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Although I am not meant to be working, I feel a few short lines would not be a serious breach of this.

Firstly, may I offer thanks for all your prayers, cards and good wishes. Sue, my family and myself have felt supported and uplifted by your overwhelming response. Secondly in reply to your enquiries concerning my health, I am feeling quite well, although the nature of my illness (acute myocardial infarction) means that I must be careful not to over-exert myself. Recovery will never be complete, I am told that there will be permanent damage to my heart muscle that I will have to learn to live with. So, although I feel reasonably well, return to full working life will be a long, slow process.

Finally, I write this just a few days after an event which has left us all, along with the majority of the world's countries, feeling shocked and stunned. The terrorist attacks in the USA has seen violent acts upon civilians, on a scale which has not been seen since the second world war.

As we struggle to try and take in what has happened in what is the most powerful country in the world our thoughts are bound to consider with terrible premonition what may occur in the days, weeks and months ahead. There is indeed little if anything we can do as we look helplessly on, except pray; though for Christians that

should be far more than 'little'. As a help or focus for those prayers, I offer you an extract from a letter from the Bishop sent to all clergy just a few days after the event.

*'In our prayers of the coming days, I am sure you will be remembering:*

- those who have died and their grieving families,*
- those who have been seriously injured and all who are caring for them.*
- those who are still missing and those who are searching for them.*

*But, at this time when the world is in so vulnerable a position, I ask also that in each church of the diocese we pray for the peace of the world and for wise judgement on the part of the world's leaders, especially in the United States of America, at this time.*

*The Cathedral has placed a prayer (specially written by Canon Robert Gage, himself an American) beside a candle stand for those people who are now calling in at the Cathedral to light a candle and pray. You may feel it appropriate for your use.* +Nigel.'

Although some time will have passed before this article is read I'm sure that this situation and its repercussions will still be in our thoughts and prayers.

Yours in Christ,  
Paul.



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**The Rector Writes ...**



# **A Prayer for America and the World**

God our Creator, Father of all peoples and all nations:  
Look with pity on the United States of America.  
Be close to those who are injured;  
comfort the bereaved;  
and in your love receive the souls of those who have died.

Strengthen all who are seeking to bring healing to others  
and clam to their communities.  
Guide by your Holy Spirit the leaders of the nations,  
That they may respond wisely to a situation  
fraught with danger for the whole world.

O God of Peace, turn the hearts of all who use violence to achieve their aims.  
Give us a vision of hope which we all can embrace;  
And give us patience, perseverance and courage  
as we seek to know and do your will.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Prince of Peace.  
Amen.

## **Mother's Union – Gift to Soroti**

Soroti is a district in Uganda which after years of turmoil now enjoys comparative peace and stability, in particular the literacy and status of Ugandan women continues to make progress. The world-wide organisation Mother's Union gives continuing help and support to women of developing countries and, as part of celebration of its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its inauguration, it is intended to make a gift to the women of Soroti.

Each branch of the M.U. has devised its own way of raising money. Our local branch members have each received an envelope in which to collect donations by the end of September.


The progress already being made in Soroti in education and the well-being of its women is laudable – our gift will aid the cause further.



# Cool Kids!




Can you think of an ANT~  
~ which is a promise?

\_\_\_\_\_ ANT (Exodus 34:10) 

Can you think of an ANT~  
~ which is someone who serves a master?

 \_\_\_\_\_ ANT (Isaiah 44:21)



Can you think of an ANT~  
~which grows?

\_\_\_\_\_ ANT (Jonah 4:6) 

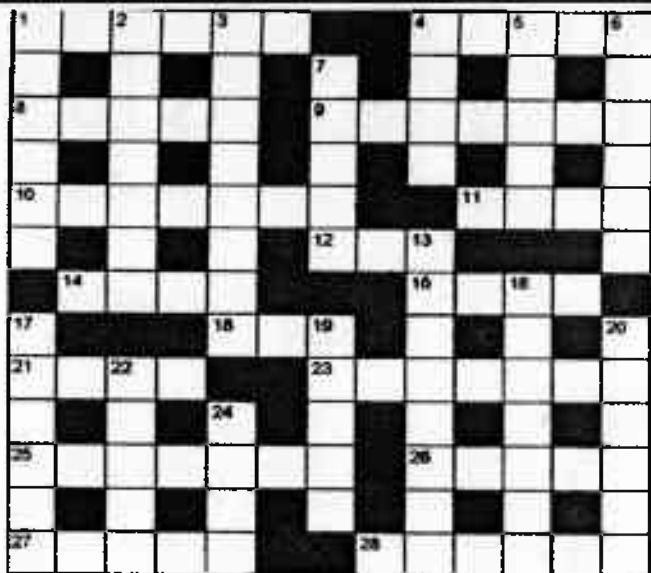
Can you think of an ANT~  
~which means to wish?

 \_\_\_\_\_ ANT (Job 42:2)

Can you think of an ANT~  
~which doesn't know or understand?

\_\_\_\_\_ ANT (John 42:3)  

# This Month's Crossword



## Across

- 1 (& 1 Down) Religious form (6,6)
- 4 Jewish priests garment (5)
- 8 Hell (5)
- 9 A writing communicating intelligence to a distant person (7)
- 10 Constrained (7)
- 11 A pagan image (4)
- 12 A source of heat (3)
- 14 Sparkling wine (4)
- 15 So be it. (4)
- 18 Issue that sounds like 12 (3)
- 21 Jug (4)
- 23 To do it is the sincerest form of flattery (7)
- 25 Christ (7)
- 26 Greek saga (5)
- 27 Poor (5)
- 28 Song book (6)

## Down

- 1 See 1 Across (6,6)
- 2 Loudens (ana) (7)
- 3 Spears (8)
- 4 The church fights against it (4)
- 5 Loathed (5)
- 6 Meaningfully (6)
- 7 Used to help prayers (5)
- 13 Birth (8)
- 16 High emotions (7)
- 17 Theological oratory (6)
- 19 A division of 24 hours (5)
- 20 Old ruling system (6)
- 22 It is to follow (5)
- 24 White flower (4)

## Last month's answers

*Across:* 4 Exodus. 5 Baal. 7 Deanery. 10 Clips. 11 Tideway. 12 Three. 14 Thereto. 15 Licit. 16 Chiefly. 20 Marks. 21 Doyenne. 22 Slew. 23 Arisen. *Down:* 1 Count. 2 Guard. 3 Tally-ho. 4 Eden. 6 Lapsed. 8 Eighths. 9 Yearned. 10 Cattily. 13 Vicars. 14 Tickled. 17 Fours. 18 Yeast. 19 Anon.

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# October Rotas

## Readers and Readings

	SC	AS
<b>7 Proper 22</b>		
Lamentations 1:1-6	Jane Siddall	Mrs V Cook
2 Timothy 1:1-14	Jane Siddall	Mrs V Cook
<b>14 Proper 23</b>		
Jeremiah 29:1,4-7		Mrs Cooper
2 Timothy 2:8-15	Mark Cavill	Mrs Cooper
<b>21 Proper 24</b>		
Jeremiah 31:27-34	Sue Hartley	Dr McWilliam
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	Sue Hartley	Dr McWilliam
<b>28 Sts Simon &amp; Jude</b>		
Isaiah 28:14-16		Mrs Hall
Ephesians 2:19-22	Ann Atack	Mrs Hall
	<i>Flowers</i>	<i>and</i>
<b>7 Mrs Reest</b>	SC	<i>Brasses</i>
14	Harvest Thanksgiving	} Mrs Sutcliffe
21		
28		



## From the Registers - July and August 2001

### Baptisms

- 8 July Leah Jade Sharp
- 29 July Harry Aung Ford, James Lucas Aung Ford & Liam Patrick Molloy
- 12 Aug Lily Mae Scarr & William Thomas Owen-Smith

### Marriages

- 20 July Matthew B Richards & Euma E Moffat
- 21 July Steven J Maskill & Kerry A Tate
- 28 July Darryl J Healey & Jackie L Sewell
- 5 Aug Paul D Brook & Carrie Woofendin
- 11 Aug David J Williams & Kay Sutherland
- 27 Aug Matthew J Corbett & Nicola Dacre Field

### Funerals

- 5 July David Phoenix (76) 75, Town End Ave Low Ackowrth
- 17 July Aurthur R Nunn (85) Cleveland Cottage, 93 Bell Lane
- 19 July Nikolaus Rudyj (77) 34, Charlestown
- 30 July Mary Jane Carlile (88) Priory Gardens Nursing Home, Pontefract
- 31 July Doreen A Walker (54) Eden Place, High Ackworth
- John Arthur Backhouse (61) Highfield Nursing Home, Birkston Ash
- 7 Aug Alice Bullock (97) West Riding Nursing Home, Lofthouse Gate







# Come with us to Scarborough

Bookings are now being taken for our  
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## A Holiday (Not) to Remember!

Paul and I were really looking forward to our summer holiday this year, two weeks on the Greek island of Santorini. An island with an interesting history, plus lots of hot weather and marvellous Greek food; and at the last minute my sister, Julie, her husband, Joe and teenage daughter Iona, also booked at the same resort of Kamari for the same two weeks.

Our first week went just as planned, soaking up the sun, lovely evenings spent at beachside tavernas enjoying the local food and drink. We'd had the chance to talk to our fellow guests and chatted to a couple of waiters, one of which was Albanian – Max- who spoke English with an Australian, American, Newcastle accent!

As we had a car booked for three days towards the end of our holiday our only other excursion was to sail on the Caldera, visit the volcano and Oia – which is well known for its magnificent sunsets ...

Paul came down the volcano at 6.00pm (I stayed on the boat) he was finding it difficult to breathe, was sweating profusely and had pains across his chest. The courier on the tour called for help via her mobile phone and the ship to shore radio. We were taken off by speedboat with a nurse accompanying. At the quayside we were then met by a doctor and ambulance and then made the long twisting drive up the Cliffside to an emergency clinic in Messaria.

At this stage Paul was receiving intense medical care, I was involved in contacting the insurance company – and being driven back to our apartment to pack. Julie and Joe helped out, packing in double quick time. I was then driven back to the clinic to continue harassing the insurance

company to agree to pay for an air ambulance to take Paul to a hospital in Athens or Heraklion...

By midnight Paul was settled into intensive care and I was in a an unfamiliar (huge) hospital in a foreign country in a strange city, with a couple of heavy suitcases and bags. I should have phoned the insurance company but my phone cards wouldn't work in the phone I was directed to. Eventually the hospital receptionist phoned for a taxi which then took me to a hotel in Heraklion ...

I stayed there a week on my own, visiting Paul during the afternoon, and exploring a small part of the city centre, and eventually plucking up the courage to sit at a café for a drink or a meal, on my own. The taverna owners – big George and little George – became used to seeing me on my own, seating me at the same table each evening with a lovely view of the four lions fountain(not working).

During my visits to the hospital I chatted to the wife of another patient in intensive care – fortunately she spoke English and told the story of Paul's heart attack to her family and some of the other visitors. Their friendliness and concern for our situation was really appreciated by both of us.

Whilst the medical services in Greece were good some of their practices were not the same as in England – the hospital food was worse!

It helped us both enormously to know that you were all thinking and praying for us. We have been touched by everyone's concern and are now looking forward to Paul's continued improvement and a holiday at the end of October ...

Sue

# Ackworth Concert Society



Once again, it is time for our new season of concerts. As usual we have tried to cater for a wide range of tastes and hope that there is something there for you. This year we are embarking on an ambitious fund-raising programme so that the Society will be able to purchase a Steinway piano, the cost of which is in the region of £45,000! This will enable us to engage high profile musicians such as Akiko Ebi, the Japanese international pianist who opened our 2000~2001 season with such success. (The cost of hiring the Steinway piano on which she played was in excess of £600).

Come and enjoy some excellent music.

## Our opening concerts for the 2001~2002 season

Saturday 13th October 2001, 7.30 pm. The Music Centre, Ackworth School.

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Details of concerts for 2002 will appear later in the year.  
For a full list, leaflets are available from Ackworth Post Offices,  
St. Cuthbert's Church and All Saints' Church.

# Jars of Grace

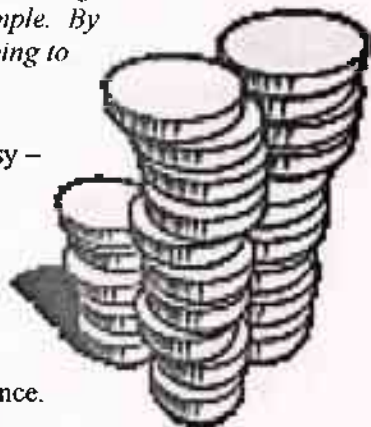


Once again this autumn, from Harvest Thanksgiving until Christmas, our churches will be taking part in UNICEF's 'Jar of Grace' appeal. This year we will be raising funds for UNICEF's life-saving work in war zones all over the world – 'Giving Hope to Children Caught up in Conflict Around the World'.

In the last decade the nature of conflict has changed – now the casualties of war are overwhelmingly civilian – one third are children. Two million children have died and six million have been injured in war since 1991! Millions more are growing up alone in war zones, having been orphaned or permanently separated from their parents. They are now joining the ranks of displaced and refugee children in far greater numbers than ever before. Children are also directly involved in war as child soldiers, many of whom have witnessed or taken part in terrifying acts of violence. At least 300,000 children are actively involved in armed conflict at any given time.

*'War massively disrupts children's lives, often destroying everything they know and trust, inflicting lasting emotional and physical damage,' said David Bull, Executive director of UNICEF UK. 'However, UNICEF, is dedicated to doing what we can to help children caught up in war, by providing healthcare and education to the displaced, and giving counselling to children who have been traumatised by their experiences, for example. By taking part in 'Jar of Grace' churches are helping to fund this essential work.'*

Taking part in the 'Jar of Grace' scheme is easy – all you need is an empty jar - then simply drop a coin in at mealtimes. At the end of the appeal return the jars to either church. Contact Lynne Ward (tel. 616384) for more information.



Thank you for helping UNICEF make a difference.



## MISCELLANY...

### Mothers' Union ~ October 2001

- 3rd Corporate Communion, All Saints', 9.30 am.
- 18th 125th Anniversary Celebrations. Provincial Service to be held at York Minster, 12 noon. Preacher and Celebrant, Archbishop of York, Dr. David Hope.
- 25th Service and Branch Meeting. All Saints', 2 pm.  
Speaker: Gina Netherwood, Deanery Marketing and Publications Officer.
- 28th 125th Anniversary Celebrations. Diocesan Service at Wakefield Cathedral, 4 pm. The Diocesan Commemorative Banner to be dedicated and money presented for projects in Soroti.

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St Cuthbert's and All Saints'

## Sunday Services

*October 2001*



### 7th October

8.30am	Parish Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10.45am	Parish Communion	St Cuthbert's
6.30pm	Evensong	All Saints'

### 14th October

8.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10.15am	Harvest Thanksgiving	St Cuthbert's
6.30pm	Evensong	All Saints'

### 21st October

8.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10.15am	Parish Communion & Junior Church	St Cuthbert's
6.30pm	Evensong	All Saints'

### 28th October

8.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
10.15am	Parish Communion & Junior Church	St Cuthbert's
4.00pm	Open Door Service	All Saints'

## Wednesday Services

9.30am	Holy Communion (said)	All Saints'
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*Please contact the Rector to arrange Baptisms and Weddings*