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The deadline for the April issue is March 15th, please

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR MARCH 2025

2 Sun Sunday next before Lent	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion Holy Communion (Mellor Centre)
5 Wed 7 Fri	10.00 am 2.00 pm	Holy Communion (Mellor Centre) World Day of Prayer, St Paul's Compstall.
9 Sun 1st Sunday of Lent	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion Evening Prayer (Mellor Centre)
10 Mon 12 Wed	10.45-12 noon 10.00 am	Coffee & Chat (Mellor Centre) Holy Communion (Mellor Centre)
16 Sun 2nd Sunday of Lent	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion Evening Prayer (Mellor Centre)
19 Wed	10.00 am	Holy Communion (Mellor Centre)
23 Sun 3rd Sunday of Lent	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.30 pm Rose Queen	Holy Communion Parish Communion Choral Evensong Easter Crafts (Mellor Centre)
26 Wed 29 Sat	10.00 am Rose Queen	Holy Communion (Mellor Centre) Pampering Event(Mellor Centre)
30 Sun 4th Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	8.30 am 10.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion Evening Prayer (Mellor Centre)
31 st Mon	7.45pm	PCC meeting (Mellor Centre)

Coffee and Chat with the Vicar is held on the 2nd Monday of the month
 Prayer Group meets every Monday from 10.30am to 11.00am (The Mellor Centre)
 Women's Evening Fellowship meets on the second Wednesday 2pm (The Mellor Centre)
 Toddlers' Group meets in term time on Thursday each week 10.0am to 11.30am
 Knit and Natter meets on Thursday each week 10.30am to 12noon (The Mellor Centre)
 The Choir practises each week on Friday at 6.30pm

Vicar's Viewpoint March 2025



Road closure on Longhurst Lane

The road closure on Longhurst Lane, postponed from January, is now imminent. That means that from 3rd March for about five weeks most of the congregation will have to take a detour via New Mills to come to church. It would make good sense for the environment, and for the sake of company, for people to share lifts where you can. It may be that more people will choose to worship online during those weeks. It is going to be a nuisance for the church congregation and for the groups that use the Mellor Centre. Please also remember in your prayers those whose daily route to work or school is going to be longer and more frustrating, those who will have only pedestrian access to their homes, and the two pubs whose business will be affected.

Lent 2025

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 5th March. We will have our usual Wednesday morning service at the Mellor Centre for those who can get there, but there will also be a service for the Marple Churches Together hosted by St. Martin's Low Marple that evening at 7 pm. That will be more accessible to members of our congregation who live below the road works.

New Electoral Roll

This year is one of those years when we have to prepare a new electoral roll. This happens every 6 years. That means that anyone who wishes to be on the electoral roll must fill in a new form. No names can be carried over from a previous roll. Being on the electoral roll commits you to nothing, but it is symbolically important as an indication that you see yourself as a member of the church here in Mellor; and it is practically important in that you need to be on the electoral roll in order to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and to be a member of the PCC. Forms will be available in church every week. I can send you an electronic version of the form if you send me an email. Please return the completed forms to Kate Higgins, the electoral roll officer (or to me or a churchwarden to pass on to Kate). We will need all the forms

returned by the end of April, in time to prepare a new roll for the APCM which will be on Sunday 18th May.

The Mellor Centre needs you!

As I write, we are approaching the Mellor Centre AGM. The Mellor Centre is a wonderful resource for the church and for the wider community. For many years we have relied on the dedication of an increasingly small but committed group of people both to keep the building going (the Management Committee) and to raise funds and bring people together for social events (the Friends). We have reached the point where there is an urgent need for new people to join these two groups. Ideally we would like these committees to include both members of the church and also members of the local community. We have a vision for this building to be a place which brings people together and helps build community, whether they are church goers or not. If someone reading this thinks, 'Maybe I could help with that,' please do get in touch with me or anyone involved with the Centre for an informal chat.

God bless you,

Andrew

The Big Clean Up for Easter

Saturday 5th April

10am – 12pm

Please come and help with the
"Big Clean Up for Easter"
when we clean, dust and
polish the Church ready for
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‘... AND GOD CREATED MOTHERS’

Erma Bombeck from her Mother's Day Column, 1974

When the good Lord was creating mothers, he was into his sixth day of overtime when an angel appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one."

And the Lord said, "Have you read the specifications on this order? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic ... have a 180 movable parts - all replaceable ... run on black coffee and leftovers ... have a lap that disappears when she stands up... a kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair ... and six pairs of hands."

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands? No way."

"It's not the hands that are causing me problems," said the Lord. "It's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have."

"That's on the standard model?" asked the angel.

The Lord nodded. 'One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, "What are you children doing in there?" when she already knows. Another in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know. And, of course, the ones in front that can look at a child when he gets himself into trouble and say "I understand and I love you" without so much as uttering a word.'

"Lord," said the angel, touching his sleeve gently, "go to bed. Tomorrow is another..."

"I can't," said the Lord. "I'm so close now. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick, can feed a family of six on one pound of mince, and can get a nine-year-old to have a bath."

The angel circled the model of a mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said the Lord excitedly. "You cannot imagine what this mother can do or endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator:

Finally the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek.

"There's a leak," she pronounced.

"It's not a leak," said the Lord. "It's a tear."

"What's it for?"

"It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness and pride."

"You are a genius," said the angel.

The Lord looks sombre. "I didn't put it there."



Submitted by Jenny Johnson

This photo frame has been left empty, intentionally, for you to picture your mother in the frame. We know for some it may not bring happy memories but we hope for others it will. Ed. MML

Advice from a Mother

Following the funeral service of Hannah Booth I was reminded of the following advice I found in my mother's bible. Mum had postnatal depression after I was born but survived with the help of specialised hospital care, 40 miles from home, and from those who loved her dearly. The BBC has just announced (20/02/25) that more women die from suicide when they have children under 1 than from any other cause.

1. Thank God for a new day.
2. Do someone a good turn and try not to be found out. **Any good deed makes you feel good but being anonymous about it adds a spiritual dimension to your life.**
3. Do a task that needs to be done, but which you have been putting off. See it is an exercise in willpower.
4. Take at least half an hour for a quiet time by yourself and relax.
In your own way think of God then try to conceive any communication He may have for you.
5. Groom yourself with special care. Talk quietly and courteously.
Be liberal with praise. Avoid fault finding.
6. Finally, enjoy all that is beautiful around you. **Express love and affection to others, and believe that those you love, love you.**

Ed MML



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Mellor Birds March 2025

Maggie Williams

The Fête Committee meeting on 10th February was a mine of information about Mellor Birds.

Angus on Townscliffe Lane regularly has a **jay** on his lawn and also Helen K further up the road. Jays like to bury excess acorns in the autumn to eat now. Revd. Andrew had seen them in the woods below the Church.



The jays can be very noisy. You'll be walking down a path next to a wood and there will be an almighty raucus skraaak-skraaak. If you see them fly off they have a conspicuous white rump as well as white and blue on their wings.

Peter W. was cycling up Longhurst Lane at midday and was opposite the Manor House near Damsteads when he heard a female **tawny owl** "twooing". (Males "Twit"). He stopped and was sure the owl was in a tall dense conifer tree, but was unable to see it.

Revd. Andrew then had a great story. He told us that in Church at the 8.30am service in the Lady Chapel he has been regularly enjoying hearing some tweeting bird song. He then realised it was at the same time each Sunday he heard the bird song and then found out the bellringers have an RSPB clock which has different bird chimes for each hour, - 9am being a **blue tit**.



Beverley was doing the January RSPB bird watch and had not seen much when just before the hour was up, 200 **redwings** landed in the field next to them near Strines.

Have you seen the **magpies on the sheep's** backs in the field next to the Church car park? I cannot decide if they are enjoying the ride or finding something to eat in the wool, or using the sheep as woolly slippers to keep their feet warm.



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We now assume that ‘marmalade’ always means a preserve made from citrus fruits, especially Seville oranges, but originally it was made from quinces. The word is derived from the Portuguese ‘marmelo’ – quince – and indicates a preserve made by boiling down quinces with sugar or honey until set. Actually, such a preserve was made in ancient Greece and Rome and recipes appear in ancient cookery texts. If boiling is continued until the preserve is really thick, when cold it will form a paste with intense flavour, called ‘membrillo’ in Spanish, which can be cut into slices and which is used as an accompaniment to cheese and cold meat. In Spain this is particularly eaten with Manchego cheese, as chutney is with a good Cheddar in Britain. Citrus marmalade recipes appear in British cookery books in the 17th and 18th centuries, but the most enduring (but not very accurate) story about the origin of orange marmalade is that of James Keiller in Dundee, who is supposed to have bought on spec a cargo of oranges from a Spanish ship which had sought refuge during a storm. He gave them to his mother who produced a palatable preserve from them. Keiller’s had run a sweet and grocery shop in Dundee from the 1760s and marmalade was added to their repertoire. It was apparently the first commercial brand produced in Britain. A pub quiz question is, “What do three ‘J’s stand for with reference to Dundee?” and the answer is jam, jute and journalism, of which the ‘jam’ refers to Keiller’s. Seville oranges (*Citrus x aurantium*) originated in Asia and were used medicinally in China. They may have been brought to Spain by the Moors when they



moved there from North Africa in the mediaeval period. They now grow freely in Seville and are appreciated for their year-round glossy green leaves and their aromatic scent. Marmalade made with Seville oranges does have the best, really intense, flavour, but it can be made with other citrus fruits such as Blood oranges (*Citrus x sinensis*) which have a deep red flesh and a flavour which is intense, but not bitter, as they are a variety of sweet orange. Both Seville and Blood oranges are still seasonable fruits, only available fresh in January – February, but other citrus fruits can be used, such as sweet oranges, lemons, limes, grapefruit and satsumas, and interesting flavours can be achieved by mixing various fruits in different proportions. Marmalade is usually just used to spread on breakfast toast, but can also be an interesting addition to various recipes, such as Duck à l'Orange and desserts or cakes. Time to get creative, perhaps?

We asked Judith to write an article about all the good she has done for the Church Finances by making jars of marmalade (as well as other ingredients).

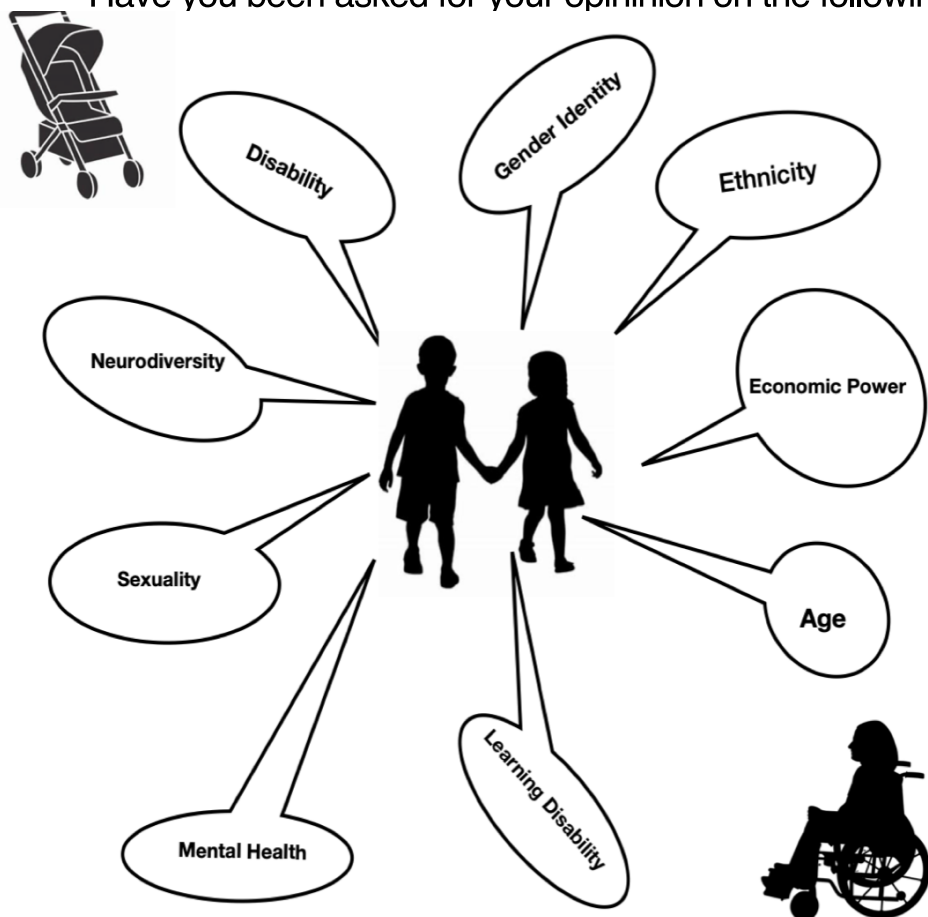


Self-effacing as ever she turned this article into a very interesting historical epic forgetting to add that she has possibly raised over £3,000 for The Funds. She has also given hundreds of people, in and out of church, a very pleasant breakfast each morning.

Thank you, Judith, from everyone. Eds

The Inclusive Church Movement

The red poster has been up around the Village since June 23.
Have you been asked for your opinion on the following?



We know some of you feel strongly about the issues above and hope you will express your opinions to others if it will help.

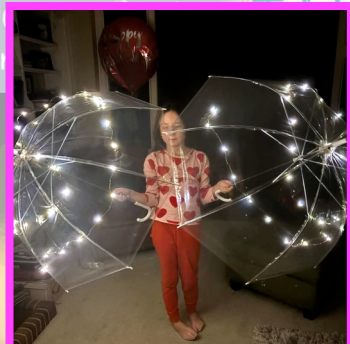


Rose Queen News.
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Less Sweet or Ermine Buttercream

Jill Baker

This is the family recipe of choice for a light and fluffy buttercream. Recently at a hundredth birthday I had coffee on one cake and lemon on another. An orange version was also delicious. The icing holds well and is more the texture of whipped cream. This quantity makes sufficient for 12 large cup cakes with tall swirls or 24 swirled with a knife.

5 tbsp plain flour

175 g sugar

225g butter

1 tsp vanilla extract

237 ml milk preferably full fat but semi will be OK.



- * You start by making a thick cooked paste with the flour and milk.
- * Put the flour and sugar in a large saucepan and cook for 30 seconds stirring constantly then whisk the milk in slowly ensuring that the sauce is lump free. Cook until thick dolloping texture.
- * Remove from the heat, scrape into a bowl and cover with cling film in contact with the surface to prevent a skin forming. Leave until cold (not fridge cold); it needs to be room temperature.
- * Take your butter and beat with an electric whisk or in a stand mixer for about 3 minutes until pale yellow.
- * Now whip in the roux, one tablespoon at a time mixing well between additions.
- * Add your flavouring, in this case vanilla and whip again for 2 to 3 minutes.
- * I whisked in coffee granules diluted in a little hot water for coffee flavour, lemon curd for lemon icing, finely grated orange rind for orange.

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World Day of Prayer 2025



This used to be called Women's World Day of Prayer, but now all are welcome. The point is that the service is still constructed entirely by women – and how often does that happen? The service this year is on Friday 7th March at 2.00 pm at St Paul's, Compstall, and is arranged by the women of the Cook Islands – a group of 15 islands spread in a massive area of the Pacific, where several denominations share a Christian history of 200 years. Do come and join friends from other churches and find out more about this remote and interesting Christian community.

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We welcome letters to the editor and ideas. Maggie and Margaret.



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featuring
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Chris Muirhead (phone)

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Please note that Hurst Lane will be closed.

Paddi Cunningham

Great News to hear Jim and Chris are back! Eds

Happiness

Kareen Dayes

One of the presents I received recently was a box of 'Yogi' herbal tea bags; Dandelion, Nettle, and Lavender. They don't sound particularly appealing, however they turned out to be quite pleasant, though I am still experimenting to research the after-effects of the dandelion!!

Apart from the taste, the aspect I like about Yogi Teas are the quotations printed on each of the individual tags. The first one I had was '**Happiness comes from contentment**'. That reminded me of another quotation, this from a Buddhist Lama, who for many years was head of the Buddhist community in Samye Ling at Eskdalemuir, Choje Tulku Akong Rinpoche: 'We cannot change the world to conform to our wishes, however we can have mastery over how we experience it. Learning to accept and adapt will mature our minds.' We can use the second quotation to help us achieve the first. There will always be something in our environment which is upsetting, be it in our own circumstances regarding health, financial issues, or a myriad of other things. Alternatively there will always be something good to find solace in. You may need to look very hard for this at times. Thus at bedtime, when you thank the good Lord for another day, and compile your 'gratitude diary' you may recall the kindly wave from a passing neighbour, or watching the little wren outside your window hopping along a row of flowerpots searching for insects. Then perhaps that day wasn't so bad after all.



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The Good Wife's Guide

From Housekeeping Monthly 13th May 1955 ???? Fiction not fact ????

Don't read this unless you have a sense of humour. I think it is meant to be funny Ed MML

No wonder the Feminist Movement was taking hold.

* Have dinner ready. Plan ahead, even the night before, to have a delicious meal ready on time for his return. This is a way of letting him know that you have been thinking about him and are concerned about his needs. Most men are hungry when they get home and the prospect of a good meal is part of the warm welcome needed.

* Prepare yourself. Take 15 minutes to rest so you'll be refreshed when he arrives. Touch up your make-up, put a ribbon in your hair and be fresh-looking. He has just been with a lot of work-weary people.

* Be a little gay and a little more interesting for him. His boring day may need a lift and one of your duties is to provide it.

* Clear away the clutter. Make one last trip through the main part of the house just before your husband arrives. Run a dust cloth over the tables.

* During the cooler months of the year you should prepare and light a fire for him to unwind by. Your husband will feel he has reached a haven of rest and order, and it will give you a lift too. After all, catering to his comfort will provide you with immense personal satisfaction.

* Minimize all noise. At the time of his arrival, eliminate all noise of the washer, dryer or vacuum. Encourage the children to be quiet.

* Be happy to see him.

* Greet him with a warm smile and show sincerity in your desire to please him.

* Listen to him. You may have a dozen important things to tell him, but the moment of his arrival is not the time. Let him talk first – remember his topics of conversation are more important than yours.

* Don't greet him with complaints and problems.

* Don't complain if he's late for dinner or even if he stays out all night. Count this as minor compared to what he might have gone through at work.

* Make him comfortable. Have him lean back in a comfortable chair or lie him down in the bedroom. Have a cool or warm drink ready for him.

* Arrange his pillow and offer to take off his shoes. Speak in a low, soothing and pleasant voice.

* Don't ask him questions about his actions or question his judgment or integrity. *

* Remember, he is the master of the house and as such will always exercise his will with fairness and truthfulness. You have no right to question him.

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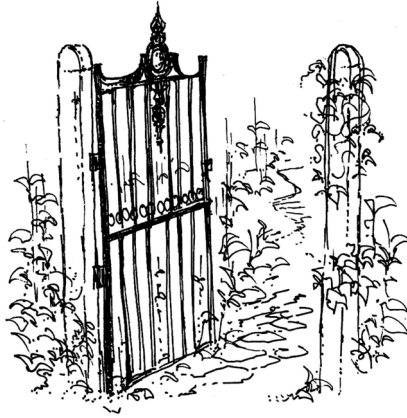
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PCC meeting 27th January 2025

Julie Elliott

This was our first meeting of the new year, and so we looked at how the Christmas services had gone, in particular the Crib services. As ever, these were a magical experience for everyone who took part in them. However, sadly it was the first time that we had ever needed to turn people away due to numbers exceeding our fire safety limit. So there was a discussion about how we might resolve this for the future, and these considerations will be revisited in plenty of time for next Christmas.

Andrew (our Vicar) also reported on the great success of our first 'Games evening', which was an opportunity for young people to get together and enjoy playing board games together. Those who came said they would like them to continue on a fortnightly basis, so Andrew has offered some future dates.

The Diocese of Chester had set the level of Parish Share (the amount that every church is expected to contribute to the Diocese every year), which was a fairly significant increase on last year. It was agreed that our church could not afford to pay the full amount, and so a compromise was to be offered to the Diocese.

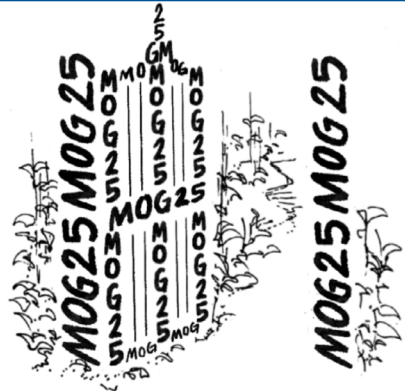
It was reported that there had been a substantial cost (of some thousands of pounds) caused by an emergency heating repair needed at the Mellor Centre. The volunteer Friends of the Mellor Centre raise a significant amount each year which contributes towards the costs of running the Centre and for which the PCC is very grateful. Without this any deficit in operating and maintaining the Centre would need to be met out of local church funds.

The PCC agreed that in future we would aim to hold a 'business' meeting (where we discuss the regular issues such as Health and Safety, the fabric of the church, Safeguarding and Finance) every alternate month, and on the other months we would aim to keep 'business' to a minimum but hold discussions on how we want to see our church developing in the future.

We also set a date for our Annual Parochial Church Meeting this year which will be on Sunday 18th May 2025.

I used to be against organ donation,
but I've had a change of heart.

I love the word drool.
It really rolls off the tongue.



Sunday 11th May 2025
11am - 6pm



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Youthful Days in Mellor

1910 - 1926

Episode 9

Tom Oldham

My early friend, Norman, came from a Methodist family, and he regularly attended Newhouse Hill Chapel and the Sunday School held in the room below. I was persuaded to go with him to Sunday School, but not to Chapel. There were various social events associated with the Chapel, tea-parties, an annual field-day with races, winter programmes of talks and lectures in the meeting room, and concerts with all the items done by local talent. Mellor Cricket Club, playing on what is now the recreation ground, was very well supported by Newhouse Hill Chapel members who provided a large proportion of the teams and the committee. The chapel members were a very friendly, genuinely good group of people, and I believe that I benefited from my association with them. I remember Norman recounting with enthusiasm details of a lecture he had attended on a chemistry subject in which a number of loud bangs were produced by the lecturer in the course of demonstrating some chemical reaction. Consequently, I eagerly accompanied Norman to a further lecture by the same man but alas we sat through about two hours of dull talking which we did not understand and there was not one single bang.

There was no regular public transport in Mellor before the end of World War

One. Various men could be engaged to do a journey, say, to Marple Station, New Mills or Stockport with their horse and trap, including Johnnie Brough of Apple Tree Farm. My father would hire him occasionally, and I remember very well riding in it. Pony traps and larger horse drawn cabs would meet the trains at Marple Station, and there might be a motor driven taxi or two. These vehicles were all black, and the interiors smelt of musty leather. They stood on the road near the railway bridge awaiting customers, and there was a small, wooden shelter hut for the cabbies where the café now stands. My father used the trains for his journey to and from Stockport, always walking to the station in the morning whatever the weather. He generally walked back from the station in the evening, but sometimes, if the weather was bad or if he felt so inclined, he would share a cab with some others.

Shortly after the end of the war a notable and exciting event occurred. A Compstall man, just demobilised from the forces, called Joe Hinchliffe started a bus service between Marple Bridge and the Devonshire Arms. The bus was a converted old Ford army lorry, one of many which were disposed of after the War, and it was known by the name of 'Henry', but whether it was named after Henry Ford or Henry the Eighth I cannot say. It had solid rubber tyres, and a box shaped body built onto the lorry deck. The seats ran front to back along each side, and passengers sat facing each

other. The door was right in the middle of the back end and there was a step or two below it on the outside to assist entry. Joe was a man of considerable character with a keen sense of humour, but totally irresponsible. He delighted in joking and leg pulling, but I believe he was somewhat lacking in business acumen, otherwise he would have made more success of being the first to run a bus service in Mellor. Thinking back to his appearance, I can recall only a cloth cap set well down on one side of his head, and a poker face which disguised whether what he was saying was serious or a humorous leg pull. The police did not, in those days, allow any passenger carrying buses on Brabyns Brow as it had such a bad reputation for accidents. This was due to the narrowness of the road and the bridge at the bottom of the hill, and the two corners which existed before the road was widened and straightened between the Midland Hotel and the cottages opposite. Consequently, Joe would wait for passengers from the trains at about the place where the present bus stop is in Marple Bridge. On winter nights the unmistakable shape of 'Henry' could just be seen against the feeble lighting from street lamps and shop windows and after climbing up through the doorway one found oneself in a totally dark interior in which the filament of a headlamp bulb hanging by its wire from the roof, glowed faintly red. Joe never liked

setting off until the whole of the centre aisle was packed with standing passengers, and when this state was reached he went to the front of the bus and swung the starting handle. With luck it would start first time with a terrifying roar, and the small bulb, now swinging between passengers' heads, would burst into vivid light with the sudden surge of current. If luck was out and the engine failed to start quickly, Joe would play around with a piece of wire fixed somewhere under the radiator which was deviously connected to the choke, trying various settings until success was achieved. Favoured passengers sat on the seat in the cab alongside Joe where there was room for about three. They were supposed to engage Joe in suitable conversation, preferably of a humorous character, although making oneself heard above the din of the engine was quite an effort. On one occasion when I sat with my father next to Joe the floorboards were missing, and our feet dangled over the gear box and clutch casing, the exhaust pipe and brake rods, with the road moving past down below. The reason for this was that he was having trouble with the gears, and now and again had to come to a stop to make an adjustment down below with a spanner. When the engine got hot care had to be taken not to rest ones feet on the exhaust pipe which soon began to glow with a red heat.



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Tuesday 14th January – Peter Cooke

It is better to know some of the questions than all of the answers



WOMEN'S EVENING FELLOWSHIP

Lesley Fletcher



Following our February meeting when we enjoyed not just one but two speakers, this month we have none as it is not one of our regular meetings but our Annual General Meeting and meal. This has taken place at the Golf Club for several years where Peruga has catered most successfully for us. They have now moved on to The Three Bears in Hazel Grove so we are following them and look forward to appreciating their excellent food once more.

We also look forward to seeing as many of our members as possible on this special occasion.

Prayer for the Month

Morning Prayer

I go out into the grace of this day's light
in the power of the great God;
with the blessing of Jesus;
and the radiance of the Holy Spirit.
May the joy and the peace
and the strength of the Creator
be with us always.

The capacity to care is
what gives life
its deepest significance.

Pablo Casals Spanish Cellist

Thought for The Month

“Life is not always the way it is supposed to be.
It’s the way it is.
The way we cope with it is what makes the difference.”
Virginia Satir

In the words of Thomas Crumb:-

“Instead of seeing the rug being pulled from under us,
we can learn to dance on a shifting carpet.”

Stewards Rota

	8.30am	10.00am
Mar 2nd	P Cunningham	S McAllister and C Starling
Mar 9th	A Mason	A Muller and P Long
Mar 16th	J Butterworth	P and L Forbes
Mar 23rd	P Cunningham	K Hargreaves and C Langford
Mar 30th	A Mason	M Lowe and M Williams
Apr 6th	J Butterworth	R and J Elliott

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Flower Rota

March 2nd	Angela Muller	April 6th	Lent
March 9th	Lent	April 13th	Lent
March 16th	Lent	April 20th	Easter Flowers
March 23rd	Lent	April 27th	Easter Flowers
March 30th	Lent	Mothering Sunday	

If you wish to change a date, need a key or have any query, please
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Holy Dusters

Brasses

March 2nd	J Burrows & E Wilson	J & S Norbury
March 9th	S McAllister & M Williams	
March 16th	M & R Leng	
March 23rd	P Cunningham & I Morris	
March 30th	D & J Butterworth	
April 5th	BIG CLEAN UP	

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