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# St. Bartholomew's News

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**ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH IS CURRENTLY CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

*Welcome to our church newsletter for June. A longer edition this month, two pages, we must have a lot more to say!*



The weather has been beautiful, rays of sunshine in the midst of our uncertain, anxious times. We hope you, your families and friends are well. At the time of compiling this, things are a little easier, and let's remain positive and let's pray things are continuing to improve and we remain aware of our circumstances and social distancing, but hold on to more happier and healthier news. We continue to pray for God's help in supporting those who work tirelessly towards an end to this virus.

As there are no church services, or clubs running at the moment, this newsletter is hopefully letting you know you have not been forgotten, and are in our prayers. We also hope some of the information listed will be of help to you, or someone you know who may benefit from it. Wendy and Father Mark are still working hard with their updates on the church website and Facebook, thank you both for the prayers, services and information you provide.

I've added a bible quiz at the end of this newsletter. I will provide the answers next month. Please let me know what you think, (too hard, too easy, wrong format, or if you approve/disapprove, thanks).

I personally have been enjoying Songs of Praise on BBC on a Sunday afternoon. I'm usually preparing lunch and my family are getting rather tired of me singing along to the hymns and usually say "Oh mum's off again" and they shut the kitchen door..... I don't think my singing is that bad???? Whatever way you continue with your faith, I hope it gives you some comfort in these trying times. I'd like to think we can come out of this as a more caring and kind Nation. Compassion, resilience and empathy can certainly prioritise what is important in life. Let us not take "normal" life for granted again.



I spent 3 hours in the church garden on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, just doing my "old" patch on the left as you first come up the steps. Oh my goodness, is it overgrown! Whilst I spent those hours working, it didn't look as though I had done much, but the pile behind the Handley memorial says otherwise. I was pulling out weeds almost as big as me, cutting back ivy and trees, and I'm convinced I heard the call of Tarzan..... Seriously, if anyone can spare any time doing any weeding or tidying up, it would really be appreciated. It looks very daunting at the moment because it is so overgrown, but half an hour regularly here and there makes it a much easier task, keeping on top of it. Please think about this as we don't have to wait to return to normal church services to tidy up the garden, social distancing of course. Thank you, every little helps.....

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Here is some news compiled by Wendy:

### **BBC Radio 4**

If you're not already aware, Radio 4 is broadcasting each day a 'Thought for the day'. So if you know somebody who does not have a computer or who is blind, please pass on this information. This is a great way of connecting to faith.

'Thought for the Day' is a daily scripted slot on the **Today** programme on BBC Radio 4 offering reflections from a faith perspective on issues and people in the news. It is broadcast at around 7.45 each Monday to Saturday morning. If you prefer to listen to them from your laptop or other device, you can access the daily sound clip and previous sound clips, using the weblink below. They will be available for a year. You will more than likely need to log in but it's easy if you haven't registered before. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00szxv6>

### **Diocesan Digest Sound Magazine**

This service from Lichfield Cathedral gives Church news, local and national; comments and features; Diocesan Bishop's letter; news and letters from Spotlight; music, organs, bells and choirs; 'Thought for the month'; recipients' letters; magazines; interviews and events. It is available for anyone who is blind or visually impaired and qualifies for the Royal Mail's 'Articles for the Blind' scheme. It is produced and run by independent volunteers. If you know somebody who is blind who might benefit from this service can you tell them please? If they would like to receive the Diocesan Digest they need to contact Lichfield Cathedral by telephone or email, as follows:

Tel: 01543 306030 | 07986 954 859 Email: [soundmag@lichfield-cathedral.org](mailto:soundmag@lichfield-cathedral.org)

(You can access the May issue using the following weblink):

[http://www.bwbf.org.uk/player/?url=http://www.bwbf.org.uk/localtns/lichfieldcathedral/TOPD\\_playlist.pls](http://www.bwbf.org.uk/player/?url=http://www.bwbf.org.uk/localtns/lichfieldcathedral/TOPD_playlist.pls)

### **CHURCH OF ENGLAND'S DIAL-IN WORSHIP SERVICE LINE**

There are a number of churches providing Podcasts (digital audio files) and Videocasts (a podcast with video content) that you can open from their websites but what about if people don't use a computer? They will not be able to access those or see the service documents, reflections, readings and prayers that we have on our Facebook page and on this website. Also, what about if people are blind and they don't use screen readers to access their computers? (Of course, some blind people might not have a computer, anyway.)

### ***Are you lonely, especially from isolation during lockdown?***

I am pleased to advise you that the Church of England launched a dial-in worship service at the end of April where you can access hymns, reflections and prayers. You can read about it on the website links lower down.

The telephone number is **0800 8048044** (don't worry, this is a free number so it won't cost you anything, no matter how long you are on the call). When you are first connected, you may hear The Right Honourable Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury. If not press the asterisk key (\*). If at any time during the call you want the main menu press 0 for the options (see the information below).

\* The Archbishop of Canterbury

- 0 Main menu
- 1 Hymns for that day
- 2 Hymn line (different daily hymns)
- 3 Prayer line
- 4 More Options (which then takes you to a list of other options):
- 5 Church of England's weekly service
- 6 Morning and Evening prayers
- 7 Latest Government advice on Coronavirus.
- 8 Mothers' Union midday prayers

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**A note from Morrisons –**



Morrisons are doing a doorstep delivery service which is available to vulnerable and elderly members of the community, unable to go shopping in-store.

Call **0345 611 6111** and select option **5** to place your order. Any order placed before 5pm they will aim to deliver the next day. In order to use this service you must live within 10 miles of a Morrisons store. There is a limit of three per item whilst using this service.

Deliveries will adhere to the current social distancing rules so to avoid contact we strongly encourage contactless card payments only, if this isn't possible chip and pin card payments are available but no cash payments can be accepted. Please see below for the list of essential items which you can order.

**Essential Items**



Our Morrisons Doorstep delivery service is available to vulnerable and elderly members of the community, unable to go shopping in-store. Please select your items from the below essentials list.

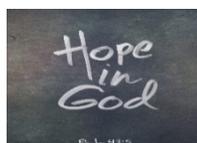
Call **0345 611 6111** and select option **5** to place your order.

Your order will take 24 hours to process and payment will be taken through a contactless card by the delivery driver, please have this ready.

<p><b>DAIRY</b></p> <p>Milk - 2 pints <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Butter <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Eggs <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Cheese <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>BAKERY</b></p> <p>Bread <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>FRUIT</b></p> <p>Bananas <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Oranges (Tangerines/Clementines) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Apples <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Grapes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>VEGETABLES</b></p> <p>Potatoes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Broccoli <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Carrots <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Tomatoes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Lettuce <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Cucumber <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>MEAT &amp; FISH</b></p> <p>Chicken Breast Fillets <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Unsmoked Bacon <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Sausages <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Corned Beef (Tinned) <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Beef Mince <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><b>FOOD CUPBOARD</b></p> <p>Pasta <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Beef Oxo Cubes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Beef Gravy Granules <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Ready Salted Crisps multipack <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Cornflakes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Custard Creams <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Chopped Tomatoes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Tomato Soup <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Marmalade <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Self Raising Flour <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Sugar <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>DRINKS</b></p> <p>Tea <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Coffee <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Diet Lemonade <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Diet Coke <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>FROZEN</b></p> <p>Chips <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Scampi <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Peas <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>READY MEALS</b></p> <p>Cottage Pie <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Lasagne <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>HOUSEHOLD</b></p> <p>Toilet Roll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Kitchen Roll <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Ariel Liquid <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Bleach 750ml <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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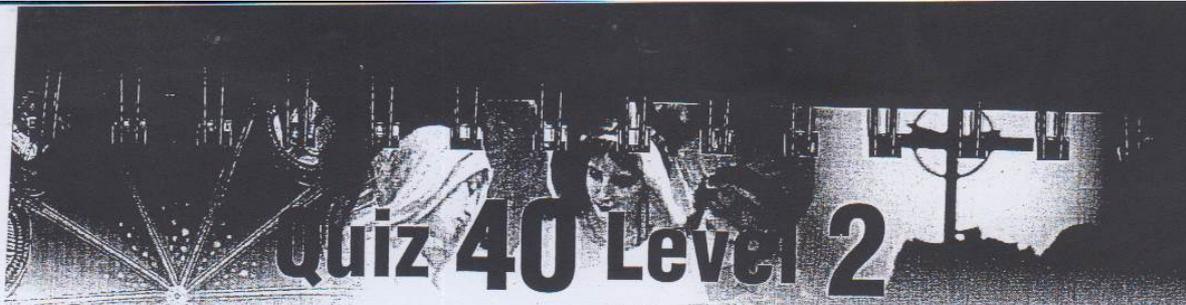
**POSTS ON FACEBOOK AND WEBSITE.** Each week Wendy posts the weekly Prayers, Notices, Quote of the Week and Photo of the Week on Facebook and the relevant website pages. Please let Father Mark know if you wish to add or remove a name from that list. **Tel:0121 556 0378.**



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<https://www.stbartswednesbury.com>

**MAY YOU ALL STAY SAFE, TAKE CARE, BE KIND, AND PRAY.  
 WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING UP AGAIN IN CHURCH.**

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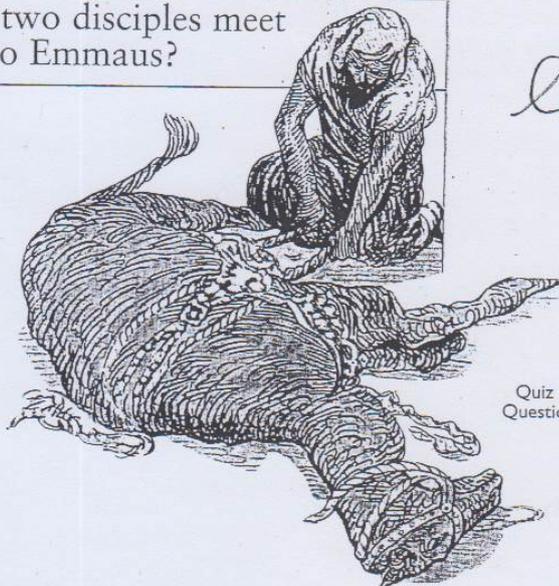


# Quiz 40 Level 2

## Questions

## Answers

- 1  Who did Saul of Tarsus persecute?
- 2  Who said to God, "Send, I pray, some other person"?
- 3  What animals drew the chariot which took Elijah up to heaven?
- 4  Complete the following quotation: "The Lord is my -----."
- 5  How did Nebuchadnezzar punish Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?
- 6  How did Judas show the Roman soldiers which man was Jesus?
- 7  Which prophet had a vision of two baskets, one of ripe and one of rotten figs?
- 8  Who was born in the City of David?
- 9  What birds did Mary take as an offering to the Temple after the birth of Jesus?
- 10  Who did the two disciples meet on the road to Emmaus?



Quiz 39  
Question 5

Hi!

Taken from a quiz  
book I bought a few  
years ago.

Answers next month!

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