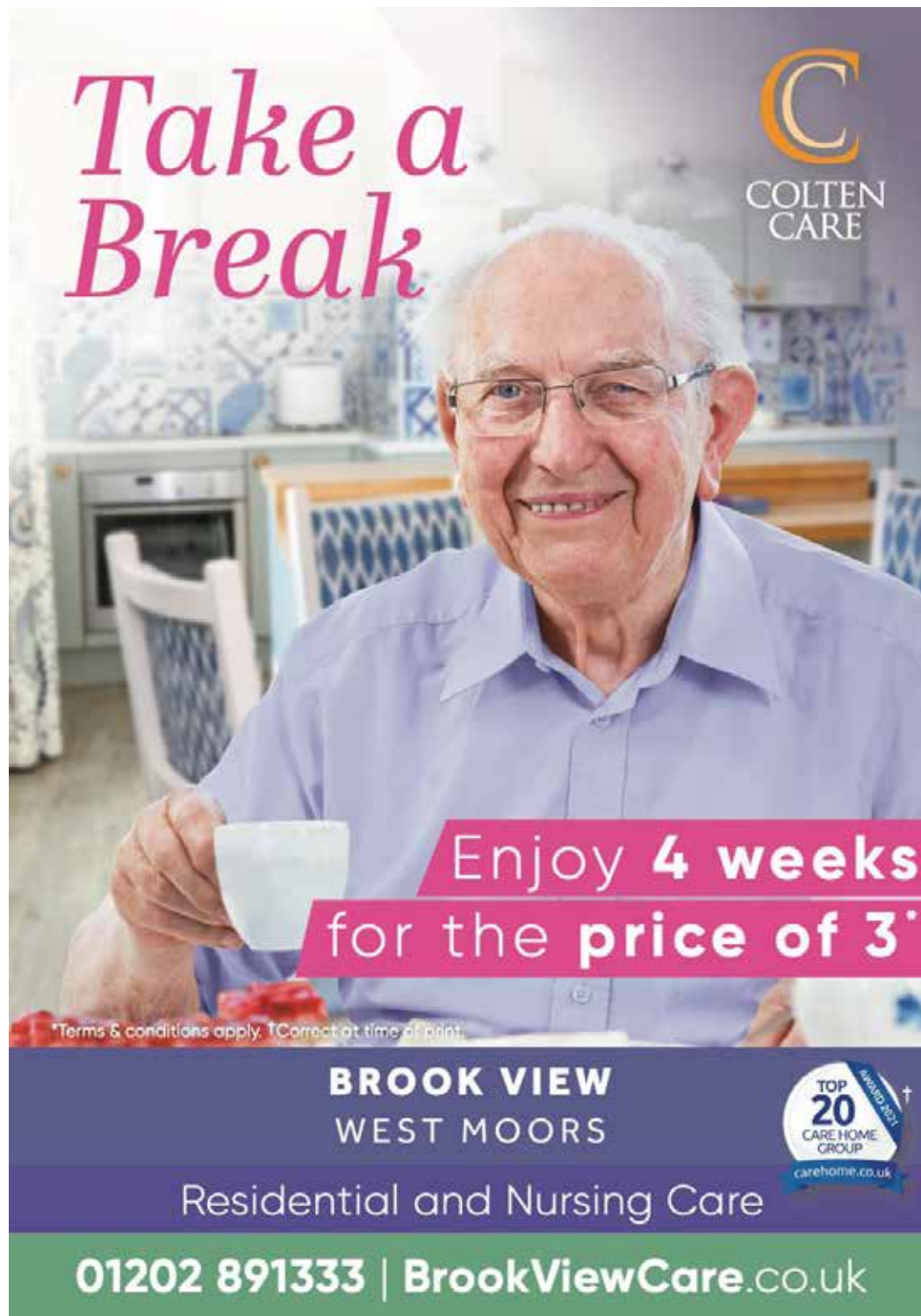




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provide homemade cakes (using Fairtrade ingredients); serve tea and coffee.

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Contact David Morgan at: david24morgan@gmail.com or 07850 770885.

Can you help to: put up (at 8am) and take down (at 3pm) the gazebos;

Find out more about events in the Festival at
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Services at the Minster

Sundays

8.00 am
9.30 am
11.15 am

Holy Communion (BCP)
Holy Communion (Common Worship)
Minster Praise (*with Communion on the 4th Sunday of the month*)
2nd Sunday **Messy Church** tbc
4th Sunday **Sensory Church** tbc
Choral Evensong

Weekdays

Morning Prayer
Evening Prayer
Holy Communion

8.30am Monday to Saturday (*on Zoom*)
5.00pm Monday to Saturday (*on Zoom*)
11am Wednesday (*in the Minster*)

Services at St Margaret's Chapel

11.00 am

3rd Thursday **Holy Communion (BCP)**

We will continue to stream the 9.30 am service on Youtube. Look for the 'Wimborne Minster official' Youtube channel for live and recorded services.

In September

16th	Baptism of Darcie Ophaus	
10th	Wedding of Benjamin Richards and Astrid Fairclough	
9th	Funeral of Barbara Meddickaged	85 years
14th	Funeral of Joan Firmajer aged (Bournemouth Crematorium)	88 years
15th	Funeral of David Simsaged (St Bartholomew's Church, Shapwick)	78 years

Dates for your diary - October

Sunday 2nd,

Harvest Festival and Benefactors' Sunday

11.15am

**Baptism of Freddie Hazard
(during Minster Praise)**

Monday 3rd

12.30pm

Lunchtime Recital:
John Radford (*organ*)

Tuesday 4th

10.30 – 12 noon

Toddler Group (Forest Garden)

Wednesday 5th

7.30pm – 8.30pm

Prayer Circle (Church House)

Dates for your diary - October cont.

Thursday 6th	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
Friday 7th	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)
	7.30pm	'Ball and Socket: a Flanders and Swann tribute' (Church House Upstairs)
Saturday 8th	10.30am	Baptism of Hudson and Harper Scott
	7 pm	Orlando Singers Concert (Minster)
Sunday 9th	1.00pm	Baptism of Isabella Leake
	3.00pm	Animal Blessing Service
Monday 10th	12.30pm	Lunchtime recital: Sarah Kemp and Chris Dowie (voice and piano)
Tuesday 11th	10.30am – 12 noon	Toddler Group (Forest Garden)
Wednesday 12th	7.30pm – 8.30pm	Prayer Circle (Church House)
Thursday 13th	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
	2.15pm – 4pm	Mothers' Union meeting (Church House)
Friday 14th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden Home Education Group (Forest Garden)
	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)
	1.45pm	QE School Welcome Service
Saturday 15th	10.00am – 4.00pm	Wimborne Green Festival (Minster Green)
Sunday 16th	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Messy Church (Church House)
	6.30pm	Taize Service (Minster)
Monday 17th	12.30pm	Lunchtime recital: Sam Hanson (organ)
Tuesday 18th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden Toddler Group (Forest Garden)
3.30pm	LPA Meeting (Church House Upstairs)	

Dates for your diary - October cont.

Wednesday 19th	7.30pm – 8.30pm	Prayer Circle (Church House)
Thursday 20th	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
Friday 21st	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)
Sunday 23rd		
Monday 24th	12.30pm	Lunchtime recital: Sean Tucker (organ)
Tuesday 25th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden Toddler Group (Forest Garden)
Wednesday 26th	7.30pm – 8.30pm	Prayer Circle (Church House)
Thursday 27th	9.30am – 11am	Two by Two Toddler Group (Church House Upstairs)
Friday 28th	10.30am – 12 noon	Forest Garden Home Education Group (Forest Garden)
	12 noon – 1.30pm	Lunch and Chat (Church House)
Sunday 30th	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Sensory Church (Church House)

It's not too soon to think about finding the perfect cards for friends and family – and supporting a charity!



New Minster Christmas Card

A new Minster Christmas card is being produced this year. By the time this magazine is published they will be on sale in the Shop area and later in October in Cards for Good Causes. They will be available both as a single card and in packets. Full details on pricing are still being worked out.

This year the sale of Cards for Good Causes will take place in St George's Chapel, inside the Minster, rather than in Church House. The exact date when CFGC will start is yet to be confirmed, since a new manager is needed after the retirement of Francis Vine.



Praying for the Minster and the Northern Villages, Wimborne and the world

Prayer cycle for OCTOBER

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Our Rector | 18 The police, PCSOs, |
| 2 Those in training for ministry | the Probation Service |
| 3 The OASIS group; | 19 The Sudan Medical Link |
| the widowed | 20 Ambulance services, |
| 4 The Lunch and Chat team | paramedics and firefighters |
| 5 The Society of St Francis | 21 Churchwardens |
| at Hilfield | 22 Young people in the |
| 6 Wimborne Deanery; | Wimborne area |
| the Rural Dean | 23 PCC members |
| 7 Wimborne Town Council | 24 The Chained Library: |
| 8 Dorset County Council | custodians, volunteers |
| 9 Christian Aid | 25 The MARS Trust |
| 10 Victoria Hospital; Streets | 26 Diocesan links with |
| Meadow and Stoneleigh homes | Evreux and Latvia |
| 11 Our Associate Clergy | 27 The Citizens' Advice Bureau |
| 12 Parish Office staff | 28 New housing developments |
| 13 The Mothers' Union | 29 Wimborne Dementia |
| 14 Housegroups:prayer and study | Action Alliance |
| 15 The Bible Society | 30 Wimborne First School |
| 16 Staff of the Diocesan offices | 31 A cause dear to your heart, |
| 17 East Dorset Heritage Trust | not listed elsewhere |

*Please use this diary as a part of your own prayers.
In this way we can pray together as a parish for our common concerns.*

Aspects of Spirituality

Wednesdays in November at 7 pm, in the Minster

The theme of this year's talks in the series *Aspects of Spirituality* is **Spirituality and Music.**

Four sessions will look at the the changing place of music in worship.

The fifth session will involve people choosing a favourite hymn and performing a verse.

Keep the date! More details will follow during October

An amazing woman of faith

Well, we all knew the Queen's death would come one day, but it did seem to hit us suddenly, with many of us stunned for a while as we digested that the life of the nation was going to change. We had lost a steady, dependable, wise presence. As one lady who was interviewed on television put it, we have lost our stability in an unstable world. (Perhaps we don't all feel like that or perhaps some of us are more of a republican persuasion, yet I suspect there are very few people who were left unaffected by this news). And whilst we were processing the news, all too quickly the media and authorities were sharing news of the succession... King Charles. It almost felt too quick, yet, we know that it was necessary. The Queen will be missed. Her faith gave her stability, focus and energy throughout her life. Having the throne somewhat thrust upon her she could have refused, or taken it up giving only 50% of herself but she didn't. She gave it her all. It was a vocation (a calling on her life – it was who she was made to be – a Queen. She looked to God to help her and he did not fail her). The Christian faith is centred on Jesus who gave his life for others. In the same way our late Queen Elizabeth gave her life for others (us) and she did so with a smile, dignity and humour. (I thank God for her). She inspired something in us all and helped us be hopeful for the future somehow even when things seemed dire. She has now passed the baton on to her son, our new King. It will no doubt be different - after all no two people are the same.



We grieve our nation's loss and our hearts cry out to the royal family who for much of their time have to publicly grieve and focus on the tasks that need carrying out. May we support them in any way we can. And for those of us who are Christians, may we be inspired by her life of service given as she followed Jesus. May we, too, follow Jesus

Christ with such steadfast faith and love so that when our last breaths are taken we will have served God well, in whichever way we were called. May people be able to look back and see that God had been at work in us. Our late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth – may you rest in peace and truly rise in God's glory!

-Rev. Suzie Allen



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Minster Organ Update

As I write this in mid-September the organ is finally nearing completion. In fact today I spent the afternoon helping Paul and Joe from Mander Organs install the front pipes in the Chancel Case so we can now get some pictures of the two cases as seen together from near the pulpit. Some further detail and tracery work is yet to be added to the cases, but their appearance already greatly enhances the building and complements the Jacobean Choir stalls.



a)



b)



c)



d)

a) West (Nave) case completed with orchestral trumpets installed

b) Four of the orchestral trumpet pipes installed behind the main case pipes

c) The Chancel case

d) Both cases viewed from the front by the pulpit.

e) The Channel Case



e)

The Orchestral Trumpet has been installed in the West Case with a few of its smaller pipes actually inside the case and pointing upwards (see picture). This has been a long process but the craftsmanship is superb throughout with great attention to detail. The Mander's staff on site have all been friendly and co-operative regarding services and other events which have inevitably interrupted progress. The final result will be

excellent and those of us who have played the rebuilt instrument are very pleased with it. The sound projects much better into the Nave and is much clearer than before. The new stops are already proving their worth and overall we have a really excellent instrument for the various purposes for which it has been designed. I am always happy

to talk to anyone who would like more detail about the work which has been carried out.

We have no fixed date yet for a grand opening recital, but we are currently looking at possible dates in late February or early March next year.

-Peter Cook



The trumpets in their new position



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Mourning her late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth



During the ten days of official mourning for her Majesty, many came to sign the Book of Condolence, to light a candle, or to sit quietly in prayer and contemplation.

The 9.30am Eucharist services on the 11th and 18th September used readings and prayers provided by the Church of England, to express sorrow and our sense of loss, thanksgiving for a life of service, and our Christian trust in the promise of resurrection.

Photo: Tom Scrase)



Proclamation of the King

The accession of King Charles III was proclaimed on the Green by the Mayor, ending with 'God Save the King!' The Town Crier then called for three cheers for His Majesty The King, before the Wimborne Militia fired a Salute.

(Photo: Tom Scrase)



Civic Service of Commemoration, Sunday 18th

The special Civic Service was attended by a Deputy Lieutenant, Michael Tomlinson, MP, members of the Town Council, and members of Wimborne branch of the Royal British Legion, among others. The Union flag of the RBL was laid up on the altar during the service.



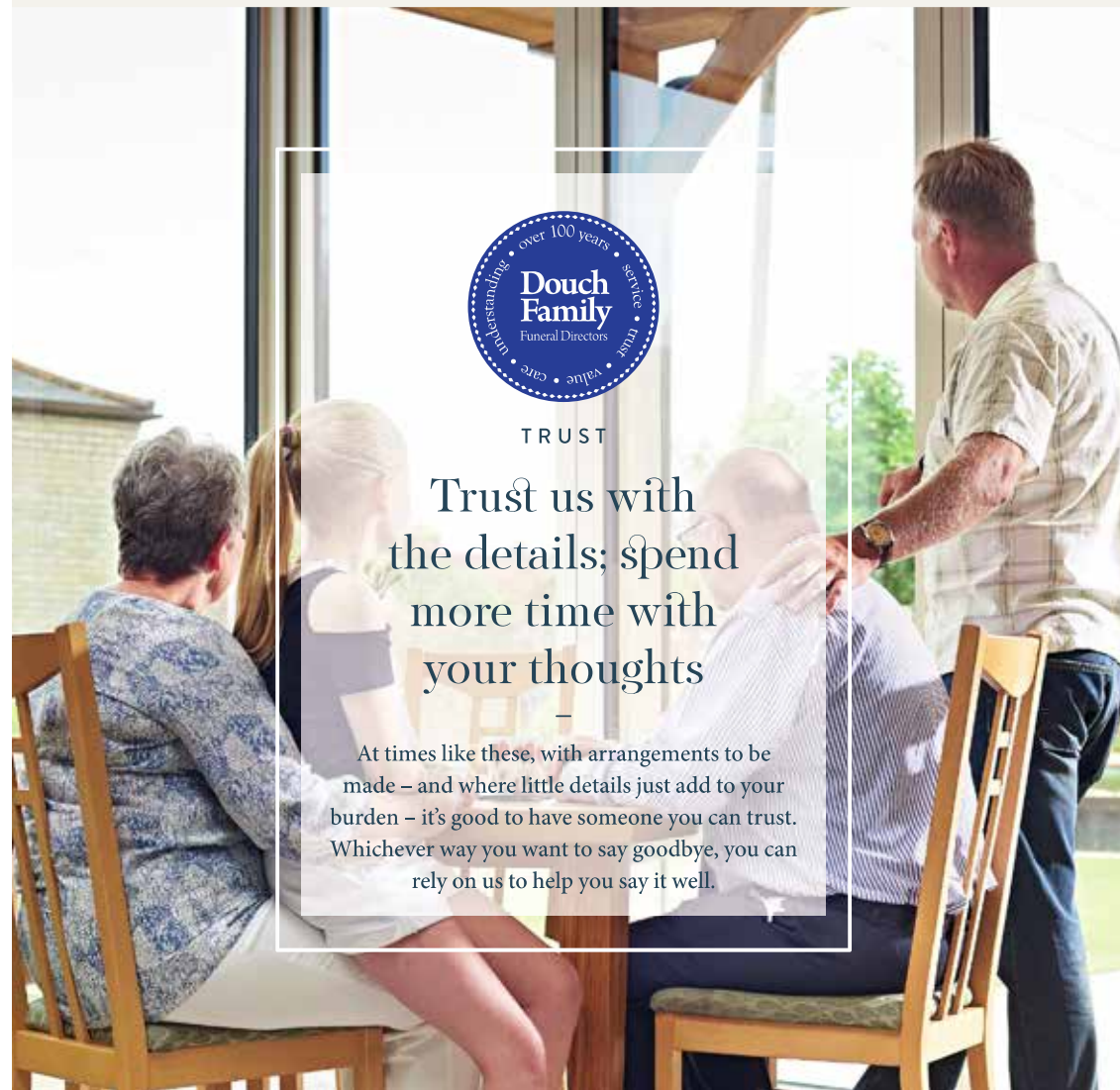
Funeral of her late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth

The funeral service in Westminster Abbey was relayed live in the Minster, for those who wished to watch it together. The Minster remained open for visitors through the afternoon.

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Trees for Wimborne – branching out

Wilding Wimborne is a new voluntary group with large ambitions. It came about because a number of people were concerned about the decline in insects, particularly pollinators, which impacts all birds and mammals as well as food production. The group has developed a plan to address this locally, through influencing and by direct action. Some of the objectives are well under way; readers will already be aware of the community garden opposite the new Beaufort School, and work that led to Wimborne's Bee Friendly Town status. One of our other aims, to increase tree cover, will take many years to come to fruition. We often associate bees and other insects with colourful flowers but in fact trees are at least as important as a food plant.

Oak trees support as many as 350 different insect species and the birch more than 300, while in the early spring willows are alive with the buzzing of bees looking for an early source of nectar. But trees provide us with shade and cooling in summer, add beauty to our streets and open spaces, and we now know they reduce stress and improve wellbeing. Wilding Wimborne quickly realised that this was an large and important task and set up Trees for Wimborne, a separate group that remains closely affiliated with Wilding Wimborne. We will start the ball rolling this coming winter by planting trees on the SANGs*; the saplings are being provided by the Woodland Trust Community Scheme. We would also like to see more trees on our streets but that is a project for the future. Because Wimborne is so closely associated with the River Stour and the River Allen, we wanted to help to revive a tree that is dependent on wet places and used to be common along river valleys. This is the Native Black Poplar and it is

now our rarest large tree in Britain. The trees have been affected by a number of circumstances including loss of habitat, but also because the uses for the timber have been superseded. The timber was highly valued; because it is springy and fire resistant it had a variety of uses including bowls, small rafters, planking, cart floors, fence poles, and agricultural buildings. Arrows found on the *Mary Rose* were made from Native Black Poplar, and more recently it was used in the railway and aircraft industries. It was even thought to have medicinal properties and was used to treat bruises, inflammation and gout.



The replacement Black Poplar at White Mill

Many residents of Wimborne will remember the magnificent Native Black Poplar at White Mill, owned by the National Trust, near Sturminster Marshall. This was sadly lost to old age and cuttings were taken by the then curator, Colin Cope. He planted one of these cuttings in the grounds and there is now a younger version of this much-loved tree overlooking the Stour. Nevertheless the valley is much depleted of what should be a more common

sight. Trees for Wimborne are now working with landowners and other voluntary groups to bring this tree back to Wimborne. We have been fortunate to secure funding from Dorset Community Foundation, supported by Wessex Water, to purchase some trees to begin this journey.

We have been doubly fortunate to be offered help from Denny Sweet of Upton Specialised Tree Services Ltd, who will not only be helping to prepare the planting area on the SANG near to Brook Road, but has also offered an area for tree propagation at their nursery based in Wimborne. This is invaluable as trees are now much in demand and certain trees such as the Native Black Poplar cannot easily be purchased. We plan collect seeds and cuttings this autumn



Photos from the Woodland Trust: the leaves, flowers and seeds of the Native Black Poplar <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk> .

to begin this endeavour. Of course, this will require volunteers. If you would like to be part of this new adventure, we will need people who would like to plant trees, but as importantly and more time consuming, undertake maintenance of the new saplings as well as volunteer with growing trees.

If you are interested then contact treesforwimborne@gmail.com

- Niki Harper

**A SANG (Suitable Alternative Natural Green Space) is a protected green space created for recreational use such as dog-walking, to help protect other more vulnerable habitats. A requirement for a SANG is now usually included in housing developments.*

Donate it, don't dump it: Donate-IT is back!

Planet Wimborne Green Festival, Saturday 15th October, 12 noon-2pm in the Minster

Bring your unwanted and defunct tech items to Simon Barfoot of DonateIT, already known to many from earlier visits to Wimborne. Simon wipes all devices securely, repairs and repurposes them or, when that's not possible, reclaims spare parts and recovers precious metals. Donate-IT is funded from the spare parts reclaimed from donated kit and is sponsored by local businesses. The last collection, in May, came to 170kg, including 14 laptops, and four iPhones. The result: not only did less dangerous e-waste go to landfill, but 11 refurbished items (a mixture of laptops and iPads) were donated to children and families in the Wimborne area.





On 10th and 11th September, the Children's Society held a Focus weekend. A coffee morning was held in Church House on Saturday, and on Sunday a Children's Society volunteer speaker, Paul Gray, came to give a talk at the Minster Praise Service. Paul showed us a video highlighting the experiences of a young, unaccompanied refugee arriving in this country and how The Children's

Society had supported him to eventually get on his feet, and start a course at college, which he was thrilled to be doing. Paul also talked of other work the Society does in helping young people at a time when the need is great. Children's Society leaflets encouraged people to learn more about projects around the country, and the campaign work which is carried out particularly in schools. Summing up, Anne King said that, as parents, most of us work hard to give our children the best start in life, but the Children's Society speaks for those children who have been neglected, abused, trafficked, groomed by

criminals, or refugees or carers, and works hard to keep hope alive in their hearts.

A prayer for The Children's Society:

Heavenly Father we pray for all who support or work for The Children's Society in any way. Keep us close to the love and mission of your Son and to his special regard for children. Give us eyes to see the plight of others. Give us hearts to respond to the needs of others. Give us hands to act in the service of others, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

David Sims (1943-2022)

On September 15th, Shapwick Church was packed with David's friends to give thanks for his life, his gift of friendship and his deep faith. David's family ran a photography business in Southsea, photographing royal visitors to Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight over several generations, but his parents then opened a teashop, before moving to Shapwick. For more than 30 years David lived and worked in Shapwick, serving the church as verger, treasurer,

churchwarden and secretary, and working at a builders' merchants. In 1992 he moved with his mother to live in St Joseph's, the oldest house in Wimborne, and became a regular at the Minster and St Margaret's, joining the Companions of Saint Francis and volunteering in the Minster shop as well. David was polite, kind and generous, always positive, genuinely interested in people, and with an amazing memory - never forgetting a birthday, collecting prescriptions



for others, and giving lifts to hospitals - and he was thoughtful in so many other ways too. He quietly supported many charities, particularly Wimborne in Bloom and Wimborne Model Town, and was a long-standing member of Wimborne Masonic Lodge. He was a true gentleman and gentle man, and will be much missed.

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Minster Flower Festival, 2nd – 5th September 'Trades- Past and Present'

The Festival, originally arranged to mark the 900th anniversary of the church building in 2020, was planned by Sharon Austin (Carnival Flowers), supported by a group from the Minster including Anthony and Christine Oliver; her aim was to reflect the ties between the Minster and the many skilled traders that Wimborne still boasts.



As well as the Minster's own flower arrangers, Flower Clubs from local churches, elsewhere in Dorset, and one Flower Club from Hampshire took part. The trades represented included candlemakers (in the crypt),



brewers and vintners, beekeepers, and bookbinders (with a link to the Chained Library). Centrepiece of one arrangement (by Colehill Floral Arrangement Club) was a bicycle from Samways, and nearby was a splendid 1930 Austin Seven, kindly loaned by Andrew and Liz Curtis – probably the first time a car has entered the Minster!



On the Sunday, Stephen, Bishop of Salisbury, presided and preached at the 9.30am Eucharist, and also re-dedicated the organ, in the presence of civic dignitaries. In the afternoon the ringers rang a full peal to celebrate the Festival. A large number of cream teas, generously donated by Cloisters Café, were served in St George's Chapel by volunteers from Forest Holme Hospice. Other kind sponsors included Wimborne BID. Throughout the festival music was provided by our organists and other musicians, and numerous welcomers helped visitors around the church. Staff from Carnival Flowers



were kept busy making and selling small arrangements of flowers in jam jars throughout the four days. We are very grateful to all those who took part and made the event such a success. The steady stream of visitors meant that almost £13,000 was raised for the Minster, with a substantial donation going to Forest Holme Hospice. Sharon said she was delighted with the number of visitors and the money raised. She most enjoyed meeting people, and creating an arrangement for the font. When asked to compare organising wedding flowers and co-



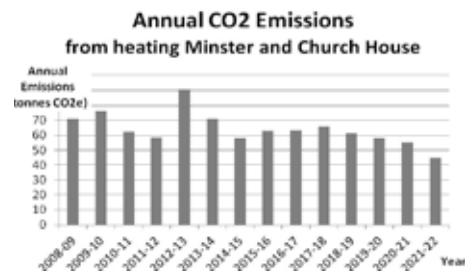
ordinating a festival, she thought that, although she hasn't done anything on this scale before, 'in the grand scheme of things, the same logistics apply!'
Photos: a) Rosalind Jensen, b) Russell Sach, c) Anthony Oliver, d) Steve Vidler, e) Rosalind Jensen

Wimborne in Bloom

The August Duck Race raised £1,400 which will be used to buy plants for the Autumn planting programme around town. Congratulations to Alison Watkins whose Duck Number 831 was first to cross the finishing line. Our next event is the Charities Fair to be held on Saturday 12th November in the Allendale Centre, 10.00am - 3.00pm. Any charity which would like a table at the event (costing £15.00) should contact Anthony Oliver (01202 888703).



Reducing gas used for heating the Minster



As this is being written, in September, the temperature in Wimborne is forecast to go above 30°C and it seems strange to be thinking about heating buildings. But the high temperatures and lack of rain are affecting plant and animal life and we must act if we are to exhibit the Fifth Mark of Mission and "strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth." One way we can act is to reduce carbon emissions.

Heating in the Minster and Church House is supplied by gas boilers which have emitted an average of 64 tonnes of CO2 each year since 2008. This has been gradually reducing over the years with better control of the temperature. Last year we emitted only 45 tonnes, a reduction of 20% from the previous year. This reduction was possible because last winter was warmer than average and we also lowered the baseline temperature in the Minster by 1°C. In the past, we have been reluctant to lower the temperature because of possible effects on the fabric, primarily the Chained Library and organ, but recent changes have made this possible.

The Library is heated by a radiator connected to the same heating system as the rest of the Minster and five years ago there was evidence for mould

on some of the books which meant it would have been unwise to reduce the temperature. However, following reports from the library conservator Caroline Bendix and the buildings conservator Tobit Curteis in 2017, a dehumidifier was installed in the library which has reduced the risk of mould. A year ago we lowered the temperature in the Minster from 17.5° to 16.5° and then monitored temperature and humidity in the Library to ensure they remained at acceptable levels.

We also needed to ensure the lower temperature would not affect the organ and so consulted the restorers. They advised that the temperature around the organ should be fairly constant and shouldn't fall below about 15°C, so our baseline of 16.5° will be acceptable.

We estimate that the one degree reduction in temperature in the Minster reduced our gas usage last year by about 10% and this saved around £650 at our current fixed contract gas prices. However, the contract ends at the end of September 2022 and prices are likely to increase substantially so it is important to keep the usage as low as possible. There may be opportunities for savings in other areas and we are considering improving the control of the Church House heating to make it easier to reduce the temperature in rooms when they are not being used. Looking further ahead, it may be possible in future to reduce emissions by replacing the gas boilers with a heat pump powered by green electricity. It will be changes like these that will enable us to reduce our carbon emissions and help to sustain and renew the life of the earth.

-Mike Lunt

Wimborne Chained Library - Book of the Month The Complete Works of Machiavelli



This book, a first edition donated as part of the Gillingham Bequest, was translated into English by Henry Neville and printed in London for John Starkey at the Miter in Fleetstreet, near Temple-Bar, 1675.

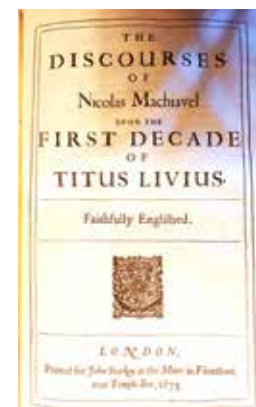
Niccolò di Bernardo dei Machiavelli (1469-1527) was an Italian diplomat, author, philosopher and historian, and possibly one of the most influential political theorists of Western philosophy. He lived his whole life in Florence at the peak of the Renaissance. Machiavelli's most read and controversial treatise, *The Prince*, turned Aristotle's theory of virtues upside down, shaking European conception of government to its very core. He was also the author of a number of additional political treatises, as well as of literary texts, including two comedies and several poems, some of which are in this edition. In 1513, after his involvement in an unsuccessful attempt to organize a Florentine militia against the return of the Medici family to Florence, Machiavelli was arrested, imprisoned,

tortured and finally exiled to his family country house in San Casciano Val di Pesa, where, between 1513 and 1527 he wrote his masterpiece.

Our book is comprised of 11 sections. In this article, we will concentrate on the three most prominent books.

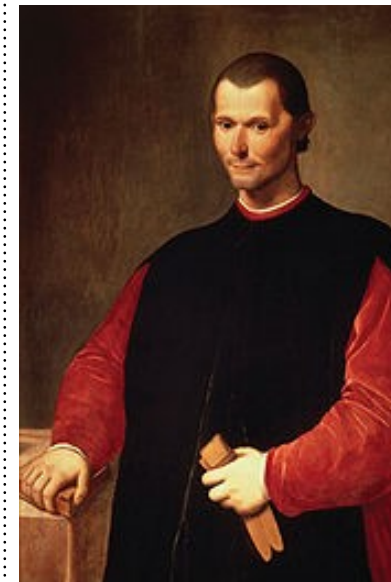
The Prince (published posthumously in 1532) is a short treatise of twenty-six chapters in which Machiavelli instructs a young pupil of the Medici family on how to acquire and maintain political power. Famously focusing on the right balancing of fortune and virtue in the prince, it is by far the most read work by Machiavelli and one of the most prominent texts of Western political thought.

The Prince was soon translated into all major European languages, resulting in much debate within the ruling intelligensia. Often misquoted, the essence of this work was so despised that the term Machiavellianism was coined



indicating a cynical method of political action, seen as a handbook for unscrupulous leaders with "the end justifies the means."

Despite the popularity of *The Prince*, Machiavelli's



major political work is probably *The Discourses* on the First Decade of Titus Livius, started in 1513, but not completed until 1521. If *The Prince* instructed how to govern a principedom, *The Discourses* were meant to educate future generations to achieve and maintain political stability in a republic. The text is structured as a free commentary on the first ten volumes of *Ab Urbe Condita Libri*, the major work of Roman historian Titus Livius (59 BC - 17 AD). In this work he asserts that for a republic to work, it must depend on a single mind. Thus, Romulus was

right to kill his brother for the common good. This is as close as Machiavelli ever came to saying "the end justifies the means," a phrase more associated with *The Prince*.

The Art of War (1521), one of the few writings published during his lifetime, is a dialogue set in a Florentine garden, the Orti Oricellari, where humanists gather to discuss politics and philosophy. The principal orator is Fabrizio, a mercenary himself, who protests against the use of mercenaries in modern war, using the Roman Army as his ideal. This dialogue was lauded by the Prussian war theorist Carl von Clausewitz and has achieved

a prominent place in the history of writings on war. Machiavelli died in Florence on 21 June 1527. His tomb is in the church of Santa Croce which, ironically, he had been banned from entering during the last years of his life. Today, Machiavelli is regarded as the "father of modern political theory." We conclude (of course) with Shakespeare's Henry VI Part 3, in which Gloucester boasts that he could "set the murderous Machiavelli to school". Fame indeed!

-Mike & Jayne Twomey

Sources: Andrea Borghini on Machiavelli, ThoughtCo; Britanica.com; Stanford encyclopaedia of Philosophy; biography.com; Wikipedia.



RIDE+STRIDES for Churches

This year three groups in the Benefice raised funds for the Dorset Historic Churches Trust. The choristers, after singing at a wedding, made their way to St Margaret's and then to St Stephen's Kingston Lacy, singing at each. This year, the clergy also rose to the challenge, and we had a team of adults. The Rector and four others cycled 20 miles, taking in Shapwick, Kingston Lacy, and other churches,

while Rev Suzie Allen ran 12.48 miles, with Sue Lock, also visiting churches of the benefice. Rev. Suzie and Sue raised £440, the Rector and his team a splendid £609.50, and the choristers £187. Thank you so much to everyone who sponsored, or who gave very generously in a collection after the service (at the Minster) The Minster was visited by 27 cyclists and walkers and St Margaret's by an impressive

46 cyclists and walkers. Thank you so much to the welcomers at all the churches, including Ruth Edgar and Sarah Morris, who manned the Ride & Stride gazebo outside the Minster all day, and everyone at St. Margaret's.

Below: the gazebo at the Minster, with visitors; the Rector's group on the open road; some exhausted choristers at Kingston Lacy.



October Crossword

set by Bruce Jensen

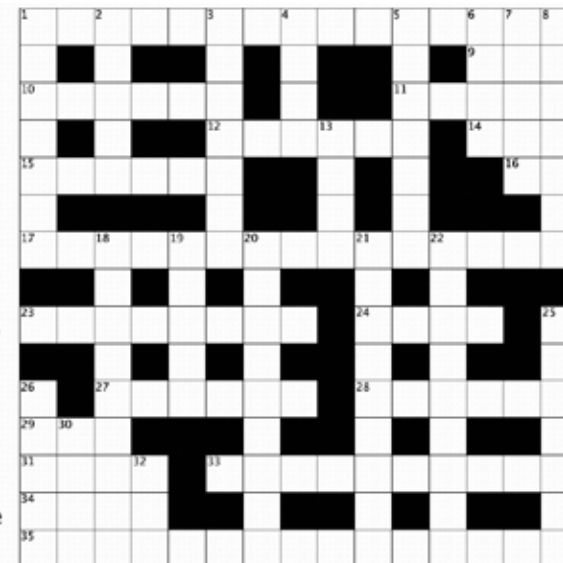
Dear Solvers, After this month's puzzle was completed, the editor pointed out that the second word in 35-Across uses the American spelling. Please forgive me this, and spell that word with an OW as in "How now brown cow," not OUGH like "tough rough cough." As ever, thanks to my test solvers for their feedback.

ACROSS

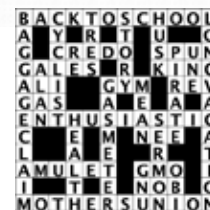
1. A church autumn celebration (7,8)
9. The first woman (3)
10. Liquid from the flower, collected by bees (6)
11. "The Waste Land" by T.S. _ (5)
12. Powder from the flower, collected by bees (6)
14. Set alight (3)
15. Save those in distress (6)
16. "You" (informal, German) (2)
17. Baked treat from our county (6,5,4)
23. Everest is the tallest one (8)
24. "The blame is _ _" (We accept responsibility) (2,2)
27. Straight, with no deviation. (6)
28. A holder for your soft-boiled breakfast (3,3)
29. An explosive (abbr) (3)
31. Not common (4)
33. It's over when the leaves begin to fall (10)
34. A (female) French friend (4)
35. " _ _ _ _ and scatter, the good seed on the land" (2,4,3,6)

DOWN

1. Ten tens (7)
2. Where Elizabeth II took her fastest horses (5)
3. The one who enticed the first woman (7)
4. It's what they call autumn in the USA (4)
5. Older than 12 and younger than 20 (7)
6. A bit of cloth worn over the face, often at weddings and funerals (4)
7. Steer clear of (5)
8. A good salad ingredient, favoured by rabbits and slugs (7)
13. High, athletic jump, sometimes to conclusions (4)
18. There and back, a return ticket (5,4)
19. Go in (5)



20. Site of a great English victory over France, the battle took place on St. Crispin's Day (9)
21. The pages are free to come out: "a _ _ binder" (5,4)
22. A green vegetable, principal ingredient in ratatouille (9)
25. Another vegetable, sometimes served stuffed (7)
26. Dried stalks of grains like wheat or barley, often used as bedding for animals (5)
30. That word everyone calls me (4)
32. Snake-like fish, sometimes jellied (3)



Answers to September's crossword



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