

Faith

Looking for perspective in hectic lives

RECENTLY I changed my mobile. I now possess a smartphone, which means that I can access the internet keeping up with football scores on a Saturday afternoon while out shopping.

While I was visiting my godson Harry recently, I smiled as I observed him playing with his own bright red plastic model, which although it did not have a built-in camera or web

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browsing capabilities, was, like my own, a source of great pleasure.

I actually recall the day in the early 1970s when we had a telephone installed at home. It was the first to be installed in our street! Oh how times have changed!

On a daily basis I see people using their mobiles as they drive, putting

others at risk because of the apparent urgency of that particular call.

Many people walk through town with phones to their ears or in their hands sending texts. In restaurants, cafés and bars, you'll see people reading emails or engrossed in some web site or other.

Have we become a society ob-

essed by and addicted to these electronic devices?

The Psalmist was spot on when he wrote Psalm 46 verse 10: 'Be still and know that I am God.' For stillness and quietness allow space for God to offer his direction and thus help us to retain perspective in hectic lives.



Champion of world peace to speak at service

A SERVICE featuring a man who lived through the height of apartheid in South Africa is to be held in the Island to mark UN World Peace Day.

Led by the Rev Tony Morling, the service will include an address by South African preacher the Rev Dr Jongikaya Zihle, who was imprisoned twice for his involvement with the banned organisation the African National Congress.

Following his incarceration, Dr Zihle - Jongi, as he is more affectionately known - pursued a career in law to help people oppressed in the apartheid regime. His skills in creating peace and resolving conflicts made him a respected adviser to countries including Swaziland and Lesotho.

Having survived imprisonment, Dr Zihle felt drawn towards the Methodist ministry and was ordained in Durban in the presence of South Africa President Nelson Mandela. There he trained commu-

The Rev Dr Jongikaya Zihle conducted a memorial service in London after the death of Nelson Mandela

St Helier Methodist Centre to host UN World Peace Day service with the Rev Dr Zihle

nity leaders in the ways of peace.

He was then invited to serve the British Methodist Church in a number of diverse and multi-ethnic communities. These were affected by the outbreaks of violence in England in 2011, and Dr Zihle was an adviser to the Mayor of London in seeking peaceful initiatives to repair the communities.

Following the death of Nelson Mandela, Dr Zihle conducted a memorial service in London on behalf of the South African High Commission. He was later invited to lead prayers at Westminster Abbey, alongside Archbishops Justin Welby and Dr John Sentamu, at a service attended by the Queen.

While Dr Zihle is passionate about seeing communities live together in peace, he is the first to admit that such harmony can be

achieved only by genuine endeavour among all people to engage with each other.

UN World Peace Day is on Sunday 21 September and will be celebrated in a service at the St Helier Methodist Centre at 10.30 am. A dinner at which Dr Zihle will speak is to be held on the previous day at the Pomme d'Or.

Tony Allchurch, Rotary Club of Jersey international committee chairman, said: 'The dinner is a community event open to everyone who would like to hear an inspiring speaker. It is all part of Rotary's peace programme and we want to recognise the people and organisations who work for peace.'

Information about the service and the dinner can be found at www.jerseypeaceisland.org or by emailing rotary@jerseypeaceisland.org

Worship for Sunday 7 September

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St Helier: NO 8am service; 9am, Holy Communion (BCP) with hymns; 10.30am, Beach Service at West Park; 6pm, "Sunday at Six".
 Tuesday 1pm, Holy Communion (BCP); in the St Helier Chapel.
 All Saints: 10am, All-age Worship.
 St Simon: Sharing with All Saints.
 St Andrew: 10am, Morning service with Communion; 11.30am, Messy Church-The man who wanted bigger barns.
 St Brelade: 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP); 10.30am, Parish Communion (CW); 6.30pm, Celtic Evening Prayer (Fisherman's Chapel).
 St Aubin on the Hill: 10.30am, Morning Worship with Holy Communion.
 St Clement: 8am, Holy Communion; 10.30am, Holy Communion.
 St Nicholas: 9am, Holy Communion.
 Gouray: 8am, Said Eucharist; 10.30am, Family Eucharist; 6pm, Eucharist.
 Grouville: 8.30am, Holy Communion; 10.30am, Family Worship.
 Holy Trinity: 8.30am, Holy Communion (BCP); 11am, Family Service; 6pm, Evensong.
 St John: 8am, Holy Communion

(BCP); 9.30am, Holy Communion (Common Worship); 11am, Contemporary Communion.
 St Lawrence : 8am, BCP Holy Communion; 9.30am, Messy Church.
 St Luke: 9am, Family Eucharist; 11am, Island "Battle of Britain" Service; 6pm, Evening Prayer.
 Daily Eucharist 12.30pm, Mon & Fri; 10am, Tue, Wed, Thur., Sat.
 St Mark: 10am, Family Praise.
 St Martin: 8.15am, Holy Communion; 10.30am, Parish Communion with S'MART Groups.
 Wed. 10.30am, Healing Service.
 St Mary: 8.30am, Holy Communion (BCP); 10am, Family Service & Gift Day. Thu (11th) 10.30am, Holy Communion.
 St Matthew: 11am, Morning Worship.
 St Ouen: 8am, Holy Communion; 10am, Worship for All with Infant Baptism.
 St George: 11.15am, Holy Communion.
 St Paul: 9.30am, Holy Communion; 11.15am, Holy Communion; 6.30pm, Evening Praise.
 St Peter: 8am, Eucharist; 10.30am, Parish Eucharist; 6pm, Evensong.
 St Saviour: 8am, Holy Communion (BCP); 9.45am, Parish Eucharist.
 General Hospital Chapel: Mondays: 10am, Holy Communion.

METHODIST

Georgetown: 10.30am, Rev Graeme Halls (Communion); 6.30pm, Rev Liz Singleton.
 St Aubin: 11am, Rev Billy Slatter.
 Bethesda: 10.30am, Mr John Perkins.
 Bethlehem: 10.30am, rev Christine Legge (Communion).
 St Ouen: 10.30am, Ms Helen Parker.
 Ebenezer: 10.30am, Mrs Caroline Bois (Family Worship in Hall).
 Eden: 10.30am, Rev Liz Singleton (Harvest Festival & Church Anniversary).
 St Martin: 10.30am, Mrs Pat Tourtel.
 St Helier Methodist Centre: 10.30am, Rev Tony Morling.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Polish Masses: Sunday: 9am, St Mary & St Peter; 7.30pm, St Thomas.
 Sacred Heart: First Sunday Mass on Saturday at 6pm.
 St Bernadette: Sunday Mass at 11.15am.
 St Martin: Sunday: 9am, Sunday Mass.
 St Mary & St Peter: 9am, Polish Mass; 11.15am, Sunday Mass.
 St Matthew: Sunday Mass 9.30 am.

St Patrick: First Sunday Mass on Saturday at 6pm; Sunday Mass at 11.
 St Thomas: Saturday: First Sunday Mass at 6pm;
 Sunday: 9.30am, Mass; 3.30pm, Mass in Portuguese; 6pm, Mass; 7.30pm, Mass in Polish.
 Little Sisters: Daily Mass at 10am.

OTHERS

Baptist: 10.30am and 6pm, Peter Dale, Pastor, Zion Christian Fellowship, Guernsey
 Belmont Road Gospel Hall: 10.30am, Breaking of Bread; 4.30pm, Gospel Meeting.
 Christian Portuguese Mission: Worship in Portuguese will be held Sunday at 6pm at Church Hall, 9, Cattle Street, St Helier. All welcome.
 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormons): 10am, Sacrament meeting at the LDS Church, St Peter's Valley.
 St Columba's Church of Scotland: (Presbyterian): 11am, Rev David Logan.
 Elim Rock Church: 10.30am, Morning Service; 5pm, Portuguese Service. Gordon Le Breton Close, Plat Douet Road, St Saviour.
 Freedom Church: 10.30am-12pm,

Hautlieu School, Wellington Road, St Saviour.
 Greater World Christian Spiritualist Church: 6.30pm, Divine Service, 13 Dorset Street.
 Lighthouse Christian Church: 10.30am Sundays in the Grand Suite at the Grand Hotel.
 New Life Church: 11am and 6.30pm, at Communicare, St Brelade.
 Quennevais Evangelical Church: 10.45am and 6pm Rev Roger Davies.
 Religious Society of Friends (Quakers): 10.30am, Worship, Wednesday: 1.15pm-1.45pm; 71, La Colomberie.
 Salvation Army: Worship at 10.30am and 6pm at Salvation Army, Minden Street.
 Seventh Day Adventists: Tel: 638802.
 Tesson Chapel: 10.30am, Morning Worship led by Mr Richard Syvret.
 United Reformed: 10.30am, Morning Worship and Holy Communion led by Revd. Philip Osborn.
 Jersey Bahai Community: Monday 7pm, Open Meeting with Meditation/discussion.
 For information on The Baha'i Faith, 19 Day Feasts and other local events contact: 728817 or 734946
 Jewish Synagogue: Saturday, 10.30am, Sabbath Service.