



## The Chaplaincy Newsletter - March 2023

### Lenten Blessings to all our readers!



*Now is the healing time decreed  
for sins of heart and word and deed,  
when we in humble fear record  
the wrong that we have done the Lord.*

The Church of England website teaches us that Lent may originally have followed Epiphany, just as Jesus' sojourn in the wilderness followed immediately on his baptism, but it soon became firmly attached to Easter, as the principal occasion for baptism and for the reconciliation of those who had been excluded from the Church's fellowship for apostasy or serious faults. This history explains the characteristic notes of Lent – self-examination, penitence, self-denial, study, and preparation for Easter, to which almsgiving has traditionally been added. <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/churchs-year/times-and-seasons/lent#mmm118>

So, with this in mind, I have collected a few links for those who would like to study some Lent reflections - and some useful apps for daily prayer.

Here's one suggested by Rev. Sara MacVane. She writes... *Dear Friends,*  
*I thought you might like to know about this 5 session Lent course which Fr Jeffrey John will be leading on Zoom. Starting on Tuesday 28 February at 19.00hrs and continuing at the same time on the four following Tuesdays in March. Each session lasts about an hour and the subject is The Sacraments. Fr Jeffrey is happy for anyone in Pas de Calais to take part. Just email him at [driphjohn@gmail.com](mailto:driphjohn@gmail.com) He is a top-grade theologian who is able to present ideas in an easy to understand and relevant way. I will be "attending" it myself. Sara*



Dust and Glory for Lent app - and others like pray as you go and Lectio 365  
<https://play.google.com/store/search?q=pray+as+you+go+app&c=apps>

or daily emails below

<https://view.email.churchofengland.org/?qs=6ed89e98573093bf277e7028674a6aee9398484a89c6d1f6049482706f6f9c9f290cd6137f6e8298b4d04bb512c3dda67840359919f41ad58e3c4b6f5b451538fbfadd20e4a81919c81c6cf6e0567139>

<https://oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see>

sign up for the Come and See emails using one of the buttons below.

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## Our Forthcoming Services

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

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – 5<sup>th</sup> March – 10.30am lay led service by Daphne Power

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday - 19<sup>th</sup> March – 10.30am lay led service by David Sergent followed by AGM

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

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – 5<sup>th</sup> March – 10.30am lay led service

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – 19<sup>th</sup> March – 10.30am Lay led service

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

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – 5<sup>th</sup> March– 11.00 lay led service followed by AGM

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – 19<sup>th</sup> March – 11.00 Lay led service

**ZOOM services every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 10.30am- link below**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81308857876?pwd=ektZUy9RcGZ6dTdxdjBSMWE5K3V0QT09>

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87872685714?pwd=UIFNVURPb2NWL2UxUXpkc09ZR2wydz09>

## Chaplaincy News

### 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 post, and would like to know more about the duties of the church secretary, please contact Daphne before 19<sup>th</sup> March AGM, who has had a lot of experience in this role.

*We continue to pray for Joyce and John as she continues her recuperation.*

### 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](mailto: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*

## A follow-up of the article...

Walter Daniel John Tull

by Ellen Power

Vale School Special Education Needs School teacher.

The two cuttings highlighted below are taken from the original article ...



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

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 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

## Ellen fulfils her promise to the Vale School Children



Saint Valentine's Day 2023, marked a very special day for Ellen; who together with her proud parents, Tom & Daphne, she travelled from her home in the UK, to Arras in France, to the Faubourg d'Amiens British Cemetery, where she fulfilled her promise to lay the wreath made by her pupils in the Vale School, Tottenham.

After searching the register for Walter's name, Ellen placed the wreath beside the column, where his name is engraved see pics. She also



took lots of photos of the occasion to show to the school children on her return to the UK. What an amazing way to honour one of WW1's unsung heroes.



**Well done to Ellen, and all the children involved in this project!**

Read the full article on pages 4-5 of the December 2022 issue of the newsletter. Go to the website below <https://anglicanspdc.org> for back issues of the newsletter

Message from the children placed inside the wreath

Think before you print



## Past Event

### Earthquake Crises Relief Coffee Morning

Saturday 25th February 11- 12.30 - 5€ admission.

A coffee morning, organised by the Pas de Calais Chaplaincy to raise funds to help support the rescue efforts in Turkey and Northern Syria took place at the home of Tom and Daphne Power. Many thanks for making everyone so welcome! As well as copious amounts of coffee and cake there was also a raffle. As you can see by the pictures below, the event was very well attended and a huge success. The amount raised on the day was 575 euros.



The final amount with donations, will be published in the next issue of the newsletter. All proceeds will go to Médecins Sans Frontières (*Doctors Without Borders*) who provide medical humanitarian assistance to save lives and ease the suffering of people in crisis situations, in more than 70 countries.



FAST FROM JUDGING OTHERS;  
FEAST ON CHRIST DWELLING IN THEM.  
FAST FROM FEAR OF ILLNESS.  
FEAST ON THE HEALING POWER OF GOD.  
FAST FROM WORDS THAT POLLUTE;  
FEAST ON SPEECH THAT PURIFIES.  
FAST FROM DISCONTENT;  
FEAST ON GRATITUDE.  
FAST FROM ANGER;  
FEAST ON PATIENCE.  
FAST FROM PESSIMISM;  
FEAST ON HOPE.  
FAST FROM NEGATIVES;  
FEAST ON ENCOURAGEMENT.  
FAST FROM BITTERNESS;  
FEAST ON FORGIVENESS.  
FAST FROM SELF-CONCERN;  
FEAST ON COMPASSION.  
FAST FROM SUSPICION;  
FEAST ON TRUTH.  
FAST FROM GOSSIP;  
FEAST ON PURPOSEFUL SILENCE.  
FAST FROM PROBLEMS THAT OVERWHELM;  
FEAST ON PRAYER THAT SUSTAINS.  
FAST FROM ANXIETY;  
FEAST ON FAITH.

## Some Dates in March

Day	Date	Festival
Wednesday	1 <sup>st</sup>	St. David's Day
Friday	17 <sup>th</sup>	St Patrick's Day
Sunday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Mother's Day
Sunday	19 <sup>th</sup>	St Joseph's Day
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	*International Day of Happiness
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Equinox (start of Spring)
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	*International Day of Forests
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Annunciation Day
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	*Earth Hour

\*The International Day of Happiness is celebrated around the world every year on **March 20**. Its purpose is to bring focus to happiness, freedom, and well-being. The United Nations consider these three as the ultimate goals of humankind.

\***Forests are not only the lungs** of the Earth, they also provide an invaluable number of resources, are the home of thousands of species of animals and

plants, and fight climate change. That's why on **March 21** we observe the International Day of Forests, which raises awareness about the importance of forests in all of our lives, and the need to prevent deforestation.

\*Earth Hour is observed annually on the last Saturday of March. From 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., people are encouraged to turn their lights and non-essential appliances off in an effort to raise awareness about the issues of climate change and encourage people to do something to protect the planet.

### A guide to the Church of England (Anglican) religious festivals in the UK in 2023 comprising the nine Principal Feasts and three Principal Holy Days

Day	Date	Festival
Friday	6 January	Epiphany
Thursday	2 Feb	Candlemas
Wednesday	22 Feb	Ash Wednesday
Saturday	25 March	Annunciation Day
Thursday	6 April	Maundy (Holy) Thursday
Friday	7 April	<a href="#">Good Friday</a>
Sunday	9 April	Easter
Thursday	18 May	Ascension Day
Sunday	28 May	Pentecost
Sunday	4 June	Trinity Sunday
Wednesday	1 Nov	All Saints' Day
Monday	25 Dec	Christmas Day

#### Some useful links:

Prayer Requests 'in confidence' email: [ourprayersr4u@mail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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*.

This newsletter, together with contact details for our Church Wardens, is also on our website <https://anglicanspdc.org>

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