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Announcement.

Father Paul has been offered a post with the Church of England in Surrey and, subject to necessary procedures, will be leaving us later in the year to take up the post. Paul's decision was made after much prayer and deliberation and it was announced after the Eucharist on 20th April.

Dear All,

We welcome May with all the burgeoning growth of summer. This is always a wonderful time of the year when nature's sap begins to rise. All this excitement and sense of growth is reflected fully in our own Christian calendar for May. This year, **Ascension Day** coincides with May Day as Christ, the Lord of All, takes the glories of our earth with him to affirm again that heaven and earth are eternally inseparable. We celebrate this with a Eucharist at 7.00pm. The following week we celebrate **Pentecost** and the glorious in-pouring of the Holy Spirit into the world. The Ascended Lord sends his advocate and comforter to transform his disciples into the Apostles who will found the Church of Christ on earth. Pentecost is a tangible act of completion that manifests the united power of the Glorious Trinity; the Spirit of new promise emanating

from God the Creator through the sacrifice, resurrection and ascension of the Son. We acknowledge this a week later by celebrating **Holy Trinity** at our patronal festival. Even more affirmation of renewal follows in May this year as the feast of **Corpus Christi** is on Sunday the 25th. We celebrate the mystery of Christ's living legacy as he continues to bless us and renew the fruits of the world through his presence in the body and the blood of the Eucharist. May draws to a close with the most wonderful celebration of the quickening of life that is the **Feast of the Visitation of the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth** on the 31st as John the Baptist leaps with Joy in his mother's womb on hearing the voice of Our Lady.

Greet May with the joy she deserves and praise him who makes all the excitement possible.

All love and God Bless.

Father Paul XX

A Postscript.

You may have heard that I will be leaving Holy Trinity later in the year – probably toward the end of Summer. I leave with a sense of sadness but with much gratitude for the spiritual journey that we have experienced together.

May God shower all at Holy Trinity with His blessings now and in the future, may the Holy Spirit lead you forward with relentless passion and may Christ hold you on the journey.

Holy Trinity Sale

The 2008 sale is booked for Saturday 30th August in the Corn Exchange.

I would like volunteers to take charge of each stall and to be responsible for recruiting their assistants. Are *you* game? If so, please let me know as soon as possible or add your name to the list which will be at the back of the church shortly.

I shall also require items for each stall viz:-

**Items in good condition for the Nearly New (clothes, shoes, curtains etc);
Books, records, CDs, videos, DVDs;
Tombola prizes, raffle prizes, home baking, produce, baking for the cafeteria;
Bric-a-brac.**

Please note that Jim will, as usual, be in charge of bric-a-brac but he needs to have the items *early* so that he has plenty of time to price them. If they are brought to the Corn Exchange on the morning of the sale, it is unlikely that there will be enough time to price them sensibly.

If you can, please offer your help either to set up on Friday evening at 6pm or on Saturday at 9.30am (or both!). If you can't, please support us by coming and spending your money!

Remember, it's all for Jesus!

Judith Wilkinson (01620 826110)

Tai ze Style Worship

I am sure most of you will have seen or heard reference to Tai ze style worship. It is a very quiet and peaceful form of worship, involving readings from the Bible, prayer, reflection and the singing of simple repetitive songs.

I quote from information on the Tai ze poster:

Tai ze, in the south of Burgundy, France, is the home of an international ecumenical community, founded there in 1940 by Brother Roger. The brothers are committed for their whole life to material and spiritual sharing, to celibacy and to a great simplicity of life. Today the community is made up of a hundred brothers, Roman Catholics and from various Protestant backgrounds, from more than twenty five nations. At the heart of daily life in Tai ze are three times of prayer together. The brothers live by their own work. They do not accept gifts or donations for themselves. Some of the brothers spend time living in small groups among the very poor. Since the late 1950's, many thousands of young adults from many countries have found their way to Tai ze to take part in the meetings of praise, prayer and reflection. (It was hearing of its appeal to the young that first drew me to find out more about Tai ze and in fact to visit it, along with our daughter, Sarah, with the 'Scottish Pilgrimage' in 1989). The brothers make visits and lead meetings in Africa, North and South America, Asia and Europe, as part of a 'pilgrimage of trust on earth'.

It is because of the varied nationalities of the visitors to Tai ze that the songs are in different languages and involve the repetition of a fairly brief verse, easily and quickly learnt.

If you have not previously experienced this form of meditative worship and would like to do so, why not join us - an ecumenical group of Christians - when we meet in the Trinity Centre at 7.30pm on Friday, April 25, Friday, May 30 or Friday, June 27?

The Tai ze web site is www.Taize.fr

HADDINGTON AND DISTRICT SENIORS FILM CLUB

MAY is the month you all come to the cinema!

On 1st May we are showing 'ATONEMENT' with Keira Knightley and James McAvoy. This film won 'best film' at this year's BAFTA's and was nominated at the OSCARS.



The Film Club is also getting involved with the Haddington Festival this year and having a Week of Film with the theme Hollywood Legends. We will show a film every afternoon in the Trinity Centre at 2pm. The films we have chosen all have great reviews in the Time Out Film Guide.

- 🎬 Monday 26 May Bringing up Baby - Katherine Hepburn and Cary Grant
- 🎬 Tuesday 27 May The Odd Couple Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau
- 🎬 Wednesday 28 May Top Hat - Fred Astaire and Ginger Rodgers
- 🎬 Thursday 29 May Charade - Audrey Hepburn and Cary Grant
- 🎬 Friday 30 May Some Like it Hot - Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon

This should be great fun and good publicity for the Film Club and the Trinity Centre. Pat Fawcett (secretary)

Sing for Life 2008 In Aid of The Anthony Nolan Trust

This year's hymn singing marathon will take place on Sunday 25th May at 3pm in Holy Trinity.

Most of you will know that the idea is to raise money for the Trust by sponsoring hymns to be sung back-to-back by (hopefully) a large and tuneful congregation. Please do sponsor a hymn and come along with your family and friends to help us raise cash and the roof!!

It will cost £5 to sponsor each hymn but there will also be collection buckets at the back of the church on the day for ad hoc donations.

I shall put a sponsorship form at the back of the church for you to add your name and choice of hymn (or hymns!).

Please support this very worthy cause. Last year everybody had great fun singing virtually non-stop for 2 hours.

I look forward to receiving your requests and seeing you in church at 3pm on 25 May.

Thank you Judith Wilkinson

Trinity Sunday - our Patronal Festival.

It has been announced that the Haddington Pilgrimage normally in May, has been cancelled'

Watch the Sunday bulletin for information.

LAMENTATIONS

Brian Young received Lamentations from his friend Nicholas Tresilian, the poet's son.

EN Amis died recently, in her 95th year, and wrote this poem on an old pc when almost blind.

We who were children many years ago,
Happy to play those foolish childhood games –
Hopscotch and hunt the slipper, blind man's bluff –
And sing those ancient rhymes
 Rooted in history,
 Must rue
Our lack of thought for citizens to come.
 We ran
Through gates unpadlocked that we'd learned to close
 Or played our cricket in the quiet streets
 Now quick with death.
But new-found joys are many and man-made
 Garishly coloured, noisy, tinged with sex,
 Murder and mayhem, larceny and lust.
 The young
Are taught too soon to ape the adult world
 With all its hazards.
 Childhood is put away before its time
 And golden years are lost beyond recall.

Once field upon field and hills beyond each hill
 And meadows richly dressed,
Patterned with flowers and prinked with butterflies,
Where rabbits browsed and hares went dancing mad
 Called us to wander
 Or to lie
Watching the homing rooks who wheeled their way
 Against a saffron sky.
 Down by the brook
Wavelets lapped lightly where the rushes sang
 And sudden mushrooms pebbled fairy rings.
 Where brambles offered bounty.

So much of this
Polluted now, or neatly sprayed away
To satisfy
The vast food mountains of our spendthrift years,
Unwanted now,
Save by those starving hordes who cannot pay.

New superstores,
Their tills sweet music to the tycoon's ear,
But death to little shops who served us well
Spread tentacles across the countryside
And in their wake bring roads and roundabouts
Where once a harvest of a different kind
Brightened the landscape with a purer gold.
Here we parade
The waiting trolleys loaded to the brim
With plastic-coated titbits, dressed to tempt
Our sated palates
Daily we see displayed the wasting limbs,
The haunted eyes too early filled with pain
While weeping mothers crippled by despair
Accuse us dumbly from so far away
That they can be forgotten or ignored.

And now there is no silence.
Little chance
To hear the lark, the curlew or the thrush,
For the confounded racket we allow
To shield ourselves from thought.
How can we hope
To drown disaster as it lurks ahead?
The bomb, the global warmth, the hungry wars
And aids –
The four new horsemen galloping our way
Will noise
Keep them at bay?
E.N.Amis

Visit to Jordan March 2008

What a wonderful country: hospitable, friendly people - no hassle or begging in this sliver of the Middle East. More than once we were geographically placed to see Egypt, Saudi, Syria, and of course Israel - all at the same time. We saw young Iraqi men arriving at a desert camp for a few weeks' training to become the new Iraqi military or police. This is an American initiative and one has to say is the subject of some scepticism among Jordanians.

Jordanians seem to worship the memory of the late King Hussein and what he achieved on the international stage for peace in the Middle East. The country, not much greater population than Scotland, was described to us as the westernised face of the Arab world. Aqaba is really just a stone's throw across the water to Eilat, and Israeli visitors to Jordan are now quite normal. Jordan has received and absorbed huge numbers of Palestinian refugees, and Hussein, we were told, was the only Arab ruler in the area to insist that the Palestinians be given Jordanian passports. Result: refugees are able to move on from the camps into education and employment to the benefit of all. (The present Queen, Rania, comes from an old Palestinian family).

Very moving was our visit to the authenticated (since mid 90s) site of the baptism of Christ by St John Baptist. This research became possible after Hussein's treaty with Bush and Sadat to demilitarise the right bank of the Jordan and let in the world's archeologists. Muslim guides handle the visits with huge sensitivity: the visitor centre/cars etc are kept half a mile back. The only warning - don't take a photo of the lone Israeli soldier loafing in the shade - or your camera will be taken! (Oh and leave the hard questions till you're back on the bus!) The then Pope celebrated mass for 25K people in 2000 at this site - the worst threat facing this peaceful atmospheric spot now is the possibility of a vast basilica to be erected there. Suggest you visit before that!

This is the land of the book of Ruth, the activities of Joshua and countless OT prophets: also the land of Moab. This is the ground that Moses and the children of Israel covered so painfully on their slow journey home. The reality of the wilderness and of the desert is all around you - the atmosphere and the landscapes are amazing. Victorian clergymen used to visit with a checklist of 90+ holy sites to tick off: sites such as the tomb of Aaron on a hilltop, or the spot where Jacob wrestled with the angel. Everywhere we saw Bedu herdsmen with their floppy eared biblical-looking flocks of sheep and goats. On one of two amazing nature reserves we visited, we saw at sunset a shepherd sitting on a hilltop playing his pipe and the animals responding, making their way towards the music. Just as in Israel or Egypt, the I

lithographs of Victorian Scots painter David Roberts are everywhere on sale. We enjoyed Mount Nebo and its views, having in our aircond bus had an easier ride to the top than the elderly Moses must have had on his way to his final view of the Promised Land. Great mosaics there, as also at Madaba and Petra.

Petra is of course a modern world wonder. There are lots of donkeys, riding horses and carozzas plus camels to help weaker legs enjoy the experience. We took 'Married to a Bedouin' (paperback) with us (NZ backpacker who did just that and 20 years on is still there - we met her in Petra! She became the local nurse for the Bedu - employed by the Government - and was visited by Queen Eizabeth and Prince Philip together with King Hussein and Queen Noor. At the time of her marriage the Bedouin were actually living in the Petra caves - but over the years were moved out to a modern village, again to allow the archeologists to get to grips with Nabatean culture. I am reading another female autobiog - the life of Queen Noor, the American who became Hussein's fourth wife. A slightly different view of Jordanian society and place on international stage!

A highlight was our visit to the great Roman city of Jerash - on the hottest day. Another was to Wadi Rum with its incredible rock formations - we toured in jeeps and ate a Bedu evening meal in black hair tents, stars overhead. The Jordanian wilderness is sometimes flat but often beautifully mountainous for this is African rift valley country - the colours at sunrise and sunset and the myriad shades of the sand are fabulous.

We visited crusader castles and the desert weekend hideaways of the Omayyadh dynasty: small castles originally used for hunting, or meeting points for the great camel caravans, or just getting away from the hassle of being a ruler. We stayed in Aqaba at both start and finish of trip for our own R+R. Wonderful hotel with delicious Arab food, lots of pools, flowery gardens, private beach. Perhaps the very best hotel was at the Dead Sea. We swam in the Dead Sea - overrated now because the salinity is so great that it doesn't suit everyone's skin. We were lucky enough to travel with a small group - just 11 variegated but agreeable persons.

*An abiding realisation from this trip for us is that modern Jordan (previously TransJordan) **is** the Holy Land too: the other side of the coin of Israel/Palestine. A visit here is a truly fascinating experience.*

Astrid Ritchie

Companion Link with Revd. Philip Quaake Church, Ghana.

Holy Trinity Vestry has agreed to go ahead with the proposed link with PQ in Cape Coast, Ghana. Needless to say, I am very happy about this!

A "Link Committee" has to be set up, ideally made up of 5 people. We already have three, myself, Wendy Wilkinson and Martin Lugton. Would you like to be part of this? If so, please let me know and we can talk about it. I will even let you see my photographs!

The Link is primarily to be about friendship, exchanging news and views and possibly making visits to each other's church. This could be a very exciting project.

On the other front, thank you to everyone who donated typewriters and sewing machines for Christ the King School in Cape Coast. I have collected about 40 and I hope to ship them out at the end of May.

Judith Wilkinson

Fund raising for St Peter's Hindu

The proceeds from Coffee Morning on Saturday 12th April in the Trinity Centre and a number of donations as well as the cake and candy sales after church at St Mary's on Sunday, the total raised was £947. A big thank you to all who helped and to those who have given and especially to those who turned out on such a wet and horrible day which made it such success.

Mary Wallace



Safari to Kenya

Leaving Wednesday 29th October

Returning Saturday 8th November
2008



Visiting Maasai Mara,
Lake Naivasha, Lake Nakuru &
Sweetwater Tented Camp, Spending 2 nights in each place with
1 night in Nairobi after the safari depending on flight times
which will be from Edinburgh via Amsterdam

During your stay in Naivasha attend Sunday morning worship at
St Peter's P.C.E.A Church, Ihindu

The cost includes collection and delivery from Jomo Kenyatta
Airport, bed and breakfast in Nairobi and full board on safari.
Travelling in a safari bus to and from each place and the ser-
vices of Sammy Karanja, a member of St Peter's Church who
has been in the tour industry for many years,
will guide us throughout the whole tour.

Flights to be arranged in June once numbers are
confirmed, personal insurance arranged
by individual traveller

Ground costs from £1,604 pp based on 2 people sharing
plus flights, night flight on outward journey
presently at circa £300-£500
The costs comparable to Fair Trade Holidays

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Worship through Song Group.

In order to further the range of our worship in song, I would welcome any members of the congregation to join us around the piano on Sunday mornings at 9.30am as we prepare for our Eucharistic Service at 10am.



To enhance this arrangement I propose to have a burst of rehearsals for three Thursdays, starting on the 1st May and continuing on the 8th and 15th May. These rehearsals will be at 7.30pm in the church. I do hope that as many people as possible will join our group for 'Worship through song.' Jim Davidson

Jim Dickson.

FROM THE REGISTERS:



Baptisms

12th April Ronald David Brown

20th April Daryl Keith Davidson

*"We welcome you. We will care for you.
We will share our faith with you."*



Funerals

10th April : Robert Byers

"May they rest in peace and rise in glory"



Dates for the Diary

1st May Ascension day Eucharist 7.00pm

Worship through Song Group 7.30pm

2nd May St Philip and St James Apostles

**3rd/4th May Church without walls 2008 at Royal
Highland Centre Ingliston**

8th May Pentecost

Worship through song 7.30 pm

11th May Christina Aid week begins

13th May Vestry Meets

15th May Worship through song 7.30pm.

18th May Trinity Sunday Patronal Festival

22nd May Worship through song 7.30pm.

25th May Haddington Festival begins

30th May Taize Prayer in Trinity Centre

**31st May Learning for Mission 11am - 4pm.
In St Peter's Church Musselburgh**

Feast of the visitation

A Good Read: The Edge Spring volume 2008 Holy Trinity is well represented within

Pick up a copy now and read about

Father Paul's encouragement for systematic study of
Matthews Gospel

Margaret Fairbairn and the ladies of Holy Trinity
thanked

Sari writes about the Diocesan Synod March 2008

Judith's need for type writers and sewing machines

Plus lots of interesting news and notices from without
the Diocese

Trinity Sunday 18th May Congregational Lunch

In preparation for our
bring and share meal together
lists will be put at the back of the church
If you can join us please sign up
for savoury and or sweet options

Margaret Fairbairn

St Mary's Parish Church Daily Prayer

During the Summer months St Mary's is open throughout the week. There are short prayers daily at 12 noon. On Fridays these are led by members of Holy Trinity



Moving on

Gloria greatly regrets to announce that Janet Matthews is resigning as Gloria Computer Guru, planner, arranger, sorter of Editor's messes for Gloria - We are enormously grateful for her freely offered contribution.

So Gloria is seeking a new computer literate person - Please contact the editor if you can help - Planning the role will be shared with you or a small team.
Sari Salvesen, Editor.

"Once I had the first magazine completed, I really enjoyed working with Sari on Gloria. I found the role very satisfying and I am disappointed that leaving Haddington means I cannot continue this work.

*I will be happy to help one individual or a small team complete the June Edition of Gloria before I leave".
Janet Matthews*

ROTA May

	Coffee & Tea
4th May	Margaret Fairbairn Julian Tennent
11th May	Diana Dee Cindy Sykes
18th May	Jean Blackadder Alison Brown
25th May	Ena Briggs Alison Cowe
	Sidespersons
4th May	Jean Blackadder Effie Bowman
11th May	Jeremy Willing Jim McAndie
18th May	Margaret Fairbairn Eileen Banks
25th May	Mary Wallace Peter Green
	Readers
4th May	Sunday after Ascension Julian Tennent Mary Wallace
11th May	Pentecost Astrid Ritchie Effie Bowman
18th May	Trinity Ena Briggs Christopher Stephens
25th May	Pentecost 2 Judith Wilkinson Margaret Fairbairn
	Flowers
3rd May	Christine and Margaret Glass
10th May	Christine and Margaret Glass
17th May	Mrs Riley and Lottie Brown
24th May	Mrs Riley and Lottie Brown
31 May & 7th June	Mona Cook and Aileen Lamb

WEEKLY SERVICE TIMES

Sundays	Eucharist	8.30am
	Sung Eucharist	10.00am
	Eucharist	11.45am*
	<i>*(First Sunday of the month only)</i>	
	Evening Prayer	6.00pm
Wednesdays	Eucharist	10.00am
Fridays	Eucharist	11.00am
		Lauderdale Aisle

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GLORIA DEADLINES... You can greatly assist the production process by submitting information and articles as soon as possible and not waiting for the deadline.

The deadline for the June issue
is Sunday 18th May

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