



### A message from Emma

Many thanks to everyone who picked litter around the village - 14 bags!!! - and to the volunteers who made the well-deserved cakes.

### Church Coffee Mornings

Summer coffee mornings in Church are back again, now the weather is a little warmer(!).

The first date is Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May from 11.00am to 1.00pm, then every first Wednesday in the month.

All will be welcomed.



### Are you feeling mentally alert?



If so, try this simple questionnaire - once you've connected to the website it takes less than 2 minutes, and I promise you won't begrudge the time. Young or old, you may even feel happier as a result!

Go to: [www.retirement-online.com/retiree-mental-fitness-evaluation.html](http://www.retirement-online.com/retiree-mental-fitness-evaluation.html)

Report your scores to the editor for publication in next month's *Roundabout*—there may even be a prize!

### Don't forget the Hampass Project 2023

The Hampass (the green area to the east of the churchyard) is being redeveloped by a small group of volunteers. Clearing up work has already started, and when the project is complete, the Hampass will be divided into four sections:

To make the Hampass a lovely community resource we are asking for donations of:

- Vegetable seeds and plants
- Flowering plants (especially lavender), seeds and bulbs
- Top soil, compost and manure
- Decorative pots
- Gravel - as much gravel as possible please

A small shed has been placed at the north end of the Hampass (near the pillar box) - please leave any donations there (large items can be collected).

To offer help, get more information or request collection please contact:  
Jill Shelton on ☎07854 378148  
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# St Andrew's, Sadberge



## Roundabout Newsletter

### May 2023

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### A moment in history

History has been defined as the study of change over time and covers all aspects of human society - social, political, economic, scientific, cultural and religious developments are all part of our history.

As William Shakespeare said, *there is a history in all men's lives.*



Many people enjoy researching their own history by way of their family tree which often reveals some interesting facts and sometimes a few surprises. We can all recall occasions as to where we were or what we were doing when a major event took place and a moment in history was made. A classic example (for those of a certain age) is the assassination of President Kennedy and, more recently, the atrocities of 9-11.

Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> 2023, the day of the Coronation of King Charles III, will mark a moment in the history of our nation and commonwealth and will be celebrated throughout the country and the world.

How things have changed since the last coronation in 1953. Those of us in our 70s (or older) remember clustering around a tiny primitive black and white tv screen (housed in a huge cabinet) to watch the flickering and grainy images coming from London, as if by magic. This time we'll be able to watch in colour on the smart phone in our hand, the tv in our homes or on the big screens in cities across the nation. We'll feel part of the event and remember it for the rest of our lives.



A new monarch or ruler may bring about change and hope for a better future, and this has been the hope of people down the ages as recorded in the Old Testament (which although it has plenty of good kings, it also has its share of bad rulers).

King David is probably the best-known king in scripture and not only for slaying the giant Goliath - he wrote most of the Book of Psalms which continues to bring comfort, hope and inspiration to many people today. He was referred to as *a man after God's own heart*, and was responsible for bringing the nation of Israel back to God.

Please send items for the June *Roundabout* to [rblood@ntlworld.com](mailto:rblood@ntlworld.com) before 20<sup>th</sup> May

David's life and rule was of special significance because of the prophecy that the Messiah would come from his family as one of his descendants. Every Christmas we are reminded of this as we sing the popular carol *O little town of Bethlehem*:

To you in David's town this day  
is born of David's line,  
A saviour who is Christ the Lord .....

But the Old Testament has its share of baddies as well and here's a whole family of them!



We don't hear much of King Omri (left) who was a worshipper of idols. The Book of Kings tells us that *Omri did evil in the eyes of the Lord and sinned more than all those who had gone before him*. What a way to be remembered! However, Ahab, his son and successor (right) proved to be even more evil than his father and with the help of his appalling wife Jezebel (the archetypal biblical bad girl - centre, as portrayed by Bette Davis) the awful family legacy continued.

#### Moments in history

As we participate in our own *Moment in History* in the United Kingdom, let us pray for all leaders and those in positions of authority (locally as well as nationally) that they may continually strive to create moments in history which bring about change for the good of our world and its people - we are so much in need of hope and peace. **Sue Chew, Associate Minister**

#### Church Services for May 2023

(unusual services, events and times appear in red)

Service	Date	Other Details
Sung Holy Communion	April 30 <sup>th</sup>	St Andrew's Sadberge - 9.15am
Service of the Word to celebrate the Coronation	May 7 <sup>th</sup>	St Andrew's Sadberge - 9.15am
Sung Holy Communion	May 14 <sup>th</sup>	St Andrew's Sadberge - 9.15am
Sung Holy Communion for Ascension Day	Thursday May 17 <sup>th</sup>	St Andrew's Sadberge - 6.30pm followed by supper in the Village Hall
Sung Holy Communion	May 21 <sup>st</sup> & 28 <sup>th</sup> (Pentecost)	St Andrew's Sadberge - 9.15am

The Ascension Day Holy Communion will be a joint service with the congregation of our sister church, St Andrew's Haughton. It will be followed by a meal in the Village Hall; on the menu will be Taylor's Pies and Peas (or vegetarian quiche) with desserts by the congregation of St. Andrew's Haughton. All villagers and visitors will be welcomed, but please sign up in church if you plan to join us for the meal.



## SADBERGE IS CELEBRATING THE CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III - SO COME AND JOIN US.....

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May

The *Fabulous Angelettes* will be singing **Magical Motown (£5.00/ticket including food – doors open @ 7pm)**

Tickets from from the Village Hall Coffee Shop or email [friendsofsadberge@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofsadberge@gmail.com)



**N.B. The deadline to buy tickets is Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May

Complimentary 'Cake & a Cuppa' 2-4.30pm  
**Bouncy Castle/bring a decorated crown for judging/crafting for children + Disco –**

What's not to like?..... email [friendsofsadberge@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofsadberge@gmail.com) to let us know you're coming along..... Thanks



#### St Andrew's Easter Activities

The church family says "thank you" to everyone who contributed to the lovely Easter garden (right), to the 60 singers and the same number of listeners who enjoyed the Faure Requiem on Palm Sunday (raising £300 for church funds), and to the organisers and supporters of the Coffee Morning the previous day which raised a similar sum.

