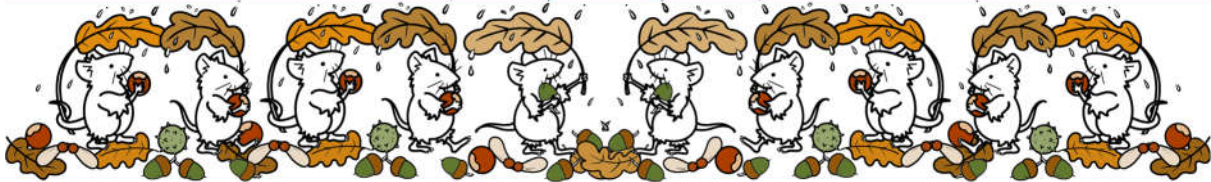




# ECHO



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## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR FOR ECO 2024 AGM hears about continuing growth

*We hope that readers will forgive us for the slight delay in publication of this month's edition of ECHO, but we wanted to include a report of our Annual Meeting which was held last week...*

By kind invitation of Margaret Cross, members of ECO, visitors and invited guests gathered in her barn to hold a Service of In-Person Communion for Reformation Day which celebrates the moment that Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany in October 1517.

Following our service, ECO held our 4th Annual Meeting at which our President, Bob Carr, reported on the progress which we have made during the past 12 months in terms of activities and extent of outreach.

And progress has been significant this year. During 2022-2023, ECO's website received 60,000 web hits from 5,000 unique visitors. During the past year, these figures have both more than doubled, to show that we had **124,000** web hits from **10,100** unique visitors.

This is partly due to our focusing on our status on search engines such as Google and Duck Duck Go where ECO appears multiple times in search results for English-speaking churches in the Occitanie. This helps people searching for a church in this area to find us and, hopefully, join us for our online worship.

Although there are only limited numbers of days in the year, ECO broadcast 176 acts of worship during 2023-2024 compared with 155 in the previous year.



ECO has seen a considerable increase in the number of viewers for our online worship as a result of adding Twitter to the social media channels on which we broadcast, and while in 2022-2023 we averaged approximately 150 viewings per week for our Sunday services. We have seen these numbers increase very substantially during 2023-2024, regularly reaching 400+ viewings on our YouTube channel with another 200-300 on Twitter, and peaking at over 1,000 viewings on YouTube 4 times during the past year.

We broadcast special services on Safeguarding, Peace and Justice for Remembrance Sunday, the Feast of St Columba to celebrate the founding of the Iona Community and a service to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

We also ran an online course during Lent where, with assistance from Waverley College in the UK, we studied the practice of Lectio Divina.

During Advent, we broadcast a series of Daily Advent Calendar reflections, prepared by ECO's Neil Batcock, on the work of the artist Bruegel, accompanying these with music from Handel's 'Messiah'. These proved successful on both YouTube and Twitter.

While we do not use 'cookies' to track the geographical location of our viewers in case we put people viewing our services from countries where Christians are persecuted at risk, there are some general indications from YouTube that our viewers come from all over the world.

And, of course, 1 viewing does not equal 1 person watching, since households often watch together, and so the actual number of viewers is likely to be considerably higher than the numbers actually recorded.

During 2023-24, ECO have jointly prepared a number of acts of worship with another online church - The Ordinary Office - which has led to increased numbers of viewers.

Finally, we have been able to measure readership of ECHO more accurately this year, and in addition to the copies which we send out to subscribers every month, another **4,000** copies have been downloaded by visitors to our website or by people visiting our Twitter or Facebook pages.

We also successfully completed the re-registration of ECO with the French Government in compliance with the new religious laws. This registration places us in good standing with the French authorities for 5 years until 2028.

As is customary on such occasions as these, our Meeting concluded with a delicious hot supper washed down with excellent local wines and accompanied by a magnificent cheese board and a choice of desserts.



## AND FINALLY.....

The Reformation Day service which we recorded on 3<sup>rd</sup> October will be broadcast on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October, starting at 10:30 am.

We do hope that you will be able to join us



## What's The Big Idea ? - St Matthew

Over 2 years, Canon Paul Hardingham, Vicar of St Peter's, Bolton and a regular contributor to ECHO, is writing a series of monthly articles about the books of the Bible. This month Paul begins looking at the New Testament with St Matthew's Gospel.

This month we turn to the New Testament and look at Matthew, the first of the gospels. Although linked to Matthew the apostle, it is generally believed that the author used oral tradition, written fragments, eye-witness accounts, as well as common material in the other synoptic gospels (Mark and Luke).

Matthew, in writing for Jews, sets out to prove that Jesus is the true Messiah. He connects Jesus' birth, life death and resurrection with the Old Testament Scriptures. In fact, he quotes the Old Testament more than any other New Testament author. This is reflected in the opening genealogy which traces Jesus back to Abraham; in his use of the terms kingdom of heaven and Father in heaven, reflecting a Jewish reluctance to use God's name; and in the way he portrays Jesus as the Son of David.

The whole gospel is structured around five blocks of teaching (chapters 5-7; 10; 13; 18; 24-25). This fivefold division reflects the structure of the Pentateuch (the first five books of the Old Testament).

Matthew provides a comprehensive context by which we see all God's creation and salvation completed in Jesus, and all parts of our lives (work, family, friends and future) completed in Him. At the end of his gospel, Matthew records Jesus' commission to His disciples share this good news, promising to be with them:

*'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'* (28:18-20)

## Lot House Group

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Janet Varty



The Lot group support Restos du Coeur in Prayssac (46), with regular giving, with gift cards and goods such as for Harvest time.

It was a very wet and gloomy morning for our delivery but we were met by smiles from the gang who volunteer there.

We will gather next on Thursday 31st October when we will be learning about painting Icons from Veronique.

We are already planning meetings in November as well as gathering for Carol Singing around a blazing open fire on 19th December.

We also gather for informal coffee mornings - please contact Janet for more information.



*Either the Vicar is trying to appeal to the young people of the parish, or the church boiler has broken down again....*

## Legendary Bible Sells For Record US\$6.9m



When one thinks of Europe's medieval period, one imagines feudal lords, knights, and peasants living in abject poverty. Few consider the great artistic and literary treasures of the time, like this Hebrew Bible, brimming with beautiful artwork and rich literary information that Sotheby's New York sold at auction on 15 September.

The 700-year-old *Shem Tov Bible* had been estimated at US\$5 million, with the auctioneer opening the sale at US\$4 million. There was a brief bidding war at the start, with at least two in-room bidders fighting for ownership. Eventually, once the lot reached the US\$5 million mark, it became a battle on the phones, with three separate phone bidders fighting. Eventually, Global Head of Sotheby's Books & Manuscripts Department, Richard Austin, won the lot for his client, with the paddle number 13, for US\$5.8 million. With fees, it sold for a total of US\$6.9 million.

The manuscript has had a long journey to reach the auction floor, having started in Spain before traveling across the Mediterranean and Europe, including to the eminent collectors David Solomon Sassoon and Jacqui Safra. Additionally, the last time it came for auction, the *Shem Tov* sold for US\$825,000, also a record-breaking amount at the time.

Rabbi Shem Tov ben Abraham Ben Gaon, better known as Ibn Gaon, was born in 1283 in Soria, in the Kingdom of Castille, a town with a large Jewish population. In his youth, Ibn Gaon traveled to Barcelona and Tudela to study and write on Jewish laws.

During this flurry of academic endeavors, Ibn Gaon began writing his most challenging and ambitious project on this version of the Hebrew Bible. Throughout its writing, the *Shem Tov Bible's* various hues of ink indicate it was written over several years, and was completed in 1312 in Ibn Gaon's hometown of Soria.

In 1315, Ibn Gaon left Castille to move to the Levant, then under the rule of the Mamluk Sultanate. Ibn Gaon passed away in 1330, but the work stayed in the region, with it being cited in legal rulings both in Egypt and Syria - possibly moving between the two regions. Eventually, it would be moved to North Africa, ending up in Tripoli by the early 20th century.

Various collectors unsuccessfully tried to acquire the manuscript, until David Solomon Sassoon (1880-1942), a collector of Hebrew manuscripts, purchased the work for £85 in 1909. Sassoon would have the manuscript's binding repaired, and it would enter his collection of over 500 works.

After Sassoon's death, it was sold by Sotheby's New York in December 1984 for what was a record-breaking US\$825,000. It was then displayed at several exhibits before being sold to another Jewish manuscript collector, Jacqui Safra, for an unknown amount. Jacqui is a descendant of the prominent Safra banking and is a billionaire investment banker operating out of Geneva. The Safra banking family was from Syria but had their breakthrough in Beirut, Lebanon. The family patriarch Jacob Safra opened his first bank there in 1920 and took advantage of the collapse of the Ottoman Empire to expand their services and presence across the Middle East.

Jacqui Safra is the 3rd generation of Safra bankers, with him working at their American bank. Safra has been involved in various real estate investments in Ireland, film production, and owning the Encyclopedia Britannica. However, most important to this lot is that Safra, like Sassoon, is a well-known, high-profile collector of historical Jewish texts.

Interestingly, Safra bought another Old Sassoon work, *the Codex Sassoon*. Named after its most famous owner, the 792-page work was also sold by Sotheby's New York. It went for a record-breaking price for any manuscript sold at auction in May 2023 - US\$31m.

Academically, *Shem Tov* is vital as it draws from the *Hilleli Codex*. Written around 600 AD, the *Hilleli Codex* was one of the most accurate versions of the original Hebrew Bible before being lost. The *Shem Tov Bible* often cites the *Hilleli Codex*, making it an important link to this lost text.

Further academic choices make the *Shem Tov Bible* incredibly interesting. In the work, it is clear that Ibn Gaon drew from a variety of scholars. Ibn Gaon's most fascinating source was his choice of prioritizing the Babylonian interpretation of Jewish law and practice over "Western" sources.

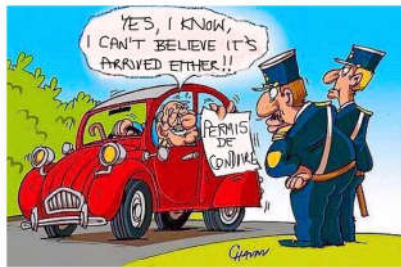
## GOOD NEWS FOR HOLDERS OF UK DRIVING LICENCES LIVING IN FRANCE



One piece of French bureaucracy which awaits everyone coming to live in France is the need to exchange driving licenses at some point from the current one to a French one.

Depending on which country issued the license and even the date on which it was issued, the rules will differ.

One place where a wealth of information is to be found is on the Facebook Group “Driving in France - French Licence Application”. This group contains guides which explain many of the ins and outs of exchanging licences.



Driving in France - French Licence Application

Applications to exchange driving licenses are dealt with via the online service provided by ANTS (*Agence Nationale des Titres Sécurisés*) where, sadly, the processing delay can be up to 6 months from the date of first submission of an application, even if all documents and information is provided correctly in the first place.

Considerable stress has arisen because, until recently, applications would not be accepted by ANTS until there was less than 6 months to the expiry date of the current license, leaving people in the position of their license being about to expire but no sign a replacement, which would in effect prevent them from driving.

Some UK citizens resident in France but with remaining links to the UK have considered applying for a new license from DVLA, but this is a criminal offence in both France and the UK, and would invalidate motor insurance. While one can drive with an expired Photocard (the date in Box 4 of a UK license) providing an application has been submitted to ANTS, it can still lead to stressful encounters with the Gendarmerie.

The good news is, however, that applications will now be accepted **12** months before expiry, providing a much longer buffer period for processing. This amendment is already in effect, so if you are now within 12 months of the expiry date of your license or photocard, you can apply at once.



## In Memory of Oskar Schindler

Fifty years ago, on 9th October 1974, Oskar Schindler, Austria-Hungarian-born German businessman, died. He saved more than 1,100 Jews during the Holocaust by employing them in his factories. The story is told in the film *Schindler's List*.

At the time of his death, in Hildesheim, Germany, he was almost unknown and very poor. After the war he and his wife Emilie (both now recognised by Israel as Righteous Among the Nations) had emigrated to Argentina, where they separated in 1957 and Oskar returned to Germany alone. Emilie died in Germany in 2001, having spent most of her later life in Argentina.

Oskar Schindler had been an opportunistic German industrialist and a ‘convenient’ member of the Nazi Party who set himself up in an enamel factory in occupied Krakow, Poland, as part of a ‘Germanisation’ programme in 1939. The factory had previously been Jewish-owned and several Jewish investors helped him to purchase it.

Schindler employed Jews from a nearby concentration camp and used bribes and his own diplomatic skills to protect his workers from the brutality of life in the camp and ensure they were not deported. He added an armaments division and convinced the SS that his employees were essential to the war effort – although very little was produced.

The risks he took, which included dubious business deals, brought suspicion of giving unauthorised aid to Jews and of corruption: he was arrested three times but not charged.

His factory was relocated to Brännlitz, near his hometown, at his request and reopened there purely as an armaments factory – and, thanks to Schindler’s persuasive powers, a sub-camp of a nearby concentration camp. An assistant compiled a list of almost 1,200 Jewish workers needed to move from Krakow to work in the new factory – ‘Schindler’s list’ – which enabled their survival.

By the end of the war he was penniless from all the bribes he had paid to Nazis to protect his workers. When he died, a collection was made to pay for his funeral, and he is buried on Mount Zion in Israel. In 1993, he and Emilie were named *Righteous Among The Nations* by the Israeli Government.



## BIDDING HAPPY RETIREMENT TO A LEGENDARY CHURCH CARTOONIST

*Ron Wood has decided to hang  
up his pen*

After 30 years, the Reverend Ron Wood, cartoonist and Vicar of the imaginary parish of St Gargoyles, has decided to retire as a cartoon contributor to a number of church publications (including ECHO).

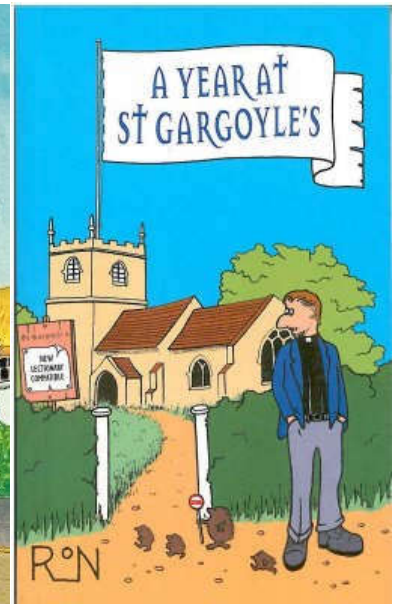
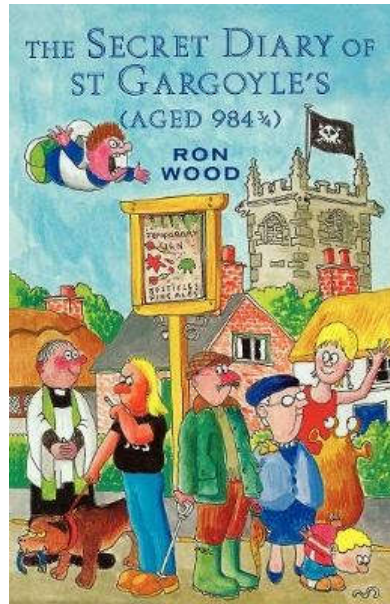
Ron originally worked as a draughtsman in a planning office until he was ordained in 1982. He served in a number of parishes, including Sixpenny Handley in Dorset for 16 years. He then moved to Surrey as a house-for-duty priest for 5 years. "I retired some years before but no one noticed".

Ron first offered his cartoons to his diocesan newsletter, but was turned down. He then approached the UK Church Times who were delighted to print his work. Over the next 30 years, Ron's work became increasingly widely published via several agencies, offering witty views on life in a Church parish.

The good news is that with 30 years' cartoons in the archives, we are likely to continue to see him being published by our agency for some years yet, so the time for wry smiles and knowing nods is not yet passed.

On this page you will find a collection of some of Ron's cartoons over the years.

Wishing you a Happy Retirement, Ron, and thanks for all the smiles you have given us.



*The Treasurer made the most of  
his moment in the limelight*



*The Churchyard working party  
was never seen again*



*Helen went to church three weeks running,  
so she was co-opted to the P.C.C.*



selected by Pilavachi to work as ‘interns’ within the Soul Survivor organisation. This involved global travel for extended periods, and it was as part of these that the Inquiry found that there had been ‘a form of emotional and psychological abuse characterised by a systematic pattern of coercive and controlling behaviour in a religious context.’ These were described as including ‘bullying’ and ‘control’.

In undertaking their work, the Inquiry Team complain that they were hampered by the Church of England’s National Safeguarding Team’s failure to pass them details of the Church’s internal investigation into these matters, citing Data Protection as an explanation.

The Review has said that they have been unable to define exactly “who knew what about Pilavachi’s behaviours and when”. Those individuals singled out in the report are not necessarily therefore the only ones who are culpable.

Individuals who had been involved directly in ‘inappropriate behaviour’ by Pilavachi went on to hold senior roles within the Church of England but did not raise any issues about that behaviour.

The ‘behaviour’ included the massaging of young men in various states of undress. When it was reported to Soul Survivor managers, however, it was allegedly dismissed with no action being taken.

In addition, there were failures to notify the police when cases of the sexual abuse of children (by people outside the church) were discovered.

Pilavachi has now resigned as a priest from the Church of England and has moved, it is believed, to South Africa. He is therefore immune from any further disciplinary action by the Church of England, and cannot be held accountable for his actions.

The Review has been heavily criticised by survivors and also by members of the General Synod of the Church of England for having been heavily constrained as to what it could examine.

Richard Scorer, a leading lawyer specialising in abuse cases, who represents many of the victims in the Soul Survivor case has criticised the failure to perform an analysis of individual culpability while stating that “everyone knew”.

A demand by survivors and members of the General Synod for a fully independent review was refused in July 2024, but it seems very likely that the demands for such a follow-up will now become ever-more strident.

We will report on developments in this case as and when they occur.

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND HEAVILY CRITICISED BY INDEPENDENT INQUIRY INTO ‘SOUL SURVIVOR’ ABUSE - VICTIMS DEMAND FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS

A report produced by an independent King’s Counsel with many years of experience in investigating Church abuse has been published with a great deal of criticism of Church of England institutions for failing to adequately protect victims of abuse.

The review into allegations of physical and emotional abuse by the leader of the Soul Survivor organisation, Mike Pilavachi, of young men and women working within the organisation was led by Fiona Scolding KC, one of the former members of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) which produced scathing criticism of multiple denominations of church over safeguarding failures.

Allegations about Pilavachi (who had been ordained as priest within the Church of England via a ‘fast track’ which meant he had skipped most of the normal selection processes) arose in 2023. Some of these allegations dated back to the 1990’s.

During that period, the Reviewers considered that officers of the Church of England as well as those of the Soul Survivor organisation were aware of his inappropriate behaviour but took no action. They describe this as “an unacceptable state of affairs” representing “failures on many levels”.

The impact of bullying and abuse of power has caused deep and lasting harm to victims.

The Soul Survivor Festivals were established by Pilavachi in 1993, and ran until 2019. Many thousands of young people became involved with and attended Soul Survivor events. Some of these young people were

**A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**  
**Wednesday October 16**  
**14:30**



**MASTER OF CABESTANY**

**A TALK BY**  
**NEIL BATCOCK**  
**AT**

**La Domaine De Capies, 11300**  
**on D626 (nr Pomy, 15km from Limoux)**

*This is a fund-raising event for*  
*LSR/La Cimade,*  
*who help refugee families in l'Aude*

**Donations welcome**

**If you would like to attend, please contact**  
**Neil at [neilbatcock@gmail.com](mailto:neilbatcock@gmail.com)**

The Master of Cabestany is the name given to an anonymous 12th century sculptor, whose work is to be found in this part of France as well as in Catalonia, Tuscany and Navarre.

**CHINA IS REMOVING CROSSES FROM**  
**CHURCHES AND REPLACING IMAGES OF**  
**CHRIST WITH PRESIDENT XI JINPING**

A report issued by the US Commission on International Freedom, a Federal Government Agency has reported that Under Xi Jinping's rule as the paramount leader of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), the government has implemented the coercive "sinicization of religion" policy, which has fundamentally transformed China's religious environment.

*Sinicization*, or the complete subordination of religious groups to the CCP's political agenda and Marxist vision for religion, has become the core driving principle of the government's management of religious affairs. Through regulations and state-controlled religious organizations, authorities incorporate CCP ideology into every facet of religious life for Buddhists, Catholic and Protestant Christians, Muslims, and Taoists.

They also forcibly eradicate religious elements considered contradictory to the CCP's political and policy agenda with ultranationalist overtones. Government officials have installed CCP loyalists as leading religious figures, altered houses of worship with CCP-approved architecture, integrated CCP propaganda into religious doctrines, and otherwise criminalized non-CCP-backed religious activities, all with the goal to ensure the stability of CCP rule.

These government measures have routinely violated the internationally protected right to freedom of religion or belief.

The report states that Authorities target Catholic and Protestant Christians for sinicization. The government has ordered the removal of crosses from churches, replaced images of Jesus Christ or the Virgin Mary with pictures of President Xi, required the display of CCP slogans at the entrances of churches, censored religious texts, imposed CCP-approved religious materials, and instructed clergy to preach CCP ideology. While the state-controlled Christian religious organizations have pushed and enforced the state's restrictions on religion, tens of millions of Christians have opted not to join these organizations and instead worship independently.

Some of these Christians, we know, watch ECO services online.

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 1582 RECENTLY ?

You haven't ?

Have a scroll back on your phone calendar and you'll notice that there are ten days missing in October 1582 when it looks like everyone went to bed on the 4th and woke up on the 15th.

This isn't a glitch or a bug. At the time, Pope Gregory XIII introduced the Gregorian Calendar to replace the Julian Calendar. Long story short, having a leap year every four years was messing around with the timing of Easter because, according to IFL Science:

'Since the Council of Nicaea in 325 CE, it was stated that Easter should be observed on the first Sunday following the first full moon after the spring equinox on March 21.'

'However, as the centuries passed, the spring equinox drifted from this date. This effect accumulated by the 16th century when the spring equinox fell on March 11, upsetting the timing of Easter.'

So by getting rid of ten days and changing leap years to every four years UNLESS the year is divisible by 100 and not divisible by 400 (instead of the previous system of

leap years every four years no matter what), that apparently fixed everything and stopped Easter flying all over the calendar. October was chosen as they were able to delete ten days without interfering with any major Christian festivals or holidays.

Apparently the calendar may need to be adjusted at some point in the future if it all goes wonky again.

And, by the way, don't forget to turn your clocks and watches back by an hour on the night of Saturday 26th October.....

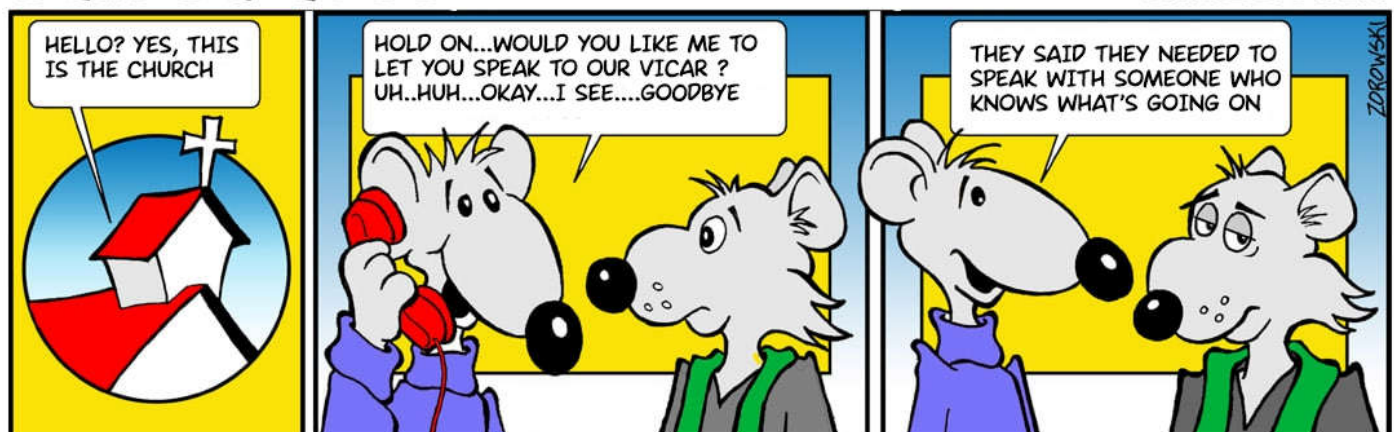
### The Age In The Middle

When I was but a little girl,  
I had an aunt named Kate,  
And I knew she was middle-aged  
When she turned twenty-eight.  
For 'middle-age' to me,  
You see, was anybody old,  
And old was what Aunt Kate must be,  
Despite what I was told.  
But when I reached twenty-eight,  
I laughed a childhood's view,  
For then I knew that middle-age  
Began at forty-two.  
At forty-two I realised  
That I'd been quite naïve,  
'Cause middle age was years away -  
At fifty-six I'd grieve.  
Well, fifty-six has come and gone,  
But "old" is not my line,  
So I'll admit to middle-age  
When I am ninety-nine.

Frances Herndon Heiler

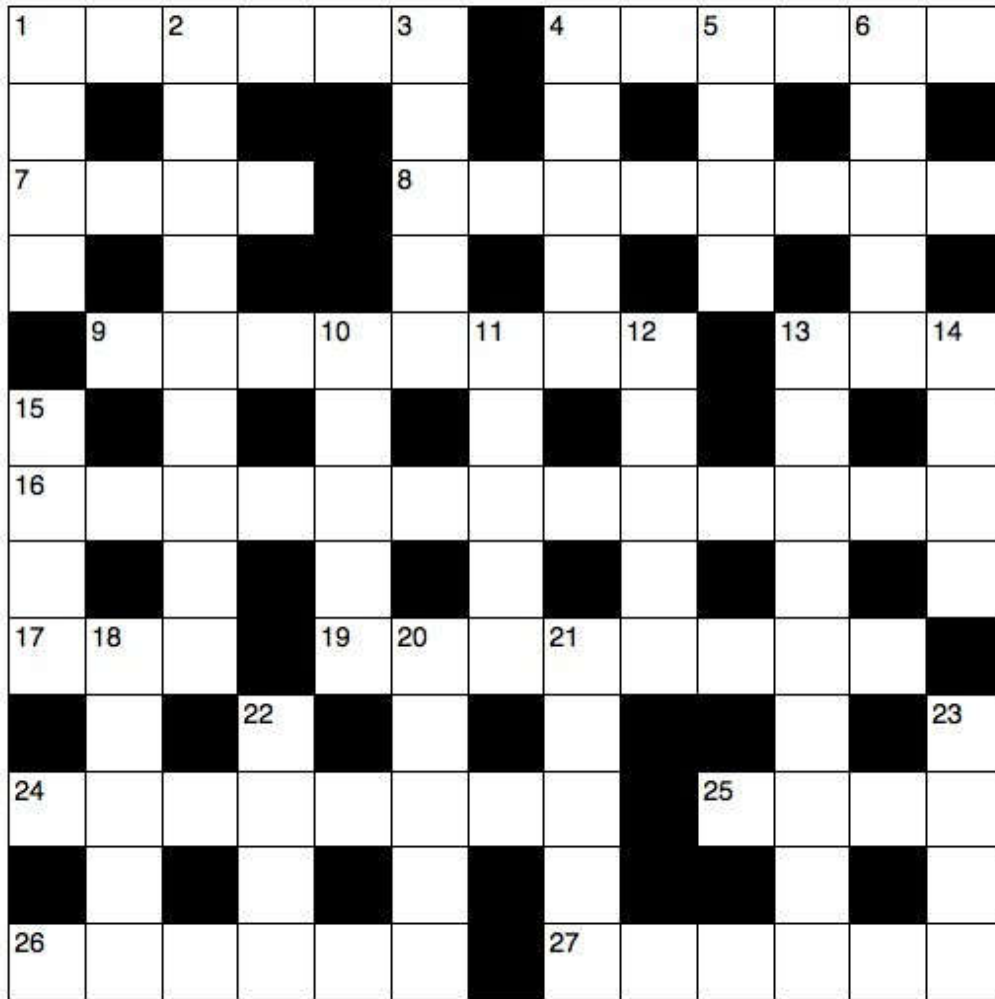
## Church mice

Karl Zorowski



# The ECHO Church and Bible Crossword

Can you solve this crossword ? Answers are at the bottom if you get stuck  
with thanks, as usual, to our crossword compiler John Capon



## Across

- 1 He must be 'the husband of but one wife and must manage his children and his household well' (1 Timothy 3:12) (6)
- 4 'For we must all — before the judgement seat of Christ' (2 Corinthians 5:10) (6)
- 7 'They reeled and staggered like drunken men; they were at their — end' (Psalm 107:27) (4)
- 8 See 19 Across
- 9 It concerned who among the disciples would be the greatest (Luke 9:46) (8)
- 13 Formed by the Jews in Thessalonica to root out Paul and Silas (Acts 17:5) (3)
- 16 'He has sent me to bind up the — ' (Isaiah 61:1) (6-7)
- 17 Moved rapidly on foot (Matthew 28:8) (3)
- 19 and 8 ' — a great company of the — host appeared with the angel' (Luke 2:13) (8,8)
- 24 Hindrance (Romans 14:13) (8)
- 25 Comes between Luke and Acts (4)
- 26 Empower (Acts 4:29) (6)
- 27 'Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a — ' (John 2:16) (6)

## Down

- 1 Sunrise (Psalm 119:147) (4)
- 2 The part of the day when Cornelius the Caesarean centurion had avision of an angel of God (Acts 10:3) (9)
- 3 He was one of those who returned with Zerubbabel from exile in Babylon to Jerusalem (Nehemiah 7:7) (5)
- 4 'No one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born — '(John 3:3) (5)
- 5 Animal hunted or killed as food (Ezekiel 22:25) (4)
- 6 'He encouraged them — — remain true to the Lord' (Acts 11:23) (3,2)
- 10 Ruses (anag.) (5)
- 11 Jewish priestly vestment (Exodus 28:6) (5)
- 12 Visible sign of what had been there (Daniel 2:35) (5)
- 13 This was the trade of Alexander, who did Paul 'a great deal of harm' (2 Timothy 4:14) (9)
- 14 'This is my — , which is for you; do this in remembrance of me' (1 Corinthians 11:24) (4)
- 15 One of Noah's great-great-grandsons (Genesis 10:24) (4)
- 18 Traditionally the first British Christian martyr (5)
- 20 Relationship of Ner to Saul (1 Samuel 14:50) (5)
- 21 Jacob had one at a place he named Bethel while on his way to Haran, fleeing from Esau (Genesis 28:12) (5)
- 22 Bats (anag.) (4)
- 23 'You strain out a — but swallow a camel' (Matthew 23:24) (4)

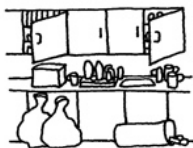
18, Alban. 20, Uncle. 21, Dream. 22, Stab. 23, Gnat.  
10, Users. 11, Ephod. 12, Trace. 13, Metalwork. 14, Body. 15, Eber.  
**DOWN:** 1, Dawn. 2, Afternoon. 3, Nehum. 4, Again. 5, Prey. 6, All to. 25, John. 26, Enable. 27, Market.  
13, Mob. 16, Broken-hearted. 17, Ran. 19, Suddenly. 24, Obstacle.  
**ACROSS:** 1, Deacon. 4, Appear. 7, Wits. 8, Heavenly. 9, Argument.

# ECO WORSHIP CALENDAR OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
				1	20:00			3	20:00			5	
				Online Service of Compline				Online Service of Prayer for Healing					
6	10:30	7		8	20:00	9		10	20:00	11		12	
Online Morning Prayer for Trinity 19				Online Service of Compline				Online Service of Prayer for Healing					
13	10:30	14		15	20:00	16		17	20:00	18		19	
Online Communion for Reformation Day				Online Service of Compline				Online Service of Prayer for Healing					
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Online Morning Prayer for Trinity 21				Online Service of Compline				Online Service of Prayer for Healing					
27	10:30	28		29	20:00	30		31	15:00 20:00			2 Nov	20:00
Online Communion for Bible Sunday (Last Sunday after Trinity)				Online Service of Compline				Meeting of Lot Valley House Group Online Service of Prayer for Healing				Special Service for All Souls Day	

## DAVE WALKER REFLECTS ON WHAT GOES ON DURING THE LONGEST PART OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

# ANY OTHER BUSINESS



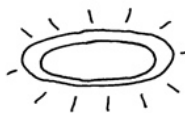
PLEASE LEAVE KITCHEN TIDY



NIGEL SAID HE'S LEAVING



NEED LOTS MORE HELPERS



WHERE IS MY PLATTER?



SOME HYMNS ARE UNKNOWN



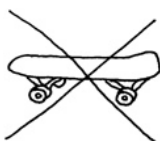
THAT ISN'T YOUR CUPBOARD



KIDS MADE SOME NOISE



WHEN IS THE FETE?



CAN WE BAN SKATEBOARDS?



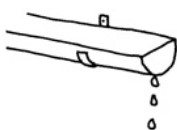
I HATE THE COFFEE



CHURCHYARD IS LOOKING UNKEMPT



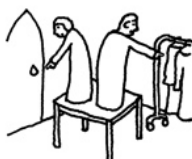
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QUOTE NEEDED FOR GUTTERING



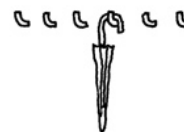
CROCKERY HAS GONE MISSING



MICE LIVE IN VESTRY



YOUTHS BROKE TODDLER TOYS



WHOSE IS THAT UMBRELLA?



HAS ANYONE SEEN ELSIE?

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