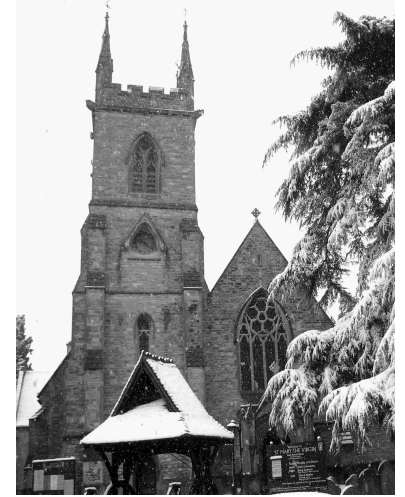




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JESUS IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON



Jesus is Better than Santa

Santa lives at the North Pole. JESUS is everywhere.

Santa rides in a sleigh. JESUS rides on the wind and walks on the water.

Santa comes but once a year. JESUS is an ever present help.

Santa fills your stockings with goodies. JESUS supplies all your needs.

Santa comes down your chimney uninvited. JESUS stands at your door and knocks. And then enters your heart.

You have to stand in line to see Santa. JESUS is as close as the mention of His name.

Santa lets you sit on his lap. JESUS lets you rest in His arms.

Santa doesn't know your name, all he can say is "Hi little boy or girl, What's your name?" JESUS knew our name before we did. Not only does He know our name, He knows our address too. He knows our history and future and He even knows how many hairs are on our heads.

Santa has a belly like a bowl full of jelly. JESUS has a heart full of love.

All Santa can offer is HO HO HO. JESUS offers health, help and hope.

Santa says "You better not cry". JESUS says "Cast all your cares on me for I care for you."

Santa's little helpers make toys. JESUS makes new life, mends wounded hearts, repairs broken homes and builds mansions.

Santa may make you chuckle but JESUS gives you joy that is your strength.

While Santa puts gifts under your tree. JESUS became our gift and died on the tree.

It's obvious there is really no comparison. We need to remember WHO Christmas is all about.



The Vicar writes

The earliest Christian theologians-- often called the "Church fathers"-- gave us a remarkable reflection on the song of the angels. For countless ages, they said, the angels sang and praised God as he made himself known in the universe: in the laws of physics, in the amazing beauty of maths, logic, and reason, in all the grandeur of creation. But then, something new happened. Something unparalleled and unprecedented in all of the universe's long history. God himself entered into this universe. God stepped into history, as a human being, born as a baby. God was making himself known in a new, radically different way. And so the angels responded by singing a brand new song. This is the song, say the Church fathers, mentioned in Luke's gospel: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to all people." The birth of Christ was the beginning of a new creation, and so the angels responded by adding this new rapturous song to their celestial repertoire.

I empathise with this story, because I studied physics at university precisely because I was drawn to the beauty and grandeur of the universe: maths, physics, astronomy, cosmology were all things I found (and still find) captivatingly beautiful. It was while I was at university studying physics, that I began to see these things as wonderfully revealing God, their creator. And I also came to see that, yet more wonderfully, God was also revealed in a human being, Jesus Christ. What I was studying in physics was only deepened and completed by learning about Christianity.

I'm sure we all stop to draw breath from time to time at the beauty of nature. God is evident in all his creation. But the picture remains, for us, incomplete, without Christ. Nature can show us God's grandeur and beauty and power and magnificence: but in Christ, we can see God's love and forgiveness. In Christ, we can come close to God; he becomes a homeless child, born in weakness and poverty. No lofty barriers of grandeur are there, any more, to keep us at a distance. The whole glory of God becomes visible when our eyes are directed to the stable at Bethlehem.

The angels' response to this universe-changing event, we're told, was to sing a new song. Most of us, likewise, wouldn't feel Christmas was complete without singing a few carols. We should sing, not from a sense of nostalgia, but born out of excitement and joy and thanks. Christ is born in Bethlelem! Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth!

May you have a very merry Christmas, and a happy new year.

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SUNDAY AT ST MARY'S

0800 HOLY COMMUNION

0930 SUNG EUCHARIST

The Wayfarers and the Sunday School meet in conjunction with this service, and there is a Creche provided in church.

There is coffee in the church hall between the 9.30 and 11 o'clock services on Sunday mornings, to which all are welcome, and especially newcomers and visitors.

1100 MATTINS

(Usually replaced on the third Sunday in each month by a Sung Eucharist using the Book of Common Prayer)

1730 EVENING PRAYER

Usually a simple said service, but sometimes Choral Evensong.

Occasionally there are variations from this pattern; details are given in this paper, on the Notice Board or on the Weekly Notes available on Sundays.

ON WEEKDAYS

Morning and Evening Prayer are *usually* said at 9 am and 5 pm Mondays-Thursdays, in church. See the Weekly notes or phone ahead to make sure. The Eucharist is celebrated on Tuesdays at 10 am, in the Parish Room (entry through the door on the Church Street side of the Church).

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 11 April
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 18 July
 15 August
 12 September
 17 October
 14 November
 12 December

December in Church

Sunday services are as usual on the 5th and 12th December. On the weekdays, the church is in heavy use for school carol services (five this year) and rehearsals.

On Sunday the 19th, the 11am service is a very brief "Short Mattins" lasting about 10 minutes, after which we decorate the church for Christmas. Everyone is warmly invited to stay around for this to help out: it's great fun, and many hands make light work-- refreshments are served.

The church is then all ready for the evening, when at 5.30pm our service of Nine Lessons and Carols takes place. This is the traditional service as popularised by King's College, Cambridge, featuring both choral and congregational carols.

On Christmas Eve, a Friday this year, there is a special service aimed at all ages, and especially enjoyed by children: The Arrival at Bethlehem. This begins at 4pm. The Christmas story is told in drama, the Christmas crib is blessed, and more Christmas carols are sung.

Later on Christmas Eve, at 11.15pm, the choir will begin singing Christmas music, in preparation for the midnight service. The Midnight Mass itself begins at 11.45pm, with plenty of carols and festive music.

On Christmas morning, the early celebration of Holy Communion will be at 8.30am (note: half an hour later than most Sundays). The main sung Eucharist later on Christmas morning is at 10am. Boxing Day (or St Stephen's Day) falls on a Sunday this year, and there will be a break from our normal Sunday pattern, with just one service, a Sung Eucharist, at 10am.

St Mary's will welcome many visitors and occasional churchgoers over the Christmas period, and I look forward to seeing many of you at our Christmas services. Do come and join us!

Christmas Charities-- a note from the Vicar

As usual, our Christmas collections will be given to two charities. This year, the charities will be Save the Children and Surrey for Young Carers: both charities help children and young people, one very international and one very local. Sales of Christmas cards have also benefitted the Children's Society.

Some people may be wondering why, when St Mary's is in a very parlous financial state we continue to give money to other charities at Christmas, and continue to arrange fund-raising activities for other good causes. Quite simply, this is a core part of what the church does: helping those in need. If, in the parish church of Ewell, we could no longer help those in great need, we should have reached a desperate position. So we will be helping vulnerable children and others this Christmas-- but because we want to be around also in years to come, seeking financial stability for our church will remain a high priority for us too.

Your friend and Parish Priest

Russell Dewhurst

EWELL PARISH NEWS

The Editor and production team of the EPN hope that you have enjoyed reading the magazine this year and will want to continue to receive it in 2011. We all hope that it has given you the flavour of what goes on at St Mary's. Do let us know -via the editor or the church office of any ideas you have about what we can do to keep you more in the picture.

The cost of the magazine remains at 60p or £6 for twelve copies if paid in advance. Your distributor will be knocking on your door in the coming weeks to ask whether you wish to continue. We do hope you will!!

Gilda Everson



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Autumn Fun Day

"The falling leaves drift by the window" and some drifted into church on 28 October. Apologies if you found any traces in your pews on the following Sunday.



Fran Siddle and her team of helpers were entertaining 42 youngsters at a craft-based fun day. In fact we had so many applications we had to turn some away. Children aged between 5 and 11 years were divided into appropriately named "firework groups" and spent the next few



hours making chocolate cakes, assorted flavoured sweets (some in very spooky shapes), "useful pots", autumn collage and drama activities, with a break for lunch. The afternoon was rounded off with a short "show and tell" session led by the Vicar, including a prayer to thank God for all the fun we had

had. An activity hymn was accompanied by a percussion band of shakers, tambourines and bells. Then it was outside to the churchyard to find all the items on the treasure trail list and make them into a face on the church path. Prizes were awarded for artistic interpretation and everyone left happy with lots of goodies.



A very big thank you to Fran (and family) for masterminding the day so efficiently, and all our group and activity leaders, those providing much-needed drinks, washing-up and cleaning-up. If you would like to help in any way for future days, Fran, Gilda or the Vicar would love to hear from you, (men as well as ladies, especially if you have any particular skills you think a child would like to learn). The next fun day will be on 24 February, when we are hoping to have no disappointed applicants!

JD

TOGETHER AT CHRISTMAS

Are you alone at Christmas this year?



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CAFE NESBOT

at St Mary's Church Hall

On Tuesdays in term time, students from NESBOT are serving simple lunches in our church hall (London Rd, opposite the church) between 12 and 2pm.

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Though Christ a thousand times in Bethle-
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If he's not born in thee
Thy soul is still forlorn.
The Cross on Calvary's hill
Will never save thy soul.
The Cross in thine own heart
alone can make thee whole.....

*Angelus Silesius,
a mystic poet of the seventeenth century*

O holy Child of Bethlehem
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin, and enter in,
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel.

Bishop Brooks (19th cent.)

Let not our souls be busy inns that have not room
for thee and thine, but quiet homes of prayer and
praise, where thou mayst find fit company; where
the needful cares of life are wisely ordered and put
away, and wide, sweet space is kept for thee.

May the Babe of Bethlehem be mine to tend; May
the Boy of Nazareth be mine for friend; May the
Man of Galilee my soul defend; May the Christ of
Calvary his courage lend; May the Risen Lord his
presence send That I may love and serve Him to
the end.

CHRISTMAS MAGIC

Can you see it, hear it, feel it?
Can you taste it in the air?
It's the whisper of enchantment, mist of rain-
drops in your hair.
It's the scent of boughs of holly and a fluttering
of snow,
it's the swoop and soar of angels and a candle's
flickering glow.
You can sense it in the city, frantic shopping,
fairy lights,
it's the crisp of frosty mornings and the tang of
star-strewn nights.
It's holding hands beside the fire, shared laugh-
ter, oak-red wine,
for Love came down at Christmas
and its magic is divine.

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Matilda Iris Stockwell

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Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

1 November Nancy Malta Dunstan,
aged 96
8 November Arthur Robert Wesley,
aged 79

VIRGINIA JOHNSON

21 February 1918 - 1 October 2010

Virginia was born in Minneapolis to a Bohemian father and English mother. She first came to England in 1923, to Sunderland where from Monkwearmouth Grammar School she won a Scholarship to Sunderland College of Art. She then attended Skerry's Commercial College and passed high on the list of the Civil Service Examination. She was, however, denied entry to the Civil Service because her father had not been born in the United Kingdom.

Devastated, she now turned to work for Local Government and was soon promoted to secretary to Deputy Town Clerk. In 1938, the year before the outbreak of the Second World War, a senior Executive and Virginia were given the task of forming an entirely new unit known as "Civil Defence". Its aim was to prepare for War. They worked on developing procedures such as Air Raid Precautions, Fire and Rescue Services, gas attack procedures, and even Boy Scout messengers.

When the War did eventually start in September 1939, Sunderland was destined to be one of the 18 most bombed towns in Britain with enemy aircraft flying from bases in Norway to destroy its shipyards, docks, coalmines and heavy industry. The Luftwaffe dropped a huge bomb destroying a neighbouring block of houses. Virginia's house had all its windows blown in but she and her mother survived as they were sheltering under a heavy dining room table.

The War ended and Virginia left local government becoming the Director's PA at the then famous Sir James Laing Shipyard. She organized the visit of the young Princess Elizabeth to launch a tanker named the British Princess. We have Virginia's photograph with Princess Elizabeth to prove it! The next year Elizabeth married Prince Philip, and Virginia married Major Ron Johnson.

In 1946 when my father, Ron, returned from the Army after 5 years of service in India and the Far East, he attended a dance organised by the School Teachers Association. Ron went with his sister a primary school teacher and it so happened that Virginia accompanying a friend who was also a teacher went to the same dance. As they say - "the rest is history"! Virginia and Ron fell in love at first sight and remained devoted to each other for the next 63 years. 50 years later in 1997 - the Queen's Golden Wedding anniversary was also of course Ron and Virginia's Golden Wedding Anniversary. Ron and Virginia were invited and proudly attended the Queen's Celebration Garden Party at Buckingham Palace.

After their wedding, the couple moved to Stafford where Dad was employed at the central works of the English Electric Company. During the 4 years they spent there, Virginia became secretary of the local Young Conservatives and organised trips to country fairs and other places of interest. Then Ron was given the chance of transfer to the Newcastle-upon-Tyne office which they both jumped at. It seemed to be the opportunity to go home once again, and so they bought a house near the seafront in Virginia's beloved Sunderland.

Shortly afterwards I was born in 1951 and from the start was the apple of my parents' eye. I was their only child. They always wanted the best for me in everything - education, sports and music. I tried hard - and didn't always succeed. But truly both of them sacrificed a great deal for me and I have and always will be, eternally grateful.

Virginia, for some reason that Ron could never understand wanted to have a caravan in the country. So, we got a caravan. It was situated permanently at a farm by the River Tees near



Barnard Castle in an idyllic setting. We spent most of the summer weekends there and Virginia loved it, particularly the views, the fresh air, the beautiful heather-covered moors, the miles of stone-walling and little whitewashed cottages surrounded by friendly people who were in close contact with nature.

English Electric moved Ron again. Ron and Virginia became involved with Norton-on-Tees village and church life. Mum took an active role with the Mother's Union in which she was the secretary for several years. She also took up millinery. Her hat creations were numerous and occasionally fantastic. Some were incredibly complex and very impressive by any standards.

By now Ron was working for a Firm of Design Engineers. The directors decided moving to London would get more business. Ron and Virginia went with them and settled down in Ewell in 1970 and have lived here ever since. Virginia involved herself with St Mary's and village life. She distributed the Parish News and was a street representative of the Resident's association. She then started writing poetry and indeed the poem Viki read was not only published but also received the editor's commendation.

Ron and Virginia still missed the seaside where they had both been brought up. They loved to spend their holidays by the sea and initially stayed on the West coast of France every year. Mum was hardly fluent in French - but her ability to strike up a conversation and chat happily to the locals seemed to transgress language barriers much to my father's complete amazement. As time caught up with them, they spent many happy summer holidays on the south coast at Eastbourne.

Although she never complained of pain or indeed physical disability, Virginia became severely handicapped in later life. She was in her seventies when she fractured one of her hips.

Mum was a very wonderful and kind friend to many, and helped a huge number of people throughout her life. She was always eager to introduce herself and make people welcome and she was always ready to assist others whenever she could in any practical way she could think of.

Dad and I wanted to complete the cycle of Virginia's life, by our choice of the last hymn --The Battle Hymn of the Republic. An acknowledgment of her Minneapolis birth of which she was always so proud. Virginia, the wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, always loved singing and I hope that you will sing it with all your strength and might.

Address read by Stephen Johnson

GUYANA DIRECT

Hello, I'm Jay Price and the newest recruit to the External Affairs Committee (EAC); We've (that's husband Tim & son Grant who is 21 and now in Bolivia doing some mission work) lived in Ewell Village for over 28 years and with the arrival of our new vicar decided that it was the appropriate time to revisit St Mary's for formal worship. I'm a part time tutor at HMP High Down, the local men's prison at Banstead, where I teach Food Studies to the inmates.

My interest in our links with Guyana is straight from the heart; it's my place of birth and where I lived until I was aged 7, when political tensions forced my parents to relocate to the United Kingdom. How lucky to be part of a church that has mission links with Corriverton in Guyana.

The Guyana of my childhood was steeped in colonial traditions,



with independence on the horizon. Guyana gained an elected president and became a republic in 1970. For the newer

and younger members of our congregation allow me to place this raw and beautiful land in your mind's eye. Its area is about the size of the UK and has a population of 765,000; £1= G\$300. It's part of South America having Venezuela and Suriname as westerly and eastern neighbours respectively, with Brazilian borders skirting the south of the country. There have always been disputes and tensions between these countries about natural resources and mining rights, but all is calm at present.

The interior of the country is densely forested, criss crossed with many rivers making access very limited and Amazonian in feel with its Amerindian communities and unparallel wildlife viewing opportunities. It's the land of the jaguars and the giant river otters and eco-tourism is slowly developing. It is indeed the land of El Dorado.

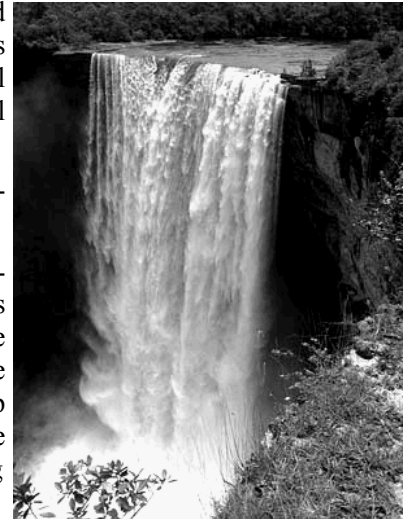
Its capital Georgetown, has an air of faded grandeur, sits on the banks of the Demerara River, where the river empties into the Atlantic (yes, that's where the unrefined brown sugar comes from). A seawall prevents flooding and a Dutch canal system drains the town, which is actually seven feet below sea level.

So, geographically Guyana is part of the S.American continent, but in many ways it adopts a distinctly Caribbean vibe -it's music and nightlife, very reggae, but with a Latino twist - it hosts the Cricket World Cup events, and cricket is the No 1 game, it's every boy's dream to play for the West Indies - it's cuisine spicy, from the tasty 'Pepper pot' (an Amerindian meat and cassava stew) to 'Cook up' (a rice and beans creation mixed with whatever else happens to be in the fridge)- all delicious! I dream of eating Crab Backs, a

childhood favourite and I still have a weakness for coconut cakes, all reminiscent of tropical shores.

My highlights of Guyana are: -

- Kaieteur Falls - watch your step as you gaze at the world's highest single drop waterfall, deep in the Amazon jungle (www.kaieteurpark.gov.uy).
- Iwokrama -a rainforest conservation project established in 1996 as a unique living laboratory that ensures Amerindian cultural survival while protecting the forest's rich diversity.(www.iwokrama.org).



Corriverton, our mission link parish in the Berbice area takes us along the Eastern Highway and follows the coastal plain from Georgetown to the Suriname border, crossing the Berbice river, via a new floating bridge where the intrepid traveller then takes a minibus to Corriverton, a further two hours away, passing potholes, suicidal dogs, unfenced livestock and the resultant road kill!

Corriverton is actually two small towns of Springlands and Skeldon, on the west bank of the Corentyne River, bordering Suriname, and as in English place names Corriverton is an amalgamation of two words CORENTYNE (the river) and TON, meaning town, as we recognize in many of our local places i.e. Carshalton/Wallington - so it upholds a bit of English heritage in that distant land!

Your recent donations helped re-build Holy Epiphany church at Orealla, which is also in the Berbice deanery, and photographs of the finished church can be seen on display in our Welcome area. The local community is really appreciative of your generous assistance, and worship is blossoming.

As part of our support to the ongoing work for our twinned parish of Corriverton and Fr Marcus Simon, their priest, the EAC will be organizing an out reach lunch - Caribbean in flavour -at The Clink restaurant, at HMP High Down on Thursday, 10th February 2011. Please put this date in your diaries and invite some friends for a unique fine dining experience, where the inmates are working hard towards their NVQ qualifications in catering, so that they have an opportunity to gain work upon release. Recent diners to the restaurant have included Ed Milliband and Cherie Blair - not that I'm name-dropping.... see you there with your friends for a taste of the Caribbean.

God of love, whose compassion never fails; we bring before thee the troubles and perils of people and nations, the sighing of prisoners and captives, draw near to each: for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Anselm 1033-1109

MOZART AND THE HORN PLAYER



Everything that Mozart wrote in his maturity was great music: however, a few pieces stand out because of the way in which the composition is so superbly suited to the nature of the instrument. In most cases the work was composed with a particular performer in mind.

The quartet for oboe and strings K370 was written for Frederick Ramm, an acknowledged oboe virtuoso whom Mozart met in Munich. The sublime quintet for clarinet and strings K581 was written for his friend and fellow freemason Anton Stadler, as was the clarinet concerto K622. Stadler was able to produce a soft tone reminiscent of the human voice and his fondness for the lower register of the clarinet was recognised in Mozart's compositions.

The most endearing and long-standing of the relationships that Mozart had with performers was that with the horn player, Joseph Leutgeb. He was considerably older than Mozart, being born in 1732, some 24 years before the composer. He joined the musical establishment of Colledo, the Prince-Archbishop of Salzburg, and thus became a colleague of Leopold Mozart, the father of the then seven year old child prodigy, Wolfgang Amadeus. Joseph must have got on well with the boy because shortly after, when Leopold and his son were away from home on one of their tours, Joseph Leutgeb was one of the people Wolfgang said he missed. The three of them were together on a tour of Italy in February 1773.

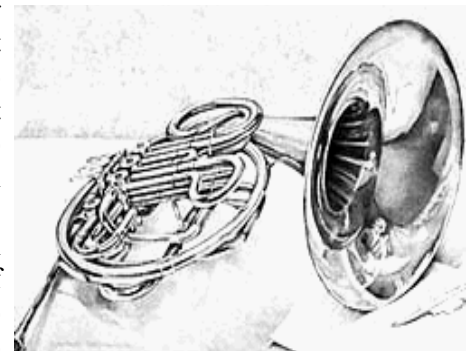
When he grew up, Wolfgang himself became part of the Salzburg music establishment, so he and Joseph were then colleagues, but not for long. The horn player gave up his job with the Archbishop in 1777 and moved to Vienna to run a cheese shop he had inherited from his father-in-law, although he continued playing the horn on a freelance basis. When Mozart had his celebrated bust-up with

Colledo in 1781 he too moved to Vienna as a freelance composer and pianist and one of the first people to greet him was Joseph Leutgeb. The horn player had married and had a family and Mozart was a welcome guest at the cheese shop and sometimes stayed there.

Practically all of Mozart's compositions in which the horn had a solo part were written for Leutgeb, who was recognised as a player of exceptional talent. It was he who developed the method of extending the range of the instrument by manipulating the right hand inside the bell. It was reported that, 'He draws from his instrument tones which never cease to amaze the connoisseurs who hear them'. Mozart wrote for Leutgeb three complete horn concertos and several unfinished ones; of these K412 was completed after Mozart died by his pupil Sussmayr, who also completed the Requiem. With regard to the smaller scale works, mention must be made of the delightful quintet for horn and strings, K407. These five works form the basis of the repertoire of most modern horn players.

Mozart's relationship with Leutgeb was so close that the composer would annotate the scores written for him with humorous, frequently bawdy remarks and sometimes address him as ox, ass, or fool but clearly in a friendly joking manner. At least there is no evidence that the older man was offended. A piece written for the horn player when he was coming up to 60 shows that Mozart was aware of his declining powers; the music is less flamboyant and the range is restricted.

On 14 October 1791 Mozart wrote his last surviving letter and it refers to Leutgeb staying to eat with him. When the composer died on 5 December of that year, Leutgeb helped the widowed Constanze to sort out her husband's affairs. Leutgeb retired from playing the following year, but lived on until he died in his house in 1811 aged 78.



Charles Abdy

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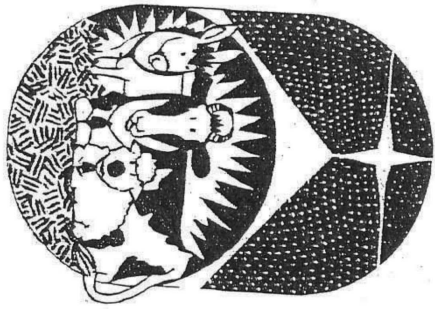
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Unjumble the odd one out



Unjumble the letters to find 5 animals.

Have you got them?

Now can you guess the odd one out?

Hint!

It's the one that was definitely NOT in the stable on that first Christmas Day!

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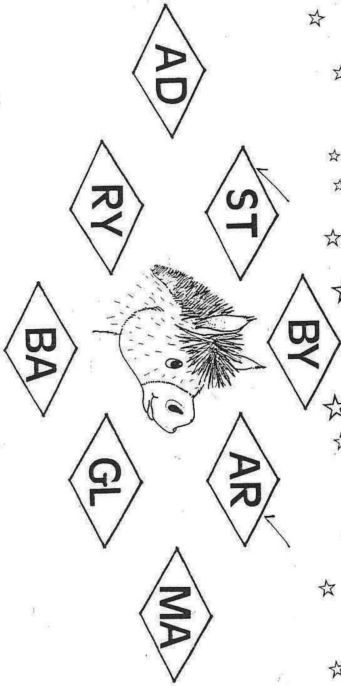
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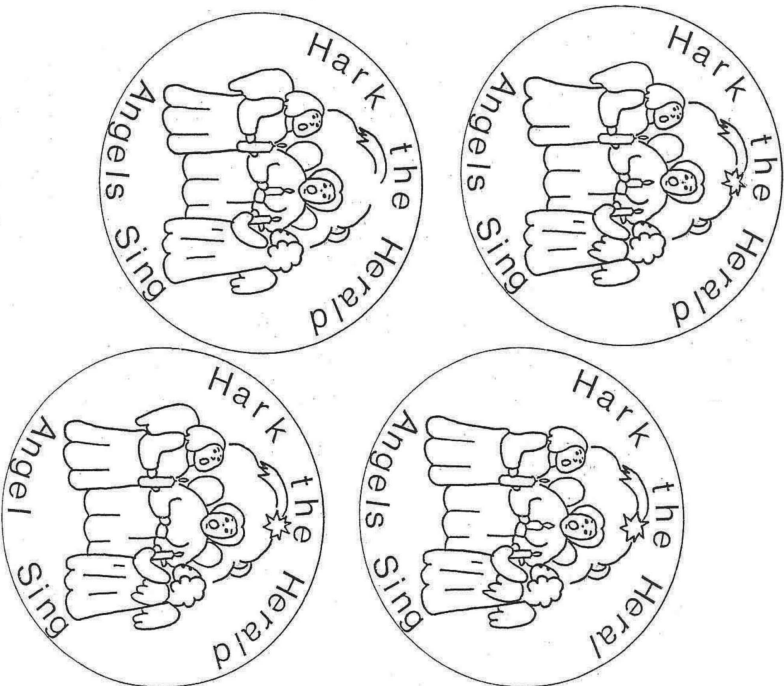
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These started off as 4 four-letter words, but got cut in half. Use your clues to help you stick them back together again

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| Clue 1 | Clue 2 | Clue 3 | Clue 4 |
| It shines | Just born | New mother | Happy |
| star | | | |



Two things are missing in each picture. Can you spot them all?



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 When they sing too Choir-ut-ty!
 Why did the angel stand on a ladder?
 To reach the high notes!



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- W 1 2000 Meeting of Finance Committee
- Th 2 2000 Meeting of Pro Musica
- S 5 **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1100 Choral Mattins
1730 Evening Prayer
- M 6 2000 Meeting of Social Committee
- T 7 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Parish Room
- W 8 2000 Meeting of Standing Committee
- S 12 **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism
1100 Sung Eucharist (1662 rite)
1730 Evening Prayer
- T 14 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Parish Room
- W 15 1030 The Coffee Morning Christmas Party
- S 19 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
0800 Holy Communion
0930 Sung Eucharist
1100 Short Mattins
1730 Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
- M 20 Communion taken to the Housebound
- T 21 1000 Holy Communion (said) in the Parish Room
Communion taken to 'The Elders'
- F 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE**
1600 The Arrival at Bethlehem Service with the Blessing of the Crib
2345 Procession and Midnight Mass
- S 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY**
0830 Holy Communion
1000 Sung Eucharist at the Crib
- S 26 **ST STEPHEN**
1000 Sung Eucharist

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