

Can you remember Ena Sharples introducing herself as the caretaker of the Glad Tidings Mission Room in Weatherfield? Well, it was sixty years ago, black and white television and acted live! This is Coronation Street's Diamond Jubilee Week and that was the very first scene.

Why has Coronation Street held attention for so long? Although we may think back to the characters over the years, people watch because they want to know what will happen next. I found myself going back to Coronation Street during the lock down. I have become anxious about the characters! Rubbish my mate tells me – it is just fiction. When you think about it, novels which are bought and read all the time are fiction!

It is what is going to happen next which holds us. A 90 year old grandmother was the first to have the vaccine this week. How is she getting on? When will there be vaccinations at the Pirelli Stadium or perhaps nearer? This is because we hopefully look forward to vaccination for everyone which could bring us to normal life once more.

We need to just be mindful of the God given skills which have enabled dedicated and clever people to produce the vaccine. Another thank you area which we all need to be conscious of just now.

We complain about Easter Eggs being in the shops just after Christmas. Perhaps this year we might buy one in the hope that come Easter things might be beginning to come back to normal.