

PARISH VIEW

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Immanuel Feniscowles

Welcome - *Immanuel is a church at the heart of our local community here in Feniscowles and Pleasington. We believe that God has called us to reflect the grace, beauty, love and peace of Jesus Christ to one another and to our neighbours here in Feniscowles, Pleasington, Livesey and Cherry Tree. God has blessed us with a beautiful and historic church building and with a heritage of prayer and Christian worship. We want to share all that God has given us, with those who want to experience more of God's grace and blessing in their lives -* **Come and Worship**

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4th Sunday of the month: Eucharist following the BCP prayer book.

Thursdays: 7:30pm Family Communion

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Our parish of Immanuel Feniscowles is committed to safeguarding children, young people and adults from harm. We follow the House of Bishops guidance and policies and have our own Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO). If you are concerned that a child or adult has been harmed or may be at risk of harm in our parish please contact our PSO, Craig Atkinson (contact details below) or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor, Cath Smith (contact details below). If you have immediate concerns about the safety of someone, please contact the police and your local authority's children or adult social care services. The Diocese of Blackburn's safeguarding pages contain further links and information and can be found here: <https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/overview>

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Welcome to Our Services

Everyone is very welcome at Immanuel. We have a range of Services on different days and of different styles, come along to experience more.

Sundays - 9.15am - Holy Communion

Our main weekly Holy Communion service with hymns, prayers, and a talk on one of the Bible readings.

2nd Sunday of the month - Café Church in the Church Hall 9.00am for a 9.15am start, Coffee Croissants and a family friendly church service.

4th Sunday of the month - Holy Communion in traditional language, using the Book of Common Prayer.

Thursdays - 7:30pm - Family Communion

A shorter, more informal Holy Communion service suitable for the whole family!

LOTS OF OTHER SEASONAL AND OCCASIONAL SERVICES ARE HELD THROUGH THE YEAR - KEEP AN EYE OPEN FOR THEM BY LOOKING AT THE WEBSITE, THE PARISH MAGAZINE OR, BETTER STILL, COME ALONG TO ONE OF OUR REGULAR SERVICES TO FIND OUT MORE!

Praying with greater depth and urgency for the Kingdom of God to come

As one of the four focuses of the Diocese 'Making Disciples' area of Vision 2026 is we want to help you to spend regular time in prayer.

Why Pray?

As we all have different ways of talking with our friends, families, neighbours and colleagues, so we also have different ways of talking to our Heavenly Father. Wanting to pray is the beginning of a relationship with God that can grow and grow

Praying can be woven into everyday life. Prayer is not just something done in church. It is about praying with others, praying alone, at any time and any place. It is living life in a relationship with God.

When we pray, there are millions of Christian people all around the world also praying; daily in churches, in their homes, in their cars, at work. You might not hear them. You might feel very alone in your prayer; but you are not alone.

Flowers for November and December

Altar

10th November Remembrance

Donated by Mrs L Moulden

Memorial Desk

17th November Miss K Marsden

Altar

22nd December Christmas Day

Donated by Mr K Coulthurst



THE VICAR

Have you ever been given a gift but you thought that it was just too precious to use? And so you keep it stored safely in its box to avoid any chance of it being damaged or lost? Although you might keep that gift for longer, the problem is that it will never be able to do all that it was meant to. It won't bring you or anyone else the joy that it was intended to.

We've recently been thinking about stewardship in our churches and we've been reminded that everything we have is a gift from God - our time, our talents, even our money. And we've been challenged to think about how we should be using these gifts in the way that God intended. As we've explored these questions I hope you've been encouraged to see that supporting the life and work of God's church is an exciting and powerful way to put those gifts to good use. Because I think we have the best news that the world could ever hear - that we have a God who loves us so much that he came into the world to die for us, so that we can be forgiven for all that we get wrong and have a new life with him. By volunteering your time and talents here, and by giving your money to support our churches, you can help to make sure that we continue to be places where people can hear and experience this amazing news.

And so how might you do this? Well, you might be great at fundraising, or you might be interested in buildings maintenance, or you might be great with children and young people, or you might be fantastic at admin - these are all ways that you can help our churches. And there are plenty more! So please do speak to me or one of our Church Wardens if there are things that you would like to get involved in to support all that goes on here.

Or you might feel prompted to think about your giving to church - perhaps you already give but want to consider the amount that you give, or you might want to start giving regularly. We've just signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme, which is a safe and secure way to give regularly by direct debit. Can I invite you to think and pray about your giving and whether you're able to support our churches financially? If so, there are sign up forms for the Parish Giving Scheme in both our churches, or you can find QR codes in this magazine which will take you to the sign up pages.

As we think about all of this, let's remember that this news that we want to share with the world - that God loves everyone so much that he would die for them - applies to every single one of us. And this is ultimately the thing that should make us want to live more generous lives: if God has been so incredibly generous to us, why would we want to hold anything back as we live our lives for him?

Thank you for all that you contribute to the life of our churches - I'm really excited to be building God's church here with you all.

Best wishes - **Bryn**

WARDENS REPORT

Welcome to the Advent edition of the magazine, which was intended to be the first joint one with St Francis, but it is looking like that will be January now. 2024 seems to have disappeared faster than ever, maybe it's the number of holidays Diane and I have managed or just a sign of getting older.

This time last year we had no Vicar and were planning how we would manage to do all the seasonal services from Remembrance Day through to Christmas Day and with some major help from several members of the congregation and visiting clergy we managed it. Personally, despite 2023 seeming to be successful, I am looking forward to attending these seasonal services and listening to Bryn do them properly.

The Harvest Cafe Church went very well and Blackburn Foodbank were extremely grateful for the donations they received.

Our Toy Service will see the new unwrapped presents donated to Secret Santa in Blackburn who work with the various agencies to provide presents to those children who otherwise would get nothing - YES in Blackburn there are children who may not receive anything at Christmas! This situation is a million miles away from the lives we lead and we should all be thankful that we can live comfortably.

Recently we have seen the Narthex beginning to take shape and we are hoping that it will be completed by the end of November at the latest. This will provide an area where much can take place.

The 5 yearly inspection of the church has taken place and we are expecting the report shortly which will no doubt give us an extensive list of jobs that need undertaking to keep the church in good repair.

Unfortunately, the church hall and cottage have had various minor issues lately, partially as they are well used and rented out but mainly because it is an old building with old fixtures and fittings. Fortunately, the rental income does help support keeping the church open.

The list of Christmas Services is printed elsewhere in the magazine, if you are not a regular attendee or have not been to Immanuel recently then please do consider coming along, meeting Bryn, and having a coffee after the service.

It seems early saying this, but may I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Best wishes - **Phil Entwistle**

Articles for next magazine due 5th January at the very latest, I will not chase people.

IN REMEMBRANCE FOR NOVEMBER

1st.	1983	Muriel Crook	1993	Arnold Mickle
	2003	Freda Jones		
3rd.	1989	Margaret D.Henningham	2000	Agnes Doughty
	2005	Joan Butler		
4th.				
5th.	1991	John Michael Wedgeworth	2002	Keith William Snape
	2002	Joan Eleanor Taylor	2021	Valerie Hardcastle
6th.	1994	Herbert Lucas	1999	Jack Ashworth
7th.	2003	Jean Entwistle		
8th.	1969	Joseph Francis Barry	1973	Amy Dickinson
	1981	Ann Downie	2021	James Abbott
9th.	1977	George Stamper	1992	Marion Taylor
	1992	Arthur Ronald Finney	2003	Rose Caton
10th.	1986	Revd. W.B. Porteous	1986	Samuel Althall
	1993	John William Savage		
11th.	1981	John Henry Heathcote	1979	Janet Boardman
	1996	Lillian Brunt	2006	Florence Brailsford
	2011	Melvyn John Sunderland	2014	Wilhelmena Treanor
12th.	1996	Kevin Duxbury		
13th.	1987	Alice Morley	1999	Brian Leslie Hickmott
	2002	Sam Clipson Slack		
14th.	1993	Margaret Ingham	2003	Alice Paton
15th.	1988	Neville Curry	2001	Frederick Ashton
	2006	Mary Cottam	2010	Rosalynd Moore
16th.	1966	Grace Mason	1995	Rose Holme
	1996	Robert Nixon	1997	William Davidson
	2003	Matthew George Cross	2017	Irene Mary Haworth
17th.	1977	John Baron		
18th.	1988	Fred Parry Travis	2018	Sandra Blayden
19th.	1994	Mr. Harrison	1995	Laura Howarth
20th.	1994	Eleanor Kendal	1994	Elsie Marsden
	1997	Anna Melville		
21st.	1986	Margaret King	1988	Annie Victoria Norris
22nd.	1990	John Barnes	2000	John Walmsley
	1987	Thomas Wilson	2012	Nellie Parker
23rd.	1992	Terry O'Hare	1993	Kenneth Cowburn
	1994	George Bretherton	1999	Walter Reid
24th.	1981	Walsh Brennand Jones		
25th.	1984	Winifred Eileen Whittle		
26th.	1987	Tom Wilson	1992	Martha Thompson
	1994	Eva Beatrice Hacking	1997	Fred Richmond
	1999	John Catterall	2015	Margaret Rushworth
27th.	1995	Elsie Steel		
28th.	1977	Jennie Heywood		
29th.	1985	Frederick Montague Kemp	1989	Alice Clarkson
	1995	Lauren Louise Pritchard	1989	William Earnshaw
	1999	Robert Walmsley	2021	Denise Fletcher
30th.	1988	Dora Madeleine Cross	1992	Albert Holmes
	1992	Gill Greenwood	2001	Peter Capstick

IN REMEMBRANCE FOR DECEMBER

1st.				
2nd.	1983	Elsie Halliwell		
3rd.	1966	William Goodwin	1967	Lily Marsden
	1977	Richard Henry Shorrocks	1992	John Caton
	2011	Sarah Jane Milligan		
4th.	1979	Henry Kendall	1993	Eric Smith
	1999	Elna Heede		
5th.	1977	Elsie Crowther	1993	Charlie Wild
	2004	Kathleen Norris		
6th.	1982	Ethel Stamper		
7th.	2009	Frank Derek King		
8th.	1999	Jason Darroll Wike		
9th.	1991	David Barrett		
10th.	1983	Sidney Osborne Stockton	1989	Alfred Bond Redmaine
	1994	Irvin Wilkinson	2013	Winifred Linley
11th.	1992	Alan Lewis Fletcher		
12th.	1988	Malcolm Woodruff		
13th.	1993	Sidney Glover	1996	Kenneth Richards
	2000	Jack McManus	2006	Mary Warters
	2010	Muriel Dobson		
14th.	1987	Marion L. Sidgreaves	2011	Arthur Bakewell
	2011	Roy Ingham		
15th.	2004	Ben Francis	2012	Alan John Riley
16th.	1929	C.T.Clark(Priest)	1980	Eric Whalley
	1989	Mary Barrett		
17th.	1989	Ben Shorrocks(ex Warden)	1986	Frank B. Leaf
	1991	Hilda Eaves	1999	Margery Earnshaw
	1967	Briscoe Haworth	2009	Alice Kellett
18th.				
19th.	1994	Richard McKenzie	2005	Nora Scott
20th.	1990	Alice Hoyle	1991	Leslie David Harper
21st.	1968	John Wareing	1991	Charles Alpe
	2001	John Jeffrey Baxter		
22nd.	1994	Thomas Waters	1997	George Fleming Irvine
23rd.	1994	Seymore Parker Frost	1991	Leonard Barnes
	2004	Gladys Richards	2005	Harry Harwood
24th.	1986	Richard Kellett	1993	Thomas Burke
	1998	James Thompson		
25th.	1988	Mrs. Marrow	1999	Harry Neville
26th.	1975	Alfred Watkins Hindle	1996	Margaret Irene Ford
27th.	2005	Janet Duckworth		
28th.	1969	Alice Barker	2000	Pauline Jones
	2008	Marjorie Coulthurst	2010	Rose Mary Taylor-Brooks
	2011	Audrey Chew		
29th.	2009	Brian Thomas Richmond		
30th.	1991	Florence Frankland		Mr. Tomlinson
31st.	1987	Margaret Makinson	1987	Joan Brunskill
	1988	Mavis Sleddon		

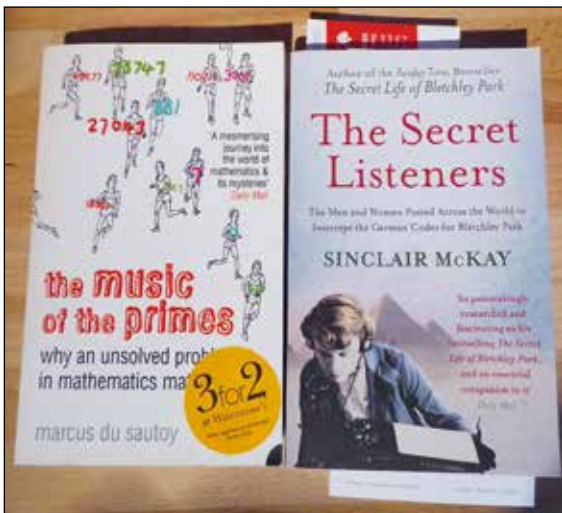
What I said is not what you heard

or

Why do we need end to end encryption?

Carrying on from my departing words of the last article and the many minor mistakes I make, I would like to take a brief look at the title. Some year ago, when working full time, I was working in Germany and often over an evening meal we would discuss the variations in language and culture. I quote my German colleague "Why do the English cut down trees and then cut them up?" In that part of Germany, they would say "We cut down trees and then section them or divide the tree".

This Photo by Unknown Author is licensed under CC BY-SA It was whilst watching one of my favourite TV programs 'Only Connect' when a contestant requested the problem covered by the Egyptian hieroglyph two 'reeds'. My twisted mind considered the contestants requesting two books.



This made me think about my current read (reed), a book titled 'The Secret Listeners' and when I have read (red) this book it will become part of my ever-growing library of good reads (reeds). So, without the context surrounding the words, the parts of speech when you hear them spoken are lost. For a foreign speaker our language must appear to be encoded.

The book 'The secret Listeners' by Sinclair McKay follows the lives of those ordinary people who during WW2 painstakingly sat and listened to the enemy broadcast, often in Morse Code, in an alien language having

vernacular phrases and sometimes the messages had been encrypted. I can imagine the difficulty listening to the German language having attempted to learn 'survival German'. How could any person with just with a few months of training in wireless operation and having to learn Japanese both spoken and in Morse Code cope with the intensity of the task? I cannot imagine - I think ordinary people should read 'extraordinary'. I prefer the humiliation of a low score from 'Only Connect'.



The following is a short phrase that was often used when I worked full time to describe a verbose manager.

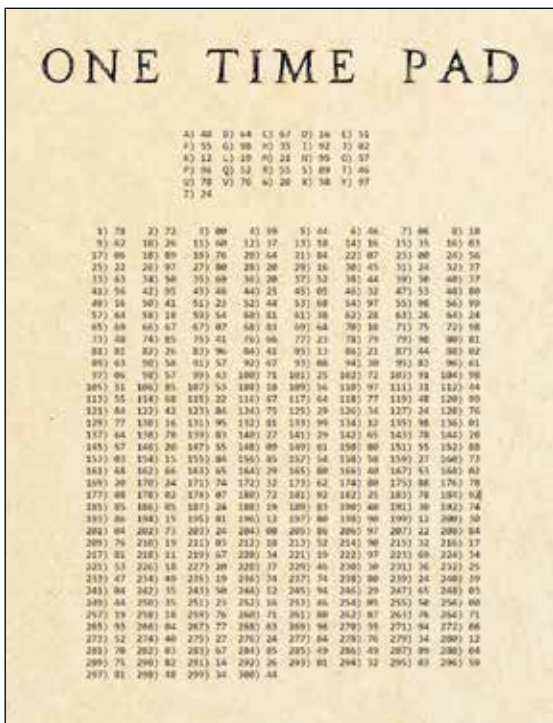
"I know you believe you understood what you think I said. But I'm not sure you realise that what you heard is not what I meant"

Why do we need codes and encryption when we have the vagaries of our own language? Hiding a message from others has long been a skill, even if the solution is intended to entertain - the cryptic crossword. There are several definitions surrounding cryptography and encryption; to summarise, it is a mathematical algorithm to encode data/information to be transferred, so that only those entitled to read it have access to the process.

Most of you will have heard of the infamous German encryption machine ENIGMA. The machine was patented around 1923 by the German manufacturer Scherbius and Ritter to prevent commercial spying. By 1932 Polish mathematician Marian Rejewski had solved the mathematics of the device but decryption was slow. It took the brains of Alan Turing, William Tutte and others to invent an electronic process for decrypting the messages. So fast was the process that towards the end of WW2 messages were being read faster than the Germans could read them.

Many very effective codes involved the encryption of a message by use of a 'One time pad or sheet'. This technique of using a process once is, I am told,

impossible to decode. This 'one time pad' does mean the sender and receiver must share the same encryption key and pad. An improvement is that the spy (sender) and receiver have a copy of an easily obtained book. The message when encrypted would be in blocks of numbers which would refer to a chapter, page number, a paragraph, a line and word or letter, to be used in the message. These secret numbers are still to be heard on short wave radio, a quick search of the internet using a secure browser and you get lots of links to these broadcasts. Try 'Ringway Manchester' on YouTube.



The need to prevent unauthorised reading of information goes back thousands of years. As early as 1500BC a coded message has been found to protect a potter's recipe for a glaze. For those who might have read the Karma Sutra there is reference to coded messages between lovers. There is record of messages being written in code then rolled up and placed in a silver capsule to be swallowed by the carrier. Recovery seems a little outside my list of domestic chores. Breaking these secret messages and compiling



the methods to make reading difficult is a mathematical skill. The advent of computer techniques (Alan Turing) has made encryption and decryption ever more dependent upon high-speed computers relentlessly using algorithms to find solutions.

Owners of modern mobile phones and cars with proximity key fobs are holders of modern wonders of encryption. Phone network operators make sales mileage of the sophisticated encryption process to protect your data/information. Quite a number of internet providers claim they cannot decrypt messages. This does not mean they cannot be read it - it is just a matter of the time it takes. Your car key fob communicates with your car and constantly alters the 'open sez me' message making the message difficult to be copied by near field detector, once the much-loved gadget used by car thieves.

Banks and government are the big user of serious encrypted information and often use a process known by the acronym RSA (Rivest, Shamir and Adleman 1970) three academic gentlemen working at MIT in the USA. Ellis and Cox working for GCHQ in England



had solve the problem years earlier, however, the process was kept secret. The process relies on two very large prime numbers being multiplied together then applying the Carmichael totient to further enhance the encryption. Today the final number could be as large as 617 digits. Processes like this protect world commerce and the misuse of nuclear weapons - thank goodness! Why are they so difficult to unscramble? Answer is time, even at 10 times today's computing capacity it would take years. The process even allows for a lucky guess.

If you are interested in man's ingenuity to solve problems and discover solutions, I would like to suggest you read pages 32 to 39 of BCP our Prayer Book. If you have the Cambridge edition pages in roman numerals lvii to lxii.

To come back to the opening title "Why do we need Encryption?" It depends - to protect us from vagabonds and ill doers - Yes. However, to communicate to others - Keep it clear and simple and think of the listener (it's not what I do).

Thanks again for putting up with my version of life - **Peter Hodkinson**

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

Advent! Four Sundays when we wait, looking forward to that morn.

When almost two thousand years ago, a tiny Babe was born.

We still celebrate His birth, and read the Christmas Story.

But do we let him into our hearts, give Him due Praise and Glory.

Are each of us so busy, shopping, cooking, wrapping gifts so trim.

That like the Inn at Bethlehem, there is no room for Him.

Think of those shepherds, the first to hear of Our Saviour's birth.

Let us hear again the Angels singing of Peace on Earth,

Glory to God in the Highest, Goodwill towards all men,

Glad tidings of great joy, (to us) as to the shepherds then.

Teach the children that Christmas, is not just presents on a tree.

Then they will learn the true meaning of the Nativity.

A. Marsden

A BIG THANK YOU!

Hi, I am writing this letter to say a big thank you for the warm welcome I have received from you all, since my transfer from Holy Trinity Church in Hoghton, where I have been a Licensed Lay Minister for 16 years. I have now retired from that role and have moved back to Immanuel Church which is my Parish Church and holds many memories from my youth here in Feniscowles.

I hope to be of some use to the church given my background, after I have had an operation that I am expecting, through which I hope to become more bionic, although some might say that I am in that department already!

I have been a Christian since the age of 17 years through which I have been through many challenges at times, but the Lord has held me fast and without my faith, life would have been very difficult.

I hope to get to know you all and support your new future with Bryn and the church family and thank you again for your warm welcome, love in Jesus.

Christine Keenan

KNITTING FOR BABIES IN UKRAINE

Hello everyone,

Thanks once again to everyone at Immanuel and St Francis Churches for donating wool to help me to continue to knit for the newborn babies born in the maternity hospitals in war-torn Ukraine. I am still knitting hats and managing to send a box of 50 each month to Dr Natalia at British-Ukrainian Aid in London. The total I've knitted now is



1365 with a further 198 knitted by friends in church. I asked Dr Natalia if she would like me to knit some red and white ones for Christmas and she thought that would be lovely. So I quickly knitted some to put in the box I sent in October, thought you might like to see them.

Thanks again for your kindness and help. God bless you all.

Marje Williams



Please don't forget to visit YOUTUBE at FENNYCHURCHES if you have been unable to attend worship. If you know

someone who is ill and would like to keep up with our church services, please let them know. They can watch a fortnightly video on YouTube.

£50 MONTHLY DRAW

Once again as we approach the new year, the monthly draw annual payment of £12 is due, the more numbers you have, the better chance of winning. The more numbers sold, the bigger the contribution to church is seen.

Immanuel and St Francis

'Get Out Walking' No 2

Many thanks to all who took the risk and accompanied me on the first mystery walk. I think all who came saw the day as a success and enjoyed the company and the views. Under 14 years of age to be accompanied by an adult.

The plan is to hold a similar walk over 'hill and dale' covering 7 to 9km at six-to-eight-week intervals.

The next walk was agreed to be early December, however, due to a request I have agreed to December 14th the weekend after café church. The walk will be in the Malham area on mixed paths requiring walking boots, packed lunch and suitable outdoor clothing. A charge is made for car parking or you can take a risk and park for free on the road. I will be parking on the carpark. Maps will be provided for drivers and a few spare copies for those who wish to navigate.





Please meet on Immanuel Car Park at 8:30am on December 14th
and enjoy the day - even bring a friend.

Regards - **Peter Hodkinson tel. 01254 202283**



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1) Make your collection a standing order directly to the bank;

We know that things are tough, but the church cannot survive without regular giving, the church needs funds daily even if you only attend once a month. Please consider what you give to church, remember we do not receive any other income than that which we generate from renting the hall and the money people directly give.

2) Gift Aid your giving;

If you Gift Aid your donations, then for every £10 you give the HMRC gives us £2.50 for nothing - it is money you paid in tax returned to the church.

3) Join the 100 Club;

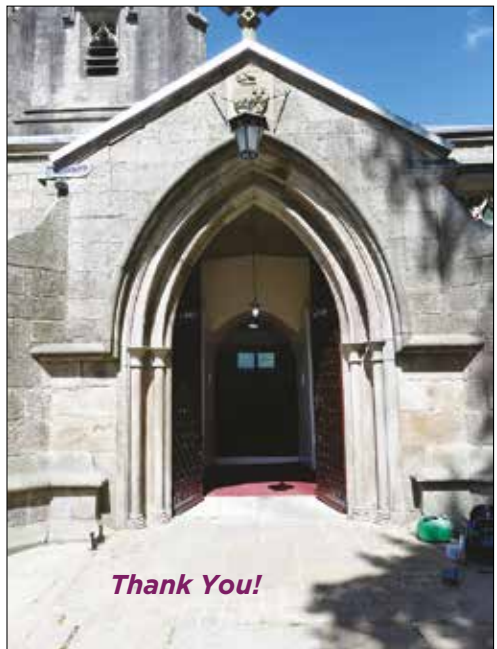
This monthly draw allows you the opportunity to win £50 each month. It costs £12 to join for the year and if we can get up to 200 numbers sold from the current 121, then we will be able to increase the prizes with a monthly second prize.

4) Church Magazine;

As well as encouraging you to buy a magazine, why not buy an extra one and give it to a friend, neighbour, someone who is lonely etc. If you really cannot afford the extra £1 then let Phil know and we will organise something to allow you to pass on to others about our church.

5) Volunteer;

There are always things which need to be done, how can you help? Please approach us and offer a little time, it doesn't need to be weekly but a couple of hours here or there can always be put to good use.



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