



# The Fulwood Messenger

*Winter 2022/23*

# Another message from the Chair!

Greetings from me and I hope we all have wonderful memories of our gorgeous Autumn. The colours and temperatures have been great , I always wonder at the trees in all their glory.

I'm looking ahead now to Christmas to the real cold. It has been easy so far to live without the heating on during this mild, mild Autumn, but it will get harder. Our houses are sadly not insulated well enough, they are draughty and thin walled, we have been far too reliant on cheap gas and relatively low energy prices. However, the older generation , and I include myself in this (!),

know full well what it is like to live in cold houses. One or two coal fires, ice on the inside of windows in the morning, white breath on waking. Hot water bottles, my bed weighted down with woollen blankets, sitting in the lounge our bodies facing the fire roasting, our backs freezing. And of course our parents having to brave the freezing yard to go to the outside loo and no running hot water.

My girls are addicted to the lovely cosy fleece blanket I got for my birthday and I love my electric blanket. I am definitely not as hardy as I once was or had to be.

I went to see the film, 'Emily', all about Emily Bronte whose family certainly had to put up with bad weather and cold and have pinched one of her poems to put in here:



The night is darkening round me,  
The wild winds coldly blow;  
But a tyrant spell has bound me  
And I cannot, cannot go.  
The giant trees are bending  
Their bare boughs weighed with snow.  
And the storm is fast descending,  
And yet I cannot go.  
Clouds beyond clouds above me,  
Wastes beyond wastes below;  
But nothing drear can move me;  
I will not, cannot go.

We are fortunate not to be as isolated as we have been in the last couple of Winters, we can mix, come freely to the chapel, meet friends and family. Bonfire night this year seemed particularly lively, perhaps because the last two years have been so subdued and I am sure Christmas will be a very festive and busy affair.

We have had a good year in the chapel with some new faces in the congregation and taking services. I feel we are in a great place and hopefully things are really getting back to normal.

Thank you to everyone who contributes to the chapel and all the charities we support, to those who come to the chapel for services, thank you to all the service leaders, the music makers and the technology experts. I am very grateful for all the support of the committee who are full of advice and expertise.

Jane

## **Christmas Diary**

### **Singing in the Yard**

Fri Dec 16<sup>th</sup> Upper Chapel. At 4pm for 4.30pm.

Carol singing in Upper Chapel forecourt,  
accompanied by Phil Croft on accordion.

Hot drinks provided.

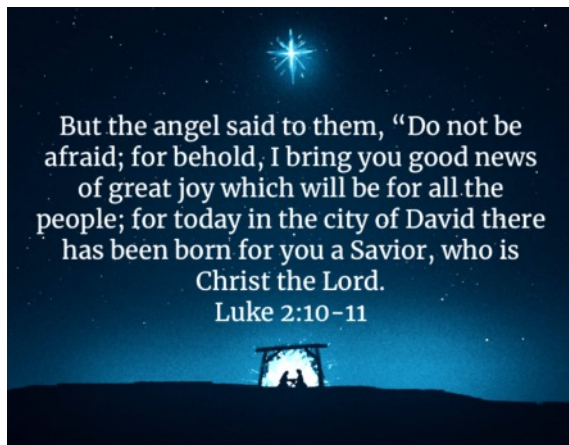
Please come and join in, and come warmly dressed!!

### **Service of Lessons and Carols**

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm  
Fulwood Old Chapel

### **Christmas Morning Service**

Fulwood Old Chapel  
10.30am



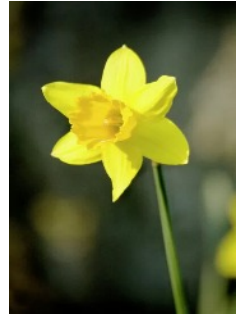
# December

**December** is the twelfth and final month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars and is also the last of seven months to have a length of 31 days.

**Flower** – narcissus (*seems odd to me, but that's according to tinternet*)

Birth stones: Zircon, Tanzanite and Turquoise.

Those born before Dec 21 are Sagittarians, said to be generous, idealistic and downright hilarious (!). Those born after the 21<sup>st</sup> are Capricorns, said to be responsible, disciplined and masters of self control. What a difference a day makes!



# Advent

Advent is the season of anticipation and preparation for the glorious festival of Christmas.

Advent is a season of hope and warmth, a time when it is well to look into hearts and not be surprised to find in them divine things in humble and human surrounding.

Advent is a time for loving again those who are lost and lonely, and to have sympathy for those who are never moved to tears of joy or sorrow, those who never hear angelic voices or who never see miracles in mangers, those who never follow the promise of a star.

*From a passage by Bruce M Clary*

# In the Midst of Winter

The season of cold and early dusk is upon us.

The flowers no longer bloom, and the birds have fled to the south.

We approach the shortened days with gladness, and the ancient fear is no longer in our faces.

We hold the turning of the year as a promise; and the renewing of the light is our solid hope.

The months of snow will give way to the months of leaves and petals.

In the midst of winter the promise is given of the summer season, and in the midst of darkness there comes the assurance of light.

*Kenneth L. Patten (adapted)*

# Christmas Stables

I still put up, each December, the Christmas Stable which I made when my son was a one-year old. Then, it was pretty basic: cardboard box turned into stable; Mary, Joseph, shepherds, and kings all made out of Smartie tubes, and dressed in fablon, coloured paper and – for the kings – gold crowns made from the central wrapping of long discarded Christmas crackers. It took us some years to gradually acquire all the animal life – the Lego sheep, the paper donkey which my son made in school. (We've never bothered with the ox.) The camels, however, have continued to accumulate over the years – from zoo shops, and from my daughter's holiday in Tunisia. At the last count we had at least seven.

The Christmas Stable has always been, for us, a significant Christmas event – far more important than the Christmas tree. The Stable goes up on the first Sunday of Advent when the Innkeepers are placed in it, ahead of Mary and Joseph's arrival. Then we get Mary and Joseph, then shepherds, and finally the kings on the last Sunday of Advent. Baby Jesus goes in last thing at midnight on Christmas Eve – ready for Christmas morning. (Ed Fordham and I completely agree on this: baby Jesus arrives in time for Christmas morning and not a moment sooner.)

My father made our family's Christmas Stable when I was a child – plywood and crumpled dark paper signifying rocks, with salt glued to the paper to represent frost. I quite liked it – but I much preferred the improved extended version which my father made for his brother, my uncle. My uncle had not just a stable but a vertiginous mountain alongside it, lavishly inhabited with sheep. I wanted a field with sheep. A mere stable seemed far too limited.

And then, at some point, I discovered *santons*. Derived from the Provençal word meaning 'little saints' *santons* are Provençal Christmas Stable figures. The Provençal Stable is attended not just by Mary, Joseph, shepherds, kings, and angels – but by figures representing all the ordinary people from the village – blacksmith, fisherman, musicians, dancers, pétanque players, the chestnut seller, the village drunk. All are welcome. It's Christmas.



And thus our family Christmas Stable has expanded, in our own version of *santons*. And continues to expand, reflecting our lives. Last year it included my souvenir gondolier figure from Venice, an Indian drummer from the Oxfam shop, a miniature Barbie from a Kinder Egg, tiny guinea pigs in memory of our family pets, a wooden dolphin, a small bejewelled elephant, and a new Irish sheep (actually an eraser) sent from my friend in Belfast.



# Co-op Community with Our Partnership

Each year members of the Fulwood Co-op choose three community causes. Fulwood Old Chapel has been fortunate over the last few years to have been selected and we thank all those who have supported us. This has enabled us to improve facilities by providing for example, new lighting, acoustic panels, window cushions and redecoration in the Old School Room.

On 3rd November, Members of the Chapel were presented with a cheque for £2720



We have been working with our local Member Pioneer, Rachel Reeson to promote our cause and work with other local causes. For 2022, the other two charities selected were Cruse Bereavement and the Sheffield Youth Orchestra. (SYO) We are currently working on a joint event with Cruse; Light up the Night, taking place in the Chapel on 4<sup>th</sup> December. For 2023, our most recent bid was entered under the mental well-being category as follows:

*"We are a group who wants to offer the best facilities in the locality for community activities of all types. We promote all activities that contribute to the physical and mental well-being of all the community, young or old, of all religions or none. We know what a negative impact loneliness and isolation have on mental well-being and would like to be able to offer lunch groups to our portfolio".*

To this end, we want to improve our cooking facilities by purchasing a larger oven and we also want to insulate the roof space in the Old School Room to increase comfort and hopefully reduce heating bills when sustainability is an increasingly important issue.

Fulwood Old Chapel would like to thank you both the C-op and its members for supporting us

Anne Rayner

# *A Service of Lessons and Carols*



Sunday  
18th December  
6pm

Fulwood Old Chapel

## **Christmas Story the World Over**

We hear the beating of wings over 'Bethlehem and a light that is not of the sun or of the stars shines in the midnight sky.

Let the beauty of the story take away all narrowness, all thought of formal creeds.

Let it be remembered as a story that has happened again and again, to people of many different races, that has been expressed through many religions, that has been called by many different names. Time and space and language lay no limitations upon human brotherhood.

*New York Times (25 Dec. 1937)*

# Light up the Night At Fulwood Old Chapel

Cruse Bereavement is another charity being supported by the Co-op and networking between their causes is being encouraged.

Cruse Bereavement has approached the Chapel to stage a "Light up the Night" event in October or November to give friends and family an opportunity for shared remembrance of loved ones past in a place of calm and community.

The idea is simple: you light a candle in memory of a loved one. From early evening the Chapel or the garden is filled with candles and open for anyone to drop in, linger, perhaps light a candle and contemplate with family and friends. This simple ceremony is open to all, of any religious or non-religious persuasion. It is inspired by traditions such as All Saints Day, All Souls Day and Day of the Dead from other parts of the world, particularly Eastern Europe and South America.

In the UK, we have few rituals associated with death, so there are rare opportunities to celebrate the dead or give thanks or remember. The "Light up the Night" event gives people a chance to do this against a backdrop of peace, calm and beauty. The sense of community and reflection is an antidote to the turbulent world in which we live.

Cruse has staged several events like this in previous years and comments from them have been very positive: -"a sense of calm peace, hope, community" - "unique"

"making something positive and beautiful to celebrate the dead regardless of religion"

If you want to know more there is a link address for a video:

<https://www.cruse.org.uk/lightupthenight/>

Anne Rayner

## Presents from the Christmas Tree

In my family the Christmas tree gives presents. This dates back to my mum's grandparents' time who lived in Ravonstondale, Westmorland, and possibly earlier.

My mum would visit her grandparents for Christmas and she and my gran would wrap small gifts and place them on the Christmas tree for family and friends visiting at Christmas.

My parents have continued the tradition and when we visit them over Christmas we leave with a present from the tree. At home we don't tend to have visitors over Christmas. However, we have adapted the tradition so the Christmas tree still gives us presents, but when *it* leaves, at the end of Christmas, rather than when we leave!

*From Sarah Welsh*





*Cruse*  
Bereavement  
Support

# LIGHT UP THE NIGHT

Join us for a community, candlelit event to  
remember loved ones

## When

Sunday 4th December  
4pm – 6pm

## Where

Fulwood Old Chapel  
8a Whiteley Lane  
Sheffield  
S10 4GL



Supported by  
Co-op Members


Come along, light a candle, share a memory.

This is a free event


however donations are always welcome for Cruse Bereavement Support.

All funds raised will help those struggling with grief to get the support they need

Refreshments kindly provided by Fulwood Co-op



# Merry Christmas to one and all From Fulwood Old Chapel



With every good wish for  
Christmas and the New Year  
from Paul and Susan Kelly

To members and friends of Fulwood  
Old Chapel: Warmest wishes for  
Christmas and the New Year.

from Sue Toulson

Wishing you all  
a happy Christmas:  
from Sheila Ellis

Wishing everyone a merry Christmas  
and a happy New Year -  
Tim

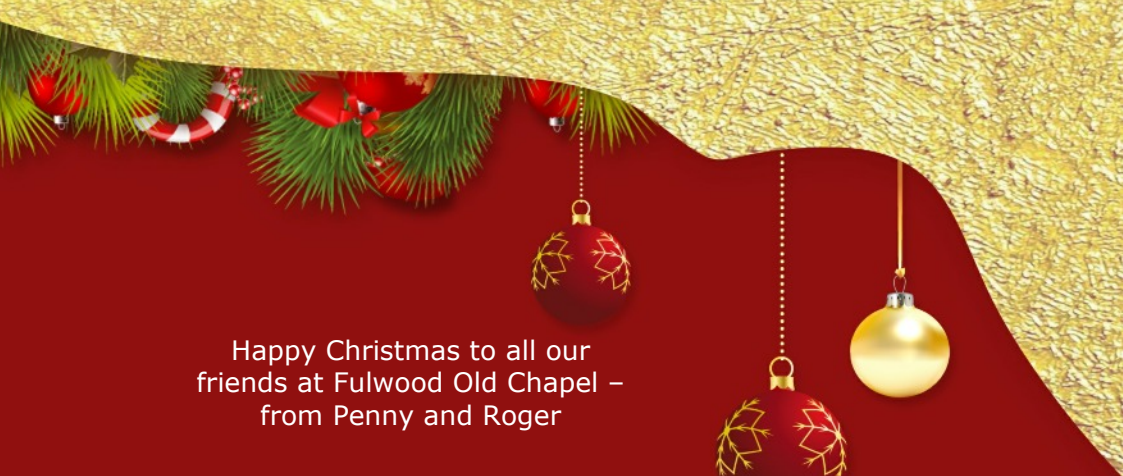
Christmas and New Year greetings  
to all at the Old Chapel -  
Mike

Greetings of Love and  
Peace for Christmas and  
the New Year  
Caroline

Happy Christmas  
and a peaceful New Year  
Susie & Robert

Wishing everyone  
a Merry Christmas &  
Healthy New Year from  
Sarah and Nigel.





Happy Christmas to all our  
friends at Fulwood Old Chapel –  
from Penny and Roger

Best Christmas wishes to all at  
Fulwood with love  
from Alison

To all friends at FOC:  
May you all have peace,  
good health, and happiness,  
now and in the future.  
Love Beryl

Christmas greetings to all,  
with love  
from Rod and Elizabeth.

Very best wishes for Christmas  
and the New Year,  
From  
Janet and Peter

Sending love and good wishes  
for Christmas, and good health  
and good fortunes for 2023..  
from Sue xx

Merry Christmas  
to all at Fulwood  
Gavin & Andrew Mason  
+ Heather, Patrick, Megan,  
Katie & Jack Foster

Christmas Greetings  
from Ann and Seth  
Jenkinson





*Here follows a poem which I have always loved to read at this time of year (and to read aloud, if they let me – it's very satisfying, try it!). In one form, it's very familiar to most of us from our hymn books but, as printed here, there are two additional verses (4 and 5) which were unfamiliar to me, though perhaps not to you. Given that they are 'dark' (written during the American Civil War) I almost omitted them, but then thought that I shouldn't be editing the work of a great poet. Ed*

## Christmas Bells

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow  
(1807-1882)



I heard the bells on Christmas Day  
Their old, familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet  
The words repeat  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
And thought how, as the day had come,  
The belfries of all Christendom  
Had rolled along  
The unbroken song  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
Till ringing, singing on its way,  
The world revolved from night to day,  
A voice, a chime,  
A chant sublime  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
*Then from each black, accursed mouth  
The cannon thundered in the South,  
And with the sound  
The carols drowned  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!*

*It was as if an earthquake rent  
The hearth-stones of a continent,  
And made forlorn  
The households born  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!*  
And in despair I bowed my head;  
"There is no peace on earth," I said;  
"For hate is strong,  
And mocks the song  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"

***Then pealed the bells  
more loud and deep:  
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;  
The Wrong shall fail,  
The Right prevail,  
With Peace on Earth,  
good-will to Men.***

*This was Gavin Mason's favourite Christmas hymn, as well as mine. But, like true Unitarians, we sang it to different tunes ..... Ed*

# Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky

The flying cloud, the frosty light:  
The year is dying in the night;  
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.  
Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow:  
The year is going, let him go;  
Ring out the false, ring in the true.  
Ring out the grief that saps the mind  
For those that here we see no more;  
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,  
Ring in redress to all mankind.  
Ring out a slowly dying cause,  
And ancient forms of party strife;  
Ring in the nobler modes of life,  
With sweeter manners, purer laws.  
Ring out the want, the care, the sin,

The faithless coldness of the times;  
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes  
But ring the fuller minstrel in.  
Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
The civic slander and the spite;  
Ring in the love of truth and right,  
Ring in the common love of good.  
Ring out old shapes of foul disease;  
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;  
Ring out the thousand wars of old,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace.  
Ring in the valiant man and free,  
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;  
Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

*Alfred, Lord Tennyson. 1809-1892*

## The Significance of Church Bells

For centuries, church bells have been used to call worshippers to prayer. Traditionally, in Christian churches they have also rung at midnight on Christmas Eve, to celebrate the birth of Jesus. In this country, they were, of course, silenced during each of the 20 century world wars in order that they could be used as a warning of invasion. In some churches they are used to mark certain elements of the service, and may be rung very frequently.. Many church bells are very loud, with the purpose of reaching the flock over long distances. This is not always appreciated by those within earshot .....



*Ed -I once worked in a small town in the south of Spain where the church bells not only rang for all the services and masses, but also rang out the hours. My hotel room was just across the street and I can assure you of this. **Every. Hour.Throughout.The. Night. Never mind the Wild Bells – there was a Wild Woman present in the morning***



## CELEBRATING THE 200<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OF CÉSAR FRANCK

## AFTERNOON CONCERT



Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022, 3pm

Lucy Phillips (violin)  
David Hammond (piano)

To celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of composer César Franck, who was born on 10<sup>th</sup> December 1822, Lucy and David will perform his magnificent Sonata for Violin and Piano in A major.

The programme will also feature Four Pieces for Violin and Piano by Frank Bridge, and a selection of music made popular by Frank Sinatra.

The ticket price includes festive refreshments after the performance.

Elder Yard Unitarian Chapel,  
Elder Way, Chesterfield, S40 1UR

Tickets:

Adults £10; Children £2

Tickets can be booked in  
advance by emailing  
[lucyviolin@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lucyviolin@hotmail.co.uk)

Also available on the door;  
cash only.



# Tea Dance

It's the weekend Tea Dance, and they'll all be here today,  
Aches and pains forgotten, dance the afternoon away.  
Foxtrots, quicksteps, waltzes – some are slow, but some still nifty  
With memories of how it was way back in 1950.  
Norman's in the Gents again, he's struggling to pee,  
He's got trouble with is prostate and will likely miss his tea.  
Eddy's got a new love that he met in Thornton Heath;  
She does a lovely tango, but she hasn't any teeth.  
His latest fancy footwork nearly broke his partner's neck,  
She mistook his outside swivel for a travelling contra check.  
Ida's had her hair done and she's ready for the Saunter,  
She had a vindaloo last night and it's coming back to haunt her.  
Florrie's mini skirt's revealing when she's spinning in the jive;  
She really shouldn't wear a thong, approaching 85.  
They've had their tea and cakes and chat and had a little laugh  
And gamely rise with creaking knees to face the second half.  
Norman's made it back in time for Rumba Number One.  
His cucaracha's very neat but he's left his flies undone.  
Vera's fallen over in a massive Crimplene heap,  
Bert's got indigestion and Mabel's fast asleep.  
It's last waltz time, and up they get for Humperdink's old tune,  
And then: Goodbye, good luck, take care  
God willing, see you soon.

*Ed: MANY years ago I used to go to the Saturday afternoon tea dances at the City Hall. Originally they were held on Thursdays, that being Sheffield shops half day closing, so that shop workers could attend, but became more popular on Saturdays as working hours changed. I went*



*went with a friend, since my husband worked on Saturdays, and I reckon that I was the youngest there by about 25 years, but I loved it. Let me tell you that some of those elderly gentleman were extremely fleet of foot! After 85 years, the tea dances are still running, now on Thursday lunchtimes, if anyone feels like getting fit in the New Year.*

**FULWOOD OLD CHAPEL**  
**WHITELEY LANE, S10 4GL**

On SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10th at 7.30 p.m.

**BENEFIT** of *Cruse* Bereavement  
Support

**VARIETY**  
**ENTERTAINMENT**

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**TONE APART**

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**JOHN WALTON**

**MILLI**

**JUDITH**

**DAVID "SAX" COTTAM**

WITH

**PETER "KEYS" SZYPKO**

**"BACH AGAIN"**

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Admission (on the door): £8, £5 for juniors

Tone Apart will be performing at Fulwood on Saturday 10 December with a Variety Evening in aid of Cruse Bereavement Support,

The evening will be a little different from previous Tone Apart events, with the whole of the first half consisting of a number of individual acts (see the attached poster), with Tone Apart just in the second half of the evening, singing a range of our popular cover versions of Beatles to Beach Boys (and beyond)

# From the (merry) Editor

## Fruit Cake Recipe

### Ingredients

One cup water	2 cups dried fruit
One cup sugar	1 cup butter
One cup brown sugar	1 tsp baking powder
4 large eggs	1 tsp salt
1x1 litre best single malt whisky	Lemon juice
4 cups flour	Nuts



Sample the whisky to check quality.

Take a large bowl and sample whisky again: to make sure of quality, measure one cup and drink.

Repeat, then switch on electric mixer and beat butter into a fluffy bowl.

Add one tsp sugar to mix and check **whisky** again to be sure it hasn't ~~deret~~ ~~deret~~ .. gone off.

Turn off mixer. Break 2 leggs and add to the fluffy bowl. Chuck in the dried fruit.

Turn on misker. If dried fruit gets stuck in the beaterers, pry loose with a drewscraver.

Take one cup whisky and drink to check tonsinsisty.

Next sift in two cups of salt or something. Who cares? Sift whisky into your cup and stir your tonsils.

Now sift the lemon juice and strain the nuts. Add 1 table. Add 1 spoon.

Of sugar or whatever else is lying around. Greash the oven.

Add large cake tin to bowl and turn to 160 degrees.

Open the window and throw the lot outshide.

Thish saves on washuping ans water..... Who needs water?

Finish the whisky

Get anuzzzer from cubbord

Go to bed taking bottle withyou...

"What do you get if you put a Santa hat on a duck  
.....A Christmas Quacker....."



# The Women's League Local Project

The Sheffield District Women's League is quite a small group of women (and currently one man, more welcome) meeting for a couple of hours or so each month, typically on the first Monday, at Upper Chapel on Norfolk St. There is easy parking in the chapel forecourt and it is quite near to public transport links. There is always a warm welcome for new members or visitors. We are part of the British League of Unitarian and Other Free Christian Women. (You can see why we shorten the name, can't you?)

There is a speaker most months and occasionally have an outing.

Our current Christmas Project collects items suitable for making cakes and desserts, and bottles of fruit squash/cordial for the Archer Project who provide hot meals and street care for the homeless for 50 weeks of the year. Their Christmas Break is covered by HARC (Homeless And Rootless at Christmas) and we are supporting them by collecting new underwear, socks etc which will be given to those in their care over. Any one can drop them at Fulwood Old Chapel after each Sunday service until Sunday Dec 11.

For Women's League's more information please contact Sue Toulson

[susantoulson@gmail.com](mailto:susantoulson@gmail.com) or 07971924329

*May the Christmas message of Peace and Goodwill  
ring forth more clearly in the days that are to come.  
And may this Season of Hope bring joy to you all.*

## New Course for Challenging Times

Caroline Thorpe will be offering a short course 'Inner Companionship for Challenging Times' based around the book 'Unlocking the Power of Song: A Companion for Challenging Times' in the near future

Please contact her if you are interested and we can make sure the dates and times work for you. Caroline [caroline@givingvoicefoundation.org.uk](mailto:caroline@givingvoicefoundation.org.uk) 0114 281 8337

## Prayer for thought

O God, it is hard for us not to be anxious.  
We worry about work and money,  
About food and health,  
About weather and crops,  
About war and politics  
About loving and being loved.  
Show us how perfect love casts out fear.  
AMEN

*By Monica Furlong*



# January

January is named after the Roman God Janus. He is usually depicted as having two faces – not ( *I hope!*) to indicate that he can't be trusted - but to indicate that he could see the future and the past. He is also, according to one account I've read, the god of doors. I think that the description of him as the god of beginnings, endings and transitions is perhaps more elegant!

Those born in January (like Mike Day, and me) are said to be 'legends in their own time' (well, by one internet source they are, and naturally I chose it!). We're supposed to 'reverse age' and to be 'cool, calm and collected'. I don't know about Mike, but that certainly isn't me!

Our gemstone is the Garnet and our flowers are Carnation and Snowdrop.



## NEW YEAR? OLD AGE

I looked in the mirror and what did I see?  
A wrinkled strange face looking at me.  
Brown eyes that used to twinkle and shine  
Look dull and misty; old as time.  
A brow that used to be firm and smooth,  
Is pale, and furrowed with many a groove.  
A mouth, that once formed a cute little pout,  
Is full of gaps where the teeth have dropped out.  
Who is this person? I can't be sure:  
She resembles someone I've seen before.  
My memory serves me some horrible tricks;  
Is it me? Dear god, I feel quite sick.  
It can't be me. I feel so young  
But try as I might I can't make her go,  
This wrinkled person, who's ugly and slow.  
'You're as old as you feel' is what they all say,  
Then please, wrinkled old lady, just go away!



# Winter-Time

By Robert Louis Stevenson

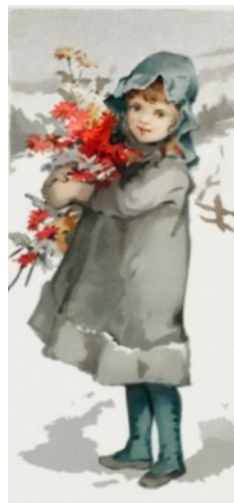
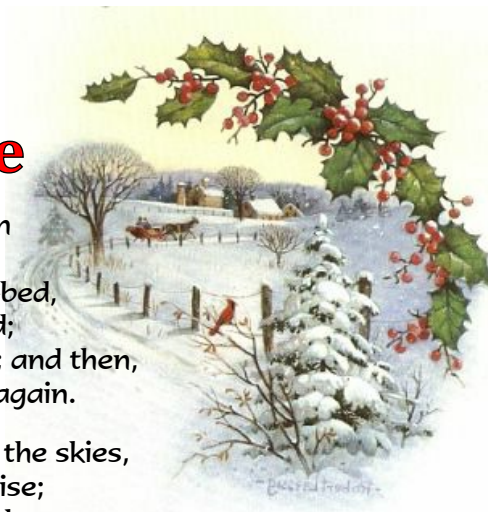
Late lies the wintry sun a-bed,  
A frosty, fiery sleepy-head;  
Blinks but an hour or two; and then,  
A blood-red orange, sets again.

Before the stars have left the skies,  
At morning in the dark I rise;  
And shivering in my nakedness,  
By the cold candle, bathe and dress.

Close by the jolly fire I sit  
To warm my frozen bones a bit;  
Or with a reindeer-sled, explore  
The colder countries round the door.

When to go out, my nurse doth wrap  
Me in my comforter and cap;  
The cold wind burns my face, and blows  
Its frosty pepper up my nose.

Black are my steps on silver sod;  
Thick blows my frosty breath abroad;  
And tree and house, and hill and lake,  
Are frosted like a wedding cake.



2023 is a year of the Rabbit, starting from January 22nd, 2023 (Chinese New Year), and ending on February 9th, 2024 (Chinese New Year's Eve). The sign of Rabbit is a symbol of longevity, peace, and prosperity in Chinese culture. 2023 is predicted to be a year of hope!

If you are under the sign you have been born on  
1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999, 2011, 2023

# Community News

from Geraldine Bennett

**News update Re: 5G** Many thanks to all who sent objections/views/concerns regarding planning permission being sought for the siting of the 5G 20m street pole adjacent to the cottages on the corner of Storth Lane Fulwood Road.

For more info go to: <https://planning.org.uk/app/61/RIXLU1NYMF400>

We are awaiting the outcome!

**Nethergreen and Ranmoor Litter picks** are now well established on the 1st Saturday of the month 10:30-12:30, opposite Nether Green Junior School, on the corner of Fulwood Road/Tom Lane.



We have our dedicated volunteers and have interest most months from local residents and passers by asking about what we are doing. We have new volunteers signing up regularly.

Many of our litter pickers have their own sticks and litter pick as and when they can.

Please join us for one of our litter picks. Equipment provided, just wear your gardening gloves.

Pre-Christmas tidy up is on 3rd December and there will be home made mince pies

**2023 dates are:** January 7th, February 4th, March 4th, April 1st There is often seasonal home baking at the end as an incentive!

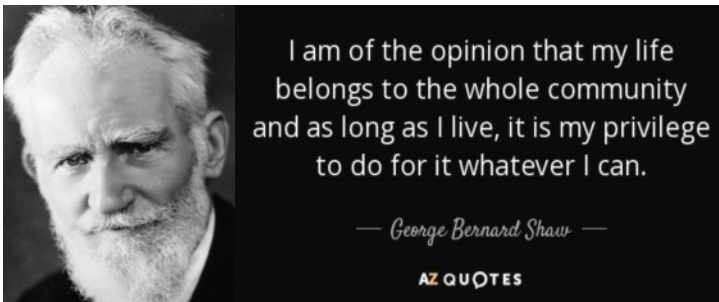
If you can't make our dates take a look at the other local litter picks using the link below or get yourself a free litter stick from Ecclesall Library.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SheffieldLitterPickers/>

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## Do you have Community News?

If so please email to Sue at [susantoulson@gmail.com](mailto:susantoulson@gmail.com)



# Activities in the Chapel

**FULWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE:** every 1st Tuesday at 7.30. More info at [www.facebook.com/FulwoodWI/](http://www.facebook.com/FulwoodWI/) and contact to Victoria Cobley: [fulwoodwi@gmail.com](mailto:fulwoodwi@gmail.com)

**FULWOOD WRITING GROUP:** Usually last Monday in the month 7.30pm.  
On Zoom until further notice. Contact Marie on email: [m.c.fitzpatrick@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:m.c.fitzpatrick@hotmail.co.uk) .

**LACE MAKING every Wednesdays at 10 am . For more info please contact from** Chrissie Ursell - [christine.ursell@btinternet.com](mailto:christine.ursell@btinternet.com) .....0783 590 3232

**MAYFIELD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE:** every 2nd Wednesday at 7.30 Kathy on 07903 259557 or Denise on 0114 230 170

**MINDFULNESS@LUNCHTIME** - 1st and 3rd Friday each month 12.15 - 2pm. Contact Gill Upham 07906 893 171 or email [gill.upham@gmail.com](mailto:gill.upham@gmail.com)

**POETRY GROUP** - every 3rd Thursday in the month at 4pm. On Zoom until further notice  
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**POST NATAL GROUP: Every Monday at 15.15. For more info please contact** Kate Iles [iles.kmi@gmail.com](mailto:iles.kmi@gmail.com) 0788 550 4875

**YOGA:** Mondays 6 to 7.15pm Contact Leslie on 0788 868 1274 or email [unwind@yogasheffield.com](mailto:unwind@yogasheffield.com)

**YOGA:** Thursdays 6.30 to 7.30pm. For more info please contact Fiona Wiles 0789 052 4556 email for bookings [fiona.ktwiles@gmail.com](mailto:fiona.ktwiles@gmail.com)

## && WINTER BLESSINGS &&

How many words of **FOUR** letters or more can  
you make from the phrase 'Winter Blessings'?  
No Proper Nouns please.

Send your lists by 15th January to Sue  
[susantoulson@gmail.com](mailto:susantoulson@gmail.com)  
and she will publish the winner(s)  
in the next issue



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# Sunday Reflections

in Chapel & on Zoom

**11am unless stated otherwise**

Dec	4th	Rev Sarah Tinker
	11th	Ed Fordham
	18th	<b>6pm</b> Service of Lessons and Carols
	25th	<b>10.30am</b> Peter Rowson Christmas Morning Service
Jan	1st	Marie Fitzpatrick and Peter Rowson
	8th	Robert Ince
	15th	Philippa Shewry
	22nd	Ed Fordham
Feb	5th	Rev Sarah Tinker

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