

St James News: Thought for the day – Saturday 26th September 2020

A Laodicean estate agent writes – Rev John Marshall

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The developers have moved in

on 1 Corinthians 13

(a delightful period chapter

Retaining many of the original features)

The structural survey found

Faith, Hope and Love

inadequate for modern requirements

The valuers found

that it profited then nothing

The planning office saw

as in a glass, darkly

The architect

believed all things

The contractor

hoped all things

The builders

spoke with the tongues of men

and definitely not angels

and now its done and back on the market

these three remain

Ambition, Fear and Need.

And the greatest of these

is never satisfied.

Godfrey Rust 1991

I used to write out 1 Corinthians 13 every time I had an untidy desk (rats nest), every week, but I do remember that the greatest of these is love. (Faith and hope are good too.)