

MUSKHAM MAGAZINE

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In 1935, the French rose breeder, Francis Meilland, the third generation in a family of rose growers near Lyon, selected 50 'promising' seedlings from his seedbeds. One was tagged 3 – 35 – 40 and over the next four years Francis and his father, Papa Meilland, watched its development with interest. In spite of war clouds gathering, the unnamed rose was introduced to friends and professional rose growers who gave it an enthusiastic 'thumbs up'. (Find out more inside)

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Peace

At his first public mass, the new Pope, Leo xivth exhorted the leaders of the world to strive for PEACE. The magazine's front cover this month is an image of the rose 'Peace' I was fascinated to learn of its developmental history which started 90 years ago in 1935. I hope you too find it interesting. Moving on.....



Editorial

A cautionary tale (or should that be tail.)

A few Sundays ago, Ken my husband took Mostyn our black labrador for a walk along the bank of the River Trent near Hoveringham village. Then as is his usual practice he went sailing. When I got to the Sailing Club about an hour later I was concerned that Mostyn did not appear his usual self. He appeared subdued. He was not interested in poking his nose at the table where people had started to eat their lunches. Then he sort of lost his sitting balance. When Ken came off the water we took him for a short walk. I was still concerned so I phoned the vet, described his symptoms and was advised to bring him immediately. By the time I reached the vet's, about twenty minutes later, Mostyn was unable to get out of the car and was very agitated. A usually very docile dog, I suggested we put a muzzle on and together the vet and I carried him into the surgery.

I was so impressed with the Vet; the care she took examining him and working through a range of possible diagnoses. I could see Mostyn deteriorating before my eyes as he sagged to the floor. The vet said that Mostyn was not giving her any clue as to what was wrong. Then we looked at his eyes. There was no iris. His pupils were fully dilated. The Vet said I think I know what has happened but I need to run full blood tests and full vital organ functioning tests to rule out other diagnoses. When all the tests came back negative she said 'I think this is cannabinoid poisoning'. The classic signs are very low heart beat rate (despite being very agitated) leaking urine, uncoordinated movements and diluted pupils. She asked if we had been to a public park and I mentioned we had been to Clumber Park the day before. The Vet explained the symptoms were consistent with Mostyn ingesting the substance that morning. Mostyn was on a drip for 8 hours and required to ingest large doses of charcoal to absorb the toxins. Thanks to very prompt action he is back to his usual self. However another friend from the Sailing Club having been to Colwick Park was concerned about their Dalmatian but there was a greater time delay in noticing the symptoms and when they got to the Vet were told 'I may not be able to save your dog.' Thankfully Daisy has recovered fully. But please be aware. I didn't even know this was a risk to watch. The question about being in a Public Park reflected the Vet's experience of that being the location of other dogs experiencing similar trauma. Susan Twemlow

Continued from front page But three months later Hitler invaded France and, with the nursery under threat of destruction, three parcels of budwood were hastily sent out of France, one of which was smuggled out in the diplomatic bag to America.

For the duration of the war the Meilland family had no idea whether any of the budwood had survived. In America their agent planted the rose in his own trial beds and gave it to other rose growers for testing in all the climatic zones throughout the United States. The rose did so well that it was decided to release it in the United States and thousands of plants were propagated. Although the war was still raging in Europe, the launch date was set for 29 April 1945, in Pasadena, California.

On the same day that two doves were released into the American sky to symbolise the naming of the rose, Berlin fell and a truce was declared. It was sheer coincidence. In naming the rose, this simple statement was read: "We are persuaded that this greatest new rose of our time should be named for the world's greatest desire: 'PEACE'."

'Peace' went on to receive the All American Award for roses on the day that the war in Japan came to an end. On May 8, 1945, when Germany signed its surrender, the 49 delegates who met to form the United Nations were each presented with a bloom of 'Peace' and a message of peace from the Secretary of the American Rose Society.

In France, the rose had been named 'Madame Antoine Meilland' in memory of Claudia Dubreuil, the wife of Antoine Meilland and mother of Francis. At the same time news coming back from Germany and Italy where other budwood had been sent, revealed that in Italy the rose was called 'Gioia' (Joy) and in Germany, 'Gloria Dei' (Glory of God). For the family, all the names captured the qualities that they loved in Claudia.

The name 'Peace' seems to have outlasted all the others. The timing of its launch was perfect and it struck such a chord that within nine years some 30 million 'Peace' rose bushes were flowering around the world. But it wasn't because of sentiment alone. 'Peace' truly was a superlative rose, superior by far to the roses before it in terms of vigour, hardiness, and the long lasting ability of its blooms. The colour was also magnificent, a pale, golden yellow deepening to red along the petal edges.

Its contribution to the rose world has been immeasurable. Because of its vigour and dependability, 'Peace' has been used in breeding programmes across the world. It is recorded that 'Peace' is the 'mother' in 150 varieties and the 'father' in a further 180 varieties. 'Peace' also breathed new life into the gardening world, which sorely needed reviving after the war. The huge amount of publicity it received internationally made people excited about growing roses again. It has been said that 'Peace' is in every public park and the 'must have' variety for every garden. Because it grew so well and so easily, people were not afraid to try their hand at other roses and so the rose industry took off, once again.

BEING A PRIESTFOR 60 YEARS

On Trinity Sunday (15 June) I celebrate the 60th Anniversary of my Ordination as a Priest. Here I reflect on some of the blessings of being a Vicar. I will be leading our Parishes' Holy Communion Service that day at Kelham at 9.30, and any who would like to join us will be most welcome.

As a Priest you hope to enable people to encounter our Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ our Saviour, and the relationship can be like that of a senior family member enabling others to grow in their experience of God. This may be in leading worship - it is striking how inspiring worship can be for Christians, whether it's a very 'ordered' Service, or something less formal. And in Sermons - there have been occasions when years later someone has said "I recall what you said on such-and-such occasion, and it meant so much to me."

Or in preparing couples for their Wedding, where together we explore some of the depths and meaning of the husband-wife relationship, and how God and the assurance of His blessing can be a vital ingredient in a marriage. Some have later said how these insights have helped them.

Or before a Christening, as I've talked with parents about what Baptism signifies (New Life in Christ), and how they can enable their child to discover the riches of the Faith in the years ahead. Indeed for some parents this has marked a real renewal in their own faith, and led them to a deeper Christian commitment, often expressed in their local Church.

Or in connection with a Funeral, as one seeks to help a bereaved person to experience inner comfort and strength in a time of sorrow.

Or simply praying with people

One of the privileges of Priesthood for me has been that the Priest is Vicar not just of the local Church, but of the whole Parish - the area in which the Church is set. This has enabled me to call on folk at home or visit local groups to offer support and take an interest in their lives and activities. This can help to link the "spiritual" with the "everyday", as the Church is visibly involved - just as God is interested in us and our lives whether we're religious or not, and that we can "involve" Him through even the smallest degree of faith. And that can grow . . . like a seed.

Seeing people grow in their awareness of God and faith in their lives has been a great joy and privilege for me.

I wish you every blessing.

Revd David Bartlett.



The Register

Funerals

St Wilfrid's North Muskham

Mary Jean Bowler 30th April 2025



The Muskham History Group

Presents

A History and a Tour of the Houses of Parliament

Given By Mike Ogden (a retired town planner)



The Palace



Mike Ogden

One of the world's most famous buildings, the Palace of Westminster stands majestically between Westminster Abbey and the River Thames.

Generally known these days as the Houses of Parliament, it is formally, as it has been for a thousand years, a royal palace which retains its royal name.

Learn about the palace's origins and follow its growth until the disastrous fire in 1834 which resulted in the erection of the buildings that now grace the site. And learn about the proposals to relocate Parliament while the buildings are restored and renewed.

Finally, take a tour around the palace, and enjoy a little of the biting humour and wit of the House of Commons.

Monday June 16th M.R.C.C. 19:30

You are not alone!

I remember, in the late nineties, being into the X-Files. In the series a couple of FBI agents would travel around the USA investigating stories of the paranormal; UFOs and the like. There were a couple of strap lines like 'You are not alone' and 'The Truth is Out There'! (I think I had a UFO poster with that slogan on my wall at University!) It was a great series. There was more to life than could be seen! I don't know whether there is life on other planets (it's seems odd to conclude that there can't be when there is so much of the universe that is uncharted!) but I am utterly convinced that there is more to life than what we can see! Before the 20th century we didn't know such things as bacteria existed because they were too small to see, gravity was only named (discovered?) In the 17th century! We are constantly discovering more about what we cannot necessarily see with the naked eye or do not understand.

But I'm not going to use this article to persuade you of the existence of aliens. I'd much rather use it to reassure you that you are not alone; you are never alone!

The two messages I always try to leave school children with when I lead collective worship are that **God Loves You** (this is unconditional - whoever we are, whatever we're like, whatever we've done or not done, God loves us!) and the **God is with you**. Indeed nothing can separate us from God and God's love.

June 8th is Pentecost Sunday. It's the day when the church celebrates the pouring out of God's Holy Spirit (sometimes thought of as the birth of the church!) The disciples had witnessed first-hand the death of Jesus and seen not only the empty tomb but the risen Christ. But then Jesus ascended into heaven and left them behind. Why did he do this? Well, in the physical person of Jesus, God was able to get alongside us, demonstrate his power in miracles, inspire us with his teachings and let us know how much God loved us and wanted us to love one-another. But imagine that being the same approach now, God constricted to one place and time, the reach would still be limited. Instead Jesus goes back to the Father and sends the Holy Spirit. From the powerful creating power of God, to the skin-on close at hand person of Jesus and on to the enduring, ever-present person of the Holy Spirit! God's Holy Spirit has always been present (God the Holy Spirit is mentioned in the first passage of the Bible, at creation!) but at Pentecost the Holy Spirit was poured out for all!

What this means is that God is always with you, wherever you are, whatever you're doing. If you ever feel alone, know that you are not. You need only stop, take a breath and pray the wonderful prayer, 'Come Holy Spirit.' (Or whatever words you find!) My prayer is that you will know and notice God with you, by the Holy Spirit when you need it most - You are not alone!



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ADVANCE NOTICE



MUSIC BY CANDLELIGHT

Come & listen to music by Highly Strung String Quartet
on Friday 7th November 2025, at 7.30pm
in the beautiful Grade 1 listed church of
St. Wilfrid's, North Muskham.

Tickets available in September.

**Muskham & District
Horticultural Society**

Rose Show



Saturday 21st June 2.30pm

South Muskham Village Hall NG23 6EE

Free Admission

**Roses, floral art, house plants, home-grown veg
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**To exhibit - become a member
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Entry forms in by Thursday 19th June**

Bring your exhibits to the hall Sat 21st 10am to 12noon

Judging 12.30 to 2.30pm

Open to the public 2.30pm

***Refreshments ***

plant stall * raffle

Further information & show schedules from:

Marian 07796935002 or Jan 07752572684

The Easter Bunny (AKA Dave Brumpton) would like to thank everyone in the village who supported his recent fund raising project for Teenage Cancer Trust

In total **£840** was raised . This included donations linked to Dave's run in the Manchester marathon.

This just shows once again what an amazing community we live in.

Dave



ST.WILFRID'S CHURCH, SOUTH MUSKHAM

Tea/coffee/ cakes will continue in Church on the **fourth Friday** of the month from 2.30 to 4pm.

Our next get together will be 27th June.

Everyone is welcome including well-behaved dogs. Do come along and join us. It is a very informal get together. If you have not been before, be brave and give us a go!

**Our next service is
8th June at 3.00pm**

Churchwarden

David Watson 07989 959339





SUMMER FAYRE



**@Muskham Rural Community Centre
North Muskham**

**Sat 21st June
12 noon to 4pm**



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Thank You and Best Wishes to Barbara and David Saxton

David and Barbara are leaving the village for pastures new in June. They have contributed to village life through the Parish Council ,St Wilfrid's Church North Muskham and the Muskham Magazine. Ian Harrison, Ann Willey and myself are taking this opportunity to pay tribute to them and to wish them 'All the Best' in their future .

Ian Harrison Chair of North Muskham Parish Council writes:

'On a personal note, they have been the very best of neighbours to Gill and I and we will miss them. They both have been great supporters of the village and its events and institutions.

David has supported the village in so many ways. As well as being a pillar of support for the church, he was a very effective and dedicated Parish Councillor, who regardless of "popular" opinion, would always offer an alternative view when needed, and provide a voice to represent those in the minority.

His work with "Capturing Memories" will leave a great legacy for future generations in the village. More recently, his work on the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has been substantial. The Parish Council, and, I believe I speak for all who know Barbara and David, wish them all the very best on their new venture and we hope that they will return to North Muskham when possible to do so. I am sure that they will be warmly welcomed by all.' Bon Voyage.

Ann Willey Church Warden from St Wilfrid's Church writes

David has been a regular and valued member of our church congregation at St Wilfrid's, North Muskham. David has helped and supported the church in North Muskham and also the other churches in the Riverside Group of parishes in many ways. David has been a Reader, led us in prayers of intercession and has been a server at Holy Communion services. He has willingly given his time and helped in numerous other church activities, including supporting fundraising events and helping to keep the churchyard tidy. David was church treasurer for a number of years which was a big undertaking and for which we are all very grateful.

On behalf of the Riverside Group of Churches I wish David and Barbara every happiness in their new home and location.

As editor of Muskham Magazine I have been appreciative of David's monthly oversight of the magazine as a Proof Reader, before the magazine goes to the printer. It's amazing what another person, coming fresh to an article or issue, can see and what ambiguities they identify. For this constructive feedback I will always be grateful. David also distributed the magazine in the village and on occasions collected the copies from the printer when Linda Guy was unavailable. David also demonstrated his own skills as a guest editor in January and February 2024 when he was responsible for Muskham Magazine because I was on an extended holiday to New Zealand. I will miss his positive encouragement. Sending very best wishes to you both for your new venture. **Susan Twemlow Editor Muskham Magazine.**

Summary of North Muskham Parish Council Meetings- 12/5/2025 Ian Harrison Chairman

Annual General Meeting:

1. A report from the outgoing chairman was received.
2. Ian Harrison was elected Chairman and Gary Hobbs Vice Chairman.
3. Financial Statements were received and noted from the Muskham Rural Community Centre (MRCC) and the Mary Woolhouse Trust.

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council:

1. A document from Newark and Sherwood District Council outlining its draft statement on strategic housing and land availability assessment was discussed and a collective response would be made including the comments of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.
2. Appointments were made for the Allotments and Personnel sub committees and Parish Council (PC) representatives on various outside forums were agreed.
3. Councillors considered the Council's Risk Register and Asset Register.
4. Meetings for the next year were agreed and will take place every 2nd Monday of the month except August.
5. The Allotments Report was noted and agreed to get the container suitably painted.
6. Councillor Luke outlined the success of Basic Life Support training events held to date. It was noted that the 2nd defibrillator is awaiting an electric supply to be fitted but the original defibrillator still is available at the MRCC.
7. Councillor Hobbs updated re the Emergency Plan and Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.
8. Noted that the new safety surfacing had been completed in the Children's play area and now just awaiting re-installation of the bucket swing. 2 new picnic tables would now be ordered and a new additional waste bin provided.
7. The Chairman reported on the success of the 80th Anniversary VE Day evening event and requested that the Commonwealth War Grave in the churchyard, of GH Jackson be suitably maintained as a mark of respect and the clerk will request maintenance by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.
8. The Chairman reported on progress of the Cafe Hub steering group which was now awaiting the compilation of an outline business plan to test viability of the proposal and also the draft agreement proposal of the Methodists to include adequate protection for all partners. Alternative funding mechanisms would also be explored.
9. The issues and complaints around ill considered parking on pavements in the village especially on Nelson Lane when football games are taking place was discussed and the PC will again ask for access to parking on the field to be allowed and encouraged when large numbers are expected.
10. The issues with quad bikes in the village and the riverside footpath were discussed and measures agreed to prevent this including further discussions with Notts Police. Villagers are encouraged to report any such activity to the Police on 101 or if you consider that life is at risk, on 999.
11. Various areas of poor roadways were highlighted for reporting to NCC Highways.
12. A reminder that the village summer fayre will be on June 21st at 12 noon. Free admission!, Bar, BBQ, tethered balloon and pony rides, Bouncy Castle, games, activities, Craft stall, cakes and coffee, etc etc

Coffee Morning

There is no coffee morning
in June due to the
Summer fayre at the
MRCC.

You are warmly invited to
come
and enjoy coffee and cake at
St. Wilfrid's Church, North Muskham
10.00am until 12 on Saturday 19th July



St Wilfrid's Church, North and South Muskham are collection points for Newark Food Bank. If you have any contributions please leave them in church.

The items urgently needed: - The items urgently needed: - Tinned meat (for people with no cooking facilities) e.g. Chopped Pork, Ham, Corned Beef

Tinned Meatballs, Tinned Ravioli, Rice, Tea (40s)

Other Items

Shampoo

A regular update of specific items needed can be found on the website:

<https://newark.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

If you would like items collected, please contact Ann.

Many thanks - Ann Willey, 01636 605477



Spring Wildlife Roundup and some Local Wildlife Memories

Well as the days of spring roll over we have had some lovely sunny days, but the lack of rain and often cold nights means that wildlife has had to deal with some challenging conditions. Make sure you leave shallow containers of clean water out for birds and other wildlife.

The ground is very hard and here in Bathley the usual badger digging that I see around the village has slowed down as their favourite food earth worms, have burrowed deeper into the soil to avoid the dry conditions. Worms can typically make up about 80 percent of a badger's diet. Badgers are having to look to other food sources and as they are omnivores this will include animal and plant material. They will eat slugs and insects and forage on carcasses. It's too early in the season for wild fruits and crop raiding.

Some fifteen years ago I was walking our dog up towards Bathley Hill on the footpath bordered by a maize crop. I had noticed badger damage in the crop on previous walks, but I was amazed to be confronted by a female badger with three kits in tow approaching me on the footpath from up the hill. Totally unperturbed by us she scolded the kits into the crop where they proceeded to pull down the maize and tuck into the ripe cobs. The dog looked at me and remained motionless. The next thing the female came back on the footpath right in front of me and began chiding and chittering a late kit who was just coming down the hill. Obviously late for dinner! So, it's not just humans who have to round up kids for dinner.

Butterflies seem to have done better this spring and there also seem to generally be more flying bugs as evidenced by my bug plastered windscreen on the car which is needing regular cleaning. This was not the case last year. Brimstone *Gonepteryx rhamni* were the first butterfly visitors to my garden this spring closely followed by large white *Pieris brassicae* and green veined white *Pieris napi*. Orange tip *Anthocharis cardamines* butterflies made an appearance in my garden to sup on the nectar of Honesty and Garlic Mustard flowers just as they were coming into flower. Orange tip will lay their eggs on Garlic Mustard and Cuckoo flowers and the caterpillars can be cannibalistic and eat unhatched orange tip eggs.

The hybrid spotted orchids are showing early in a field that I monitor locally, and the local blossom show has been glorious. Let's hope that it will lead to a bountiful fruit harvest for people and wildlife alike!

After eagerly awaiting the house sparrows *Passer domesticus* taking up residence in the wooden sparrow "hotel" nestbox I erected on the house, the presence of nesting blue tits *Cyanistes caeruleus* as the new hotel residents was heralded by my cat sitting watching them and miaowing from the front step.

The box is over three metres off the ground so fat cat can not get up to them! If you are erecting nest boxes, make sure they are well off the ground and as inaccessible as possible to predators such as cats.

Our recent toad patrols on Crow Lane saw dry and often windy conditions and little rain. We moved 374 toads to safety during their annual migration to the Crow Lane breeding pond and most of them were male. Tough times for the small number of female toads which are often drowned during amplexus when many males may mount a female to make a big toad pile. Let's hope that wasn't the case.

On the 14th and 20th of June the Nottinghamshire Bat Group is undertaking bat surveys at the ancient St Wilfrid's Church, North Muskham. The presence of roosting bats has already been confirmed in the church and these update surveys will be undertaken as part of the National Monitoring Programme.

Keep your eyes open in the early evening for batty antics with bats using their razor-sharp echo locating skills to catch mouthfuls of juicy flying insects. We have brown long eared *Plecotus auritus* and common pipistrelles *Pipistrellus pipistrellus* bats regularly hawking in our garden. They hunt along regular foraging routes and that's why it's important to understand these when planning new developments which could disrupt those important corridors. **Jane Southey Ecologist**



Nottinghamshire Bat Group is carrying out a Roost Emergence Survey at **St. Wilfrid's Church, North Muskham**.

This is part of the **National Bat Monitoring Programme** (NBMP) survey.

It will be conducted on

Saturday 14th June & Friday 20th June at approximately 9.30pm

If you are interested, they have 8 places available for villagers.

You will listen, watch and record the bats leaving the church.

If you are interested, please email swnmtreasurer@outlook.com

or phone Andy Willey on 07967138724



There were a number of events in our villages to commemorate the 80 Anniversary of VE Day. There was a short service in St Wilfrid's Church North Muskham on 4th May. The **Kohima Epitaph was read**

When you go home tell them of us and say for your tomorrow we gave our today.

Followed by the National Anthem

Let us never forget the sacrifices made .

In Bathley there was a 1940s theme quiz at The Crown. A donation of £105 was raised for the Royal British Legion. On 8th May some of the villagers met on the village green for a picnic including spam and potted meat sandwiches jelly blancmange and tinned fruit whilst listening to the music from the 40s . Photos and stories of war time relatives and friends were shared.



On the evening of Thursday 8th the beacon was lit on the riverbank next to The Ferry Inn at North Muskham . Fish and chip suppers were on offer at The Ferry.



Church of England Services June 2025

Sunday 1st June 9.30 am	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	Holy Communion
Sunday 8th June 3.00pm	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Holy Communion Pentecost
Sunday 15th June 9.30am	St Wilfrid's Kelham	Holy Communion 60th Anniversary of David Bartlett's ordination
Sunday 22nd June 9.30am	St Michael's and All Angels Averham	Safeguarding Sunday
Sunday 22nd June Messy Church 4pm	St Michael's and All Angels Averham	
Sunday 29th June 9.30am	St Wilfrid's South Muskham	Holy Communion
Sunday 29th June Messy Church 3.00pm	St Wilfrid's North Muskham	



**Thursday Evening Prayer 6pm
via Microsoft Teams**

Please contact

**Philip Staniforth for the Teams
Link**

The **Methodist** Church

Methodist Church Services

Sunday 1st June	Café Church Rev. G Hall	2.00pm
Sunday 8th June	Local Arrangement	10.30am
Sunday 15th June	Café Church Rev P Hibberts	2.00pm
Sunday 22nd June	Mrs G Hobbs	10.30am
Sunday 29th June	Café Church Rev P Hibberts Bible Month	2.00pm



BIBLE MONTH

Our Café Church Services for four Sundays from 6th July will be themed on the Gospel of John for Methodist Church Bible Month. The Gospel of John opens by presenting Jesus as the Word of God – the source of life and light for all people (John 1:1-18) and invites us to journey through the superabundant life Jesus offers. Come along for a relaxed, friendly worship experience with tea, coffee and cake.

SOUTH MUSKHAM AND LITTLE CARLTON VILLAGE HALL

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Small Hall	£10.00	£13.50
Combined	£21.00	£27.00

‘Thank You’ Susan Twemlow

Thank you to everyone who has supported my **Plants for Charity** efforts over recent weeks. At time of going to press I had raised £400 for the two charities Beaumond House and Newark Children’s Bereavement Centre. I have been stunned by people’s generosity. I do hope everyone’s plants are productive and you get much pleasure from the fruits of your labour.



PINK WINE TASTING & STRAWBERRIES

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NORTH MUSKHAM
SATURDAY 12th JULY at 4pm
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The story of Pentecost is found in Acts 2. After the Ascension of Jesus, the disciples had obeyed His command to stay in Jerusalem and to 'wait for the promise from the Father'. Jesus said this would be the 'baptism of the Holy Spirit', but the disciples had no idea what that meant. They soon found out! Acts tells us that at about 9 o'clock one morning, a sound like a rushing wind from heaven suddenly filled the house, and divided tongues as if of fire rested on each one of them. The Holy Spirit had come down and filled them with His divine power! Praise, preaching and witnessing followed that morning – and the Church was born.



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Tues	10:00 - 12:00 Short Mat Bowls <i>Just turn up. Not on in school holidays.</i>	6:30 to 7:30pm - Wild Earth Yoga <i>Sarah Pike 07789 986558</i> <i>hello@wild-earth-yoga.co.uk</i> 7:45-9:15pm - Table Tennis <i>Just turn up</i> 7:00-10:00pm – Muskham Social in Bar
Weds	10:00-12:00 – Muskham Craft Group <i>Marian: 07796 935002</i> <i>jmarion89@yahoo.co.uk</i>	
Thurs	10:00 - 12:00 Art Group <i>Jim Wishart - 07831 183523</i>	7:00-8:00pm – Zumba <i>Claire: 07891 820606</i>
Fri	9:30am - Seated Movement class <i>Rhuel: rhueliosamuels@gmail.com</i> 07477820043	7:00-8:00pm - Reiki Soundbath (one per month) Emily - www.insightstowellbeing.co.uk
Week days	<i>Muskham Out of School Club</i> <i>& Muskham Preschool as above</i>	5:00-7:30pm - Cougars Football <i>Cougars train & play at our Playing Fields</i> <i>and have Junior Football Teams for U7, U9, U11 and U13</i>
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Muskham Out of School – Holiday Club <i>Manager: Helen Waterfield 07944 467076</i>		4 – 14 years olds Monday to Friday (Holidays) 8:00-5:30pm

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Mt 2:1-12, Mk 9:1-8, Lk 5:17-26

The Pharisees had come to Jesus' home in Capernaum to make sure he wasn't breaking any of their religious rules...

So many came to hear Jesus speak that they filled his house...



and the streets outside.

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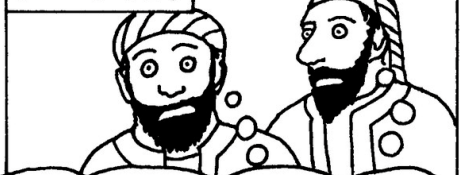


Jesus was so impressed by their faith, he said to the paralysed man



Your sins are forgiven.

The Pharisees were shocked!



Only God can forgive sins...so this fellow is insulting God!

But Jesus knew what they were thinking.



Why are you thinking such wrong thoughts?

Is it easier to say 'Your sins are forgiven' or 'Get up, take your mat, and walk'?

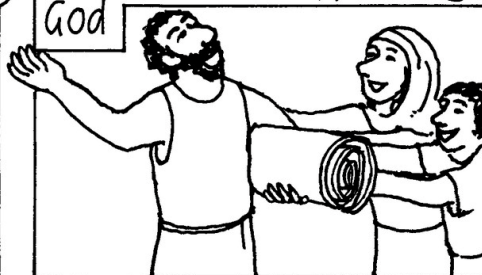


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