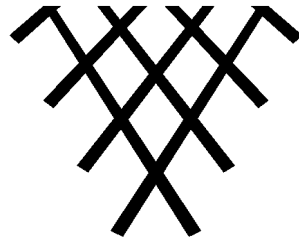




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## **The Minister writes:**

For the last few years, the March magazine has been published as we begin Lent. Once again we have an opportunity to use this month as a preparation for the great festival of Easter, with the powerful theme of death and resurrection. A theme that we see in life around us.

We have seen the dismantling of the old church, with the main part of the building coming down very quickly. I would like to say thank you to those who came to the outdoor service on February 9th, despite the appalling weather. A number of people have asked for copies of the service and these are available at the church centre. As people shared memories, we heard of a couple who had to get married in the crypt because an air raid was going on. I later got a letter from someone who was married in 1945, but was only discharged from hospital the night before, and had to report to hospital in Blackpool on his honeymoon. We would like to keep a record of peoples memories and photos and have some of them exhibited in church.

As the old church is taken down we are breathing new life into the church centre. We have just been able to lay new flooring, due to the support of local funders, and the effect is a dramatic improvement. As I said in last months letter, we are looking for ways to transform its identity from a school so that it is clearly a place of Christian worship as well as a place to serve the community in other ways. This is another opportunity for the community to work together and achieve something that we can be proud of and serve future generations.

Death and resurrection is a theme we see in nature, partly through the changing seasons, but also through cultivation. Cutting back plants is a way of encouraging growth, as is digging out weeds and spreading fertiliser. In our spiritual life there are many ways of applying these principles. Cutting back can give us a positive reason for giving things up. Jesus was particularly good at spending time in prayer so he knew what to say no to. The digging up of weeds can also be a picture of cutting out things in our life that are not helpful.

Let this Lent be a time for growth, as we ask the Holy Spirit to make us restless till we change, and prepare for the glorious celebration of Easter.

*Rev Bill Henderson*

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## **St Peter's Church Services**

*All services are held at the Church Centre,  
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<b>Sunday</b>	10am	Family Communion
	3pm	Evensong (on the first Sunday of every month)
<b>Tuesday</b>	2pm	Prayers
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Thursday</b>	9:15 am	Children's Ark

## **Other Christian Worship**

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Wednesdays:	7:30pm Bible Study, discussions

Minister: David Dixon, telephone: 01924 872262

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## DATES FOR MARCH

- Sun 2nd March 3pm** Evensong: with Holy Communion, based on the Common Book of Prayer.
- Weds 5th March 2pm-4pm** Mount Road Methodist Chapel: Coffee & Chat afternoon. Please see page 10 for details.
- Weds 5th March 7:30pm** Ash Wednesday Service at St Peter's Church, to celebrate the beginning of Lent.
- Thurs 6th March 7:30pm** Taize Service with meditative and prayerful music. All welcome.
- Fri 7th March 7:30pm** Women's World Day of Prayer at St Peter's. This year the service has been prepared by Christian women in Egypt. See p17.
- Sat 8th March 10am-12pm** Coffee morning at the Community Centre with tombola, cake stall, and much more, see p11.
- Sat 8th March 2pm-3:30pm** Crafty Kids: Enjoy lots of crafts without the tidying up! £1.50 per child, see page 16.
- Sat 8th March 1:30pm-5pm** Parish Inspiration afternoon at Thorpe Primary School. See page 11 for details.
- Thurs 13th Mar 6pm** Moorhouse Community Action Group meeting at the Church Centre, see page 10.
- Fri 14th March 7:30pm** Film Club: 'Defence of the Realm' starring Gabriel Byrne and Greta Scacchi in a gripping and complex conspiracy drama. See p16
- Sun 16th March 7:30pm** Holy Space: a new, informal monthly evening service with prayer and worship. All welcome.
- Thurs 20th Mar 7:30pm** PCC Meeting at the Church Centre.
- Sat 22nd March 10am-12:30pm** Spring Fayre at Stanley Community Centre with lots of stalls and refreshments.
- Sun 30th March 10am** Mothering Sunday Family Parade Service with the uniformed groups

## STANLEY LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Stanley Library** offers a wide selection of books, talking books, selected language tapes, DVDs for hire, as well as a photocopier/A4 colour photocopier, fax machine, newspapers and selected magazines. There are also public access computers, offering free internet access, and basic computer programs (i.e. word processing). There are also free UK Online computer courses available offering internet training and Introduction to Computers —please ask in the library.

### OPENING HOURS

Monday	10am-1pm and 2pm-7pm
Tuesday	10am-1pm and 2pm-5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	10am-1pm and 2pm-7pm
Friday	10am-1pm and 2pm-5pm
Saturday	9am-1pm

**Reading Groups:** There are two Reading groups: one meets in the morning of the first Monday of every month, and the second meets in the evening of the first Thursday of every month. Check with the library for times and book details.

**Activities for Children:** There is a Tiny Tots Storytime for under 5's, 11:30-12pm on certain Mondays: check with the Library for dates. Other activities for children are organised in most school holidays—please ask for details.

**Family History Group:** The Family History Group meets on the first Tuesday of every month, from 11am-12pm.

**Coffee Morning:** There is a coffee morning every Thursday morning, 10am-12 noon. Come and relax with friends over a cuppa.

**The Community Centre:** The hall, two rooms and well equipped kitchen are available for hire. Contact the Librarian on 01924 303130 to book in advance.





# Spring Fayre

**Saturday 22rd March,  
Stanley Community Centre,  
10am—12:30pm**


Tombola	Chocolate egg tombola
Toy stall	Books
Greetings cards	Cake Stall
Bric-a-brac	Bottle tombola
Raffle	Crafts
Handbags	Children's Tombola

*.....and much, much more!!*

Refreshments: Hot Cross Buns, biscuits,  
Tea & Coffee

**Everybody is welcome!**

## Mount Road Methodist Chapel Events

- There will be a Church Council meeting at Mount Road Chapel after the morning service on Sunday 2nd March.
- The next Coffee Afternoon will be on Wednesday 5th March, 2pm—4pm with various stalls and refreshments. 
- After the 10.30am service on Sunday 9th March there will be a shared lunch. Everyone is welcome.
- Last month's Jumble Sale raised £210 for the Castleford Trinity Mission Night Shelter and drop-in centre. Thanks to everyone who donated items and supported the event.

### Knit and Natter, Sew and Chatter!

At St Peter's Church Centre, every Thursday, 2pm-4pm  
Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!

Please come and join this established group of ladies as they knit, sew, compare ideas and patterns, learn new crafty skills, and share conversation and friendship.

Just turn up: you will be very warmly welcomed.

**Please note Knit and Natter is now starting at the later time of 2pm**



### *Prayer Meeting—every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm*

The weekly prayer meeting at St Peter's Church Centre continues to meet every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm, led by Calli McKenna. Please call in to pray for those in trouble, sorrow, sickness or need; for family, friends, the community and the world.

### **Moorhouse Community Action Group**

The next meeting of the Moorhouse Community Action Group will be on Thursday 13th March 2014 at 6pm at the Church Centre. Please come along and raise any issues specific to Moorhouse and join in with the plans for the new Centre on Moorhouse Grove.

## Parish Inspiration Afternoon

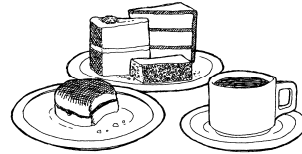
On Saturday 8th March, from 2pm-5pm, there will be a Parish Inspiration afternoon for members of the PCC and the congregation at Thorpe Primary School. People will be gathering from 1.30pm ready for the 2pm start.

The objective of the afternoon will be to think about our vision for worship, and how we might develop our worship both now and in the future. The session will be facilitated by Rev Richard Giles, a liturgical consultant, who will also be speaking about how we might make better use of the church building to enhance our worship.

Rev Richard Giles will be continuing with this theme during the 10am service the following day, on Sunday 9th March.

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**Coffee morning thank-you:** Thanks to everyone who supported last month's coffee morning: £185 was raised. Please join us at the next coffee morning on Saturday 8th March from 10am—12pm at the Community Centre, with a superb cake stall, handmade greetings cards, tombola, raffle, toys, jigsaws, books, refreshments and more! Donations of books, small toys and jigsaws in good condition would be appreciated.



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**CAP Café:** If you are interested in the work of Christians Against Poverty; would like to volunteer; need to talk to someone about debt or just fancy a chat and a cuppa, then call into the CAP Cafe:

- Thursday, 20th March, 9.15am—11.15am at The Coffee Shop @ St Georges, St Georges Community Centre, Broadway, Lupset

### Remember to change your clocks on Sunday 30th March!

Another winter is nearly at an end, and we can soon look forward to lighter evenings! British Summer Time starts at 1am on Sunday 30th March, so remember to move your clocks forward by one hour.

The next monthly Evensong on 6th April will start at 4pm.

## Stanley Community Singers

The Stanley Community Singers gathered at the Co-op on Lake Lock Road last month to receive their grant for £1,990 from area manager Peter Jackson. The money came from the Co-operative Membership Community Fund and will be used to cover the costs of the musical director, room hire and other expenses over the next 12 months.

**The co-operative**

The Stanley Community Singers continue to meet every Monday afternoon in term time at St Peter's Church on Lake Lock Road from 12:30pm-2:30pm with singing from 1pm-2pm and time before and afterwards for refreshments and chat. The group sings a variety of music and is open to anyone who enjoys singing—no previous experience required! Please come and join us: make some new friends, learn some new songs and enjoy singing!

## A new look for the Church Centre

Thanks to a £4,000 grant from Waste Recycling Environmental (WREN) and landfill operator FCC Environment, new floor coverings have been fitted throughout the church on Lake Lock Road.



There is now entrance matting at both ends of the main corridor, new carpets along the corridor and in the middle room, new vinyl in the café room and toilets, and new carpet in the church office. The new floor coverings replace the very worn, tatty and mismatched floors that were there before and give a much cleaner, more professional and inviting image to our Community Café customers, and the groups and individuals that use the centre every week.

As well as laying the new flooring, there has also been a lot of work involved fitting new skirting boards, painting, and general clearing out and tidying. Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard over the past few weeks to make all this possible. Please call in and see what you think of the refurbishment!



**Easter Services**

Please join us at St Peter's Church on Lake Lock Road and at the Methodist Chapel on Mount Road for our Easter services next month: we will be very happy to welcome you.

Sun 13th April 10am Palm Sunday Parade Service: Start at Mount Road Chapel at 10am for the first part of the service with a procession to St Peter's for the rest of the service.

Thurs 17th April 7:30pm Maundy Thursday Communion service at St Peter's Church.

Fri 18th April 10am Good Friday Hot Cross Bun service for all ages, at St Peter's Church, with crafts and refreshments.

Fri 18th April 2pm Hour at the Cross at St Peter's: a contemplative Good Friday afternoon service.

Fri 18th April 7:30pm Good Friday evening service at Mount Road Methodist Church.

Sun 20th April 10am & 10.30am Easter Day services: Easter Sunday family services at 10am at St Peter's Church or at 10.30am at Mount Road Chapel.



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## The Way I See It

*By David Winter, former head of Religious Broadcasting at the BBC*

The Eiffel Tower was opened 125 years ago this month. It was actually the entrance arch to the 1889 World Fair and named after its builder, Gustave Eiffel. At 324 metres it was the tallest structure in the world. It kept that title until 1930, when the Chrysler Building in New York was opened. However, very few buildings have eclipsed its global appeal; over 250 million people have visited it, and is recognised the world over as the defining image of France.

Of course since 1930 many taller buildings have been erected, in America, Europe, the Far East and the Middle East. There are some pretty tall ones on London, for that matter. In fact, the competition to build the tallest building continues to this day.



It's a trait beautifully captured in the story of the Tower of Babel in the Bible (Genesis 11:1-9). It probably relates to a period when men in the Middle East were very keen to build ziggurats - great rectangular stepped buildings, sometimes topped with a temple. In the biblical story, human beings (men, I'm sure) had the bright idea of building a ziggurat so big that it would have its top in the heavens. Thus, they hoped, they would 'make a name for themselves'. Their plan was thwarted by the Lord, who 'confused their language', leaving the would-be builders at odds with each other and the project hopeless. "They left off building the city", Genesis wryly observes.

It's a strange story, but it neatly captures a familiar human ambition: the desire to be 'top'. Over the centuries, it has caused enormous suffering: jealousies, revolutions, assassinations, wars and plots. In the long term it cannot bring happiness or satisfaction. When Jesus caught his disciples arguing about rank and status, asking "Who is the greatest?", he soon put them right: "Whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all" (Mark 10:33-34).

Lent starts early in March. A time, perhaps, for reassessing our own ambitions, including any lurking desire to be the 'greatest' or to own the 'biggest'. Small is beautiful, and so is the role of the faithful servant. I must admit, however, that I still love the Eiffel Tower (and secretly wish I'd built it).

## **We said goodbye to the old church**

Over 150 people gathered in the wind and the rain for the farewell service at the old church on Sunday 9th February. It was a very poignant service with various people sharing their memories of the building. The discussions continued at the church on Lake Lock Road afterwards over refreshments.

The very next day, the workmen started dismantling the church and it was incredible to watch the swift reduction of the church to a huge pile of stones over the course of just a few days. The building had been a landmark in our community for nearly 100 years and it will take some time to get used to the space that now exists on the hillside.

Copies of the order of service used on 9th February are still available if anyone would like one as a memento. Please call into the church on Lake Lock Road: the copies are on the long table in the corridor.

Due to the wet weather, the contractors have been unable to construct the temporary access road from Aberford Road as planned, due to the risk of damaging unmarked graves, and have been using Church Road instead. However, the ground has now started to dry out and soon the access road will be put in place, meaning that the stone crusher can be brought on to site and work can begin on crushing the stone and filling the crypt.

Groundworks have been commissioned to prepare a preliminary design for the landscaping of the site, to include an outline of the old church, seating and a new home for the war memorial. There will be an opportunity to review and comment on these plans in due course.

### **Mothering Sunday—30th March**

There is an old Jewish saying: “ God could not be everywhere, and therefore he made mothers.” Mother Church, Mother Earth, and our human mothers have all been part of the celebration of ‘Mothering Sunday’ which has been celebrated in the UK since at least the 16th century. Join us at St Peter’s on Sunday 30th March at 10am for a special family Parade service for Mothering Sunday.





St Peter's Church  
**Film Club**



**Friday evening, 14th March, 7:30pm**

**'Defence of the Realm' (1985) PG Rating**

Gabriel Byrne stars as Nick Mullen, a newspaper reporter for the London Daily Dispatch who is eager for the big story that will make him a star and make his newspaper famous. He uncovers what appears to be a simple sleaze story about an MP and despite warnings from his mentor Vernon Bayliss (Denholm Elliott), exposes the story and becomes a celebrity himself. Set during the Reagan/Thatcher Cold War period, Nick soon discovers that there is much more to the story than he first imagined and joins forces with Bayliss' beautiful secretary Nina (Greta Scacchi) to uncover the truth. Fast-paced, complex, and gripping, this is a conspiracy film on a par with the best.

**Free admission, tea & coffee, but bring your own popcorn!**

*Film shown at the Church Centre, Lake Lock Road, doors open 7pm*



**Crafty Kids**

**Saturday 8th March and  
12th April 2014, 2pm-3:30pm**

Come along and enjoy this monthly children's crafts afternoon at St Peter's Church Centre

*Making, sticking, painting etc: crafts for all ages!  
Come along and enjoy some festive crafts  
without the tidying up!*

The cost is just £1.50 plus 50p for each additional sibling.  
No booking required! Refreshments also available.



## Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 7th March, 7:30pm, St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road

On March 7th, women, men and children from 170 countries across the world will gather to celebrate Women's World Day of Prayer using a programme of worship that is offered this year by Christian women in Egypt.



The theme of this year's service is "Streams in the Desert" and everyone is being asked to reflect on our Christian role of being a 'stream in the desert' for those who experience spiritual 'drought'. This service from Egypt has universal appeal.

The political situation in Egypt has been volatile ever since the Arab Spring uprising in 2011 which removed Hosni Mubarek from power. Women are allowed to work and to go to university but many girls from rural areas are discouraged from completing school and face lives of early marriage, illiteracy and domestic abuse. We will pray with all the women of Egypt for peace, justice and equality.

The WWDP service at St Peter's Church will be led by Calli McKenna, and everyone—women, men and people of all ages—is warmly invited to come along.

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### 1st March: St David's Day – *time for daffodils*

St David's Day is on 1st March and it is traditional for the Welsh to wear daffodils or leeks. Shakespeare called this custom 'an honourable tradition begun upon an honourable request', but nobody knows the reason. Why should anyone have ever 'requested' that the Welsh wear leeks or daffodils to honour their patron saint? It's a mystery!

We do know that David—or Dafydd—of Pembrokeshire was a monk and bishop of the 6th century. In the 12th century he was made patron of Wales, and he has the honour of being the only Welsh saint to be canonised and culted in the Western Church. Tradition has it that he was austere with himself, and generous with others, living on water and vegetables (leeks, perhaps?!) and devoting himself to works of mercy. He was much loved.



In art, St David is usually depicted in Episcopal vestments, standing on a mound with a dove at his shoulder.

## **Reports from our local schools**

### **Stanley Grove School**

*Aberford Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4NT  
Tel: 01924 303805, Headteacher: Mrs J Frost  
Website: [www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk](http://www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk)*

Last month, the whole school took part in the national Sign2Sing fundraising initiative. About 300,000 children and adults from across the UK were attempting to set the Guinness World Record for the most people singing and signing at the same time. The objective was also to raise money for the Sign Health charity which supports deaf people in the community. The children had great fun learning and performing the songs and raised £103 in aid of the Sign Health charity.

This month we are very excited to be welcoming Ed Balls MP to the school. He will be meeting the staff and children, looking at some of the work they have done in class, and they will also be performing some songs for him.

There will be an open evening in our Foundation unit for prospective parents on Tuesday, 11th March from 3.30pm-4.30pm. This is an excellent opportunity to look around our Foundation unit, and to meet the staff.

Last month, the whole school went on an outing, class by class, to visit the old St Peter's Church before the dismantling work began. Barry McCarthy, the Church Warden, talked to the children about the building, and it was a great opportunity for them to learn something about our local history. The children are now producing some beautiful art work in response to this visit and providing ideas about how they would like to see the war memorial, clock and some stones preserved.

Class 5 will be holding an African evening later this month. They will be performing traditional African songs accompanied by drums and dances that they have choreographed themselves. There will also be African food and presentations about the continent. The event will be raising money for Literacy in a Box; a charity that supports educational initiatives in Africa.

Also this month, Year 5 and 6 pupils will be going on a 3-day residential trip to the Lake District, where they will take part in some exciting outdoor activities, such as archery, bushcraft, team challenges and orienteering.

## Stanley Children's Centre

Long Causeway, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4JB, Tel: 01924 303181,

Open: Monday to Friday 8:30am—4:30pm Centre Manager: Liz Cooper

The Children's Centre offers support services to families with children under 5 and parents-to-be: advice on parenting, childcare, education, benefits and finance, housing, links with Job Centre Plus; support for childminders; adult courses; antenatal care; child health promotion clinic; breastfeeding support; home safety equipment; and fun activities for under 5's.

See below for details of the regular groups and clinics at the Children's Centre and news of some special events and courses.

- There will be a Weaning Party on Tuesday 4th March from 1pm-2pm. Booking is required.
- The Child-Minding Support Group will be meeting on Wednesday 5th March from 9:30am—11:30am.
- A new Infant Massage Course will be starting on Thursday 6th March from 1:30pm—3pm. Please contact the centre to book your place.
- The Parents' Forum Group will next be meeting on Tuesday 11th March from 9:15am—11:15am. A crèche is provided at £1 per child.
- A new Cash Wise Confidence Building Course is starting on Tuesday 18th March from 9:15am—11:15am. Please contact the centre for more information and to book your place.
- There will be a First Aid course at the Children's Centre on Wednesday 19th March from 9:15am—11:15am. Booking required; crèche available.
- The Flouride Varnishing team will be visiting the centre on Friday 21st March from 9am—4pm. Please contact the centre to book an appointment.

Day	Time	Group
Monday	9am—4:30pm 1.30pm—3pm	<u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed. <u>Stay &amp; Play</u> for ages 18 months—5 years.
Tuesday	10am—12pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Baby Time</u> from birth—9 months.
Wednesday	1pm—3pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Toddler Time</u> from 9 months —2 years.
Thursday	9am—12pm 9:30am—3:30pm	<u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed. <u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed.
Friday	10am—12:30pm 2pm—4pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Midwife Drop-in Clinic</u>

## #Do1NiceThing Lent Challenge

Lent is a time of preparation around remembering the forty days Jesus spent in the desert praying and preparing for his public ministry. It is the period from Ash Wednesday to the events of Easter weekend, a time traditionally of giving something up. But how about this year you decide to start doing something instead?

#Do1NiceThing (see [www.loveyourstreets.org.uk](http://www.loveyourstreets.org.uk)) is about loving and serving others and the wider community. It is about being the change, striving to make life better for others (and for yourself in the process!). The ideas are very simple and require very little thought or pre-planning. The campaign also encourages people to tweet and facebook their random acts of kindness using #Do1NiceThing.

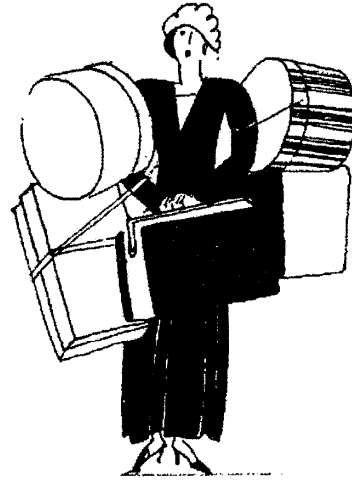
Here are some suggestions of nice things you could do. If you don't like any of the ideas, do something else!:

- Say thank you to someone and say how much you appreciate them.
- Call in on an elderly neighbour: take some cake, have a cup of tea and a chat.
- Shop locally and support local farmers and vegetable growers.
- Walk round your neighbourhood and pick up litter.
- Hold doors open for those behind you.
- Smile at people.
- Be a nice driver - spread road-calm!
- Take time to pray for your neighbours.
- Spread the niceness on Facebook and Twitter using #Do1NiceThing.
- Go on a thankful walk - see all the positive things you can be thankful for in your neighbourhood.
- Say hello to people.
- Look at joining or setting up a Neighbourhood Watch scheme.
- Spot ways of helping people and do it.
- Buy Fairtrade where you can.
- Take someone who is lonely out for lunch.
- On Mothering Sunday, take some flowers to someone who doesn't have family nearby.
- Say sorry even when its not your fault!

## Cartoon Corner



*George saw his whole Parish  
as a Mission Field*



With sinking heart we realised that Juliet  
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## *Prayers for March*

### **Prayer for looking forward**

Dear Heavenly Father, As we move forward from winter towards the promise of Spring, we thank you for your unfailing love for us, season after season, year after year.

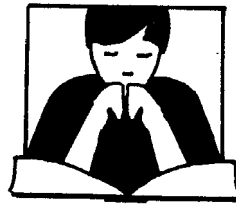
Help us to remember that you, who have walked with us through dark nights and difficult days, perfectly understand all that we have to go through. Thank you for sending Jesus to die and rise again, so that we need never walk life's journey alone.

Lead us on Lord, and as we put our trust in Jesus, may we face each new day with courage, secure in your love and in the assurance that to you we are so precious. We are your children, lovingly made in your image. May we reflect your likeness more truly, as we grow in our faith day by day. In Jesus name, Amen.

*By Daphne Kitching*

### **Jesus**

If I could package faith into one parcel  
And collect all hope into a single can;  
If I could roll all love into one heart-ball  
And commoditise it in a living man:  
I'd already have a fully detailed label  
Prepared before the world itself began;  
And it would have one name,  
And that name—JESUS,  
At the centre of God's universal plan  
To take the world along the course:  
God's surge of love provoked  
Till wholeness flows through everything,  
With God's Spirit of life unyoked.  
*by Sam Doubtfire*



### **Daily Strength**

Do not be anxious  
about anything,  
but in everything,  
by prayer  
and petition,  
with thanksgiving,  
present your requests  
to God.

*Philippians 4:6*

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