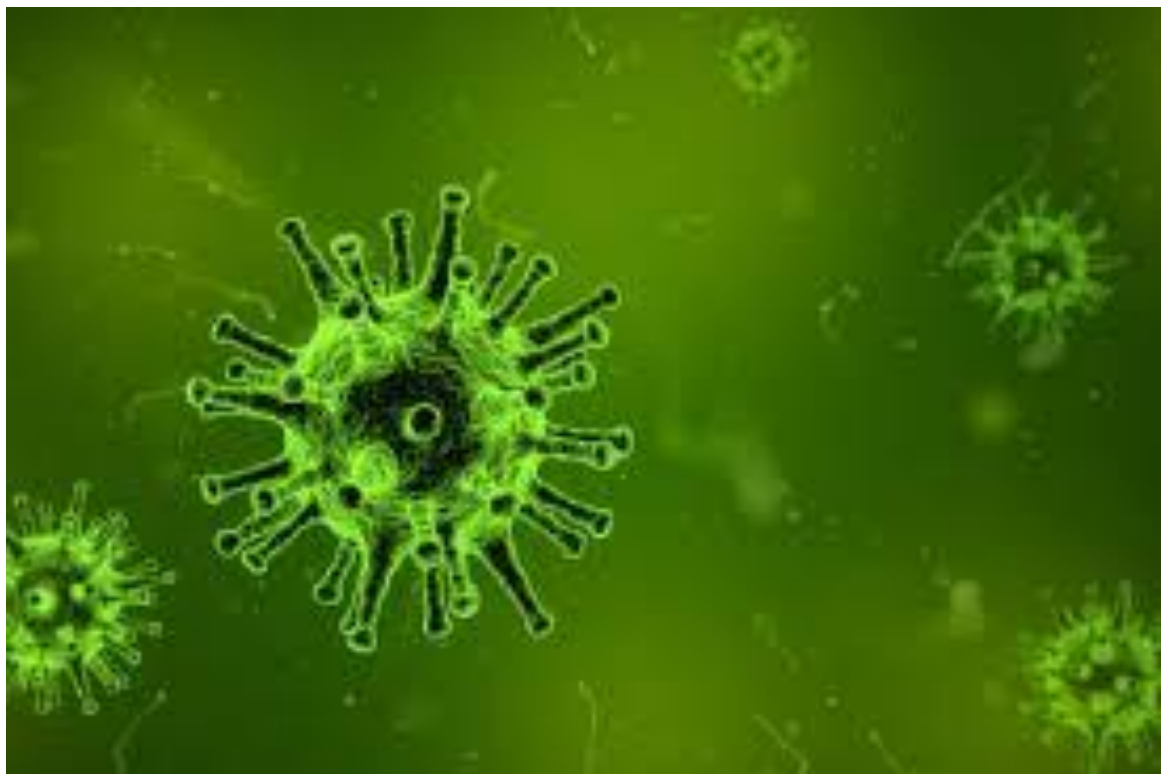


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Editorial

On behalf of IFW, may the future bring readers every happiness, joy and success, and may our prayers and wishes be granted.

This is our Summer Newsletter, and as always jam-packed with informative and hopefully thought-provoking articles about faith groups in Wolverhampton and their activities. This has been a challenging, testing and strange time of reflection and soul searching for many.

Loved ones have been ill, and unfortunately some may have passed away. May God bless them all.

The front-cover article is about the Faith community's response for vulnerable people in Wolverhampton. Written by Jas Dehar, Chair IFW, it celebrates the amazing work, dedication, commitment and sacrifice being made by Faith organisations in the City. We are thankful to Jas and to all those who are mentioned in the article.

We then go on to remember pre-Covid times, when we gathered to say thanks to Mike Shelley-Smith upon his retirement.

This article is followed by an extract from the Express and Star about Holocaust Memorial. This event was a key focus for IFW, and all Faiths were represented at the event. Holocaust memorial is a critical part in the IFW calendar, and it enables us to stand up and protest atrocities past and present. Many of the IFW exec spoke at this as always sombre and thought-provoking event.

We are grateful to Dr Satya Sharma who makes a focus the debate around Organ donation. Whilst there is much consideration on the Covid issue, this is a particularly relevant debate that IFW has held conferences about and made contributions towards. Dr Satya provides both excellent technical commentary and reflects on these through considering the contribution of Faith.

The three Abrahamic faiths had key events during the Covid period, and this newsletter shines light on how each coped, adapted, modified and continued to observe or celebrate these events.

So we put the month of Ramadan into context with a Poem written by Asma Sadia. Then I present an article on Eid under Covid, and how possibly not all was a washout.

We are then privileged to learn about Passover, and the importance and significance of this event in Judaism. Martin Gomberg writes an excellent article and we are grateful for this contribution.

Jill Parker has provided two excellent articles, the first on Interfaith work of the Chaplaincy team at HMP Oakwood, and the second article on Easter under Covid. Very well written and pertinent articles that I am sure readers will find thoroughly enjoyable and informative.

We end with our Diary of Events. Hopefully you will find these useful.

A massive vote of thanks to all contributors, Devi in the office and Paul Rayner for technical / online work associated with the newsletter compilation. Sincere apologies from me for any inaccuracies, omissions or errors.

With Love and in solidarity,



Dr Yusuf Shafi (Vice Chair)
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Faiths and Community pulling together for the vulnerable in our City

Since our inception, Interfaith Wolverhampton has promoted social cohesion to overcome the challenges we face. In these unprecedented times, our methods may be different, but the message remains the same.

We are not currently able to gather in our faith communities; For many of us our faith is worked out socially with others in the community. Sacrificing our social gatherings is an act of love for our neighbours as we reduce the risk of the coronavirus spreading, and reduce the burden on the NHS and other agencies.

I want to thank all faith institutions for their dedication and commitment; Community cohesion, community togetherness.

I want to thank Wolverhampton City Council for the amazing work that they are doing: Food parcels, help lines, emotional and well-being support. And I want to thank councillor Ian Brookfield, leader of the council, for his support throughout.

I would like to thank Guru Nanak Gurdwara on Sedgley Street, who give out food everyday between 8am and 8pm; The food is packed in containers ready to be dispatched at the entrance door of the Gurdwara.

Guru Ka Niwas Gurdwara have taken food donations for the NHS staff at New Cross hospital and also handed over a cheque.

Guru Teg Bahadur Gurdwara's trustees, members and worshippers helped raise £50,000 cash for the Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust.

We also have the Muslim Forum Wolverhampton, who raised over £2000 for PPE for Compton Care and the NHS.

Radio Ramadan Wolverhampton raised over £6000 from Mosques for Compton Care for their PPE appeal, and are in the process of raising money for New Cross hospital.

The churches in Wolverhampton have also been amazing - collecting and delivering food to residents.

I also want to thank local businesses and organisations throughout Wolverhampton who have gone above and beyond to help. "I am absolutely honoured, humbled and overwhelmed by the generosity of our local communities, as well as organisations and individuals and by all the faith intuitions". Thank you!



**Cllr Jasbinder Dehar
(InterFaith chairperson)**

An affectionate and grateful send-off for Mike



Some forty friends from Interfaith Wolverhampton came together at St Mary and John's Church Hall in Snow Hill to pay tribute to Mike's thirteen and a half years' dedicated work for Interfaith Wolverhampton. His wife Sue had kept the event a secret, so he arrived at the Hall expecting to be having a tête-à-tête meal with her...



Thanks to the hard work of Devi and Hansa in particular, a splendid and plentiful buffet had been prepared and those present needed little encouragement to tuck in. Halfway through the evening, several tributes were paid to Mike.

Bishop Clive, as President of IFW, highlighted Mike's important and passionate contribution to interfaith work in Wolverhampton and how Mike

managed to do more than justice to this alongside his demanding roles as a Reader at St. Leonard's Bilston and a school governor. Dr Harun Rashid, vice-president of IFW and Chair of IFW for 6 years during Mike's period of office, commended Mike for all that he had achieved, whilst Councillor Jas Dehar, Chair of IFW, stressed how much Mike would be missed and, on behalf of the Board of IFW, presented a bunch of flowers to his wife Sue, without whose loving support Mike would have been at a loss.

Gurdev Bansal (Devi), spoke with great emotion about her long friendship with Mike, which predated by several years their work as joint employees on Interfaith. This was her first-ever public speech, a deeply-felt compliment to Mike. Erik Pearse, Mike's former supervisor, paid tribute to Mike's commitment, achievements and multiple qualities.



On behalf of Mike's many friends at IFW, Erik presented him with a framed prayer specially illustrated by the Carmelite Sisters, together with a book token and cash. In response, Mike stressed how much he had enjoyed his work at IFW and the fellowship he had

found there, always inspired by Ivy Guttridge's portrait smiling at him in the office. He had no doubt that IFW would continue its work for the City and the people of Wolverhampton. He was warmly applauded.

The evening was a joyful gathering of old friends. It began with a minute's silence in memory of recently-deceased 95-year-old Tim Fyffe, who had recently stated that 'he was ready to go'. Many present treasured his memory and his great contribution to interfaith relations in Wolverhampton throughout the '80's. Then, following the tributes, all present joined in singing 'Happy Birthday' to Jim McManus, in anticipation of his 87th birthday the following day. The evening ended, in traditional style, with an auction of several bottles of unopened wine brought by members, fittingly conducted by Mike, the proceeds of which will go to IFW.

Finally, the well-appointed hall and kitchen were restored to their pristine condition by a team of volunteers, including notably Diane Beaumont, Jill Parker and Paul Rayner.

Thanks again, Mike – you can now continue your association with IFW by playing a role as a volunteer!



by Erik Pearce
(Former Secretary, IFW)

Holocaust Memorial commemorated by Faith Leaders

Residents and civic dignitaries attended the gathering at the Cenotaph in St Peter's Square organised by Interfaith Wolverhampton to remember the victims of genocide in conflicts.

The event coincided with commemorations to mark the 75th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp in Poland by the Allies on January 27th, 1945.

Led by the Bishop of Wolverhampton the Rt Rev Clive Gregory, the service was based on the theme 'Standing Together' and featured prayers and poems read aloud by representatives from various faiths, including Christian, Muslim and Jewish groups.



Rev David Wright, IFW Executive member, making his speech.

Following the service, Rev Chris Collins, Secretary of Interfaith Wolverhampton, gave civic guests pieces of a special flame artwork based on the design of the Holocaust Memorial Trust logo.

The guests also signed a pledge of commitment to act against such atrocities.

Rev Collins said: "One of the things we strive to do is to involve all faiths across the city and

I think we have managed to achieve that today. I think it's been a wonderful turn out." Holocaust Memorial Day developed into a national observance for the victims across the experience of genocide, including the German Nazi persecution; massacres in Srebrenica in 1995; Cambodia in the mid-1970's; Rwanda in 1994; Bosnia; and Darfur in Sudan in 2003.

Extract from Express & Star – January 2020

Organ Donation – What is new?

Organ Donation (OD) and Transplantation is a UK success story. In the last decade, the UK has seen a 67% increase in deceased organ donors and a 49% increase in deceased donor transplants. Numbers on the Transplant Waiting List have fallen year on year and thousands of lives have been saved and improved through the gift of organ donation.



Organ donation is of two types:

1. Live – mainly from friends and family members, and sometimes totally altruistic when someone gets motivated to save the life of another human being. It is restricted to kidney, liver and part of lung only. Everyone needs to go through various aspects with the help of professional support and counselling, requiring time and careful consideration. It forms a small part of total OD.

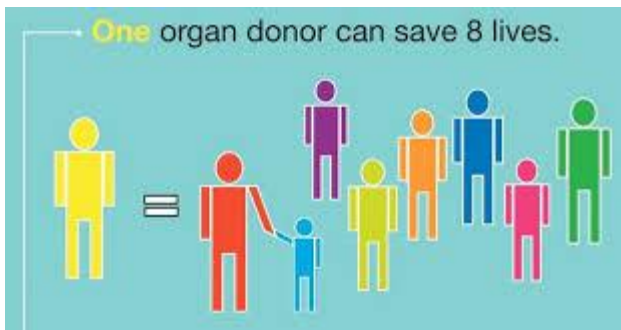
2. Deceased -The main type is cadaver or deceased OD. Although the OD is most frequently for kidneys, many other organs such as heart, liver, lungs, pancreas, intestine and uterus can be transplanted successfully. Currently 6500 persons are waiting to receive organs and approximately 1600 (25%) are from BME communities due to prevalent illness pattern. 8% of UK population are Asians. This means the need for Asians is 3 times higher. The waiting time is 12 months longer for BAME persons.

Family matters. You must talk to your family since they can overrule your wishes. 40% of white families and 60% of BME families do so, and many have to live with the guilt of denying others an opportunity to live.

What can be donated?

Organs: Heart, Lungs, Kidneys, Liver, Pancreas, Small and Large Bowel.

Tissues: Cornea, Skin, Heart Valves, Tendons, Ligaments, Bone. Recently Uterus and Hands transplanted successfully.



WHAT IS NEW?

15.3.19 was a momentous day for organ donation as “Max and Keira’s Law” achieved Royal Assent. It is also popularly called “presumed consent”.

Who will the changes affect?

These changes will affect all adults in England unless they have recorded a decision not to donate or are in one of the following excluded groups:

- Those under the age of 18.
- People who lack the mental capacity to understand the new arrangements and take the necessary action.
- Visitors to England, and those not living here voluntarily.
- People who have lived in England for less than 12 months before their death.

Key points to remember:

- From spring 2020, the law around organ and tissue donation in England is changing.
- Unless you choose to opt out or are excluded, all adults in England will be considered as a possible organ donor when they die.
- Adults covered by the change will still have a choice whether they want to be an organ donor, and their families will still be involved before organ donation goes ahead.

· Whatever your decision, make your choice clear to your family and closest friends to ensure your choice is honoured.

· You can find out more, including answers to commonly asked questions, on our website at:

<https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/opt-out-faq/>

· To register your decision to opt in or opt out, visit:

<https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/>

In Wales, presumed consent has been the law since 1st Dec 2015. New figures released by the Welsh Government show for the first time a significant increase in donations after brain stem death (DBD), with consent rates in Wales of 88.2% when compared to England at 73.3%. The donation after circulatory death (DCD) consent rate in Wales has also improved, and is now 68% compared to England at 59.8%.

Under the former ‘opt-in’ system, in 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15, only 50.3%, 53.6% and 48.5% of families consented to deceased donation in Wales.

What do the religions say?

In 1999, a conference of top religious leaders of the world, involving Christians, Muslims, Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists and other religions, debated the subject. All agreed that OD is acceptable since the fundamental principle is to help others. There is more on this subject available on the NHSBT website:

<https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/helpin-g-you-to-decide/about-organ-donation/faq/faith-and-beliefs/>



The change in law alone is not likely to succeed unless all understand, remember and act.

Two actions required:

DISCUSS your wishes with family and friends; Do not leave it for tomorrow.

PASS IT ON !



**Dr Satya Sharma, MBE, DL.
Organ Donation Ambassador**

Conclusion

Organ donation is a noble, most humanitarian act. All of us in the UK should be proud of the achievements, but more can and should be done by everyone.

Poem: Ramadan is Here

One night I heard a knock on my door,
Who can it be, I wasn't quite sure.

I open the door and am filled with glee,
The visitor ahead is no stranger to me.

I welcome the guest with utmost
delight,
For I know it has come to give me
respite.

An air of happiness fills the space,
My home now seems, a better place!

Have you any clue who this visitor
could be?
Yes! Its Ramadan, the month of mercy.

The pious and righteous can't await its
arrival,

Others seem to greet it, with waves of
denial.

For Allah we fast from dawn to dusk,
For Him our breath is the fragrance of
musk.

The Muslims who pray and fast with
zest,
Are aware of the rewards of this month
manifest.

Throughout this month we weep and
repent,
Now is the time to strongly lament.

And those who shun this sacred
month,
On the Day of Reckoning will face the
brunt.

In the last ten nights, hides the Night of Decree,
Allah then awaits for his slaves to plea.

The angels descend with Gabriel in the lead,
To check on the steadfast and record every deed.

A feeling of grief now fills my heart,
As the month of Ramadan will soon depart.

So let's make a start and worship Him alone,
Now that the worth of this month is known.

by Asma Sadia

<https://millichronicle.com/2019/04/poem-ramadan-is-here/>

Celebration of Eid in 2020 in Covid 19 - Pertinent reminder the best things in life are Free.

The festival of Eid (24th May) concludes the month of Fasting – Ramadan. This day is often full of joy and celebration with family and friends. This is not just a celebration of life, joy, happiness, togetherness and love, but also a pseudo graduation ceremony of accomplishments after a month of prayer, contemplation and soul searching. The festival also celebrates the acceptance of blessings and prayers made to God, during the holy month.

Children especially look forward to this day, as it is an occasion for them to get presents and money from elders, and an occasion to visit each other and enjoy the best dishes in town!



Alas, Covid 19 had its effect on this as well. Where there was the hustle and bustle of joy and laughter, this was replaced by Zoom conferencing and phone calls. Where there was singing and games, this was replaced by TV movies; and where there was dressing up in new clothes to show off at the mosque, this was dampened by a lack of motivation to be ostentatious just for home.





enjoy games, chatter and reaffirm our connection with our children and spouse, and really focus on one another. This was a more pertinent opportunity to give thanks and enjoy the truly important things in life - which aren't razzmatazz and party - rather love, peace, joy, health, trust and faith.

However, the dreaded virus, in some ways made positive effects as well. Where the festival may have lacked in fun and joviality, it exceeded in the appreciation of time and connection with those who are important and closest. Often life is so busy, and we can be too preoccupied to not focus on those immediately around us. On occasions we are more preoccupied with self and wider circles in our family and the community. Eid this year required us to give time, cherish and



Eid was special in its own different Covid way this year....remember the best things in life are free.

Dr Yusuf Shafi
(Vice Chair – InterFaith Wolverhampton)

Why is this Passover different from all other Passovers?

I have a letter written to my father from a girlfriend. They were both 17 years old. It is 1940. It describes a joyful and rather chaotic Passover celebration in Bedford with children evacuated from their homes in London, recently arrived refugees from Europe and people from the Jewish community in Bedford whose numbers were swelled by these new guests.

Britain was at war; food was rationed and hard to find. Even so, Passover was organised, food was found, hungry

evacuees ate well, and people gathered to celebrate.

80 years later in 2020, COVID-19 presented a different challenge.

Passover is a festival of liberation telling the story of Exodus when the Children of Israel were freed from Egyptian slavery. It is celebrated in the Spring on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Nisan. It lasts 8 days. This year it started 8th April 2020.

Passover is observed in the home, with the family and friends. Like many Jews, religious or secular, I find the observance of this festival great fun and a great puzzle. It is great fun to create a sort of street theatre around a meal with familiar foods made strange, when everyone is invited to take part in telling the story of liberation. It is a puzzle because it manages to be both familiar and unfamiliar.



The meal starts with eating bitter herbs dipped twice in vinegar and breaking matzo (unleavened bread). When I was the youngest child at a family Seder, at that moment in the meal, I got to ask the traditional question – ‘Why is this night different from all other nights?’ I learned that in the Jewish tradition children are not only to be seen and heard but to expect a very full answer to a question.

The answer unfolds during the rest of the meal as the story is told about how the Children of Israel developed their belief in a single God, how they ended up slaves in Egypt and how they got out.



Observant Jews only eat food that is permitted – no pork or shell fish – and served in approved ways – no milk with meat for example. For Passover there is an extra rule – no leavened bread or indeed any ‘live yeast’. Rakusen’s matzo is sold all year round in a red box. For Passover a special Kosher for Passover matzo is sold in a blue box. This matzo is cooked under more strict rules to ensure that any yeast that may be present in the flour does not rise at all. Everything is kept cool while the flour and water are mixed, and cooking is done within 18 minutes of mixing.

With COVID-19, getting hold of special food and being together physically with family and friends for a meal were not possible.

Across the spectrum of Jewish observance, adjustments were made to food and 'being together' in a virtual way. Joy and chaos, fun and puzzlement were had, Passover was celebrated. However, as with so many other aspects of life, it will be nice when we can dispense with social distancing and return to a more usual way of celebrating Passover in the home with family and friends – next year perhaps?



Martin Gomberg
(Vice Chair IFW)

HMP OAKWOOD CHAPLAINCY – InterFaith in action

The Chaplaincy Team at HMP Oakwood recognise the progressive work of WIF & its contribution to communities of faith in Wolverhampton. The Chaplaincy not only caters for prisoners but also staff & volunteers who work in the prison, and is based in the Multi-Faith Centre. The following faiths are acknowledged within the prison service: Bihari, Buddhism, Christian Scientist, Church of England, Church of Latter Day Saints (Mormon), Free Church, Hindu, Humanism, Islam, Jainism, Jehovah's Witness, Judaism, Orthodox Christian, Pagan, Quaker, Rastafarian, Roman Catholic, Seventh Day Adventist, Sikh, and Spiritualist.



When a man arrives in the prison, the name of any faith they have is noted,

but also men who have 'no religion' have this recorded. Everyone is seen regardless by a member of the Chaplaincy Team within 24 hours of their admission, and the role of the Chaplaincy explained. The Multi-Faith Centre is an integral part of the Oakwood community, and is available to everyone regardless of Faith, including those who express none. Being in prison is not an easy time, especially when bad news is given such as the death or serious illness of a relative.

For many, being in prison gives time and the chance for thought and reflection which is often neglected 'on the outside', and the presence of The Chaplaincy can be invaluable.



As well as places where Services, study & meetings are held, it offers a quiet place for worship and contemplation which is often used at times of special need. Reading material, visual presentations and 'one to one' meetings as well as group activities are available. Events are held such as the recent 'Faith Fest ', where the keynote speaker was Jonathan Aitken, the former MP & Cabinet Minister who went to prison for committing perjury, totally transformed his life, and found faith. He was ordained and is now volunteering as a C of E Chaplain in HMP Pentonville.



The Chaplaincy offers regular weekly worship, mentoring, study groups, bereavement support, maintenance of

family ties, and links with outside faith communities. For example, being involved in Restorative Justice Programmes and organisations which support prisoners on release. The Team has full or part-time representatives of various Faiths, supported by volunteers and prisoners.

Most of the men will return to a life outside the prison, hopefully with the support the Chaplaincy Team has given (if requested), never to return.



Jill Parker
(Vice Chair WIF and
Chaplaincy Volunteer HMP Oakwood)

Virtual Easter at St Chad's Church Pattingham

The last service held in the church before the pandemic restrictions came into force was on 15th March. The next Sunday was Mothering Sunday, when we would normally hold a service which is particularly aimed at children and their mothers. That could not take place in church, but on the Saturday the vicar recorded a service, with the assistance of a member of the congregation, which was then made available on the church

website and on YouTube. We thought this might be the future but, of course, the next week churches were closed even for private prayer and recording services.



We started recording services from people's homes. Most services involved contributions from various members of the congregation, which they recorded. These were then combined to create the final service, which was then put on YouTube and the church website.



There was a new service for every Sunday as well as extra services for Good Friday and Ascension Day. The services have taken various forms but all except the first few have included hymns sung by members of the church choir recorded from their homes.

We have also started to make the sound tracks of the services available on a phone line, so that those who do not have internet access can listen to the service by phone.

Maureen Hobbs, the Vicar, explains the process involved in planning and recording the services:

“My work begins with the readings set for the day, and I would usually choose the readings set for the Eucharist that Sunday. The readings often present me with the overall theme for the day. One of the benefits of being a bibliophile and of having been vicaring for around 20 years plus, is that I have a lot of resources on my bookshelves. So, I will often go to one or more of my favourite sources to find prayers and responses that I think will build into a satisfying act of worship”.

“Anglican services conform to a basic structure – even when there is a great deal of variety within them. So we begin with a time of gathering together in prayer, then we want to praise, to ask God’s forgiveness for our mistakes, to listen to and break open God’s Word in Scripture, to join in an affirmation of our faith (we are a church that values tradition, so the Creeds are significant), to pray for the world, the church and each other – remembering those in special need; to join together in the Lord’s Prayer; to acknowledge that the message we have heard should change us and our actions going forward and to hear God’s blessing on us”.



“That gives plenty of opportunity to involve other people – and I know how much we all appreciate seeing different members of our congregation, and different generations contributing. And of course, we will also be in conversation by phone with Greg to agree a choice of music and hymns that will enhance the worship”.

“That must all be done by the Monday or Tuesday of any week, so that individuals can practice and record their ‘bit’ – and so that Greg can begin recording his backing track. By then I will have a ‘script’ of the whole service that can eventually be sent to Mike R. to help him assemble it”.

“When all that is done, I often start by creating the ‘slides’ that will have responses on them or prayers that I think everyone would like to join in. We have discovered that we can record a ‘narration’ to go with each slide. At the same time, I will be working on my sermon/reflection/thought for the day and deciding whether it is best heard in one chunk or split up throughout the service. Finally, I record on a computer all the ‘shots to camera’ – trying to ensure that I keep the camera angles and my appearance relatively consistent – I don’t want people distracted because my clothes or hair have changed suddenly!”

“So typically, there will be six or seven short video clips from me; separate ones from our readers, intercessors, or other contributors; and three or more audio files from Greg. We try to have them with Mike Richards (our technical guru!) by Thursday evening. He then begins the challenge of editing all the bits together with the music in the right place and appropriate slides added as needed. That is the clever bit!”

“Then usually by Saturday he sends the finished product to Geoffrey, who then uploads it to YouTube, and puts it on our Website so that it goes ‘live’ at 10am on a Sunday. (And no, nothing I learned in Theological College really prepared me for this new reality!)”

Our Director of Music and Organist, Greg Lewin, explains the process involved in putting together the singing by the choir:

“The virtual choir has come together to provide music for our online services

and to enable the real choir to continue to develop while normal practices are suspended”.

“At the beginning of each week, I prepare a backing track for each of the next Sunday’s hymns. These are sent to the regular members of the choir and to some of the friends who occasionally join us for special events. Each member, in their own home, records themselves singing along to the backing track and sends their recording back to me. Some record on phones or tablets and some on computers. When I receive the recordings, I mix them all together using audio-editing software to create the performances which you hear in the services”.

“There are currently fourteen people taking part, but (as some singers record more than one harmony line) the recordings may feature as many as twenty voices”.



Jill Parker
(Vice Chair WIF and
Member of St Chad’s Church)

Diary of Events

Due to the current VIRUS PRECAUTIONS, we cannot guarantee that all of the events listed below will take place – Please contact the Interfaith Office to check.

August

18th (Tuesday) **Actually Happening!** "Online Bring and Share Meeting" 12:30 p.m. using 'Zoom' on the internet. If you do not receive an invitation by email, please request the Zoom link, with Meeting ID and Password, from admin@ifwton.org.uk . Participation is possible on Desktop, Laptop, Tablet, SmartPhone, or even a landline telephone (audio only). You can test your Zoom connection at <https://zoom.us/test> right now. If you want detailed technical help, try <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-How-Do-I-Join-A-Meeting-> . Eight people succeeded in joining our first Zoom meeting in July, and with a bit of practice we hope for more in August.

September

15th (Tuesday) **Actually Happening!** "Online Bring and Share Meeting" 12:30 p.m. using 'Zoom' on the internet. If you do not receive an invitation by email, please request the Zoom link, with Meeting ID and Password, from admin@ifwton.org.uk . Participation is possible on Desktop, Laptop, Tablet, SmartPhone, or even a landline telephone (audio only). You can test your Zoom connection at <https://zoom.us/test> right now. If you want detailed technical help, try <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-How-Do-I-Join-A-Meeting-> .

16th (Wednesday) Interfaith Wolverhampton AGM.

October

20th (Tuesday) "Bring and Share Lunch" 12:45 to 2 pm at the WVSC Building (Side Entrance), 16 Temple Street, Wolverhampton City Centre. Speaker: Abdul Hameed, Chaplain at Wolverhampton University, speaking about "Pilgrimage".

November

- 8th - 15th National Inter-Faith Week
- To be confirmed Interfaith Wolverhampton Conference
- 17th (Tuesday) "Bring and Share Lunch" 12:45 to 2 pm at the WVSC Building (Side Entrance), 16 Temple Street, Wolverhampton City Centre. Speaker: To be confirmed.

December

- 15th (Tuesday) "Christmas Bring and Share" at the WVSC Building (Side Entrance), 16 Temple Street, Wolverhampton City Centre, WV2 4AN. No Speaker, but entertainers welcome! Time to be confirmed.

For up-to-date details, see the Interfaith Wolverhampton website:
<http://ifwton.org.uk/diary.html>

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