## KIT D KIPPAX Staying Connected while Physically Distant

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The Velveteen Rabbit "What is REAL?" asked the Rabbit one day, when they were lying side by side near the nursery fender, before Nana came to tidy the room. "does it mean having things that buzz inside you and a stick-out handle? "Real isn't how you are made," said the Skin Horse. "It's a thing that happens to you. When a child loves you for a long, long time, not just to play with, but REALLY loves you, then you become Real." "Does it hurt?" asked the Rabbit. "Sometimes", said the Skin Horse, for he was always truthful. "When you are Real you don't mind being hurt." "Does it happen all at once, like being wound up", he asked, "or bit by bit?" 'It doesn't happen all at once", said the Skin Horse. "You become. It takes a long time. That's why it doesn't often happen to people who break easily, or have sharp edges, or who have to be carefully kept. Generally, by the time you are Real, most of your hair has been loved off, and your eyes drop out and you get loose in the joints and very shabby. But these things don't matter at all, because once you are Real you can't be ugly, except to people who don't understand." by Margery Williams Sent in by Paul Maggs

wareness of the sacred in life is what holds our world together, and the lack of awareness of the sacred is what is tearing it apart. In a high Spiritual Season, Joan Chittister Today's Gospel John 6: 22-29



KIT @ KIPPAX - Keeping in Touch Needs your contributions. Perhaps you would like to share a story of what is different in your life during this time of physical isolation.

How has it impacted your life? Have there been some surprises on how you have coped?

Share them with the SJA community.

## Spring or Autumn? SJA front garden





The Bees like this one.

Photographer Sharon Greaves