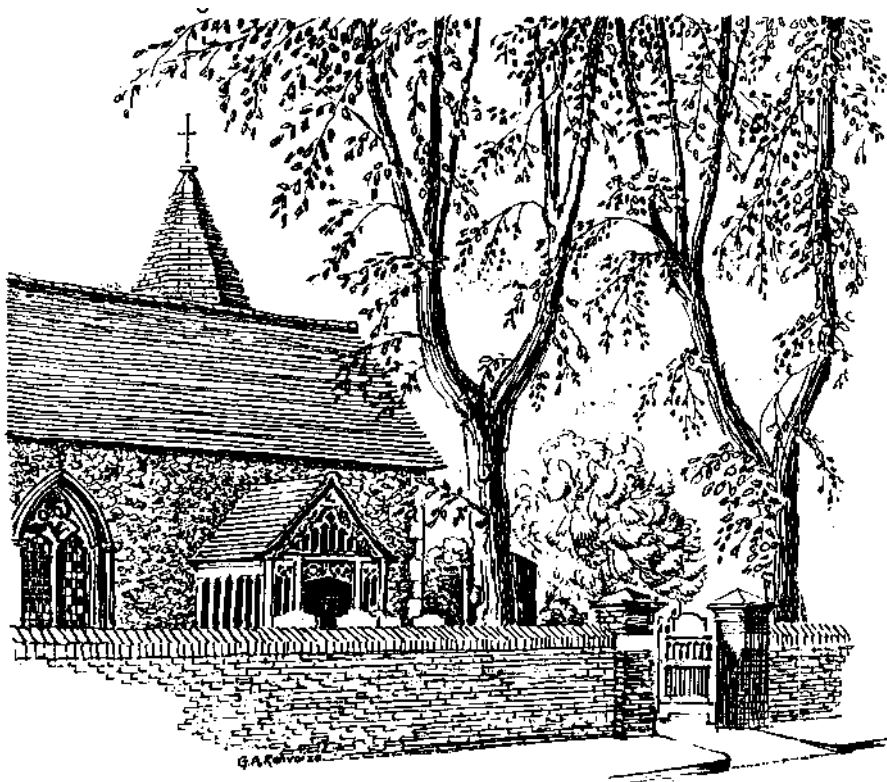


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Editorial

Many thanks for all your feedback after the May issue was published—it's very helpful to get your reactions, so please continue to let me know what features you would like to see in the magazine in future.

In our fifty years ago section this month, we include an item about the founding of a church youth club. I know there are members of that club who are still involved with St Mary's today, so it would be interesting to hear a little more about that or anything else that appears on our "All Our Yesterdays" page. Just 250 words or thereabouts is enough for a one page article.

In the hundred years ago section we remember a special service at St Mary's to mark a Coronation, and it's interesting to note that, in 1911, such special services at local churches were written up in detail in the Wimbledon Borough News.

As usual, copy date for the next issue will be the 10th of the preceding month—so **please make sure everything for the July issue is with me by 10th June**—thanks.

Chris Abbott

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Sermon delivered by the Vicar

Sunday 8th May 2011

in the presence of the Mayor of Merton

On this 3rd Sunday of the Easter season, the sermon today will seek to bring together some of the threads that bind our Gospel reading about the Emmaus Road experience with three other significant events which are happening or being promoted today. In all of them, like the disciples in our Gospel story today, the event they encountered took on a new dimension once they had been awoken to the significance of what had happened to them.

Today, we publicly recognise that Hilary Yates, a long standing member of this congregation, has now completed her training as a Southwark Pastoral Auxillary (SPA) and will be commissioned next month in the cathedral, to share in a licensed way in the pastoral care within this parish.

Also today, eight young trebles from the choir are going to be admitted as full Choristers of the choir, taking their surpliced place in the choir stalls, leading the singing at morning and evening worship.

And thirdly, we shall be promoting the distinguished role in history that this place, Merton, has had in the advent of statute law in England, which was first agreed at Merton Priory in the Ancient Statute of Merton (an initiative which deserves wider recognition) during the reign of King Henry III. It was a legal development which has not only shaped this nation but the lives of many nations which came under English influence, and all inspired by Magna Carta, written in the year 1215. An authentic hand-written copy of the ancient document entrusted to Salisbury Cathedral is

on display for the first time, here, thanks to the Dean and Chapter, and to Councillor Chellew, and to the Worshipful Company of Ironmongers and of Blacksmiths who jointly own this document.

What binds all these elements together is a sense of communal living and belonging and where the challenge of Christ and his Church have had a central role to play, as people unite around common aims and objectives; gaining inspiration not only from ancient legal documents, like Magna Carta, but also from the more ancient Book of the Gospels, from where we read in St Luke how Christ appeared after his resurrection on the road to Emmaus and was invited to stay with his disciples, so that together they shared a meal in common.

Among the post-resurrection appearances, Jesus invites his followers to 'come and have breakfast.' He invited his followers into a community – into a band of believers who belong to one flock with Christ as Shepherd and to whom he committed pastoral oversight and care – as Bishop Christopher will do to Hilary next month in the cathedral, with the charge, in effect of 'feed my sheep' – 'tend my lambs', which pastoral work will be exercised under the bishop's licence and collegially, with Brenda Richards and our whole team here in the parish.

It is the communal and a sense of collegiality which Merton has become famous for. For way back in the year 1264 when Walter de Merton went up to Oxford to found the first college in either Oxford or Cambridge, he took with him a pattern of communal life, a way of living he learnt while being educated himself at Merton Priory, which has developed into the set of rules that were eventually adopted by all Oxbridge colleges. Clearly Merton has had an influence well beyond the borough.

Respecting one another, and working in close proximity are hallmarks not only of college life but necessary to the dynamics of

those singing in a choir – a valuable experience in its own right but also a good preparation for later life, as our probationers, choristers and choir men and women know from their choral experience; and into full membership of which our younger trebles are to be admitted after the sermon today. Perhaps more than in most situations, as I well remember from my own choir days, listening to each other so that all the voices can speak, blend and be heard is key to singing in harmony; and the subtle relationships between each member and voice, important to keep in balance for the sake of the whole.

So we celebrate today three divine injunctions:

'tend my sheep' – seen in pastoral care

'sing my praise' – as the choir leads our music

and from the Emmaus Road experience, in effect *'come and have breakfast'* – an invitation to share

Thinking now of Magna Carta, the way in which different parts of English society fitted together and common life was regulated was what occupied the signatories to Magna Carta which saw, critically, under duress, the King limit his rights, ceding ground to the barons and guaranteeing freedom to the Church, and beginning a process which led to the rule of law and protection of the individual. Notwithstanding that soon after signing Magna Carta, the King reneged on the agreement and obtained Papal permission to wriggle out of the agreed terms, its content inspired and led to the Statute of Merton being agreed – the first Statute of law in England, setting in train the rule of law. As a former Master of the Rolls, Lord Denning, once remarked: *'Magna Carta is the foundation of the liberty of the individual against the arbitrary authority of the despot'* and in many of his judgements was that a recurring theme.

So in a very real sense, we owe much of our constitutional arrangements and liberty under the law and the freedom of the

Church, to those events at Runnymede and closer to home, here at Merton Priory. Magna Carta governed such things as restoring the arbitrarily dispossessed, annulling unjust fines, giving up hostages delivered as security for peace and insisting that justice be meted out locally in the county, hence the system still known today of the judicial circuit, thereby emphasising the importance of the local: today focussed on the parish and borough. And more specifically, the Statute of Merton dealt with three main items touching relationships between people and society, prescribing with limits so that society did not degenerate into anarchy and so that a sense of fair play prevailed. Proudly it granted some women's rights regarding dowries, allowed widows the right to bequeath crops of her land as she willed, required limits to the enclosure of common land and, less palatable for us in the twenty-first century, dealt with illegitimacy in a language few would use today. It began a voluntary agreement to chart how people within the realm lived together, and who could do what to whom, and what sanction applied where arbitrary rule held sway.

As people from countries in the Middle East still today risk life and limb to protest against tyrannical rule, looking forward to the day when they can determine their lives and be protected by just laws, we are privileged to be able to look back nearly eight hundred years to the original tussle in the meadow which is called Runnymede between Windsor and Staines – a tussle between the King and his barons; and we thank God, not only for the democratic freedoms we enjoy today and had opportunity to exercise only last Thursday, but also for the stability and protection which under law, citizens are granted and which we only need to switch on the television to see countless millions envious of; and with all their heart, mind and strength, prepared to struggle, at great cost, to see come to pass in their countries too.

After today's service the Magna Carta copy will be on display in front of the chancel arch – a symbol of tussle and ceding free-

dom, paving the way for later agreements and statutes, not made under any form of duress but with the willing consent of the King, Lords spiritual and temporal and others, engaged in the business of law and liberty.

So as we celebrate today, with our Borough's first citizen amongst us; Magna Carta in our midst, an English Charter of individuals' rights and duties; pastoral work, gladly undertaken from the Church which acknowledges the dignity and worth of every human being; choristers whose music, morning and evening, carries the prayers of the faithful and whose merry voice, each and every one, is important to the whole; and our seven confirmation candidates ready to make a commitment to God next week in front of the bishop: let us re-dedicate ourselves to Christ and allow the grace of this season to inform and inspire our common life here in Merton.

And in the joy of this Easter season under the rim of hats, let us lift our heads high and so allow the risen light of Christ to shine upon our face and through us, to the world beyond, recognising all that is good, honourable and true and as we welcome Christ and recognise him in the breaking of the bread, know in whose presence we are privileged to stand - and be thankful.

AMEN

John Hayward

from the Registers

Baptisms

*Abigail Hunt
Arthur Williams*

Weddings

*Michelle Vernon &
Matthew Wilkieson*

Deaths

Mothers' Union



Report of the May meeting

"We all want a place to belong - home" : Mrs Hilary Richardson gave us a very good visual presentation showing how Mothers' Union (MU) has helped people around the world, particularly following the Indonesian tsunami. MU really appreciated the charitable donations they received from Comic Relief and others in enhancing the work they do. It was interesting, afterwards, to discuss Hilary's topic. "Home" is a safe haven, a place of refuge where we can truly be ourselves. Hilary, as the individual responsible in MU for Action and Outreach was the ideal person to talk to us and to give us real food for thought. Tea and cakes were much enjoyed by all. Thank you to the team who made everything possible.

Joyce Rickards

Tuesday 7th June at 1.45 for 2pm

Ruth Lowe will speak to us about her work with women and girls at "Platform 51" (previously named YWCA).

Friday 24th June at 7.30pm in the Small Hall

Quarterly Evening Meeting: "Travels through India" a visual presentation by Barbara Moreland followed by Summer Puddings for refreshments

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Prayer Calendar

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1. For the work of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
2. **ASCENSION DAY** Grant that your purpose may mean more to us than earthly ambition
3. For our choir and occasional singers
4. For those responsible for the allocation of monies collected during the recent Christian Aid week
5. **SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY** Strengthen our hearts that we may face the truth
6. For the residents of Leaffield Road and their St Mary's roadwarden
7. For specialists in operations and aftercare of transplant surgery
8. For Mark, Andrew and our Finance Committee who deal with all finances at St Mary's
9. Columba, Abbot of Iona, Missionary 597 For the Ionian community
10. For our Mayor and local councillors
11. Barnabas The Apostle Help us to remember that giving is better than getting
12. **DAY OF PENTECOST** Renew the witness of your church in the world
13. For establishments which look after animals in their 'retirement'
14. For the governor of the Bank of England and his advisers in these difficult financial times
15. For the residents of Manor Road and their St Mary's roadwarden
16. For community nurses
17. For all in the film industry
18. For our Summer Fair today
19. **TRINITY SUNDAY** with thanks that you have given us all things richly to enjoy
20. For all involved in cancer research
21. For Hilary Yates on the day of her authorisation in the Cathedral
22. For our two doctors' practices, Church Lane and Morden Hall
23. Corpus Christi Giving thanks for Holy Communion
24. The Birth of John The Baptist Help us like John to constantly speak the truth
25. Armed Forces Day – for all who serve our country
26. **THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY** Give us the grace to do what we already know we really should do
27. For the residents of Manor Gardens and their St Mary's roadwarden
28. For school governors
29. Peter and Paul Apostles Give grace to all leaders of your church
30. For the Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital

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All Our Yesterdays

Fifty years ago

The church council has warmly welcomed the institution of a Sunday evening youth group in the hall. This has some sixty members between 15 and 21 who are determined, under their own leadership, to make this venture a real success. Among them are most of our young Sunday school teachers, young choir men and the most active of our young church members. Mr Hugh Wood, our youth leader, has done everything possible to assist them...

(Parish Magazine, June 1961)

One hundred years ago

A similar service (*for the Coronation of George V*) was conducted at the Parish Church of St Mary Merton on Coronation morning when the quiet little church was quite full. Children belonging to the Sunday School were provided with seats in either aisle. The Vicar (the Rev J. E. Jagger) was assisted by the Rev H. E. Hingston.

The service commenced with the singing of the hymn *All People that on Earth Do Dwell* which was followed by *Psalm cxxii I was Glad*. Then the prayers of the congregation for King George having been asked for, the Litany was said, at the conclusion of which the hymn *To Thee our God we Fly for Mercy and for Grace* was sung. Then the Vicar from the pulpit read in a very impressive manner the recital of the solemnities of the Coronation. After prayers, the service was brought to a conclusion by the singing of the National Anthem by the congregation, kneeling. Mr E. W. Pillinger was at the organ.

(Wimbledon Borough News, 24th June 1911)

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Spirituality

The Comforter

(The word 'comfort' is derived from the Latin, 'com', meaning, 'together', and 'fortis' 'strong'; hence may be given the meaning, 'to bring together for strength')

Back in the 1940's, during the latter years of the war, Saint Mary's Youth Fellowship held a summer camp on a farm near Dorking. It was my idea of Heaven, sleeping in a tent, bringing in the harvest, chasing rabbits as they fled from the ever decreasing area of corn left by the harvester, gathering wheat sheaves into stooks, and driving horse and loaded cart to the yard. Then, at the end of the day, tired-out but blissfully content, lying in the grass on the hillside as the sun set.

Today, as I watch air force planes streaking across the sky, possibly on their way to bring death and destruction to North Africa, the memory of those days is brought to mind because my reverie, on that tranquil Surrey hillside, was disturbed each evening by a distant rumble. A rumble that gradually grew into a thunderous roar as, for about twenty minutes, an armada of Lancaster bombers passed low overhead, struggling to gain height, bearing their heavy load of bombs destined for some unfortunate city in Germany. One evening, the vicar, Rev Dunk, who had come on a visit to the camp for the day, joined me on that hillside. He had realised that I found the shattering of the serenity of the evening by the bombers distressing, and offered some comforting words.

Since then I have come to realise that there will always be conflicts and catastrophes in the world, and that prayers and supplications are unlikely to alter the laws that govern the Universe. Jesus, of course, was realistic, He did not call upon God to stop all conflict and destroy trouble makers; He prayed for a Comforter. And so we come to the present day, and the celebration of the marriage of William and Catherine. To my mind this was an inspired occasion – one by which the whole Nation has been greatly comforted.

Hubert Bradbury

Summer Fair 2011

The excitement mounts as we approach D Day (the 18th of the month, not the 6th, in this instance.) Plans are now almost complete and you will, I hope, have seen posters appearing around the parish and coverage in local media in an effort to make this a blockbuster of an event. On the publicity note, we are grateful, as always, to Alan Fender for his splendid poster designs and to Tony Kane of *Time & Leisure* magazine for his editorial support.

Delicious lunches will be provided by Janet Gout and her team and by Graham Mason at his customary post on the barbecue. Richard Price on the bar will provide plenty to wash it down with, while David Cowie will cater for the more discerning customer with the separate Pimms bar. All stalls are now arranged and there is a stall holders' list displayed in both the hall and the bell tower.

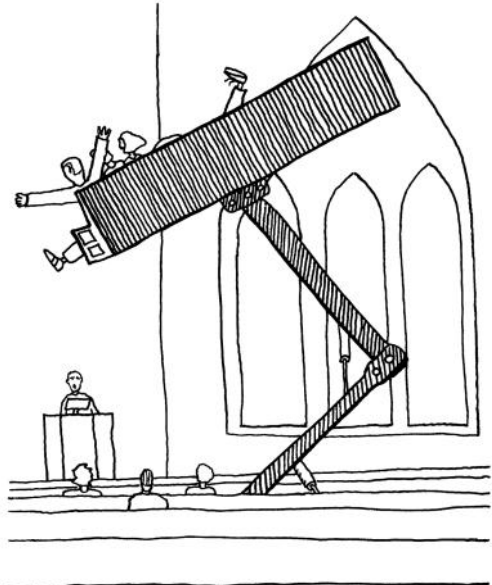
Music entertainment has yet to be finally confirmed, although there will be some, and the Punch & Judy show will be returning to occupy the children. For the first time, a magician will circulate throughout the event performing ad hoc tricks for the amusement of the guests. And Bruce Robertson, assisted by some local rail enthusiast colleagues, will operate his working model railway. This magnificent collection is powered by real miniature steam engines, working models of the narrow gauge Lynton to Barnstaple railway in Devon, now gradually being restored and reopened.

As promised last month, the younger members of the parish have been busy with their own ideas of how to raise funds for activities targeted to the teenage generation. They will be occupying the larger of the two fields for such energetic activities as Beat the Keeper and the inaugural Merton Park Welly Throwing Championship. This latter event will be organised in several heats, for ladies and men, and graduated by age so everybody has a fighting

chance of winning; prizes will be awarded for each category! And additionally, the young people have other activities up their sleeves with which they intend to surprise us on the day.

So now the plans are made, and we hope the weather will be in our favour. Above all, we need people to come on the day, so please, please try to come along and enjoy the fun, and alert your friends and neighbours to the joys of this great family day out.

Five years ago, this event struggled to raise £2000 for the church; in 2010, we took just under £5000, which illustrates how far we have come in that brief period.



SOME OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE WANTED
CHURCH TO BE MORE EXCITING

This is a very important contribution towards the church's ability to function, particularly during a period when we face significant expenditure on the organ and the fabric of the building, to say nothing of the charitable donations we have been able to make in recent years. But it is about much more than the money: it is events such as this that allow us to reach out from our regular congregation to the community as a whole and, as such, is a valuable part of the wider work of a parish church.

Alan Hay

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North Aisle

Dear fellow churchgoers,

I sometimes wonder why my ancestors chose to set up home in the North Aisle. I believe this was at the time that the church was being extended, and there are of course church mouse families in other parts of this ancient building.

There are strong traditions about churches and the compass, with the altar usually at the east end and the main doors to the west. Some say that over the centuries people have grown used to facing east to pray as that is the direction from which the sun rises, and that's why most churches have an aisle running from west to east. As in so many churches, we at St Mary's look towards a stained glass window, but we do not have a Doom painting at the west end as some churches do.

Some churches have north and south transepts but at St Mary's we have north and south aisles. We are also very unconventional in having a north door but not a south one; it is much more traditional to have a smaller door on the south, usually sunny side and opening on to the churchyard. In that way we are traditional since our churchyard is mostly on the south side of the church and many of the older graves face east – so presumably our south door disappeared when the south aisle was built...

Greetings,

Musculus



Church Diary

JUNE 2011

- 2 10:30am Holy Eucharist, *Ascension Day*
- 5 **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** *Occasional Singers sing am/pm*
8am Parish Eucharist *Acts 1: 6-14, John 17: 1-11*
10am Parish Eucharist with Baptisms *Acts 1: 6-14; Mark 16: 14-
end*
6:30pm Evensong *Ps 47; 2 Sam 23: 1-5; Eph 1: 15-end*
- 7 9am Holy Eucharist, *Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath & Wells*
- 9 10:30am Holy Eucharist, *Columba, Abbot of Iona*
- 12 **PENTECOST/WHIT SUNDAY**
8am Parish Eucharist *Acts 2: 1-21 John 20: 19-23*
9:30am Parish Eucharist *Acts 2: 1-21 John 20: 19-23*
12 noon for 12.30 Fellowship Lunch, *Church Hall*
6:30pm Evensong *Ps 67 Joel 2: 21-end Luke 24: 44-end*
- 14 9am Holy Eucharist, *Richard Baxter, Puritan Divine*
- 16 10:30am Holy Eucharist, *Richard, Bishop of Chichester*
- 18 11am-3pm St Mary's Merton Summer Fair, *The Glebe, weather
depending (or Church Hall)*
- 19 **TRINITY SUNDAY**
8am Parish Eucharist *Isa 40: 12-17, 27-end; Matt 28: 16-20*
9:30am Parish Eucharist with The Sunday Club *Matt 28: 16-20*
11am-12 noon Occasional Singers rehearse, *St Mary's*
6:30pm Evensong *Ps 150 Isa 6: 1-8 John 16: 5-15*
- 21 9am Holy Eucharist, *Alban, First Martyr of Britain*
7:30pm Southwark Cathedral, Commissioning of Hilary Yates
as Southwark Pastoral Auxiliary (SPA)

23 10:30am Holy Eucharist, *Corpus Christi*

26 THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am Parish Eucharist *Rom 6: 12-end; Matt 10: 40-end*

9:30am Parish Eucharist & Welcome of Hilary Yates as
commissioned SPA *Rom 6: 12-end; Matt 10: 40-end*

11am-12 noon Occasional Singers rehearse, *St Mary's*

6:30pm Evensong *Ps 50: 1-15; I Sam 28: 3-19; Luke 17: 20-end*

28 9:00am Holy Eucharist, *Peter & Paul, Apostles*

30 10:30am Holy Communion

JULY 2011

2 11am Baptism, *St Mary's*

3 THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8:00 Parish Eucharist *Rom 7: 15-25a; Matt 11: 16-19, 25-end*

10am Parish Eucharist with baptisms *Matt 11: 16-19, 25-end*

6:30pm Evensong *Ps 56: 2 Sam 2: 1-11 & 3: 1; Luke 18: 31-19: 10*

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Parish Profile: *Sally Hopkins*

When did you first come to St Mary's and what roles have you played here?

I guess I have been at St Mary's since I was only a twinkle in my mother's eye! Officially I have been coming to St Mary's since my birth in 1974, although then I was Sally Gout. My main 'role' has been through Parish Players in directing and taking part in many dramatized readings for the congregation over the years.

What's your favourite hymn or church music?

I like a lot of choral music, but I think my favourites are by John Rutter. I have a special place for *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* which has been part of many important services in my life, including my wedding day.

What is your most unforgettable memory of St Mary's?

I have so many memories of gloriously happy and equally sad occasions at St Mary's. Two occasions stand out for different reasons. One is my wedding to Dan in 2004. So many people helped and contributed to our day and so many of the congregation came to support us. It was truly unforgettable for all the right reasons. The other was directing *Man Born To Be King* by Dorothy L. Sayers, a performance in church on Good Friday evening several years ago now. People's responses to the drama were truly gratifying.

What might the congregation not know about you?

Many in the congregation know that I sing whenever I can. What they may not know, however is that I sang the BBC television theme tune for the World Cup coverage in 1998 as part of Wimbledon Choral Society. We also appeared on the BBC Sports Personality of the Year programme that year to sing the theme: Fauré's Pavane.

The Official 2011 Prayer for the King James Bible

O eternal Word of God
limitless and free,
yet handed down to us
through careful human speech,
telling salvation's story
in the homely and glorious words
of our own mother tongue:
translate what we hear and read
into lives that speak your truth
afresh in this generation,
that many may come to love you
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen



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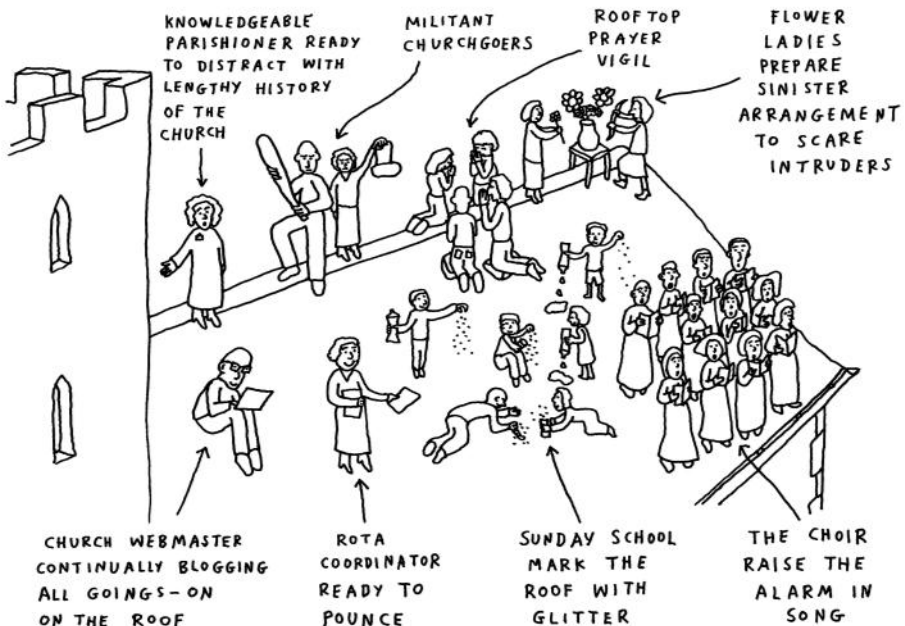
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