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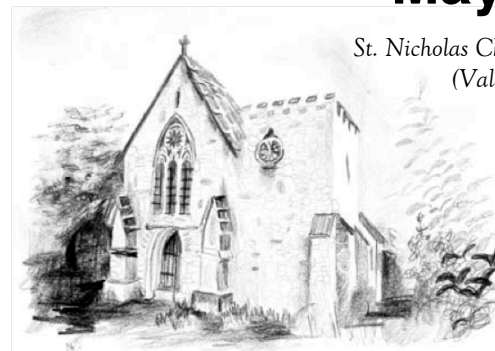


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# Challow News

## May 2020



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**Family Service**

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**Weekday Eucharist**

Thursdays 10am

**Vicar: Rev John Durant**

**The Vicarage, Main Street, Grove. OX12 7LQ**

01235 766484

Email: vicar@valebenefice.org.uk

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07739 563894

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**Curate: Rev Chris Ashton**

Email: curatechris@valebenefice.org.uk

**Licensed Lay Minister: Sue Powditch**

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**Benefice Office: Grove Parish Church, Main Street, Grove. OX12 7LQ**

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Tel: 01235 771479

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**Churchwardens**

Mrs Ruth Pepler: 01235 762197

Mrs Linda Hopkins: 01235 767121

**PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish Council meeting takes place in the Village Hall at 7.30pm  
on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

**Clerk to the Parish Council - Sheryl Sanders: 01235 760394**

Email: eastchallowpc@gmail.com

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**Village Hall Booking Secretary**

Denise Knight: 01235 766933



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## **Wantage and Grove Campaign Group**

Given the need to keep everyone safe over the next few weeks/months, we have decided to postpone our public meeting planned for 22 May to discuss the OX12 Infrastructure issues with David Johnston MP, Yvonne Constance and Emily Smith.

We are very sorry to have to do this, but we have added a discussion forum to our website so that we can discuss the issues with you, and then send our questions on to these people. Although we know that many members of the Campaign Group also use Facebook, not everyone does, so we felt that our own website discussion would enable everyone to get involved.

This is a direct link to the discussion group <https://wantageandgrove.org/discuss.php>

or you can just click on the menu bar on the website at [www.wantageandgrove.org](http://www.wantageandgrove.org).

Anyone registered to receive our emails can join the discussion.

Thank you  
Julie Mabblerley  
Campaign Manager

# **COMMUNITY APPEAL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

In response to the worsening Public Health situation with the spread of the Covid-19 virus (known as Coronavirus), we would like to encourage the community of East Challow to support each other and if practicable provide support to their vulnerable, elderly and self-isolating neighbours. Please look out for a neighbour you know might need a little more support, or you haven't seen for a while. Without putting yourself at risk, be aware of those who are living around you who may not have family nearby, who may need help with shopping or collecting medication etc.

If you feel that you can offer help to someone in the village even just to chat on the phone to someone who is lonely in isolation, please contact one of the following members of the Parish Council on the following numbers.

Paul Barrow: W. 771162  
Sarah Parker: W. 762565  
Vanessa Bosley: W. 764068  
Sheryl Sanders: W. 760394

## ALLOTMENTS

Please respect the allotment gardens and do not let your dog/s roam onto the plots. Dogs are not permitted in this area. Please refrain from walking onto the allotments unless you are an allotment holder.

## FLY TIPPING

Unfortunately, there have been recent reports of fly tipping in the village – specifically on the grass area at the of junction of Childrey Way/ Windmill Hill. It is assumed that once recycling centres are re-opened, the rubbish will be removed. Any waste/rubbish that cannot be disposed of in the correct manner should be kept within the curtilage of your property until such time that it can be disposed of correctly. Only items placed in the correct grey or green bins will be collected from the roadside.

For more information on the removal of waste please contact Vale of White Horse District Council by email: [admin.vale@biffa.co.uk](mailto:admin.vale@biffa.co.uk) or 03000 610610

## SPRING BANK HOLIDAY WASTE COLLECTIONS

Normal Collection Day	Revised Collection Day	Which bin?
Monday 25 May	Tuesday 26 May	Green, Food and Garden waste

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Following government guidelines, East Challow Parish Council cannot hold meetings during the Covid-19 crisis. All meetings have been cancelled until further notice.

## PARISH COUNCILLORS

Vanessa Bosley: (Chair) 01235 764068  
Frances Webb: (Vice Chair) 01235 765176  
Sarah Parker: 01235 762565  
Iris Game: 01235 770412  
Trevor Hayes: [trevorhayes805@btinternet.com](mailto:trevorhayes805@btinternet.com)  
Paul Barrow: [Paul.Barrow@whitehorsedc.gov.uk](mailto:Paul.Barrow@whitehorsedc.gov.uk)  
Wende Blowfield:

Sheryl Sanders: Clerk to East Challow Parish Council. e-mail: [eastchallowpc@gmail.com](mailto:eastchallowpc@gmail.com).  
Tel: 01235 760394

What is your top five books of all time? Your ten favourite films?

What are the three most important items that you own?

It can be fun going through a top ten, finding out what is voted number one and seeing if you agree.

Human beings have an in-built ability to compare and contrast. To assess and analyse, to come up with our own opinions about what is the best and which is better. In Luke Chapter 22, Jesus friends are arguing about who is the greatest; I wonder what arguments were they making, what examples were they giving. Jesus brakes this up, saying that they should be like children and servants. Then he gives a strange example. He asks who is greater, a master who sits at the table or the servant that waits on them? The master. This seems to go against his first point. But Jesus goes on to say that he came to serve others.

What makes us great, is not the role we have, our position, or job, or reputation, or abilities. It's how we live out that role. What is our attitude to the things we do and the people around us?

Jesus knew who he was, the son of God, God's chosen one. That was his role. But his attitude in doing this, was that of a servant. He came to help others. Jesus encourages us to be childlike not childish; to be a team player, even if we are the team leader.

Being great is not just about what we do, it's about how we do it. We can be successful but alienate others. We can be incredibly talented but outrageously selfish. We can use other people, just to fulfil our own desires. How we treat others is an indication of the type of person that we are.

Jesus' challenge to us is not to have a low opinion of ourselves, but to have such a high opinion of others that we are motivated to care for them, support them, love them and serve them. The disciples were worried about how great they were. Jesus was motivated by how great he thought everyone else was.

God bless,

Alec

## Pastoral Support

To help our Vicars Revd John Durant and Revd Alec Gill in the pastoral support of the village, Liz Belcher will be acting as the local contact within the village for those who are in need of a home visit, home communion or other support that we as a church may be able to provide.

If we can help, please contact Liz on 01235 763966



# NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Hello

As we continue on through this peculiar time and with our Church building being closed, we are still Gods children following his son Jesus as best we can in these difficult times.

Anyone passing the Church should report anything unusual to the Church Wardens or the Police, as according to the Diocese information all unoccupied buildings public or otherwise are at risk from intruders / thieves etc.

On a lighter note as we are all thinking of our health at present we have a quiz to help pass the time .

## Human Body Quiz

The answers are all parts of the body

- 1) Young Farm animal
- 2) Found in Schools
- 3) Percussion instrument
- 4) Lending a helping
- 5) March
- 6) Tropical Plant
- 7) Very Funny
- 8) Corn
- 9) Front of an Aeroplane
- 10) Jewelled Hat
- 11) One of the vowels
- 12) In a Carpenters Kit
- 13) ? and Onions
- 14) Go forward, Go .....
- 15) .....not,want not
- 16) Chocolate covered
- 17) Strip along the side of the road
- 18) Found in Churches
- 19) Sharp side of a saw
- 20) Saintly Railway Station

Answers on Page 17



## From the Registers

All Information / details are held as Public Records within the Vale Benefice



## Community Fridge

Reducing food waste by sharing!

Did you know almost one third of all food is thrown away? The Mix Community Fridge collects surplus food from local businesses and makes it available to everyone for FREE.

Pop in to help yourself to something from the fridge:

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Thurs 9am-2pm Fri 1-6pm Sat 9am-1pm

Follow us on facebook to find out what's in the fridge today:

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The Mix  
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## Solutions

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### Church Rotas

Date	Reader	Readings
<b>May 3rd</b> Easter 4	M. Mann	
<b>May 10th</b> Easter 5	P. Rumsey	
<b>May 17th</b> Easter 6	A. Tranter	
<b>May 24th</b> Ascension Day	G. Parker	
<b>May 31st</b> Pentecost (Whit Sunday)	R. Pepler	
<b>June 7th</b> Trinity Sunday	C. Swift	

Date	Sacristan	Sidesperson	Coffee	Cleaning
<b>3-May</b>	P. Pepler	S. Giles F. Webb	M. Perkins	
<b>10-May</b>	M. Mann	P. Rumsey V. Brewster	Ody Family	L. Belcher L. Hopkins
<b>17-May</b>	N. langford	T. Shand L. Belcher	J. Parker J. Penfold	
<b>24-May</b>	J. Penfold	N. Langford J. Penfold	I. Hopkins	J. Penfold
<b>31-May</b>	P. Pepler	F. Webb V. Brewster	H. Smith J. Brown	
<b>7-Jun</b>	S. Swift	S. Giles T. Shand	M. Perkins	M. Perkins

Date	Intercessions	Flowers	Thursday	Sacristan
<b>3-May</b>	J. Teare	M. Mann	<b>7-May</b>	M. Mann
<b>10-May</b>	J. Penfold	J. Penfold	<b>14-May</b>	M. Mann
<b>17-May</b>	J. Brown	J. Teare	<b>21-May</b>	J. Penfold
<b>24-May</b>	P. Pepler	H. Smith	<b>28-May</b>	J. Penfold
<b>31-May</b>	Clergy	M. Perkins	<b>4-Jun</b>	J. Teare
<b>7-Jun</b>	J. Teare	J. Brown	<b>11-Jun</b>	J. Teare

If you are unable to take your turn, please arrange to swap or ask someone to step in.  
It would also be very helpful if you could also amend the copy on the church notice board

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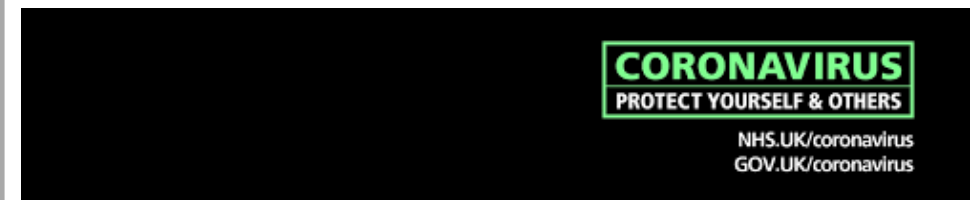
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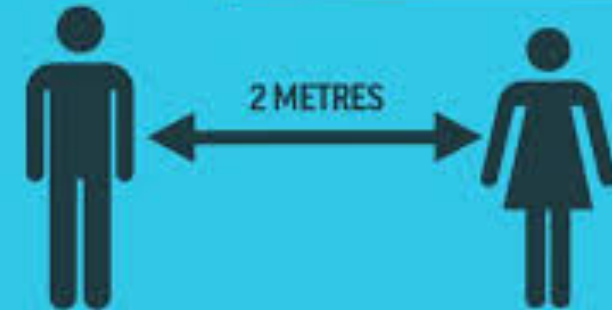
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## Village Hall ~ User Groups

>>> Village Hall Booking Secretary - Denise Knight: 01235 766933 <<<

### King Alfred Patchwork & Quilters Group

Due to the ongoing spread of COVID-19 King Alfreds Quilters along with most other groups and clubs have taken the decision to cancel all their meetings until further notice.

Therefore No Meetings of the Quilting and Patchwork Group will go ahead for the next couple of months.

**Anyone interested in joining please contact**

Lesley Wilkins on 01235 762707

or Janice Miller 01235 771552

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- 6) Palm
- 7) Humerus
- 8) Ears
- 9) Nose
- 10) Crown
- 11) Eye
- 12) Hammer
- 13) Liver
- 14) Back
- 15) Waste (waist)
- 16) Finger
- 17) Hard Shoulder
- 18) Arches
- 19) Teeth
- 20) St Pancreas

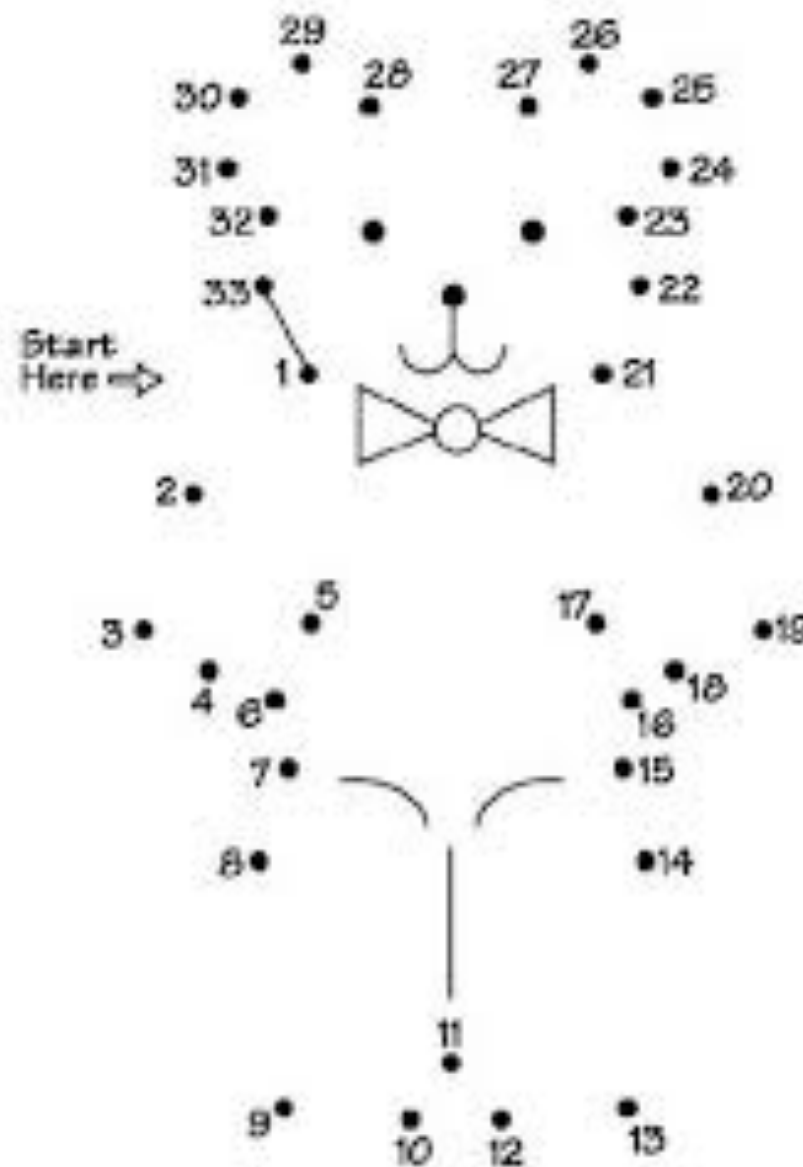


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## St. Nicholas Church 200 Club - Monthly Draw

### April Draw - Postponed

*This draw and all subsequent monthly draws will be drawn when we are able to meet up again.*

**We are looking for more members ~ Would you like to join?**

Subscriptions to the 200 Club contribute towards the £20,000 which is required annually to keep our village Church open, in good repair and available for all who wish to use it.

**The 200 Club is a monthly draw with 3 prizes each month - £50, £20 and £10**

**There is an additional prize of £100 in December.**

The draw takes place on the first Sunday of every month, during coffee after morning service. The cost is £2 per number per month, which can be paid monthly, 6 monthly or annually, and can be paid for by Cash or Standing Order.

**If you would like to join the 200 Club, please contact Tricia Shand**

**Email: [the.shandies@btinternet.com](mailto:the.shandies@btinternet.com)**

**Telephone: 01235 764222**

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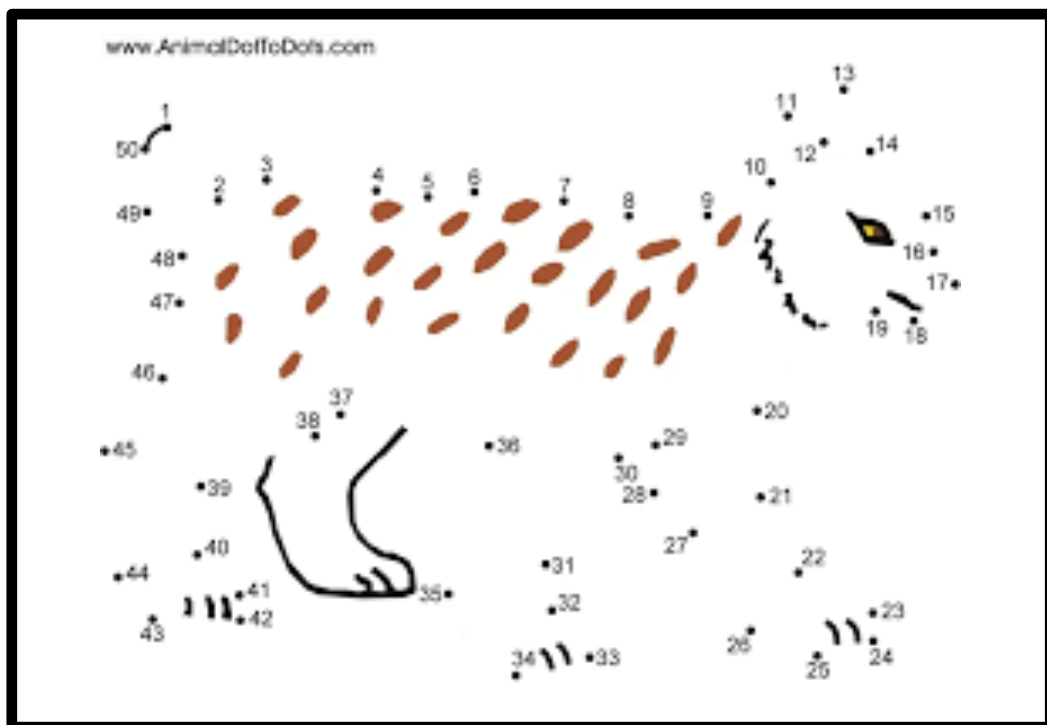
I am collecting the plain round plastic tops of about 3 inches or 8cm in diameter from various products for protection when we use candles at Candlemas and one or two other services through the year.

When the carton is empty please save the top for me.

Please place them in a small clear bag and leave them on my doorstep

"Kemgisel" Sarajac Avenue.

Thank you  
Mary Mann



## 2020: W H O Year of the Nurse

When the WHO (World Health Organisation) decided to make 2020 the Year of the Nurse and Midwife, they based it on the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth on 12<sup>th</sup> May 1820.

But with the arrival of the coronavirus, it is a remarkably apt year to celebrate all that nurses do for us.

As the ICN (International Council of Nurses) says: "All around the world, nurses are working tirelessly to provide the care and attention people need, whenever and wherever they need it. Nurses are central to the delivery of health care; nurses are making an invaluable contribution to the health of people globally."

Nursing as a vocation goes back to the Early Church. When plague struck the Roman world in the third century, it was Christians who tended the sick and dying, often at great personal cost. Their self-sacrifice made a huge impression on Roman society. Centuries later, in medieval Europe, it was the monastic orders that provided health care.

Still centuries later, during the Crimean War (1853-56) Florence Nightingale saved thousands of lives when she transformed the field hospitals, hugely improving the standards of care for wounded and dying soldiers.

In fact, Florence Nightingale deserves the credit for establishing the modern profession of nursing and its structures of training. Although of course medical science has advanced since her time, the basic ethos of nursing care remains today close to Nightingale's vision.

Nursing is frequently described as a vocation, and it is one to which many Christians are called. Nightingale wrote of being 'called' by God, after having had a vivid religious conversion as a teenager. Writing in February 1837, she stated: "God has spoken to me and called me to His Service."

Four years before going to Crimea, she studied at a Lutheran religious community in Germany which trained deaconesses in medical skills, nursing, and theology. Many of the ideas that Nightingale adopted for her nurses came from that religious community.

## 31<sup>st</sup> May - Not a Ghost but a Gift

We used to call it Whitsun – ‘White Sunday’ because long ago children marched to church in white on that day. No processions nowadays, and we’ve even changed its name. It’s now ‘Pentecost’, which is more accurate but needs explaining.

Pentecost marks a vital event in Christian history. It is celebrated 50 days after Easter. The year Jesus was crucified (which took place at the Passover), the remnant of His followers, just 120 of them, were together in an upper room in Jerusalem. They were afraid to show their faces in case the authorities arrested them. But on the day of Passover they had an amazing collective experience.

They described it in terms of wind and fire, a great surge of spiritual energy and confidence. Afraid no longer, they burst out on to the streets where crowds were gathering for the festival, led by Peter they began to tell them about Jesus and His resurrection. As they did so, although many of the people in the crowd were foreigners who spoke other languages, everyone heard them in their own tongue. Peter told them that what they were seeing was the fulfilment of an old prophecy when God would pour out His Spirit on the human race, men and women, young and old.

As a result of His words and the extraordinary spectacle, 3000 people believed and were baptised in the name of Jesus. They were the nucleus of what in 100 years would be a Church that would turn history upside down. For Christians Pentecost is in effect the birthday of the Church.

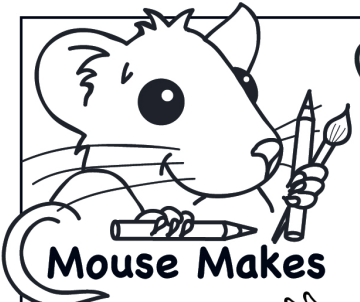
Many people find the whole idea of the Holy Spirit mysterious and elusive. It wasn’t helped by the earlier title ‘Holy Ghost’. The spirit is not spiritually a ‘ghost’ but a precious gift.

### Take exercise for even half an hour a day – and lower depression!

Here is some good news for us all: if you are feeling low, get moving. A recent study at Harvard has found that even just half an hour of exercise a day can lower the risk of depression by 17 per cent.

So – even though we are told to stay home at present, do a work-out in your living room, run around the garden a dozen times, or run up and down your staircase 20 times -anything to get your heart pounding and your body moving!


## WORDSEARCH



**Mouse Makes**




“The fruit of the Spirit is  
**love, joy, peace, patience,  
kindness, goodness, faithfulness  
gentleness and self control.**

If we live by the Spirit, let us also  
behave in accordance with the Spirit”





How many  
other words can you find  
using the letters from:



**FRUIT OF  
THE SPIRIT?**



Read  
*Galatians*  
5:13-26



Which  
symbol goes  
with which fruit?



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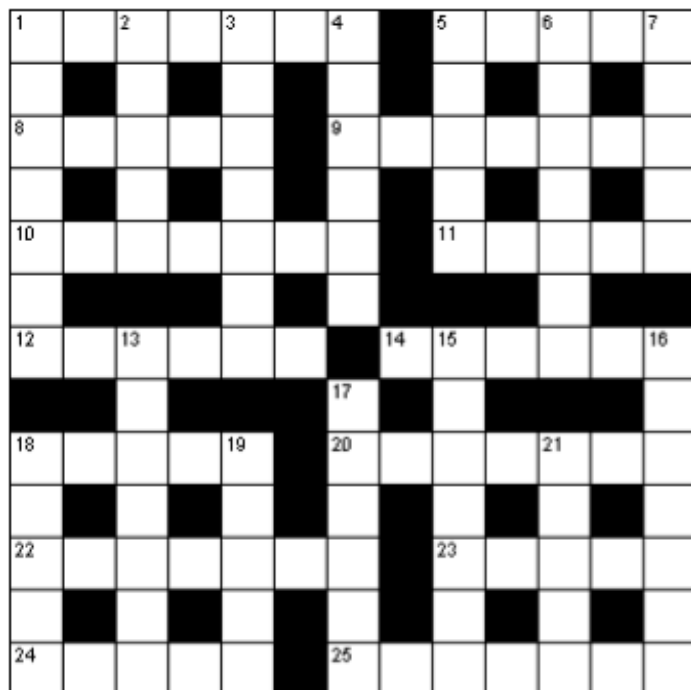
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2. Dissonance (5)
3. Perceptiveness (7)
4. Wanderers (6)
5. Aspect (5)
6. Vegetable (7)
7. Austere (5)
13. Discomfort (7)
15. Mocks (7)
16. Pull out (7)
17. Stopped (6)
18. Accumulate (5)
19. Dock (5)
21. Bird of prey (5)

### Across

1. Large house (7)
5. Pieces of information (5)
8. Profits (5)
9. Gruesome (7)
10. Retaliated (7)
11. Form of transport (5)
12. Hostility (6)
14. Stick (6)
18. Permit (5)
20. Sincere (7)
22. Creatures (7)
23. Doctrine (5)
24. Ledge (5)
25. Sweet (7)

## Crossword / Sudoku Puzzles



Solutions on Page 20

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## Florence Nightingale – the founder of modern nursing

Florence Nightingale was born 200 years ago, on 12<sup>th</sup> May 1820. Best known as the Lady with the Lamp who saved many lives in the hospitals of the Crimean War, she was also a social reformer, a statistician and the founder of modern nursing.

She was named after the Italian city of her birth, but the family moved back to England the following year, and she was brought up in Derbyshire. Here – and elsewhere – she had several experiences that she believed were calls from God to devote her life to the service of others.

She never married, but among her several close friends was Sidney Herbert, who became Secretary of War and helped to make her work in the Crimea possible. Some claim that she reduced the death rate in hospitals there from 42% to 2%. She introduced hand-washing and other hygiene improvements, but she never claimed personal credit for reducing the death rate.

Her work inspired nurses in the American Civil War, and in 1883 she became the first recipient of the Royal Red Cross. In 1907, she was the first woman to be awarded the Order of Merit. She died in 1910. Her image appeared on the reverse of £10 banknotes issued by the Bank of England from 1975 until 1994.

It is a fitting tribute to her that the emergency hospital just opened at the ExCel Centre in London is called the NHS Nightingale Hospital.

## Bless you?

People used to say 'bless you' if you sneezed. Nowadays they might say something ruder! We live in troubled times.

Some say that the expression started in Rome, when plague broke out. Sneezing was one of the plague's main symptoms, and Pope Gregory I suggested that a tiny prayer in the form of saying, "God bless you" after a sneeze would protect the person from death.

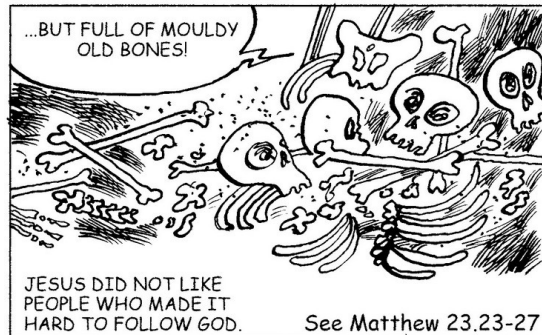
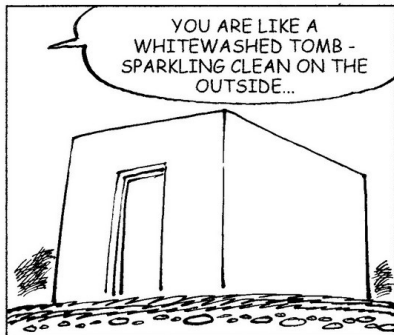
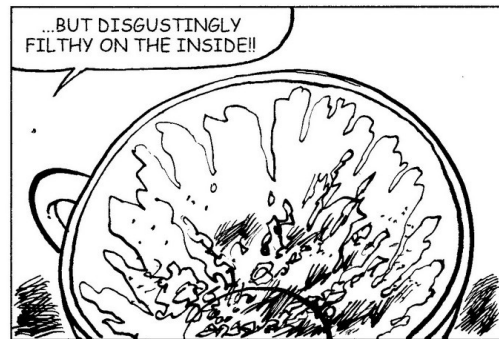
Sadly, that does not always work, but we can still remind ourselves of Psalm 91: 4-6

*He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.*

*You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.*

*Psalm 91: 4-6*

## "Some tough talking"



## Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Samuel 8:1-10:1, 17-24

Samuel had been a good leader of Israel but he was now old. The leaders of the twelve tribes came to talk to him...

