

May

**The Forester**

2021

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Voluntary Arts

*Funding Aims:*

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## Get Creative

Voluntary Arts works to promote and increase active participation in creative cultural activities across the UK and the Republic of Ireland. This encompasses everything from traditional amateur arts and crafts (singing, drama, dancing, quilting, painting, photography, writing, etc) to digital arts, street art, creative cookery and gardening - from knitting a jumper to playing a guitar, making a short film to arranging flowers, from self-governed constituted amateur arts groups to informal get-togethers and individual everyday creativity - from 'serious amateur' to the occasional participant.

We support, connect and advocate for self-governed creative groups to nurture our vital creative cultural ecosystems; to help make them sustainable for those who run them, and to help make group creativity accessible to as many people as possible.

**Call out to help Creative Community Champions thrive!**

**Do you lead, organise or provide a venue for creative cultural activities that take place regularly in social groups?**

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# The Forester

## In this Issue



**May 2021**  
**New This issue**

Welcome to the May issue of the Forester, the parish magazine for Challock & Molash.

There is no winner of the **Sudoku Prize Draw** competition this month there were no entries. So if you had entered you would have won! This month's Sudoku puzzle is on page 26, the solution to last month's puzzle is on page 11.

Amnesty International is sixty years old this month read all about it on page 37.

Another poem from our own local poet Lynwen Paddy just go to page 15 to read She Mist.

One of the nicest things about May is two bank holidays! Plenty of time to sit in the garden and enjoy the spring. Plus with Covid restrictions being relaxed most of the bank holiday boot fairs will be able to go ahead.

Lots of articles in this month so plenty to read when you are not outside sorting out the garden.

Looking forward to getting outside and meeting a few people so let's hope the lockdown easing continues and we can move back to some form of normality.

I am always interested in any articles, poems or stories. Please just send them to the email address below.

Thank You

Mick Maidens (Editor)

Email: [forester@challock.org.uk](mailto:forester@challock.org.uk)

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## Challock Church Events and Services in 2021

The next Sunday service at Challock church is on 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 9.30am. This will be a communion service taken by The Revd Cathy Sigrist. Everyone is welcome.

On Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am there will be a lay-led Family Service. All Covid rules on church services will apply in May, i.e social distancing, face masks to be worn, no singing, no refreshments and no social gathering in the church afterwards. We hope that Covid restrictions will have ended by June.

We shall continue through the year with a clergy-led Communion on the first Sunday of each month at 9.30 am, and a lay-led Morning Service on the third Sunday at 10.30 am.

## Fund Raising Events at Challock

The Flower Festival will be held in the church over the August Bank Holiday with theme of "New Beginnings". Organiser Linda Wooltorton.

The Friends of Challock Church are planning a Village Fete in September on the Cricket Field. Organiser John Burden.

Call **Clare on 740356** or **Peter on 740213** for clarifications & the latest information.

## Challock Village PC Contact Details



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# What's on at The Methodist Chapel?

## TUESDAY.

Community Coffee Morning: Every fourth Tuesday of the month 10.30am - 12pm  
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## WEDNESDAY.

Pebbles Mother & Baby/Toddler Group: Every Wednesday 9.30 - 11.30am. Songs & play for tots, refreshments and chat for mothers. Contact Pat on 07813 625105.

## Roaring Twenties:

1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month. A social club for the over fifties.

## SUNDAY.

Service: Every Sunday 10.30am - 11.30am followed by refreshments.

For more information call Mrs Jill Jones on **01233 714610**



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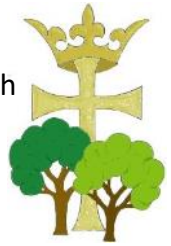
A 24 hour helpline has been set up to support vulnerable people in Kent who need urgent help, supplies or medication.

see page 19 for more details



# King's Wood Benefice

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Dear friends

## Thy Kingdom Come...

Every time we pray The Lord's Prayer, we pray 'Thy Kingdom Come'. Thy Kingdom Come has now become a global prayer movement, in its own right, that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost, 13<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> May, that more people may come to know Jesus.

Since its start in the Canterbury Diocese in May 2016, God has grown Thy Kingdom Come from a dream of a possibility into a global movement. During this time, churches from over 65 denominations and 172 countries have taken part in praying 'Come Holy Spirit', so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ.

During the 11 days of "Thy Kingdom Come", every person, household and church are encouraged to pray in their own way and I would like to invite you to join in. During this time, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will:

- *Deepen their own relationship with Jesus Christ*
- *Pray for 5 friends or family to come to faith in Jesus and pray*
- *For the empowerment of the Spirit that we are effective in our witness*

After the very first Ascension Day the Disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

It is our prayer that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and his love for the world will hear it for themselves, and respond and follow Him. Specifically, we invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 friends who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

What an amazing gift you can give to a friend, family member and/or colleague! So whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, I invite you to take part this year – along with Christians all over the world.

As Archbishop Welby says: *"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities."* I pray that you will join with us. See our website for details.

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*Yours in Christ,*

*Cathy*

# CHURCH SERVICES – CHALLOCK, MOLASH & METHODIST CHAPEL

**May 2021**

See website [kingswoodbenefice.co.uk](http://kingswoodbenefice.co.uk)

**All Covid restrictions will apply in both Churches**

**2<sup>nd</sup> May**  
9.30 AM

- **Easter 5 God Parents' Day**  
Holy Communion at Challock Church

**REMEMBER NO FIVE CHURCH WALK ON 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY**

**9<sup>th</sup> May**  
9.30 AM

- **Easter 6 Rogation Sunday**  
Holy Communion (BCP) at Molash Church

**16<sup>th</sup> May**  
10.30 AM

- **Easter 7 Ascension Day**  
Lay-Led Family Service at Challock Church

**23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
9.30 AM

- **Pentecost Whit Sunday**  
Lay-Led Morning Worship at Molash Church

**30<sup>th</sup> May**  
11.00 AM

- **Trinity Sunday**  
Kings Wood Benefice Service at Challock Church

## **Methodist Chapel**

**ZOOM SERVICE** every Sunday at 11.30 am

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Pat Feddon

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## **Gift?**

I asked my mother if I was a gifted child. She said I must have been, because they certainly wouldn't have paid for me.



## **Chicken run**

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2	8	5	3	9	4	1	7	6
1	5	8	4	6	2	3	9	7
4	9	3	8	7	1	5	6	2
6	2	7	5	3	9	8	1	4
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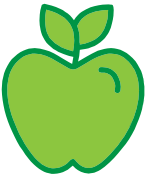


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## The She Mist

(by Lynwen Paddy, March 2021)

Her silvery grey veil shrouds the village -  
a suspension of spun sugar hovering over the landscape.  
Hanging ominously like a scene from a gothic thriller  
she wraps around and cloaks, invading miles of open space.

Sun sinks, wind withdraws, the rain hides its drops in her gown.  
Serenely still and unruffled a hushed silence descends.  
Air pure and refined if you inhale under her feather down.  
The cold surface of the earth her favoured friend.

She beckons me with swirls of glacial ghostly steam.  
Walking in her company will chill me to the core,  
but I'm enticed to drift and dream,  
to roam and to explore the vanishing lands at her distant shore.

Once within her cold embrace time itself is stalled.  
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Our final lecture of the season will be on 9<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30 pm Giles Ramsay on 'Shakespeare and Birth of Modern Show Business'.

Information on each lecture is available on our website [theartsocietyegerton.org.uk](http://theartsocietyegerton.org.uk)

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- It will be fully marshalled and signposted with regular checkpoints for you and your dogs to take on refreshments,
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However due to various restrictions one or two things have had to change;

- We cannot hire Harrietsham Village Hall as it is being used for Covid vaccinations so we are intending using the field opposite the church as the start and finish point using gazebos for registration.
- A knock-on effect is that we cannot provide food this year
- We will also be asking you to bring a drinking vessel to fill up at the various checkpoints to save multi-handling of cups with the commensurate risk of spreading Covid

We do hope these inconveniences will not put you off & are hoping for a good turnout after almost 18 months without any real events.

We are still finalising the detail but intend to start accepting registrations by Mid May. Why not check out our website

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In the future, office will be mainly for collaborating or attending meetings, or for storing vital equipment and IT. Working in an office five days a week will become a thing of the past. And of course, that, in turn, will have a profound impact on the look and shape of our cities.

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## **May Day**

**1st May 2021**

May Day is an ancient spring festival, traditionally celebrated with maypole dancing.

## **May Day Bank Holiday**

**3rd May 2021**

A Bank Holiday in the UK and Ireland. In 2020 this has been moved to a Friday to celebrate VE Day

## **Star Wars Day**

**4th May 2021**

May the Fourth Be With You.

## **Walk to School Week**

**17th May ~ 21st May 2021**

Annual event to encourage children and their parents to walk to school, organised by Living Streets.

## **World Bee Day**

**20th May 2021**

The purpose of World Bee Day is to raise awareness of the importance of pollinators, the threats they face and their contribution to sustainable development.

## **May Half Term**

**31st May ~ 8th June 2021**

Challock Primary School includes an Inset Day. Last day of term five 28th May

First Day of Term 6 8th June. [www.challockprimaryschool.co.uk/term-dates/](http://www.challockprimaryschool.co.uk/term-dates/)

Other Schools may vary.

## **Spring Bank Holiday**

**31st May 2021**

A Bank Holiday in the UK and Ireland.

## **Laughter Lines Sportsmanlike**



During a game, the coach asked one of his young players: "Do you understand what cooperation is? What a team is?" The little boy nodded yes. "Do you understand that what matters is winning together as a team?" The little boy nodded yes. "So," the coach continued, "when a strike is called, or you are out at first, you don't argue or curse or attack the umpire. Do you understand all that?" Again, the boy nodded yes.

"Good," said the coach. "Now go over there and explain it to your mother."

## **Mea Culpa**

A group of lads took a trip to France and decided to attend Mass in a small town, even though none of them understood French. They managed to stand, kneel and sit when the rest of the congregation did, so it wouldn't be obvious they were tourists. At one point, the priest spoke and the man sitting next to them stood up, so they got up, too. The entire congregation broke into hearty laughter.

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**Sidesmen:** Messrs Bostock, Naismith, Punter & Vinson  
**Secretary to PCC:** Miss G. Naismith

**Sunday School at Challock:** Numbers are climbing steadily, and it is good to see so many seniors coming along. This means that we must split up into age groups after our preliminary worship and we are most grateful that Robin Wilde and Rosemary Taylor are coming into help until at least Easter. Mrs Wilde at the harmonium has made such a difference to the singing

**Parish Register:** “I am the Resurrection and the Life”  
February 5<sup>th</sup> – **Emily Kate Moon** Rest Eternal.....Light perpetual

**Mothering Sunday:** The children will want to bring their mothers on mothering Sunday and of course mothers will want to come. Services – 9.30 at Molash and 11 am at Challock. Our purpose will be three-fold – To thank God for mother at home, for Mother Church, and of course for the Mother of our Lord. Please do not call this Mother’s Day in spite of all the wrappers on the chocolate boxes. There is far more to Mothering Sunday than this, especially as three mothers and just not one are concerned

**EGG-TRAORDINAY:** “That’s life” said the egg on the monastery breakfast table  
“Out of the frying pan into the friar”

**NEWS OF MOLASH:** It has been a struggle with the snow beating us on two Sundays. However, thanks to Mr. Aldridge we have been able to use the Village hall during February and this has meant a comfortable heat instead of the dank chill (we must admit it) of the Church. March, we hope will see the resumption of Church Services and with Lent we must make a fitting preparation for Easter. We expect you to pull your weight throughout Lent. Television Services are very cosy and you can be sure of a first-rate preacher and good choir. Remember the value of worship lies in what you give rather than what you get. Ask yourself – what do I give at a television or radio service?

Molash is to have a fete, probably on S<sup>t</sup> Peter’s Day which is on Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup>. Book this date and bring your friends. Miss Knight and Miss Rowland have kindly offered the use of their garden and plans are well under way. Electricity at Molash Church seems essential, though costly. It will give us far greater scope for both heating and lighting. This is our objective, even though difficulties lie in our way.

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# Nature Notes

What a year we are having for Primroses!

They are so good every year but for the force of nature this winter seems to have provided the ideal conditions.

I have seen them in so many different places, locally on the banks of White Hill, Mill Lane, my own garden and now on plot 1 of the rewilding scheme. Earlier this week I had cause to walk around Boughton under Blean whilst my vehicle was being fixed and they were there in abundance on the banks of the A2, clearly on made up ground from the time of the roads construction that gives me hope.

Primroses are surprise, surprise members of the primula family. The Latin name for them is *Primula Vulgaris* meaning common, they must have been numerous when the list was compiled. Their closest relative is the Cow Slip *Primula Verdi's*, sadly, much less common now.

Primroses are an important food source for brimstone butterflies (they are the greeny/ yellow ones that are some of the earliest to emerge from winter hibernation) and bumble bees. The seeds of primroses are often spread by ants, who carry them off to store in their nests, they are a long lived plant and can be spread by us gardeners also by splitting the clumps up after flowering.

The spring is progressing slowly this year due to the cold nights but this is good as we do not want a burst of cold weather to follow a warm spell as this is not good for wildlife. That said we have been watching a pair of blackbirds in our garden who thrilled us by laying their first egg in their beautifully crafted nest this week. But still no swallows nor a cuckoo, however the BTO advise us this week that one of their tracker birds had reached the Iberian Peninsula on its way to us from W Africa. We hope he gets here and reminds us of a familiar sound when we were young.

“Walker

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Did you know you can look at the Parish Council meeting minutes  
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## Competition Sudoku

The objective is to fill a 9×9 grid with digits so that each column, each row, and each of the nine 3×3 sub-grids that compose the grid contains all of the digits 1 to 9.

The same single integer may not appear twice in the same 9×9 playing board row or column or in any of the nine 3×3 sub-regions of the 9×9 playing board.

*Last Months Solution page 9*

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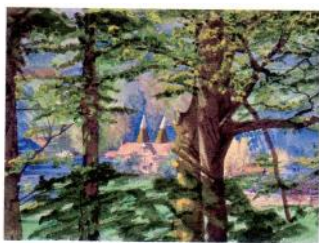
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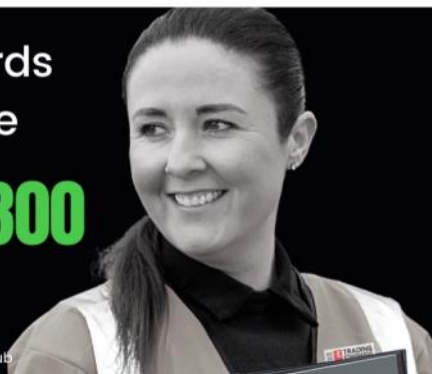


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[www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home#businesses-and-venues](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home#businesses-and-venues)

Public complaints about Kent businesses breaching Covid rules have more than doubled since lockdown rules were imposed. We are reminding businesses that can open [www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home#businesses-and-venues-which-can-remain-open](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home#businesses-and-venues-which-can-remain-open) of their obligation to keep staff & customers safe.

## Face Coverings

It is compulsory to wear face coverings in shops, shopping centres, banks, public transport, places of worship etc.

Challenge customers who are not wearing masks - you can refuse entry if they do not have an exemption. The police can enforce if necessary.

## Social Distancing

Social distancing both within your premises and outside, including queues, is your responsibility to manage. Below are some things you can do.

Consider appropriate staffing, security and queue management and make sure there are sufficient markings in place to support 2-meter social distancing, one-way systems and limits to the number of customers inside at any one time.

Regular announcements to remind staff & customers to follow social distancing advice.

## What help is there?

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## We Chose to Go to the Moon

On 25<sup>th</sup> May 1961, President John F Kennedy announced to Congress that the United States 'should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the Moon and returning him safely to the Earth.'

This reflected the United States' desire to catch the Soviet Union up in the space race. Although an extremely challenging goal, it was achieved on 20<sup>th</sup> July 1969, when Apollo 11 commander Neil Armstrong stepped on to the Moon's surface.

'We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they are easy, but because they are hard' JFK 12<sup>th</sup> September 1962 Rice University

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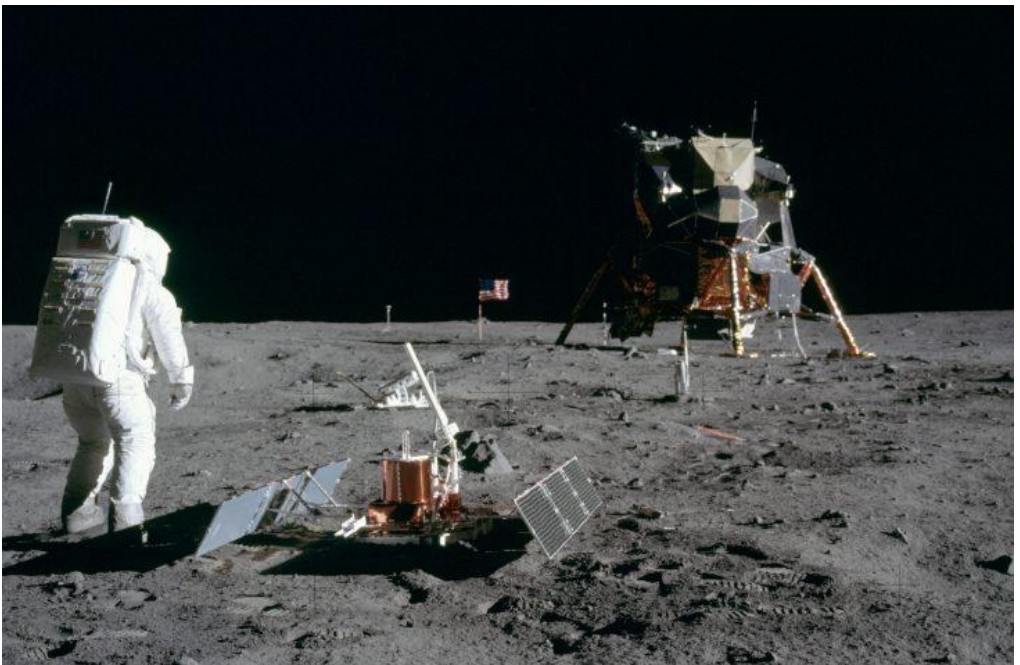
#### **Aldrin Looks Back at Tranquility Base - Moon Landing 20<sup>th</sup> July 1969**

On 20<sup>th</sup> July 1969, America's Apollo 11 landed on the moon, making history as the first humans set foot on another world.

Lunar Module pilot Buzz Aldrin was photographed during the Apollo 11 extravehicular activity on the moon by mission commander Neil Armstrong. Aldrin had just deployed the Early Apollo Scientific Experiments Package. In the foreground is the Passive Seismic Experiment Package; beyond it is the Laser Ranging Retro-Reflector (LR-3); in the far right background is the Lunar Module "Eagle."

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# Challock Parish News



## Help for the Local Isolating

For anyone in the village that is self-isolating and need help with posting mail, pick up shopping, urgent supplies, or a friendly chat on the phone - just call the clerk Di Sandy on **01233 740887** or **07895 494851**. Challock Village Stores and The Barn Shop are able to deliver basic supplies to parishioners in the village who are self-isolating. Please call Angela Challock Post Office on **740313** or Paul The Barn Shop on **740237** or email [paulbarkaway@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:paulbarkaway@yahoo.co.uk) Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every precaution to ensure you are spreading only kindness. Keep your distance. Wash your hands regularly. Hands, Face, Space, Fresh Air.

## PC Luke Jones Report for March

There were 2 reported crimes of note including theft of motor vehicle and burglary. Although there have been no catalytic converters reported stolen in the area this month, there have been several reported in other parts of Ashford. Please remain vigilant for any suspicious behaviour.

## A252 Road Safety Improvements

Alan Osuoha thanked the Parish Council for the feedback & will continue to address the raised issues on this scheme. There are two works review period to complete.

**Road Safety Audit Stage 3** - identify safety concerns raised post construction

**General Safer Roads Route Review** - Impact of the proposal on driver behaviour i.e., speeds, collision etc.

## Challock Post Office Outreach Service

The Outreach service in Challock will operate temporarily from the premises of the village stores, whilst the Post Office Ltd continue to search for a permanent solution. Services - offer all the Mails products.

Opening Times - Tuesday & Thursday 2 – 4 pm

## Local Post Offices

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Wednesday & Saturday 9 am – 1 pm.

## The William Oure Charity

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**Play Park**- The Parish Council arranges for weekly sanitation of the play park equipment and provides hand sanitizer. New Play Park Equipment - the installation of the new equipment is planned for the beginning of June 2021.

## **The Lees – Wildflower Borders**

Area 5 has been seeded by the school children. There has been a positive response from parishioners and there has already been 26 wildflower varieties coming up in the re-wilding areas. There are plans to plant 1200 plugs in these areas in the Autumn. Wildflower project information and a map of the wildflower areas is on the village website.



## **Speed watch**

Clerk is liaising with Speed watch to arrange training sessions for 2 groups. The proposed speed watch points have not been approved due to health and safety reasons. Clerk is waiting to hear on new proposed sites.

## **Spring Litter Pick**

Clerk to organize litter pick after completed training. Parishioners can borrow equipment should they wish to carry their own litter pick.

## **The Lees – Bollards Implementation**

The implementation of the bollards at the top section of the Lees is near completion. Feedback from parishioners has been well received. The grounds man has removed alternative reflectors from the bollards to reduce the impact. The lights should dull down in time.

## **Challock Goose Fair**

In the past the goose fair has helped with funding for a new village hall and for local clubs. Funding is becoming more difficult to obtain for community clubs and for parish projects. Funding for new or improved footpaths and road safety measures are proving difficult to obtain. The Parish Council would like to hear from parishioners their thoughts on re-establishing the goose fair.

## **Queens Platinum Jubilee June 2022**

Nation will come together over a four-day Bank Holiday weekend to celebrate The Queen's 70-year reign. Extensive programme of public events will mix traditional pageantry with cutting edge technological displays. Jubilee medal will be created and awarded to public services workers. Opportunity for the village to come together and organise events to mark this special occasion post pandemic.

## **Village Website – [challockparishcouncil.gov.uk](https://www.challockparishcouncil.gov.uk)**

**Facebook Page** - For up-to-date information and important announcements you can visit Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Challock-Parish-Council>.

**Communications** - Parishioners can email directly to the Clerk on [parishclerkchallockpc@gmail.com](mailto:parishclerkchallockpc@gmail.com) or via the **Village Website** or **Facebook**.

**The Parish Council meetings:** the next virtual parish meeting will be held on **6th May 2021 at 7.30pm**. You can telephone in and listen to the meeting as well as accessing the meeting through laptop/computer or mobile phone.

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# Recycling Information

[www.recycle-more.co.uk](http://www.recycle-more.co.uk)

Want to know more about recycling? Go to this website, it's a one-stop recycling information centre. You will find help and advice on all aspects of recycling at home, at school and in the workplace right here! Simply explore the site or try their recycling search facility.



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Challock Parish Council are increasingly receiving complaints of dog fouling on the Lees and cricket ground. This is causing a nuisance to parishioners and a potential health risk especially to children. If your dog fouls in a public place, **PLEASE CLEAN IT UP.** Several dog bins have been provided around the village **PLEASE USE THEM.**



## Elections 2021

Residents go to the polls on 6<sup>th</sup> May to cast their vote for our next Kent Police & Crime Commissioner and also in Kent County Council elections.

As a result of pandemic health and safety measures, you may not be able to vote at your usual polling station and you may have to travel further to vote in a polling station. It may also take longer to vote than usual.

## Smile Lines

### Finding

The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in the dark.

### Skydive

You do not need a parachute to skydive - you need a parachute to skydive twice.

### Do the maths

A teacher posed the following problem to one of her maths classes: "A wealthy man dies & leaves ten million pounds. One-fifth is to go to his wife, one-fifth is to go to his son, one-sixth to his butler, and the rest to charity. Now, what does each get?"

After a very long silence in the classroom, one little boy raised his hand. With complete sincerity, he ventured, "A solicitor?"



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### Need to talk to a Molash Parish Councillor ?

Here are their names, they are all contactable via the parish clerk:

**Sarah Williams** (Chair)  
**Chris Drage**

**Delenda James**

**Tony Dodd** (Vice Chairman)  
**Angela Goodsell**

Parish Clerk Tina Cobourn, contact - [molashpc@gmail.com](mailto:molashpc@gmail.com) or 07922 085423

## Molash Parish Council Minutes

The minutes for Molash Parish Council meetings can now be found by visiting the  
Molash Web site on [www.molashpc.org.uk](http://www.molashpc.org.uk)



# Molash Matters

Have you visited our MOLASH WEBSITE on  
[molashpc.org.uk](http://molashpc.org.uk)



Our Facebook page can be found at [Molash Parish Council](#) and follow us to receive updates on what's happening in the village.

## Molash PC need your assistance to introduce a regular Speedwatch Campaign

**PLEASE VOLUNTEER** so that we can help to rid the village of this noise nuisance. Please join, as per the instructions below, or contact one of the councillors or send your details to: [smwilliams345@gmail.com](mailto:smwilliams345@gmail.com)

### Volunteers wanted



Can you help your community and spare a few hours to reduce speeding vehicles in your area?

Molash Speedwatch Scheme are looking for volunteers to support them in reducing speed and improving the safety on their roads with the support of the police.

Speedwatch is a community-based scheme where volunteers record speed of passing vehicles in the area where they live. Around 90% of vehicles observed once by Speedwatch volunteers are not seen speeding again in the next 12 months within Kent.

#### CONTACT US

If you would like to join the group and help, please go to [www.communityspeedwatch.org](http://www.communityspeedwatch.org) to register.

For more information, visit the Kent Police website  
[www.kent.police.uk/speedwatch](http://www.kent.police.uk/speedwatch)



Molash Parish Council wish Delenda and Chris every happiness in their new home and thank Delenda for her support as a Parish Councillor

Unfortunately, but understandably, we still have no events planned for the near future, but with everything getting closer to normal we hope to be planning some events for the summer months to entertain.

Litter picking is high on the agenda  
**Watch this space**

## Invitation to apply for the vacant Molash Parish Councillor position

Due to the resignation of one of the councillors (as mentioned above) we are looking to recruit a new member. If you are interested in becoming a councillor please contact Tina Cobourn, the Parish Clerk, on 07759 816757 for further details.

#### Eligibility Criteria:

1. Aged 18 or over
2. Be a British Citizen
3. Name must be on the Electoral Register in the parish
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# Amnesty International celebrates 60 years

Amnesty International was founded in London 60 years ago, on 28th May 1961.

A non-governmental organisation with its headquarters in the United Kingdom, Amnesty International focuses on human rights and is believed to have more than seven million members and supporters around the world. It was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1977 for its “defence of human dignity against torture”.



Amnesty came together following the publication of an article in The Observer, 'The Forgotten Prisoners', by Peter Benenson, a Jewish lawyer whose mother Flora Benenson was Russian. His father Harold Solomon was British, but he died when Peter was nine. Peter, who was tutored by W H Auden and went to Eton and Balliol, took his mother's name much later as a tribute to his grandfather, a gold tycoon.

With a group of lawyers and as a member of the Labour Party he also founded Justice, the influential human rights and law reform organisation, in 1957, but the following year he fell ill and moved to Italy to convalesce, where he converted to Roman Catholicism.

Amnesty campaigns to put pressure on governments where human rights abuse takes pace. It considers capital punishment to be "the ultimate, irreversible denial of human rights."

## CHALLOCK PARISH CLERK

Diane Sandy is the Parish Clerk and can be contacted on **07895 494851** or email [parishclerkchallockpc@gmail.com](mailto:parishclerkchallockpc@gmail.com)

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## All in the Month of May

200 years ago, on 5th May 1821 that Napoleon Bonaparte, Emperor of France (1804 – 1815) died of stomach cancer. He was in exile on the island of Saint Helena in the South Atlantic, aged 51.

175 years ago, on 30th May 1846 that Peter Carl Fabergé was born. This Russian goldsmith and jeweller was best known for his fabulously decorated Fabergé eggs.

150 years ago, on 11th May 1871 that John Herschel, British astronomer, mathematician, chemist and pioneering photographer died. Amongst other things, he named seven of Saturn's moons and investigated colour blindness. He was also President of the Royal Astronomical Society three times.

100 years ago, on 3rd May 1921 that Ireland was divided into Northern Ireland and Southern Ireland (now known as the Republic of Ireland).

100 years ago, on 15th May, that the British Legion was founded.

90 years ago, 1<sup>st</sup> May 1931 The Empire State Building, New York City was opened

80 years ago, on 1st–7th May 1941 that the German Blitz on Liverpool left nearly 3,000 dead and 70,000 homeless. Liverpool was the 2nd most targeted British city.

80 years ago, on 10th May 1941 the last major Blitz attack on London caused heavy damage to many important buildings, including the Houses of Parliament, St James Palace, Westminster Abbey, Lambeth Palace, several railway stations and hospitals, the British Museum and the Old Bailey. More than 1,300 people were killed on one night. During the Blitz, London was bombed for 57 nights in a row.

75 years ago 11th May 1946 first CARE packages for Europe arrived in Le Havre to help people starving after WWII. They were actually surplus US Army rations

70 years ago, on 3rd May 1951 that the Festival of Britain and the Royal Festival Hall in London were opened. The aim of the Festival was to lift the nation's spirits by celebrating British industry, arts and science.

70 years ago, on 9th May 1951 that the Lake District National Park was established.

70 years ago, on 25th May 1951 that the British spies Guy Burgess and Donald Maclean fled to Moscow. They were members of the infamous Cambridge spy ring, and their whereabouts remained unknown until 1956.

60 years ago, on 28th May 1961 that Amnesty International was founded in London.

40 years ago, on 13th May 1981 that Pope John Paul II was shot and seriously wounded by a Turkish gunman in an assassination attempt in St Peter's Square.

30 years ago, on 16th May 1991 that Queen Elizabeth II became the first British monarch to address the US Congress.

25 years ago, on 30th May 1996 that Prince Andrew, Duke of York, and his wife Sarah, Duchess of York, were divorced.

20 years ago, on 7th May 2001 that Great Train Robber Ronnie Biggs returned to the UK from Brazil where he had lived as a fugitive for 36 years. He was immediately arrested and sent to prison to complete his sentence. Released on compassionate grounds in 2009, he died in 2013.



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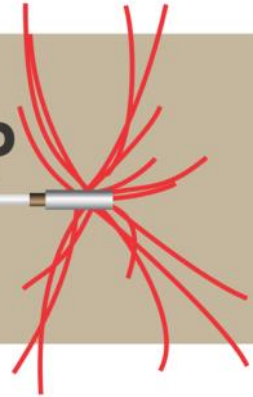
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## Urgent Treatment Centres

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The primary purpose of the Urgent Treatment Centre is to relieve the pressure on A&E Departments by treating minor injuries and illnesses that are urgent, but not life threatening.

**For example** - Sprains and strains, suspected broken limbs, minor head injuries, cuts and grazes, bites and stings, minor scalds and burns, ear and throat infections, eye problems, coughs and colds, feverish illness in adults, feverish illness in children, abdominal pain, vomiting and diarrhoea and emergency contraception.

Clearly if the illness is an emergency and life threatening you should dial 999.

Our nearest Urgent Treatment Centre is at the William Harvey Hospital and it operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including bank holidays. The centres are led by GPs and are equipped to diagnose and deal with many of the most common ailments for which people attend A&E.

If you are in doubt, the best thing is to call NHS 111 or go to [www.111.nhs.uk](http://www.111.nhs.uk). They will be able to direct you to the most appropriate service and will also be able to cut down on your waiting time by booking an appointment ahead of your arrival.

## Important Reminder to Update Patient Details.

If you have moved or changed your landline, mobile number or email address, please remember to update the patient details held on you at the Surgery. Do this, too, if the details about your next of kin or who to contact in an emergency have changed.

If your details are not up to date, you may miss a call about a vaccine appointment or, in a worst case scenario, an ambulance could be sent to the wrong address in an emergency, when time is critical.

Judith Timms  
PPG Chair

## Self-Isolating Contacts

Are you self-isolating? Contact one of these organisations for help & support

<b>Age UK</b>	<b>0800 678 1602</b>	<b>Asthma UK</b>	<b>0300 222 5800</b>
<b>BHF</b>	<b>0300 330 3311</b>	<b>Diabetes UK</b>	<b>0345 123 2399</b>
<b>Mind</b>	<b>0300 123 3393</b>	<b>The Silver Line</b>	<b>0800 470 8090</b>
<b>Scope</b>	<b>0808 800 3333</b>	<b>Parish Clerk</b>	<b>07895 494851</b>

# How to keep ground coffee fresh

The battle rages: just where IS the best place to store your ground coffee?

Sainsburys, Morrisons, Asda, Marks & Spencer and Ocado are among the supermarkets that advise you keep fresh ground coffee in a fridge or freezer after opening.

But Tesco, Waitrose and Harrods advise that you store ground coffee and beans in a cool, dry place such a kitchen cupboard.

Many coffee experts warn that storing your coffee in the fridge is wrong because coffee easily absorbs aroma, moisture and flavours, and can be tainted by fish, meat and cheese.

Martin Isark, founder of the Can I Eat It website, laments: “So much coffee is spoilt by poor storage, which makes the coffee producers want to weep...”

Paul Rooke of the British Coffee Association adds: “Coffee, like many food and drink products when exposed to air, will deteriorate. Cool and dry are the key words; the ideal storage is in an inert, airtight container stored in a cool place.”

## Is there life without the BBC?



Could you live happily without the BBC? Just try it for two weeks.

That was the recent challenge of the corporation’s outgoing chairman, Sir David Clementi, to a group of critics who said they resented the licence fee.

Apparently, 9 days later, two thirds of the critics had changed their mind & said that the licence was worth every penny. Sir David observed that when “things that they took for granted are removed from them, they realise how valuable the BBC is.”

So he encourages anyone else who thinks that the license is not worth £3 a week, to try life without the BBC. “I think that most people would find it very hard to cope.”

## Beware the use-by date

Nobody likes to throw food away, but if you ignore the use by dates and go by smell alone, you can risk serious illness.

So warns the Food Standards Agency. In a recent study, the regulator found that half of us do not always check use-by dates.

Many of us still smell the milk to see if it is still okay, even Theresa May, the former Prime Minister, has admitted to scraping the mould off jam in order to cut waste.

The agency has warned that some Britons who actively ignore use-by dates could risk being hospitalised. Use-by dates are carefully calculated by assessing bacteria on food which could multiply to make them ill.

A spokesman for the agency said: “It’s great that consumers are trying to minimise food waste, but there are lots of ways to do that without gambling with your health, such as planning your meals ahead of time, checking what you have in the fridge that is close to its use-by date, and freezing food right up until the use-by dates.”

Sadly, there are around 2.4million cases of food poisoning each year & 180 deaths.

# Climate Change is Happening

*Pat Crawford provides the Rural Focus Press Group Comment & Advice Column*

A.C.Goatham and Son, the UK's largest top fruit producers (primarily apples and pears) with 25 farms located throughout Kent, have installed one of the UK's largest solar panel systems using existing roof space at two of the company's farms. The energy generated will be sufficient to power all the company's cold storage and packing facilities.

According to research based at Oxford University and led by the university's Economic Recovery Project and the Global Recovery Observatory together with the United Nations Environment Programme, countries around the world are falling short of commitments to 'build back better' after the Covid 19 pandemic; only 18% of recovery spending going towards 'green investment'. An analysis of pandemic - related fiscal policies of 50 leading economies concludes that, of the \$46 trillion (that is \$46 thousand billion) expended last year, a mere \$386 billion could be considered green and sustainable that is less than 0.85%

Five Technical Working Groups are preparing a global roadmap designed to achieve the seventh Sustainable Development Goal (SDG 7); affordable and clean energy for all by 2030 and net-zero emissions by 2050. According to the UN, energy consumption is responsible for three-quarters of all greenhouse gas emissions. The Global Champion Ministers are tasked with galvanizing voluntary commitments towards achieving SDG 7 and long-term climate goals aligned to the 2014 Paris Climate Change Agreement.

Morrison's has announced its intention 'to be completely supplied by Net Zero Carbon (**NZC**) British farms by 2030'. The supermarket intends launching NZC eggs in 2022 followed by beef in 2025.

**CCS** – carbon capture and storage – promoted by the UN – involves capturing emissions resulting from major industrial processes or the burning of fossil fuels in power generation and then transporting the carbon (ship or pipeline) to be stored deep underground in geological formations. The idea is not new but it has risen up the UN agenda as time begins to run out to deliver on the Paris Agreement.

**MHA** MacIntyre Hudson, one of the UK's largest accountancy firms, is leading a Campaign 'Support British Business'. Recognise, Appreciate, Value and Buy into everything we do well in Britain. This includes our vitally important farming industry. 'Support British Business' will help to save existing jobs, create new ones and assist the country back to economic stability.

**Footnote.** *Sponsored by Patricia Crawford Associates and MHA MacIntyre Hudson, the Rural Focus Group includes representatives/individuals from the National Farmers' Union, Country Landowners' Association, Action for Communities in Rural Kent, The English Apple Man, Hadlow Rural Community School, Greenwich University, Campaign for the Protection of Rural England, Ken Lyndon-Dykes, Kent Farmers' Market Association, Friends of the Earth, Kent Young Farmers, Professor Ian Swingland, Produced in Kent, Men of Kent and Kentish Men, Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution, Kent Tree and Pond Partnership, East Malling Research etc.*

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**Challock Chatter** is the place to go to find a recommended tradesman. Whether a plumber or electrician just ask to find the go to guy.

**Challock Chatter** has well over 1000 members and is doing well with lots of questions and advice being asked and given. It really is useful as you can get other villagers opinions and experience of local tradesmen and suppliers.

People, please remember that although **Challock Chatter** is a closed group you should be careful about any information shared on here, for example, do not give out your full address publicly, private message people instead.

The admins of **Challock Chatter** are working hard to prevent "undesirables" joining but can only go by the information they are given and hoping people are honest!

So if you have not joined get on Facebook and join in the chatter!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1375301012739934/>

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**STAY SAFE AT HOME**



## **Coronavirus/COVID-19** Scams & Guidance

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[www.kentplayclubs.org.uk](http://www.kentplayclubs.org.uk)



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## Knives cost lives....

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- If you do not carry a knife, you cannot use it.
- Help us keep Kent safe and don't take the risk.



### Report it

If you know someone that carries a weapon, report them. They could end up harming you, themselves or someone else.  
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 In an emergency or if life is in danger, call **999**.  
 Alternatively call Kent Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111** if you want to remain anonymous.



## Challock Ladies Singing Group Sorry - No Meetings



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## 55 PLUS CLUB

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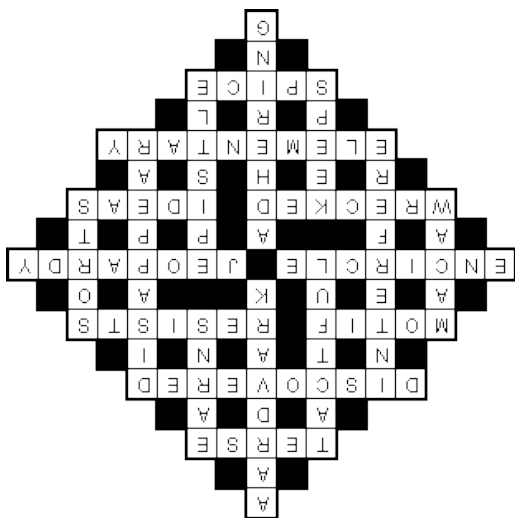
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Contacts - Mrs Jill Jones - Secretary - 01233 714610  
 Mrs Brenda Smeeth - 01233 740912

# Puzzle Solutions

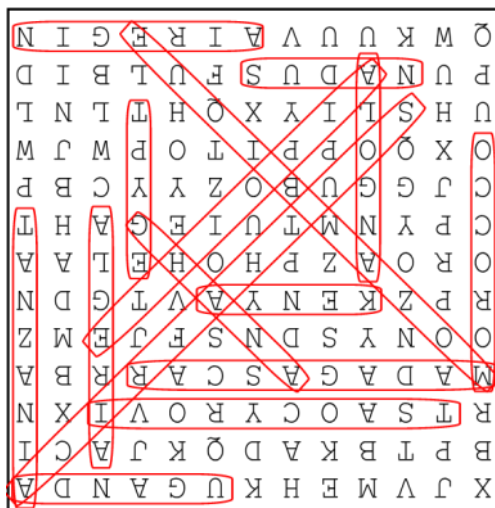
## Crossword Solution

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## The Word Search

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## Have you ever laughed at a joke you did not understand?

Then you are not alone. It seems that two thirds of us have laughed at jokes we did not 'get', simply because we wanted to fit in with our friends at the time.

And more than half of us have actually gone on to repeat jokes with punchlines which we don't ourselves understand. More than half of us have even researched a joke in order to try and figure out what was supposed to be so funny about it.

In research done by a British neuroscientist, it was found that humour that relies on puns or more obscure concepts is the most likely to confuse audiences. While laughter is universal, humour is very subjective. People all over the world laugh, but what they find to be funny varies widely, depending on culture, context and language.

During the research, it was found that two of the most misunderstood jokes are:

*Some Omega-3 vitamins fell on my head when I opened the cupboard.  
I got super fish oil injuries.*

*What does a dyslexic, agnostic insomniac do at night?  
He stays up wondering if there really is a dog.*



# Mick's Computer Chat

## Emails

Emails are a great way of communicating. You can send a message to someone in the same village or across the world almost instantly. Lawyers always ask, "have you got evidence in writing?" Telephone calls or face to face conversations are still evidence but it is difficult to prove what was said. Conversations are recorded so you can see the chain of who said what and when. Emails are quick and free.



Emails can, however, easily be harmful. You can accidentally send a personal or private message to the wrong person or even worse copy it to lots of people. It is also difficult to judge the tone of an email, whether it is light-hearted or serious, cross or joyful. It is very easy to insult or upset someone because a remark you make that "sounds" funny in your head actually come across completely differently to the person reading it.

It was to try to combat these misunderstandings that they invented "emoticons" and "emoji" a more enhanced version. An emoticon short for "emotion icon", also known simply as an emote, is a pictorial representation of a facial expression using characters—usually punctuation marks, numbers, and letters—to express a person's feelings, mood or reaction, or as a time-saving method. Early emoticons were the precursors to modern emoji's, which are ever-developing predominantly on iOS and Android devices. The first ASCII emoticons, :- ) and :- (, were written by Scott Fahlman in 1982, but emoticons actually originated on the PLATO IV computer system in 1972. Nowadays they are built into most operating systems and your phone would more likely use actual Emoji graphic pictures or they convert the text to ASCII pictures. For example if you type :) it will print ☺ this is the ASCII version compared to the Emoji smiley face.



When we are on the telephone or speaking face to face it is easier to tell whether the speaker is feeling angry or light-hearted.

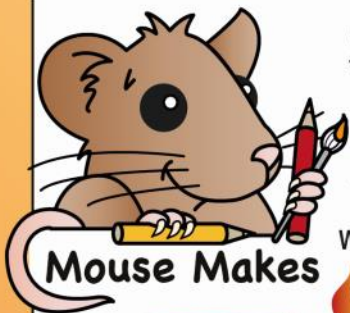


Sometimes we need a break. Emails are good but many people find you can never get away from them and constantly check for business messages while at home or on leave. Perhaps we should not send emails to the vicar on a Sunday night while she is watching Strictly.

Some discussions are better face to face, and always double check who you are sending it to or copying to.

Emails have also been hijacked by those who are not the nicest of people so modern life is full of sneaky emails trying to scam you or infect your computer or take remote control of it. Gone are the heady days when the worst an email would do is try to sell you something unsavoury. Nowadays we all have to check emails carefully and never click a link in one that looks official.

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# Mouse Makes

Re arrange the scrambled letters to find the missing words.

 The Holy Spirit  
**V S E I L**  
with us and in us.

The Holy Spirit helps us to  
**W K N O**  
we belong to God.

The Holy Spirit  
**H C T S E E A**  
us about God.

The Holy Spirit   
**K P E S S A**  
God's word to us.

The Holy Spirit  
**P H L S E**  
us to tell others about Jesus.

The Holy Spirit helps us when we  
**A Y P R**



On the day of **PENTECOST** the disciples were gathered together in one place...

What sound did they hear?

Acts 2:2

What did they see?

Acts 2:3



What filled them?

Acts 2:4



How did they speak?

Acts 2:4



What did the crowd hear?

Acts 2:6



Which countries had they come from?

Acts 2:9



What was their reaction?

Acts 2:12-13



Who explained what was happening? What did he say?

Acts 2:14-36

How many people were baptised that day?

Acts 2:41



Change each letter to the letter before it in the alphabet and see what the **Holy Spirit** produces in us:

  
K P Z  
I V N J M J U Z  
T F M G D P O U S P M  
G B J U I G V M O F T T  
L J O E O F T T  
Q B U J F O D F  
Q F B D F  
M P W F  
H P P E O F T T 

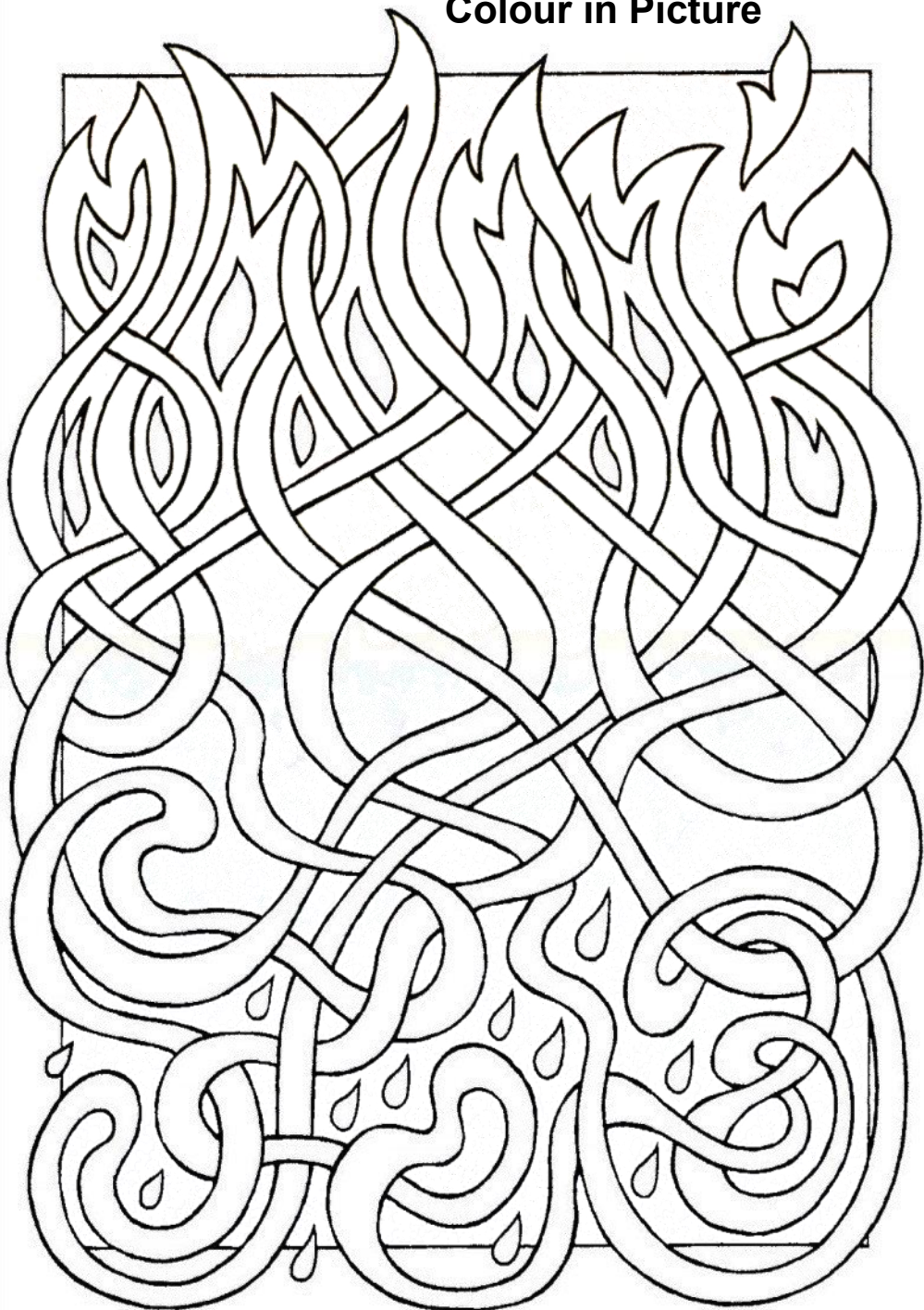
Galatians 5:22

What is the work of the **Holy Spirit**? What does He do?  
Fill in the missing letters.

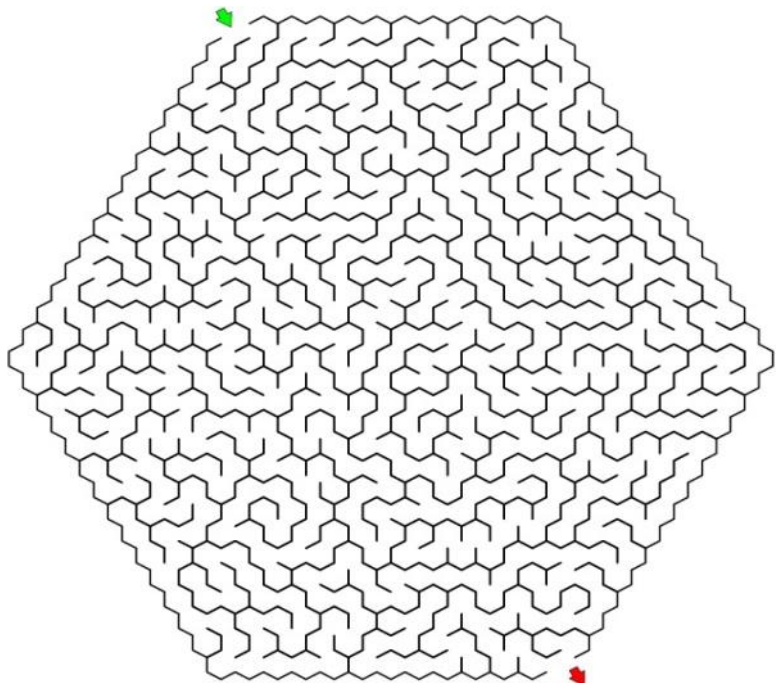
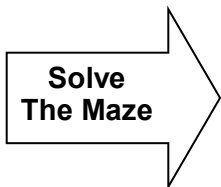
  
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T R A N \_ F O R M S  
H E L \_ S   
G U \_ D E S   
G E N E W S   
C O N V \_ C T S  
S A N C \_ I F I E S



## Colour in Picture



# Puzzles Page



## Wordsearch - Africa

X	J	V	M	E	H	K	U	G	A	N	D	A
B	P	T	B	K	A	D	Q	K	J	A	C	I
R	T	S	A	O	C	Y	R	O	V	I	X	N
M	A	D	A	G	A	S	C	A	R	R	B	A
O	O	N	Y	S	D	N	S	F	J	E	M	Z
R	P	Z	K	E	N	Y	A	V	T	G	D	N
O	R	O	A	Z	P	H	O	H	E	L	A	A
C	P	Y	N	M	T	U	I	E	G	A	H	T
C	J	G	G	U	B	O	Z	Y	Y	C	B	P
O	X	Q	O	P	P	I	T	O	P	W	J	W
U	H	S	L	I	Y	X	Q	H	T	L	N	L
P	U	N	A	D	U	S	F	U	L	B	I	D
Q	W	K	U	U	V	A	I	R	E	G	I	N

### CLUES

Algeria  
Angola  
Egypt  
Ethiopia  
Ghana  
Ivory Coast  
Kenya  
Madagascar  
Morocco  
Mozambique  
Nigeria  
South Africa  
Sudan  
Tanzania  
Uganda

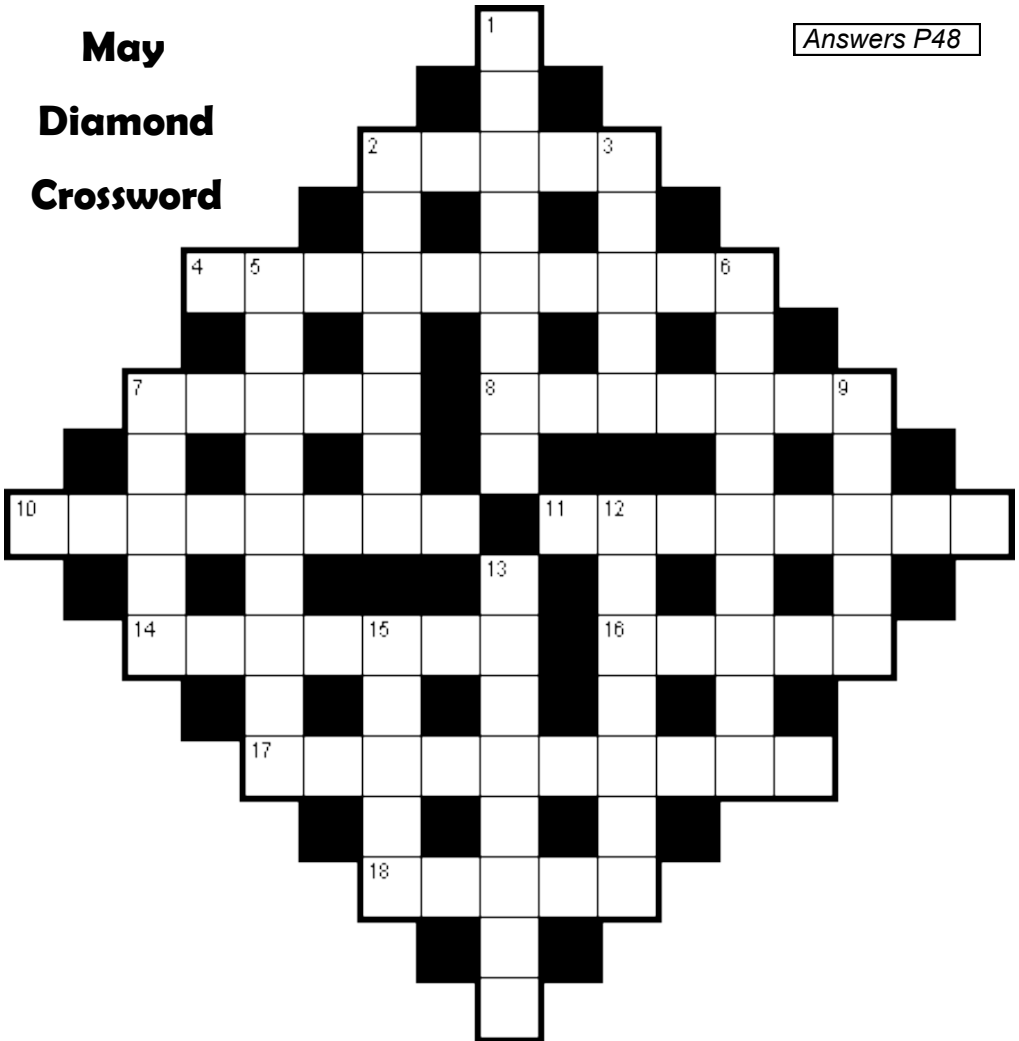


**May**

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**Diamond**

**Crossword**



- 2. Laconic (5)
- 4. Found (10)
- 7. Recurring pattern (5)
- 8. Defies (7)
- 10. Surround (8)
- 11. Peril (8)
- 14. Destroyed (7)
- 16. Notions (5)
- 17. Simple (10)
- 18. Aromatic substance (5)

**Across**

- 1. Anteater (8)
- 2. Considerate (7)
- 3. Acquires by effort or action (5)
- 5. Meddle (9)
- 6. Vanish (9)
- 7. Tropical parrot (5)
- 9. Varieties (5)
- 12. Long formal letter (7)
- 13. Sticking (8)
- 15. Retains (5)

**Down**

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