	11:00	Colonia Court
	19:00	St James'
19 th November	11:00	8 Cranmere Court
26 th November	20:00	70A High Street



November Saints Days and Festivals

Friday 30th November St Andrew, Apostle 09:00 St James' School

Holy Rosary

The Rosary will be prayed in the St Paul Centre on Monday 19th November at 7-30pm. Everyone welcome, instruction will be given if this form of prayer is new to you. Rosaries will be available for those who don't have them.

House Mass

The November House Mass will take place on Monday 26th November at 8-00pm in the home of Ray and Jenny, 70A High Street. Everybody is welcome to join us for this time of worship and fellowship.

All Saints' Day

Sung Mass for All Saints Day, with procession and sermon will be on Thursday 1st November at 7-30pm to be followed by Bring and Share refreshments.

There will also be the usual said mass at 12:30.

All Souls' Day - The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

All Souls Day falls on Friday 2nd November, there will be a Sung Mass with sermon at 19:30. Names of the Faithful Departed will be remembered at the Mass, if you have people you would like remembered, please add them to the list at the back of Church.

There will also be a school Mass in St James' at around 9:15.

Annual Service for the Bereaved

The annual ecumenical service for the Bereaved organised by the Hunnaball family, will take place on Saturday 17th November at 11:00. The preacher this year will be Canon Stephen Carter, the Rector of Lexden. Please do come along if you feel this might be helpful to you or you may know someone who would benefit from attending. If that is the case, do tell them or bring them with you.

Advent 2007

Advent begins on Sunday 2nd December; the service of Advent Music, Hymns and Carols will take place on that Sunday evening at 6-30pm. This is a wonderful way to begin our Advent discipline so why not come and join us and bring your friends ?

The Advent theme for sermons will look at the structure of the Mass

Sunday 2 nd December	The Introductory Rites
Sunday 9 th December	The Word of God
Sunday 16 th December	The Peace and Offertory
Sunday 23 rd December	The Eucharistic Prayer

The Wednesday Masses in Advent will also include a sermon on an Advent theme.

Deanery News

The Bishop of Colchester has, on behalf of the Bishop of Chelmsford, invited Fr Peter to become the Assistant Rural Dean for the Colchester Deanery, the largest of the deaneries in the Colchester Episcopal Area. This invitation was extended after consultation with the parish clergy and leading lay people of the Deanery. It is to work alongside the Rural Dean, Fr Ian Hilton rector of New Town and Mark Cole, the Lay Chairman of the Deanery Synod. It is hoped that the role will be primarily a pastoral one, offering support to the clergy and parishes when necessary. This invitation illustrates how the parish of St James and St Paul is viewed locally, viewed as being a strong and integral part of the local team of Anglican churches.

Fr Peter has accepted this invitation and assumed his new responsibilities with effect from October 1st 2007, for a five-year term of office.

RURAL DEANS

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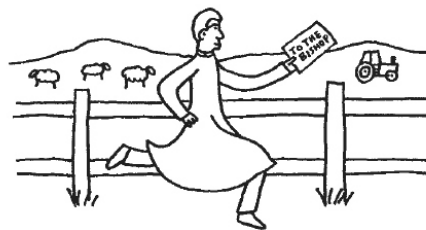
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SUPERVISING THE PROVISION OF SUNDAY SERVICES DURING AN INTERREGNUM



PROVIDING A MEANS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE PARISHES AND THE BISHOP

The title of Rural Dean is an ancient one. As the diocese was originally co-terminus with the Kingdom, the Archdeaconry with the County, so the Rural Deanery seems to have coincided with the Hundreds. The title Dean may have arisen from the fact that every Hundred was divided into ten tithings. In some more urban areas, the term Rural Dean has become known as Area Dean.

In general the Rural Deans role is one in which authority is derived from the Bishop (in matters of pastoral care) or from the Archdeacon (in matters relating to the care of churches and pastoral re-organisation). Since Rural and Area Deans act on behalf of others, the ultimate responsibility for duties which they exercise will always rest elsewhere.

Other Deanery News

Welcome to The Reverend Jeremy Noles as he takes up responsibilities as Associate Minister for the St Luke's Area of St John's parish and to his family.

Congratulations and best wishes to The Reverend Fred Woods on the announcement of his engagement to be married to Miss Jane Ward.

Christmas Crackers

Home made crackers are available again this year. Have them customised or take pot luck. Price still only £1. All money received to church funds. See Caroline to order.

Sunday 4th November

Fr Peter will not be at the 10-00am Mass on Sunday 4th November, as he has been invited to preach at the Parish Church of St Thomas of Canterbury, Brentwood, in his capacity as vice-chairman of the Chelmsford Diocesan Board of Patronage. Brentwood is one of the parishes that the Diocesan Board of Patronage holds the *advowson* to, which means it has the right to present a new priest to the living.

Traidcraft

There will be a Traidcraft Stall in St James on Sunday 11th November after the 10:00 Mass, selling a variety of Christmas cards etc.



Tree of Light 2007

Forms to sponsor a light for this Christmas will be available from Sheila Sansom and Caroline Walker soon.

Tea at 3 with P(at)

Pat French will be serving cups of tea and cakes from 3pm until 4:30pm on Monday 19th November at 60A East Hill. Everyone welcome, but as space is limited please ring me on 862118 to let me know if you are coming.

Presentation on Uganda

Jane and Neil Stedman, great friends of mine, were working for what used to be called the Church Missionary Society (CMS), when they med in Uganda, many years ago. They were instrumental in setting up the Teso Development Trust and have made periodic visits to that area to see the progress being made in the agricultural, educational and medical fields, which the Trust supports. As they have recently returned from a month's stay, and have a wonderful story to tell, I thought it would be good to hear what they have to say, at first hand. There will be an illustrated talk in St James' School Hall, on Saturday 8th December at 2:30pm, finishing at 4pm with tea and cakes. There is no charge for this event but there will be a retiring collection for the Teso Development Trust. Thanks are due to Jeff Graham, Head Teacher of St James' School for kindly allowing the meeting to take place in school. Please come; it will be a most interesting and challenging afternoon. There will be a list on the church notice board to sign if you are coming, to assist with the catering arrangements. *Pat French*



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Heroes of the Anglo-Catholic Movement

Fr Alexander Heriot Mackonochie SSC (1825-1887)

Mackonochie was born at Fareham, Hampshire. His mother he had a traditional Low Church upbringing and his family were opponents of the early Catholic Revival. Mackonochie was educated at private schools in Bath and Exeter. Early on he felt a call to the Ministry of the Church and gained the nickname "the boy-bishop" among his contemporaries. He matriculated at Wadham College, Oxford in 1844 and graduated with a BA in 1848 and MA in 1851.



Oxford was the centre of the two-decades-old Oxford Movement, the leading force in English Anglo-Catholicism. There are conflicting accounts of his theological opinions while at Oxford. Some describe Mackonochie as having "pronounced Low Church views", but he heard Pusey preach and was on personal terms with many of the other leading Anglo-Catholics of the day, especially Charles Marriott.

Mackonochie was ordained in Lent 1849 and became a curate at Westbury, Wiltshire. In 1852 he became a curate at Wantage, Berkshire. At Wantage Mackonochie followed a typical Anglo-Catholic pattern of ministry and he taught in the Church schools.

In 1858 he moved to become a curate at St George's-in-the-East, London. There he worked with Fr Lowder as a mission priest in the slum areas of London Docks. At this time St George's-in-the-East was a focus for anti-Ritualist rioting which including services being interrupted and stones being thrown at the mission's priests.

In 1862 Mackonochie became perpetual curate at St Alban the Martyr, Holborn. In a letter to the patron, he explained his theological opinions, which included endorsing the (for that time) a radically Catholic eucharistic doctrine. Mackonochie introduced daily communion,

which featured Gregorian chant and significant ritual elements (e.g. the lighting of Altar candles and the cleansing of Eucharistic vessels at the Altar). St Alban's was the first Anglican Church to hold the three hour devotion on Good Friday (in 1864) and one of the first to celebrate a Harvest Festival. Mackonochie also openly heard confessions. Mackonochie's pastoral ministry was typical of the 19th-century ritualist "slum priest". With his two curates, and lay assistants he founded schools, soup kitchens, a working men's club, mother's meetings, clothing funds and more. Throughout Mackonochie's later persecution St Alban's remained a thriving Anglo-Catholic parish.

St Alban's increasingly became a focus of Low Church ire, drawing the attention of the ultra-Protestant and anti-ritualist Church Association. In 1867 a prosecution was brought against Mackonochie under the Church Discipline Act 1840. The charges brought were elevating the host above his head, using a mixed chalice and altar lights, censuring things and persons, and kneeling during the prayer of consecration. The first decision of the Court of Arches was against Mackonochie on two counts and in his favour on the other three with no decision as to the payment of costs. Despite Mackonochie agreeing to comply, the anti-ritualists appealed to the Privy Council and Mackonochie was found against in the remaining three charges and ordered to pay all costs. Even after the prosecution the Church Association continued to pursue Mackonochie believing that he had re-introduced the prohibited ritual. This led to further judgments against Mackonochie culminating on November 25 1870 with his suspension from office for three months. In the interim he had become a hate-figure for the Low Church; in 1869 he was banned from preaching in the diocese of Ripon.

A second lawsuit was brought in March 1874 repeating the old charges as well as adding new ones including the use of processions with a crucifix, use of the Agnus Dei, and eastward-facing consecration (the normal practice, prescribed by the Book of Common Prayer, was to stand at the north end of the Altar facing south; westward-facing consecration, as is now most common in the Church of England, was a later innovation). Mackonochie stood firm in the face of the prosecutions but on June 12 1875 was found against on most of the charges and suspended for six weeks.

In 1878 Mackonochie was brought in front of the new court created by the Public Worship Regulation Act of 1874 and was this time suspended for three years.

In 1882 a fresh round of prosecutions was under way when, on the deathbed request of Archbishop Tait, Mackonochie resigned from St Alban's to move to St Peter's, London Docks, the church founded 1866 by Fr Lowder. Though by 1882 the mob violence that Mackonochie had faced during his time with Lowder in the 1850s and 1860s had abated, the prosecutions continued. Despite the vibrancy of St Peter's Mackonochie was extremely unhappy, he had moved from St Alban's out of a sense of duty and missed his old parish and his self-confidence was waning. By July 1883 he faced yet another suspension. In December, knowing his suspension would be disastrous for the parish and only a year after resigning from St Alban's, he handed his resignation to the Bishop. Unlike with resignation from St Alban's, his friends almost unanimously supported his resignation knowing it was required both for the good of the parish and of his health.

Mackonochie did not think of taking another parish and moved into the Clergy House of St Alban's as a freelance. This was a happy arrangement for all, and there was no clash between the old priest and the new. For a time Mackonochie undertook a fair amount of work in the parish, but he was weakening mentally. He travelled several times to the continent and often visited the Bishop of Argyll, in Oban, a place which he loved. Increasingly his home was his brother's house at Wantage, another place very dear to his heart, where he continued to aid with parochial work as much as possible.

His mental decline continued apace until on December 14 1887 he got lost in the Forest of Marmore while out walking near the Bishop of Argyll's home. His body was found two days later guarded by the dogs he had been with. After a packed requiem mass at St Alban's a special train took mourners to Woking where his body was laid to rest in the cemetery. A cross of Scottish granite was later raised on the spot where he had died and in the 1890s a chapel was dedicated to his memory at St Alban's, Holborn.

Besides his work in Holborn and London Docks, Mackonochie was also a leading member of the broader Catholic revival. He was one of the first Priest Associates of the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament and served as Master of the Society of the Holy Cross (SSC) in 1863–75, 1879–81 and 1885. He was a major force in the formulation of the Society's constitution and, as Master, had an important role in directing its activities. Under Mackonochie the Society increasingly represented the vanguard of the Anglo-Catholic movement.

Operation Christmas Child – Shoeboxes

We shall once again be participating in the above scheme, filling shoeboxes with small articles which will be of use and give pleasure to needy children around the world.

The deadline date for return is Sunday 11th November, to allow the shoeboxes to be transported to the depot.

Thank you.

Mary Rose





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Thai One Evening

Following the very successful evening at the Thai 1 restaurant earlier in the year, another has been organised to help us celebrate Christmas. On Wednesday 16th January 2007 we have booked the restaurant again for around 7-30pm. We can come to Mass and then go on to eat. As before, the cost for two courses will be £15-00 and the bar will be open for anyone who would like to make use of it.

Information about booking will be available in December, but put this in your diary now and everyone will be welcome. This will be a very good and enjoyable evening and will help to boost church funds.

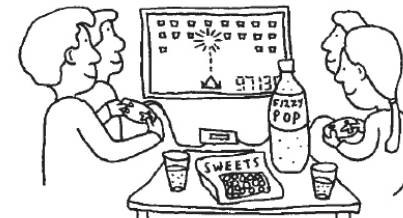
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

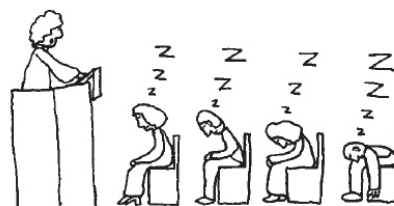
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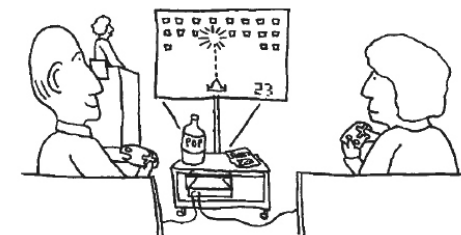
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News from St James' School

Classes 5, 6, 7 and 8 have recently enjoyed a visit to the Duxford Air Museum, as part of their studies on what life was like for people during World War 2. To help make the history study as relevant as possible, pupils have experienced going into the school's air raid shelter, and have also visited an Anderton Shelter in a nearby house.

I attended the Diocesan Church Schools Conference in October, which was held in Chelmsford Cathedral, on the theme of the challenge of church schools to be both distinctive and inclusive. It was good that it reaffirmed for me the strong sense that our church school very much exists to serve the local community and welcomes pupils and families from all backgrounds. The central message was that the message of the love of God for all is *the* distinctive feature of church schools, and that this should be evident in what schools articulate e.g. vision statement, ethos statement, prospectus etc, through the physical building and resources, and in the way that people conduct their relationships and care for each others. The Church of England has a very proud and long history of providing education and it is humbling to be part of that long tradition of service to the local community in central Colchester.

The school has been extending its practical resources for our youngest learners in the Foundation Stage, to enable us to provide even more opportunities for pupils to learn through first hand experience.

During November we are planning to introduce a multimedia system in our school hall, to include a ceiling mounted projector, remote control projector screen, DVD/CD player, speakers, amplifier, TV Tuner and 2 wireless microphones. We live in a multimedia visual age and this system will significantly enhance our resources for worship, school productions, major school events, teaching activities, social functions etc. The school is very happy to make this available for parish events too, as it is your church school.

After our Harvest celebration in school, our Year 6 pupils collected together all the produce donated by pupils and parents, and distributed them to local senior citizens.

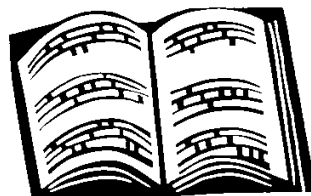
From the thank-you letters and comments, it is clear that the harvest boxes were much appreciated and it was good for our youngsters to be having contact with some of the older members in our community.

Jeff Graham

Headteacher

Choir Notes

I am very pleased to let you know that Forest Morgan was appointed Head Chorister, following Daniel Fielden's departure to Imperial College. Forest is a very faithful, enthusiastic member of the choir and will enjoy the challenge of carrying out his duties, which include keeping the choir (and the organist!) in order. Congratulations.



The Diocesan Choir Festival Service will be held at Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 10th November at 5pm and some of our choir will be singing there. The choirs (a total of around 400 voices), will be rehearsing during the afternoon and all members of the congregation are invited to the service at 5pm. If you would enjoy hearing some fantastic singing of beautiful music, to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the founding of the Royal School of Church Music by Sir Sydney H Nicholson, then please be there.

Carol Singing – Friday 21st December

Annual Day of Prayer at Westminster Abbey – Saturday 19th January.

For details of the above two events please see next month's magazine.

Pat French

The Seventh-day Adventist Church

The Seventh-day Adventist Church (SDAC) is a sect, which is well known for its observance of Saturday, the "seventh day" of the week, as the Sabbath.

The SDAC is the largest of several "Adventist" groups which arose from the Millerite movement of the 1840s. The Millerite movement was part of the wave of revivalism in the United States known as the Second Great Awakening and originated with William Miller, a Baptist preacher from Low Hampton, New York. Among its founders was Ellen G. White, whose extensive writings are still held in high regard by the church today.

The world church is governed by a General Conference, with smaller regions administered by divisions, union conferences and local conferences. It currently has a worldwide membership of over 15.4 million people, has a missionary presence in over 200 countries and is ethnically and culturally diverse. The church operates numerous schools, hospitals and publishing houses worldwide, as well as a prominent humanitarian aid organization known as the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA).

Miller predicted on the basis of Daniel 8:14 and the "day-year principle" that Jesus Christ would return to Earth on October 22, 1844. When this failed to occur, most of his followers disbanded and returned to their original churches.

Following this "Great Disappointment" (as it came to be known), a small number of Millerites came to believe that Miller's calculations were correct, but that his interpretation of Daniel 8:14 was flawed. Beginning with a vision reported by Hiram Edson on October 23, these Adventists arrived at the conviction that Daniel 8:14 foretold Christ's entrance into the "Most Holy Place" of the heavenly sanctuary rather than his second coming.

Over the next decade this understanding developed into the doctrine of the investigative judgment: an eschatological process commencing in 1844 in which Christians will be judged to verify their eligibility for

salvation. The Adventists continued to believe that Christ's second coming would be imminent, although they refrained from setting further dates for the event.

From 1844 to 1851, the group taught the "shut door" doctrine, based on Jesus' parable of the ten virgins. Anyone who had not accepted the Adventist message by the time Jesus entered the Holy of Holies was to be shut out permanently, as were the five foolish virgins. Cut off from the Bridegroom, they could not join the Adventists or have any hope of eternal life. By 1846, the group had adopted the view that the Saturday Sabbath must be observed by Christians.

As the early Adventist movement consolidated, the question of the biblical day of rest and worship was raised. The foremost proponent of Sabbath-keeping among early Adventists was retired sea captain Joseph Bates. Bates was introduced to the Sabbath doctrine by a tract written by a Millerite preacher named Thomas M. Preble, who in turn had been influenced by Rachel Oakes Preston, a young Seventh Day Baptist.

This message was gradually accepted and formed the topic of the first edition of the church publication, *The Present Truth* (now the *Adventist Review*), which appeared in July 1849.

For about twenty years, the Adventist movement consisted of a loosely knit group of people who adhered to the Sabbath, the "heavenly sanctuary" interpretation of Daniel 8:14, conditional immortality and the expectation of Christ's premillennial return. Among its most prominent figures were James White, Ellen G. White and Joseph Bates. Ellen White came to occupy a particularly central role; her many visions and strong leadership convinced her fellow Adventists that she possessed the gift of prophecy.

Its name was adopted in 1860. After intense discussions a formally organized church called the Seventh-day Adventist Church was established in Battle Creek, Michigan, on May 23, 1863, with a membership of 3,500. Through the evangelistic efforts of its ministers and laity and the guidance of Ellen G. White, the church quickly grew and established a presence beyond North America during the late 1800s.

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In 1903, the denominational headquarters were moved from Battle Creek to temporary quarters in Washington, D.C., and soon thereafter established in nearby Takoma Park, Maryland. In 1989, the headquarters was moved again, this time to Silver Spring, Maryland.

For much of the 1800s the Adventist church was dominated by Arianism (that God the Father and the Son did not exist together eternally, and that the pre-incarnate Jesus was a divine being created by (and possibly inferior to) the Father at some point, before which the Son did not exist). This, along with the movement's other unique theological views, led most Christian denominations to regard it as a cult. However, the Adventist church adopted the Trinity early in the 20th century.

The SDAC however continues to hold unorthodox views on the following:

Mankind - Seventh-Day Adventists (SDAs) do not believe that the whole man or any part of him is inherently immortal. SDAs believe in “soul sleep” for the saved (i.e., no conscious existence from the time of death until the resurrection), and annihilation for the wicked (the body and soul are destroyed at death). How, then, can one get to heaven? SDAs believe that one can have immortality only on the condition that he comes to Christ through Ellen G. White; i.e., a works program, following salvation by grace with light of revelation through Ellen G. White as the infallible guide to Holy Scripture, apart from which one cannot have immortality.

Christ – Ellen G. White: “Christ took upon His sinless nature our sinful nature ... Christ took human nature and bore the infirmities and degeneracy of the race. He took our nature and its deteriorating condition”. According to SDA, then, Christ acquired a sinful nature! This is certainly not a Christian belief, as there could have been no sinless sacrifice, no hope for sinners, and no Saviour.

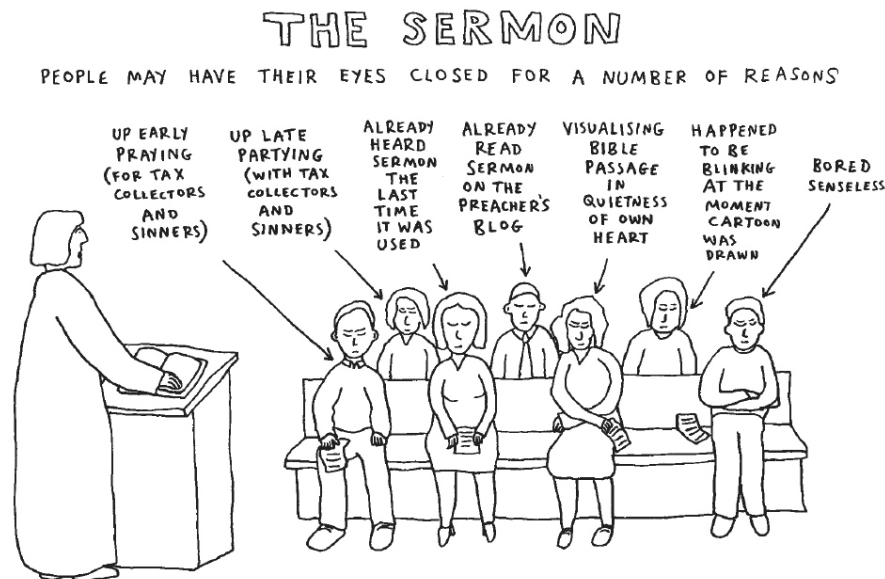
The Sabbath - In one of her most revered works, White wrote that Sabbath observance would be the “line of distinction” in the “final test” that will separate God's end-time people who “receive the seal of God” and are saved, from those who “receive the mark of the beast” (*The Great Controversy Between Christ and Satan*).

Describing a vision, she wrote, “I saw that the Holy Sabbath is, and will be, the separating wall between the true Israel of God and unbelievers”. SDAs have, thereby, made Sabbath-keeping a criterion for a relationship with God and one's salvation! SDAs also believe that “Sunday-keeping” will be the mark of the beast in the future.

Whilst being biblically orthodox on some matters of faith, the SDAC is certainly off key with a number of other fundamental Christian beliefs and practices, especially with regard to the sinful nature of Christ and the necessity of worship on a Saturday, as the observance of the Christian Sabbath on a Sunday dates back to the Early Church, the Christian apologist Justin Martyr (c.AD100-165),

“Sunday is the day on which we all hold our common assembly, because it is the first day on which God, having wrought a change in the darkness and matter, made the world; and Jesus Christ our Saviour on the same day rose from the dead. For He was crucified on the day before that of Saturn; and on the day after that of Saturn, which is the day of the Sun, He appeared to His apostles and disciples”

Fr John.





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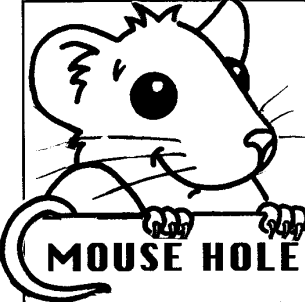
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He ran ahead and climbed a tree.

Jesus stopped as he passed by,
And saw Zacchaeus there up high,
Said "Dear Zacchaeus, come with me,
I'm going to your house for tea".

Zacchaeus climbed down to the floor,
And walked with Jesus to his door,
Amazed the Lord would want to be
With such a liar and cheat as he.

Zacchaeus, sorry for all he'd done,
Said "Lord I'll pay back everyone,
Half I own I give to the poor,
Those I've cheated get four times more."

Jesus said "Today you are saved!"
Zacchaeus replied "May God be praised!"

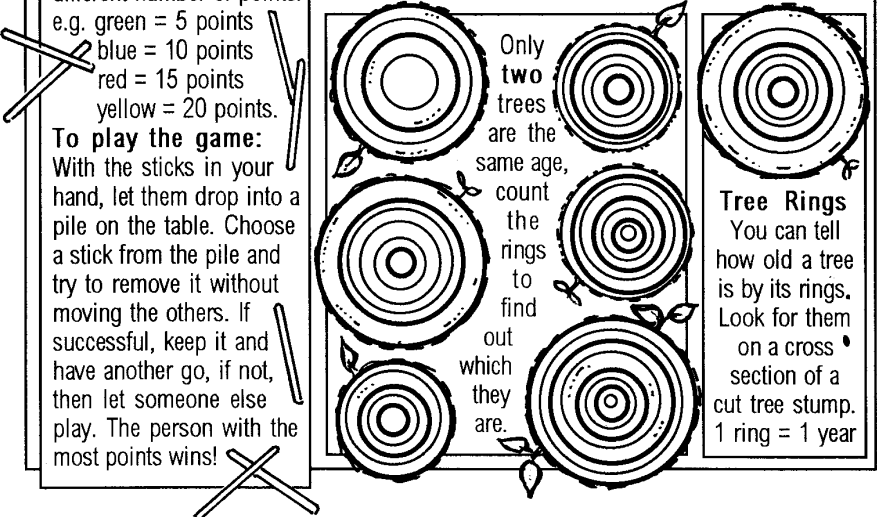
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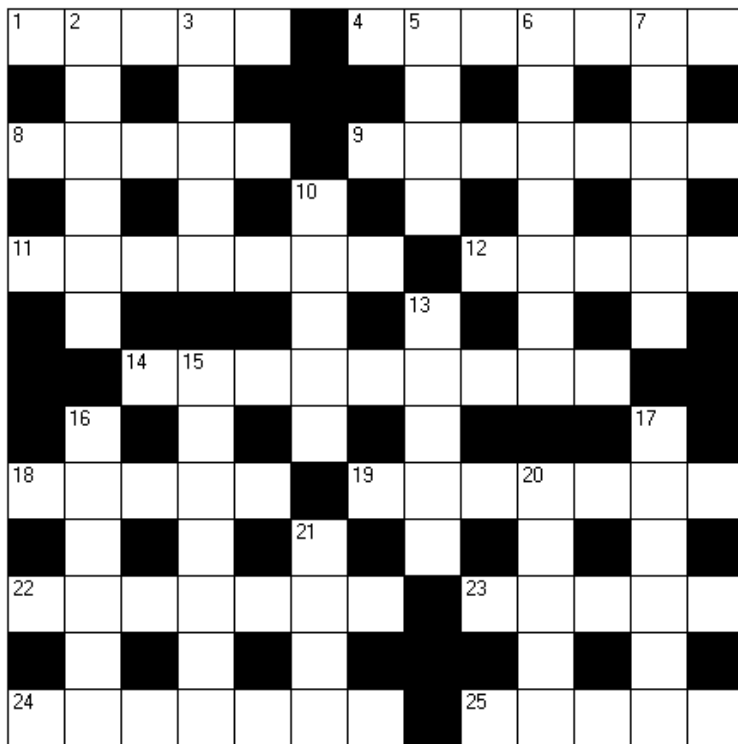
Pick-up Sticks
'Pick-up Sticks' is a game that's been played for hundreds of years. You can make your own *Pick-up Sticks* from a packet of wooden skewers, or for a miniature set, use a box of wooden cocktail sticks. Colour the sticks different colours, with felt pen or paint, to represent a different number of points. e.g. green = 5 points
blue = 10 points
red = 15 points
yellow = 20 points.

To play the game:
With the sticks in your hand, let them drop into a pile on the table. Choose a stick from the pile and try to remove it without moving the others. If successful, keep it and have another go, if not, then let someone else play. The person with the most points wins!

Only two trees are the same age, count the rings to find out which they are.

Tree Rings
You can tell how old a tree is by its rings. Look for them on a cross section of a cut tree stump. 1 ring = 1 year





Clues Across

- 1 The wicked are gone when this has swept by, says Proverbs ch. 10 (5)
- 4 Sport involving bows and arrows (7)
- 8 Record (5)
- 9 Last book of the OT (7)
- 11 Book of sacred songs (7)
- 12 _____ of Christ, one of the titles of the Bishop of Rome (5)
- 14 Profanation of something holy (9)
- 18 A third of the day was without this illumination in Rev. ch. 8 (5)
- 19 ..a sword, not of _____, will devour them (Isa 31.8) (7)
- 22 Disburdened by confession (7)
- 23 From which the idol in Psalm 106 was cast (5)
- 24 ..speckled or _____ female goats (Gen 30.35) (7)
- 25 Transgressor of the 8th commandment (5)

Clues Down

- 2 Cause of death of the fish in Isaiah ch. 50 (6)
- 3 Description of the robes worn by Herod in Acts ch. 12 (5)
- 5 Use a sickle as commanded by an angel in Revelation ch. 14 (4)
- 6 Description of the balm in 2 Chronicles ch. 28 (7)
- 7 Warm up again (6)
- 10 My _____ is with Israel's princes (Jud 5.9) (5)
- 13 Shem fathered Arphaxad two years after this Genesis ch. 11 (5)
- 15 Person not believing in God (7)
- 16 Mulled port spiced with oranges, sugar, and cloves (6)
- 17 Split (6)
- 20 ..his _____ whiter than milk (Gen 49.12) (5)
- Hereditary determinant (4)

There will be a small prize for the first correct solution to reach Fr John.

Congratulations to *Dick Rose* who was the first person to get the correct solution to me last month.

Answers in next month's magazine.

October Answers

Across

- 7 Church 8 Samson 10 Washing 11 Leper 12 Esau 13 Gnash 17 Flash 18 Gong 22 Cream 23 Ezekiel 24 Ravage 25 Odious

Down

- 1 Scowled 2 Tuesday 3 Scrip 4 Lawless 5 Asaph 6 Snare 9 Agonistes 14 Plumage 15 Monitor 16 Ageless 19 Scorn 20 Weave 21 Leeds

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November Saints and Holy Days

15th November - St. Albert the Great (1206-1280)

Albert the Great was a 13th-century German Dominican who influenced decisively the stance of the Church toward Aristotelian philosophy brought to Europe by the spread of Islam.

Students of philosophy know him as the master of Thomas Aquinas. Albert's attempt to understand Aristotle's writings established the climate in which Thomas Aquinas developed his synthesis of Greek wisdom and Christian theology. But Albert deserves recognition on his own merits as a curious, honest and diligent scholar.

He was the eldest son of a powerful and wealthy German lord of military rank. He was educated in the liberal arts. Despite fierce family opposition, he entered the Dominican novitiate.

His boundless interests prompted him to write a compendium of all knowledge: natural science, logic, rhetoric, mathematics, astronomy, ethics, economics, politics and metaphysics. His explanation of learning took 20 years to complete. "Our intention," he said, "is to make all the aforesaid parts of knowledge intelligible to the Latins."

He achieved his goal while serving as an educator at Paris and Cologne, as Dominican provincial and even as bishop of Regensburg for a time. He defended the mendicant orders and preached the Crusade in Germany and Bohemia.

Albert, a Doctor of the Church, is the patron of scientists and philosophers.

16th November - St. Margaret of Scotland (~1050-1093)

Margaret was not Scottish by birth. She was the daughter of Princess Agatha of Hungary and the Anglo-Saxon Prince Edward Atheling. She spent much of her youth in the court of her great-uncle, the English king, Edward the Confessor.

Her family fled from William the Conqueror and was shipwrecked off the coast of Scotland. King Malcolm befriended them and was captivated by the beautiful, gracious Margaret. They were married at the castle of Dunfermline in 1070.

Malcolm was good-hearted, but rough and uncultured, as was his country. Because of Malcolm's love for Margaret, she was able to soften his temper, polish his manners and help him become a virtuous king. He left all domestic affairs to her and often consulted her in state matters.

Margaret tried to improve her adopted country by promoting the arts and education. For religious reform, she instigated synods and was present for the discussions which tried to correct religious abuses common among priests and others, such as simony, usury and incestuous marriages. With her husband, she founded several churches.

Margaret was not only a queen, but a mother. She and Malcolm had six sons and two daughters. Margaret personally supervised their religious instruction and their other studies.

Although she was very much caught up in the affairs of the household and country, she remained detached from the world. Her private life was austere. She had certain times for prayer and reading Scripture. She ate sparingly and slept little in order to have time for devotions. She and Malcolm kept two Lents, one before Easter and one before Christmas. During these times she always rose at midnight for Mass. On the way home she would wash the feet of six poor persons and give them alms. She was always surrounded by beggars in public and never refused them. It is recorded that she never sat down to eat without first feeding nine orphans and 24 adults.

In 1093, King William Rufus made a surprise attack on Alnwick castle. King Malcolm and his oldest son, Edward, were killed. Margaret, already on her deathbed, died four days after her husband.

30th November – St Andrew (1st Century)

Andrew was St. Peter's brother, and was called with him. "As [Jesus] was walking by the sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is now called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him" (Matthew 4:18-20).

John the Evangelist presents Andrew as a disciple of John the Baptist. When Jesus walked by one day, John said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." Andrew and another disciple followed Jesus. "Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come, and you will see.' So they went and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day" (John 1:38-39a).

Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Before the multiplication of the loaves, it was Andrew who spoke up about the boy who had the barley loaves and fishes (see John 6:8-9). When the Gentiles went to see Jesus, they came to Philip, but Philip then had recourse to Andrew (see John 12:20-22).

Legend has it that Andrew preached the Good News in what is now modern Greece and Turkey and was crucified at Patras.

As in the case of all the apostles except Peter and John, the Gospels give us little about the holiness of Andrew. He was an apostle. That is enough. He was called personally by Jesus to proclaim the Good News, to heal with Jesus' power and to share his life and death. Holiness today is no different. It is a gift that includes a call to be concerned about the Kingdom, an outgoing attitude that wants nothing more than to share the riches of Christ with all people.

Calendar for November 2007

1	Thu	All Saints	Thanksgiving
2	Fri	All Souls	The Faithful Departed
3	Sat		Child Contact Centre
4	SUN	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Church and Parish
5	Mon		Parliament
6	Tue		St Luke's Hospital for Clergy
7	Wed		Rural and Area Deans
8	Thu		Eucharistic Ministers
9	Fri		Service Chaplains
10	Sat	St Leo the Great	Remembrance Sunday
11	SUN	32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Church and Parish
12	Mon	Josaphat	The PCC
13	Tue		The St Paul Centre
14	Wed		Outreach
15	Thu	Albert the Great	The Homeless
16	Fri	Margaret of Scotland	Mampong Babies' Home
17	Sat		The Bereaved
18	SUN	33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Church and Parish
19	Mon		Restoration Project
20	Tue		Prisons Week
21	Wed	Presentation of the BVM	St James' School Governors
22	Thu	Cecilia	Churches Together
23	Fri		Our Bishops
24	Sat		St Helena Hospice
25	SUN	Christ the King	Church and Parish
26	Mon		Parish Prayerlife
27	Tue		North Primary School
28	Wed		Town Centre Ministry
29	Thu		Advent
30	Fri	Andrew	People of Scotland

Diary for November 2007

1	Thu	All Saints	12:30 Mass	St James'
			19:30 Sung Mass	St James'
2	Fri	All Souls	09:15 Mass	St James'
			19:30 Sung Mass	St James'
3	Sat		09:00 Mass	St James'
4	SUN	31 st SUN in OT	08:00 Mass	St James'
			10:00 Sung Mass	St James'
			18:30 Evening Prayer	St James'
5	Mon		19:00 Mass	St James'
6	Tue		10:00 Mass	St Paul's
7	Wed		19:00 Mass	St James'
8	Thu		12:30 Mass	St James'
9	Fri		09:00 Mass	School
10	Sat	St Leo the Great	09:00 Mass	St James'
11	SUN	32 nd SUN in OT	08:00 Mass	St James'
		Remembrance Sunday	10:00 Sung Mass	St James'
			18:30 Prayer and Praise	St James'
12	Mon	Josaphat	11:00 Mass	Colonia Ct
			19:00 Mass	St James'
13	Tue		10:00 Mass	St Paul's
14	Wed		19:00 Mass	St James'
15	Thu	Albert the Great	12:30 Mass	St James'
16	Fri	Margaret of Scotland	09:00 Mass	School
17	Sat		09:00 Mass	St James'
			11:00 Bereavement Service	St James'
18	SUN	33 rd SUN in OT	08:00 Mass	St James'
			10:00 Sung Mass	St James'
			18:30 Evening Prayer	St James'
19	Mon		11:00 Mass	8 Cranmere Ct
			19:30 Holy Rosary	St Paul's
20	Tue		10:00 Mass	St Paul's
21	Wed	Presentation of the BVM	19:00 Mass	St James'
22	Thu	Cecilia	12:30 Mass	St James'
23	Fri		09:00 Mass	School
24	Sat		09:00 Mass	St James'
25	SUN	Christ the King	08:00 Mass	St James'
			10:00 Sung Mass	St James'
			18:30 Evening Prayer	St James'
26	Mon		20:00 Mass	70A High Street
27	Tue		10:00 Mass	St Paul's
28	Wed		20:00 Mass	St James'
29	Thu		12:30 Mass	St James'
30	Fri	Andrew	09:00 Mass	School



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Sundays	Morning Prayer	07:25
	Said Mass	08:00
	Sung Mass	10:00
	Evening Worship	18:30

Weekdays	Morning Prayer	07:45
	Evening Prayer	18:00

Monday Mass see page 3

Wednesday Mass 19:00

Thursday Mass 12:30

Friday Mass in School 09:00

Saturday Mass 09:00

Festivals and Saints Days, see monthly diary on page 32

Services at *The St Paul's Centre, Belle Vue Road*

Tuesday	Mass	10:00
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