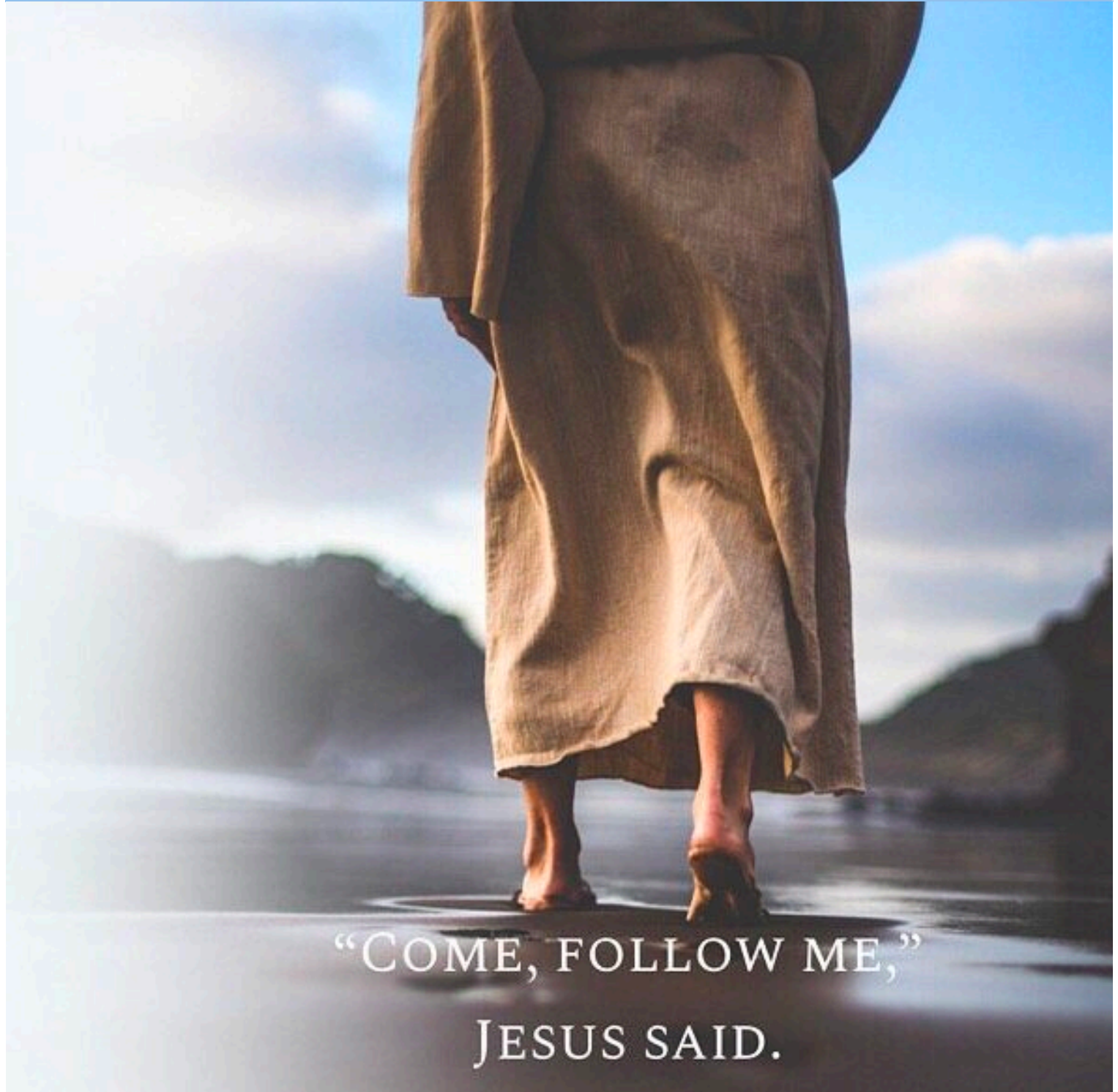


# The Bewsborough Parish Post

A newsletter for the Churches in Barfrestone,  
Coldred, Eythorne & Elvington with Waldershare,  
Shepherdswell and Whitfield



“COME, FOLLOW ME,”  
JESUS SAID.

Issue 5

## **“Come and See”**

by Revd. Sean Sheffield

In our Gospel passage from John today we hear words spoken by Jesus that I have possibly quoted more than any others that I can think of. Words that I myself have said to many people in the past 11-years since becoming a Christian.

“Come and see”.

They are beautiful words of invitation, words that can have a significant impact on our lives, and the lives of those around us if we but dare to listen and dare to respond; if we dare to offer them to others.

They are words that I remember hearing, audibly, ringing in my ears as I stood outside of St. John the Baptist Church in Tunstall, tears still glistening in my eyes, the world seemingly in technicolour for the first time; fresh from an encounter with the Holy Spirit as I had given my life to Jesus at the end of an Alpha Course away day.

“Come and see”.

Risky words, daring words, bold words.

“Come and see” calls Jesus, it’s his invitation to find ourselves and discover our lives; a call to discipleship. It was a wake up call for me in November 2009, to wake up and live, to wake up and live life in all its fullness. To stop filling my life with the things of this world that would and never will fully satisfy that yearning inside.

And so, as you hear those words today, and perhaps not for the first time I wonder what Jesus wants to show you? In what ways does he want to share his life with you? How might he be offering himself to you, asking you to participate in his life? If you look at your life what do you see? What is it like?

Is it full and abundant? “Come and see.”

Empty and desolate? “Come and see.”

Filled with change, chaos, or the unknown? “Come and see.”

Is it one of joy and celebration? “Come and see.”

One of loss and sorrow? “Come and see.”

Do you feel lost and confused? “Come and see.”

Is it smooth sailing? “Come and see.”

Is it weighed down by guilt, shame, despair? “Come and see.”

However you might describe your life at the moment, Jesus’ response is always the same. Every life and every situation echoes with Christ’s invitation, “Come and see.” He is there offering himself as the first-hand experience of our truest self our truest life. Don’t just take my word for it. Don’t believe it just because I have written it in this week’s Parish Post. Get up and go look for yourself (taking into consideration all social distancing restrictions of course!)

Christ himself offers the invitation, the promise, the reassurance.

“Come and see” calls Christ.

Join the journey, for in the quest itself, there is life to be found in the one who journeys with us; and from time to time, by God’s grace, we might just glimpse in him what every one of us is looking for.

## A Tour of Our Logo (and a visit to the café after)

by Revd. Stewart Carolan-Evans

A question to start with. When you visit an art gallery, do you prefer to walk around by yourself, alone with your thoughts, or do you take the guided tour? For me, if I have the time, I like to wander around myself and then nip back for the tour. Afterwards, as I ruminate on the dog-eared panini and sip the tepid coffee in the gallery café, I can pause to reflect. Should I stick with the, no doubt worthy and well-considered, interpretation provided by the tour guide? Or would it be better to remain with my own version, bespoke to the truth as I alone perceive it? In truth I guess it is best to plump for the mid ground, that fertile valley that lies between the two barren hills of dogma and conceit, a field of green where ideas most readily take root. So perhaps it would be a good notion for us to do the same for our new parish logo. First, please take a few moments to look at the image, its proportions, colours, shape and symbols... take your time... see how you feel, what emotions does it stir (if any). The tour starts in 20 minutes.



Now you've walked round it's time for the guided tour of the logo. Around the outside are the names of the patron saints of the churches of the parish (you knew that). Their position around the outside represents the boundary of the parish, not so much a limit on actions but the perimeter of a target for the church's efforts encompassed and inspired by these saintly giants of Christian faith. The circularity tells us that none is on top, all have their part to play, without any one the circle ceases to be a circle to the detriment of all. The shape within is redolent of a church window (no Mrs Jones not a gravestone). The window is stained glass and such windows of course have no light of their own, rather they come to life when light shines through. Much as the church is at her best when she uses her talents to show God's glory. The window has five different coloured panels. Does each colour represent a specific church of the parish or does each move over time from one colour to another? That is left for the observer to contemplate. At the centre is the cross, a clear sign that Christ belongs at the centre of the Church. Below, supporting all is 'Bewsborough Parish', the rock of Matthew 7:24-29, the grey reminding the observer too of the stone of church buildings. All five church communities are distinct like the coloured panels but all five rely upon, and are supported by 'Bewsborough Parish'. But look again, the dove, the cross and the coloured 'window'. Therein we can perceive the triune God, the dove reminding us of the dove returning to Noah in Genesis 8.11 and the spirit of God descending in Luke 3.22. The cross of God's gift of himself to mankind in Jesus. And behind all of these, the window that tells of the creator Father. All distinct yet all as one. Well that concludes the brief tour, thank you for joining. The gift shop and café are just over there.

Let's sit here with our tray. So what is the point of a logo? Of course as a gathered people, a body, a corpus, our corporate identity is Jesus, his body. On him we endeavour to centre our lives. Our new logo remains just some colourful printed ink of little consequence. But what our logo represents is of great consequence. Our working together, the buildings in which we worship, the gospel we share and the triune God that shapes our lives and shines through our words and actions done in his name.



**1 Samuel 3:1-10**

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

**Revelation 5:1-10**

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.'

Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song:

'You are worthy to take the scroll

and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God

saints from every tribe and language and people and nation;

you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God,

and they will reign on earth.'

**John 1:43-51**

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

## Sermon - Cynics & Heroes

by Revd. Stewart Carolan-Evans

The word of the Lord is rare in these days; visions are not widespread.

I wonder, do you have a hero? One of the great politicians of the past, Winston Churchill perhaps or of recent times, Boris Johnson, Sir Kier Starmer or Joe Biden. It's good to reflect that there are candidates for the title 'hero' arising in these dark times. For instance the nurses and doctors of the NHS or the police or even the humble bin men who, mask up and do their tireless part for the community despite the ever present risk of infection. May be it was someone from your personal memory, a scout or guides leader, your old Sunday school teacher perhaps. For me it's Lucius Cornelius Sulla the great Roman general and statesman (more about him another time). Oh but wait. I expect most of you have heard of cynics. Originally cynics were members of an ancient Greek sect that advocated a doctrine that said virtue is the only good and that the essence of virtue is self-control. On the surface this may seem wise and true. But their noble sounding ethos soon led them down an altogether darker path. Cynics had contempt for worldly things and pleasures, despising them when found in others. It was from the actions and beliefs of this sect that we directly derive the modern word 'cynic'. A cynic today is someone that believes the worst about other people and events. A cynic will say about the people I have just described that they were just in it for the kick that political power and even better fortune would bring them. Or they just wanted to feel the buzz of everyone wanting to be their friends. I bet they milk their status for all the cash and notoriety they can get, after they are all show-offs aren't they. He's no hero, there are no heroes. Policemen; they just like the uniform and fast cars, nurses; they like the handsome young doctors, the council worker, probably just a drop out who did not get a better aid job. The youth leader; only did it 'cause her own kids can't stand her.

The word of the Lord is rare in these days; visions are not widespread.

And so it was for Eli in the book of Samuel. Eli was a high priest at the temple at Shiloh. He had two rather wayward sons, also priests, that used their position to extort money and other benefits from those that visited the temple. So it was that when Hannah, Samuel's mother, had visited the temple 13 years earlier and knelt in silent prayer for a Son to be born to her, Eli had assumed she must be drunk and publicly accused her of the same. But now the boy Samuel that was born to Hannah, is his temple servant. And he won't let Eli sleep, he keeps waking him up asking him why he's calling him. Somewhere in his heart Eli knows it's the Lord that is calling he boy. So why doesn't he go with Samuel, hoping that he may too hear the voice of God calling, Samuel, Samuel and perhaps even Eli, Eli? No, he simply pulls his covers over his head, for him it's too late, his cynicism now fits his body and heart more closely than his finest priestly robe, it has become too ingrained, too familiar, too much a part of how he thinks, who he is. And so it nearly is with Nathaniel from our Gospel reading. When he hears the 'too good to be true' stuff about this fellow Jesus, this man who is the one foretold by Moses, Nathaniel's cynic bone starts to ache. No, surely this can't be right. Then, after only a short time of looking he finds it, a reason to doubt and divide, this Jesus is from Nazareth. Nothing good comes from Nazareth he says. And you know what, there is a pretty large dollop of truth in his reply. The area of Galilee and town of Nazareth was, at the time, not a wholly trustworthy place. Nazareth was not mentioned in any Jewish holy writings, besides Galileans had strange accents.

So in a society that valued kinship, the fact that someone was from Nazareth in Galilee was a good reason to mistrust if not reject them. But given the opportunity to see the Lord, Nathaniel does not pull a cloak of cynicism over his head and ask Philip to tell him what happened when it is all over, or assume that the message is for others and not for him. Rather he trots faithfully behind his friend to see who this new man can be. And soon enough he is bowled over by the insight and wisdom of this Nazarite Son of God and King of Israel.

Just before the events of our Gospel story, two of John the Baptist's disciples had set out to follow Jesus, just as Philip and Nathaniel were to do. When Jesus saw them following him he said 'What are you looking for?' And really I suppose all who think to follow Jesus, before they set out on their journey, are asked the same question by our Lord, 'What are you looking for?'. If you look for failure, if you look for drunkenness, if you look for corruption, if you look for selfishness, if you look for ignorance, if you look for anger you will surely find them everywhere. They are, after all, really there to be found. But if rather you look for sincere prayers spoken by a lonely woman. If you look for the small boy who only wants to please. If you look for flawed but honest men and women serving the country they love, if you look for people who want to dedicate themselves to something greater than themselves you will find them too. If you look for our saviour among the strange untrustworthy Nazerites you will find him as well. They are, he is, after all, really there to be found. And if the uncertainties of life have taught you to doubt and hide under your blanket of cynicism then hear again the words of Philip,

'come and see' ..... 'come and see'.

Amen.





## Poetry and Prayers

### Paradigm Shift: Angelus

Within the deepest silence is a sound:  
 Ordered, graceful, the music of the spheres  
 Reverberates in every atom, bounds  
 From star to star: a song we cannot hear,  
 Except in hints and glimpses: in the hush  
 Of twilight, crickets with their tiny words;  
 A smile upon a sleeping face, a rush  
 Of love within the heart; high circling birds  
 Against the burning blue of heaven; sparrows  
 Darting quick into the hedge; the air before  
 The rain and after; mossy bridges, furrows  
 At harvest: woven, a vast cosmic score  
 In secret sung. And we beneath the moon  
 Can add our prayers: sunset, sunrise, noon.

by Holly Ordway

[taken from Harvey Richardson's Sunday Prayers & Thoughts]

Lead us, Lord, to nurture and then  
 share our gifts with the world around  
 us. Through the tasks laid before us  
 today, may the message of your grace  
 fall on an ear that needs to hear it.

### Household Prayer | Morning

As I rise this day, O God,  
 I give you thanks for breath and life,  
 for the people I will speak with this day,  
 for family, neighbours and friends,  
 and for those whose ways may challenge  
 my serenity.  
 help me to give thanks especially  
 for the people who pull me to new  
 understandings  
 and show me sides of life that I have not  
 known or do not welcome.  
 Urge me to follow you today; in Jesus'  
 name.  
 Amen

[taken from Feasting on the Word Liturgies]

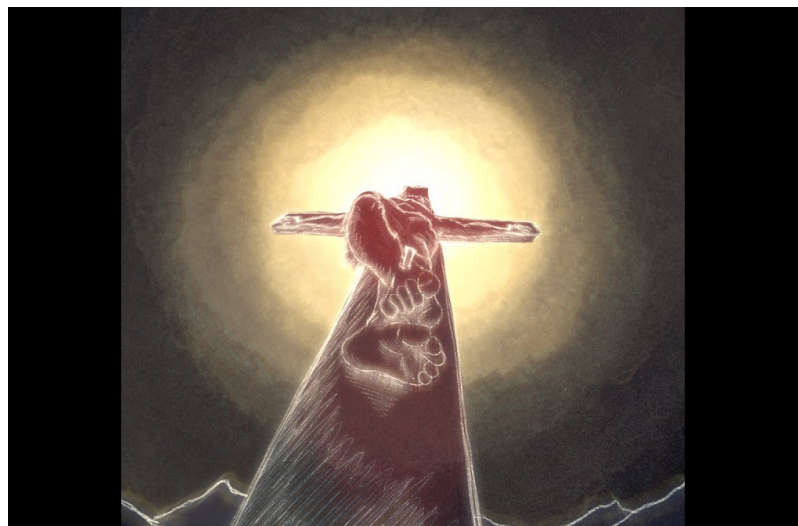
### Nathanael's Epiphany

A fugitive and exile, Jacob slept,  
 A man of clay, his head upon a stone  
 And even in his sleep his spirit wept  
 He lay down lonely and would wake alone.  
 But in the night he dreamt the Heavens parted  
 And glimpsed, in glory, as from Heaven's core,  
 A ladder set for all the broken-hearted  
 And earth herself becoming Heaven's door.  
 And when the nameless Angel named him  
 Israel  
 He kept this gift, whose depth he never knew;  
 The promise of an end to all our exile,  
 For now a child of Israel finds it true,  
 And sees the One who heals the deep heart's  
 aching  
 As Jacob's dream becomes Nathanael's waking.

by Malcolm Guite

Almighty God,  
 in Christ you make all things new:  
 transform the poverty of our nature by the riches  
 of your grace,  
 and in the renewal of our lives  
 make known your heavenly glory;  
 through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
 who is alive and reigns with you,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 one God, now and for ever.

[The Collect for the second Sunday after Epiphany]



## Hymns and songs used in this Sunday's online services:

- All Hail the Power
- **Will You Come and Follow Me**
- Come Down, O Love Divine
- Dear Lord and Father of Mankind



### **Will you Come and Follow Me**

written by **John Bell** (b. 1949)

He was born in the Scottish town of Kilmarnock in Ayrshire, intending to be a music teacher when he felt the call to the ministry. But in frustration with his classes, he did volunteer work in a deprived neighbourhood in London for a time and also served for two years as an associate pastor at the English Reformed Church in Amsterdam. After graduating he worked for five years as a youth pastor for the Church of Scotland, serving a large region that included about 500 churches. He then took a similar position with the Iona Community, and with his colleague Graham Maule, began to broaden the youth ministry to focus on renewal of the church's worship. His approach soon turned to composing songs within the identifiable traditions of hymnody that found began to address concerns missing from the current Scottish hymnal:

"I discovered that seldom did our hymns represent the plight of poor people to God. There was nothing that dealt with unemployment, nothing that dealt with living in a multicultural society and feeling disenfranchised. There was nothing about child abuse...,that reflected concern for the developing world, nothing that helped see ourselves as brothers and sisters to those who are suffering from poverty or persecution."

Will You Come And Follow Me  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Go Where You Don't Know  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Let My Love Be Shown,  
Will You Let My Name Be Known,  
Will You Let My Life Be Grown  
In You And You In Me?

Will You Leave Yourself Behind  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Care For Cruel And Kind  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Risk The Hostile Stare  
Should Your Life Attract Or Scare?  
Will You Let Me Answer Prayer  
In You And You In Me?

Will You Let The Blinded See  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Set The Prisoners Free  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Kiss The Leper Clean,  
And Do Such As This Unseen,  
And Admit To What I Mean  
In You And You In Me?

Will You Love The 'You' You Hide  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Quell The Fear Inside  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Use The Faith You've Found  
To Reshape The World Around,  
Through My Sight And Touch And Sound  
In You And You In Me?

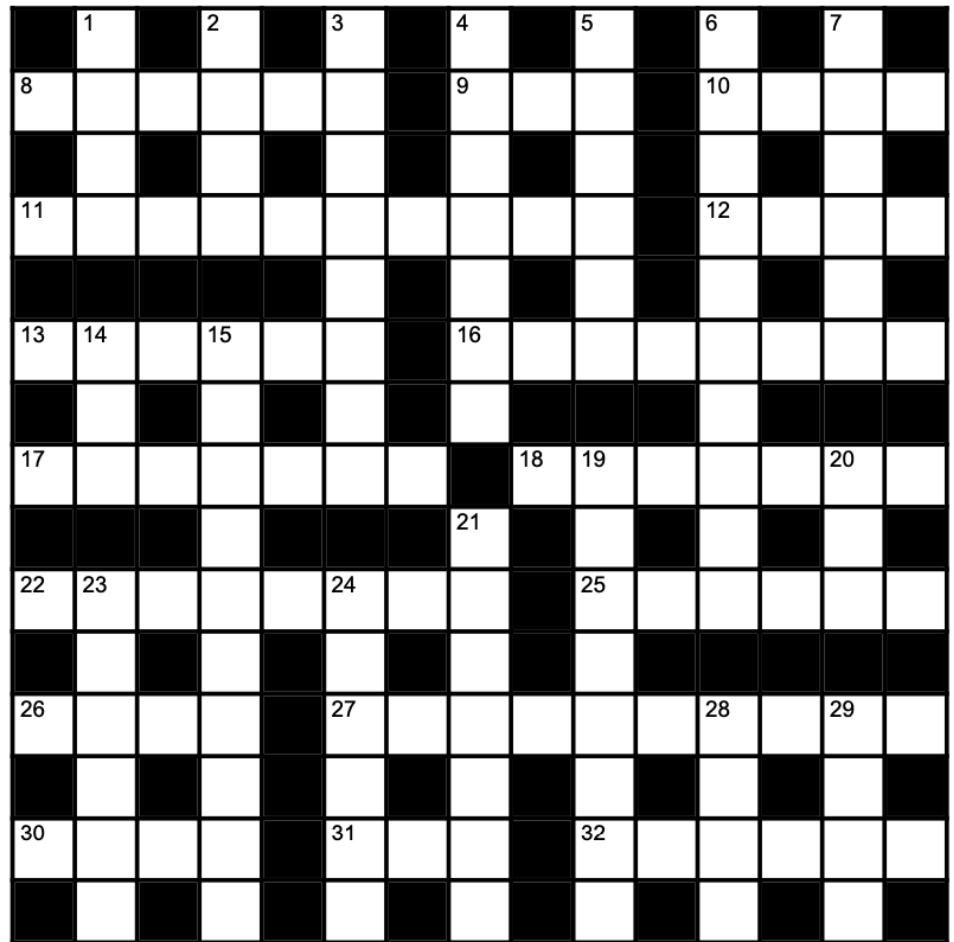
Lord, Your Summons Echoes True  
When You But Call My Name.  
Let Me Turn And Follow You  
And Never Be The Same.  
In Your Company I'll Go  
Where Your Love And Footsteps Show.  
Thus I'll Move And Live And Grow  
In You And You In Me.



## Puzzle Corner

### Across

- 8 Religious service (6)  
 9 Vessel (3)  
 10 Drive forcibly (4)  
 11 Christ does this for us (10)  
 12 Bethesda was the name of this (4)  
 13 Servant of a prophet (6)  
 16 One who leaves the straight and narrow path (8)  
 17 Check the money (7)  
 18 Fragrant offering; make angry (7)  
 22 Come out from among them (8)



by Philologus

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- 25 Works with clay (6)  
 26 Main part of text (4)  
 27 Chucked it too far (10)  
 30 Treachery sealed with this (4)  
 31 Simon washed his (3)  
 32 Migratory grasshopper (6)

- 2 Brother of James; Hardy book (4)  
 3 Choice by vote (8)  
 4 Evening glow (7)  
 5 All sing the tune (6)  
 6 To reduce deficiency (10)  
 7 Take no notice of (6)  
 14 Look at (3)

- 20 The blind will (3)  
 21 Regrets; Serpent (anag) (7)  
 23 Angels by another name (6)  
 24 Decorates (6)  
 28 Say it and you will be in danger of the council (4)  
 29 Cleanse (4)

### Down

- 1 Standard for the tribe of Judah (4)

- 15 Alternative Revelation (10)  
 19 Son of Jacob (8)

### Solution from Issue 4

Across: 1 Scripture, 6 Chasm, 9 Deborah, 10 Deliver, 11 Noose, 12 Zealously, 13 Thirty-Two, 15 Ridge, 16 Empty, 18 Strongest, 20 Whitewash, 23 Alpha, 25 Leisure, 26 Sukkoth, 27 Egypt, 28 Thaddaeus.

Down: 1 Sidon, 2 Rabboni, 3 Perfectly, 4 Uphaz, 5 Endeavour, 6 Calno, 7 Advised, 8 Mercy Seat, 13 The Twelve, 14 Testament, 15 Ransacked, 17 Privily, 19 Explore, 21 Exult, 22 Hosea, 24 Ashes.

# Together @ Home

Lectionary Edition  
Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January  
Second Sunday of Epiphany

Here are some activities you could do together as a family, begin with the story and then do as many or as few as you like, in any order.



## Bible Passage

Today we will be exploring together, the story of Jesus, Philip and Nathanael.

You can find it in your Bible in:  
**John 1 v 43–51**

Read the story together – choose a Bible translation or children's story version which best suits your group.

**The other passages we might be thinking about at church this week are:**

1 Samuel 3 v 1-10 (11-20)  
Psalm 139 v 1-5, 12-18  
Revelation 5 v 1-10

## Discussion

A question for adults to ask children

*What changed Nathanael's mind about Jesus?*

When Philip told him about Jesus, Nathanael was not convinced, in fact he was quite rude asking "can anything good come from Nazareth?" Jesus revealed that he knew exactly where Nathanael had been sitting when Philip had come to speak to him. Nathanael was amazed at Jesus' miraculous knowledge but Jesus promised that they would see even more incredible things. No wonder they decided to follow Him.

A question for children to ask adults

*Can you tell me the story of how and why you decided to follow Jesus?*

## Was Nathanael one of the 12 disciples?

The list of Jesus' twelve disciples appears in Mark 3, Matthew 10, and Luke 6... Philip is there, but there is no sign of Nathanael! Some people believe that Bartholomew who appears in this list was actually Nathanael but there is also plenty of evidence in the Gospels that Jesus had many more than 12 followers. In Luke 10 we read about Jesus sending out 72 followers (!) on a mission.



## A prayer to say together

Dear God,  
Thank you that you know each one of us, that you are with us and see us wherever we are.  
Thank you for the story of Nathanael and Philip.

Help us to like Philip this week, studying the Bible to learn more about who you are and sharing what we know and learn with others.

Help us to be like Nathanael this week, recognising you at work in our lives and choosing to follow you. Amen.

## Family Activity 1

### What am I?

Jesus knew all about Nathanael and Philip before he had even seen them! Take it in turns to wear a blindfold (a scarf will do).

The person wearing a blindfold is passed an object from the room you are in; can they work out what it is without seeing it?



# Cornish Pasties

by Paula Bilbrough

## Ingredients:

### for the Shortcrust Pastry:

- 300 gms all-purpose flour
- 1 pinch salt
- 150 gms butter or half lard and half butter; cubed
- 2 to 3 tablespoons water cold
- (or 500 gm block of ready-made pastry)

### for the filling:

- 300 gms rump steak (sirloin; cubed small)
- 150 gms potato (1/4-inch diced)
- 150 gms swede (rutabaga; 1/4-inch diced)
- 75 gms onion (finely chopped)
- salt (to taste)
- freshly ground black pepper (to taste)
- 1 large egg (lightly beaten)

## Method:

### Make the Shortcrust Pastry

- Place the flour, salt, and butter into a large bowl.
- Using your fingertips, rub the butter into the flour and salt until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs.
- Work as quickly as possible to prevent the dough from becoming warm.
- Add 2 tablespoons of cold water to the mixture and, using a cold knife, stir until the dough binds together.
- Add more cold water, 1 teaspoon at a time, if the mixture is too dry.
- Wrap the dough in plastic wrap and chill for a minimum of 15 minutes or up to 30 minutes.

(or if using ready made pastry, it should not be used direct from the fridge.)

### Make the Filling and Form the Pasties

- Place the onion, potato, swede, and steak in a saucepan to pre cook the meat for 10 minutes and soften the vegetables. Season well with salt and pepper.
- Heat the oven to 425 F (220 C/Gas Mark 7).
- Divide the pastry into four equal pieces and roll each piece into rounds. I use a 21cm / 8 inch plate.
- Divide the meat mixture evenly among each pastry circle and place it the centre. Brush around the edges with beaten egg.
- Fold the sides up over the filling so the two edges meet. Crimp the two edges together across the top to create a tight seal. Leave it standing so the crimp is up over the centre. Brush each pastie all over with the remaining beaten egg.
- Place the pasties on a greased baking sheet and bake for 45 minutes until golden brown.

**Serve hot or cooled and enjoy!!**





## What's Happening This Week?

### Sunday Morning

Each Sunday morning we have two services that you can join on Zoom, and enjoy the fellowship of those across our worshipping communities as we worship together

#### 9.00am BCP Morning Prayer Service

#### 10.30am Morning Worship

The Zoom meeting room details are the same each week, for both services:

Meeting ID: 858 7103 2095

Passcode: 868162

So come along, sing, pray and worship God. AND..... Why not invite a friend or two to join you, during this time of continued lockdown we are keen to reach out to all who may need spiritual nourishment and support, so do send the weekly links to those you know.

From this week, if you are unable to make it, the 10.30 service will be available later on the Bewsborough Parish YouTube channel.

### Daily Morning & Evening Prayer

If you are able to join us on zoom, either through video or dialling in on a phone you are welcome to join us, the meeting link and ID are below.

#### Tuesday to Saturday 7.45am and 6.00pm

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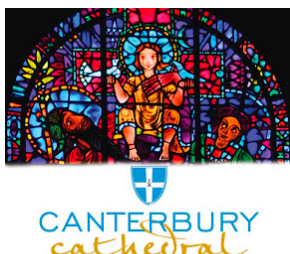
Phone dial in 0203 481 5240

If you have any particular prayer needs or need help to join by phone please contact Sean.

### Other Resources

Each week Harvey Richardson produces a wonderfully rich resource for our ongoing spiritual journeys. 'Sunday Prayers' contains a reflection, meditation or thoughts, music, poetry and images; alongside prayers for the coming week, linked to the themes of that Sunday.

If you would like to be added to his weekly email distribution list, please drop him an email on [harvey.s.richardson@gmail.com](mailto:harvey.s.richardson@gmail.com)



For Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Choral Evensong why not head over to the Canterbury Cathedral **YouTube Channel**



## Lent Groups

As we journey steadily, and now very rapidly towards Lent, we intend to run a number of Lent Groups to support everyone across the Parish on their spiritual journey through the Lenten period. We are hoping to have a number of options, both daytime and evening to support everyone in this important time in our Church calendar. Watch this space and other communications channels for further information!!



## The Bible Course

Firstly, I need to offer an humble apology (says Sean)! In last week's issue those eagle of eye may have noticed that the advertised date for the start of the course did not make sense (day and date did not match). Anyway, with Lent bearing down on us we have decided to run the Bible Course directly after our Lent groups and course finishes, so keep those requests to join coming in. Again, further information and confirmed date to follow.

## Online Giving

Firstly, **THANK YOU**, to the many who have continued their financial support over these past months as we have been in lockdown and various stages of restrictions and isolation. However, some of you may be wondering how you can make your usual weekly or monthly financial gift to the Parish. Well, to help support this Sean is exploring ways of giving online, electronically (via text) and also ways in which this can be facilitated when we return to our church buildings but may need to consider alternatives to cash and collection plates (and the infection transmission risks they present).

There will be an update soon on this, in the meantime if you have a pile of giving envelopes, or wish to make a financial gift or contribution to the life of the Parish, then please contact Sean.

## And finally.....

**Do make sure to join us next Sunday for our 10.30 service as we bid farewell to our wonderful friends Richard and Kate Webster, as they move to pastures new. Let's send them off in true Bewsborough Parish style!!**

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