

## St Paul's in the Park Newsletter August 2024

### Sin

*Many years ago, the smaller farmers in Scotland, being superstitious folk, kept a corner of their fields uncultivated in order to pacify certain evil spirits. They believed that by sacrificing this one corner to the spirits, the remainder of the field would be left undisturbed and fertile. What really happened, of course, was that the weeds in the uncultivated corner of the field went to seed, which were, in turn, carried by the wind and scattered across the entire field.*

So it is with our lives. Sin in any area of our lives, albeit a small area, taints our whole life.

'Nor must you surrender any part of yourself to sin. Instead, give yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life, and surrender your whole being to him to be used for righteous purposes.' Romans 6:13

### Reminder

**Sunday 1 September:** Our architect, John McClean, will be preaching. This will be a special occasion. The service will be held in the hall at the usual time – 9.30am.

**Friday 18 October:** Fundraising evening. If you are able to provide items (new!) for the auction, please let me know. Preferably household appliances but we will accept anything.

### Bassinet

Looking for a home. Give Bernie a call – 022 131 9273



### Piano

Patricia McFarland has offered to sell this piano to raise funds for our church. It is a 60-year-old Collinson. If you are interested or know of someone who might be interested, give me a call.



### Time for a Smile

A man calls a wrong number at 3 o'clock in the morning. 'Hello,' he says, 'is that the Farmer's Arms?' 'No, it's not,' says a voice, 'this is a private number.' 'Oh, I must have dialled the wrong number,' says the man, 'I'm sorry to have troubled you.' 'Oh, it's no trouble,' says the voice, 'I had to get up to answer the phone anyway.'

### Build

Beginning to look like a church!



### To Ponder

'Ethics is knowing the difference between what you have a right to do and what is right to do.' Potter Stewart



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