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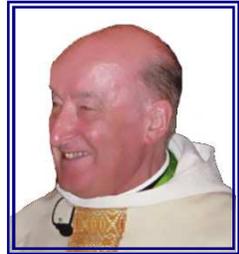
*Les Nouveaux Commerçants*



## Letter from the Chaplain

### **A centenary tribute to a much-loved green hymnbook**

*For the comforting of such as delight in music*: these words are to be found in Queen Elizabeth 1's injunctions to the clergy of 1559, encouraging the singing of hymns during divine service 'in the best melody and music that may be conveniently devised'. That music-loving queen had thereby significantly encouraged the tradition of hymn-singing in the English-speaking world and in the Anglican Church.



This year, 2006, marks the centenary of the 1st publication of *The English Hymnal* (EH), a hymn book which in its present-day version, *The New English Hymnal* (NEH), we use at St Michael's. As Dr Rowan Williams, Archbishop of Canterbury, has written in his Foreword to a centenary book of essays *Strengthen for Service*, EH stands for 'commitment to a faith that is culturally adventurous, that expects God's people to be heirs of a humanly rich environment, but that most basically of all assumes that exploring God's revealed work is a challenge and a joy, in which our heritage is not an embarrassment but a vast resource of wisdom, delight and enlargement'.

A major part of EH's success is due to the fact that a musical giant, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), accepted the invitation to become its Music Editor. "I wondered", he later remarked, "if I was wasting my time. But I know now that two years of close association with some of the best (as well as some of the worst) tunes in the world was a better musical education than any amount of sonatas and fugues."

How does all this connect with our worship at St Michael's? Since I arrived here in 2000 we have had the good fortune to be served by organists of distinction in a church which has a fine organ and excellent acoustics. That's the good news! The bad news is that our average Sunday congregation represents only the tip of the iceberg which is our total strength, for only a very small minority are resident here all – or even most – of the year and we never know in advance who is going to be here – or how many – on a given Sunday. In addition not all are either Anglican or English (or even from an English-speaking country) and so may be used to other hymns or even none at all. Alan Bennett has recently lamented that at a wedding or memorial service he frequently finds himself one of the few who actually know and can sing the hymns.

In one of last years issues (summer 2005) the organist and I tried to address the issue of the unfamiliarity of so many of you with the hymns chosen. We tried to explain the constraints under which we operate and we asked you to tell us your favourite hymns. The response was disappointing. I will only add here that I choose the hymns, so please complain to me and not to our loyal and long-suffering organist. I do, however believe that I have a duty to maintain certain standards both in words and music. As one historian has written of the EH, 'the editors went to hymnody to find a moral code, and what they found and applied is very simple. Those who habitually sing sentimental tunes tend to become sentimental people. Those who sing in worship trite words, platitudinous words or enervating words will find these same weaknesses built into their characters.' The same principle applies of course to pictures, statues and stained-glass windows in our churches.

Continued overleaf...

Cover picture by Hugh Mellor

So let me conclude by urging you all to think again about the importance of hymns. Is it not true that words we sing or hear sung imprint themselves more indelibly on our memories than words we merely say or hear said? And in that case not only are the words themselves vitally important but so is the way we sing them. As St Augustine of Hippo once remarked, "Whoever sings prays twice over." So, encouraging his congregation to sing vigorously, he exhorted them: "Let us sing as travellers do on a journey to keep up their spirits and help them to keep on walking. Press on from good to better in this life. Sing up, my friends, and, above all, keep on walking."

*Roger Greenacre*

**From the church registers**

**Baptism:**

Sunday 14th May 2006

Ambre Alexandra **Bermond**

**Weddings:**

Saturday 1st October 2005

Paul **Read** & Natasha **Frost**

Saturday 29th April 2006

Dino **Rossi** & Johanna **Webb**

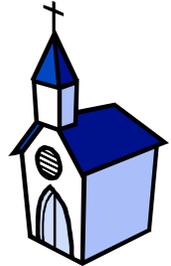
Saturday 6th May 2006

David **Violi** & Nathalie **Gastaud**  
(Eglise Reformée de France)

Saturday 13th May 2006

Brian **Clifford** & Abigail **Belcher**

(at St Jean-Baptiste, St Jean-Cap Ferrat, with Père Tschann & Canon Greenacre officiating.)



**Oh, for Heaven's sake...!!**

*More classroom howlers (actually written by schoolchildren in an exam)*

- *Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree.*
- *Lot's wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.*
- *Samson slayed the philistines with the axe of the Apostles.*
- *The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.*
- *Moses died before he reached Canada.*
- *The greatest miricle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.*
- *Solomon, one of Davids sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.*

## In Brief

**An Easter record.** The congregation (adults and children) on Easter Day in St Michael's this year totalled 98 – the highest figure for Easter Day recorded over the last 10 years. Let's make it at least 100 next year!

**Smash and grab.** We would like to express our sympathy to the sculptor Tom Merrifield (a generous benefactor of St Michael's) who had £70,000 worth of bronze sculptures stolen from his Hampstead gallery in February.

**Local ecumenism.** On Tuesday 24th January we shared an evening in St Michael's with our neighbours from the parish of Notre-Dame de l'Espérance during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The evening was in 3 parts; a round table presided over by our two priests; a service; le verre de l'amitié. On Good Friday we met again around the Kiosk in the market square after our respective Good Friday liturgies for a short act of common witness and worship. On Monday 8th May (Victory in Europe Day) Fr Roger preached at the Mass in the Sacré-Coeur before the ceremony at the Monument aux morts (See article elsewhere in this issue).

**Praying for the sick.** We continue to pray among the sick for Paul Meakins and for Jenny Duckworth. Paul has been receiving Holy Communion regularly either at home in Villefranche or in hospital; Jenny was able to make a brief visit in April and was at our Easter Day Eucharist. In praying for Paul we remember too his wife Sharon, who is caring for him so devotedly, and his children, Che and Pasha, both at university in England.

**Almost Venerable.** The Venerable Anthony Wells of St Michael's, Paris, resigned as Archdeacon of France earlier this year. Pending major decisions about the future of the Archdeaconry, the Bishop has appointed Canon Kenneth Letts of Holy Trinity, Nice, as Acting Archdeacon. We offer him our congratulations and commiserations.

**The Riviera Reporter.** Our thanks to Patrick Middleton of *The Riviera Reporter* for some free publicity for St Michael's. The February/March issue (no. 113) featured Stuart Barham in the series *Local Talents*; the April/May issue (no.114) featured Fr Roger in the series *Benefit of Clergy*.

**Our next-door neighbour.** On Sunday 14th May we prayed for the repose of the soul of Mme Annita Ghiglione, who lived in the house next door to the church and who had died suddenly in the previous week. Fr Roger was able to attend part of the funeral mass at the Sacré-Coeur and to sign the Livre de Condoléances. We extend our sympathy to her family.

**Honouring an expert.** On Saturday 3rd June the Archbishop of Poitiers will confer the 'Croix de St Hilaire' on Suzanne Martineau, the author of the best guide to Anglicanism in the French language, *Les Anglicans* (Brepols, 1996). Suzanne has been Fr Roger's friend and fellow-worker since his time in Paris and has been several times to Beaulieu, for his institution in 2000 and for the Centenary festival in 2003. Her father was English and Anglican, descended from French Huguenot refugees to England, while her mother was French and Roman Catholic. She is equally at home in both cultures and both languages.

## Happy (100th) Birthday

In April I received an invitation to the Centenary Day Festival Eucharist (at 7pm on Friday 7th July) of our sister church in South London, All Saints', Tooting Graveney (see photograph below). I am not able to attend but sent them copies of the history of our church and of the order of service for our own Centenary Eucharist. It is our sister church because it had the same priest-founder, the Reverend John Otter Stephens, and the same architect, Temple Moore.

As it happened, I received only a week or two earlier a copy of the periodical of the Organ Club which contained an article by Colin Menzies, Secretary of the Corporation of Church House and an occasional worshipper at St Michael's, who was taking a party of organists to visit All Saints' Church and its organ to mark the centenary of the instrument. Printed below is an excerpt from his article:

"The connection between Stephens and Moore was strengthened in the early 1890's. For reasons of health (or so it was claimed!), Stephens was one of a number of Anglican clergy who left their parishes each winter and spent a few months on the French Riviera. Stephens chose the little village of Beaulieu-sur-Mer, between Nice and Monaco, no doubt helped in his choice of location by the fact that the Prime Minister (Lord Salisbury) had a large house there and that Queen Victoria had declared it her favourite place for a holiday. Stephens determined that the growing English community, of which he was appointed the winter chaplain, should have its own church, and he requested that Moore should design one. Moore responded with an exquisite little baroque basilica, very "Catholic" both externally and internally, and the only church of his which totally abandoned Gothic. [It still flourishes and its excellent acoustics do wonders for the little 2-manual Norman & Beard of 1903 perched above the west door.] Stephens prided himself



as a collector of ecclesiastical antiquities and he busied himself with the purchase of baroque furnishings for the church: Moore gave him his head, partly because his mild-mannered style was no match for Stephens' much grander style of absolute authority, and partly because he genuinely admired Stephens' knowledge of old furnishings and his ability to sniff them out in antique houses both in England and France."

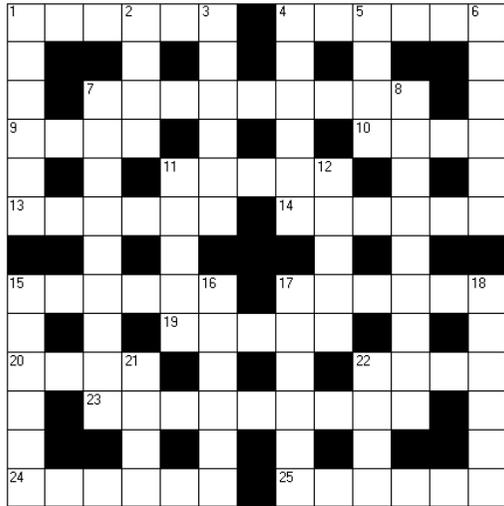
R.T.G.

PS. *Just in case you are a little confused by the description of St Michael's as an "exquisite little baroque basilica", you may like to be reminded that "baroque" is the name given to the exuberant artistic style ( associated with the counter-reformation ), which flourished in the 17th & 18th centuries, while "basilica" as an architectural term describes an oblong building in the style of classical Roman public buildings, with aisles on either side and an apse at the end opposite the main entrance.*

# Crossword

**Across**

- 1 To be half asleep (6)
- 4 Simon Peter's brother, in John ch. 1 (6)
- 7 Wife of David in 2 Samuel ch. 12 (4-5)
- 9 Jeremiah wrote in one in Jeremiah ch. 51 (4)
- 10 Saul abode under one in Ramah, in 1 Samuel ch. 22 (4)
- 11 In which God will carry the lambs, according to Isaiah ch. 40 (5)
- 13 A son of Ithamar in Ezra ch. 8 (6)
- 14 Location of Elisha in 2 Kings ch. 6 (6)
- 15 Prayer (6)
- 17 A building devoted to worship (6)
- 19 Brother of Alexander in Mark ch. 15 (5)
- 20 A description of the cymbals in Psalm 150 (4)
- 22 I \_\_\_\_ on the work of thy hands (Ps 143.5) (4)
- 23 The lion strangled for his, in Nahum ch. 2 (9)
- 24 Card game (6)
- 25 OT book (6)



**Down**

- 1 ..and \_\_\_\_ it with slime (Ex 2.3) (6)
- 2 Like the flesh, according to Matthew ch. 26 (4)
- 3 Name of the brook in Numbers ch. 13 (6)
- 4 The ark of God was brought here in 1 Samuel ch. 5 (6)
- 5 ..not reckoned of grace, but of \_\_\_\_ (Rom 4.4) (4)
- 6 Make a vigorous attack (4,2)
- 7 He that hath a \_\_\_\_\_ eye (Pr 22.9) (9)
- 8 Fellowsoldier in Philemon ch. 1 (9)
- 11 Name of the brook in 1 Samuel ch. 30 (5)
- 12 Leader of the Israelites during the exodus (5)
- 15 Person dedicated to a religious life (6)
- 16 Shade of meaning (6)
- 17 Struggle (6)
- 18 Its bishop signs himself "Exon" (6)
- 21 Butter container described as lordly in Judges ch. 5 (4)
- 22 Savoury foodstuff in Genesis ch. 27 (4)

**Answers on page 17**

## NUMBER ANAGRAM

Arrange the nine letters of 'EXTENSION' to spell names of three numbers, each less than 20.

**Answer on page 15**

## What's Cooking?



If you have ever tasted Helen Downes' **Cheese Nibbles** you will know how delicious they are. I have persuaded Helen to give us her special recipe. You simply must try them!

### Cheese Nibbles

#### **Ingredients.**

- \* 90g Flour
- \* 90g Butter – chopped and kept in fridge
- \* 75g Emmental – grated
- \* 15g Parmesan – grated
- \* 1 Egg yolk
- \* 1 Beaten egg
- \* 10g Parmesan – finely grated
- \* Salt and ground black pepper to taste

#### **Method.**

1. Preheat oven to 190c - 375f or gas mark 5.
2. Grease 2 baking trays with melted butter.
3. Sieve flour, salt and black pepper into bowl.
4. Add the pieces of butter and mix with 2 knives working from centre to edge. (I ignore this and use an electric mixer!)
5. When butter is incorporated add the emmental and the parmesan and continue until well mixed.
6. Make hollow in middle, add egg yolk, mix by hand and form into a ball.
7. Cover with Clingfilm and put in the fridge for 20 minutes. (I miss this out when I'm in a hurry!)
8. Cut into 2 pieces. Roll each piece 4mm thick.
9. Cut into desired size and shape.
10. Put back into the fridge for 30mins. (again often missed out)
11. Brush surface with beaten egg.
12. Powder with finely grated parmesan. (You can also sprinkle with sesame seeds, poppy seeds, or coarsely ground black pepper, etc.)
13. Bake in the oven for about 10 minutes until golden.

*Et voila! Perfect Cheese Nibbles to go with that glass of Champagne*

Helen Downes

#### **From the Chaplain's commonplace book**

*'The world in which we live needs beauty in order not to sink into despair. It is beauty, like truth, which brings joy to the hearts of men and is that precious fruit which resists the wear and tear of time'.*

Message to Artists, 2nd Vatican Council, 1965.

## **CHURCH FABRIC & RESTORATION UPDATE**

After all the fine work that went into the redecoration in 2003 and 2004 it was very galling to see damage caused to the interior of St Michael's during a violent rainstorm last August. The worst damage was to the kitchen area and there is a smaller amount of damage elsewhere.

The cause was traced to blocked and damaged guttering that had not been evident when the roof tiling was checked prior to redecoration. Work was put in hand to repair the guttering in the five affected areas, to generally unblock all drains and gutters and put in some extra overspill spouts. This work was completed earlier this year at a cost of 15,000 euros, which has put an unwelcome drain on our reserves.

The interior needed some time to dry out. The contractor reports that this is now in a fit state to start work and he will carry it out between 19th June and end of July. Hopefully this will not be too intrusive. The cost of this redecoration (but not the guttering repairs) is being covered by our insurers.

All this has served as a grim reminder that our church is over 100 years old and will be in need of regular maintenance. The "Restoration Committee" is considering what action can be taken to set up a better maintenance schedule. Needless to say all such maintenance comes at a cost.

We are very grateful again to Nick Harley for his time and expertise in contacting and negotiating with the contractors. HM

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The contribution of each and every one is gratefully acknowledged

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## Changing the Guard

The Annual General Meeting of the Electoral Roll and the **Association Cultuelle** of St Michael's took place after the Sunday Eucharist on 2nd April. As Vance Johnson had served six consecutive years as churchwarden he was not eligible for re-election this year, though he remains one of our two Archdeaconry Synod representatives and has been re-elected as Vice - Chairman of the Chaplaincy Church Council. Justin Hayward was re-elected as warden and Deanne Fox, our Treasurer, was elected in place of Vance; a Canadian replacing an American. Fr Roger paid tribute to the generous, self-effacing devoted and committed service of Vance and of his wife Linda, our principal Sacristan.

On Sunday 7th May Deanne and Justin were formally admitted as Churchwardens of St Michael's in the course of the Sunday Eucharist. Deanne remains our Treasurer but has a team of three to assist her. Hugh Mellor, Tom Downes and Jack Moore.

Vanessa Ilsley, who in the midst of many other commitments has served valiantly as Secretary of the Council, gave notice that she wished to resign; she has been replaced by Tom Downes, who gallantly volunteered for this responsible but thankless job. Tribute was paid to Vanessa at the first meeting of the newly elected Church Council, which includes one new member, Jonathan Clegg, and another who returns after a gap of several years, Rex Thorne. RTG

PS. One of the Chaplain's few printable limericks was dedicated to Vance Johnson when he was Churchwarden:

Our American warden's called Vance  
"Please pronounce it", he says, "as in plants.  
So don't call me Vance  
As in plants or in aunts  
Or I'll give you a withering glance."

### **What can it be?**

1. Luke had it before. Paul had it behind. Matthew never had it. Girls have it once. Boys can't have it. Mrs Mulligan had it twice! Mr Lovell had it once before and twice after. What is it?
2. I can only live if there is light, although I die if the light shines on Me. What am I?

*Answers on page 15*



## Helen's Mindboggler

Last issue's 'Mindboggler' was set by Helen Downes. It proved to be a particularly difficult one. Helen sent me a letter:

*Dear Editor,*

*Sometimes I send my copy of St Michael's Messenger to my Church in Scotland to let my fellow worshippers there know what is going on in my Anglican Church here in Beaulieu. I am pleased to say that the first correct answer to my puzzle came from **Mrs. Marilyn McIntyre** of my Scottish Church - Stevenston High Kirk. I would like to say that I do not believe that this is in any way due to a divergence in Anglican/Presbyterian thinking; more due to the fact that Marilyn and I attended the same school and thus had the same excellent maths teacher.*

*My friend **Donald Crosthwaite** was dining with us when Marilyn phoned. With your permission I would like to award him a second prize for his sheer British dogged determination in reaching the correct answer - he spent the rest of the evening pushing spoons round my dining table.*

*Here is the answer.....*

*Remember: there are three bottles - **a** holds 800 ml. **b** holds 500 ml **c** holds 300ml. (**a** is full)*

**Question - How to give Stuart and Hugh both 400ml. in the fewest steps?**

*Shortest answer received:-*

Fill b from a	giving	a 300	b 500	c 0
Fill c from b	giving	a 300	b 200	c 300
Transfer c to a	giving	a 600	b 200	c 0
Transfer b to c	giving	a 600	b 0	c 200
Fill b from a	giving	a 100	b 500	c 200
Fill c from b	giving	a 100	b 400	c 300
Transfer c to a	giving	a 400	b 400	c 0

*Thus Stuart and Hugh have 4 litres each.*

*Helen Downes*

### **I believe....**

- \* that we don't have to change friends if we understand that friends change.
- \* that my best friend and I can do anything or nothing and have the best time.
- \* that no matter how good a friend is, they're going to hurt you every once in a while and you must forgive them for that.
- \* that true friendship continues to grow, even over the longest distance. Same goes for true love.

### **Answers:**

Number Anagram    One, six, ten  
What can it be?    (1)The letter 'L' (2) A shadow

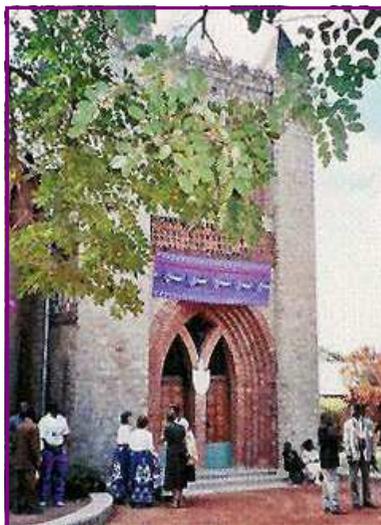
## **Notes of an itinerant (tourist) pilgrim**

*A new, occasional series by Jack and Roberta Moore about the churches they visit on their travels.*

### **No. 2: Nyasaland / Malawi**

The old colonial name was well chosen by the Anglican vanguard of the Universities Mission to Central Africa (UMCA), founded in 1857 at the request of the legendary explorer David Livingstone. The Bishop of Cape town established a mission in the Sultanate of Zanzibar for 'the tribes of lake Nyasa', then suffering terribly from the inhuman slave trade. The Scottish Churches also actively joined in the 'scramble for Africa' in the 1870's, and they all decided that a steamboat would be the best tool for the job.

Lo and behold, it arrived in Zanzibar in 1885, in 380 boxes which were transported up the rivers Zambezi and Shire to Lake Nyasa. There the steamer was assembled and put to use by the church and army against the Arab slave trading posts until they were finally eliminated in 1895.



Meanwhile, the Mission had chosen Likoma Island, halfway up the lake, as a safe haven for their HQ. Through-out Nyasaland they spread the Gospel, as well as introducing schooling and agricultural medical techniques (literacy today on Likoma is 100% ). In recognition thereof, Likoma became the seat of the Bishop of Nyasaland in 1893. Those energetic missionaries then set about building on this island the third largest Anglican church in the whole of Southern Africa – St Peter's Cathedral.

On a brick foundation, the Cathedral measures 385 by 85 feet, about the size of Winchester. The tower clock was made by Queen Victoria's watchmaker; the cross over the pulpit was made from the wood of the tree under which David Livingstone's heart was buried. The fierce sunlight is diffused by the stained glass panels in the West Wing, while the cloisters provide space for shade and meditation outside. All this in the simplest and cleanest African fishing village imaginable.

We arrived late during the Sunday Eucharist, which runs continuously from 8am to 11am, and joined some 600 worshipers, women on the left, men on the right of the aisle, all in their bright Sunday best. Three choirs rose alternately out of the assembly, rocking in rhythm to swing the service along ..... just as well for us because the service sheets were in Chichewa. A stimulating experience.

Outside the lovebirds and glossy starlings chattered away in the thorny acacias where the weaver birds started in and out of their distinctive hanging nests. The drone of the approaching bushplane took us off to the sandbaked airstrip and on to a new wildlife experience on the banks of the River Shire ..... but that's another story.

Jack and Roberta Moore

## **Victory in Europe Day.**

In France, Monday 8th May is a bank holiday. It is a holiday in order that the French people can remember with gratitude the ending of WWII in Europe on that day in 1945. In Beaulieu it started with a mass in the Roman Catholic church, followed by a ceremony at the war memorial in the heart of the town.

The church service, attended by a small congregation was simple but meaningful, led by Père Fillipi with hymns, readings and prayers. The sermon was given – in French – by Fr Roger, (an honour indeed for an Anglican priest to be asked to preach in a Roman Catholic church). National flags were held high beside the Altar. Tom Downes proudly held the flag of the British Legion, one of four flags being carried that day.

A procession followed the service, in beautiful sunshine, from the main station in Beaulieu to the War Memorial with flags held high leading the procession.

At the War Memorial there were high ranking officials representing the Army, Navy, Police and Fire brigade standing to attention in their uniforms beside the Memorial itself. Representatives of the Mairie were there, and the Mayor, Mr Roux, spoke for about 15 minutes after which a bugle played while a drum was banged, silence was kept, and wreaths were laid. Three floral tributes were laid by French veterans of WWII and a wreath of poppies was laid by Stuart Barham on behalf of the British Legion. Mr. Roux then thanked the officials and shook their hands thus ending the ceremony which had attracted a large crowd from the town.

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### **Crossword Answers**

**Across:** 1 Drowse 4 Andrew 7 Bathsheba 9 Book 10 Tree 11 Bosom 13 Daniel 14 Dothan 15 Orison 17 Temple 19 Rufus 20 Loud 22 Muse 23 Lionesses 24 Euchre 25 Esther

**Down:** 1 Daubed 2 Weak 3 Eshcol 4 Ashdod 5 Debt 6 Wade in 7 Bountiful 8 Archippus 11 Besor 12 Moses 15 Oblate 16 Nuance 17 Tussle 18 Exeter 21 Dish 22 Meat

## Editors Page

After last times bumper double issue we are back to our normal size *Messenger*. The Jubilee Edition was a little more expensive to produce so we are very grateful to a dear friend of St Michael's who gave a generous donation in order to cover its' cost. **Thank You!**

**Big Thank You's** as always to Hugh and Tom, the contributors and all the advertisers. I would also like to say **Thank you** to our fastidious and excellent proof-reader, Roger, whose 'Red Pen' fills the office with fear and dread.

**Thank you** to Mark and Justin for all their work on the website—see below.

You will find the answer to last issue's Mindboggler on page 15. **Thank you** Helen for a difficult challenge.

**Mindboggler:** Actually this is not a true Mindboggler but just a bit of fun. There is no prize for this one, it is so simple!

THIS PARAGRAPH CONTAINS A SECRET. THERE IS A SPECIAL WORD. IF YOU TURN THE PARAGRAPH UPSIDE DOWN AND LOOK AT IT IN A MIRROR, THE SPECIAL WORD WILL MIRACULOUSLY BECOME, AS IT WERE, DECODED WHILE EVERY SINGLE OTHER WORD, INCLUDING ' GARGOYL ', WILL HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY MESSED UP. CAN YOU FIND THE SPECIAL WORD, WITHOUT USING A MIRROR ?

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For those of you who are on the internet but have not yet visited the site, please do have a look. The site contains:

- the times of the services and special events
- a full history of the church
- current and back issues of '*St Michael's Messenger*'
- maps and information on the area.

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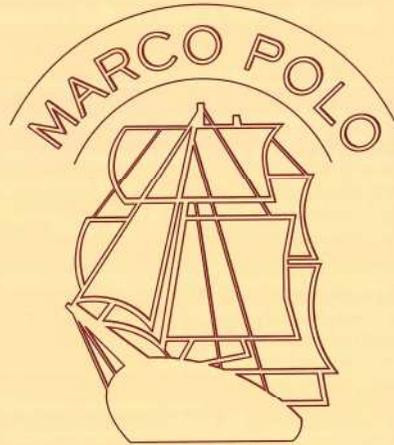
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## **Eucharist every Sunday at 10.am**

*( Followed by refreshments )*

### **Dates for your diary**

#### **July**

Sunday 2nd	11.15	AngloScandinavian Service Followed by pic-nic lunch
Friday 28th		Church Garden Party

#### **August**

Sunday 27th	10.00	Eucharist and Confirmation ( Bishop David)
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#### **September**

Friday 1st		Church Garden Bar-B-Q
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