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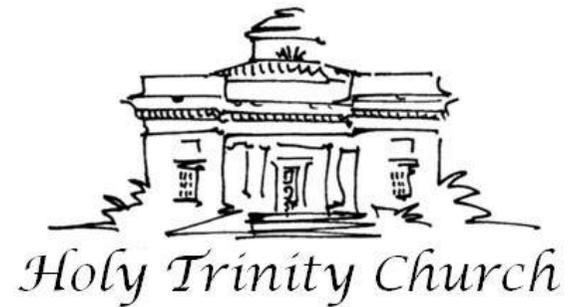
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Harvest
Autumn 2018
Funchal



Church Warden Notes

Here we are again with our well read and sought after Parish Magazine.

October 2018

Since the last time most of you realise that we are still in Interregnum and will be for many months to come. I would like to take this opportunity to let you all know how an Interregnum works so as to put minds at rest. We have not had for many many years a real Interregnum here. When The Rev. Neil Dawson came he was a Bishop's appointment and became Chaplain very quickly after the previous one. When the Rev. Canon John Blair came he took over the next day from Neil Dawson as our Locum. While in the position of Locum he applied for the job and was accepted for the post. This time is different. John Blair left at Christmas 2017. Then everything kicked in, we had to wait for a visit from The Archdeacon which did not happen until this July. After his visit we had papers to fill in and send to him by this month. These are all in the process of being dealt with. When he gets these an advertisement will go into the Church Times during November and will stay there two weeks. If there are any applicants they will not be interviewed until the middle of January 2019. We have been advised to cover with Locums until May 2019. It would of course be better if we could get locums for a few months at a time but most only want to do a month.

Our new watering system is up and working (see separate report in this magazine) and we have noticed the plants are growing better. We now await the next water bill later this month to see what the consumption is.

At the moment we are having a drainage ditch dug all along the north wall of the church (as we were advised to do last year) right down to the foundations to stop the water seepage into the



CONCERTS

HELD AT
THE ENGLISH CHURCH

RUA DO QUEBRA COSTAS, 18 - FUNCHAL

Monday - 6pm

Violin duet & Piano

"The FASTEST VIOLIN CLASSICS of the World"
Opera Overtures, Brilliant Finals, Hungarian Dances,
Thunderstorm, Flight of the Bumblebee, Paganini

Tuesday - 6pm

JAZZ improvisations with **Violin, Guitar and Double-Bas**

with "Island-Soul Duo" and Filipe Gouveia (Madeira).
Dave Brubeck, Nat King Cole, Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, Ella Fitzgerald

Wednesday - 6pm

"SOFIA FERREIRA FADO"

Sofia Ferreira (Voice)
Pedro Marques (Portuguese Guitar)
Emanuel Faria (Fado Guitar)
Filipe Gouveia (Acoustic Bass)

Thursday - 6pm

ORCHESTRA-QUARTET play THE BEATLES songs.

Eleanor Rigby, She is Leaving Home, Across to Universe, When I'm 64,
Here Comes the Sun, The Long and Winding Road,
Michelle, Getting Better, All We Need is Love and others

Friday - 6pm

ORCHESTRA-QUARTET and Robin Hird (electric guitar, England)
plays Rock arrangements (violin, piano, acoustic guitar, electric guitar, cello)
AC/DC, Led Zeppelin, Pink Floyd, Queen, Coldplay, Rolling Stones, U2

Saturday - 6.30pm

SAXOPHONE & PIANO - from Classical to Jazz.

Sunday - 6.30pm

MUSICALS & OPERA with Soprano and/or Tenor and "Blue Danube Trio".

The Phantom of the Opera, Les Misérables,
West Side Story, Chess, Cats, Evita

Please note that The Church does not accept any responsibility for changes that the musicians may make to their weekly concerts.

SUPPER NIGHT

Saturday 17th November

The film for November's Supper Night will now be the classic "The Quiet Man", John Ford's Oscar winning Irish comedy from 1952. After accidentally killing an opponent in the ring, boxer Sean Thornton (John Wayne) leaves America and returns to his native Ireland, hoping to buy his family's homestead and live in peace. In doing so, he runs a-foul of Will Danaher (Victor McLaglen), who long coveted the property. Spitefully, Will objects



when his fiery sister, Mary Kate (Maureen O'Hara), begins a romance with Sean, and refuses to hand over her dowry. Mary Kate refuses to consummate the marriage until Sean retrieves the money. *The Quiet Man* won the Academy Award for Best Director for John Ford, his fourth, and also for Cinematography. In 2013, the film was selected for preservation in the United States National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant"

All are welcome to attend this social event; we serve a 2 course meal at 6.30 followed by the film. The menu for evening will be "Irish Stew and Colcannon" followed by "Irish Fruit Jelly".

Names please to Jean Faulkner at shallomhouse@freeuk.co.uk by the Wednesday previous if possible. Cost is 12.50 euros with a cash bar available.

basement which was damaging the wall. Hopefully this will be completed before the end of the month, weather permitting.

The back wall of the cemetery which was in a very bad condition is also being repaired and painted.

So we are getting on with restoration work so that we can celebrate our bi-centenary in 2022. Hopefully we will be able to paint the outside of the church next year near to the summer when the weather is warmer and winter damp has gone.

We will celebrate Remembrance Sunday with all stops pulled out as it is the centenary of Armistice Day. Also coming up will be our usual Christmas Fair on Saturday 8th December and our Carol Concert on Thursday 20th December...which will have more Christmas music (rather than just the usual 9 lessons and carols) and readings in different languages and of course Mulled Wine and Mince Pies afterwards. So look out for our poster in December for all the information that will cover the Festive Season.

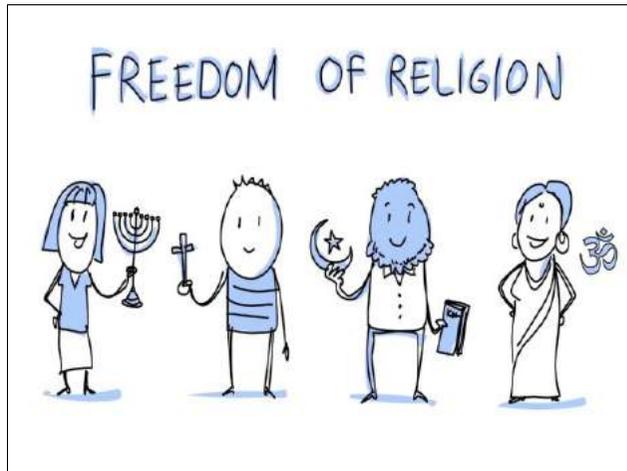
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WHAT A DIFFERENCE A WORD MAKES – FREEDOM OF RELIGION VS FREEDOM FROM RELIGION

The Court of Human Rights at Strasbourg has made it very clear that international human rights law only stipulates that there should be Freedom **of** Religion not Freedom **from** Religion. This was summed up in the judicial opinion given in support of a specific ruling. A mother of the only non-Christian pupil in an Italian school class could not demand that



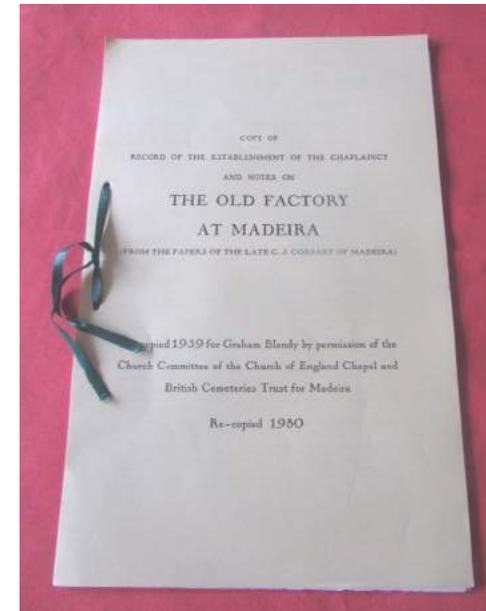
the school authorities take down the cross on the wall of his classroom as an infringement of his right to freedom from religion.

'The Convention has given this Court the remit to enforce freedom of religion and of conscience, but has not empowered it to bully States into secularism or to coerce countries into schemes of religious neutrality'. [1]

But despite this, repeated references to a so-called 'right to freedom from religion' are voiced at international gatherings by those with a secularising agenda. Recently when the UN Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion and Belief visited Brussels I was invited, along with other faith-based organisations and NGOs, to send a representative to a roundtable meeting at the European External Action Service for an 'exchange of views'. I sent my Attaché along as my travel schedule meant I had to be away from Brussels that day. He discovered that along with 12 individual representatives of churches, religions and faith-based NGOs there were 2 representatives of the European Humanist Federation. These two insisted very stridently that Freedom **from** Religion should be included in the Rapporteur's mandate. It was explained to them that their right to hold to their views was not compromised by the expression 'freedom of religion and belief.' In the international human rights documents belief does not have to be theistic. But they were not placated by this. Only theistic belief counts as a religion was their response. People should have the right to be free from it. It should be limited to the private sphere.

My Attaché recently attended a briefing for MEPs at the European Parliament. It concerned the latest case-law of the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg and the EU European Court of Justice in Luxembourg on religious freedom issues.

Bill Weston took on the task of cataloguing the Church Archive over 5 years ago, an enormous task considering the 200 years of history involved. If one takes into



account the conditions these important historical documents were stored in, it is amazing that they survived at all. It soon became apparent that a modern solution was needed as many of the documents were fragile and would be seriously damaged if handled too often. This was beyond the scope of our small band of enthusiasts and after many meetings, an agreement was reached with the island's regional archive to digitise our records enabling anyone to study the documents without the need to touch them. The originals would be kept, properly stored, and would be available to historians upon request, following strict guidelines.

Holy Trinity's representative in the digitization process is Cefyn Embling-Evans and he recently reported to the Church Council that the process had been ongoing for 12 months and had recently reached the halfway mark and save for some unavoidable unforeseen event, the whole project should be completed on time by the summer of 2019.

The islands archive not only stores Holy Trinity's archive but the records of nearly every aspect of Madeira's history. The Regional Archive collection dates back to the 15th century and to the archipelagos early settlers. It includes information of great importance in the Portuguese Atlantic history and culture. In terms of space, the deposits are occupied within 12.000 meters of book-shelves containing documents of private files, important families, personalities, as well as public and private documentation from other archives of the Madeira Archipelago. The public records include Parish and civil records of birth, marriages and deaths. There are also large photographic collections dating from the 19th century to the present day and most recently a noteworthy incorporation of the **Museu-Photographia Vicentes** collection. (see page 6)

HISTORY TELLERS

If you are about to visit Madeira or if you live here and enjoy finding out even more about this precious island you may be interested to do it through the History Tellers. This initiative is part of Madeiran Heritage which is an award winning university programme promoted by the University of Madeira Student's Union, that brings together culture and tourism by presenting several monuments, attractions and events in Madeira.

The tours, which include S. Lourenco Palace; Legislative Assembly building; the Town Hall, Santa Clara Convent; Quinta das Cruzes; Jesuit College; Saint John the Evangelist church and tastes of many more, are undertaken on foot and last about 2 hours. The guides use English, French, German, Spanish and Portuguese as required.

The guides in this scheme are volunteers and come from many European countries to learn the language, culture and the history of the island. The price is 10 euros and helps finance the school program and several university related social programmes (see bolsas.pt). The tours start from a stall in La Vie shopping centre or at the shop at the Jesuit College.

As a special, this scheme offers an hour visit to Quinta Vigia, the official residence of the President of the Regional Government of Madeira and is an ancient mansion where several prominent names of World History have resided: Maximilian Duke of Leuchtenberg; the Empress of Brazil, Amelia de Beauharnais; and Queen Adelaide of the United Kingdom. This tour runs fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons at 4p.m.



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So-called 'neutrality policies', used by firms to prohibit their employees from wearing dress or symbols identifying their faith, came particularly under the spotlight. In fact, it was said, although giving a surface appearance of even-handedness, neutrality policies were actually inherently discriminatory. This was because only religious employees were negatively affected by them. The judges' view was that it could only be justified in exceptional circumstances when there was a clear need for it and the means promoted for implementing the policy were proportionate to that need. The default position should be that the wearing of specific religious dress or symbols should be accommodated, not outlawed. My Attaché took along six students from Cranmer Hall Theological College (UK), who were on a study visit to Belgium, to the briefing. They found this exchange fascinating.



The EU Charter of Fundamental Rights is very explicit about Freedom of Religion. It is not just a private matter. It affirms the right for adherents to practice their religion individually and collectively, in public and in private.

'Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion. This right includes freedom to change religion or belief and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest religion or belief, in worship, teaching, practice and observance.' (Article 10 EU Charter of Fundamental Rights)

Trying to confine religion within the four walls of a church as an entirely private matter was the Stalinist approach to religion. It has no place in a society that claims to be free and democratic.

[1] *Lautsi v Italy*, Grand Chamber Judgment, European Court of Human Rights

This Article was taken from "Bishop Robert's Blog" — <https://bishopineurope.wordpress.com/>

The Diocese Website is at <https://europe.anglican.org>

REMEMBRANCE DAY100 YEARS ON

This year is special as we commemorate 100 years since the ending of the First World War. In church we are inviting children from the International Schools to come to a Messy Church session about remembering and especially finding out about the owners of four plaques in church who died during WWI. They will be writing about these men, who gave their lives for our freedom, in their own languages and making poppy wreaths and a display in the church.



Mr. Edmund William Krohn, com sua senhora
Emma Dina Krohn e seus filhos
NAN: 56.997
Rua do Carmo
10 Setembro 1915
Fotógrafo: Vicentes Photographos



Here is a short account of the four men.

Edmund Otto Krohn: was born in Madeira on 13th December 1898. His grandfather Wilhelm Krohn with his brother Nicolai operated Krohn Brothers a major Madeiran wine business.

The Great War started as Edmund was being educated but when he was old enough he enlisted in the East Surrey Regiment. He was however attracted by the Royal Flying Corps and he was accepted and commissioned as a Second Lieutenant on 10th May 1917. It appears that on 28th February 1918 Krohn's aircraft was on a strafing mission against a very large German artillery gun mounted on a railway wagon that was concealed in the Forest of Gobain. At 16.35 hours he was in aerial combat with three enemy aircraft over the forest. Here he died. We are not sure if he was killed outright or if he died of his wounds and injuries in an enemy hospital. Edmund was first buried by his foes in German held territory but after the war his remains were re-

Portuguese and English community use it every day. This is a good news story!

Jean Faulkner



P.S. One of the disadvantages of a super efficient watering system is the fact that the lawn now grows twice as fast.



The 3 thousand litre water tank will be hidden behind the plants

THE WATERING SYSTEM

The Church Council is very pleased to report that the new watering system has been installed and is working. You will see from the photos that they did it without causing too much upheaval and they are now working on making the garden less



labour intensive with regard to the age and dwindling numbers of our volunteer team. We hope when this is done we can still be there as and when needed but if people are unable to make the commitment it will not effect the beauty and tidiness of the beautiful garden. As you can see from the Church Warden's report there will soon be more work on the church and the grounds and there will be no parking facilities at the church during October. In passing you might like to know that the massive leak which meant we had to shut off the old watering system, was found under the gigantic tree on

the right at the back of church near the rubbish heap. No wonder it is so gigantic! This pipe has now been sealed off. The new system is hi-tech incorporating rain sensors and new more user friendly pipes and sprinklers. The control system is completely sealed. The arrangement of pipes and sprinklers is all mapped and will be displayed in the shed. If you do come to help, please make sure you know what is in your location before doing any digging etc! and please consult others. We are very grateful to all of you who helped financially to make this a reality. We are very pleased to have such a wonderful garden to spend time in and many people from both the



buried by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission in the Chauny Communal Cemetery Extension in the Aisne region of France.

Lance Corporal Otto Faber enlisted in the Rhodesian Regiment which was raised from Europeans in Rhodesia in 1914. After initial training they entrained in Beira Portuguese East Africa and then sailed on 10th March 1915 for Mombasa British East Africa. In German East Africa the commander Paul von Lettow-Vorbeck was planning to cross the border to attack the British Ugandan Railway that ran from Mombasa to Kisumu. The favoured route was through the Tsavo Valley which was hostile but did have water supply from the river. Otto's regiment was deployed to block enemy advances. Six miles north of the Rhodesians base was a hill named Signal Hill. A British patrol went every day at 0600hours from Mzima to Signal Hill.

On May 8th 1915 the German 3rd Feidkompagnie ambushed the patrol of which Otto was a member. Sadly Otto was missing but it later transpired that he was wounded but knowing a little German had been placed on a stretcher and taken to the German camp at Rhombo where he died of his wounds. He lies in an unknown grave in the Kenyan bush.

His brother Lieut. Walter L Faber was aged 38 when he was killed in France during the Battle of the Somme on 24th August 1916. More than three million men from French and British Empire forces fought on the Somme between 1st July and 18th November 1916 (140 days). Tanks were used for the first time in this battle. At the end of the battle the British and French forces had penetrated just 10 km. into German Territory and more than one million had been wounded or killed.

Major Robert Trail was part of the Queen Victoria Corps of Guides which was first raised in Peshawar India in 1846. Robert was one of 35 British Officers, of the cavalry unit all of the rest were Indians. The Jodhpur Lancers as they were know and their horses were despatched to fight in France. The commander of the regiment was His Highness Maharajah Sir Pratab Singh, ruler of Jodhpur, an Indian Princely State, he went with them.

At Lucknow Bridge in France opportunities for mounted combat were rare and so the cavalry units often fought on foot. On 1st December 1917, Trail's regiment was ordered to fight at Cambrai where they were to fight for a Beet Factory. They should have had plenty of fire support but they failed to suppress the eight German machine guns. The Jodhpur Lancers became the target. They fought bravely and by night fall they dug in trenches in order to hold the ground they had taken. Unfortunately Robert Trail did not survive the terrible onslaught of that day and died along with many fallen lancers. He was buried in Tincourt British Cemetery, Somme, France. After the war his medals were dispatched to his widow Mildred, daughter of Mr C. J. Cossart, a famous name of the madeira wine trade.



Harvest Lunch

Sunday 7th October saw over 40 people attend our ever popular Harvest Lunch.

