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Prayer Diary

For your prayers in November

Aston The residents of Shardlow Road, Shirley Park and Aston Hall Drive. The pupils, staff and governors of Aston on Trent Primary School. The work of the Royal British Legion (Aston & Weston Branch).

Barrow All who use and manage the Brookfield Club.

Elvaston All who use, manage and work at Elvaston Castle Country Park. The Elvaston Cricket Club.

Shardlow The residents and staff of Shardlow Manor Residential Home.

Swarkestone The residents of Derby Road.

Twyford The residents of Arleston.

Weston All who use and manage Weston Village Hall.

The Community Our local Police and Emergency Services.

The Diocese The ministry of Derby Cathedral.

World Church The Provinces of Portugal, Spain and the Falkland Islands.

Tony writes

Dear friends,

After an interlude for Harvest, here is the final chapter of my book,
"The Mystery of the Broken Mirror."

Chapter 10. Becoming what we are – Living in Christ

"Jesus said to the woman, "Where are they? Has no-one condemned you?"

She answered, "No-one, sir." Jesus said, "Nor do I condemn you. You may go; do not sin again." (St. John 8; vv. 10 & 11)



These words of Jesus are addressed to a woman who had been brought before him caught in the act of committing adultery. Unlike most of us, he seemed rather reluctant to act as judge. He rarely pointed the accusing finger. More often we see a Jesus who recognises people's brokenness and seeks to make them whole. Time and again to the broken people, wounded by life, Jesus declares forgiveness and healing, saying "Go in peace."

As I read the Gospel stories, I see two things, however, which Jesus roundly condemns, often with very strong language; namely self-righteousness and hypocrisy. Both are self-delusion and a refusal to face up to the reality about one's self. The self-righteous person thinks himself better than others, the hypocrite pretends to be what he is not. Both live a lie and delude themselves as they seek to delude others. By contrast, the really fortunate ones, according to Jesus, are the "poor in spirit", often translated as "those who know their need of God." (St. Matthew 5; v.3)

A true self-awareness is crucial for a life of wholeness, of Shalom. If we fail to know, value and love ourselves just as we are, we shall be unable to truly know and love God or our fellow human beings. If we have no positive self-image we will always define ourselves in a negative way over against what we are not. We will knock others down in order to bolster our own self-image. We will criticise others in order to justify ourselves. We will exclude others and keep them at bay in order to make ourselves feel safe. We will see strangers rather than friends in the people around us. We will fail to recognise the image of God in one another because we have been unable to recognise it in ourselves. The challenge of Jesus is that he calls us to be truly ourselves, to have an inner integrity of spirit by which we place a right value on ourselves and on others.

I should like to suggest a fourfold path which leads through self-awareness to God-awareness.

Firstly, we need to be aware. For so much of our time we wear masks and play roles in order to be able to cope with the emotions which are thrown up by the mere fact of living. For some of us the masks become so firmly fixed that they find it almost impossible to remove them. We make fun of the teacher who treats fellow-adults like pupils or the clergyman who is still preaching at the dinner-table, but every one of us wears a mask to a greater or lesser extent. They hide our vulnerability. We need to be aware of these masks and aware of what they are hiding: suppressed fears and anxieties, hurts which we have avoided facing up to and the real vulnerable self which lies within us, longing for love and fearing rejection. We need to be aware of all this and a first step on the road to self-awareness is the way of contemplation. All too often we hide from ourselves by occupying our time with words and actions, distractions and busy thoughts. For this reason, solitude and silence can be very hard to face. When we are quiet and alone we are forced to look into the mirror of ourselves and see what is there. What do we see? That broken mirror which is you and I. A unique and therefore infinitely precious facet of the divine image, but which is constantly stifled and smothered by that false image of ourselves which we carry and by the hurts and anxieties which cause us to deny that the image is there. Only by discovering our true centre can we begin to be healed from the centre outwards. Anything else, as psychologists would tell us, is purely cosmetic. We need to contemplate; look long and lovingly at the centre of our being. For less introvert personalities, such contemplation can be hard, but they will perhaps find the second strand somewhat easier.

The second strand in our path to self-awareness is community. We discover who we are in relation to others. Part of what I am has already been shaped by others, not least by my parents, my wife and those closest to me. The love and respect of others is vital to our health and to a healthy self-awareness. Without love we will feel unloveable and therefore unable to reveal our deepest feelings. There is nothing more healing and life-giving than the unconditional acceptance of us "warts and all" by another person. There is nothing more damaging than criticism and an unwillingness by others to listen and understand. Part of the role of human community is to be mirrors to one another, to be people who are prepared to listen and seek to understand, people who will patiently hold the mirror which will enable others to see themselves reflected.

The third strand is that of "grace". "Grace" is one of those all-embracing shorthand words which Christians use, but which I would define as an "unexpected and undeserved gift or act of giving". Falling in love could be described as an act of grace, as could an unexpected act of generosity which makes us feel wanted and loved or a word which makes us feel appreciated and valued. It may be a flash of inspiration which helps us to see something which has long been puzzling us in a whole new light. It may be a sudden, unexpected awareness of the presence of God. We cannot make it happen or discover it in ourselves, it just happens. It is pure gift. It is like the sun coming out from behind a cloud or a person giving us a smile. It may last just a second, but in that second our life is put in perspective. We know we are an object of grace, that we have been given a gift which cannot be taken from us. The source of grace is God. It is as though we have been looking into a steamed-up mirror and someone suddenly wipes it. We can see clearly for an instant before the mist returns once more. We need to treasure such moments and feed our spirits from them.

The fourth strand, which unifies everything, is our awareness of the Christ. Jesus is called the Christ, the Son of God, because he was so supremely self-aware. When we read the stories and teachings of Jesus, we see a person who was utterly self-defining, or perhaps God-defining, which amounts to the same thing. He is not worried about the opinion others might have of him, because he does not rely on others for his self-worth. He does not need to criticise or judge others in order to build himself up. He has realised the image of God within himself and is able to act as the perfect mirror, which will enable others to discover the reflected image within themselves. In coming to Jesus Christ, we are returning home to our true selves. We are becoming what we really are.

As T. S. Eliot writes in the "Four Quartets":

"We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time."

In discovering Jesus, we discover ourselves. We call Jesus the Christ because he is who we really are.



Benefice News

If you would like to receive a copy of the magazine by email rather than in a hard copy please contact me on the email address below and I will send you one. (There is no charge for this, but a donation to your local church would be appreciated)

Please inform me of any detail changes for contacts that are listed on pages 16 and 17
All material for the **December 2022** edition of the magazine to be sent to Joe Nutman at jnutman@btinternet.com by **November 20** please.

Visit of Bishop Libby – Sunday 4th December. Instead of our usual United Benefice Service at All Saints' Tide, we will be holding a United Benefice Service on the **4th December**, when we shall be welcoming the Bishop of Derby as our celebrant and preacher. Please come along to meet Bishop Libby.

Facebook Groups. Facebook Groups. Growing numbers of people are now joining our Public Groups on Facebook for All Saints' (145 members) and for the Trent and Derwent Benefice (69 members). Swarkestone, Barrow and the Friends of St.Mary's, Weston also have their own Facebook pages. They are a very convenient way of keeping in touch. If you are not on Facebook or are unfamiliar with or are not used to social media, do contact Tony for advice, if you would like to be able to access the church Facebook groups.

On Line Services We are continuing to record services in advance and post them on-line on both the Aston and the Benefice websites. You just need to go to the page entitled "Online worship and prayer." They are also be made available via the Facebook groups and, if you let me know you would like to receive it, a link can be sent to your email address too.

BENEFICE 200 CLUB

The winning numbers in the draw for October were : **1st** – 37 (Aston), **2nd** - 97 (Weston), **3rd** - 146 (Twyford).

EXERCISE FOR PEOPLE OVER 60

Begin by standing on a comfortable surface, where you have plenty of room at each side.

With a 5-lb potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can. Try to reach a full minute, and then relax.

Each day you'll find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer.

After a couple of weeks, move up to 10-lb potato bags. Then try 50-lb potato bags and eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-lb potato bag in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute. (I'm at this level).

After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.



CHILDREN'S PAGE

Some people asked Jesus a question.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER PEOPLE DIE ?

Put these words in the right order to find out what Jesus answered.

16 Him
12 Heaven
11 to
10 us
7 wants
18 the
14 be
4 rise
13 to
13 we
15 with
19 angels
9 take
17 and
6 God
3 we
12 Heaven
11 to
10 us
13 the
1 After
2 death
18 the
14 be
5 again
8 to
19 angels
14 be
4 rise

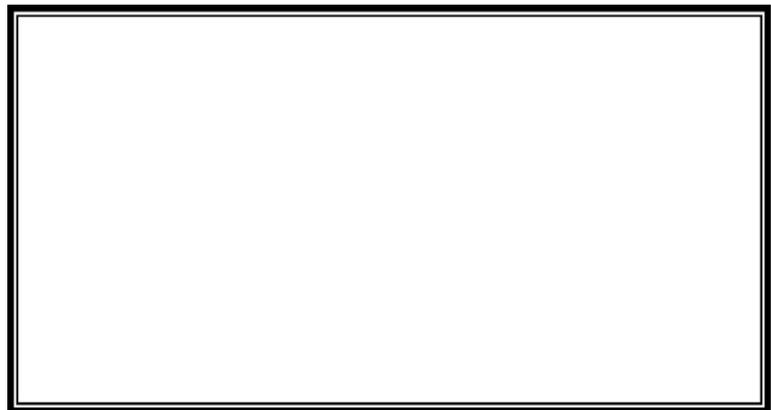
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Listen or read the story in today's first reading about the seven brothers and their mother.

Draw the mother with her 7 sons here.





A big thank you to everyone who helped decorate the church for Harvest. It looked beautiful. Thank you too for all your gifts, which went to the Padley Group for their work with the homeless in Derby. The observant among you may have noticed the appearance of a digital organ in church. This is on loan to us from the organ-builders, for when the rebuild starts on our organ, most probably in the New Year.

The Wednesday Hub group meetings in October will be as follows :

2nd November at 10.00 am: Open Café – Social.

9th November at 10.30 am: Open Book – Bible Exploration

16th November at 10.00 am: Open Café – Social

23rd November at 10.30 am: Open Discussion

30th November at 10.00 am: Open Café – Social.

Aston Community Choir meets on Monday evenings at 7.00 pm in the Heritage Centre.

The Bellringers meet on Monday evenings at 8.00 pm.

Also coming up....

Tuesday 1st November—7.30pm All Souls Service in Church

Wednesday 2nd November – 7.30 pm CAMEO meeting in the Heritage Centre. Speaker: Tony Luke

Monday 7th November – 7.30 pm PCC Meeting.

Sunday 13th November – Remembrance Sunday. Parade from 10.00 am. Service in Church from 10.45 am.

Sunday 20th November – 3.00 pm Service at Richmond Village (not on the 13th!)

Thursday 24th November – 2.30 pm MU Meeting. Speaker: Michael Arnott.

Sunday 27th November – visit of the Bishop of Derby.

Social Group. The Social Group are sorry, but for a variety of reasons, it will not be possible to go ahead with the church dinner in November. Instead there will be a coffee morning in the Heritage centre on **Saturday 10th December.** More details to follow in due course.

CAMEO

Our Autumnal meeting this September was an excellent talk by Gerald Price from the Woodland Trust . It is essential to enjoy woodland and to ensure it is preserved as much as possible to help the animals and conservation.

Our next month's talk 2nd November is by Tony Luke on Kenya .

All new members are welcome and the meetings are in the Heritage Centre the first Wednesday of the month cost £3 tea /coffee/ raffle and biscuits provided. Any enquiries connect Marion Glover Leader 01332 792405 .

Aston on Trent Women's Institute.

On Saturday 15th October, 44 of our members enjoyed a birthday afternoon tea at Richmond Village. Birthday gifts were exchanged with everyone eagerly waiting to see what they got. A fantastic afternoon was had by all.

Diary Dates: -

Tuesday 1st November 10:30am to noon: Coffee & Chat in The Heritage Centre, all welcome to this fundraising event for Derby Mountain Rescue.

Monday 21st November: Nottingham Greyhound Racing (this is the revised date).

Tuesday 13th December: Christmas Party, please put your name down at the next meeting for the fuddle list.

Saturday 11th February 12:00-2pm: Soup & Puds in The War Memorial Hall for a Fundraising event. Warming homemade soup and lots of puds to choose from.

We meet at the Memorial Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM. New members and guests are always welcome and it's free for your first 3 meetings.

Aston and Weston Mother's Union

At present the committee is busy planning the programme for next year. It always seems quite a daunting task to begin with, but fortunately this year there are plenty of ideas to choose from. Hope you agree with it, and remember --- let us know your ideas for speakers through the year, if you have any suggestions.

The speaker at the November meeting should be different! He is a member of our congregation, Michael Arnott, who for many years has been the chauffeur to the Mayor of Derby. We are sure he has many interesting stories to tell and we look forward to hearing some of them. The meeting is on Thursday, 24th November in the Heritage Centre at 2.30pm, and all members and any friends will be very welcome.

The day following the meeting is International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, which begins 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence, and we will remember this in our prayers at the November meeting.

The Treasurer tells us that subscriptions for next year will be £28. Hazel says we have almost enough money in funds to give our usual November donations to the work of the Mothers' Union which we support every year including Away From It All, and we continue to collect for Safe and Sound every month.

STOP PRESS The Mothers' Union Diocesan Festival, held annually, had to be postponed after the death of Her Majesty the Queen, but has been rearranged for Saturday October 29th at St. Giles Church, Matlock at 2pm. If anyone is able to attend, please let Mary know at the October meeting.

"Books in the Belfry" – the All Saints' Community Library is open for everyone in Aston to use free of charge. We are grateful for gifts of books, but we would prefer not to receive non-fiction books .

Keep up with news by joining the All Saints', Aston on Trent public group on Facebook.

Or visit our website: www.astonontrentchurch.org



Readings

November 13th

Rev. 21 1-7

Evadne Robbins

John 14. 1-8

Patrick Williams

Prayers:

We remember all who are sick or troubled at this time, especially we pray for Iris Campbell, Terry Marshall, Jack Smith and Quentin Robbins.

Services for November:

Sunday 13th November 10.30 Morning Prayer with John followed by Act of Remembrance

Paws for Prayer

The Paws for Prayer service was well attended by 20 people and 12 dogs, the dogs all receiving a blessing from Tony.

Remembrance Sunday

There will be a service of Morning Prayer in church at 10.30, followed by the reading of the roll of honour and an Act of Remembrance at 11am. However the event that follows at the Memorial in Elvaston village will now be organised by the Parish Council.

Winter Services

Due to the difficult circumstances brought about by the energy crisis, it has been suggested that following the Remembrance Sunday service on November 13th, the Elvaston congregation joins with that of Shardlow until Mothering Sunday 2023, apart from the Christmas Tree Festival, the Carol Service and the Christmas Eve Communion, which will be held at Elvaston.

Christmas Tree Festival

This will be held on 3rd and 4th December. The cost of entry is £10 per tree. Trees (no higher than 5 ft) can be of any material and decorated in any style (no naked flames). Advertising material may be placed under the trees.



**Laughter is the
best medicine.
Or wine.
It might be
wine.**

Shardlow



PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers Molly and Jim Keogh, Mavis Foster, Sarah Simpson, Quentin Robbins, Iris and Huw Campbell and all who are unwell at this time.

SERVICES

Sunday 6th November 10-30am Morning Prayer with Bruce
Sunday 13th November 3-00pm Remembrance
Sunday 20th November 10-30am Morning Prayer with Bruce

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Tony will take a Service of Remembrance at 3pm on Sunday 13th November. This will start at The War Memorial with the reading of the names of the fallen, and the Silence and Last post, then will continue in church. Refreshments will be served after the service. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

COFFEE MORNING

Although the coffee morning in September was the least attended ever, (five customers and four helpers) it was a very pleasant morning and everyone won a raffle prize. The sum of £50-00 was raised for church funds. The November Coffee Morning will be the Christmas one and will take place on Saturday 26th November from 10-00am to 11-30am. Everyone is very welcome, and there will be lots of Christmas things for sale, as well as a raffle, tombola and cakes. The library is doing very well with the jigsaws being very popular.

ORGAN

The organ repair is going very well and hopefully it won't be too long before it is used again. We all look forward to that day, especially Evadne. It's very strange to look up into the gallery and see just a square frame at the moment.

From the Registers

Aston

Baptism:

16th October – Ellis Anthony Wilks and Matilda Beatrix Wilks



Funerals:

7th October – Frank Rodgers (92 yrs)



17th October – Dorothy Sherratt (81 yrs)



Elvaston

Funeral:

3rd October – Isabel Herod (95 yrs)



17th October – Peter Stephenson (95 yrs)



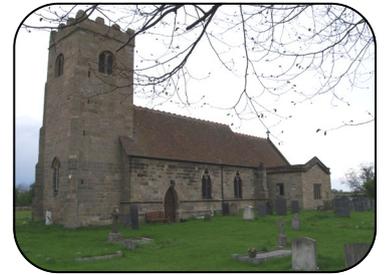
Shardlow

Funeral:

12th October (at Trent Valley Crem.) – Sylvia Eccles (83 yrs)



Swarkestone



Next service - [Remembrance Sunday - 13th November 10:30 am](#)

Minister: - Paul

Readers: - Denise & Mike Crocker

Church Cleaning: - Wendy Crocker & Ted Lawrence

Welcomers/Sidespersons: - Wendy Crocker & Alison Langton

Please remember in your prayers – Barbara Foster, Jill Malpass, James Longson, and Ann Edwards.

Many thanks to the enthusiastic team who cleaned and decorated the church beautifully ready for our Harvest Service – it looked stunning. Following the service we were able to make a donation of groceries and toiletries to a local foodbank thanks to the generosity of the congregation. The youngest member of the congregation Maddison Stringer came to church with Wendy Crocker and her mum. She is 2 years of age and is Wendy's great grand-daughter.



If you want to keep up with our news more regularly, please look for and like our Facebook page – you'll find photos and snippets about happenings at St James' and Swarkestone are added most weeks. <https://www.facebook.com/StJamesChurchSwarkestone>

St James' Patronage Scheme

St James' has been running the scheme for just over five years now which brings very welcome extra income to the church to help with day to day running expenses.

How it works is that individuals or families can select a day or a week in the year that they can choose to sponsor, the dates are usually selected to commemorate either a birthday or anniversary or in memory of someone special to them. In return they receive a certificate recognising their sponsorship and an entry in a book at the back of church which is left open at the relevant page at each service.

The current cost for new sponsors is £10.25 per day or £72 for a week. This reflects the current costs of running the church – electricity, general maintenance etc.

We have plenty of dates still available for sponsorship, if this is something you're interested in then there are leaflets available at the back of church which give more information and include an application form, or you can email our treasurer at swarkestonetreasurer33@gmail.com

The Great Fire of Swarkestone in 1654

While you enjoy your firework displays this month, consider the plight of our village ancestors in September 1654. On September 15th a terrifying fire broke out which destroyed half of the village, of the 29 houses in the village 15 were lost to the blaze. Also destroyed were many barns bursting to the rafters with harvest produce, along with 16 pigs and 100 chickens. Equipment such as ploughs, scythes and carts, together with 53 loads of coal ready for winter, all added to the fire. The cause of the fire is unknown but the summer of 1654 was described as "hot and scorching" suggesting everywhere was parched, so the fire must have been fast and furious.

A remarkable inventory of the losses survives in the Derbyshire Record Archive in Matlock. The greatest loss was suffered by Thomas Wright who lost half of his house and household effects, barns with grain and other buildings. The modern equivalent value of his loss is hard to calculate, but an estimate of over £800,000 has been suggested. Other residents who had significant losses were businessmen Edmund Parker, Gilbert Bould, and Thomas Draper. Some of these family names are still found living in the local area. Businesses such as the smithy, brewhouse, shoemaker, weaver and cheesemaker were all listed as suffering losses.

A sad tale which would have been a disaster for all involved as life had just been returning to normal after the Civil War. Swarkestone had been a Parliamentary garrison until 1649. The village recovered despite the devastation and went on to prosper and develop into what we have today.

Thanks to Barbara Foster and Melbourne Village Voice who published her original article in September 2015)

Jwyford

Services: Please see the back of the magazine

Flowers: Mrs Samantha Murton



Our Harvest Festival Service was held on 2nd October, 2022, and was led by Rev'd Paul Hygate. I have included some photographs of flower arrangements. As usual, St Andrew's looked beautiful with the sun shining through the South facing windows and highlighting the magnificent array of colours. Generous donations had been received of tinned food and dried goods which were donated to the Derby City Mission Food Bank to assist struggling families in these difficult times.

Harvest Festival Services are so important to thank God for a fruitful harvest and raise awareness of the hunger that exists in other parts of the world. They were first introduced into our Churches in 1843 when the Rev'd Robert Hawker invited parishioners to a special thanksgiving service at his church at Morwenstow in Cornwall.





St Mary the Virgin.

Weston on Trent



Sunday 13th November 2022
A service of remembrance will take place at 3pm with Rev. Paul Hygate. RBL members will also attend.



Come to St Marys on the 11th December 2022 for Christmas winterland. Open from 10am – 4pm. Refreshments including mulled wine, raffle, music, stalls, tree & window cills decorated. The copse will be decorated with a winter theme. It will be well worth a visit!

Guy Fawkes.

Observed in the United Kingdom every year on November 5, Guy Fawkes Day—also called Bonfire Night or Fireworks Night—commemorates a failed assassination attempt from over 400 years ago. On November 5, 1605, Guy Fawkes and a group of radical English Catholics tried to assassinate King James I by blowing up Parliament's House of Lords. The plot went awry and all of the conspirators were executed. Soon after, Britons began to celebrate Fawkes' demise and the survival of their king by burning effigies, lighting bonfires and setting off fireworks—a tradition which has continued to this day.



Background: Catholicism in England was heavily repressed under Queen Elizabeth I, particularly after the pope excommunicated her in 1570. During her reign, dozens of priests were put to death, and Catholics could not even legally celebrate Mass or be married according to their own rites. As a result, many Catholics had high hopes when King James I took the throne upon Elizabeth's death in 1603. James' wife, Anne, is believed to have previously converted to Catholicism, and his mother, [Mary Queen of Scots](#), was Elizabeth's Catholic arch-rival prior to being executed. There were even rumours, inspired by his diplomatic overtures to the pope, that James himself would become Catholic. It soon became clear, however, that James did not support religious tolerance for Catholics. In 1604 he publicly condemned Catholicism as a superstition, ordered all Catholic priests to leave England and expressed concern that the number of Catholics was increasing. He also largely continued with the repressive policies of his predecessor, such as fines for those refusing to attend Protestant services. English Catholics had organized several failed conspiracies against Elizabeth, and these continued under James. In 1603 a few priests and laymen hatched the so-called Bye Plot to kidnap James, only to be turned in by fellow Catholics. Another related conspiracy that year, known as the Main Plot, sought to kill James and install his cousin on the throne. Then, in May 1604, a handful of Catholic dissidents—Guy Fawkes, Robert Catesby, Tom Wintour, Jack Wright and Thomas Percy—met at the Duck and Drake inn in London, where Catesby proposed a plan to blow up the Houses of Parliament with gunpowder. Afterwards, all five men purportedly swore an oath of secrecy upon a prayer book.

Eight other conspirators would later join what became known as the Gunpowder Plot. But although Catesby was the ringleader, Fawkes has garnered most of the publicity over the past 400-plus years. Born in 1570 in York, England, Fawkes spent about a decade fighting for Spain against Protestant rebels in the Spanish-controlled Netherlands. He also personally petitioned the king of Spain for help in starting an English rebellion against James. According to writings in the Spanish archives, Fawkes believed the English king was a heretic who would drive out his Catholic subjects. Fawkes also apparently expressed strong anti-Scottish prejudices. By 1605 Fawkes was calling himself Guido rather than Guy. He also used the alias John Johnson while serving as caretaker of a cellar—located just below the House of Lords—that the plotters had leased in order to stockpile gunpowder. Under the plan, Fawkes would light a fuse on November 5, 1605, during the opening of a new session of Parliament. James, his eldest son, the House of Lords and the House of Commons would all be blown sky-high. In the meantime, as Fawkes escaped by boat across the River Thames, his fellow conspirators would start an uprising in the English Midlands, kidnap James' daughter Elizabeth, install her as a puppet queen and eventually marry her off to a Catholic, thereby restoring the Catholic monarchy. On October 26, an anonymous letter advising a Catholic sympathizer to avoid the State Opening of Parliament alerted the authorities to the existence of a plot. To this day, no one knows for sure who wrote the letter. Some historians have even suggested that it was fabricated and that the authorities already knew of the Gunpowder Plot, only letting it progress as an excuse to further crack down on Catholicism. Either way, a search party found Fawkes skulking in his cellar around midnight on November 4, with matches in his pocket and 36 barrels of gunpowder stacked next to him. For Fawkes, the plot's failure could be blamed on "the devil and not God." He was taken to the Tower of London and tortured upon the special order of King James. Soon after, his co-conspirators were likewise arrested, except for four, including Catesby, who died in a shootout with English troops. Fawkes and his surviving co-conspirators were all found guilty of high treason and sentenced to death in January 1606 by hanging, drawing and quartering. A Jesuit priest was also executed a few months later for his alleged involvement, even as new laws banned Catholics from voting in elections, practicing law or serving in the military. In fact, Catholics were not fully emancipated in England until the 19th century.

Guy Fawkes Day Becomes a Holiday

After the plot was revealed, Londoners began lighting celebratory bonfires, and in January 1606 an act of Parliament designated November 5 as a day of thanksgiving. Guy Fawkes Day festivities soon spread as far as the American colonies, where they became known as Pope Day. In keeping with the anti-Catholic sentiment of the time, British subjects on both sides of the Atlantic would burn an effigy of the pope.

That tradition completely died out in the United States by the 19th century, whereas in Britain Guy Fawkes Day became a time to get together with friends and family, set off fireworks, light bonfires, attend parades and burn effigies of Fawkes. Children traditionally wheeled around their effigies demanding a "penny for the Guy" (a similar custom to Halloween trick-or-treating) and imploring crowds to "remember, remember the fifth of November." Guy Fawkes himself, meanwhile, has undergone something of a makeover. Once known as a notorious traitor, he is now portrayed in some circles as a revolutionary hero, largely due to the influence of the 1980s graphic novel "V for Vendetta" and the 2005 movie of the same name, which depicted a protagonist who wore a Guy Fawkes mask while battling a future fascist government in Britain. Guy Fawkes masks even cropped up at Occupy Wall Street protests in New York City and elsewhere. "Every generation reinvents Guy Fawkes to suit their needs," explained historian William B. Robison of Southeastern Louisiana University. "But Fawkes was just one of the flunkies. It really should be Robert Catesby Day.

Other facts for November

November is the only month used to represent a letter in the phonetic alphabet.

Although the word November dates back to Old English, the first known use of Novemberish, was by Robert Burns in 1793.

November Flower: Chrysanthemum , November Birth Stone: Topaz & Citrine

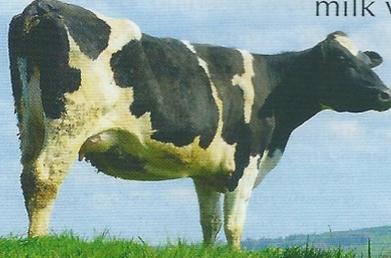
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	<i>Readings</i>	Aston	Barrow	Elvaston	Shardlow	Swarkestone	Twyford	Weston
Tues 1st Nov. All Souls'		7.30 HC & Commemoration of the Departed. Tony						
6 th November 3rd before Advent	Job 19. 23-27a Luke 20. 27-38	10.30 FC Paul	9.00 HC Tony		10.30 MP Bruce		10.30 HC Tony	
Wed. 9 th Nov.		6.45 Compline					9.30 HC Paul	
13 th November Remembrance	Rev. 21. 1-7 John 14. 1-8	10.45 Service of Remembrance Tony	10.30 Service of Remembrance Bruce	10.00 MP John	3.00 Service of Remem. Tony	10.30 HC Paul		3.00 Service of Remem. Paul
Wed. 16 th Nov.		9.30 HC Tony 6.45 Compline						
20 th November Christ the King	Jerem. 23. 1-6 Luke 23. 33-43	10.30 FC Tony 3.00 Richmond V. Tony	10.30 HC Paul		10.30 MP Bruce		3.00 ES Bruce	
Wed. 23 rd Nov.		6.45 Compline						9.30 HC Paul
27 th November Advent 1	Isalah 2. 1-5 Matt. 24. 36-44	10.30 FW Bruce			10.30 HC Tony			
Wed. 30 th Nov. St. Andrew		6.45 Compline					9.30 Patronal HC Tony	
4 th December Advent 2		10.30 UBS The Bishop of Derby						

HC = Holy Communion, FC=Family Communion, MP=Morning Prayer, ES=Evensong, FW=Family Worship,

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