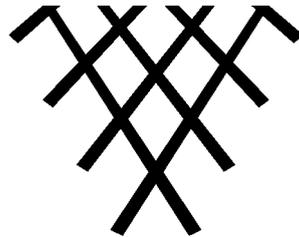


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The Minister writes:

Thank you for those who prayed for my journey to Tanzania. I have returned safely after a very fruitful trip. I was able to travel extensively around and learn a lot about the 'Water for Life' project. It was also very encouraging to worship with Christians there. Prayer is a very important part of peoples lives. There is prayer before a meal and on arrival after a safe journey. There is a hunger to know God and learn more about Him, especially among the young people. This vibrancy is encouraging and challenging.

June is when we celebrate Fathers' day and this year it falls on June 16th. At St Peter's our morning service at 10am will be a special Fathers' Day Family and Parade service with the uniformed organisations: you would be very welcome to join us. Of course, as a father I can take this opportunity to remind everyone who can, to do something special to show their appreciation for their fathers!

The experience of being a father is a very profound one with great potential for being a positive influence in the family. Whilst most father's bring blessings to their homes, some bring the opposite. Fathers' day is about celebrating the positive experiences we have had.



When Jesus was helping us to understand our relationship with God, he told us to call Him father or dad. It is helpful when we can use our positive experiences of family life to understand our Father God's love for us. Our church family seeks to model this and is much more than just a father's love. It is encouraging to hear people's stories of how they have felt welcomed and accepted. When we say 'our' father, we are reminded that we are not an 'only' child. We have a great number of brothers and sisters all around the world. Our friends in Tanzania are praying for us and we can pray for them.

Do come and join the church family on 16th June or at any other time, and be part of the world wide community that seeks to support each other in our daily life and in our worship.

Rev Bill Henderson

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St Peter's Church Services

*All services are held at the Church Centre,
Lake Lock Road, Stanley*

Sunday	10am	Family Communion
	4pm	Evensong (on the first Sunday of every month)
Wednesday	9:30 am	Holy Communion
	5pm	Prayers
Thursday	9:15 am	Children's Ark

Other Christian Worship

ZION CHRISTIAN CENTRE

466a Aberford Road, Stanley,
www.zionchurch.co.uk, telephone: 01924 872262

Sunday:	10:30am Service
	11:00am Sunday School & crèche
Tuesdays:	7:30pm Prayer meeting
Wednesdays:	7:30pm Bible Study, discussions

Minister: David Dixon, telephone: 01924 872262

METHODIST CHURCH: Lee Mount Chapel

Sunday: 10:30am service, including junior church

Minister: Rev Naomi Kaiga BD MA
email: nkirotekaiga@hotmail.co.uk, tel: 01977 705100
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DATES FOR JUNE

- Sun 2nd June 4pm** Evensong: join us for the monthly afternoon service based on the Common Book of Prayer.
- Weds 5th June 2pm-4pm** Mount Road Methodist Chapel: Coffee & Chat meeting. Please see page 10 for details.
- Sat 8th June 10am-12pm** Coffee Morning at the Community Centre with tombola, cake stall, and much more, see p10.
- Thurs 13th June 6pm** Moorhouse Community Action Group meeting at the church centre, see p13 for details.
- Fri 14th June 7:30pm** Film Club: 'Les Miserables' The multi-award winning film starring Ann Hathaway and Hugh Jackman. See p16 for a review.
- Sat 15th June 10am—4pm** Parish Away Day in South Ossett: Bible study, worship, bring and share lunch, children's activities: see p11 for information.
- Sun 16th June 10am** Father's Day Family Communion and Parade Service: with the uniformed organisations.
- Thurs 20th June 7:30pm** PCC Meeting at the Church Centre.
- Sat 22nd June 11am—4pm** St Peter's School Summer Gala: with lots of stalls, activities and refreshments. See p13.
- Weds 26th June 7pm** Ladies Society Meeting at Stanley library. This month the group will be having a demonstration of various crafts.
- Sat 29th June 1pm-4pm** St Peter's Church Summer Gala: on the church field, with all the usual stalls, refreshments and entertainment! See p9 for details.
- Sun 30th June 3pm—7pm** 125th birthday of Wakefield Diocese: activities, live music, bouncy castle, donkeys, ceilidh, and much more. See page 12 for information.

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.

Summer Gala

Saturday 29th June, 1pm-4pm
St Peter's Church Centre, Lake Lock Rd



Entertainment:

Stanley Starlights Majorettes
Dance Fever Academy
Normanton Dog Training Club
with an obedience and agility demonstration

Stalls: tombola, cakes, books, bric-a-brac,
toys, children's tombola, sweets, bottle tombola,
greetings cards, crafts, soft toy tombola, plants,
face painting, and much, more more!

Refreshments: BBQ, cream teas, pop and crisps

Grand Raffle: 1st prize £60, many other fantastic
prizes, some donated by local businesses. Draw 4pm.

*Raffle tickets can be purchased from church members
and will also be on sale at the Gala*



Mount Road Methodist Chapel Events

- The next 'Coffee & Chat' meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th June from 2pm—4pm. These meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month. Come along and enjoy a coffee, cake, and a friendly chat!
- The next Jumble Sale at the Chapel will be on Wednesday 10th July at 1:30pm with cakes, tombola, refreshments and various other stalls.



Knit and Natter, Sew and Chatter!

At St Peter's Church Centre, every Thursday, 1pm-3pm
Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!

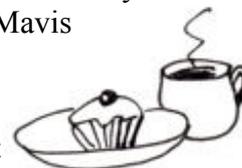
Please come and join this established group of ladies as they knit, sew, compare ideas and patterns, learn new crafty skills, and share conversation and friendship.

Just turn up: you will be very warmly welcomed.

Coffee morning thank-you: Thank you to everyone who organised, ran stalls and came to support the coffee morning on 11th May. It was a busy morning and a total of £173 was raised.

The next coffee morning will take place on Saturday 8th June, 10am—12.30pm at Stanley Community Centre with lots of great stalls: a superb cake stall, handmade greetings cards, tombola, raffle, children's tombola, jigsaws, books and toys, and more!

Donations of jigsaws, books, and small children's toys and soft toys would be gratefully received. Please contact Mavis Darlington on 822251 or bring your items to the office at St Peter's Church Centre.



Please join us on 8th June for a very pleasant
And enjoyable morning. We would love to see you there.

St Peter's Parish Away Day
Saturday 15th June, 10am-4pm

At Christchurch Parish Centre, South Ossett

Make a difference! Come along to our parish away day and enjoy a fun and thought-provoking day as we think about our role in the life of our church, and our place in the community over the next 5 to 10 years.

We are meeting at the Parish Centre at Christchurch, South Ossett (Vicar Lane, WF5 0BE) on Saturday 15th June to share ideas about how we can make church life better for ourselves and for others, now and in the future.

The day will include coffee and Danish pastry breakfast at 9.30am, with worship, themed discussions, Bible study, bring and share lunch and a closing service. There will be special activities for junior members of the congregation.

If you would like to take part in the day, please sign up on the noticeboard inside the church centre, or get in touch with the Church Office. Transport will be available—please ask if you require a lift. Come and share friendship, ideas and have fun!

Salsa!



Try the new Salsa class at St Peter's Church centre!

Wednesday, 12th & 26th June, 10th & 24th July, 7pm-9pm

Lessons are fortnightly and cost £5

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For more information contact Dickson on 01924 384920

Grant award success

St Peter's Church Centre is delighted to have received a generous award from the Community Chest to purchase some new office equipment, and is very grateful to the local councillors for supporting the grant application.

In the same tranche of Community Chest awards, the Stanley Community Singers received a grant to support the group over this next year. In addition, the Friends of Stanley Playground also received a sum of money to help with their organisation of the Scarecrow Festival which will take place on Saturday 21st September from 1pm-3pm.

St Peter's Community Café received nearly £600 from the POCA (Proceeds of Crime Act) Fund earlier in the year and has so far purchased a new fridge, plates, serving dishes, mugs, jug, glass tumblers and teapots for use in the café and the centre.

Later this year, the Church Centre intends to look into funding to replace all the floor coverings throughout the centre and to purchase some new noticeboards.

HAPPY 125TH BIRTHDAY TO THE WAKEFIELD DIOCESE!



You're Invited!!

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30TH, 3-7PM
AT WAKEFIELD CATHEDRAL**



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To be opened by the Bishop of Wakefield at 3pm

**St Peter's School
Summer Fair**

Saturday 22nd June, 11am-4pm

**Everyone welcome! Please come along
with family and friends!**



Lots of stalls and activities!: teddy tombola, bottle tombola, face painting, hook a bottle.....and much much more!

Trade stalls: a wide selection of gifts, such as jewellery, toys, handbags, hair care products, nail bar, greetings cards, photographs, pottery and lots more! **To book a stall for £15, please contact the school office on 303175 and state whether you would like an indoor or outdoor pitch.**

Refreshments also available

Please come along and support our event!

Christian Aid donation

Thank you to everyone who organised and supported the bric-a-brac and book sale at the church centre on Friday 24th May. We have been able to make a donation of £50 to Christian Aid, to support their vital work in places like Bolivia, Kenya and Zimbabwe, where they are helping some of the world's poorest families get enough to eat, secure the rights to their land and diversify their crops.

Moorhouse Community Action Group

The next meeting of the Moorhouse Community Action Group will be on Thursday 13th June 2013 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.

Saints' Days in June

2nd June: Erasmus (d.c. 300) – a saint for when you're all at sea

Do you like messing about in boats? If so, then you'll have heard of St Elmo's Fire. It is the light that is sometimes seen on mastheads of boats after storms at sea.

St Elmo is another name for St Erasmus, a fourth century Syrian bishop who was not afraid of violent storms. Legend has it that one day when Erasmus was preaching outside, a thunderbolt hit the ground right beside him. That might have distracted many modern bishops, but not Erasmus—he just kept on preaching. His courage won him the respect of sailors, who also braved the elements of nature daily.

But when Erasmus was made the patron saint of sailors, it led to a curious confusion. His emblem was the windlass, a kind of hoist used by many sailors at sea. So far so good, but many medieval Christians, seeing the windlass emblem, assumed it was some sort of torture instrument, and knowing that Erasmus had died after being persecuted, assumed that a windlass had been used to torture him (which it hadn't).

But no matter—Erasmus was still adopted by sailors who remembered the thunderbolt and looked to him as their patron saint.

4th June: Petroc – the founder of Padstow

If you are going to Cornwall this summer in search of peace and quiet, Petroc is the saint for you. Especially if you find Padstow a bit too crowded for your liking! He would have sympathised.

This 6th century abbot is Cornwall's most famous saint. He set sail from South Wales, landed at Haylemouth, and founded a monastery at Lanwethinoc, which was renamed Padstow (Petroc's Stow).

Padstow must have been popular even in those days, because about 30 years later, Petroc, in search of some peace and quiet, moved on to build another monastery at Little Petherick (Nanceventon). Here he engaged with his local community by building a mill and a chapel.

In time, Petroc began feeling crowded again. So he tramped off to the remote wilds of Bodmin Moor, where he lived as a hermit – until

12 other monks turned up to join him. Firmly, Petroc kept them all housed in a monastery on a hilltop, while he enjoyed his private space in a cell by the river.

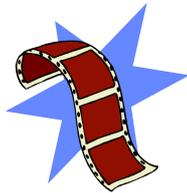
But even here Petroc was not alone. One day a terrified stag came rushing through the woods, pursued by the hunt. Petroc flung open the door of his cell, and the panting animal took refuge. When the huntsmen arrived on the scene, they did not dare to argue with the famous holy man, and went their way. The stag's gratitude made him tame, and Petroc would come to be portrayed with a stag as his special emblem.

Petroc was buried in the monastery in Padstow but in c.1000 his shrine and relics, including his staff and bell, were translated to Bodmin. Here they have stayed ever since, except for a short, unplanned trip to Brittany in 1177, when they were stolen and carted off by a naughty Canon of the Church. Henry II intervened, and everything but a rib of Petroc was eventually returned.



Stanley Community Singers
Summer Concert
Sunday 14th July, 4pm,
St Peter's Church Centre
Followed by refreshments
Tickets will be available on the door
In aid of Target Ovarian Cancer

The Stanley Community Singers meet every Monday afternoon in term time at St Peter's Church Centre from 1pm-3pm with singing from 1:30pm-2:30pm and time before and afterwards for refreshments and chat. Please come and join us: no previous singing experienced required; make new friends, learn new songs and enjoy singing!



St Peter's Church
Film Club



Friday evening, 14th June, 7:30pm

‘Les Misérables’ (2012) 12 Rating

Multiple award-winning ‘Les Misérables’ has just been released on DVD and is a deeply powerful film, conveying the grittiness of life in 19th-century France. It tells an enthralling story of broken dreams and unrequited love, passion, sacrifice and redemption—a timeless testament to the survival of the human spirit. Hugh Jackman plays ex-prisoner Jean Valjean, hunted for decades by the ruthless policeman Javert (Russell Crowe) after he breaks parole. When Valjean agrees to care for dying factory worker Fantine’s (Ann Hathaway) young daughter, Cosette, (Amanda Seyfried) he finds his own life completely changed as a result of that promise.

The stage show has been seen by more than 60 million people in 42 countries and in 21 languages around the globe and is still breaking box-office records everywhere in its 27th year. Take this opportunity to see it on the big screen in the church centre!

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

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

What makes men risk car crashes? *Beware good looking men at the wheel of a car. More than two million men have had a car ‘crash’ of some sort in the last year while admiring themselves in their rear-view mirror. It seems that male motorists study their reflection between five and ten times in a half-hour journey, according to research carried out by MoreTh>n.*

That is not all that these so-called ‘motorsexual men’ do at the wheel. They apply deodorant (25%); use face wipes (15%); apply aftershave (13%); moisturiser (12%); and use mouthwash (10%). Six per cent of men even admitted to having applied fake tan, or make-up while driving. As one motoring expert observed: “It’s important that men leave their looks alone while driving, and pay attention to the roads.”

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

We have had a very busy and enjoyable half-term:

- Class 1 has been learning all about flowers and plants: they bought and planted seeds and held a plant sale. They've studied 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and grown their own runner beans, and made models of flowers. They had a brilliant trip to Tropical Butterfly House where they stroked a snake, a cockroach and a tenrec and saw a parrot riding a bicycle!
- Class 2 has been studying Mexico. They've written poems about Mexico, read stories and made masks. At the end of term they all dressed up for a Mexico day. They've also been learning ball and beanbag games and the importance of teamwork.
- Class 3 has been learning about the Victorians: they've studied Queen Victoria and learned about toys, clothes, houses and factories from that era. They made their own lavender bags and did weaving. This term they've also enjoyed going swimming every week with school.
- Class 4 has been looking at sculpture, and particularly the work of Barbara Hepworth. They made their own clay sculptures. Also this term they've written stories about imaginary worlds, done multi-media powerpoints and learned about electricity. In PE they've been doing athletics.
- Class 5 has been reading 'Worm Story' by Morris Gleitzman and have made powerpoints about the story and made their own fabric 'microbes'. In RE they have been comparing creation stories to science, and they've also enjoyed playing cricket.

Our Year 6 students worked very hard towards their SATs exams and we wish them all the best with their results and their preparations for moving on to high school. They will have taster days at their high schools this term and take part in various activities there to help them with the transition.

Mrs O'Kane (Class 1) and Miss Turner (Early Years Unit) are both starting their maternity leave this term. We wish them all the best with the arrival of their new babies!

On Thursday 13th June, our Early Years Unit will be holding an open evening for prospective new pupils and their families to have a look around and meet the practitioners. There will also be the opportunity to look around the main school.

Also on Thursday 13th June, our after school Glee Club will be holding a special concert: ‘Glee Jukebox’. Last year’s Glee concert was a tremendous success, and the children have been working very hard towards this year’s concert. Tickets cost £2.50 and are available from the school office.

Please have a look at our website: www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk. It has lots of photos of special activities at the school, as well as school information, newsletters, timetables and even homework!

Stanley Children’s Centre

*Long Causeway, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4JB, Tel: 01924 303181,
Centre Manager: Gill Shel Drake Open: Monday to Friday 8:30am—4:30pm*

The Children’s Centre offers support services to families with children under 5 and parents-to-be: advice on parenting, childcare, education, housing, benefits and finance; 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.

Day	Time	Group
Monday	9am—4:30pm 10am—3:30pm 1.30pm—3pm	<u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed. <u>Child Health Reviews</u> : by appointment. <u>Stay & 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	9:30am—12pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Rightsteps</u> : booking required. <u>Toddler Time</u> from 9—18 months.
Thursday	9:30am—12pm 1pm—2:15pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> by appointment. <u>Infant Massage Course</u>
Friday	9:30—11:30am 10am—12:30pm 12:15—1:15pm 1:45pm—2:45pm 2pm—4pm	<u>Childminding Support Group</u> <u>Child Health Reviews</u> by appointment. <u>Baby Yoga Course</u> <u>Infant Massage Course</u> <u>Midwife Drop-in Clinic</u> <i>(Continued on page 19)</i>

Please see overleaf for details of the regular groups and clinics at the Children’s Centre and below for news of some special events and courses.

- The Dial Drop-in Session on Monday 3rd June is from 9:30am—12pm.
- New Infant Massage Courses will be starting on Thursday 6th June from 1pm-2:15pm and on Friday 7th June from 1:45pm—2:45pm. Please contact the centre to book your place.
- A new Baby Yoga Course will be starting on Friday 7th June from 12:15pm-1:15pm. Please contact the centre to book your place.
- There is a Weaning Party on Tuesday 11th June from 1.45pm—3pm. Please contact the centre to book your place.
- There is a First Aid Course on Wednesday 26th June from 9.15am—11.15am. Booking required. There will also be a crèche available, at the cost of £1 per child.
- The Job Centre Plus Adviser will be visiting the centre on Wednesday, 26th June from 9am—12pm. Please book an appointment.

 * Join the Friends of Stanley Playground for the *
 * **Scarecrow Festival** *
 * **Saturday 21st September, 1pm-3pm** *
 * **In and around the playground on Lake Lock Rd** *
 *  *
 * Display your scarecrow outside your home, business *
 * or school from 14th September, then bring it to the playground *
 * between 11am and 1pm on Saturday 21st September. There are two *
 * categories of prizes: schools and businesses, and individuals/families. *
 * **With music, activities and refreshments on the day.** *
 * **Join us for a fun family afternoon!** *

Sundays – lazy no longer: *It seems that Sunday is not a day of rest anymore: we typically carry out about 15 jobs on the day. In fact, for one in ten of us, Sunday is one of the busiest days of our week, with cleaning, ironing and washing topping the list of laborious tasks. The study was carried out for Chef & Brewer. When is the last time you gave yourself simply a day to rest?*

Columba of Iona (c. 521 -97): 1450 years on

This month marks the 1450th anniversary of the arrival of Christianity in the UK. It was brought by St Columba from Ireland to Iona, a tiny island off Mull, in the Western Highlands. Columba was born in Donegal of the royal Ui Neill clan, and trained as a monk. He founded the monasteries of Derry, Durrow and Kells but left Ireland in 565 with 12 companions, and founded the monastery on Iona.

As well as establishing the monastery on Iona, Columba also converted Brude, king of the Picts. He also had great skill as a scribe; an example being the Cathach of Columba, a late 6th century psalter in the Irish Academy, which is the oldest surviving example of Irish majuscule writing.

It is a tribute to this man that his traditions were upheld by his followers for about a century, not least in the Synod of Whitby and in Irish monasteries on the continent of Europe.

Here is a prayer of St Columba:

Christ With Us

*My dearest Lord,
Be Thou a bright flame before me,
Be Thou a guiding star above me,
Be Thou a smooth path beneath me,
Be Thou a kindly shepherd behind me,
Today and evermore.*



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St Peter's Community Café

At: St Peter's Church Centre, Lake Lock Road



**Open Mondays—Fridays
10:30am—2pm**

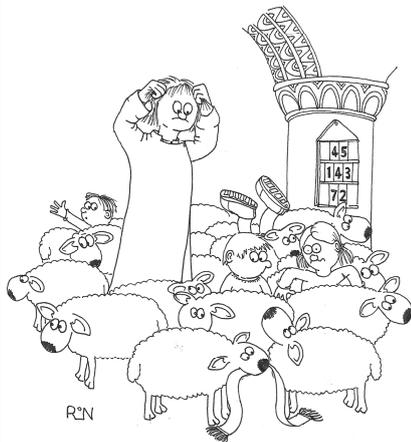


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Cartoon Corner



Pam's sermon illustrations had a habit of going pear-shaped



"I've heard the vicar has a problem with squatters moving in to the belfry."

Prayers for June



Prayer for faith in God

Heavenly Father, when the world is wobbling and our lives spin out of our control, when everything seems wrong and we don't know how to put things right, give us the gift of faith: *believing* faith, *trusting* faith, *expectant* faith.

Faith to *believe* that Jesus is Lord, your Son and our Saviour, alive today. Faith to transfer our *trust* from our own efforts, which are insufficient, to his achievement on the cross, which is all-sufficient, bringing forgiveness and reconciliation with you, our creator and loving Father.

And *expectant* faith, that in our trouble, in our helplessness, in our fear, you will hear our prayers and act; you will bring hope and healing, rest and resolution, for your kingdom glory and for our benefit and well-being. In every circumstance of our lives, give us faith – in you, Sovereign Lord. In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

By Daphne Kitching

River and Sky

Move our hearts with the calm, smooth flow of your grace. Let the river of your love run through our souls. May my soul be carried by the current of your love, towards the wide, infinite ocean of heaven. Stretch out my heart with your strength, as you stretch out the sky above the earth. Smooth out any wrinkles of hatred or resentment. Enlarge my soul that it may know more fully your truth.

A prayer of Gilbert of Hoyland, (died c.1170)

Afloat, afield

God and Jesus and the Spirit so pure,
Possess me, and shield me, assist me sure,
Order my path and before my soul go
In hollow, on hill, and on plain below,
Afloat, afield, the assisting Three sure.

An ancient Celtic prayer



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