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Journal for August

Sat - 3	12.30 pm	Wedding – Michael Jeffs Holly Foulkes
Sun - 4	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.45 am	Holy Communion
	6.30 pm	Evensong
Mon - 5	10.45 am	Holy Communion Tarvin Court Nursing Home
	11.20 am	Holy Communion Oaklands Nursing Home
Wed - 7	10.45 am	United Communion – followed by refreshments
Fri - 9	NB: Last day for contributions to September magazine, preferably earlier, to Janet Milton (325529) or you can e-mail your document to christletonmag@hotmail.co.uk	
Sun - 11	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.45 am	All Age Service
	12.00 noon	Baptism of Isabella Mae Smith
	6.30 pm	Holy Communion
Wed - 14	10.45 am	Holy Communion – followed by refreshments
	11.30 am	Holy Communion at Birch Heath Lodge
Sun - 18	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	10.45 am	Holy Communion
	12.00 noon	Baptism of Jack Lewis Richardson and Penny Elizabeth Binns
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship

Wed	21	10.45 am	Holy Communion – followed by refreshment
Sun	25	8.00 am	Holy Communion
		10.45 am	Morning Prayer
		6.30 pm	Holy Communion
Wed	28	10.45 am	Holy Communion followed by refreshments

THE PRAYER LIST

As many of you know, prayers are read out each week for particular people from our church family who are unwell and have requested prayer either for themselves, or on behalf of others.

In some cases, it is appropriate that those on the list have their names removed, for whatever reason; either for an indefinite period or temporarily.

We would therefore like to suggest that people are on the list for a period of up to four weeks, after which we request an update to the Rector or a member of the Visiting Group on the situation.

Please note however, that anybody who would still like to be ‘permanently’ included, will not be refused.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus

AMEN. Phil:4 vs 6

Message from our Rector



On Sunday 21 July at 10am many of us gathered at Chester Cathedral for the Ordinations of Deacons, and we are delighted that Barbara King will serve as Curate here in this Parish.

The role of a Deacon is to serve, and the Bible tells us that the first Deacons were Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, Philip, Prochurus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas of Antioch who had previously been a convert to the Jewish faith. These men were brought before the apostles, and they, after prayer, laid their hands upon them.

The service of prayer and laying on of hands continues to this day, and Barbara, who has been appointed to serve as curate here in this parish, knelt before the Bishop of Chester, as he laid his hands upon her head and appointed her to this new charge, of serving God's people here.

Barbara will continue to live in Guilden Sutton (where she served for many years as a licenced Lay Reader).

Barbara is both Curate and Deacon. The term "Curate" essentially means she (along with the Rector) has "cure" (or care) of souls in the parish (indeed the original wording in the Book of Common Prayer, in the prayer of intercession says ".....Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates....." it is only a modern amendment which states ".....Give grace, O heav-

only Father, to all Bishops, Priests and Curates.....”

Barbara is also Ordained Deacon, (one who serves) as the first Deacons served the early Church, and everyone who is Ordained, is and remains a Deacon, serving the communities in which they find themselves.

So as Barbara begins her ministry here in the Parish of St James, please do continue to hold her in your prayers, encourage her with your support and receive her ministry as she will receive yours.

We should also take comfort, that the Bishop has confidence in this parish, as no parish would be asked to receive a Curate if the Bishop was of the view that the Parish was not capable of loving and caring for it's clergy. In this regard, please remember that the Bishop is entrusting each of us, to walk alongside Barbara as he is entrusting Barbara to walk alongside each of us.

It is also important to remember that the arrival of Barbara in no way means that any of us can or should neglect the ministries entrusted to us. Each one of us, is called to ministry, and given the gifts necessary to perform the ministry entrusted to us.

We have ministries of welcoming, encouraging, music, hospitality, administration, preaching, teaching, enabling, and we do all this in the name of Christ, knowing that as we serve others, so we serve Christ.

So thank you for your ministry to me and to this community and thank you for receiving Barbara in love and grace.



Your faithful servant,
Malcolm.

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

SUNDAY CLUB

Held in the Parish Hall from 10.45 am – 11.45 am each Sunday during term-time, except when Family Service is held at St James.

For further details please contact Berenice Kirwan, 336779.

CHRISTLETON METHODIST CHURCH

We meet for Informal Prayers and a Simple Lunch on the first Thursday of each month at 12 noon. All welcome. There is no charge for the lunch but a donation to cover costs would be appreciated.

CHRISTLETON W. I.

Meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7.15 pm in the Parish Hall.



CHESTER FLOWER CLUB

Meetings are held in Christleton Parish Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1.30pm. Details of any events can be obtained from the Secretary, Mrs Lilian Hopley.

Telephone Chester: 676683.

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The August magazine will be available for collection from Church on **Sunday 28th July.**

APPEAL FOR A NEW PARISH HALL KITCHEN

We plan to install a brand new kitchen in the Parish Hall with work starting in AUGUST 2013.

The current kitchen has served us well over the years, but a new kitchen will reflect the greater use in recent times by our wider community, but we do need a new modern cooker, large restaurant style dishwasher, large fridge/freezer and modern hygienic worktops & store cupboards. A working team has completed a study for a brand new kitchen and the cost will be just over £15,000.

We are asking all at St James to consider donations for this important cause, and all those organisations who regularly use the Parish Hall if they will host a fund raising event to help finance the new kitchen. The work is due to start in AUGUST with a view to completion in early September.

We would be grateful for your support and donations by cheque should be made to St James PCC or cash donations given to Janet Milton, Liz McClure, Christine Abrams, the Rector or Church Wardens.

Thank you for your help and support in our church activities.

CONGRATULATIONS

Hearty congratulations to **Cliff Bridge** long time resident and member of St James' who was 101 on 17th July!

Very best wishes from us all.

2013 Christleton Village Fete

On a brilliant summer's day the Annual Christleton Fete on Saturday 29 June had the theme of 50years of Doctor Who.

A procession led by the Wirral Pipe Band left the Village Green at 1.00pm to the Primary School Field. Ann & Victor Parfremment who celebrate their Golden wedding on 27 July were delighted to open the proceedings and to crown Rose Queen Sophie Brown who then welcomed everyone.

Her retinue comprised Abby and Louise Holloway, Sienna Annison, Isabella Sproston, Evie Window, Eleanor and Sophie Vidamour, Daisy & Holly Cooke, Madeline Wrigley and Nadia Ivanova. The Crown Bearers were Daniel Brown and Oliver Wrigley.

The Wirral Pipe Band, The Young Voices Choir, Ukelele Band and the Muzaks kept everyone entertained in the Arena. Special thanks go to the many sponsors for their support, and to the hardworking organisers.

Please contact Don Bailey, Chairman of the Fete Committee on 01244 335034 or email: d.bailey120@btinternet.com

CHRISTLETON FETE

Seeks new committee members.

Please come along to the next committee meeting
1st Thursday in September 8.30 at the Stute.

We have one unclaimed raffle prize –
a **Mr, Mrs or Miss Castell** – no phone number.
If anyone knows a Castell please can they get in touch 01244 330000. Also, there was an orange carrier bag left on the raffle stall, probably whilst buying tickets. Again. Please get in touch.

Archbishop Justin meets Pope Francis in Rome

In their recent first meeting, Archbishop Justin and Pope Francis both spoke of the bonds of “friendship” and “love” between the Roman Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion.

The Archbishop and the Pope agreed on the need to build an economic system which promotes “the common good” to help those suffering in poverty.

Archbishop Justin said that Christians must reflect “the self-giving love of Christ” by offering love and hospitality to the poor, and “love above all those tossed aside” by present crises around the world.

The Pope said those with the least in society “must not be abandoned to the laws of an economy that seems at times to treat people as mere consumers”.

They also agreed on the need for Christians to act as peacemakers around the world, which they acknowledged could only be done if Christians “live and and work together in harmony,” the Pope said.

Archbishop Justin, who has been deeply influenced by Catholic social teaching and intends to focus on healing divisions in church and society as part of his ministry, told the Pope:

“I pray that the nearness of our two inaugurations may serve the reconciliation of the world and the Church.”

The Pope, who said their closeness of their inaugurations meant “we will always have a particular reason to support one another in prayer”, said the meeting was an opportunity to remember that the search for unity among Christians is not prompted by practical considerations, but by Christ, “who made us his brothers and sisters, children of the One Father.”

People in the News

Congratulations to Dr Lesley Cooke who was Ordained to be Assistant Curate of Hawarden Church, at a service held at St Asaph Cathedral on Saturday 29 June.

Members from St James’ went to support her at the Cathedral, and at her first service of Holy Eucharist at St Deiniol’s on Sunday 30th June.

Lesley a former member of the choir at St James’ still calls in for the occasional choir practice. I’m sure we all wish her every blessing and happiness in her new calling.

Praise

When light creeps in through the chinks of the door
When the mist ascends from the mountain floor,
When the ocean shimmers like burnished ore,
Let me give the praise.
O God of the morning, Christ of the hills,
O Spirit who all the firmament fills,
O Trinity blest who all goodness wills,
Keep us all our days.

From ‘Morning’, an ancient Celtic poem

The History File

Church Stones continued

The Parish Church of St Mary & St David at Kilpeck

As a teenager I use to cycle all around Wales and the English border countryside, and one of the first Anglican churches I can remember visiting and photographing was this exciting church at Kilpeck, south west of Hereford.

There are many similarities with both Brixworth (written about last month) & St James' as all three churches have this distinctive oval form of churchyard set around the church building, have stories that their origins date from Saxon times, and around 1086 were given by Norman earls to their kinsman.

In Kilpeck's case William Fitz Norman, who built the nearby castle in this small village. The first mention of a church on this site is in the Book of Llandaff the earliest document about the history of South Wales & the Marches, which dates this building to the diocese in about 650.



At that time it was in the Kingdom of Ergyng, which maintained Christian traditions dating back to the late Roman period. It was later to be in the buffer land, the boundary between King Offa's Wales, & Mercia on the English side of the dyke.

This gem of a church building at Kilpeck dates from slightly later, but has elements of a number of building styles that can be seen. The plan of the present church with a

nave, chancel and semi circular apse is typical of Norman Construction. “Every ecclesiastical building has some images in common, but there are variations depending on local history and traditions. Here the basic common imagery of Good versus Evil is expressed in a mixture of Celtic, Anglo Saxon, Scandinavian and French Romanesque sculptural forms.”

Most of the building we see today is in the Romanesque style dating from about 1140, and is recorded as being gifted to the Abbey of Gloucester in 1143. The Normans destroyed a great deal of the earlier church building, but elements of the Saxon building survive in the walls.

Kilpeck is one of the finest examples of an early church with so many unique carvings in the local red sandstone, which are in a remarkable state of preservation. There are dragons and serpents, many with coiled tongues, hounds and hares, rams and lions, even two green men.!



Inside the church, the chancel arch is also richly carved. It's figures said to have been inspired by those on the “Puerta de las Plasterias” at Santiago de Compastella. The pictures shown just illustrate some elements of this beautiful building, but if you are in the area, so go and see for yourself.

It's just off the A465 Hereford to Abergavenny Road 7 miles or so south of Hereford.

Ref.: The Parish Church of St Mary & St David at Kilpeck. James Bailey





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HOLY DAYS in August

Ethelwold - the Wessex saint who loved words and music

St Ethelwold (c.912 - 84) did great things for the church at Winchester, which in those days was the principle town of Wessex.

He began as a simple monk, eager to restore the Rule of Benedictine in England, a major reform for the church of the time. So, after serving at the abbey in Glastonbury, he was sent on to restore the old abbey at Abingdon. The king thought highly of him, and used him to teach his son, the future king, Edgar.

When in 963 Ethelwold became Bishop of Winchester, he replaced the cathedral canons with monks, thus founding the first monastic cathedral in the land. This was a uniquely English institution, which remained until the Reformation.

The monastic reform quickly gained momentum: with the King's support, Ethelwold restored old monasteries such as Milton (Dorset), New Minster and Nunnaminster in Winchester, while new monasteries were founded and richly endowed at Peterborough (966), Ely (970) and Thorney (972).

Ethelwold was austere, able and dynamic. Under his leadership, the monks excelled at music, illumination and writing. When Ethelwold set the monks to work with the masons in the cathedral at Winchester, he built the most powerful organ of its time in England: it was played by two monks, and had 400 pipes and 36 bellows.

In music, Ethelwold's Winchester had the distinction of producing the first English polyphony in the Winchester Troper. Ethelwold's monasteries also produced a surpassing new style of illumination, and his school of vernacular writing was the most important of its time: with accurate, linguistically significant translations. A major event of his episcopate was the consecration of Winchester Cathedral in 980.

The Transfiguration - or the day Jesus met Elijah and Moses...

The story is told in Matthew (17:1-9), Mark (9:1-9) and Luke (9:28-36).

It was a time when Jesus' ministry was popular, when people were seeking him out. But on this day, he made time to take Peter, James and John, his closest disciples, up a high mountain.

In the fourth century, Cyrillic of Jerusalem identified it as Mount Tabor (and there is a great church up there today), but others believe it more likely to have been one of the three spurs of Mount Hermon, which rises to about 9,000 feet, and overlooks Caesarea Philippi.

High up on the mountain, Jesus was suddenly transfigured before his friends. His face began to shine as the sun, his garments became white and dazzling. Elijah and Moses, of all people, suddenly appeared, and talked with him. A bright cloud overshadowed the disciples.

Peter was staggered, but, enthusiast that he was - immediately suggested building three tabernacles on that holy place, one for Jesus, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. But God's 'tabernacling', God's dwelling with mankind, does

not any longer depend upon building a shrine. It depends on the presence of Jesus, instead. And so a cloud covered them, and a voice spoke out of the cloud, saying that Jesus was his beloved son, whom the disciple should 'hear'.

God's dwelling with mankind depends upon our listening to Jesus. Then, just as suddenly, it is all over. What did it mean? Why Moses and Elijah? Well, these two men represent the Law and the Prophets of the Old Covenant, or Old Testament.

But now they are handing on the baton, if you like: for both the Law and the Prophets found their true and final fulfilment in Jesus, the Messiah. Why on top of a mountain? In Exodus we read that Moses went up Mount Sinai to receive the sacred covenant from Yahweh in the form of the Ten Commandments.

Now Jesus goes up and is told about the 'sealing' of the New Covenant, or New Testament of God with man, which will be accomplished by his coming death in Jerusalem. That day made a lifelong impact on the disciples. Peter mentions it in his second letter, 2 Peter 1:16 - 19 - invariably the reading for this day.

The Eastern Churches have long held the Transfiguration as a feast as important as Christmas, Epiphany, Ascension and Pentecost. But it took a long time for the West to observe the Transfiguration.

The feast starts appearing from the 11th and 12th centuries, and the Prayer Book included it among the calendar dates, but there was no liturgical provision for it until the 19th century.

John Bunyan – the man who wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*
After the Bible, John Bunyan's wonderful Christian allegory, the *Pilgrim's Progress*, is one of the most celebrated and widely-read books in the English language.

It has been translated into more than one hundred languages around the world and keeps its place as a Christian classic. Names of people and places from its pages have been commonplace wherever English is spoken.

We need only recall Mr Great-Heart, Mr Valiant-for-Truth, Giant Despair, Madame Bubble, the Slough of Despond, Vanity Fair, the Delectable Mountains, the Hill Difficulty and the Celestial City.

Bunyan was born on 28 November 1628, at Elstow, near Bedford, England, of a poor family. He had little formal education and his father taught him to be a metal worker. His first wife died young. His second wife, Elizabeth, helped him considerably with his blossoming literary career.

His conversion was the result of reading the Bible, and the witness of local Christians. From that time the Bible became the great inspiration of his life. He wrote more than fifty books on Christianity. A Baptist by conviction, he had little time for the Established Church.

Bunyan became a popular preacher, but because of his opposition to the Established Church and because he did not have a Church of England preaching licence, he was imprisoned in 1661. It was in prison that he wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*.

It was not only Bunyan's greatest book but was destined to become one of the most popular Christian books in the

world. Pilgrim's Progress is an allegory, using the names of people and places from the Bible to teach spiritual lessons. The vivid and unforgettable imagery in the Pilgrim's Progress covers the whole Christian gospel from sin and condemnation all the way through faith, repentance, grace, justification, sanctification, and perseverance to heaven itself.

Bunyan died on 31 August 1688. His portrayal of the death of Mr Valiant For Truth is Bunyan at his allegorical best. This brave old soldier of Jesus Christ had received his summons to 'go home.'

Calling his friends together he says, 'My sword I give to him who shall succeed me in my pilgrimage ... My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me, that I have fought His battles, Who will now be my rewarder.' ... So he passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side...

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HE HAD A DREAM – remembering Martin Luther King’s speech 60 years on

Watching as Statesmen read speeches that have been written for them, I fell to wondering, what has happened to oratory?

Other than Barack Obama, it’s hard to think of a single English-speaking orator today of great distinction. Political speeches are both rants and lists of alleged facts, speeches at public events are often full of platitudes and clichés, and sermons in church (and I write as a regular preacher) have very largely become ten minute reflections, worthy but unmemorable.

Yet I remember in my student days any number of fine orators in our public life - my own favourite was that master of irony, Nye Bevan. Not far behind him was the man often dubbed the ‘Welsh windbag’, Neil Kinnock, who could rouse an audience to something approaching ecstasy.

Margaret Thatcher and Tony Blair (to balance things politically) were seldom boring and often hit on memorable phrases - ‘The lady’s not for turning’, ‘the people’s princess’.

And there were fine preachers - Martin Lloyd Jones, Michael Ramsey and Donald Coggan, to name but three. Where have they gone, the giants of podium and pulpit? All of these wistful thoughts struck me when I found out that Martin Luther King made his unforgettable ‘I have a dream’ speech exactly 60 years ago this month.

Happily, it’s still available on any number of recordings, so that we can hear again its beauty, power, and passion.

Speaking from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, this speech was a turning point in American history, probably as significant as Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg address ninety years earlier.

'I have a dream', he cried, departing, it seems, from his prepared text, and launched into a magnificent vision of a new nation, one where children would not be judged by the colour of their skin but by the content of their character. The psalms, the prophet Isaiah, even, briefly, Shakespeare became raw material for his passion.

I heard it on the radio the next day, and like many people I was moved to tears. More importantly, of course, the message as well as the oratory made an enormous impact. If one speech in our life-time has turned a whole society upside down, this was it. How wonderful that it was delivered by a black Baptist pastor.

The assassin's bullet that killed him five years later turned his generation's most eloquent advocate of human rights into a modern martyr and a national hero. And the dream came true!

Thanks

Many thanks to all who kindly supported the garden party held at Iris Fosters house on the 4th July.

The total raised was £400 toward
the Anya Bentham appeal.

There is no stronger test of a man's character than power and authority. *Plutarch*

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Christleton Fete in Pictures



Clockwise from top:- Wirral Pipe Band, Dr Who Fancy Dress, Civil War Soldier. Ann & Victor Parfremment, Dr Who Fete Organisers

Below:- Alf & Margret Croston, Christleton Primary School Singers, The Brownies & Victor & Anne Parfremment.

Fete in Pictures continued



Anecdotes

It was Palm Sunday but because of a sore throat, 5 year old Craig stayed home from church with a babysitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds. Craig inquired as to what they were for.

‘People held them over Jesus’ head as he walked by,’ his father responded.

‘Wouldn’t you just know it?’ Craig complained, ‘the one Sunday I don’t go and he shows up.’

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Nature Notes

Strange goings on in the swan world this month with the loss of yet another cygnet, but we also think our cob was responsible for the death of another swan on the canal at Waverton. I was called to the scene early one morning to find the Christleton cob, pecking at the feathers and standing on the body as if it was trying to drown it.

Whether it was another male intruding on its territory I don't yet know, or it just might have been responsible for killing the missing cygnet. When I removed the dead swan, the Christleton cob returned to the rest of the family along the canal. The worrying trend of losing almost all our breeding swans in the Chester area, is now very concerning.

We only have the Christleton pair with 5 cygnets born 3 surviving; the Tattenhall Marina pair with 8 cygnets born six surviving, and the Chester Groves pair who had two cygnets this year for the first time for many years, but lost their nest on a very high tide and only one cygnet survived the experience.



Thankfully the situation is not anything like as difficult in other parts of the county, where there are reasonable numbers of pairs and cygnets. We have no answers to give for the situation in the Chester area, except that the canal is now busier than ever, and maybe swans are being deterred from nest building. Dragon & damselflies are now emerging in reasonable numbers with the superbly



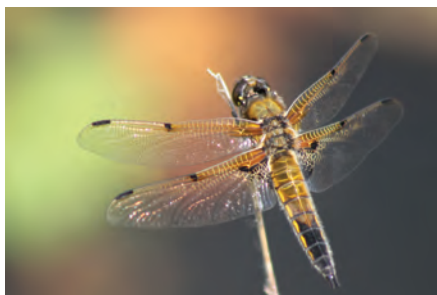
coloured banded demoiselle's, at Hockenhull being exquisite.

On a warm day hundreds of these delicate insects can be seen in the air around the middle bridge, flitting amongst the reeds and grasses, often land-

ing for short periods on the floating water crowfoot with its delicate white flowers. Smaller common blue and blue tailed damselflies can be seen in good numbers, usually on the vegetation by the pool alongside the first bridge.

There have been both broad bodied and four spotted chasers on the wing. These are quite stocky broad bodied dragonflies, which patrol their territories with strict precision, and seem to be very aggressive to other males intruding on their space. I have yet to record both brown and southern hawkers this season, which is quite rare as both are usually abundant along the canal and at the Platts.

These are the biggest of the dragonflies seen in this area, with distinctive long bodies and clearly larger than the broad bodied mentioned above.



Butterflies are having a terrible season with just a handful of sightings to report. The extremely wet breeding conditions last year followed by the wet spring in 2013 seems to have had a catastrophic effect, and very few are on the wing despite the ideal warm conditions we are now experiencing.

DC

Water is getting scarcer

It's that time of the year when water is very much on our minds. Either we have been enjoying the summer sunshine too much and have to compensate with a hose-pipe ban or there's too much of the stuff and we're all complaining that summers are just not what they used to be.

Well, I don't know about that – I can remember many a seaside holiday in Devon, dressed in our pacamacs and wishing we were somewhere else dry and warm. Water is so important to our daily lives and to our worship. From the moment we enter the church there is the font where our spiritual life begins.

Water is also part of the Eucharist. For other faiths it is an important part of preparing for worship. Each year water becomes more important and there is no getting away from the fact that there is no such thing as 'new' water. Whatever rains today has rained before. There is the same amount now as when the world began, but the demands on it grow by the day.

And yet we turn on a tap and assume it will start to flow – as much as we may demand. But around the world there is an increasing awareness of the links between water and food now we know that 70% of all global freshwater is used in agriculture. That's fine if the rest of demands fit within the 30% left.

But people at the United Nations are estimating that food demands will increase by 60% by the middle of this century and then the figures don't add up and the world will really be short of water. Population growth, shifts towards more water-intensive diets, not to mention rising require-

ments for water to produce energy for industry and homes all increase demand for limited water resources while more variable climate make their availability in the right quantity at the right time less reliable.

Latest estimates have put food waste in the world at 1.3 billion tonnes - a huge amount and if all that food has involved water then that means a lot of wasted water. What we have to hope is that those responsible for food chains are totally committed to reducing waste and we should remember that the last link in the food chain is in our homes.

If we waste food then we are wasting water too. Yes, it can be a pain if it rains on our holiday or the lawn is parched, but if we remember that water is a very special part of our worship that should help us to realise it is something we should value - every single drop!

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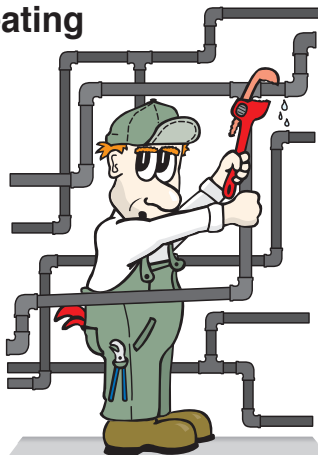
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