



Each time I write for “Communicate” the situation changes, sadly usually as the news gets worse. I hope that does not prove to be the case. There does seem to be hope on the horizon. So many aspects of our lives have been adversely impacted by this worldwide pandemic. How we would love to be able to visit family and friends, to enjoy a shared coffee or celebratory meal.

Our experience of church life has been so different; intermittently closed and virtual, or open and face to face. Even within our churches we wear masks, sit at a distance and are unable to sing or chat afterwards. Our experience as MU members has also been diminished; limited opportunity to gather together and enjoy branch activities.

However, when so many aspects of life have been stripped away we are hopefully sustained by our faith. Instead of being distracted “Martha’s” we can follow the example of “Mary”. We have more time for bible reading, reflection and prayer. I am using my daily exercise to undertake a sponsored walk, virtually covering the length and breadth of the diocese. This is 215 kms and I have already completed 2 laps. I will just keep walking, just like Forrest Gump (if you have seen the film). I have set up a Just Giving site <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Jill-Cannings7> and will be glad to give details of my plans and progress. I aim to raise the profile of Mothers’ Union and funds to support our worldwide work. In the diocese I will be supporting AFIA (away from it all) as we provide flexible support to families. We are also planning to give helpful packs to all clergy in the diocese, to promote their ministry. As I walk, it is a joy to see God’s creation and the unfolding of the seasons. Sometimes I listen to a recording of the Bible. I appreciate the opportunity to listen to whole gospels.

Thank you for keeping the faith and supporting each other, and where possible putting your faith into action. Please can I urge you to pray and pray and pray. Pray for each other and your churches and community; pray for your families and all families struggling in so many ways from the impact of the pandemic. Finally, pray for our world and the amazing worldwide ministry and mission of MU.

With thanks and blessings to all members *Jill Cannings*

Who's Who in MU

	Kay Short Diocesan Secretary 07887 526535 kpgshort@gmail.com	Jill Cannings Diocesan President 01572 821870 jillcannings2@gmail.com		Revd. Deborah Marsh Chaplain 01664 474652 / 07919385314 debmarsh37@yahoo.com	
Elizabeth Megahey Vice President 01832 275931 07712 764626 elizabethmegahey@btinternet.com		Sylvia Rowley Diocesan Treasurer 01604 413829 sylvia.rowley@ntlworld.com		Hazel Goodman Vice President 07967 838614 hazel@chestnut.clara.net	
Jennie Edis Vice President 01733 702088 spiritwings01@gmail.com		Jean Rose Trustee 01933 663778 jeanerose@btinternet.com		Ruth Gould Vice President 01604 846508 ruthgould139@btinternet.com	
Judith Perkins Trustee 01869 810687 alan@oldperks.co.uk		Nicky Vaughan Trustee 01788 510213 drawers51@gmail.com		Victoria Gascoyne Trustee 01536 691317 vgascoyne@outlook.com	
Revd. Christine Ostler Faith & Spirituality 01933 226730 c.ostler@btinternet.com		Juliette Dunkley Trustee kjd467@outlook.com		Raymond Goodman MUe & Central Services 07973 250193 ray@chestnut.clara.net	
Helen Lynett Communications 07743 317793 helenlynnett@btinternet.com		AFIA Anne Touchin & Margareta Hallam 01572 820534 anniedt@john-lewis.com		Lyn Ridley Lunch Project 01536 529426 lynridley52@virginmedia.com	
Diocesan Mothers Union Website http://mothersunionpeterborough.org		Diocesan Members Jane Smeathers 01933 357707 jane@smeathers.com		Mothers Union Website https://www.mothersunion.org	
Cards for Members Pam Handley pamartinhandley@btinternet.com		Prayer Chain Julia Freeman 01780 720869		MU Safeguarding Officer Valerie Anslow valerieanslow@icloud.com	

News from Peterborough Prison

As well as sending Christmas Cards from MU members across the Diocese, to those in Peterborough Prison, Peterborough Deanery answered a request for chocolates and sent in 26 containers!

Thanks has been received from the Chaplaincy Team, which also included a note from the Prison Director below...

To all churches involved in preparing gift packs for residents at HMP Peterborough

I'd like to send you all my thanks for this kind, generous and thoughtful act towards all the residents.

The Christmas and New Year period under normal circumstances can be a difficult one for many of our residents, which has been made even more challenging with the current restrictions in place concerning Covid-19. A feeling of isolation after being apart from friends and loved ones, some of whom they may not have seen for many months. Many of my staff are in a very similar situation this year and are working hard to support any residents who might be feeling this sense of isolation and loss, whilst also suffering those same feelings. With this in mind a gift for the residents not only makes them feel that someone cares about them but also assists the staff in keeping them safe.

Thank you for your gifts and let me express thanks from all here at HMP Peterborough for the generosity you have shown and that it is appreciated by all, even more so, in these difficult times.

Many thanks and best wishes.



A boot full of Chocolates & cards!

❖ QUIET EVENTS ❖ QUIET EVENTS ❖ QUIET EVENTS ❖ QUIET EVENTS

Quiet Evening 12th May 2021

With Bishop Andrew Proud
at St Benedict's, Northampton or on Zoom

More information from Revd. Christine
c.ostler@btinternet.com; 01933 226730.

❖ QUIET EVENTS ❖ QUIET EVENTS ❖ QUIET EVENTS ❖ QUIET EVENTS

Coffee time Quiz



Building on the past for a better future

1. As part of Mary Sumner House there is a beautiful calm chapel where midday prayers are said. To visit it, where in London would you be?
2. In 1952 H.M. The Queen granted her patronage to the Mothers' Union. Which year did Queen Victoria grant her patronage?
3. There are 84 countries with M. U. members. A slogan in the past was "1d. a week is all we seek for those with needs -----". Where?
4. AFIA provides holidays and other support to families in need. In which village in Northants. did the M.U. provide a "camping" holiday for families?
5. Mothers' Union members knitted "socks for soldiers" during the war. Who might appreciate a fidget muff or knee blanket today?
6. In which month do members begin 16 Days of Activism in order to raise awareness of gender based violence?
7. When did the Literacy & Financial Programme (LFED) start in Burundi? It has enabled many members to improve their lives in many communities.
8. M.U. are working with the Clewer Initiative to end modern slavery. By which year are they aiming for?
9. When parading the banners at the Diocesan Festival Service members used to wear white head coverings and gloves. Where is this held?
10. Grapevine and now Communicate gives members information on the work that is in progress. There is a M.U. diocesan website. What is its address?

Thank you, to Eileen Jewell, our Quiz Mistress for this edition of Communicate. Eileen has tried to link the past to the present and the projects that M.U. are involved in.

Answers are on Page 11

Please send in your articles for the next edition of ComMUnicate by 1st October 2021 to
Helen Lynett – helenlynnett@btinternet.com
14 Thornbridge Close, Rushden. Northants. NN10 9NJ

Thank you

Chaplain's Corner – A Good Lent

As I write we are approaching Lent and I'm finding that I'm being offered a plethora of resources. It would be so easy to accept them all and exhaust myself, ending up on Easter Day in no fit state to celebrate! So how can we ensure we have a *Good Lent*? I think the answer lies in the preparation.



We so often think of Lent as a time to prepare for Easter, but is that the result of a *Good Lent* rather than the aim? Lent is a vital season of reflection and prayer, of stripping ourselves of worldly things and making more room for God, and as such it is a challenging season which we need to prepare for. As we were filming Collective Worship about pancakes for our local primary school, I realised that at the heart of Pancake Tuesday is celebration, and the Bible shows us that God knows the importance of celebrating before taking time to face up to the darker side of our nature. See Nehemiah 8, and read of the people being encouraged to party and know '*the joy of the Lord is your strength*' before they listened again to the law of the Lord and recognised how they had failed to keep it.

I realise that by the time you read this Lent will have started so my advice may be a little late, however, it's not too late. If you are feeling overwhelmed and drained by things then take a break, let yourself celebrate. Many Christians take Sundays off during Lent to ensure that they don't forget the weekly celebration of the resurrection of Christ, our regular knowing '*the joy of the Lord is your strength*'.

Another key to a *Good Lent* is to follow the old adage '*Do one thing and do it well*'. Apparently multi-tasking is not actually possible, we can only give our full attention to one thing at a time, multi-tasking is just spreading our attention thinly. So I've resolved to only do the things in Lent that I can give proper attention to, including time to change how I live as a Christian.

One of the areas in which I want to grow is my prayer life, so during Lent I'm going to be exploring the '*5 Things to Pray*' series produced by The Good Book Company. The idea is that you decide who or what you want to pray for, then take a Bible passage and use the words to direct you to pray 5 things into the situation. Why 5? Well it doesn't say, but I have often turned things into 5 points so that I can use my hand to remember them and the idea is that we pray more than once!

The verse to encourage us is '*The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective*' James 5:16, and of course this is not down to our skill and brilliance! The prayers are powerful because the one we pray to is infinitely and unimaginably powerful, and they are effective because we are using God's own words to guide us.

The introduction to the series says '*A righteous person is one who is in right relationship with God*' and surely this is the heart of what we seek in Lent, whatever material we choose to read and however we choose to put it into practice. So may each of us have a truly '*Good Lent*' in 2021, may we be strengthened anew by the joy of the Lord, and may we be led deeper into a right relationship with God.

With love & blessings,

Deborah



What's this?

<http://mothersunionpeterborough.org>

Yes... It is our Peterborough MU website address...

It has a lot of useful information on it ... Need the Branch Handbook and can't put your hands on it? *Go to the website*... Need the pattern for a Knitted Twiddlemuff? *Go to the website*... Need a Prayer to use before a Committee Meeting? *Go to the website*...

Members of the Mothers' Union in Peterborough prayerfully and actively support Christian family life.

We are part of what Archbishop Justin Welby describes as, "the world's oldest and largest women's movement." In a recent visit to our diocese, he said that he felt that the need for the Mothers' Union was as great now as when it was set up nearly 150 years ago.

Membership is open to Christians of all denominations – women, men, whether parents, married or single – all who are passionate about sharing their faith.

In fact.... ***Go to the website*** – you will see it has so much to offer and is constantly being updated! You will be *Amazed!*

**Peterborough Diocese
Mothers' Union Prayers
July to December 2021**



JULY

Heavenly Father, as we come into a summer of Covid and restrictions, we pray for our Prime Minister and his cabinet members as they seek to protect us.

We pray for patience as we wait for everyone to be vaccinated against the coronavirus, that life can get back to normal, but with understanding when we have to stay in.

Lord, we pray for the time when we are back to normal, able to go outside and enjoy the sunshine, able to communicate with friends and acquaintances and to be with family, able to worship together in our churches.

We pray for all members in the branches of Abington, Christ Church with St Michael's, Kingsthorpe, St Alban's, St Benedict's, St James', St Michael's and Weston Favell in the Greater Northampton Deanery.

Father of all creation, we thank you for summer.

For the increased daylight that we can spend with friends and family, for the fun we have together.

Warm our souls with awareness of Your Presence with us, teaching us to pray, no matter where we are or what we are doing.

Increase in us, a hunger and thirst for You.

Amen.

AUGUST

Abba Father, we remember the Transfiguration when Jesus meets Moses and Elijah, He shone brightly in brilliant white.

Lord, as we try and get back to normal, not knowing what the 'new normal' may be, help us to shine brightly as we witness to your truth to all around us. Help us to be thankful for the time we have with friends and family. To learn not to take things for granted and be thankful for the things we have. We pray for all members past and present in the branches of Poultonbury, Tove and Whittlebury in the Towcester Deanery. We pray for our founder, Mary Sumner and thank you for her witness, courage and example of love and service.

Lord, we give thanks for the resplendent glory in brilliant white, of your Son, born in humanity and divinity giving his life that we may live. Send your Holy Spirit to each one of us, that we hear and live the lessons He taught and that we read our bibles daily, to learn the wisdom of your Holy Word.

Amen.

SEPTEMBER

As we come into this month, we give thanks for the birth of Our Blessed Virgin Mary, without whose 'Yes' our world could have been very different. Like Mary, help us to be brave when we are put on the spot, to have courage to say 'Yes' when God calls our name.

During Coronavirus, life is so different and we don't know how things will be arranged but we have faith and pray for all our Wave of Prayer services and for a successful and uplifting Annual meeting in Belfast; for the Deanery Leaders' lunch at Crossways, Uppingham, which takes place this month; for our link dioceses and their MU Presidents – for the dioceses of Oyo and Aba Ngwa North in Nigeria and Catherine and Odi, for the diocese of Rumbek in South Sudan and Hellen and Rebecca, for the diocese of Soroti in Uganda and Rose and Sarah, for the diocese of North Eastern Caribbean & Aruba and Ephena and for our own diocese of Peterborough and our President Jill. For all who give their time freely for our Mothers Union.

Father of mercy,

As we celebrate the birth of the mother of Christ,
may this bring us closer together, that we accept
the differences of people, be tolerant to others beliefs and
understanding of your Holy Word.

Amen.

OCTOBER

Almighty Father, in whom we place our trust and all we believe and love. We remember Michael, all your angels and archangels as they fight to protect your faithful mortals as we work to your praise and glory. We pray for the MU Trustees as they meet and for those who work at and attend retreats at Launde Abbey. We pray for all members in the branches of Cransley and St Andrews, Rothwell, Rushton and Saints & Angels in the Kettering Deanery.

As your angels constantly fight to keep your people from the malice of the Evil One, we ask that they would bring wise counsel to the leaders of all nations on earth, Keep us safe in your care, mindful of your love and mercy, preserve us in harmony and righteousness until the day you come and make all things new.

Amen.

NOVEMBER

Heavenly Lord, we pray for all the saints in heaven and on earth. We seek to be like them, that we are worthy of your never failing mercy and love. We bring before you the souls of those who have passed, and for those who are preparing for the beauty of heaven.

We pray for our MU AGM and Eucharist at All Saints Church, Wellingborough, for all members in the branches of All Hallows, All Saints, Earls Barton, Orlingbury and Harrowden and Wollaston & Strixton in the Wellingborough Deanery.

Almighty and Everlasting God,
who dost enkindle the flame of Thy love
in the hearts of the saints. Grant unto us the same
faith and power of love; that, as we rejoice in their triumphs
we may profit by their examples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

DECEMBER

Gracious Lord, as we come to the time of anticipation and preparation for the coming of your Son, incarnate in flesh, as a helpless babe, we pray for the festivities, the carol services, and worship services. As we go Christmas shopping, for food and gifts, remove the blinkers from our eyes that we don't walk by the person in the doorway. We remember the poor and vulnerable, the weak and lonely. Dearest Lord, be with all in need of your compassion and love.

We pray for the work of the Mothers' Union across the Peterborough diocese, in the UK and across the world and for the work being undertaken for the 16 days of Activism. For all members in the branches of Eye, Longthorpe, Paston, Werrington in the Peterborough Deanery and for the Oundle members in their Deanery.

May we be filled with the wonder of Mary,
the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels,
the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi,
and the peace of the Christ child.
Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
bless us all, now and forever.
Amen

Merry Christmas to you all from the Mothers' Union members in the
Greater Northampton Deanery of St. Benedict Church
Hunsbury, Northampton.

Why are we in Mothers' Union?

Why do we do what we do?

Your Mission should you choose to accept it....

So I asked myself "Why am I a member, who does it benefit?"

It's easier to answer the second part first – Who does it benefit?

It benefits all those millions of people around the world who are on the receiving end of all the projects run by the Mothers' Union branches in every country. (For those who like statistics, in 2019 – 2020, over 1.1 million people were supported by MU projects); from teaching people to read and write (77,988 people are currently learning to read and write in Burundi alone), to encouraging healthcare and hygiene, to donating books to prisons, toys to Contact Centres, providing free holidays to those in adversity (2,490 people in UK and Ireland in 2019 – 2020) and running countless Mums & Toddler Groups, the Mothers' Union are there to lend a practical helping hand and be a listening ear to those who need it.

And if you are not one of those people doing that kind of front-line outreach then be assured that your money is helping to make all these things happen and your prayers are underpinning their success.

These kinds of projects, raising funds to run the projects and praying them into life are 'good works', as identified in the book of James in the Bible. Chapter 2 verse 18 says "I will show you my faith by my actions".

There are some people who do 'good works' who do not have the same kind of faith as we do in the Mothers' Union, and that brings me back to my first question – why am I in Mothers' Union? Why am I a member?

I'm a member because I'm a Christian and the Mothers' Union is an organisation especially for people like me who want to be a provider of practical help for those who need it, an organisation for people like me who want to see poorer lives made better, but primarily, and our main task as Christians, is to be able to tell those we help about Jesus. We need to tell people about the goodness and the love of God. Jesus is the reason why we do what we do. Jesus is quoted in Luke's Gospel chapter 6 verse 31 as saying 'Do to others as you would have them do to you'. If the Master says we should try and make other people's lives better, then we should do it, and while we are doing it, tell them about the love of God and how He sent His Son to die for us.

But you say "I'm no evangelist, I can't speak about my faith".

And I say "can you bake a cake? Can you knit a scarf? Can you pray to God?"

If you answered yes to any of these questions - then you can speak through your actions. Actions speak louder than words.

Remember : The world is hungry for a Saviour. You are the pathway to Him.

Use your hands

Use your feet

Use your tongue

Open your mouth when you pass on your gift and say "This is with love from the Mothers' Union".

If the recipient asks "why have you done this ?"

You say "because Jesus tells us to love our neighbour, and you are my neighbour"

This could led to other questions:

Who is Jesus?

Where does it say that?

Why would you bother?

So many openings to tell of the love God has for this world and its people (you and me). God loved the world so much that he sent his Son to die for us, even though we didn't deserve it. God's grace has done it for us and given us a pathway to a righteous life, and an eternal home. God sent Jesus as a light to show us the way.

And we have to be lights for others. Let the Mothers' Union shine.

So charge your batteries.

Strike the match.

Light the candle

And let yourselves shine.

Be a beacon in your community and spread the love of God.

This is our mission – do we choose to accept it?

I do!

I hope you will too.



JW

Quiz Answers

1. Tufton Street. 2.1897 3. Overseas 4.Twywell
5. Dementia sufferers. 6. November. 7. Millennium Project 2000
8. 2030 9. Peterborough Cathedral.
10. <http://mothersunionpeterborough.org>



Spotlight on **Greater Northampton Deanery**

2020 has been a difficult year for us all but this snapshot covers some of the activities that had been planned and also some of the events that we managed to do, both as a Deanery and in our branches.

Greater Northampton Deanery is made up of 10 branches – Abington, Weston Favell, St Benedict’s, St Mary’s, Kingsthorpe, Holy Trinity, St Michaels and All Angels, St James’, St Albans and Christchurch, which joins with St Michael’s branch for meetings.

The year started well with the Deanery party, hosted by St Alban’s members in their Parish Hall and was thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attended. All the branches managed to have their A.G.M. meetings in either January or February, and one branch had a coffee morning, at which their subscriptions were collected. **Abington branch** had planned, amongst other events, to have a ‘Hymns and a Danish’ afternoon, two meetings at St Christopher’s Home plus an outing for afternoon tea at the home of a former member who now lives in Brackley. All these have been put on hold. **Weston Favell** did manage to hold a quiet afternoon in the church and were looking forward to having some interesting speakers, including talks on the history of Northampton and Beekeeping.

St Benedict’s did hold a few meetings, topics ranging from the Cold War, Songs from the Musicals, Visiting Georgia and Armenia and also held a Eucharist service during lockdown. **Kingsthorpe** branch managed to hold two meetings in March. The afternoon meeting involved a wild life photographer, whose mother just happened to be a member of the branch, showing some stunning photos of wild life he had taken with information about the pictures. The evening meeting was a reflection on Celtic Prayer. **St Michael’s** managed to enjoy their annual dinner and were looking forward to two talks on the Holy Land and Ethiopia and a Strawberry Tea with members from Holy Trinity again, all on hold. **St James** members enjoyed a meal out and also a talk by a Church Army Officer. **St Alban’s** managed to meet for a Eucharist service and enjoyed a talk on the MU ‘Theme of the Year’. They were going to hold a lent reflection and learn about modern day slavery during February and March.

Normally as a Deanery we would have come together for a Lady Day Service, hosted each year by different branches, and in 2020 the service was to be held at St John the Baptist in Kingsthorpe. Sadly, this did not

happen due to the first lockdown and usually have a Deanery Autumn Fair to raise funds for the M U Annual Appeal. However, we did manage to hold a Deanery Quiz which raised £160 for the 'Key Worker's Appeal'. One or two of the branches did manage to have a 'Wave of Prayer' service and an Advent service between the lockdowns. Despite the restriction's members have been busy contacting each other by phone, email or delivering information and having a quick, socially distanced 'doorstep' chat. Members have continued to be busy with their knitting needles. Knitting for Baby Basics, prem babies, making blankets and kneeler covers. Members have continued donating food for the Hope Centre and taking part in services, reading, flower arranging and helping with baptisms, whenever they could. Sadly, there have been casualties resulting from the Covid-19 pandemic as both St Mary's and Holy Trinity branches have gone into abeyance. However, we look forward to better times when we can 'rebuild hope and confidence' and renewed fellowship amongst our members, by meeting in our branches and enjoying joint activities together especially the deanery party.

Thank you to Jill, for sharing a few photo ideas.... Why?



Getting ready for a Lock-down Hair cut!

All is revealed
on the back page!



Home-made biscuits
for NHS Staff

Reminder: All members are invited to attend Forum meetings at All Saints Church, Wellingborough. Join us and find out all the current news on what is happening around the Diocese.

9th June 2021, 6pm – 9pm.

20th November 2021, 10am – 3pm Eucharist and AGM

Look forward to seeing you there!

It's that time again!

Time to think about who will serve as a Trustee for Mothers' Union

Every three years the leadership of the Mothers' Union in this diocese of Peterborough undergoes some changes. You can be a part of this in two ways – either ask someone to nominate you to stand for any of the positions available, or ask someone else to stand and be the nominator for them.

Come 2022 we shall have a new Diocesan President – nominations have already been requested for this role at last November's Online Zoom Forum and forms were also sent to each branch so you could have your say. The person who will take up this important role will be announced at the March Forum (again on Zoom due to the pandemic). If there is more than one nomination then an election will be necessary, so tune in to the Forum meeting to find out. (Zoom details will be circulated nearer the time – but save the date Saturday 20th March 2021 at 4pm).

Other roles to be filled for 2022 are one Vice President, and three Trustees.

Members of the Trustees board can only serve a maximum of 6 years, that is two terms of office.

So sadly Hazel Goodman steps down as Vice President, and Victoria Gascoyne, Judith Perkins and myself, step down as Trustees, as we have all completed 6 years.

What is involved in being a Trustee?

Trustees prayerfully support the running of the Mothers' Union in the diocese and assist the Diocesan President in whatever way they can.

Vice-Presidents also have the added responsibility of overseeing a few deaneries and supporting them in their work. There is going to be some reorganisation of the deaneries so I do not know, as yet, which ones will become the new VP's responsibility.

We all make up the Trustee Board (Diocesan President, 4 Vice Presidents and Trustees plus the Diocesan Secretary and Diocesan Treasurer) and we meet together in person when possible or by Zoom when not possible, and these meetings are around 4 times a year. It is also helpful for Trustee members to have a special area of interest, be it Faith & Spirituality, Overseas, Communications or some other aspect of our work. If you would like to know more details please talk to anyone who is listed in the front of Communicate on the 'Who's Who in Mothers' Union' page.

Nomination forms are available on the Mothers' Union Peterborough website <http://mothersunionpeterborough.org> on the Administration page, or phone me and I will send one out to you.

It's an exciting time to be a part of Mothers' Union as we come out of lockdown and start to meet face to face again. Where will next year take us? What challenges shall we face in the next three years? Be a part of it and help guide the way.

Jean Rose 01933 663778

Prayer Squares

As a result of a request from our Parish Priest, Revd. Paula York, the members of All Saints and All Hallows branches (Wellingborough) have begun knitting prayer squares for her Easter Project.

The pattern came from the resources page of the Mothers' Union website.



It is easy to follow, even for a non-knitter like me. I recommend it to all members as something to do during your quiet times, and as a way of holding in prayer the person who might be given it. Perhaps even knit them for specific people.

Barbara Haynes

Branch Leader, All Saints Wellingborough.

P.S. After telling my Granddaughter about the squares she "commissioned" me to knit one for each of the residents in the care home where she works. She felt they would be a great comfort to them all



Can You Guess Who?

Yes! It is Jill!

Out on her daily exercise, undertaking a sponsored walk, virtually, covering the length and breadth of the diocese.

If you would like to sponsor Jill, who is raising funds for MU, please visit the Just Giving link below...

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Jill-Cannings7>



Photo Competition

'Life During Lockdown'



**Did you get snapping with your camera or phone during lockdown?
Will you capture that memorable moment as the restrictions start to lift?**

Members are encouraged to submit a photo of ANYTHING that meant SOMETHING to them during this Coronavirus Lockdown and its Aftermath

It could be on any theme:

Crafts: e.g. Knitting or Sewing

Hobbies: e.g. Reading, Music or Entertainment

Nature: e.g. Out walking or In the Garden

Memories: e.g. Of Families or Friends

Church: Building or Spiritual Image

A Special Moment: e.g. VE Day

Photos must have been taken during the lockdown period and its aftermath. The photo must belong to the entrant.

You can send up to 3 photos of any size or format, which can be taken on a camera, phone, or ipad/tablet.

Please give your photos a title, description or caption.



All entries should be sent to: Helen Lynett, Communications Co-ordinator

Via email: helenlynnett@btinternet.com

By Post: 14 Thornbridge Close, Rushden, Northants. NN10 9NJ

Please include your full name, address, phone number and email address (if you have one) as well as a title or caption for the photo and where & when it was taken.

COMPETITION RULES

1. Up to 3 photos can be submitted, taken on a camera, phone, ipad or tablet and can be any size or format (but images should be no larger than 2MB) and sent electronically or by post. Large files may need to be emailed separately.
2. Photos must have been taken during / as we come out of the lockdown period and:
Belong to the entrant
Have obtained the permission of any people featured.
3. Receipt will be acknowledged. If you have not received anything within 2 days of emailing the photo, please email again – without the attachments.
4. All submitted photos will be used at the Trustees discretion for display, publicity and fundraising purposes.

CLOSING DATE: 30th September 2021

Judges: Diocesan President – Jill Cannings
Vice Presidents – Jennie Edis
Hazel Goodman
Ruth Gould &
Elizabeth Megahey

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

Diocese of Peterborough