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Lorna Caddy

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from Lorna Caddy

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Franks and wife Valerie from
Phil and Val Colcomb

*If you have any photographs
you think may be suitable for
our magazine cover, we would
love to receive them. Please
email them to the editor.*

*The next deadline for
submissions to the magazine
is 14th April 2018*

London Road Congregational Church Services

Sunday 11am — Morning Worship

Holy Communion is celebrated during Morning Worship on the first Sunday of each month.

Café Service is held in the church hall at 10.30am. Breakfast is on offer with tea or coffee, and followed by a sincere service with a difference.

Please see the calendars for more details about when each service will be taking place.

Anyone is welcome to attend the services.

Calendar for March 2019



Friday 1st 10am Friday Focus
Saturday 2nd 10am Just Sing Community Choir
 in the church hall

Sunday 3rd — 11am Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Preacher: Gary

Reader: Beryl Duty Deacon: Val Communion Duty: Val and Julie

Thursday 7th 10am Parents and Toddlers
Friday 8th 10am Friday Focus

Sunday 10th — 11am Morning Worship

Preacher: Mr Thomas Dodd

Flowers: Mrs Robertson Reader: Stan Duty Deacon: Mark

Wednesday 13th 7.30pm Film Club, 22 Ringrose Close, Newark
Thursday 14th 10am Parents and Toddlers
Friday 15th 10am Friday Focus
Saturday 16th 10am Just Sing Community Choir
 in the church hall
Mark's Training Day in the Afternoon. Time TBC.

Sunday 17th — 11am Morning Worship

Preacher: Reverend Ken Hague

Reader: Sugar Duty Deacon: Julie

Church Meeting after Service

Thursday 21st 10am Parents and Toddlers
Friday 22nd 10am Friday Focus
Saturday 23rd Mark's Training Day in the Morning. Time TBC.

Sunday 24th — 10.30am Café Service

Preacher: Mark Taylor

Reader: Julie Flowers: Julie

Wednesday 27th 7pm Bible Study
Thursday 28th 10am Parents and Toddlers
 7.30pm Pub Theology
 Prince Rupert, 46 Stodman Street, Newark
Friday 29th 10am Friday Focus
Saturday 30th 10am Just Sing Community Choir
 in the church hall

Sunday 31st — Member's Service

Flowers: Mrs Bradshaw

Calendar for April 2019



Thursday 4th 10am Parents and Toddlers
Friday 5th 10am Friday Focus

Sunday 7th — 11am Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Preacher: Reverend Ken Hague
Flowers: Val Reader: Gail
Duty Deacon: Gary Communion Duty: Gary and Val

Wednesday 10th 7.30pm Film Club, 22 Ringrose Close, Newark
Thursday 11th 10am Parents and Toddlers
Friday 12th 10am Friday Focus
Saturday 13th 10am Just Sing Community Choir
 in the church hall

Sunday 14th, Palm Sunday — 11am Morning Worship

Preacher: Reverend G Bakker
Reader: Val Duty Deacon: Val

Thursday 18th 10am Parents and Toddlers
Friday 19th 10am Friday Focus

Sunday 21st, Easter Sunday — 11am Morning Worship

Preacher: Reverend Ken Hague
Flowers: Dorothy Reader: Joan
Duty Deacon: Mark and Julie

Easter Breakfast at 10am

Wednesday 24th 7pm Bible Study
Thursday 25th 10am Parents and Toddlers
 7.30pm Pub Theology
 Prince Rupert, 46 Stodman Street, Newark
Friday 26th 10am Friday Focus
Saturday 27th 10am Just Sing Community Choir
 in the church hall

Sunday 28th — 10.30am Café Service

Preacher: Mark Taylor
Flowers: Sugar Reader: Julie

From The Minister

Dear friends

We have had a testing time over the last six months trying to let the manse after our last tenants left the building. There have been many tasks to carry out, many prayers needed to be said, many hours given freely by church members to try and help this process end.

I hope by the beginning of March this task will have been achieved and that the local family who have waited so long and patiently will be to be able to move into the manse and find it a place of joy hope and love. It will be returned to a family home, one I believe will be treasured.

We sometimes forget or overlook our own qualities as individuals. Paul said, *“my brothers think what sort of people we are, those who God has called, few are men of wisdom, yet God has chosen the weak and the foolish to work together to achieve his glory”*. 1 Corinthians chapter 1 verses 25 to 30.

God works through us; it may not seem a very bright idea for Him to do things that way, but He has chosen it. It doesn't mean we can be content with what we are. There is a great danger in thinking that God must take us with our faults regardless of how much effort we make to try and change. Not so Jesus says *“be as perfect”* we must try to live a life more Christ-like.

The Lord doesn't wait for perfection look at the disciples who were chosen to work for the Lord. They had strength and weaknesses they were different personalities, but God saw within them something very special. Living a life like Jesus Christ is not easy; it places demands and expectation on us to take that extra step in helping, respecting and loving others.

Sometimes I think that we demand from others perfection which even the Lord doesn't ask for. Finally, it is significant for me that Jesus Christ said I have chosen you to love one another. I suggest that Jesus is saying if I can love you enough to choose you for my work, you must Learn to Love Each Other and work for my Father's Glory.

May we accept his challenge guided by the Holy Spirit

Your Minister and friend

Reverend Ken

From the Fellowship

As we go to print, there is no final decision on the MANSE letting. Ken is keeping us informed with regular updates, but things are progressing.

Mark and Debbie are now grandparents. Hannah has a daughter Robyn.

There will be a church meeting after the service on 17th March.

The Annual Church Meeting in May will be an evening meeting, with the date to be confirmed. Nominations for deacons are needed for the next 3 years. Please see the noticeboard in the hall.

World Day of Prayer service will take place at Barnbygate Methodist Church on Friday 1st March at 10.30am, with coffee served from 9.45am.

Mark and Debbie will require names for the Easter Breakfast by Sunday 14th April.

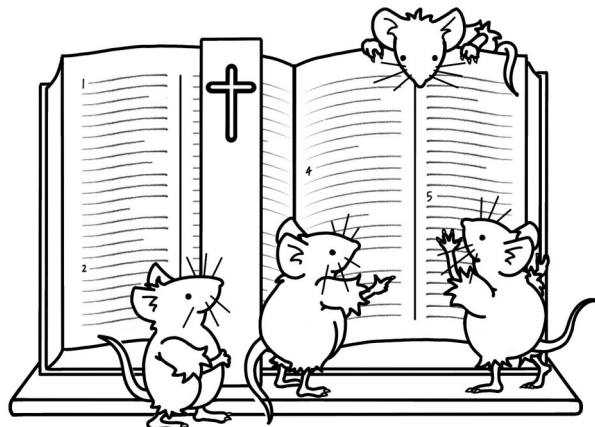
The charity for March and April is Sue's Place.

Joan

Reverend John Franks

Reverend John Franks, former vicar of London Road Congregational Church, died in January in Filey, where he had retired with his wife Valerie. Some members will fondly remember his time at London Road. He also worked for the Congregational Federation in Nottingham, and moved to Walkden Congregational Church in Greater Manchester. John and Valerie received the Envoy, and said they loved getting news from Newark.

John's funeral and thanksgiving service was held at Filey Methodist Church on Friday 8th February 2019.



Notice Board

Sunday 5th May 2019
11am Morning Worship with Holy Communion
Preacher: Reverend Ken Hague
Communion Duty: Val and Mark
Reader: Debbie
Duty Deacon: Julie
Flowers: Tina Duckmanton

Magazine Articles

We are always grateful to receive ideas or articles from you all for the magazine.

Please help us to keep you informed, and keep the articles coming in.
Thank you.

Magazine material for the next edition should be submitted to the editor by 14th April 2018.

To add a notice to this page, please contact the editor for more information on 07965 631882, or via email to lorna.c.coleman@gmail.com.

Newark Foodbank Update

The items urgently needed at the time of print are listed in order below. Please keep an eye on the board in the church hall for up-to-date lists.



FOODBANK SHOPPING LIST

February 2019

**PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ITEMS
CONTAINING ALCOHOL – THANK YOU**

Shortfall Items

Food

- Long Life Milk
- Tinned Ham or Chicken
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Fruit
- Sponge Puddings (Tinned or Microwaveable)

Non Food Items

- Toilet Rolls

**Please do not donate FRESH food items.
Also, check that your donation is well
inside its use-by date. We cannot
distribute out of date food.**

Always needed

Food

- Breakfast Cereal
- Long Life Fruit Juice (not squash)
- Tea Bags – 40's or 80's
NOT 240/260/280's please
- Tinned Potatoes
- Packets of Rice (dried)
- All Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Tinned Meat – hot: e.g. mince; stewing
steak
- Tinned Meat – cold: e.g. Spam: ham –
NOT corned beef please
- Vegetarian Alternatives – Tinned
Vegetable Curry etc.
- Tinned/Packet Soup
- Instant Mash

- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned/Carton Custard Jam
- Biscuits
- Cereal Bars
- Chocolate Biscuit Bars
- Sugar (500g size preferred)
- Chocolate / Sweets

Additional Items

- Laundry liquitabs/tablets
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Deodorant - female
- Washing up liquid

Items of which we have a plentiful supply:

- Baked Beans
- Coffee
- Pasta – we are now very well stocked
THANK YOU
- Our warehouse continues to be well-stocked. However, we are grateful for all regular donations, especially the shortfall items
- Please take your donation to one of our many collection points in supermarkets and churches. See our website for a complete list.

<http://newark.foodbank.org.uk/>

St David

St David (Dewi Sant): guiding the Welsh Church through turbulent times

On 1st March Wales celebrates its patron saint, David — or, in Welsh, Dewi or Dafydd. He is indisputably British, and is revered wherever Welsh people have settled. As with most figures from the so-called 'Dark Ages' (he lived in the sixth century), reliable details about his life are scarce, but there are enough for us to form a picture of a formidably austere, disciplined and charismatic leader, who led the Church in Wales through turbulent years and fought tenaciously for the faith.

It's likely that he was strengthened in his ministry by time spent in Ireland, where the Church was stronger and more confident. Early records tell of a meeting of Irish church leaders with three 'Britons', as they were described, among them 'bishop David'. His mother, Non, is also celebrated as a saint in Wales, where a number of churches are dedicated in her name.

That he founded a monastery at Menevia, in Pembrokeshire, seems beyond doubt. It later became the site of St David's cathedral and the settlement which is now the smallest city in the United Kingdom. From Menevia David embarked on preaching and teaching missions across Wales, and probably beyond. His eloquence was legendary.

At a famous Synod of the Church, held at a Carmarthenshire village called Brefi, he preached passionately against the Arian heresy - indeed, so passionately that he was (according to some accounts) immediately named as archbishop of Wales. The village is now known as Llandewi Brefi — *brefi* in Welsh is a hillock, and legend claims that it appeared miraculously in order to provide the eloquent bishop with a pulpit.

His monks avoided wine and beer, drinking only water. Indeed, he and they lived lives of rigorous austerity and constant prayer, in the manner of the Desert Fathers of the Eastern Church. The date of David's death is disputed — either 589 or 601. It wasn't until the twelfth century that he was generally accepted as the patron saint of Wales, and pilgrimages to St David's were highly regarded in the following centuries — including two made by English kings, William I and Henry II.

It's traditional for Welsh people to wear daffodils on St David's Day (*Gwyl Dewi Sant* in Welsh) — but there seems no particular reason for it, beyond the fact that they tend to make their early Spring appearance round about his day — oh, and they look nice!

St Patrick

17 March - St Patrick: beloved apostle to Ireland

St Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland. If you've ever been in New York on St Patrick's Day, you'd think he was the patron saint of New York as well ... the flamboyant parade is full of American/Irish razzmatazz.

It's all a far cry from the hard life of this 5th century humble Christian who became in time both bishop and apostle of Ireland. Patrick was born the son of a town councillor in the west of England, between the Severn and the Clyde. But as a young man he was captured by Irish pirates, kidnapped to Ireland, and reduced to slavery. He was made to tend his master's herds.

Desolate and despairing, Patrick turned to prayer. He found God was there for him, even in such desperate circumstances. He spent much time in prayer, and his faith grew and deepened, in contrast to his earlier years, when he "knew not the true God".

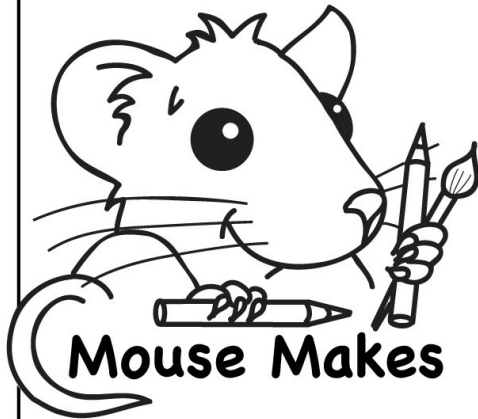
Then, after six gruelling, lonely years he was told in a dream he would soon go to his own country. He either escaped or was freed, made his way to a port 200 miles away and eventually persuaded some sailors to take him with them away from Ireland.

After various adventures in other lands, including near-starvation, Patrick landed on English soil at last, and returned to his family. But he was much changed. He had enjoyed his life of plenty before; now he wanted to devote the rest of his life to Christ. Patrick received some form of training for the priesthood, but not the higher education he really wanted.

But by 435, well-educated or not, Patrick was badly needed. Palladius' mission to the Irish had failed, and so the Pope sent Patrick back to the land of his slavery. He set up his see at Armagh, and worked principally in the north. He urged the Irish to greater spirituality, set up a school, and made several missionary journeys. Patrick's writings are the first literature certainly identified from the British Church. They reveal sincere simplicity and a deep pastoral care. He wanted to abolish paganism, idolatry, and was ready for imprisonment or death in the following of Christ.

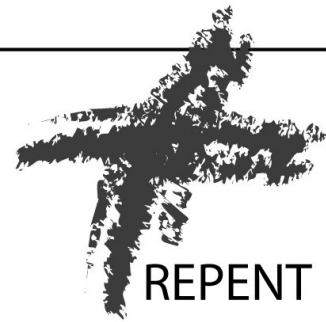
Patrick remains the most popular of the Irish saints. The principal cathedral of New York is dedicated to him, as, of course, is the Anglican cathedral of Dublin.

Children's Corner



During Lent read through the Gospel of Luke and each day pray for God to help you become more like Jesus

Lent is the name given to the **40 days** before Easter and is a time to *pray*, to *read* the bible and to *turn* to God. The first day of Lent is **Ash Wednesday**, a day to *repent* and say *sorry* to God for the wrong things we have *said* or *thought* or *done*.



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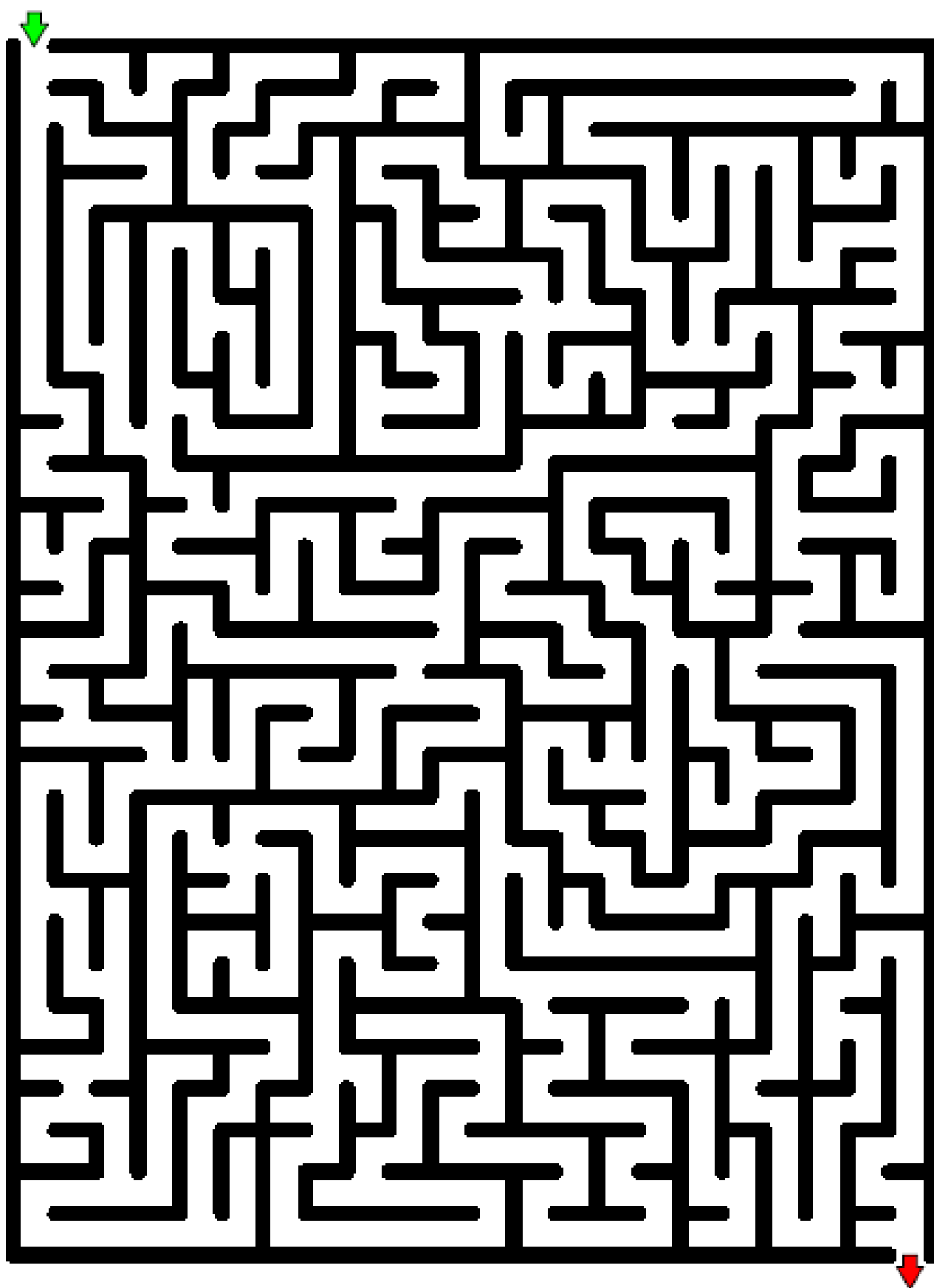
A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Luke 10:25-37

An expert in the Law of Moses wanted
to test Jesus' knowledge of the laws in
the Bible, so he asked Jesus a question.



Children's Corner



Puzzles

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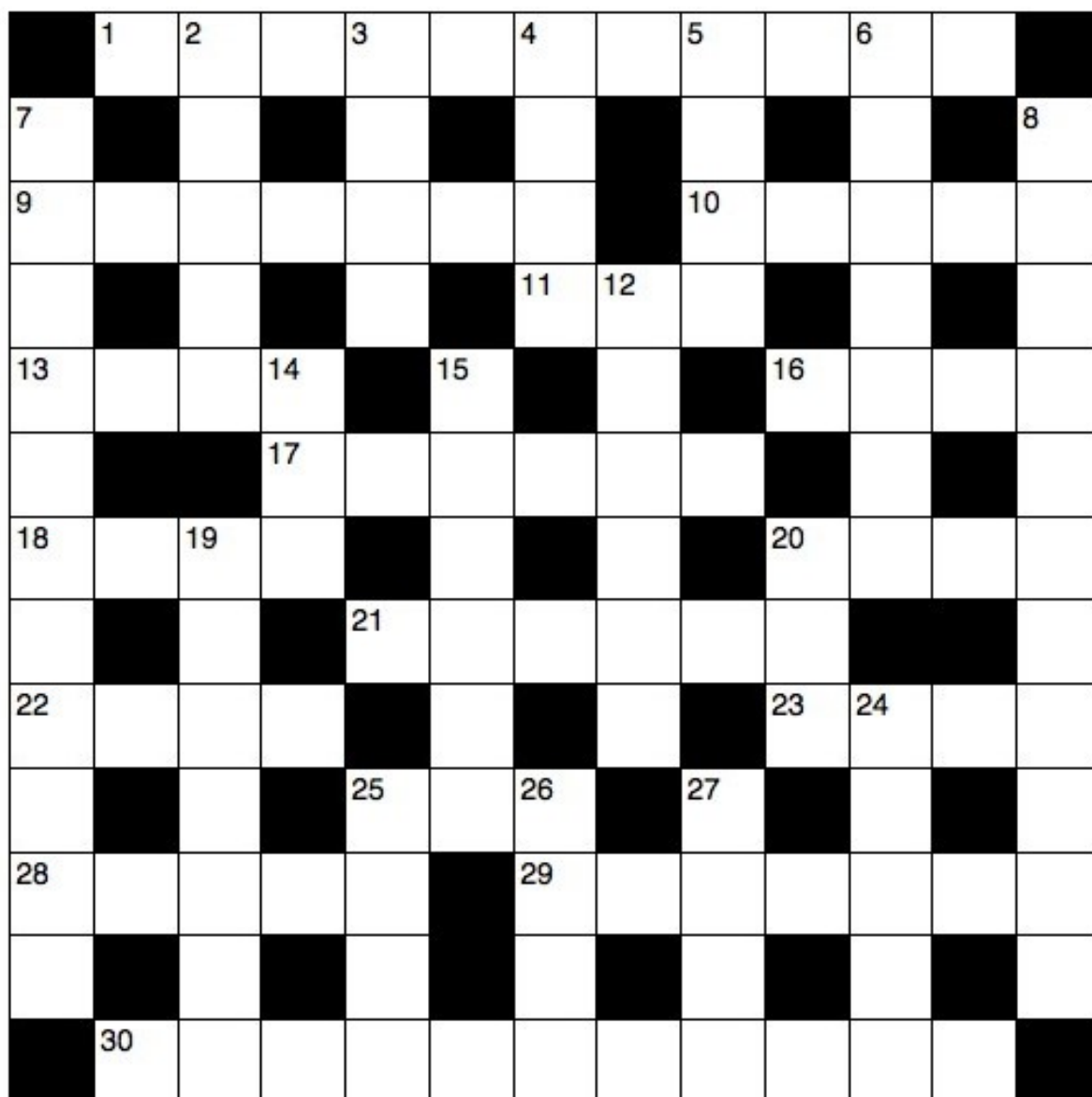
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Answers for the last editions' Sudoku and Crossword

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Puzzles



Across

- 1 These letters come between Romans and Galatians (11)
 9 'You will not — me to the grave' (Psalm 16:10) (7)
 10 King of Moab to whom the Israelites were subject for 18 years (Judges 3:14) (5)
 11 Town possessing mineral spring (3)
 13 Mede (anag.) (4)
 16 High-fidelity (abbrev.) (4)
 17 He succeeded his father Rehoboam as king of Judah (1 Kings 14:31) (6)
 18 A son of Simeon (Genesis 46:10) (4)
 20 Controversial religious book of the 1970s, The — of God Incarnate (4)
 21 'He has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you — — and hear' (Acts 2:33) (3,3)
 22 'You — me together in my mother's womb' (Psalm 139:13) (4)
 23 Edit (anag.) (4)
 25 'Who has believed our message and to whom has the — of the Lord been

revealed?' (Isaiah 53:1) (3)

28 Abraham's brother (Genesis 22:23) (5)

29 'When Mordecai learned of — that had been — , he tore his clothes' (Esther 4:1) (3,4)

30 Sympathetic (Proverbs 11:16) (4-7)

Down

2 'That was why his parents said, "He is — —; ask him"' (John 9:23) (2,3)

3 Integrated Services Digital Network (1,1,1,1) 4

4 'Saul has slain his thousands, and David his — of thousands' (1 Samuel 18:7) (4)

5 Concept (John 8:14) (4)

6 'Do we, then, — the law by this faith? Not at all! Rather, we uphold the law' (Romans 3:31) (7)

7 Industrious (2 Timothy 2:6) (11)

8 'I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be — in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you (Ephesians 1:18) (11)

12 'Out of the same mouth come — and cursing' (James 3:10) (6)

14 This was how many of the Jewish leaders described Jesus (John 10:20) (3)

15 Vitality (Job 20:11) (6)

19 He urged David to kill Saul at Hakilah (1 Samuel 26:8) (7)

20 'So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul — with the church and taught great numbers of people' (Acts 11:26) (3)

24 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord — — ' (Deuteronomy 6:4) (2,3)

25 Parched (Matthew 12:43) (4)

26 'In the image of God he created him; — and female he created them' (Genesis 1:27) (4)

27 Disparagement (Psalm 15:3) (4)

Smile Line

Adam & Eve

At Sunday School the children were learning how God created everything, including human beings. Little Josh was especially intent when the teacher told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down and looking scared.

"Josh, what is the matter?"

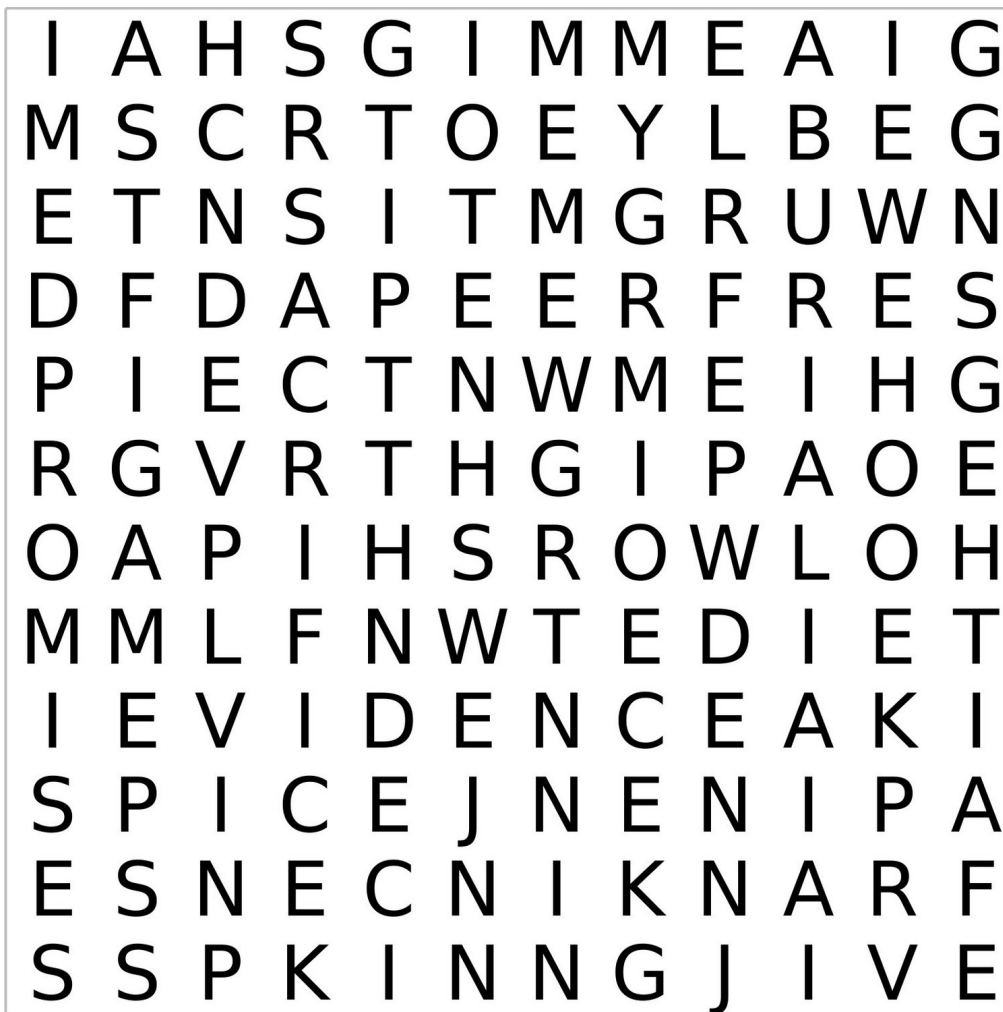
Josh whispered "I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."

Puzzles

The Magi brought three gifts to Jesus: gold, frankincense and myrrh. Gold was a gift that would have been given to a king. Frankincense was brought by priests as they worshipped God in the Temple. Myrrh was a spice that the ancients used in preparing bodies for burial.

So you could say that the Wise Men, in choosing their gifts, honoured Jesus with gold because He was King of the Jews, with frankincense because He was to be worshipped as divine; and with myrrh, because He would also become a sacrifice and die for His people.

The Wise Men were the very first gentiles ever to worship Jesus. What faith they had! They never saw any evidence of Jesus' kingship, His divinity or His sacrificial death. They simply worshipped Him through faith in God's promises alone.



Magi	Three	Gifts	Gold	Frankincense
Myrrh	King	Worship	God	Temple
Spice	Burial	Jews	Divine	Sacrifice
Die	Gentiles	Faith	Evidence	Promises





John and Valerie Franks