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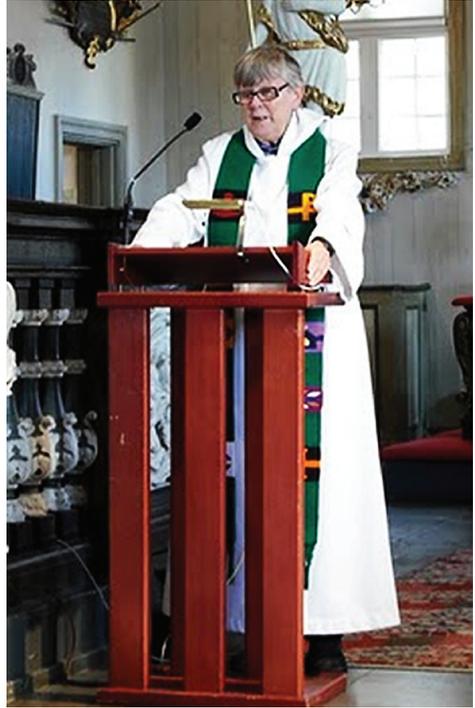
## Letter from the Chaplain

The woman sitting next to me was wearing a bracelet I had not seen before. Almost like the frälsarkransen bracelet invented by Bishop Martin Lönnebo, which uses beads of different colours, shapes and sizes as a way in to prayer. But this one had a green bead next to the two red ones.

The green bead turned out to be the symbol of the Pilgrim Theology seminar in Vadstena this February. The theme this year was “att vandra med andra – diakoni”, and I expected to hear about various aspects of caring for the spiritual, emotional and practical needs of pilgrims, whether on a long walk or at a resting-place. It wasn't quite like that. One speaker owned up that her idea of a long walk was from the supermarket to the car park. But the link between the pilgrim spirit which drew us together, and the diakoni we had come to hear about was spelled out by pilgrimsdiakon Ewa Lund, and illustrated by the bracelets with the green pearl, which she had made by hand.

Why green? Green is of course the colour we associate with ecology, and with care for the world around us, even when the green grass is covered with snow and the green leaves have turned brown and then fallen from the trees. But green (not such a pretty green in my opinion) is also the colour of the shirts worn by Swedish deacons, and so it is a mark of service to the community. The original deacons, in Acts chapter 6, were appointed for the task of making sure that food was distributed fairly in the early Christian community, allowing the disciples to concentrate on prayer and preaching. Ironically, one of the first deacons, Stephen, was also the first preacher to be put to death for proclaiming the Christian gospel.

Again, green is the colour of the traffic light that tells us to go ahead, a sign of progress and of safety. The green light of the emergency exit signs in St Andrew's installed to comply



with fire safety regulations, makes locking up the church on a dark winter night a more pleasant and less scary experience.

To these three meanings of green, Ewa added a fourth: ecumenism, marked by fellowship in Christ and a deeper understanding of one another. The Pilgrim Theology seminar is certainly ecumenical, using three churches of different denominations as meeting-grounds, but I did not understand why ecumenism should be green. Perhaps it is typical of pilgrims that we should be divergent thinkers, open to everyone and everything we meet on the journey.

Vadstena is part of the Green Pilgrimage Network, which I googled on return home, pleased to find that Trondheim, the site of our last Deanery Synod, and Canterbury, where our next one will be held, are also part of the Network.

“The GPN is a global network of 28 pilgrim cities and other sites sacred to many different religious traditions around the world. They are all united in wanting to be models of green action and care. Members of the GPN share a vision of pilgrims on all continents, and the pilgrim cities that receive them, becoming models of care for the environment and leaving a positive footprint on the earth.”

When Martin Lönnebo was shown a green-bead bracelet, he said that he had always used that one of the three small white beads, the “secret beads”, to pray for the environment. Now the Pilgrim Centre at Vadstena has a licence to produce these bracelets exclusively for one year. Just as well, for the supply in their shop had run out by the second evening of the conference.

At the seminar, we heard about the “involuntary pilgrims” who travel because they are forced to leave their own countries, and especially about some encounters with “paperless” refugees in Sweden, and about a retreat centre within a high-security prison

where one prisoner was remarked that it was the first time in his sentence when he had been allowed to walk on the grass. A blues singer spoke of the change in her life’s journey after she was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, and ended with a song “Only the dead fish follow the stream.”

The seminar finished with two bishops: the Roman Catholic bishop Anders Aurelius spoke about the journey of hope, and Martin Modeus, the third consecutive bishop of Linköping to be called Martin, on visions of God’s kingdom. He ended by quoting the former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams: “Mission is finding out what God is doing and joining in.” Then we said midday prayer, and the two bishops gave us their blessing together.

This was my third visit to Vadstena, and I thought it might be my last. However, I left at the end of 3 days determined to come back next year.

Barbara Moss



The Pilgrim Centre in Vadstena

**Our Vision for St Andrew’s as decided at the AGM:**

*Seeking God’s will through  
prayer and worship, outreach, and nurturing community*



# Services: March — May 2014

Unless otherwise stated, Sunday services are Parish Communion at 11.00

## **MARCH 2**, Next before Lent

09.30 Holy Communion  
11.00 Family Service, Prayers: Ivy Lee Leung  
18.00 Onsdagsmessa på en söndag  
(*Not a mass, but a “taster” concert by the musicians who play at Midweek Mass*)

## **MARCH 5**, Ash Wednesday

19.30 Midweek Mass/Onsdagsmessa with Ashes

## **MARCH 7**, World Day of Prayer

16.00 Service at St Andrew’s

## **MARCH 9**, Lent 1, Solemn Eucharist with Ashes

LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor  
Prayers: Heather Wray

## **MARCH 16**, Lent 2 (Sunday School)

*Celebrant: Irene Ungelheim, Preacher: Alan Taylor*  
LA: Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson  
Prayers: Opeoluwa Adebayo-Omolade

## **MARCH 23**, Lent 3

*Preacher: Roger Ponsford*  
LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor  
Prayers: Amelia Delmendo-Bock

## **MARCH 30**, Mothering Sunday

Family Communion  
LA: Ann Gustafsson, Alan Taylor  
Prayers: Vongai Muyambo-Laasonen

## **APRIL 6**, Lent 5

LA: Alan Taylor, Gisela Barnard  
Prayers: Ann Gustafsson,

## **APRIL 13**, Palm Sunday (Sunday School)

11.00 Parish Communion with Procession of Palms  
LA: Gisela Barnard, Ann Gustafsson  
Prayers: Ron Jones

18.00 The Way of the Cross.  
*Words and Music for Passiontide.*

## **APRIL 17**, Maundy Thursday

18.00 Eucharist with Footwashing

## **APRIL 18**, Good Friday

11.00 The Way of the Cross

## **APRIL 20**, Easter Sunday

11.00 Family Communion  
LA: Ann Gustafsson, Alan Taylor  
Prayers: Gisela Barnard  
14.00 Celebrating Together – *Ecumenical Easter Celebration. Details later.*

## **APRIL 27**, Easter 2

LA: Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson  
Prayers: Gillian Thylander  
*followed by Annual Meeting of the Congregation*

## **MAY 4**, Easter 3

9.30 Holy Communion  
11.00 International Family Service with Music  
Prayers: Jeanette Munro and Sunday School

## **MAY 11**, Easter 4

LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor  
Prayers: Alan Taylor  
20.00 *Multicultural Worship at Haga Church in connection with Vetenskapsfestivalen*

## **MAY 18**, Easter 5

LA: Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson  
Prayers: Cecilia Klevedal

## **MAY 25**, Easter 6

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Gisela Barnard  
Prayers: Paul Greer

## **JUNE 1**, after Ascension (Sunday School)

LA: Gisela Barnard  
Prayers: Keith Barnard

## **JUNE 8**, Pentecost — Family Communion

LA: Gisela Barnard, Jeanette Munro  
Prayers: Deborah Anggono



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# Chaplaincy News

## St Andrew's Day



## Our Choir at Nine Lessons And Carols



## Ladies Evening Group (LEG)

### *Outing to the cinema*

On Friday 7th February we went to see a very interesting film called PHILOMENA which gave us lots of food for thought. Afterwards we went to a café for refreshments, and had a lively discussion about the film.

LEG meets every first Tuesday alternatively Friday of each month. Besides seeing to the welfare of our church we eat out together, visit the Opera or any of many other fun things. We extend a warm welcome to any lady who would like to join us. We try to nurture each other with love and support.

*Ann Gustafsson*



## Yet More Time, Talents and Treasures

The following items were unsold at our auction on 2 February, so we are now opening a sealed bid auction for them. Write your bid of not less than the reserve price on a piece of paper, fold it and place it in the coin box behind the back pew on the south side of the church. Or, if you prefer, write it in a Word document, attach it to an email with the subject "Auction", and send it to Steven Wray, <steve@wrayassociates.com>. Don't forget to say for which item you are bidding! The highest bid for each item received by April 30 wins that item; or, if two or more bids are highest-equal, the winner is decided by a random process.



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## Dates for your diary

March 12: our Lent course begins

March 22: Listening Skills Workshop

– see article opposite

March 29: Pilgrimage Walk, with Mass in St

Birgittas kapell – for details of this and other walks, see the web site.

April 12: Spring Cleaning

May 8: Culture Shock and Culture Change.

18.00-19.30, drinks and snacks from 17.30.

*Graduates from the Master in Communication programme share their experience of living and working in a foreign country – and returning home. Haga församlingshem, Stora Salen.*

*This is Studentprästernas contribution to Vetenskapsfestivalen.*

May 24: Bazaar

June 15: Lottery Draw and Church Picnic

September 7: Harvest Festival

## Concert list - March to May

March 14 Emma and Eric Nyman

-Violin and Piano

March 29 at either 15.00 or 16.00

Vocalists accompanied by piano and arranged by Maria Lindberg Kranomo

May 16 Johan Möller Lekemo

playing Chopin on the piano



## Listening Skills

Anna-Stina Ponsford, a former member of our congregation and occasional visitor, will lead a workshop on Listening Skills in the University Chaplains' rooms in Haga Församlingshem on Saturday 22 March from 10.00 to 15.00. She writes:

*“In the course of our everyday lives we are communicating, talking and listening to family, friends, colleagues as well as casual contacts. It seems simple enough and yet sometimes even the simplest communications go wrong and that’s verbal communication.*

*“Misunderstandings arise and yet we have had many years of practice. In each instance we are on one end of that process, delivering or receiving, communicating or listening. In pastoral care the main challenge is listening because that is what we are there for. Why should it be a challenge? On the face of it the process is simple but what we hear is our own perception of what is being expressed. So how did it get distorted and how do we get it straightened out?”*

*“The workshop will endeavour to touch on some of the riches and risks present when we communicate with each other.”*

So that the participants can get the most out of the workshop, numbers will be limited to 12. The workshop is free. Bring your own lunch, and we can provide tea and coffee.

**Please let Barbara know if you would like to come.**



Baptism of Hugo Alexis Hammarskjöld



Baptism of Antony Benjamin Sky Russell



Marriage blessing on Yixiao Yun and Jielin He



Marriage of Libu Varghis Sam and Reni Ann Varghese



## Baptisms

22 December 2013

HUGO ALEXIS HAMMARSKJÖLD

5 January 2014

ANTHONY BENJAMIN SKY RUSSELL

## Marriages

4 January 2014 (*Marriage Blessing*)

YIXIAO YUN and JIELIN HE

11 January 2014

LIBU VARGHIS SAM and RINI ANN VARGHESE  
(at St. Thomas CSI Church, Tholassery, Kerala)

## Funerals

25 February 2014

WILLIAM BOND-TAYLOR (aged 71)

# The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2013

		Sub totals
Account interest	43	43
Donations	300	
	200	
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	100	1350
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Lotteries	2860	
Sale of Poppies	285	3145
<i>Poppy Sales &amp; Church Collection</i>		
St Andrews Church-door box	588	
St Andrews Church-main box	1103	
St Andrews & Anglo Swedish Society	331	
St Andrews Church Collection	1500	3522
German Church (Christinae)	241	241
The English School-School Box 1	241	
English School Box 2	152	393
Paddington Pub		1070
The English Shop		1653
Malmö Sale of Poppies	2156	2156
<i>Gothenburg Poppy Day Tea</i>		
Entrance & Tea	1660	
Lottery	925	
Sale of books	775	
Auction	2755	
Poppies	320	6435
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Alan J. White OBE

Poppy Appeal Coordinator

# Spreading the Good News

SERMON ON ST ANDREW'S SUNDAY

*St Andrew's Gothenburg, 24 November 2013.*

*Romans 10.12-18*

*Matthew 4.18-22*

Our gospel reading for St Andrew's Day presents one tradition about how the first apostles came to follow Jesus. A simple scene by the lakeside: "One day, Jesus was walking ..." makes it sound so casual, as if he just happened to see two brothers out fishing, and then two more brothers, and promised to make them "fishers of people."

John's gospel gives a different story, at least where Peter and Andrew were concerned. According to John, Andrew was a disciple of John the Baptist. He had travelled away from the lake, south to the Jordan valley where John was baptizing. So Andrew was not only a fisherman; he was also a seeker, someone who was thirsty for good news, and curious about the strange message that John was proclaiming: "The kingdom of heaven has come near."

Andrew was one of the two disciples to whom John pointed out Jesus, saying "Look, here is the Lamb of God." They followed Jesus – that is, they started walking after him – and he turned round, saw them, and asked, "What are you looking for?" Their reply suggests that they were rather taken aback by the question, and answered with the first thing that came into their heads, another question: "Rabbi, where are you staying?" To which Jesus replied, "Come and see." They spent the rest of the day with him, and Andrew then found his brother, announced, "We have found the Messiah" and brought him to Jesus.

Now, when two versions of a story disagree, it can be an interesting, but not particularly useful, puzzle to work out how they could both be true. But in this case, it opens the possibility that Jesus, walking by the lake shore, recognized among the fishermen the two brothers he had met in the Jordan valley.

Of all the gospels, John shows the most in-



terest in Andrew. It was Andrew who brought forward the lad with five loaves and two fish at the feeding of the 5000. It was Andrew who acted as an intermediary to the Greek visitors to Jerusalem who wanted to see Jesus. And, as we have seen, it was Andrew who spread the good news about Jesus to Peter – the first of many who would share the gospel news with others.

I suspect that more churches in this diocese are named after Andrew than after any other saint, with the possible exception of Mary. For Andrew was not only the first missionary; like the others, he went on to spread the gospel in foreign parts. And then there's his association with Scotland. Purely by chance, perhaps, that the boat containing his bones was washed up on the coast by the small city which now bears his name; but God works through chance, and the Scots who travelled all over the world, some as missionaries, some as doctors, some as engineers, took with them the Scottish flag and the name of St Andrew, rather than one of the saints who took the gospel to Scotland, such as Ninian and Columba.

St Andrew's tide is traditionally a season of prayer for the missionary work of the church.

As some of you may know, General Synod, the Church of England's parliament, met this week. Most of the media interest was on the first stage of a new attempt to prepare legislation for the consecration of women as bishops, an attempt which met with overwhelming approval in synod, and which may result in final acceptance of the legislation next summer – at last.

But even more significant was a debate on the first day, on the subject of *Intentional Evangelism* – spreading the gospel today. At the end of the debate, a five-part motion was passed. The first three parts concerned setting up a task group to work out the details of the strategy, but the last two apply to us as well:

**“That this Synod, in the light of the priority of evangelism and making new disciples:” (that's the preamble)**

**“(d) call upon every diocesan and deanery synod and every PCC [that's Church Committee to us] to spend the bulk of one meeting annually and some part of every meeting focusing on sharing experiences and initiatives for making new disciples; and**

**“(e) urge every local church in 2014 prayerfully to try at least one new way, appropriate to their local context, of seeking to make new disciples of Jesus Christ.”**

Each church, then, is called to follow in the footsteps of St Andrew, not keeping our faith to ourselves, but going out to share it with others. And the “others” will not always be like the Greek visitors who wanted to see Jesus, nor like the boy who was prepared to share his lunch with the crowds. The others come, as we ourselves do, with their own stories, and their own prejudices. A recent survey of students in England showed that many regarded themselves as Christians, and reflected on what that meant for their values and attitudes, but rarely attended church. We shall also encounter those who reject Christianity, or follow another faith. “Sharing” works both ways: being prepared to listen as well as to speak; being open to other traditions as well as being faithful to our own.

The collects – prayers of the day – in this morning's service are for the Feast of Christ the King. Here's a collect for St Andrew's Day, written by Janet Morley who produced collections of prayers for Christian Aid:

Christ, whose insistent call disturbs our settled lives: give us discernment to hear your word, grace to relinquish our tasks, and courage to follow emptyhanded wherever you may lead; that the voice of your gospel may reach to the ends of the earth. Amen.

Barbara Moss



# Streams in the Desert

## World Day of Prayer 2014

Mentioned in Genesis, Egypt is one of the oldest civilizations in the world. Various called “motherland of the world” and cradle of civilizations”, Egypt was populated soon after the Flood by Mizraim, grandson of Noah. His name gives the Arabic for Egypt – “Misr”. The Nile is the second longest river in the world. Known as “the gift of life”, almost all of the country’s water comes from it. The theme of the Women’s World day of Prayer 2014 is “Streams in the Desert” and we are asked to reflect on our Christian role of being a “stream in the desert” for those who experience spiritual “drought”. The theme flows like a river through the service, with the promise of living water that never runs dry running through the Bible passages, the prayers and the hymns.

In about 170 countries from sunrise to sunset prayers are held.

The World Day of Prayer worship service has a special annual theme, which is developed

by women of a different country each year. A national committee then prepares an order of service on that theme. This time the service comes from Egypt and will be celebrated on seventh of March. I am happily preparing a Women’s World Day of Prayer service which will be held in our Church, St. Andrew’s, on Friday seventh of March at 16.00 hours. The service will be in English. Afterwards, there will be Egyptian refreshments served. You are most welcome!

I represent St. Andrew’s Church for the Gothenburg Ecumenical Women’s Group and serves on its committee as well as ours. There will be other World Day of Prayer services held in Tynneredskyrkan and Furulundskyrkan at 11.00, Emanuelskyrkan in Kungsbacka at 12.00, The Catholic Church, Maria Magdalena in Hisingen at 13.00, and an evening service in St. Jacobs Kyrka at 19.00. We will celebrate in the English Church, St. Andrew’s, at 16.00.

*Cecilia Klevedal*





## Weekend in Strängnäs with IFK

25/1 The sky is gray and dim. Snowflakes are falling and the already snow covered grounds and thourougfares become brighter and thicker as they fall. Like my burning interest to travel to Strängnäs today to attend the officers meeting of the International Women's Union in Sweden (Internationella Kvinnorförbundet). Although I somewhat miss my comfortable weekend routine, the excitement of meeting colleagues from the North to South of Sweden, composing of active, committed, intelligent and strong 7 others from different nationalities: Indonesian, Malaysian, Moroccan, Turkish and 3 Swedish is a great consolation. The beautiful relaxingly serene white landscape and snow crowned trees enjoyed from my train seat window made me very comfortable. Time flies fast when the mind is busy and the heart is at ease. After almost 5 hours and train changes in Katrineholm and Eskilstuna, Strängnäs at last! Elsy Hedlund, our able and competent IFK chairwoman waited for me at the intersection of Järnvägsgatan and another street the name of which I have forgotten. At our meeting venue light salad lunches and newly brewed swedish coffee waited for us! Then our hard work began seriously. It was a long afternoon finishing half of our agenda. I had a 2 1/2 hours chance to book in at Hotel Rogge, and rest a bit before dinner at Harry's Restaurant, which is conveniently situated on the ground floor of our hotel. We are privileged to choose what we liked from the sumptous menu list. Discussions and conversations of a lighter nature cracked into jokes and burst of laughter which did not last longer than 22.00 hours. I enjoyed the winter-Christmas scene from my Hotel room window before lighting my night candle and saying my night prayers as usual.

26/1 It's an unusual Sunday routine for me this time. Instead of rushing to prepare my breakfast and myself to beat the bus to the city in time for a

pre-service CHOIR PRACTICE at St. Andrew's Church, I only had to do the latter; and longed to jog around the snow covered lake at a stone's throw just as I did last summer when we were here last year. What a shame, not being able to do it again! After a healthy breakfast we went back to our meeting venue and continued the GRIND which fortunately was finished in time for us all to catch our transportation time. Farah left earlier though to catch her plain to Umea. We have had updates and budget reports from our treasurer, decided on activities and projects for Nordic in June, employing a member to work in our Office with pay, thus putting into practice one of our good aims to help with women employment, plans and budget for KAMUGA in Homa Bay, Kenya where we help the less fortunate Children to obtain Education and continue schema of help for self help, approved projects of building the first ever recreation house that will accommodate 100 children and youngsters etc. As well as decided where to hold our Annual General Meeting next month etcetera. We have planned once again what we can do to uplift our aims in GENDER EQUALITY in the home, society, working place and in politics as well as planned to continue giving help to educate the less unfortunate. With all these worthwhile aims to help women, children and automatically men and the rest of humanity to make this WORLD a better place to live in; I believe that every second I spent during that weekend is worth much more than any other activity I missed then. Personally, it is good to help the community one is in, but if an opportunity comes to be of help also to others then why not? Helping is not choosy, it comes naturally with GREAT enjoyment whenever one can in a democratic atmosphere. Please visit [www.ikf.se](http://www.ikf.se), [www.nordiskforum.se](http://www.nordiskforum.se), [www.kamuga.se](http://www.kamuga.se).

*Amy Delmendo-Bock*

# ❖ Dag Hammarskjöld

## Who caused his death?

At St Andrew's Gothenburg 28<sup>th</sup> Book Fair event in 2012 there was a presentation by David Lea (Lord Lea of Crondall) about some of the questions raised by Susan Williams's book **Who killed Hammarskjöld? The UN, the Cold War and White Supremacy in Africa.**

Susan Williams, a British scholar, who has published books and articles about Africa, decolonisation and the global power shifts, argues that the official inquiry by the Rhodesian government was "a massive cover-up that suppressed and dismissed a mass of crucial evidence pointing to foul-play." Susan Williams had obtained access to material stored in archives such as the Bodleian Archives at Oxford and found new material previously unavailable. Her book on *Who Killed Hammarskjöld?* is a serious and well-researched account. As a result of this new material, Lord Lea set up the **Hammarskjöld Inquiry Trust**, which included the former Archbishop of Sweden – KG Hammar, former Secretary-General Chief Emeka Anyakoku, Hans Kristian Simensen, Henning Melber a director of the [Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation](#), Uppsala, Naison Ngomain Zambia and Susan Williams. The trust aimed to set up a

high level **Commission of Enquiry** in which jurists inquired into the cause of the death of Dag Hammarskjöld in order to determine whether there was a case for re-opening the UN Inquiry of 1961-62.

The Commission of Enquiry has repeatedly urged the UN to reopen a probe into



the September 1961 plane crash in which Mr Hammarskjöld, who led the UN from 1953 until his death in 1961, and 15 others perished in what was then known as Northern Rhodesia – now Zambia – while on a mission to negotiate a ceasefire. "A report released by the Commission of Jurists repeatedly suggests that new evidence has emerged showing that the plane may have been shot down en route to peace negotiations in what is now Zambia."

On September 9<sup>th</sup> 2013 the UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon said that he would closely study the findings of the International Commission linked to the death of Dag Hammarskjöld. It has now been announced that Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon has proposed that the General Assembly of the United Nations should decide if the enquiry into the cause of Dag Hammarskjöld's death should be reopened.

Nancy Fjällbrant

## Doesn't this worry you?

Sixteen flood warnings remain in place across the South East and South West of England.

*There are 134 other flood warnings for the rest of the country.*

*And there are another 201 flood alerts where the Environment Agency is urging people to "be prepared".*

**February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.** – See source below: <http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/uk-weather-live-more-flood-3130173#ixzz2svaIAIkR>

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Last week there were pictures of villagers in the area known as the Somerset Levels, an area that was drained and reclaimed for farming at the end of the eighteenth and beginning of the nineteenth centuries - desperately preparing for both floods and extra high tides backed by storm winds from the Atlantic. It seems that the Nature is reclaiming that and other areas of hard-won land important for producing food for our overcrowded island. Can the politicians who have slashed expenditure on proper sea defences, river dredging and drainage be blamed? Or do we need to examine the consequences of global warming more than ever?

I do not personally have the time or energy to take up any other environmental issue in this magazine, but it was a relief to read in the

Gothenburg Post today about some progress being made to combat poaching of elephants and rhinos to Africa, just to satisfy the demand for ivory, etc, in China and Thailand and to pay for weapons being used by rebel armies such as the Lord's Resistance Army led by the infamous Joseph Kony.

It would be very encouraging if any of the readers of this magazine could contribute something on the topic Global Warming -Climate Change and what should be done about it. Below is what the UN Secretary General is doing about it, again copied from the Net.

*As part of a global effort to mobilize action and ambition on climate change, United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon is inviting Heads of State and Government along with business, finance, civil society and local leaders to a **Climate Summit in September 2014, New York.***

*This Summit will be a different kind of Climate Summit. It is aimed at catalyzing action by governments, business, finance, industry, and civil society in areas for new commitments and substantial, scalable and replicable contributions to the Summit that will help the world shift toward a low-carbon economy.*

*The Summit will come one year before countries aim to conclude a **GLOBAL CLIMATE AGREEMENT** in 2015 through the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.*

*Gillian Thylander*



# ❖ Remembering the Spirit



## Flowers in Church

Surely one of the most beautiful gifts from God is flowers. In all their simplicity and radiance they can grace any occasion – a true symbol of love we can share with one another.

A big thankyou to Laila, Roland Carlsson

and family for remembering their parents every Christmas, by filling the church with so many beautiful flowers. Their perfume make us truly mindful of our many blessings.

*Ann Gustafsson*

## Call and Answer

Tell me why it is we don't lift our voices these days  
And cry over what is happening. Have you noticed  
The plans are made for Iraq and the ice cap is melting?

I say to myself: "Go on, cry. What's the sense  
Of being an adult and having no voice? Cry out!  
See who will answer! This is Call and Answer!"

We will have to call especially loud to reach  
Our angels, who are hard of hearing; they are hiding  
In the jugs of silence filled during our wars.

Have we agreed to so many wars that we can't  
Escape from silence? If we don't lift our voices, we allow  
Others (who are ourselves) to rob the house.

How come we've listened to the great criers—Neruda,  
Akhmatova, Thoreau, Frederick Douglass—and now  
We're silent as sparrows in the little bushes?

Some masters say our life lasts only seven days.  
Where are we in the week? Is it Thursday yet?  
Hurry, cry now! Soon Sunday night will come.

*Robert Bly*



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