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The Anglican Community, Bordighera – served by St. John's
The English Cemetery Chapel, Via del Campo, Bordighera, Italy

The English Library, St. John's Church, Menton
Books available on loan - Saturday mornings from 9.30-12.30
Wednesday afternoons – 2.30-5.30
Refreshments also available

The British Association Chair: Birgitt Nordbrink Tel #33(0)4 93 28 10 02
The Association continues to meet Saturday mornings in the Louvre from 10 to 12am

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Eucharist - Sundays 10.30am
Holy Communion or Shared Prayers – Wednesdays 12.30
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CROSS BORDER NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2022

ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MENTON

EUCCHARIST - SUNDAYS - 10.30am

MORNING PRAYER - TUESDAYS - 10.30am

LOCUM: Revd. Mika Pajunen

[covid-19 restrictions](#)

[PLEASE CHECK ON WEBSITE FOR LATEST INFORMATION](#)

Please wear your mask at all times in church
Pass Sanitaire/Green Pass necessary

THE ENGLISH CEMETERY CHAPEL BORDIGHERA

EUCCHARIST - 10.30am

Wednesday 9 February 2022

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY GHOST, GENOVA

Chaplain: Revd. Canon Tony Dickinson - Tel. #39 010 88 92 68

EUCCHARIST EVERY SUNDAY - 10.30am

Holy Communion or Shared Prayers - Wednesdays 12.30

The Food Bank is open every Sunday and Wednesday after the Eucharist

READINGS for SUNDAY SERVICES in FEBRUARY 2022 - YEAR C

February 6 4 th Sunday before Lent	First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel	Isaiah 6. 1-8, (9-13) 138 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 Luke 5. 1-11
February 13 3 rd Sunday before Lent	First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel	Jeremiah 17. 5-10 1 1 Corinthians 15.12-20 Luke 6.17-26
February 20 2 nd Sunday before Lent	First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel	Genesis 45. 3-11, 15 37.1-12, 4-42 1 Corinthians 15.35-38, 42-50 Luke 6.27-38
February 27 Sunday before Lent	First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel	Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-25 65 Revelation 4 Luke 8.22-25
ASH WEDNESDAY March 2	First Reading or Psalm Second Reading Gospel	Joel 2.1-2, 12-17 Isaiah 58.1-12 51.1-18 2 Corinthians 5.2b – 6.10 John 8. 1-11

PLEASE NOTE : Revd. Mika Pajunen will lead a weekly **Morning Prayer Service** on **Tuesdays at 10.30am**

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BAPTISMS, CONFIRMATIONS, MARRIAGES, FUNERALS

**arrangements may be made by contacting
the churchwarden or the locum**

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The Church of England invites to Holy Communion all baptized persons who are communicant members of other Churches which subscribe to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, and who are in good standing in their own church. Those who are prevented by conscience or the rules of their own Churches from receiving the Blessed Sacrament are invited to receive a blessing.

ROYAL COLLECTION TRUST

Three special displays at Buckingham Palace, the official royal residence. From July 2022, displays will be staged marking significant occasions in Her Majesty's reign – the Accession, the Coronation and Jubilees .

The Queen's Private Estates

Celebrations will also take place on the Queen's private estates, Sandringham and Balmoral, for local residents and visitors to enjoy.

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
Friday 4 March 2022**

In the midst of all the uncertainties we are living under due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the WDT 2022 theme emerges like a balm of confidence. It is an invitation to place our trust in God in times of suffering.

The programme is based on the letter that the prophet Jeremiah wrote to the exiles in Babylonia. The exiles were in a context of suffering, uncertainty and opposing views on how to respond to the moment.

For Jeremiah, God's plan was clear. We are given a seed of hope to ponder where it needs to be planted in our lives and in our communities. Take this opportunity and offer the gifts of prayers and commitment. A seed nourished by prayers of intercession and actions of love bind us around the world.

This year's World Day of Prayer has been prepared by Churches in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The theme comes from Jeremiah 29.1-14

“The Lord knows the plans he has for you”

Due to the covid-19 virus and its variants the place and time of the service of this year's World Day of Prayer will be announced later.

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The Platinum Jubilee Pageant

Artistic performers, dancers, musicians, military personnel, key workers and volunteers will unite to tell the story of The Queen's 70 year reign in an awe-inspiring festival of creativity. The London based Pageant will combine pomp and ceremony, street acts, theatre, music, circus, costumes as well as cutting-edge visual technology, drawing on talent from every part of the United Kingdom and across the Commonwealth

Forming an important part of the Platinum Pageant the 'River of Hope' section will comprise of two hundred silk flags which will process down The Mall appearing like a moving river. Primary and secondary school children are invited to create a picture of their hopes and aspirations for the planet over the next 70 years. A selection of these creations will be transferred onto the silk flags, which will be carried by secondary school pupils in the Pageant.

The Queen's Green Canopy

As the Platinum Jubilee begins, over 60,000 trees have already been planted in the UK through the project in the two months since the planting season began. Green fingered communities and cities from Cornwall to Glasgow have come together to make 2022 a truly special year to “plant a tree for Jubilee” as a celebration of The Queen's 70 years of service to the Nation and the Commonwealth.

The Queen's Green Canopy is generating the planting of large celebration trees, new majestic avenues of trees, urban planting, and expansive new forests that will benefit future generations. Every planting is being recorded on a digital Queen's Green Canopy map which will be presented to Her Majesty at the end of the Jubilee year.

The Queen's Green Canopy is also working to protect 70 ancient trees and woodlands that are a valuable part of the UK's heritage and history and has launched a special training programme to teach unemployed young people new skills in tree planting and management as well as a Young Forester's Award to highlight the value of trees to school children. The Queen's Green Canopy will continue through 2022 and into March 2023.

The Platinum Jubilee Celebration From 12th to 15th May the Platinum Jubilee Celebration will see over 500 horses and 1,000 performers create a 90-minute piece of arena theatre that will include actors and artists, musicians, international military displays, dancers and global equestrian displays. It will take place in the same arena used by Royal Windsor during the day.

Locum Revd. Mika Pajunen and his wife Liina remain with us for the month of February.

Archdeacon Perter Hooper is coming to take the service and meet the congregation on 6th February 2022. We will have a bring and share lunch together after the service. Please make a note in your diaries. The following day, Monday 7th, Archdeacon Peter will return to speak with the church council.

Thank you to Dena Kaye for the generous gift of a new upright piano Dena says she enjoys the concerts in church very much.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee This issue of the Cross Border includes information about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee The plans for celebrations were taken from the Royal site. If you would like to see a more complete detailed account go to

royal.uk/platinum-jubilee-central-weekend

The Queen is Supreme Governor of the Church of England

and also the head of state.

Declaration to the Nation by Princess Elizabeth
on her 21st Birthday - 21 April 1947

I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service ... But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do. I know that your support will be unfailingly given. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it.

For those of you who will be in the United Kingdom this year, some facts on The Queen's Platinum Jubilee in which you might like to join

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

On 6 February this year Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.

To celebrate this unprecedented anniversary, events and initiatives will take place throughout the year culminating in a four day UK bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June. The bank holiday will provide an opportunity for communities and people throughout the United Kingdom to come together to celebrate the historic milestone.

The four days of celebration will include public events and community activities, as well as national moments of reflection on The Queen's 70 years of service.

In addition, initiatives including **The Queen's Green Canopy** and the **Platinum Pudding Competition** will create a lasting reminder of The Queen's Jubilee, while The Queen's private estates will also join in with special Jubilee themed events offering more opportunities for members of the public to celebrate the historic milestone.

Thursday 2nd June

The Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour).

Over 1,400 parading soldiers, 200 horses and 400 musicians will come together in the traditional Parade to mark The Queen's official birthday, usually held on the second Saturday in June.

Beginning at Buckingham Palace, the Parade will move down The Mall to Horse Guard's Parade, joined by Members of the Royal Family on horseback and in carriages. The Parade will close with the traditional RAF fly-past, watched by The Queen and Members of the Royal Family from the Buckingham Palace balcony.

Platinum Jubilee Beacons

The United Kingdom's long tradition of celebrating Royal Jubilees, Weddings and Coronations with the lighting of beacons will be continued to mark the Platinum

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ALL IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

550 years ago on 20 February 1472 Orkney and Shetland were pawned by Norway to Scotland in lieu of a dowry to Margaret of Denmark.

210 years ago since the birth of Charles Dickens on 7 February 1812. (d. 1870)

200 years ago the birth of Sir Francis Galton, British polymath. His method of classifying fingerprints allowed them to be used for identification.

175 years ago Thomas Edison, American inventor, was born on 11 February 1847. He was best known for inventing the first practical incandescent light bulb, phonograph, movie camera and projector, and more.

105 years ago on 2 February 1917 bread rationing was introduced in the UK

100 years ago the James Joyce novel 'Ulysses' was published on 2 February 1922.

100 years ago the first issue of Reader's Digest was published on 5 February 1922.

100 years ago the first radio was installed in the White House on 8 February 1922

100 years ago the UK ends its protectorate over Egypt through a Unilateral Declaration of Independence on 28 February 1922.

95 years ago at Pendine Sands Sir Malcolm Campbell set a new world land speed record covering the Flying Kilometre and the Flying Mile in 174mph driving the Napier-Campbell Blue Bird – the last time this record attained on British soil.

80 years ago – soap rationing introduced in UK on 7 February 1942

80 years ago – American bandleader Glen Miller was presented with the first ever gold record for 1,200,000 sales of Chattanooga Choo Choo.

75 years ago - The coldest temperature ever recorded in North America -63°C at Snag, Yukon, Canada on 3 February 1947.

75 years ago on 7 February 1947 the first of the Dead Sea Scrolls were found in caves in Khirbat Qumran, now in the West Bank, Palestine,

75 years ago on 12/2/1947 Lord Louis Mountbatten became the last Viceroy of India

70 years ago on 6/2/1952 upon the death of her father, George VI, Elizabeth II, became the first queen regnant of the UK and the Commonwealth Realms since Queen Victoria. At the exact moment of succession she was in a treehouse in the Treetops Hotel in Kenya

70 years ago George VI was buried in St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle 15/2/1952

70 years ago – 28/2/1952, Winston Churchill announced the UK had an atomic bomb

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A shocked silence fell on all the Assembly, then the sound of a young voice crying was heard. I peered along the row of girls where I was and saw a handkerchief pressed against a girl's face and the arm of the girl next to her giving her a hug. I remember nothing else on that day - so long ago. At 12, as I was then, who would have thought that in 2022 we would be preparing to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee – 70 years later.
(Elizabeth Cordone)

Prayers for Accession Day

Almighty God,
the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lady Queen,
and all who are in authority under her;
that they may order all things in wisdom and equity,
righteousness and peace
to the honour and glory of your name
and the good of your Church and people;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit
one God now and for ever.
Amen

O God, who provides for thy people by thy power,
and rulest over them in love:
Vouchsafe so to bless thy Servant our Queen,
that under her this nation may be wisely governed
and thy Church may serve thee in all godly quietness;
and grant that she being devoted to thee with her whole heart
and persevering in good works unto the end,
may, by thy guidance, come to thine everlasting kingdom;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost,
ever one God, world without end.
Amen

Jubilee. Over 1,500 beacons will be lit throughout the UK, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and the UK Overseas Territories.

For the first time, beacons will also be lit in each of the Capital cities of the Commonwealth countries to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The Principal beacon will be lit in a special ceremony at Buckingham Palace.

Friday 3rd June

Service of Thanksgiving

A Service of Thanksgiving for The Queen's reign will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Further events will be announced in due course.

Saturday 4th June

The Derby at Epsom Downs

Her Majesty The Queen, accompanied by Members of the Royal Family will attend the Derby at Epsom Downs.

Platinum Party at the Palace

The BBC will stage and broadcast a special live concert from Buckingham Palace that will bring together some of the world's biggest entertainment stars to celebrate the most significant and joyous moments from The Queen's seven decade reign. Members of the public will be invited to apply to attend this special event and details of the ballot for UK residents to secure audience tickets will be released in February.

Sunday 5th June

The Big Jubilee Lunch

Every year since the idea began in 2009 The Big Lunch has encouraged communities to celebrate their connections and get to know each other a little better, coming together in a spirit of fun and friendship. In 2022 The Big Lunch will bring the Jubilee celebrations into the heart of every community. A Big Jubilee Lunch can be big or small – street party or picnic, tea and cake or a garden barbeque. The Big Lunch provides tips and ideas for hosting an event. Over 1400 people have registered to host Big Jubilee Lunches so far with events being planned across the length of the country.

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WHERE WERE YOU THE DAY KING GEORGE VI DIED?

I was 18 and I remember exactly where I was when I first heard of the King's death. It was about 9.15 on that February morning. I was outside on the pavement of Freeman Street, Grimsby cleaning the front window of the shop where I was working. It was freezing cold. A passer-by stopped me and said "Have you heard the sad news? The King is dead." I was completely shocked as I had not yet heard. A few minutes later small groups formed and discussed the news. Many had already heard. Our first thoughts were for the Queen, then came the realisation that Princess Elizabeth, who was in Kenya with her husband Prince Philip, was now Queen Elizabeth II. It was a lot to take in. I remember too the scene at London Airport when she returned to England, so very sad, but so very dignified.

I thought then, what an enormous task to take on for one so young, but she has done a magnificent job for so many years, never putting a foot wrong. (Barbara Caula)

I have a particular memory of February 6, 1952. I was 4 years and 10 months and living in Deganwy, near Conway, in North Wales. My mother and I had walked down to visit my grandmother. In the house opposite my grandmother an old man used to constantly sit outside his front door and watch the world go by. This was a frequent sight in Wales in those days. As we approached my grandmother's door the old man must have said that the King had "kicked the bucket"! I obviously didn't understand the reference, but to this day I have a vivid image of a bucket on its side!!

(Bob Edwards)

Of course, I was at boarding school, aged nine. We were all assembled in the common room and listened to the radio transmitting the news. No television then! We were allowed to play jacks during the gaps – playing cards was considered gambling. My overwhelming memory is wanting to be elsewhere – home, of course.

(Julia Wigart)

On King George VI's death on 6 February 1952 I only remember knowing about it when I went into a lady's house. She was sitting at her kitchen table, crying, and saying "it is so sad, he was having such a hard time". I listened to the funeral on the new radio at home in Chopwell Woods, County Durham. It was a large console type radio which needed a huge battery inside.

I have earlier memories of the death of George V, and hearing his funeral on the radio in 1936. I remember even more of his and Queen Mary's Silver Jubilee in 1935, when I lived in Northumberland. I was dressed in a white dress and there was a procession and I remember the bands' instruments shining in the sun. (5)

I saw King George VI and Queen Elizabeth many times. Once I was walking with my mother in the Park, pushing my pram with a lot of dolls in it when we met a couple walking along. The man was dressed in Army uniform and looked very sad. I smiled at him while the couple were talking with my mother, then they continued their walk followed by a man at some distance, who smiled at me too.

My mother said "Do you know who they were? They were the King and Queen – you shouldn't have flirted so with him". The other man must have been a bodyguard.

(Barbara Corry)

Oh Gosh!

I can't remember much. I was 12 and at a boarding school in Aberdeenshire and we were called to a special assembly to be told the news. There was no possibility of being telephoned by a parent or friend or even using the wireless. I can remember the coronation much better as we had the day off and I went to a friend's house. His parents seemed to be very rich and had a TV set – it was the first time I had ever seen one! So we watched on what seems a tiny wobbly black and white TV.

(John Wason)

I remember very well the 6th February 1952 when we heard that the King, George VI, had died. I was at Pitman's College in Birmingham and we learned the news when one of the girls went to the news agent's to collect the weekly Pitman Publication of Exercises, and came back with the news. Although we knew that the King's health was poor it was a shock to learn that he had died in his sleep. We saw on newsreel a film of his coffin being taken by train to London for the funeral. On the day of the funeral the Queen (Elizabeth II) asked us to wear dark colours and I had a black suit and white blouse, which I was proud to wear as we were all very fond of the King and admired how he had assumed a role he was not trained for – being a Naval Officer who had served in the First World War - and who had stayed in London during the blitz, when Buckingham Palace was hit. He and his Queen were examples for us all, as they visited the bombed areas, talking to local people and giving them hope.

(Valerie Aucouturier)

I was in the second form at Rochester Grammar, and we were all at our desks, writing. It was very quiet. There was a knock at the door and a member of staff entered. She went to the teacher at her desk and spoke to her softly. The teacher stood up and said something like: "put your pens down girls. We have been called to the Assembly Hall. No talking." The whole school of some 300 girls and their teachers were gathered in the Hall, waiting. The Head Mistress came in, crossed the Hall and went up the steps onto the stage in front of the beautiful stained glass window and said, "I have sad news for you. The King is dead." (6)

