

Good News 4

*An opportunity to share encouraging news
from the Axe Valley Mission Community*

All Saints, Axminster, Akmouth, Chardstock, Compyne, Holy Cross, Membury, Uplyme,

A Message from Richard Keane, Church Warden , Holy Cross, Woodbury



My Celtic Cross

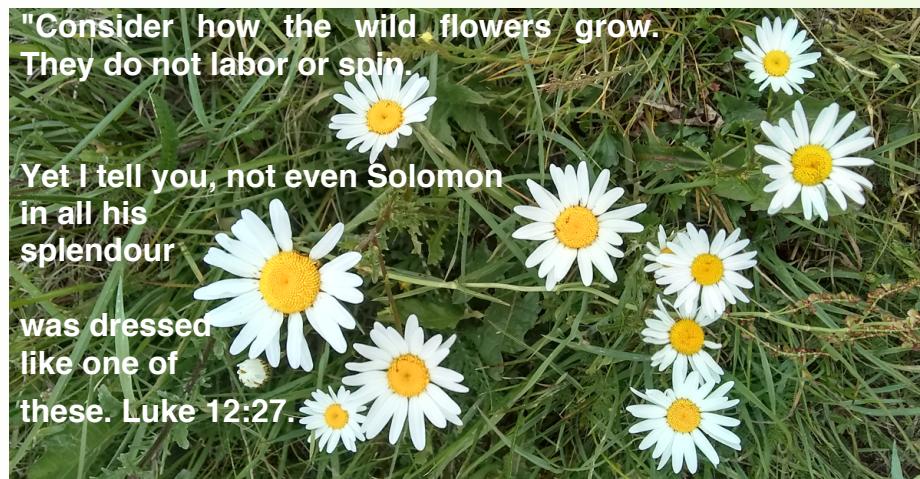
The talk Cate gave on Trinity Sunday on the AVMC Zoom service, centred around the Celtic Cross, reminded me of my Celtic Cross set on a small base of onyx stone which I brought back from the island of Iona in 1973. Newly married that year, Ann and I, as part of a tour of Scotland, visited Oban.

There we joined an all day cruise which included a visit to Iona. The ship called in at Tobermory on the island of Mull before later sailing past Fingal's Cave. Arriving off Iona we had to transfer to a small boat to land us on the island. Spending time in Iona Abbey we found this such a special place of worship. Later walking around part of this holy island we felt a sense of tranquility and remoteness there, so my celtic cross has always had a special significance to me.

A Poem by Anni Young

My husband said
“Let’s boil some eggs”
Hard boiled, a sandwich would be nice
And setting the timer for ten minutes
I sat to wait.
I watched the clock
Tick down
10 minutes
9
And as I waited
I watched
I saw
8 minutes
46
seconds
Tick away
To boil an egg
Or end a life
Face down on a day lit road
Crying for your mother
Your life was choked
A knee on your throat
But not just one
In 8 minutes and 46 seconds
A parade trooped through my kitchen
Crying and calling
For their mothers
And for Jesus
And some justice
For a time when we will rise
And say enough
No more
Black lives matter.

8:46



Why not share your ‘News’, or write a prayer or poem to share with the whole community?

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Book Club Review

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce

Last month we held an online Book Club and discussed this book.

Overall the book received a thumbs up from the readers. It is written in a simple style, yet manages to convey deep truths - about life, death, love and possibilities of redemption.

At the simplest level it is the story of an unplanned walk by a 65 year old man, from Devon to the Scottish border - 627 miles on foot. At another level it is the story of a journey in grief and of hope. Spiritual, but not religious, the book, like its hero Harold, trundles along at a comfortable pace. The journey brings smiles, tears, frustration and empathy in equal measure - not unlike life itself. Shuna George, Axe Valley Clergy Team

If you would like to recommend a book to read together, do get in touch

God of life,
you have promised to be with us every day,
also in difficult days, like in times like these.

Give us
clarity in our minds,
strength in our work and discernment,
rest as we sleep,
peace in our minds.
Be with those
who need help
more than we do ourselves
help us to see what we can offer



If you would like to contribute to our worship by reading, praying, music – or have any other ideas how God might be calling you to share your gifts, then do please get in touch with any of the clergy team. We'd love to hear from you

How did I produce this huge poster?
It took a little while, a garden and lots of fun!
Shuna



Sunday Worship

From 10.00 YouTube Worship

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCclQWLSAS49TN4ACnJTeFIQ>

A superb service from the Uplyme Group – in contemporary or traditional style.

11.00 AVMC Live Zoom Worship

A Service of Praise and Joy

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/71885450686>

Recorded version then available on

<http://www.axmouthcommunity.org/>



Church by phone!

We have a service every Friday at 10.30 ... contact us for details to join..

