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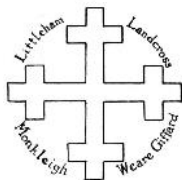


THE CROSSLET

God commanded the earth to sprout all kinds of vegetation - seed-bearing plants and fruit-bearing trees, and it was so. . . and God saw that it was good.



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DATES FOR YOUR OCTOBER DIARY



Stitch and Create. Every other Tuesday. Littleham V.Hall
Coffee & Craft Mornings first Tuesday of every month Monkleigh V.Hall
Coffee Morning Weare Giffard V.Hall every Thursday 10:30 - 12pm
Pop-in mornings Littleham Village Hall Thursdays 10:30 - 12:00
Last Friday of every month, Friday Club. Littleham V.Hall 14:00 - 1600
Friday mornings. Breakfast Club. Monkleigh Village Hall. 8:45 - 10:30 am

Sat 3rd Craft Fayre Littleham V.Hall 10am - 3:30 pm (P.12)
Sat 3rd Littleham Film Night "The Devil Wears Prada 2" (P.14)
Sat 3rd Breakfast Rolls. Weare Giffard V.Hall 10 till Noon
Wed 7th "Not at the Pub" Quiz. Monkleigh V.Hall 7pm for 7:30pm (P.16)
Wed 7th WeAre Friends Weare Giffard V.Hall 2:30 pm (P.24)
Sun 11th Healing and Wholeness service 6pm St Mary's
Wed 21st Defibrillator Training Littleham V. Hall 6:30 pm (P.15)
Sun 25th Big Breakfast 9:30 am Littleham V. Hall
Sun 25th "The Fourth at Four" Littleham V.Hall 4pm (P.14)
Sun 25th Car boot & Table-top sale. W. Giffard Park 9am till 1pm (P 21)
Sat 31st Halloween Quiz Night. Weare Giffard V.Hall 7pm for 7:30 (P.22)



ADVANCE NOTICE NOVEMBER

Wednesday November 4th Littleham Village Hall AGM 7 pm
Wednesday November 18th Streams. Littleham Village Hall 2pm - 4:30pm

November Crosslet

NOTE: Deadline for contributions: **10th October**

Please send your emails to: andrewtregoning@btinternet.com

Or phone ☎ 01237 479459

Dear Friends,

A time to give thanks...

October: a time to give thanks, in spite of a difficult year weather-wise, for harvest gifts. There are three services across the villages, drawing on the format of the well-loved 'Lessons and Carols' service and we hope you will join us and stay for refreshments and a chance to chat.



Littleham: 11am on Sunday 4th October

Monkleigh: 7pm on Saturday 10th October

Landcross & Weare Giffard Joint Celebration:

11am on Sunday 18th October.

Donations of tinned food for Harbour will be gratefully received.

...and a time to remember

While preparing a recent funeral I was asked to emphasise that the only good thing to come out of illness is that it gives you the chance to think and plan your memorial service. And it's hard to find time and space to reflect isn't it? I first mentioned these 'Grave Talk Cafes' in July where, over tea and cake, we can discuss our concerns, helped by some 'conversation-starter cards' and a few people have indicated their interest. The pastoral group will be running the first in Littleham on Tuesday 17th November, 2:30 to 3:30pm. Why not come along?

We will also hold a quiet and reflective service to remember those who have recently died. On All Saints' Day, Sunday 1st November, our Morning Prayer at 11am at Littleham will have this focus and there will be the usual afternoon memorial service at Weare Giffard at 3pm (no morning service at Weare Giffard that day). You should shortly receive an invitation if you have been bereaved in the last three years and either had the funeral in one of the churches, or a member of the ministry team took a service at the crematorium. If you have had a service which we did not take, or someone has died out of this area, we may not have your details. Please do not be offended and do let us know who you would like to be remembered at the service. Grief is an unpredictable emotion, so the service is for anyone who would value that time to remember. Please contact me if you would like us to mention the name or names of special people at the service. (01237 439584 or revruth2022@gmail.com)

I recently came across this reflective piece of writing: I think it comes from the Celtic tradition and I'm sharing it as I found it very helpful: -



Do not hurry as you walk with grief,
it does not help the journey.
Walk slowly, pausing often.

Do not hurry as you walk with grief.
Be not disturbed by memories
that come unbidden.
Swiftly forgive and let
unspoken words, unfinished conversations
be resolved in your memories.
Be not disturbed.

Be gentle with the one who walks with grief.
If it is you, be gentle with yourself.
Swiftly forgive, walk slowly,
pause often, take time.
Be gentle as you walk with grief.

God Bless,
Ruth



STREAMS

Wednesday November 18th

2.00 pm – 4.30 pm

Littleham Village Hall



Choose from a variety of crafting activities, interspersed with coffee, cake and chat

For more details contact Sarah on 07566 789150

From the Parish Registers, August & September 2026:

Burial of Ashes

Charles Mann on 28th August at St George's, Monkleigh.

Funerals

Andrew Hedden-O'Hara on 28th September at North Devon Crematorium.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Wedding

Anthony & Candace Brice-Penny on 2nd September at St Swithun's, Littleham.

Weddings, funerals, memorials, thanksgivings and baptisms – your church is here for you.

Who can have a service in the parish church? We welcome anyone – because your parish church is yours. You don't need to have attended a service, cut the grass or given money (although you are very welcome to do any or all of those things!). You can also ask any of us (Ruth, Sarah, Claire, Robin, Madeline or Alan) to take a service at the Crematorium, so that you have a known person to help at a sad time.

Phone Ruth on ☎ **01237 439584** or speak to any of the team in Bideford (☎ **01237 472551**).



4 Parish Choir dates for October / November 2026

Oct 2nd Rehearsal for Harvest Littleham 2.30

Oct 4th Littleham Harvest Festival 11 am

Oct 10th Monkleigh Harvest Festival 7 pm

Oct 11th Assembly Bangers St Mary's 6pm

Oct 18th Weare Giffard and Landcross Harvest Festival 11 am

Nov 1st Weare Giffard Memorial Service 3pm

Nov 20th Rehearsal for Advent and Christmas Littleham 2.30

Nov 27th Rehearsal for Advent and Christmas Littleham 2.30

Nov 29th 5P Advent Service St Mary's 10.30





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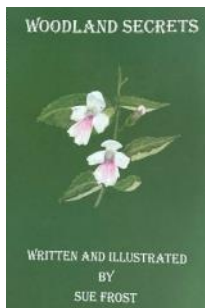


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The book, *Woodland Secrets*, is by local resident, Sue Frost. It is illustrated with watercolour cameos, painted by Sue, of the animals, birds and plants that she saw on her walks through the local woods, accompanied by her faithful Labrador, Fagan.

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LANDCROSS



Our services this month are: -

Thursday 1st Oct Taizé Service 7pm

Sunday 11th October Celtic Communion 11 am

Sunday 25th October Holy Communion 11 am

Joint Harvest Festival Service at Weare Giffard Sunday Oct 18th 11 pm

Do come and join us if you can!

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Brian recited the 39 articles as
he did up each button.

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*I got a call from a scammer who said,
"I've got all of your passwords."*

*I said, "Great. What are they? I'll grab a
pen."*

Doors

*My granddad always said, "When one
door closes, another door opens."*

Lovely man. Terrible joiner.

Pastors

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LANDCROSS & LITTLEHAM

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As the Autumn approaches, so, too, does the our Annual General Meeting. This is scheduled for Wednesday 4th November. Please do come along to find out what the trustees and helpers have been up to this year and our thoughts going forward. We'd love to hear your ideas and suggestions too. As always, we would welcome offers of help, both on the committee or as a member of our band of invaluable helpers. A final decision regarding the fete will be made by the new committee.

Upcoming Events:

Macmillan Coffee Morning-	Friday 25th September 10.00-12.00
Defib training-	Wednesday 21st October 6.30
Big Brunch-	Sunday 25th October 9.30
AGM-	Wednesday 4th November 7.00
Quiz and Curry Night-	(in November Date TBC)
Christmas Shindig-	Saturday 12th December 7.00.
	Bell and the Boys and bring & share supper
Fete or similar-	Saturday 3rd July 2027



100 Club September Winners!

The September draw for the Littleham 100 Club took place on September the 15th, drawn by Judy Hamilton

The results were as follows:-

First Prize	11 Sanchia Licalsi
Second Prize	61 Paul Wood
Third Prize	39 Sally Burnett

Congratulations to them all!



Miscellaneous observations on daily life

My favourite childhood memory is having energy.

My mind is like an internet browser. At least 19 open tabs, three of them are frozen and I have no clue where the music is coming from.

It's weird being the same age as old people.

St Swithun's Grass Cutting Rota October 2026

October Wilf Smith Alf Lee
 Steve Whinney Andy Longstaff

Any problems contact:-

Wilf Smith

redcotts@hotmail.co.uk (☎ 01237 475538)



Many thanks to Martin and Eric for their sterling efforts in cutting back the hedge by the war memorial and for fixing the paving stone base for Aileen's memorial bench at the top of the churchyard.

Craft Fayre Saturday 3rd October 10 - 3:30



At The Village Hall.
Raising funds for
St Swithun's Church.



Lot's of lovely stalls to come and buy
a gift or treat from.
Light refreshments available, and a Raffle
Please bring a mixture of cash and cards.
Hope to see you there

Intercessors and Readers for Littleham October 2026

Date	Intercessor	Readers
Oct. 4th	Andrew	Keith Chris
Oct 18th	Vicki	Geoffrey Anita

Miscellaneous observations on daily life

At my age I have given up on health foods; I need all the preservatives I can get.

Ever feel like life is a car wash and you're on a bicycle?

It's good to have self-confidence. It's even better to have a reason for it.

LITTLEHAM

A Farewell to Littleham Chapel 1883 to 2026

There was a real sense of occasion as we gathered together for the final service at Littleham Chapel on the 30th August. The chapel was full, a fitting and moving reflection of the special place it has held in the hearts of so many people over the years.

For generations the chapel has been much more than a building, it has been a place of worship, children attending Sunday school, friendship, comfort and community. It has witnessed christenings, weddings, funerals, celebrations and countless ordinary Sundays when people simply came together in faith and fellowship.

The final service gave us the opportunity to remember and give thanks for the many people who have been part of Littleham Chapel. We remembered those who faithfully served the Chapel, those who kept its doors open, those who attended week after week and those whose lives were touched by this little place of worship.

Thank you to everyone who has been part of the Chapel's story.



St Swithun's PCC would like to take this opportunity to offer their church building for use by the Methodists at any time - as a space to meet up, have a coffee or just as a quiet space for reflection and prayer.

Just have a word with Andrew or Reverend Ruth and we'll be pleased to help in any way.

Stitch and Create

Encouraged by young Sam, members of the Stitch and Create Group thoroughly enjoyed an afternoon of tie- dying.

You might spot their very individual creations round and about !!



Littleham Film & Social Club

Our next film scheduled for Saturday 3rd October is **The Devil Wears Prada 2**.

Twenty years after making their iconic turns as Miranda, Andy, Emily and Nigel--Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway, Emily Blunt and Stanley Tucci return to the fashionable streets of New York City and the sleek offices of Runway Magazine. "The Devil Wears Prada 2," the eagerly awaited sequel to the 2006 phenomenon that defined a generation.



As always, we meet at Littleham Village Hall at 6.30pm for a 7.00pm screening on Saturday 3rd October.

A well-stocked Bar, amazing raffle, free tea, coffee, and biscuits in the interval, £1 ice creams. Tallseats on the back two rows and a very warm welcome will greet you. Come early if you would like to sit in the front, and benefit from the sub-titles.

Hoping to see you on 3rd October. Please bring small change for ice-creams and the raffle (it really does help).

From all the Littleham Film & Social Club Committee

(call Keith – ☎ **07425 392731** for more details).



The Fourth at Four

Hi, do you like cake?

Some of us from the village are going to meet up in Littleham Village Hall on the 4th Sunday of the month, at 4.00pm. for about an hour. It will provide an extra opportunity to get together for an informal time of singing, worship, chatting and prayer ... and cake!



Whether you attend church (in Littleham or elsewhere) or not, you are welcome to join with us for a more informal time with more contemporary music.

We will be meeting on Sunday 25th October for the first "Fourth at Four" Pete Scott is going to lead the session, including a short talk from the Bible.

The talk will be on "Where is God when you need Him?" Or if you just want to come and eat cake, we would love to see you!

If you want to know more, you can contact Pete on ☎ **07930637864**

LITTLEHAM AND LANDCROSS COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATORS
A BIG THANK YOU

We are delighted to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who organised and supported the Annual Garden and Craft Show. As well as showcasing the amazing talents within our community, the occasion was a thoroughly enjoyable, gently competitive event. Once again, the profit from the show was donated to the Defib Fund. The generous donation of £360 has raised the fund to £2,360, which is a really good amount to draw on, alongside the funding provided by the Parish Council, when replacement parts or replacement machines are needed.

ANNUAL TRAINING

We have arranged a CPR and Defibrillator Training event for Wednesday 21st October at 6.30 at Littleham Village Hall. Please do come along if you are able. It's open to everyone, is free and there will be cake!



OUR HEARTS ARE IN LITTLEHAM AND LANDCROSS



DEFIBRILLATOR



AND

C.P.R. TRAINING

South West Ambulance Service

6.30 p.m. Wednesday 21st October

Littleham Village Hall

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Sides

It was my wedding day, and no one was happier than my mother. But as she approached the church doors, an usher asked, "Which side are you on?"

"Oh, no," she said, dismayed. "Are they fighting already?"

MONKLEIGH



Monkleigh Village Hall News

We hope this finds you well. This is the first opportunity we have had to thank everyone that came out and supported our Afternoon Tea in August. It was wonderful to see the hall so busy. Just over £500 was raised for Breast Cancer Now. Huge thanks to all who attended and donated money, and to the village hall team for donating delicious baking & sandwiches for the cause.

A note of our regular events is below. Please also keep an eye out on the boards- the one on 'the bend' and one outside the village hall car park for more information. Check our Facebook page too.



Coffee and Craft Mornings

First Tuesday of every month. 10am
Bring your own crafts, suggest and share some new ones, or just come along for a cuppa and a natter.

'Not at the Pub' Quiz.

First Weds of every month, Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm start. BYOB and snacks, light supper available for purchase.

It's not mastermind, just a bit of fun. New teams welcome and we can match you up with a team if you don't have one.



Breakfast club: Friday mornings 08:45-10:30

Breakfasts and rolls to eat in or take away. Veggie options. Please check our Facebook page and the board at the hall for any updates/changes

Quilting class is the 3rd Thursday of the month – 10am start, £10 session

A reminder we are always looking for new committee members. We meet once a month at a time to suit everyone over a cuppa. If you are interested do reach out to us at our Facebook page, or by email to:-

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Monkleigh Village Hall Committee

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Crossword Answers September 2026

ACROSS: 1, Labour. 4, Autumn. 7, Stay. 8, Darkness. 9, Reasoned. 13, Act. 16, Presbyterians. 17, Sat. 19, Ridicule. 24, Reproach. 25, Abib. 26, Celtic. 27, Intend.

DOWN: 1, Lose. 2, Blamerest. 3, Radio. 4, Agree. 5, Tend. 6, Music. 10, Sober. 11, Noted. 12, Doric. 13, Available. 14, Test. 15, Apes. 18, As Eve. 20, Isaac. 21, Ishvi. 22, Fret. 23, Ebed.

Monkleigh School

Welcome Back!

A very warm welcome back to all of our children and families as we begin a new school year at Monkleigh Primary School.



It has been wonderful to see the children arriving on the first day with their smart new haircuts, shiny new shoes, and lots of smiling faces. There has been such a positive atmosphere around the school, and we are delighted with how quickly everyone has settled back into their routines. Our newest children have made a fantastic start and are already enjoying school life, making new friends and becoming part of the Monkleigh family.

Looking ahead, we are incredibly excited about the term ahead and the many opportunities it will bring.

There will be lots of chances for our children to learn, play, explore, make new friends, develop new skills and create wonderful memories.

Tracey Wilson PE lead

Karen Reeves (Head Teacher)

Tel: ☎ 01805 623269

Others

If it's true that we are here to help others, then what exactly are the others here for?

Broad

Middle age is when broadness of the mind and narrowness of the waist change places.

The glass

To the optimist, the glass is half full. To the pessimist, the glass is half empty. To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.



WEARE GIFFARD

Weare Giffard Village Hall

Coffee Morning
Every Thursday

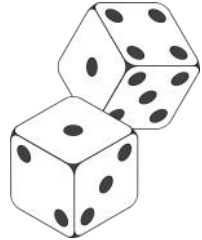
10:30 am - 12:00 pm



Weare Giffard Village Hall Lottery results

Lottery Results for September

1st prize. Joe O'Hara
2nd prize. Carol & Mel Evan's
3rd prize. Lyn Nigh



Weare Giffard Village Hall

I want to start with a massive thank you to everyone who is involved in making and serving our delicious cream teas and likewise the breakfast rolls. These gatherings; held almost each month; are proving to be quite the heartbeat of our village, and they simply wouldn't happen without our wonderful volunteers and regulars. Please know that this support really means a lot and all the donations raised are hugely appreciated and needed.

We are always looking for new ways to bring the community together, and we have some exciting events on the horizon. First up is our brand-new Swap Shop event, being held right here in the hall. It will have happened before circulation of this; but hopefully provided a fantastic opportunity for some to clear out their clutter; or find some hidden treasures; and swap for someone else's clutter whilst having a chat with neighbours.

Looking further ahead, we are currently organising a Halloween Quiz Night 31st October, then an elegant Festive Afternoon Tea on 22nd November in the start up to Christmas festivities (oops.... Is that too soon to mention Christmas?). News on more festive fun to follow next month, but do check our noticeboards and the website www.wearegiffard.org.

On a more disappointing note, you may have noticed that our previously planned Wine Tasting Evening and a Tabletop Sale did not go ahead. Unfortunately, we had to cancel both events due to a lack of interest and bookings. While this was a shame, we are channelling all our energy into making our upcoming autumn and winter events a huge success; so

please do come and join us. Maybe, if you have a moment, let me know what you would like to use 'our' village hall for. Drop me an email. Thank you in anticipation of your support for our village hall and we look forward to seeing you there very soon!

Vanessa Saunders

Chair to WGVH Committee

chairwgvh@icloud.com



Weare Giffard Parish Council

On behalf of Weare Giffard Parish Councillors:

Very sadly I have to let you know that on Monday 31st August Andrew Hedden-O'Hara our Chair and friend passed away at home. Andrew was not only a Parish Councillor for longer than my own records show and latterly Chair but, over the years, Andrew must have, at some time, been involved in all aspects of our village life and will be greatly missed by all.

All our thoughts and love are with Joe, the Hedden and O'Hara families and Andrew's friends at this difficult time.

David Branston Parish Clerk



Breakfast Rolls

Saturday October 3rd

10 till noon

Weare Giffard Village Hall



Our pastoral visiting team 2026

If you would like a visit from one of our friendly team members or know someone who does then please call Sarah Cordingley ☎ **01237 471441**



and TABLE TOP SALE!

SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER 2026
WEARE GIFFARD PARK

Sellers arrive 8AM for setup
ALL WELCOME 9AM-1PM

'Rain or shine! Outdoor pitches & 'inside marquee' tables available

Car Boot Pitch £10.00 per car, Table Top Stall £5.00
Enquiries: ChairWGPark@icloud.com

Bell Ringers

Weare Giffard are happy to train new Bell ringers should anyone like to have a go .

We meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 and would be pleased to see some new faces .



Stories

As part of his talk at a banquet, our minister told some jokes and a few funny stories. Since he planned to use the same anecdotes at a meeting the next day, he asked reporters covering the event not to include them in their articles. Reading the paper the following morning, he noticed that one well-meaning cub reporter had ended his story on the banquet with the observation: "The minister told a number of stories that cannot be published."

Sticks

Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today, it's called golf.

SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN QUIZ NIGHT

 where: Weare Giffard Village Hall

 when: Saturday 31st October 2026

 doors open: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm start

 £5 per person: to include  and a treat or maybe a trick 

  BYO bring your own drinks

Everyone welcome: teams have up to 6 people
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Please book by Monday 26th of October 2026

 Call/Text Tracy: Mob no: **07826732399**

WEARE GIFFARD HISTORY NEWS

SUMMER HISTORY WALKS To remind all, I am still very happy to lead these walks, but will no longer advertise publicly, rather I will respond to any group, club or society who approach me with a readymade party. We held two walks this summer, one within the village and one at Berry Castle, our local Iron Age Hillfort/Settlement.

‘THE STORY OF WEARE GIFFARD’ (and ‘The Illustrated’) I continually receive requests for copies of these two Millennium books, so if anyone has copies to donate, I will gladly pass these on.

GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY In late March we instigated a professional scan over a very large ‘anomaly’ here in Weare Giffard. Unfortunately results are very slow to be returned to us, but – it is definitely there and is a circle with possibly two entrances; is some 145 ft (45 m) in diameter; and definitely pre-history i.e. likely Bronze Age. More when I know it!!

GREAT TORRINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY. For the autumn talks and visits, see separate article each month in the Crosslet.

For further information on any aspect of the history of Weare Giffard do contact me. If I can help I will.

Keith Hughes

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WeAre Friends



WeAre Friends Welcomes the Barn Owl Trust

WeAre Friends welcomed Kate Jellyman, Conservation Officer from the Barn Owl Trust, to Weare Giffard Village Hall for a fascinating talk entitled "Restore the Balance."

The afternoon was a tremendous success, attracting a record audience of 47 people. Many came especially to hear about the owls, travelling from as far afield as Winkleigh and Frithelstock. We were also delighted to welcome several gentlemen with a particular interest in barn owls.

Kate gave an excellent, informative presentation about barn owls, the challenges they face, and the Trust's important conservation work. We hope that many of those who joined us for the first time will come along again.

Following the overwhelming attendance, WeAre Friends agreed to donate a further £50 to the Barn Owl Trust, bringing our total contribution to £140.

Special thanks go to Carol, who suggested the talk, Kate for such an engaging presentation, and everyone who helped or came along to support us. It really was a wonderfully successful afternoon!

Our next talk will take place at 2.30 pm on Wednesday, 7 October, at Weare Giffard Village Hall, when local historian Lisa Chanter, a member of the well-known Chanter bakery family, will present "The Lost Country Houses of North Devon." Lisa will tell the stories of some of our area's great houses that have now been consigned to history.

WeAre Friends is a welcoming friendship group with no membership or commitment required. You can simply pick and choose which talks you would like to attend.

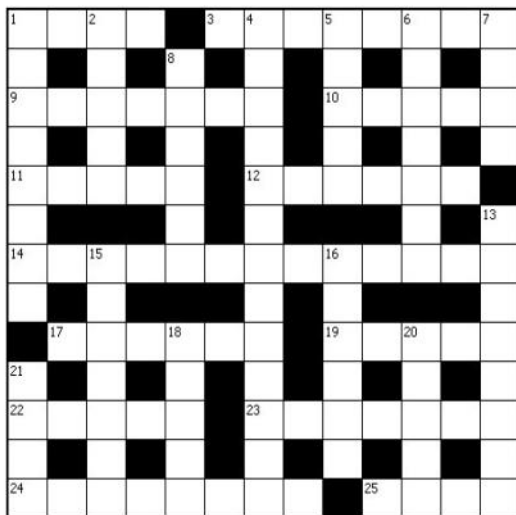


Shampoo

Why I didn't realise this sooner? It's the shampoo I use in the shower that is my problem. When I wash my hair, the shampoo runs down my whole body, and printed very clearly on the shampoo label is this warning: 'FOR EXTRA VOLUME AND BODY.'

No wonder I have been gaining weight.

Crossword Clues October 2026



Across

- 1 'Those who were standing near Paul said, "You — to insult God's high priest?"' (Acts 23:4) (4)
- 3 They were assigned to guard the tree of life (Genesis 3:24) (8)
- 9 'Elkanah son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the — of — , the son of Zuph, an Ephraimite' (1 Samuel 1:1) (3,4)
- 10 Surrender (Joshua 24:23) (5)
- 11 Where American livestock can be reared (5)
- 12 Listen (anag.) (6)
- 14 Alternative name for Kiriath Jearim (2 Samuel 6:2) (6,2,5)
- 17 He founded Westminster Abbey, — the Confessor (6)
- 19 Hebrew word for the place of the dead (5)

- 22 Allies of Persia in the fifth century BC (Esther 1:3) (5)
- 23 Where John Wesley was forced to preach a lot (4,3)
- 24 Rebellion against God; abandonment of religious belief (8)
- 25 Note (anag.) (4)

Down

- 1 Give an account of (Mark 4:30) (8)
- 2 'I — — the path of your commands, for you have set my heart free' (Psalm 119:32) (3,2)
- 4 'He took the ephod, the other — — and the carved image' (Judges 18:20) (9,4)
- 5 'You are a chosen people, a — priesthood' (1 Peter 2:9) (5)
- 6 The meek, the merciful and the mourners are all this (Matthew 5:4–5, 7) (7)
- 7 Musical Instrument Digital Interface (1,1,1,1)
- 8 He was the son of Nun (Deuteronomy 34:9) (6)
- 13 'Let the little — come to me' (Matthew 19:14) (8)
- 15 'About three thousand were — — their number that day' (Acts 2:41) (5,2)
- 16 In John's vision, the wall of the new Jerusalem was made of this (Revelation 21:18) (6)
- 18 'Our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly — a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ' (Philippians 3:20) (5)
- 20 'Glorify the Lord with me: let us — his name together' (Psalm 34:3) (5)
- 21 Young Men's Christian Association (1,1,1,1)

Answers in the November Crosslet

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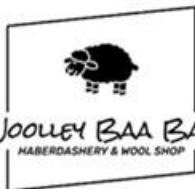
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Date	Monkleigh	Littleham	Weare Giffard	Landcross
Thursday 1st Oct				Taizé Service 7pm
Sunday 4th Oct <i>Trinity 18</i>		11am HARVEST Deut 8:7-10; 28:1-6 Luke 12:16-21; 17:11-19	9:30am (said) Holy Communion Exod 20:1-4,7- 9,12-20 Matt 21. 33-end	
Satur- day 10th Oct	7pm HARVEST Deut 8:7-10; 28:1-6 Luke 12:16-21; 17:11-19			
Sunday 11th Oct <i>Trinity 19</i>				11am Celtic Communion 2 Cor 9:6-15 Mt 22:15-22
	6pm 'Assembly Bangers' at St.Mary's Church, Bideford			
Sunday 18th Oct <i>Trinity 20 St.Luke</i>		11am Holy Communion Acts 2: 1-4, 17,18 Romans 12:1-13 John 20:19-23	11am Landcross & Weare Giffard HARVEST Deut 8:7-10; 28:1-6 Luke 12:16-21; 17:11-19	
Sunday 25th Oct <i>Last Sunday of Trinity</i>				11am Holy Communion Acts 2: 1-4, 17,18 Romans 12:1-13 John 20:19-23

**Need to talk? It doesn't matter if you attend church or not,
we are here for you.**

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