

Thought for the Week



Bruce Larson tells a story in his book *Edge of Adventure*.

It's about a letter found in a baking-powder tin wired to the handle of an old pump, which offered the only hope of drinking

water on a very long and seldom-used trail across the Armargosa Desert in USA;

The letter read as follows:

This pump is alright as of June 1932. I put the new leather sucker washer into it, and it ought to last several years. But this leather washer dries out and the pump has got to be primed.

Under the white rock, I buried a bottle of water. There's enough water in it to prime the pump, but not if you drink some first.

Pour in about one-quarter and let her soak to wet the leather. Then pour in the rest, medium fast and pump like crazy. You'll get water. The well has never run dry. Have faith.

When you get watered up, fill the bottle and put it back like you found it for the next feller.

(Signed) Desert Pete.

p.s. - Don't go drinking up the water first. Prime the pump with it first, and you'll get all you can hold.



St Nicholas' Church, Studland

Welcome to St Nicholas this morning!
Thank you for joining us.

We hope you will enjoy our worship together,
and join us for coffee
in the Hall after the service.

Readings for this Sunday are:

10.00am 1 Samuel 15:34-1613 and Mark 4:26-34

SUNDAY 10.00am Holy Communion
17th June

Collect: Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion: O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.