

## Knowle Members' Bulletin - March 2021

**We continue to pray that you are all keeping well at this time.**

### **For Our Prayers**

We give thanks for all on the frontline and pray that our leaders will make wise decisions throughout the pandemic, whilst we continue to follow the health rules.

### **Wave of Prayer Dioceses**

9-11 Mar Awerial in South Sudan; Mityana in Uganda; Uyo & Ajayi Crowther in Nigeria; Rupert's Land in Canada and Patna in India

12-14 Mar Port Elizabeth in South Africa; West Ankole in Uganda; Nomadic Mission & Ekiti-Kwara in Nigeria; Worcester in England and the Episcopal Church of the Philippines

**March meeting by Zoom:** Our next Branch meeting is at 2pm on Thursday **11 March**. On that day Sheila Andrews will be enrolled into Mothers' Union by Geoff Lanham and we will hear a talk entitled '**All Creatures Great & Small**' from Christian Hughes, a local Veterinary Surgeon, who will tell us about his work and his faith.

The Parish Office will send out an invitation to join; just accept the invitation and you will be sent details of the meeting and there will just be a link to click on – no need for an ID or password to join. If you do not get an invitation and would like to join the meeting, please contact the Parish Office to ask to be included. Helen Allen on 01564 779123 or email: [office@kpc.org.uk](mailto:office@kpc.org.uk) If you have not joined us on Zoom yet it is very easy with a PC, iPad or iPhone – feel free to ask us and we will guide you through the steps. Contact details at the end of this Bulletin. Last month's bulletin is available on the church website under Gatherings Mothers Union.

### **A Bible verse for the days around Mothering Sunday**

*Galatians 5:22-23*

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.



**Mothers' Day Gifts:** Why not donate one of the gifts on the MU website  
[Mothering Sunday Gifts](#)

**Still to come ... branch meetings, 2021 at 2pm, via Zoom**

**8 April,** Penny Everness de Marces, Easter in Peru

**13 May,** Ruth Tuckwell, Medicine and Mission in Vellore

**10 June,** Ann Hitchiner, The Surprises of Chaplaincy

**Volunteers:** The committee would welcome any member who would like to lead our prayers or a reading at our future Zoom meetings - please contact Jill Harris (see below).

### **Traditional Simnel Cake**

175g light muscovado sugar	175g butter, softened	175g self-raising flour	
3 large eggs	50g ground almonds	3tbsp milk	100g sultanas
100g glace cherries	100g dried apricots (chopped)	2 tbsp mixed spice powder	

Topping:

450g golden marzipan      3 tbsp apricot jam      large egg - beaten

1. Preheat oven to 160C/fan 140C/Gas mark 3. Grease a 20cm/8" round deep-sided, loose bottomed tin with butter and line the base with baking paper.
2. Put cake ingredients in large bowl and beat together until well incorporated. Spoon half of mixture into tin.
3. Roll one-third of marzipan to same size as base of tin and place on top of mixture.
4. Spoon remaining mixture on top of marzipan and level off. Bake for 1¾ - 2 hours or until golden brown on top and firm in the middle. Cover with tin foil if not cooked and leave for longer. Leave cake to cool for 10 minutes before removing from tin.
5. Heat the apricot jam and brush the top of the cake with it. Roll out half the remaining marzipan to fit top of cake and crimp to edges. Make eleven balls of marzipan from remaining marzipan and place around the edge of the cake fixing them with a little of beaten egg. Brush marzipan with the egg and glaze under a grill or with cook's blow torch to ensure even browning.

Enjoy.

### **Keeping in Touch**

Each month we deliver our Mothers' Union Bulletin by hand to several people, for whom we have not been given an email address. If you are one of these members and would in fact be happy to receive this by email instead, please do let us know.

**Your own needs at this time.** We are happy to help where we can. If you would like to talk to a member of the committee for any reason, their numbers are:

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