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Some Thoughts on an Anniversary

By the time this article is published I will have looked back on ten years of ordained ministry and these are some of the thoughts I had on that anniversary:

'Just ten years ago on Michaelmas weekend, many of you joined in a service at St James, Louth to see the ordination of deacons. I was lucky enough to be one of those to have a bishop's hand laid upon me.

Since then I have been able to carry on in an increased ministry that I had felt called to, first as a Reader, now as a Distinct Deacon. But I would not have been able to do so without the support, not only of my immediate family, but also of the Church family of which we are all part.

It hasn't all been plain sailing and I am under no illusion that the Church has been through many difficulties and will go through many more.

So I thank all of you here, those who have gone before and, perhaps, those who have yet to come; you are all part of my journey.

Because I have been around for a while, I sometimes feel a bit like the brook in Tennyson's poem – "Men may come and men may go, but I go on forever."

Realistically, I know that can never be, but with everyone pulling together, who knows what the future might hold.

Reverend Christine Anderson

40 Years of Friendship

At the end of August, 31 members of the community of Bad Gandersheim, the town with which Skegness is twinned, arrived in Skegness. This was a very important visit as the twinning between our two towns began 40 years ago this year.

A number of the visitors stayed with hosts and it is always a pleasure to welcome them into our homes and learn about each other's different customs. We were warmly welcomed to our Town Hall and speeches were made by both mayors. Then followed 4 days of visits around our area, a concert by the Skegness Silver Band and culminating with a celebratory meal at The Crown Hotel. At this meal, Norbert, the chairman of the Bad Gandersheim twinning group, talked about the growing nationalism within Europe and how important it is to continue and strengthen our friendship, especially in the light of Brexit.

New members to the group are always welcome. We meet regularly at the North Shore Hotel. For further details contact 07842136964.



Messy Church

Every 2nd Saturday of the month at 4.00 pm our Messy Church meets. This is not just a meeting for children. Adults come along too and join in the activities as well as our service, complete

with action songs and plenty of fun. We end our session by eating together. In August we had great fun on the beach. Although it was extremely windy we played games and summer would not be complete without eating sandwiches on the beach and this year they lived up to their name! Take a look at our Facebook page (Messy Church Skegness) to see the fun we have each month, why not come and join us?



04 October Feast of St Francis of Assisi - love for the Creation

St Francis (1181 - 1226) is surely one of the most attractive and best-loved of all the saints. But he began by being anything but a saint. Born the son of a wealthy cloth-merchant of Assisi, Francis' youth was spent in fast-living, parties and on fast horses as a leader of the young society of the town. Then he went to the war between Assisi and Perugia, and was taken prisoner for a year.

By the time of his release, Francis had changed. Perhaps his own suffering had awakened him to that of others. In any case, he abandoned warfare and carousing, and began to help the poor and the lepers of his area. Then one day a voice which seemed to come from the crucifix in the small, semi-derelict church of Damiano Assisi 'Go and repair my house, which you see is falling down'.

This religious experience was a vital turning point in Francis' life: Jesus Christ became very real and immediate to him. His first action was to begin repairing the church, having sold some of his father's cloth to pay for materials. His father was not amused, in fact he was furious - until Francis renounced his inheritance and even his clothes by his dramatic stripping off in the public square of the town. The Bishop of Assisi provided him with simple garments, and Francis began his new life.

His inspiration was always religious, not social, and the object of his quest was always the Crucified Christ, not Lady Poverty for her own sake. Francis rebuilt San Samiano, and then travelled as a pilgrim. His compassion for the poor and lepers became famous. Soon disciples joined him, and they set up a communal life in simple wattle and daub huts. They went on occasional preaching tours. (Not until later did they become an Order whose theologians won fame in the Universities.)

In 1219 Francis visited the Holy Land, and his illusions about the Crusaders were shattered. He went on to seek out the Sultan, and tried to convert him. Back home, he found his Order was now 5,000 strong, and growing. Francis stepped down as head, but continued to preach and was immensely popular. He died after a prolonged illness at the age of 45, and was canonised in 1228.

Francis' close rapport with the animal creation was well known. The story of his preaching to the birds has always been a favourite scene from his life. He also tamed the wolf of Gubbio. This affinity emphasises his consideration for, and sense of identity with, all elements of the physical universe, as seen in his Canticle of the Sun. This makes him an apt patron of nature conservation.

The 20th century witnessed a widespread revival of interest in Francis. Sadly, some films and books caricatured him as only a sentimental nature-lover or a hippie drop out from society. This ignores the real sternness of his character, and his all-pervasive love of God and identification with Christ's sufferings, which alone make sense of his life. Two ancient, and many modern English churches are dedicated to him.



Monthly Music

Welcome to a new regular music feature.

Listening to classical music can be difficult. Where do you start? Each month I will suggest pieces that are linked by subject or type, starting with an accessible piece and moving to something slightly more challenging. All the pieces can easily be found on the internet and YouTube usually supplies a photo or two to accompany the music.

This month SUNRISE.

The Norwegian composer Edvard Grieg wrote the incidental music for Ibsen's play Peer Gynt in 1875. Morning Mood, from Peer Gynt Suite No.1 (a suite is a collection of related pieces of mu-sic), depicts sunrise in the desert of Morocco. It starts with a simple tune played first on flute, then oboe which quickly grows in intensity as the sun rises.

Ravel composed Daphne et Chloe for the Russian Ballet Company, Ballet Russe in 1912. The opening of the 2nd Suite opens with one of the most magical depictions of the gradual awakening of nature in all music. The birds (three solo violins and piccolo) sing and the music is slowly warmed by the brightening rays of the sun.

The music from Also Sprach Zarathustra by Richard Strauss was used for the film 2001, A Space Odyssey and opens with a short sunrise. It is based around three rising notes which are played over a rumbling pedal (long held low note) created by the organ, double basses and double bas-soon. The rest of the piece is quite a hard listen but worth the effort.

The final sunrise comes in the middle of An Orkney Wedding with Sunrise by Peter Maxwell Davis, composed in 1985. This is the longest piece and the most complex I have suggested in this category at around 14 minutes but the sunrise, which occurs in the last two minutes or so with the arrival of the piper, is well worth the effort. The music represents the fun of a Wedding in Orkney and the subsequent party which extends through the night where a number of the guests clearly enjoy the local tipple.

Peter Coughtrey-Wellsted







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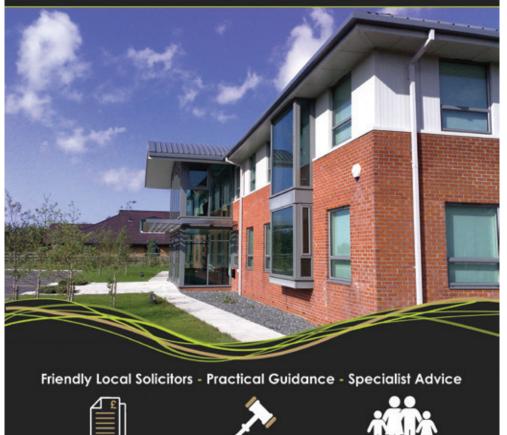
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Kirk Lincoln Harrison ? Elston Harrison Belton

This lovely photograph, probably taken around 1930, with names written on the back, was recently uncovered by Dorothy née Belton, a lifelong resident of Chapel St Leonards.

Several of the young ladies in the photo later appeared in May Hill's Diaries during the World War II period. For example: The Diary entry on 16th December 1940 included 'Ralph has got home on leave at last... Ena having got engaged he was walking Aileen out'. Both Harrison sisters in the photo.

On 2nd January 1941 May wrote 'Father [Will] took Esther Parish in his car to Chapel to be married on New Year's Day'. Esther and sister Mary (also in the photo) were the daughters of Bert Parish, wartime Coastguard colleague of May's Husband Will.

Betty Elston (highlighted) is of course the 'kidnap' heroine of Laura Cumming's new best-selling book 'On Chapel Sands'. The book references May's Diaries, including a description of how, in January 1944, Betty, working at Stow's Post Office, was besieged by members of the British North Africa Force trying out their new French on her.

We do not know whether those in the photograph are together as part of a particular organised group or event or why the lady (P Plant) is with them. If any reader has ideas or information, or an enquiry about May Hill's Diaries, please contact Tom Ambridge on 01394 385412. (The book 'The Casualties Were Small' £8.99 containing selected Diary extracts, poetry, photos and notes is available from Church Farm Village Museum.)



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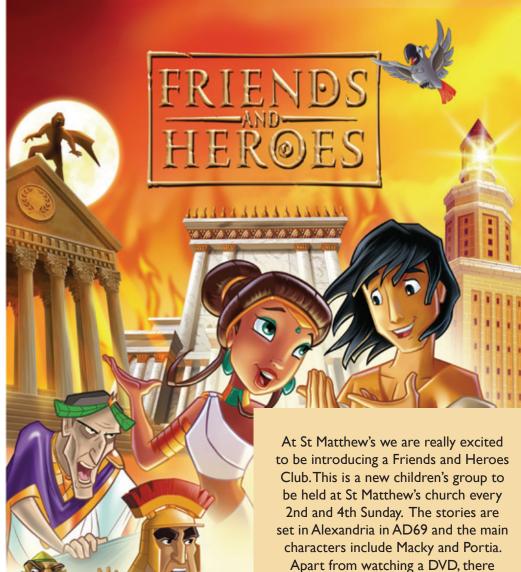
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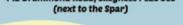
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Tuesday I	1.30 pm – St Matthews, Skegness – Toddler Group
Tuesday I	2.30 pm - St Clements Community Hall – Mother's Union
Wednesday 2	10.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Wednesday 2	10.30 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Holy Communion Service
Thursday 3	10.30 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Thursday 3	1.00 pm – St Matthews, Skegness – Lunch, followed by Craft Group at 2.00 pm
Friday 4	10.00 am – 12 noon – St Matthews, Skegness – Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Sunday 6	9.30 – 10.30 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Group breakfast
Sunday 6	11.00 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Tuesday 8	10.30 am – St Clements, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Tuesday 8	1.30 pm – St Matthews, Skegness – Toddler Group
Wednesday 9	10.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Wednesday 9	10.30 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Holy Communion Service
Wednesday 9	2.00 pm – St Matthews, Skegness – Omega
Thursday 10	10.30 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Thursday 10	1.00 pm – St Mathews, Skegness – Lunch followed by Craft Group at 2.00 pm
Friday II	10.00 am – 12 noon – St Matthews, Skegness – Pop in for coffee and a chat
Saturday 12	4.00 pm – 6 pm – St Matthews, Skegness – Messy Church
Sunday 13	9.30 am - St Clements, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Sunday 13	9.30 am – St Mary, Winthorpe – Morning Worship Service

Sunday 13	I I.00 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Morning Worship Service
Sunday 13	11.00 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Friends & Heroes Club for children
Sunday 13	l I.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Morning Worship Service
Tuesday 15	10.30 am – St Clements, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Tuesday 15	1.30 pm – St Matthew, Skegness – Toddler Group
Wednesday 16	10.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Pop in for coffee and a chat
Wednesday 16	10.30 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Holy Communion Service
Thursday, 17	10.30 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Thursday 17	1.00 pm – St Mathews, Skegness – Lunch followed by Craft Group at 2.00 pm
Friday, 18	10.00 am – 12 noon – St Matthews, Skegness – Pop in for coffee and a chat
Sunday, 20	9.30 am - St Clements, Skegness – Morning Worship Service
Sunday 20	9.30 am – St Mary, Winthorpe – Morning Worship Service
Sunday 20	9.30 am – St Nicholas, Addlethorpe – BCP Holy Communion Service
Sunday 20	11.00 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Sunday 20	I I.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Morning Worship Service
Tuesday 22	10.30 am – St Clements, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Tuesday 22	1.30 pm – St Matthew, Skegness – Toddler Group
Wednesday 23	10.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Pop in for coffee and a chat
Wednesday 23	10.30 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Holy Communion Service
Thursday, 24	10.30 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Thursday 24	1.00 pm – St Mathews, Skegness – Lunch followed by Craft Group at 2pm
Friday 25	10.00 am – 12 noon – St Matthews, Skegness – Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Sunday 27	9.30 am – St Clements, Skegness – Morning Worship Service
Sunday, 27	9.30 am – St Mary, Winthorpe – Morning Worship Service
Sunday 27	11.00 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Sunday 27	11.00 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Friends & Heroes Club for children
Sunday, 27	11.00 am - Ss Peter & Paul, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Tuesday 29	10.30 am – St Clements, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
Tuesday 29	1.30 pm – St Matthews, Skegness – Toddler Group
Wednesday 30	10.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Pop in for a coffee and a chat
Wednesday 30	10.30 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Holy Communion Service
Wednesday 30	2.00 pm – St Matthews, Skegness – Omega
Thursday 31	10.30 am – St Matthews, Skegness – Holy Communion Service
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Wednesday 6	10.00 am – Ss Peter & Paul, Ingoldmells – Pop in for a coffee and a chat
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Friday 8	10.00 am – 12 noon – St Matthews, Skegness – Pop in for coffee and a chat

