



Religious Association of the Anglican Church of Pas-de-Calais

The Chaplaincy Newsletter - December 2022

Advent Blessings Everyone!
Hope + Love + Joy + Peace



December Services

Salle de l'Arsenal, Rue de l'Arsenal, Hesdin.

1st Sunday -- 4th Dec 10.30 Advent Service Lay led by Marilyn

3rd Sunday - 18th Dec - 10.30am Carol Service Lay led by Daphne

Sat 24th Dec - 5pm - Christmas Eve Service Lay led by David

Monastere du Carmel, Rue du Denacre, Saint Martin Boulogne.

1st Sunday - 4th Dec - 10.30am Lay led Service

3rd Sunday - 18th Dec - 10.30am Lay led Carol Service

Oratory of Notre Dame de la Misericorde, rue Gaillard, Calais.

1st Sunday - 4th Dec - 10.30 Lay led Service

3rd Sunday - 18th Dec - Joining Boulogne's Carol Service

ZOOM services every 2nd and 4th Sunday at 10.30am- link below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81308857876?pwd=ektZUy9RcGZ6dTdxjdjBSMWE5K3V0QT09>

Wednesday Compline at 9 pm (Linda says, come along earlier if you wish to chat) link below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87872685714?pwd=UIFNURPb2NWL2UxUXpkc09ZR2wydz09>

Chaplaincy news



A Message from Rev. Sara McVane

Dear Friends in the Pas de Calais,
I am writing this to set out my present position, to thank all of you for our continuing relationship over many years, and to bring you up-to-date on my health questions.

So: first of all, and most important are my thanks to all of you for our continued relationship of pastor to parishioners, parishioners to pastor, back and forth over a long period of time, when I lived in Pas de Calais and then afterwards. You are dear to my heart and our times together remain a bright light in my professional life. You are my friends, and I rejoice in our friendships.

This past year I was called to take on many more Sunday “fill-ins” than I had been in the earlier years of my retirement: Caen, Fontainebleau, Chantilly, so as I grow older, Sunday mornings were becoming more “committed” and physically more difficult, and sometimes quite difficult. This is why I decided to take a break and act my age (!) or something more like my age.

Last week I had an “uncomfortable” physical examination of a sort some of you will also have experienced. The good news is that, apparently, nothing serious is wrong. The doctor will let me know after Christmas whether the analyses they are doing shows up anything to worry about. I will keep you posted on this.

Meanwhile, although I am staying pretty firm in my decision not to take on regular commitments (the Scots Kirk in Paris just made me a semi-offer which I turned down....), that doesn't mean I wouldn't love to come out to Pas de Calais every once in a while, if and as needed.

Stay well, a blessed Advent to you all, and much love,

Sara

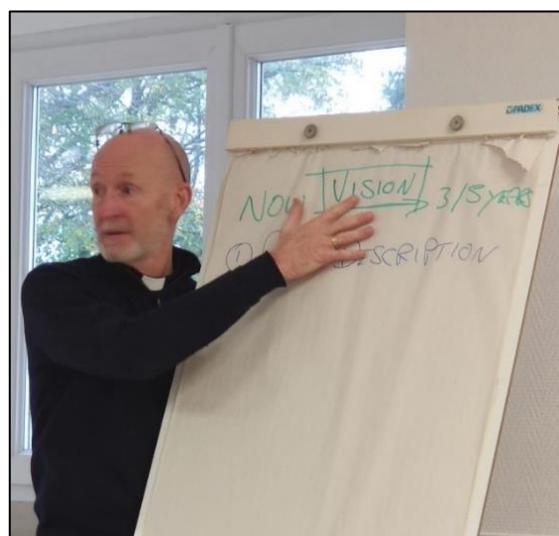
On Saturday 5th November, Archdeacon Peter Joined with the Chaplaincy Council members at Condette, to discuss the way forward for the Pas de Calais Chaplaincy.

And on Sunday 6th at 11am, all three churches were invited to a Eucharist Service led by Archdeacon Peter, followed by lunch and talks regarding a house for duty priest.

All agree that it was a very positive weekend.

A big thank you to Archdeacon Peter for his wisdom, knowledge and guidance in helping us to understand the process of choosing a house for duty priest.

We look forward to developments in 2023.



Archdeacon Peter Hooper

Chaplaincy news-cont.

Vacancy for Hesdin's Secretarial Role

As you may know, our former secretary Joyce Bosworth, can no longer continue in this role due to ill health and Daphne Power has kindly stepped up to support the church temporarily.

If you are interested in taking on this important role, please attend Hesdin's meeting in January where you can be co-opted into the post.

If you wish to know more about the duties of the church secretary please contact Daphne, who has had a lot of experience in this role.

Firstly, we would like to thank Joyce for her diligence as secretary; for her planning and for efficiently keeping us informed about services and events. She and John went above and beyond their roles to prepare the church for our services, and were always the first to arrive and the last to leave. Primarily, on behalf of Hesdin Congregation, we wish Joyce well in her recuperation and pray for her and John at this difficult time.



Restos du Coeur

Hesdin's Harvest Festive service 2022 led by Daphne Power.

A collection of dried, long life, and canned donations has been delivered to the local representative of Restos du Coeur and was very gratefully received "from their English friends" **Doreen Cavalier**



"Extremely well done to all of you suppliers, helpers and buyers. You raised over 400 euros for this year's charity fund' A special thank you goes to 'Sue and Mike's 'Santa's little helpers' stall; with their hand made and beautifully painted decorations, which really set the Xmas mood and raised 147.00 euros!"

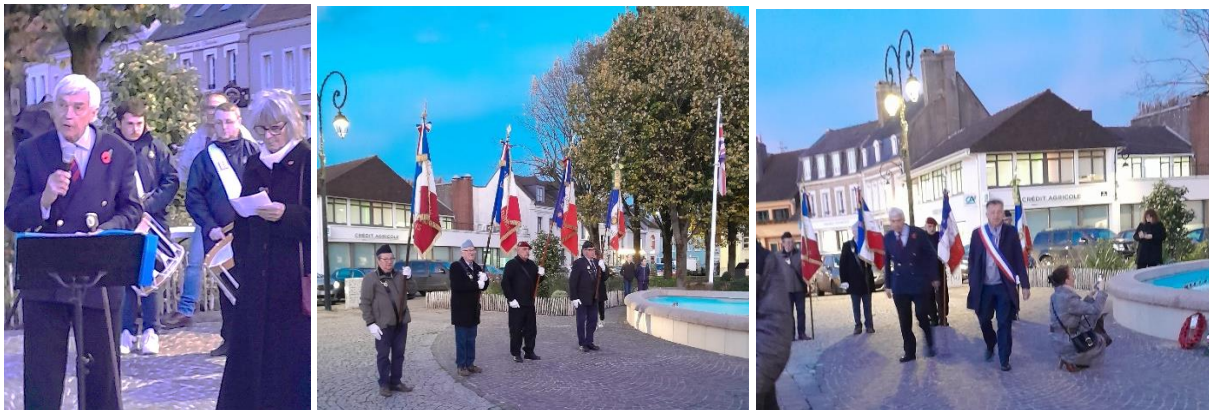
Mike and Sue will also be running a stall in their village.

See flyer on Page Eight
Doreen Cavalier



Remembrance 2022

Montreuil Sur Mer - Remembrance Ceremony 10/11/2022 - 5pm



Michael Spriggs and Lalage Glaister from Hesdin Church, joined the Annual Remembrance Ceremony with the maire and other dignitaries of Montreuil Sur Mer.

They read one verse from 'For the Fallen' by Robert Laurence Binyon – Michael in French and Lalage in English. Michael laid the wreath of poppies beneath the Statue of General Haig representing the local British community of which some were also present at the ceremony.

Hesdin Church – Remembrance Service

13/11/2022 -10.30am

Many thanks for a very well attended Traditional Remembrance Service, *2 minutes silence included*, created and led by Barry Hampson.

John McCrae's 'In Flanders Fields' was beautifully read to us by Michael Spriggs.

And to everyone else who played a part - a big thank you!



Children from The Vale Special Education Needs School in Tottenham London made a wreath for Armistice Day to memorialise one of WW1's unsung Heros



Walter Daniel John Tull

The children chose the colours themselves to represent different aspects of the story.

Purple for the animals lost in the war; Black for the black servicemen who fought in the war, White for the pacifists and Red for the poppies for those who died. *If you look closely at the picture, you will see the paper cut outs of their hands.* Walter was born on the 28th April 1888, in Folkestone, Kent, the son of Barbadian carpenter Daniel Tull, and Kent-born Alice Elizabeth Palmer. His paternal grandfather was a slave in Barbados. Walter was one of four children.

Walter began his education at North Board School, now Mundella Primary School, Folkestone. In 1895, when he was just seven yrs. old, his mother Alice died of cancer. A year later his father married Alice's cousin, Clara Palmer. She gave birth to a daughter Miriam on the 11th September 1897. Three months later, Daniel died from heart disease. Walter's stepmother was unable to cope with five children, so the resident minister of Folkestone's Grace Hill Wesleyan Chapel, recommended that the two boys of school age, Walter, and Edward his younger brother, should be sent to an orphanage. From the age of nine, Walter was brought up in the Methodist Children's Home and Orphanage; now known as Action for Children in Bethnal Green, London. Hence his association with London and later with Tottenham as a footballer.

Edward was adopted by the Warnock family of Glasgow, later becoming Edward Tull-Warnock; he qualified as a dentist and was the first mixed-heritage person to practise this profession in the United Kingdom. Walter Tull was the first British born black premier league player and played inside forward and half back for Clapton, Tottenham Hotspur and Northampton Town; and was the third person of mixed heritage to play in the top division of the Football League after Arthur Wharton and Willie Clarke. He was also the first player of African descent to be signed for Rangers in 1917, while stationed in Scotland. Not only did he succeed in football, but he was also the first black soldier in the British Army during World War One. After war broke out in August 1914, Tull became the first Northampton Town player to enlist in the British Army and in December of that year Tull served in the two Football Battalions of the Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex) Regiment, on the 17th and 23rd, and also in the 5th Battalion. He rose to the rank of Lance Sergeant and fought in the Battle of the Somme in 1916. When he was commissioned as a second lieutenant on the 30th May 1917, he became one of the first mixed-heritage infantry officers in a regular British Army regiment, even though the 1914 Manual of Military Law excluded soldiers that were not 'natural born or naturalised British subjects of pure European descent' from becoming commissioned officers in the Special Reserves. He was killed on the 25th March 1918 at the age of 29yrs while fighting in the second battle of the Somme in Favreuil Pas de Calais, France. Officer Tull is commemorated on Bay 7 of the Arras Memorial, which commemorates 34,785 soldiers who have no known grave, who died in the Arras sector. Walter's name was added to his parent's gravestone in Cheriton Road Cemetery, Folkestone. His older brother William, joined the Royal Engineers after Walter had joined the Battalions, making William the most likely second person of colour to join the British army. William died of tuberculosis two years after Walter in 1920 aged 37, leaving a wife and four children, and is buried in the cemetery with a CWGC headstone; his death was recognised as a result of his war service. Walter Tull's name is listed in the Roll of Honour for the City of Glasgow. His address is given as 419 St Vincent Street which is the location of the dental surgery belonging to his younger brother Edward. His name also appears on the war memorial at North Board School, Folkestone, which was unveiled on the 29th April 1921. He is named on the Folkestone War Memorial, at the top of the Road of Remembrance in Folkestone, and in Dover his name is on the town war memorial outside Maison Dieu House, and on the parish memorial at River. On July the 11th 1999, Northampton Town F.C. unveiled a memorial wall to Walter Tull in a garden of remembrance at Sixfields Stadium. On this memorial are the words written by Tull's biographer Phil Vassili. **"All the Guns in France Couldn't Wake Me"**

"Through his actions 'W.D.J. Tull' ridiculed the barriers of ignorance that tried to deny people of colour equality with their contemporaries. His life stands testament to a determination to confront those people and those obstacles that sought to diminish him and the world in which he lived. It reveals a man, though rendered breathless in his prime, whose strong heart still beats loudly".

This memorial marks an area of reflective space as a Garden of Remembrance.

The wreath made by the Children of Vale School will be brought to France by Ellen Power and placed beneath his name in Arras.

Ellen Power – Vale School Special Education Needs School teacher.



The Stained-Glass Panels in the Oratoire Notre Dame de la Miséricorde, Calais .

A Work of Art by a Local Artist!

Anyone who has attended one of our services at the Oratoire in Calais will undoubtedly have remarked upon the two colourful glass panels on either side of the chapel, behind the altar. These stained-glass panels are the work of Henry Lhotellier, a 20th century Calais artist whose work merits notoriety.

Henry Lhotellier was born in Calais in 1908. Whilst studying law at Lille, he continued to study art and was later employed by the Alfred Georges Régner studio in Calais, where he created his first stained- glass windows. In 1931, he worked on a commemorative mural 'des Morts de la guerre ' for Saint-Vincent-de-Paul de Boulogne-sur-Mer Church. This mural was destroyed in 1940.

In 1932, after obtaining a degree in law and carrying out his military service in Nancy, Lhotelier returned to Calais. Following a short career as a notary clerk; he decided to abandon his legal career and took over the stained-glass workshop of Pierre Fourmaintraux in Boulogne-sur-Mer in 1935. Back to Boulogne-sur-Mer in 1945 after the 2nd World War he was called upon to repair war damage which did not leave much room for real artistic creation.

From the 1950's, Lhotelier, having truly discovered his vocation, was able to concentrate on the creation of stained-glass windows, combining abstract art style and spiritual qualities. The Oratoire panels are excellent examples of this. Lhotelier believed that the purpose of stained glass was to "make the external light sing by modulating it".

Church windows in the 19th century were of religious content and there was some opposition, when in 1951 Lhotellier began producing non-figurative abstract style, stained-glass panels for religious buildings. His earlier works can be found in secular edifices rather than ecclesiastical. In the context of the reconstruction after the second world war, Lhotelier directed his work to creations for various regional churches and together with his fellow glassmaker, Father Cholewska, they agreed that the vibrations of their abstract art should create an atmosphere for meditation. It was in the early '60's that he carried out a series of such artwork in Calais. The Oratoire panels were a separate commission and installed some years later. Originally five of Lhotelier's works existed in the chapel and those remaining today are of lesser proportions than the other three but are rare survivors of the artist's talent.

Calais congregation are not only lucky to have the Oratoire loaned to them by the parish of Saint Pierre and to have exclusive use of the little chapel, but they are doubly fortunate in being able to view at close-hand these two works of art. Despite some recent discussions when a project was launched to modernize Saint Pierre church in Calais by displaying street art on the inner walls, there are no such plans for the chapel. Our Anglican community can continue to enjoy these beautiful works of art. Thank the Lord! *Anne Fauquet*

If you would like to find out more about Lhotelier's artwork, here are several local addresses that you can visit to admire his creations:

L'église de Quercamps, L'église de l'Immaculée Conception de Wimereux, Eglise Sainte Ide à Saint-Martin-Boulogne, L'église Saint-François-de-Sales et l'église Saint-Vincent-de-Paul à Boulogne-sur-mer, L'église Sainte-Thérèse de l'Ave Maria au Portel, les églises de Pihen-lès-Guines et Oye Plage... amongst others.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding Sunday was celebrated in Hesdin, with the intercessions in particular focusing on the protection of all who are vulnerable in our society.

Following the service, Daphne made time to invite everyone to get involved in safeguarding because everyone has a duty of care.

David thanked her for her continuing work in this area of great importance.

Anyone who wishes to undertake an awareness course should contact **Daphne Power, Safeguarding Officer**

Special Recruitment

The Chaplaincy requires a Deputy Safeguarding Officer to support the Safeguarding Officer (*Daphne Power*) in her role.

Deputy Safeguarding Officer is an important role in working to ensure that the chaplaincy is a safer place in which to worship and to socialise.

This post is open to applicants from all three churches.

If you are interested in this important and worthy role, with an awareness of the safety of those attending our churches, and a wish to support the Chaplaincy in this work, further information, in the form of a Job Description, Personal Specification and Code of Conduct, can be obtained from Daphne by email at safeguardingPDC@hotmail.com

All applicants should hold, or be willing to undertake an enhanced DBS (*Disclosure and Barring Service*) and complete safeguarding training to the highest level required for the post. Most of the training can be done virtually online, with a specific 'Leaders Course' spread over two half-days.

The applicant is required to provide two, character references, (*not by a relative or friend*).

In the absence of a Chaplain: appointments will be made by the Safeguarding Officer and the Chaplaincy President; once they have received the references. **Daphne Power**

Walking Together in Faith - Registration opens soon for diocese's lay training course

Potential applicants are being urged to consider signing up for the diocese's lay training course, 'Walking Together in Faith', which will be launched in late September. The course is open to all lay members of the Church – from people simply looking to learn more about the Christian faith to individuals exploring the possibility of formal lay ministry.

The multi-media course has been designed to be very flexible and will be accessed via the online platform Moodle. Participants are encouraged to join a local group, but for those for whom that is not possible there will be online options. They can also choose their level of engagement – applicants can opt to use the course as a free study guide but, for a small fee, can also register, submit work for assessment and be awarded a Bishop's Certificate in recognition of their achievements. More details on the Diocesan website

<https://europe.anglican.org/main/latest-news/post/1835-registration-opens-soon-for-dioceseas-lay-training-course>



SANTA'S GROTTTO (CHEZ MIKE & SUE)

INVITATION FROM THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN PAS DE CALAIS

Sing Christmas Carols Together

Chantons Ensemble Noël

Mercredi 14 décembre 2022, 18h30 au Centre St Nicolas, Calais



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*Les Traditionnels Mince Pies et les boissons chaudes seront servis
après la célébration dans la salle adjacente*

The Event will comply strictly to the current regulations appertaining to the Covid 19 pandemic relating to hygiene, wearing of masks and vaccination certificates. Pour votre sécurité, le port des masques est conseiller.

Please/ SVP contact Pat Page 06 67 37 82 49 or email pat.page@wanadoo.fr
if you and yours will be attending / si vous comptez venir PTO/TSVP

Directions

<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/%C3%89glise+Catholique+Saint-Nicolas+%C3%A0+Calais,+Rue+Edouard+Manet,+62100+Calais,+France/@50.631722,2.313157,10z/data=!4m8!4m7!1m0!1m5!1m1!1s0x47dc408949309023:0x1a728464e2ba570a!2m2!1d1.8924249!2d50.9506804?hl=en-US>

Christmas Quiz



Solidarité Anglicane du Pas de Calais
Festive Quiz Night



Friday 16th December 7pm (French time)

All Welcome - individuals or teams of any size

Please feel free to enjoy sherry & mince pies during the interval when we have a short break for fellowship



To join our online quiz, you just need to donate 5 euros (or more if you wish) by following the link below. Please leave your email address. We will then contact you with the Zoom link and an answer sheet so that you can join the quiz online.

Thank You.

<https://www.helloasso.com/associations/association-solidarite-anglicane-de-pas-de-calais/formulaires/2>

To join the quiz please follow the link below and donate 5 euros to the appeal (or more if you wish). Please leave your email address. We will then contact you with the Zoom link and an answer paper.

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Thank you so much for your support. (If you wish to donate in person rather than on-line then please let Linda know so that we can send you an answer sheet and Zoom link ahead of the quiz).

It would be great if you can think of a team name and there will be bonus points for the best name.

Please wear a festive jumper/top if you wish.

Please pass the message on - the more the merrier!

Martine Collins



CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE



SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2022 - 10.30AM



COME AND SHARE IN THIS SEASONAL SERVICE
WITH US AND ENJOY A MULLED WINE OR COFFEE
AND MINCE PIE AFTERWARDS



Hesdin Church Hall, Salle de l'Arsenal, Rue de l'Arsenal, 62140 Hesdin.



To all our readers and contributors
From the Pas de Calais Chaplaincy Newsletter



Some useful links:

Prayer Requests 'in confidence' email: ourprayersr4u@mail.com

Newsletter contributions: Please send any items of chaplaincy news, services, meetings, what's on in your area; and forthcoming events to mcatchdossat@gmail.com

Note: Please remember that if you plan on sending photographs, do ask peoples permission first; and be aware that pictures or images may be copyright. Thanks, *mcd*.

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