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Thought For The Month

The holiday month of August is the time to relax, to be with family and those

we love. It is a time for friends and for enjoying nature, a time for picnics barbecues and outings, above all a time for rest.

In the Bible we are told that after God created the world he rested and all people were also called to observe a weekly day of rest, the Sabbath. But beyond that there was need for holiday. Even in the time of Jesus it was recorded that he and his disciples needed rest from ministry. After a busy missionary campaign, Jesus said "You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while". That was so that they could escape from the traffic of people coming and going, which was so intense that they could not find time to eat. So they climbed into a boat and launched out, seeking to find a quiet spot along the lakeside. But such places are hard to find just as they are in our country in August. In this case, however, the crowds could see the boat and where it was going and Jesus and his friends did not play hide and seek with them. That meant that as they landed they once more gave attention to the pressing demands of ministry and their holiday was ruined.

There are times when, for some pressing need, our holiday may have to be cancelled, even in August, but it does not mean that time for rest and recovery is not essential. None of us, even Jesus and his apostles, can be seen as automatons. We all need time for recovery and renewal. Otherwise we simply end up as burnt-out cases with nothing to offer in the workplace. We all need to get away if we can, and have time for ourselves. There should be no guilt feelings about being alone. Artists and writers are expected to do it to find inspiration, but solitude can raise the question from others "Are you sick?" We don't know how to cope when those who are nearest and dearest say they need space. We can also find it difficult to know how to cope when we are alone. Like a journalist I heard of who discovered how little prepared he was to cope when his wife and children were away on a trip. "It wasn't so much a question of liking or not liking it", he recalled, "but simply feeling incompetent at it".

Being alone can make us uncomfortable; resting can make us feel guilty, especially if we are workaholics. Stillness is something we need if we are to hear the still small voice of our creator God.

This is the last time I am able to write because after my holiday I have to prepare for a new ministry in the Cotswolds in September. Maybe some of you will be starting new stages in your work. It is even more important that we reflect on what has gone before and what lies ahead, that we listen to the "still small voice". I will sayour the experiences of collaboration and friendship in Banwell and other villages but know that if I am attentive to God's voice bit by bit he will reveal more of his presence in the new place. Several of the local clergy from the various churches have been moving into new ministries or retirement. We could do with your prayers and will also remember you.

> Peter Slocombe RC Parish Priest at Cheddar

Prayer

The Church families of St. Andrew's and Banwell Methodist Church will be praying for the people in your area on the following Sundays.

August

- 6th Littlefields Road
- 13th Moor Road
- 20th North Road
- 27th North View Drive

September

- 3rd Orchard Close
- 10th Queens Road

If you have any special prayers or concerns, whether for yourself, one of your family or for a neighbour (e.g. someone who is sick: getting married: seeking employment: going away to work or college: or in any kind of trouble or difficulty), please ring one of the following numbers either to have a chat, or leave a message, or make an appointment for one of us to visit you, or vice versa.

Dinah Harrison822344The Revd. Sam852314

Seniors Club

Thanks to the lovely weather we had an enjoyable time at Clarks Village on July 12th, the flower arrangements around the village were so lovely.

On July 13th Bernard Trapp gave us a film show and talk on India, we all enjoyed seeing the wonders of the world.

On July 19th we had the Rainbow Singers who sang songs from the shows.

We hold a Coffee morning on every Thursday morning throughout August. Come and join us -50p for a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits with a free raffle. We also have a bring and buy table.

We are delighted to welcome three new members Jill, Pam and Sheila. You would be made most welcome if you wish to join our friendly club. We meet every Thursday afternoon at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

Dolly Green

To avoid criticism do nothing, say nothing,
be nothing.
Elbert Hubbard

Banwell Playgroup for rising 3s-5yr. olds meets Monday to Friday during term-time 9.00am - 11.30am. For more information please contact the Playgroup on 823404 or Wendy Lloyd 820605.

Baby/Toddler Group meets every Friday morning 9.30am -11.45am. at the Scout Hut. Contact Gareth Thomas 823177

Banwell Fish Scheme: Chairman Mrs Dinah Harrison 822344. Lift Co-ordinator Mrs G Boddy 823621.

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Services In Our Churches

ST. ANDREW'S

8.00 am
10.00 am
3.30 pm
7.15 pm

Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Evensong Young at Heart

METHODIST

10.30 am 6.30 pm Morning Service & Sunday School Evening Service

ROMAN CATHOLIC Cheddar

Sunday 9.00 am Mass

ALL WELCOME

WI

We have had two excellent speakers in the last two months. Mrs M Adams came along in June from Castle Cary with tales and poems on 'Living with Boss'. She was very funny and we thoroughly recommend her to other clubs. And then in July John Thatcher gave us samples of cider, told us how it was made and how the family business has really expanded locally.

We have been back to the school again and will go again in October to help the children with more crafts.

At the Carnival we had two stalls in the Big White Tent where we sold cakes, crafts and craft items. This is the first year we have not entered a float in the procession. This was not due to lack of support, but to insurance costs, which were totally out of our reach.

Please note our email address & website

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Accesses

Hot heads and cold hearts never solved anything.

Billy Graham

From the Registers			
Funerals:			
Norma Christian Davis			
Weddings:			
Bertie Pearce to			
Philippa Annesley			

Ann Lambert

Goodbye & Hello

We seem to be saying goodbye to the local clergy at the moment, first Revd David Lockyer and now Fr. Peter Slocombe, our Roman Catholic Priest. Fr. Peter is off to the Parish of Winchcombe in the Cotswolds in mid-September. We wish him every success and are grateful to him for his ministry here with us.

His successor is Revd Tibor Szende.

Tibor was born in Budapest 59 years ago. He came from a believing Catholic family and attended mass weekly. He was interested in architecture. As a young man he twice tried to escape via Bulgaria and Yugoslavia to the West but was captured and imprisoned by the communist authorities.

He succeeded on the third attempt and then got asylum in Sweden where he qualified as an architect. He then came to London and worked there in the same field. He was introduced to the Benedictine monks at Quarr Abbey on the Isle of Wight and eventually joined them, becoming one for some 9 years. He looked after 4 rural churches and 2 parishes, including Sandown and Shanklin and then left the monastic community to go to Cheltenham where he has had a ministry for some months.

We look forward to meeting Tibor and hope like Fr. Peter he will continue to write our 'Thought for the Month'

Mr Speaker, I withdraw my statement that half the cabinet are asses – half the cabinet are not asses.

Benjamin Disraeli

News From The Gardening Club

In June members and friends enjoyed a trip to Stourhead. The day was hot but we were able to sit in the shade of the many magnificent trees and enjoy the beautiful views. The rain came just as we were on the coach ready to return home. Thanks to Hilary for arranging this lovely day out.

This month Sutton Seeds have invited the Gardening Club to their trial gardens at Newton Abbot. There will be demonstrations, speakers, birds of prey and a jazz band. This will all take place on Saturday 19th August. We shall be leaving the village car park at 9.30am. If you would like to go, with your car or as a passenger, please give Hilary a ring on 822087.

The Horticultural Show will be on Saturday 2nd September in the Village Hall. Please give this event your support.

Farewell & Welcome

All good wishes to Brian and Janet on their well-earned retirement after 21 years of 'NOBLE' service to the village running Banwell Stores - open every day except Christmas day - for the past twenty-one years. Also a very warm welcome to the Jehad family who have taken over the shop. We wish them a very happy future amongst us in Banwell.

The good thing about procrastination is that you always have something planned for tomorrow.

Anon



Key Stage 1 welcomed PCSO Gary Lewis to a special assembly to talk about Stranger Danger. Here are Year 2's tips to keep you safe this Summer.

grabbing me."

Tell your Mum and Dad the three Ws when you go out.

go home and have a sleep.

Nicole

1. Where you go

- 2. Who you go with
- 3. When you come back. Hugh

A stranger is someone you don't know.

If a stranger says do you want to see my kittens you say NO!

Megan

If a stranger asks you to go in his or her car shout NO! Then cross the road and see if they are still following you. Go to a safe place.

Jacob

Do not hide because if they hide and you think it is safe they could jump on you.

Heather

Don't go down alleyways if you don't need to because they are dark and not many people go down them ... If a stranger is following you cross to the nearest crossing. If the stranger is still following you tell a safe person. For your information, they are policeman, doctor, nurses and police lady.

Livvy

If a stranger follows you ... go to a safe place and call 999 for the police. Tell the police where you are and they will help you. Then If a stranger grabs you, you run for your life. And you shout "Help a stranger is

Tell a safe person or your Mum or Dad.

Becky

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MU

We were all pleased to return to the village hall for our July meeting. We have had considerable difficulties with the two month long road works dividing the village, although we managed to hold our five Lent Lunches despite the problems. Last month we had our Summer Outing to Wrington Church and Lunch at the Plough. So it was with considerable relief that we were at last able to return to a more normal pattern.

Our speaker was Joanne Rich who is the Mothers' Union Diocesan Representative for MU Social Policy. This grouping is shortly to come under the heading of Faith Policy. I expect you will all remember our involvement with The Make Poverty History campaign of recent years. It is hoped that the next campaign will be against exploitation and slavery. It is sad to think that although the slave trade was abolished in Britain in 1807 by the good offices of William Wilberforce it is still to this very day a surprisingly common practice in many parts of the world.

As you know, the MU is an international organisation with branches in 77 countries notably the latest is in Baghdad in Iraq with some 400 members! Total world membership some 3.6 million. In 1999 the MU published a book called World Voices in which all these MU Countries and Provinces and Dioceses are described. In the Bible there are two books, Ruth and Esther, named after women in the Old Testament and none in the New Testament. In the new testament we hear of Mary, mother of Jesus, and now, increasingly, following Dan Brown's book, The Da Vinci Code and its spin off film and tv investigative programmes, we must all have heard of Mary Magdalene. Very few women really in a male dominated society.

The Da Vinci Code certainly draws attention to the side-lining of women by the Church. Thankfully that outlook is gradually, after nearly 2000 years, being changed.

One of the prime aims of the MU is the development of literacy and numeracy for women in third world countries. In our own country, twenty years ago, of every 4 students at university 3 were men and one woman., now there are 3 women students to every one man. A complete reversal which will lead to a reversal in the structure of influence and perhaps women's voices will be heard and appreciated more.

We need reminding of the power and influence of a good wife in the old testament of the Bible which, if you think about it, shows that apart from raising her family she was also something of a career woman in her business dealings so perhaps things do not change all that much when you see the young wives of today trying to run homes, families and careers and getting pretty exhausted in the process. Book of Proverbs Chapter 31 beginning at verse 10.

Coming Events.

August is our fallow, or holiday, month. Next village hall meeting is on Sept 13th 2.30pm. Speaker Mr Brian Blandford.

Cathedral Prayers for Locking Deanery in the Lady Chapel Wells Cathedral. Thursday 17th August 11.30am.

P Reynolds

There is much to be said in favour of modern journalism. By giving us the opinions of the uneducated, it keeps us in touch with the ignorance of the community.

Oscar Wilde

Banwell Gardening Club 46th Horticultural Show

2nd September 2006

All Banwell residents can join in the 46th Horticultural show to be held in the village hall on September 2nd. Entries should be brought to the hall between 8.30 -10am for displaying and the judg-ing takes place from 10.15am.

The hall opens again at 2pm for viewing the exhibits and to see who's won.

It's not just flowers & odd shaped veggies! There are also crafts, baking and children's competitions as well, so come join in the fun. You never know you might even win!

You can download entry forms by clicking onto the gardening club web site www.banwell.info/ go to community directory & scroll down to gardening club website. Entry forms can also be picked up from the library, Vickerys, or telephone Show Secretary, Heather Taylor 511971.

In the afternoon there will be tea, coffee & home made cakes and a raffle, so come along & join in the fun and support your village event.

Gardening Tips For August



Keep the hoe going on a frequent basis to prevent weeds becoming established and seeding. Seed-

lings of wallflowers, digitalis and the like should be ready for transplanting. Dress all beds with general fertilizer. Remove the seed heads from dahlias, this will encourage them to continue flowering. As late broad beans are harvested, and if the ground is not needed for anything else, stems can be cut hard back to where small shoots are growing at the bottom. With luck these will grow more strongly and give a small second crop.

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Carnival 2006

The Carnival Team would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make the Carnival such a success. The numbers attending Carnival Day this year were up on last and although it was a very, very hot day, with the help of Gazebos most people stayed relatively cool.

The Car Boot Sale was well attended with 27 pitches and people travelled from Bristol and Frome to join us. The bacon butties in the Village Hall were something to die for.

Music at the Castle was yet again a wonderful event with many people commenting that they were looking forward to next year's event. The Pet Show again was a good event with the vets from Pets Behaving Better again judging the entries. Open Gardens, although held on an extremely hot day was well attended and the cream teas (thanks to Lyn Ralph & Co.) just made it that little bit special. Quiz Night at the Village Hall - well what can be said. Robin was quizmaster and set some wonderful questions, picture quizzes etc. Added to this was a ploughman's supper enjoyed by all who attended. New this year was The Bone Caves and Tower Tour which was well attended despite the terrible weather.

Tractor Aid gave an insight into life in Gambia, West Africa. Tramps Supper – what a great night. We have never seen so many tramps in Banwell. The music was provided by The 'Down an Out'rs' with a meal of sausages, beans, mash and onion gravy followed by hedgerow pudding and custard. We are sure many people in the village have put on a few pounds as most events included food – and plenty of it.

Songs of Praise was held again this year in The Grange. Thanks to the Voller family for

allowing us yet again to invade their garden for this event. The RAFA band lead us through the hymns. The numbers this year increased and people came from Westonsuper-Mare just for the event, having heard it publized. A total of $\pounds 165.50$ plus a sealed donation was collected on the night and has now been passed on to Weston Hospice.

Duck Race x 2 was well supported and all winners have been notified. Archaeology in our Area was also well attended and everyone learned something about the ancient people who lived and worked in and around Banwell.

The Village Walk had a mixture of all ages taking part and lasted approximately 1 hour, ending at The Bell with a BBQ available and a welcoming cold drink. Winners again have been notified.

Carnival Day – what another great success! More people than last year, plenty of events including amongst others, Coconut Shy, Pick a Duck, Flower Arranging, Teddy Bears, Cake and Crafts, Bouncy Castle and this year, Vintage Cars. The Parade was well supported and included our friends the Westerners who support our village each year. Cups and trophies will soon be engraved and certificates awarded shortly.

All draw ticket winners have been notified.

Once again a huge thank you to all those who helped, not only on Carnival Day itself but at all the various events arranged during the Carnival fortnight.

Carnival Committee

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Thank You To Everyone Who Entered The Draw And Congratulations To All The Winners

Name The Teddy Competition – Winner Jade from Congresbury

Village Walk - Winners were The Family Bell

Duck Race – Winners

1st Race			2nd Race		
1st	288	Mrs. Gray	1st	325	Christine Jacobs
2nd	673	Kemp	2nd	390	Sheila Hurst
3rd	306	Hartley	3rd	485	Jed - Court Farm

1st Prize - £100 2nd Prize - £50

CARNIVAL PARADE – JUDGING RESULTS

FLOATS

Most Humorous	Riverside	
Best Decorated (children)	School	
Best Decorated (no float)	Thank You for Saving Our Lives -	Brassic and Jack

WALKING ENTRIES

Best Child Best Adult Best Group Most Original Most Humorous Big Top Last of the Summer Wine Pretty Princesses 102 Dalmations Stupid Clown & Bare Back Rider Banwell Shower

3rd Prize - £25

School GirlsBanwell Youth Club

OVERALL

Best Family Best Visiting

Court Farm Cowboys & Indians

ROUTE DECORATION

Best Decorated Best Decorated Residential Premises Commercial Premises

Banwell Peace Keepers

Mr. Veal – Tractors Library

Harvest Supper

Saturday 23rd September

If you fancy a relaxing evening with good food, licensed bar and entertainment then look no further! Tickets are available now for Banwell's Harvest Supper which is being held in the Village Hall starting at 7 pm for 7.30 pm. As numbers are limited please be sure to buy your tickets early from either Sonia Mitchell (820460) or Banwell News. Final date for ticket sales - 20th September.

King Farouk of Egypt was once in a game of poker and an opponent had the effrontery to declare he had three queens. Farouk reported that he had three kings, and when he turned up his cards to reveal only two kings, Farouk snarled, 'I'm the third.'

A Soup Lunch at the Village Hall on Monday 14th August and **Monday 11th September** from 12.30 - 1.30pm

St Andrew's Church

£1.00

All welcome

I owe my great learning to the fact that I have always kept an open book on my desk which I read whenever somebody on the phone says, "One moment

Helen Dalev

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The Friends of Banwell Primary School Website - www.banwell.info/friends

Westfield Residents Assoc - www.westfield.banwell.info email westfield@banwell.info

Banwell Bowling Club website – www.rbl.banwell.mo

Dear Dad

A father passing by his son's bedroom was astonished to see the bed was nicely made and everything was picked up. Then he saw an envelope propped up prominently on the pillow.

It was addressed, "Dad." With the worst premonition, he opened the envelope and read the letter with trembling hands.

Dear Dad.

It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm writing you.

I had to elope with my new girlfriend because I wanted to avoid a scene with Mum and you.

I've been finding real passion with Stacy and she is so nice, but I knew you would not approve of her because of all her piercings, tattoos, her tight Motorcycle clothes, and because she is so much older than I am.

But it's not only the passion, Dad. She's pregnant.

Stacy said that we will be very happy. She owns a trailer in the woods and has a stack of firewood for the whole winter. We share a dream of having many more children.

Stacy has opened my eyes to the fact that marijuana doesn't really hurt anyone. We'll be growing it for ourselves and trading it with the other people in the commune for all the cocaine and ecstasy we want.

In the meantime, we'll pray that science will find a cure for AIDS so Stacy can get better. She sure deserves it!!

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Don't worry Dad, I'm 15, and I know how to take care of myself.

Someday, I'm sure we'll be back to visit so you can get to know your many grandchildren.

Love, your son, John.

P.S. Dad, none of the above is true. I'm over at Tommy's house.

I just wanted to remind you that there are worse things in life than the school report that's on my desk.

I love you! Call when it is safe for me to come home.



WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

MONDAY

MUNDA	41				
14th	12.30 - 1.30 pm	Soup Lunch	*	V.H.	
14th	7.30 pm	Parish Council	*	V.H.	
Weekly	6.00 - 8.45 pm	Beginners & Advanced Yoga	*	V.H.	
THEOD	4 \$7				
TUESD		Man line And Concern (down diversed)	*	3711	
5	10.00 am	Mendip Art Group (term time only)		V.H.	
Weekly	1.00 - 3.30 pm	Playgroup	*	Р. Н.	
WEDNE	ESDAY				
2nd & 16	5th 1.30 - 3.30 pm	Baby Clinic	*	V.H.	
9th	7.15 pm	Royal British Legion	*	Scout Hall	
Weekly	7.30 pm	Bell Ringing Practice	*	St.Andrews	
Weekly	8.00 pm	Banwell Sequence Dance Club	*	V.H.	
Weekly	1.30 pm	Bridge Club	*	V.H.	
THURS	DAV				
	4th 10.00 am	Banwell Short Mat Bowling	*	V.H.	
	& 31st 7.30 pm		*	V.H	
10th	a 51st 7.50 pm	W.I. Garden Tea Party		v.11	
Weekly	7.30 – 10.00 pm	Youth Club (term time only)	*	Y.C.C.	
Weekly	1.00 - 3.30pm	Playgroup	*	P.H.	
Weekly	2.30 pm	Seniors' Club	*	V.H.	
FRIDAY	7				
	9.30 - 11.45 am	Baby & Toddler Group	*	Scout Hall	
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SUNDA	Y				
Weekly	11.00 am	Judo Club	*	Y.C.C.	

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Thanks

The Banwell Branch, Royal British Legion would like to say a very big thank you to Mr Andy Rout from Gardening Needs (telephone 824105) for cutting and tidying the hedges around the Banwell Memorial Stone.

Brian

Abbreviations: * Visitors Welcome; V.H. Village Hall; M.H. Methodist Hall; P.H. Playgroup Hall; Y.C.C. Youth and Community Centre.

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