As the Rector mentions on page 2, thanks to the generous support of members of the St George’s congregation and wider family, we have recently honoured our pledge to raise £5,000 in support of a Christian Aid Community Partnership project in Kenya. Now we have an opportunity to give a helping hand a little further south in Botswana. Links between the St George’s Vestry and Southern Africa are well established. The present Parish Administrator lived and worked in South Africa for many years. His predecessor remains heavily engaged in charitable work in Cape Town and his predecessor, James McKeran, has worked as a priest in Lesotho and Botswana since 2011. James is now parish priest at St Mark’s, Lobatse in southern Botswana and in need of funds to enable the parish to purchase a piano. Details may be found on page 11. Please be as generous as you can.

Churches Together in Westminster features twice between these covers. John Plummer provides an update on the CTiW Prisons Mission in which St George’s has played a pioneering role. If you would like to receive further information or explore the possibility of becoming more directly involved in the Prisons Mission, John may be contacted at johnplummer.audax@gmail.com or at St George’s most Sunday mornings.

And then on a somewhat curious note, we record an incident that took place on Maundy Thursday 1882 when all seems to have been less than amicable between ourselves and our Salvation Army neighbours on Oxford Street. This came to light earlier in the year when Churches Together’s Meet the Neighbours project invited participating churches to visit the Sally Army’s premises at Regent Hall. We are grateful to Richard Stock for providing the extract from The Daily News of 7th April 1882 and the photograph of Captain Baugh, first Commanding Officer of the Salvation Army at Regent Hall, and his musical cohorts.
The Rector writes . . .

The Tablet ran a series of interesting articles over the summer holiday period a number of years ago under the general title The lost art of leisure - ‘to help readers embrace leisure without guilt’. The opening article explained why leisure is both the normal state of humankind and the proper state of scholars, and from it I have made a few notes below.

The Greek word σχολή skhole (leisure) is the root of our word school. The Greeks, Romans, and our medieval ancestors had a deep respect for the dignity of work, but as the means, not the end of life. They saw leisure as lying at the root of things, as the principle and foundation of the higher life. Aristotle said we work in order to be at leisure (we are not-at-leisure in order to be-at-leisure). The modern West has turned all this on its head and we need to justify leisure strictly in relation to work. Idleness that is needed to recharge the batteries to get back to work. We think that everything depends on our effort, and what is gained without effort is to be somehow distrusted. Even though our very existence is given to us without any effort on our part. We forget that everything we receive is gift. And we can’t see how odd it is in our day to associate leisure with idleness.

For our medieval ancestors it was precisely the lack of leisure - the inability to be at leisure - that was a clear indication of idleness and sloth. The refusal of leisure was seen as nothing less than the inability to be open and receptive to the gifts of knowledge and being. They would have identified at once the bitter restlessness of our task-drenched society as accedia - (listlessness, not caring about anything, negligence). And in case of any doubt or confusion, accedia was seen not as a sin against the work ethic... or the joy of production... or Holy industry. No - accedia is a sin against the Third Commandment - the commandment to keep holy the day of rest, the Sabbath.

The frenetic modern world of work, marked by constant and absolute activity, is not the reverse of idleness but its symptom. If scholars realised this and had the courage to defend leisure and teach it to their children and grandchildren, you could stand against the relentless drive to turn people into slothful workaholics.

The second article in the series highlighted a few practical suggestions on 'how to use the summer to step off the escalator into nature's rhythms'. For a start - get up really early before the dawn. Watch and wait for the great symbol of resurrection and renewal to rise in the east. Enjoy your morning prayers - go out for a walk (ideally in the countryside but pavements will do). Consider the lilies of the field or the roar of traffic, and come back to a good book and a good breakfast. Luxuriate in the morning. Don’t complain if it rains: you and the morning are both charged with the glory of God.

Most people cannot do much of this floating like a feather on the breath of God, but nearly everyone can find time for a bit of it most days, and holidays are a good time to start practising. If you have children you will need a lot of co-operation from a willing partner. Leisure is about recovering our freedom - Christ’s freedom, the freedom to do good, to run in the ways of the Gospel rather than limping through an unending round of duties. You can be very busy, very creative, even very productive and have leisure, but it is a difficult art. And it requires discipline.

Find the precious pearl - go to the monastery or retreat house if you want, but don’t stay too long or return too often. The pearl is hidden in your own life, not someone else’s. You may have to sell all you have to make it yours, but it is there to be found.

The St George's-tide Community Concert in April raised nearly £1,300 which, along with a couple of very generous top up donations helped us achieve our target of £5,000 by the June deadline. Thank you for your support over the past 2 years - this total will attract triple match funding from the European Union. This means that our Christian Aid Community Partnership in Kenya will receive grants totaling £20,000 in Narok County for maternal and child healthcare projects.

Starting on Friday 1st July, for at least a six month experimental period the time of the Friday Eucharist (and all Red Letter Saints Days) will move from 12.10pm to an hour later at 1.10pm. There are more people in our locality taking a lunch break between 1pm and 2pm and we hope to attract more worshippers into church for these celebrations.

Dates for your diaries:

Renewal of Marriage Vows on Sunday 10th July followed by a Champagne Reception

Renewal of Baptismal Vows on Sunday 18th September followed by a reception
Mayfair Organ Music

Tuesdays at St George’s or Grosvenor Chapel at 1.10pm

Tuesday 5th July
St George’s
Travis Baker
St Mary’s Putney

Tuesday 12th July
Grosvenor Chapel
John Kitchen
Edinburgh City & University Organist

Tuesday 19th July
St George’s
Edward Tambling
St James’, Spanish Place

Tuesday 26th July
Grosvenor Chapel
Douglas Mews
New Zealand

Tuesday 2nd August
St George’s
Nicholas Haigh

Tuesday 9th August
Grosvenor Chapel
Tba

Tuesday 16th August
St George’s
Ben Bloor
Brompton Oratory

Tuesday 23rd August
Grosvenor Chapel
Edmund Aldhouse
Ely Cathedral

Tuesday 30th August
St George’s
Richard Hobson
Grosvenor Chapel

Tuesday 6th September
Grosvenor Chapel
Christopher Marks
USA

Tuesday 13th September
St George’s
Frederick Stocken
St George’s Southwark

Tuesday 20th September
Grosvenor Chapel
David Graham
Farm Street Church

Tuesday 27th September
St George’s
Kristiaan Seynhave
Belgium

Tuesday 4th October
Grosvenor Chapel
James Johnstone
Guildhall School

Tuesday 11th October
St George’s
Andrew Benson Wilson
Basingstoke

Tuesday 18th October
Grosvenor Chapel
Simon Williams
St George’s Hanover Square

Tuesday 25th October
St George’s
Richard Moore
London

Tuesday 1st November
Grosvenor Chapel
Andrew Benson Wilson
Basingstoke

Tuesday 8th November
St George’s
Robin Walker
St George’s

Tuesday 15th November
Grosvenor Chapel
Thomas Allery
Marylebone Parish Church

Rector (continued)

Harvest Festival and Prisons Sunday on Sunday 9th October followed by a reception

The Royal Society of St George are invited to join us for their Annual Parade Service on Sunday 16th October

Prayer is offered daily in the church. The Midday Office is said at 12.10pm except when the Eucharist is celebrated on Fridays and Saints Days (at 1.10pm). Please join us if you are in the area.

Requiem for departed loved ones will be celebrated on Friday 16th September at 1.10pm. Please inform the Verger (whose contact details may be found on the back page) if you wish to include the names of loved ones.

Holy Cocktail Hour Open House with drinks on Wednesdays at the Rectory, 21a Down Street W1J 7AW - entrance in Brick Street opposite the tapas bar on the following dates: 21st September, 12th October, 30th November. Please feel welcome to drop in between 6.30-8.00pm (following the 5.45pm Holy Communion at St George’s).
Services at St George’s
July – October 2016

Friday 1st July
8.40am Morning Calm
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 3rd July
8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist & Marriage Renewal Service
Celebrant: The Rector
Preacher: The Very Revd Leighton Lee
*Missa Brevis (Grayston Ives)*
*Ubi Caritas (Durufle)*
*Toccata (Gigout)*

Monday 11th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 12th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 13th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 14th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 15th July
St Swithun,
Bishop of Winchester c 862
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 17th July
8th Sunday after Trinity
8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant: The Rector
Preacher: The Revd Alistair Macdonald-Radcliff
*Missa Brevis in F (Haydn)*
*O salutaris hostia (Rossini)*
*Allegro assai (Leopold Mozart)*

Monday 18th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 19th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 20th July
St Margaret of Antioch,
Martyr 4th century
12.10pm Midday Prayer
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 21st July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 22nd July
St Mary Magdalene
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 24th July
St James the Apostle (trans)
8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
*Missa Che fa’ioggi il mio sole (Allegri)*
*Adoramus te, Christe (Lassus)*
*Capriccio d’Organo (Anfossi)*

Monday 25th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 26th July
St Anne, Mother of the BVM
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 27th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer
No 5.45pm service

Thursday 28th July
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 29th July
1.10pm Holy Communion

Sunday 31st July
10th Sunday after Trinity
8.30am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector
*Whitlock in G*
*Be still, my soul (Whitlock)*
*Epilogue (Gilles Leclerc)*

Monday 1st August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 2nd August
Lammas Day
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 3rd August
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 4th August
12.10pm Midday Prayer
Friday 6th August  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 7th August**  
11th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rector  
*Missa O quam gloriosum* (Victoria)  
*O salutaris hostia* (Palestrina)  
*Allabreve* (Bach)

Monday 8th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 9th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 10th August  
St Laurence,  
Deacon at Rome, Martyr 258  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 11th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 12th August  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 14th August**  
12th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rector  
*Missa Aeterna Christi* (Palestrina)  
*Sicut cervus* (Palestrina)  
*Praeludium in F BuxWV 144* (Buxtehude)

Monday 15th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 16th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 17th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 18th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 19th August  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 21st August**  
13th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rector  
*Mass for four voices* (Bird)  
*Ave verum corpus* (Byrd)

Monday 22nd August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 23rd August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 24th August  
St Bartholomew the Apostle  
1.10pm Holy Communion

Thursday 25th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 26th August  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 28th August**  
14th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rector  
*Short Service* (Batten)  
*Sacerdotes Domini* (Byrd)

Monday 29th August  
*No services: August Bank Holiday*

Tuesday 30th August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 31st August  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 1st September  
St Giles of Provence,  
Hermit c 710  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 2nd September  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 4th September**  
15th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rector  
*Missa Brevis in D* (Mozart)  
*Ecce panis angelorum* (S Wesley)  
*Voluntary in C minor* (S Wesley)

Monday 5th September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 6th September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 7th September  
St Evurtius,  
Bishop of Orleans, 4th century  
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 8th September  
The Birth of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 9th September  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 11th September**  
16th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rector  
*Mass in E flat* (Rheinberger)  
*Tantum ergo* (Pearsall)  
*Fugue from Sonata No 3* (Rheinberger)

Monday 12th September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 13th September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 14th September  
Holy Cross Day  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Thursday 15th September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Friday 16th September  
1.10pm Holy Communion  
(Requiem)

**Sunday 18th September**  
17th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist &  
Baptism Renewal Service  
Celebrant & Preacher:  
The Rector  
*Missa Brevis (Mathias)*  
*O for a closer walk with God* (Stanford)  
*Fanfare* (Leighton)

Monday 19th September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Tuesday 20th September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

Wednesday 21st September  
St Matthew Apostle &  
Evangelist  
Ember Day  
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

Thursday 22nd September  
12.10pm Midday Prayer
**Friday 23rd September**
Ember Day  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 25th September**
18th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector  
*Messe Solennelle (Vierne)*  
*Tantum ergo (Duruflé)*  
*Final from 1st Symphony (Vierne)*

**Monday 26th September**
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Wednesday 28th September**
Ember Day  
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

**Thursday 29th September**
St Michael & All Angels  
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

**Friday 30th September**
St Jerome, Translator of the Scriptures, Teacher 420  
08.40am Morning Calm  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 2nd October**
19th Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector  
*Missa Brevis in D minor (Mozart)*  
*Oculi omnium (Andrew Parnell)*  
*Caprice sur les Grands Jeux (Clerembeaut)*

**Monday 3rd October**
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Tuesday 4th October**
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Wednesday 5th October**
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

**Thursday 6th October**
St Faith of Aquitaine, Martyr c 304  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Friday 7th October**
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 9th October**
20th Sunday after Trinity  
Harvest Festival & Prisons Sunday  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector  
*Missa Ego flos campi (de Padilla)*  
Thou visitest the earth (Greene)  
*Prelude & Fugue in F minor (Bach)*

**Monday 10th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Tuesday 11th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Wednesday 12th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

**Thursday 13th October**
St Edward the Confessor, King of England, 1066, translated 1163  
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Friday 14th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 16th October**
21st Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist & Royal Society of St George Parade Service  
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector  
*Stanford in B flat*  
*Here, O my Lord (Whitlock)*  
*Sortie in F minor (Boëllman)*

**Monday 17th October**
St Etheldreda, Abbess of Ely, 679  
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Tuesday 18th October**
St Luke, the Evangelist  
08.40am Morning Calm  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Wednesday 19th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

**Thursday 20th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Friday 21st October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 23rd October**
22nd Sunday after Trinity  
Stewardship Sunday  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector  
*Williams in D*  
*O sacrum convivium (d’Every)*  
*Recessional (Ellis)*

**Monday 24th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Tuesday 25th October**
St Crispin, Martyr at Rome c 287  
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Wednesday 26th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer  
5.45pm Holy Communion

**Thursday 27th October**
08.40am Morning Calm  
12.10pm Midday Prayer

**Friday 28th October**
Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles  
08.40am Morning Calm  
1.10pm Holy Communion

**Sunday 30th October**
23rd Sunday after Trinity  
8.30am Holy Communion  
11.00am Sung Eucharist  
Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector  
*Missa Euge Bone (Tye)*  
*Give alms of thy goods (Tye)*  
*Praeludium in D minor (Böhm)*

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Many participants found their first visits to prison very strange and unfamiliar. They described the environment as “hostile” and even “threatening”. While prisons will never become friendly or comfortable places, participants do become used to the very different sounds, smells and sights of them. They also become more aware that their visits and conversations with inmates are of real value to people in custody. Such conversations and contacts are also found to be important learning opportunities about this previously foreign world.

We have found that the Queen’s Speech has provoked a surge of interest and many questions about prisons among those who were previously unconcerned with the subject, including members of our congregation. They ask: Why do we have more people in prison than any other Western European nation? How do our reoffending rates compare with neighbouring countries? What is the quality and effectiveness of education services in prison? As so many prison inmates have identified mental health issues on admission, what is done to treat them while there? Why do 76% of children (aged 10 to 17) reoffend within twelve months of discharge from custody? Why have the incidents of suicide and self harm increased sharply in recent years? What are the consequences of the cuts in prison staff number reported in the press, etc., etc.

There is another question which is frequently asked by members of the congregation who support the Prisons Mission, but do not wish, or are unable to work inside. This is: Can our church do to become a more comfortable and welcoming place for people who have been discharged from prison, after paying the penalty for their crimes? Often such people have lost their jobs, damaged family relations and become welfare dependant. Can we do more to aid their rehabilitation, reintegration and become independent, crime free citizens? St George’s Hanover Square was one of the three churches which lead the way in launching the Prisons Mission. Can we now set an example for our neighbours by becoming a welcoming church?

Several participants from other churches have devised a new quiz based on their practical experience of work with inmates and multi-faith Prison Chaplaincy Teams. This is a very useful tool for use with church discussion groups. It provides questions and answers about the prison and criminal justice system and provokes debate. It does not attempt to answer all the questions set out above. These require much more careful thought and prayer, but they must be answered by our church and by others.

The new quiz will be included in the new and improved Churches Together in Westminster resource material for Prisons Week from 9th to 16th October. This is designed to be attractive and relevant to both ordained and lay people of many denominations, who are keen to devise interesting and worthwhile services to mark Prisons Week this year. It will be more authentic this time, as more of the text will have been written, or found by our own participants.

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Churches Together in Westminster’s Meet the Neighbours events are now well established. In March this year the neighbours we were encouraged to meet were the Salvation Army at the Regent Hall, Oxford Street. In recent years – notably during the dispute a few years ago with Westminster City Council over Sunday parking restrictions – relations between St George’s and the Salvation Army have most been cordial. But that does not always seem to have been the case. In The Daily News of Friday 7th April 1882 we read:

An extraordinary meeting of the vestry of St George, Hanover Square, was held yesterday; Admiral Hon. A. Duncombe, churchwarden, in the chair, and present, Lord Frederick FitzRoy, Major General Charles Baring, Colonel T. W. Ogilvy, and Messrs Hugh H. Seymour, H. M. Vane, W. J. Farrer, &c. - A letter was read from Mr J. Thornton, of 7, Princes-street, Hanover Square (on the advice of Mr Newton, the Magistrate at Marlborough-street), complaining, on behalf of himself and other inhabitants, of a noisy nuisance from the Regent Hall, Oxford Street, now in the occupation of the Salvation Army. After discussion, it was moved and seconded - "That a copy of the complaint be forwarded to the Chief Commissioner of Police and the landlord of the Regent Hall, and that they be asked to take all the steps in their power to abate the nuisance complained of." - An amendment was moved by Mr. Churchwarden Farrer and seconded, "That it does not fall within the province of the vestry to interfere in the matter complained of." The amendment, being put to the vote, was carried: by 24 to 4; and being put as an original motion was adopted nem. com. - Mr. Thornton being in attendance was informed by the chairman of the resolution just agreed to.
CIVIL TRUSTEES

At their meetings on Wednesday 24th February and Wednesday 18th May 2016, the Civil Trustees of the Hyde Park Place Estate Charity awarded grants totalling £106,372 to the following organisations working in the City of Westminster:

Cardinal Hume Centre
The Food Chain
Trinity Hospice
St John’s Hospice
Pimlico Toy Library
Soho Theatre
Motability
Paul’s Cancer Support Centre
Octavia Foundation
Donmar Warehouse
St Augustine’s C E Primary School
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St Vincent’s Family Project
South Westminster Community Festival
Vital Regeneration
West London Day Centre
School Home Support
London Music Masters
Motor Neurone Disease Association
CLIC Sargent
Marylebone Bangladesh Society
Groundswell
Revitalise
Brent Centre for Young People
The Prince’s Trust
St George’s School
St George’s Hanover Square - Refreshment Coupon Scheme

Further meetings of the Civil Trustees will be held on Wednesday 21st September 2016 (application deadline: Monday 5th September), and Wednesday 23rd November (application deadline: Monday 7th November).

ECCLESIASTICAL TRUSTEES

A total of £45,700 was awarded in grants at the Ecclesiastical Trustees’ meeting held on Sunday 22nd May 2016, for the benefit of the churches and clergy based in the original historic parish of St George’s Hanover Square. The next meeting will be held on Sunday 27th November 2016 (application deadline: Monday 14th November).

Shirley Vaughan: Clerk to the Trustees

Fr James McKeran

AFRICA CALLING

PRAYING FOR A PIANO

Fr James McKeran - former Parish Administrator at St George’s - and the PCC of St Mark’s Lobatse (Diocese of Botswana) are looking for a donation of £1,500 to buy a second hand German piano to enhance their worship and help grow the little congregation. The parish is the centre of Anglican mission in southern Botswana, its building a historic monument with a unique local stone and thatch design (see picture on the front cover) and the people in much need of support after four years with no priest. Can you assist? All enquiries and offers of support to the present St George’s Parish Administrator please. Vestry.
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