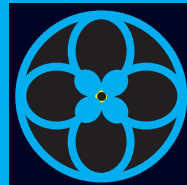


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EDITOR'S NOTES

Welcome to our September edition.

I hope you have managed to have a lovely, restful summer, even though the weather left much to be desired!

Huge congratulations to James Homer who has completed his training and will be ordained a deacon by our bishop at Worcester Cathedral on Sunday 24th September at 6.30pm. If you are able to, do go along to support him, it is a lovely service.

We wish James every blessing in his new, well- deserved journey.

Please don't forget, if you haven't already got your tickets for the Elmley Lovett fund raising dinner, go to page 4 to find out how you can get some!

Marzena Cartwright

UKRAINIAN COFFEE MORNING

I would like to thank all who supported me at the coffee mornings, especially James Needham and Sandfield Farms who donated a huge amount of asparagus to sell as many of their workers are Ukrainian.

I raised £600 which I shared between the Ukraine appeal and Droitwich food bank

Many thanks to all

Janet Miller

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THOUGHTS FROM THE RECTOR



At the beginning of his Canterbury Tales, written at the end of the 14th century, Geoffrey Chaucer tells us that it is in April that "longen folk to goon on pilgrimages". But in the last few years I have been going on pilgrimage in September after the busy wedding season in August is over and before the season of harvest festivals begins in these parishes. In 2019 Laura and I walked the St Cuthbert's Way from Melrose Abbey to Holy Island, a beautiful walk that ends by crossing the sands at low tide. In 2021 we walked the St Oswald's Way from St Oswald's church at Heavenfield by Hadrian's Wall to Holy Island once again and last year we walked St Hilda's Way across the North Yorkshire Moors down to Whitby Abbey. As you will have noted we did not do a pilgrimage in 2020 but I am sure that you all remember the

interruption in all our plans for that year.

Getting your plans messed up is a major lesson for all pilgrims. You set out with the intention to get somewhere and then something happens. It always does and so you might as well accept the fact beforehand that it will. I came across this Pilgrims Creed written by Father Murray Bodo recently that expresses this well.

I am not in control.
I am not in a hurry.
I walk in faith and hope.
I greet everyone with peace.
I bring back only what God gives me.

So, with these words in mind that I hope will go deeper into my heart Laura and I will be setting out after the August bank holiday weekend to begin a five hundred mile walk to Santiago da Compostela in northern Spain. We will take the train via London and Paris to Biarritz in southwestern France and then walk the first hundred miles or so to Bilbao in the Basque country of Spain where the Tour de France began this year. Our route will be a little over a hundred miles so as you can see we will not complete our pilgrimage to Santiago for a little while yet.

Pilgrimage has become a popular thing again in recent years. This is true both for those who hold a particular religious faith but also for those who do not. People are drawn to the allure of living life at 3 miles an hour for a period of time (or more like 2 and a half in my case!), of having a goal to aim for, of walking a path that has been followed by many that have gone before over the centuries. In the Middle Ages it is estimated that nearly half the population of Europe would take the road to Santiago da Compostela during their lifetime. In a society in which the majority of the population were bound to a particular place throughout their lives this represented a remarkable opportunity for freedom, at least for a little while. As Chaucer's wonderful tales show us a pilgrimage was a mixture of holiday and more serious matters. I don't think that things have changed very much which in that regard which is why I am happy to use some of the time that is granted to me each year for holiday for this purpose.

And there is a link between Santiago da Compostela and our parishes. Saint Iago is rendered in English as Saint James and the parish church in Hartlebury is dedicated to that saint. James was the brother of John, one of two young fishermen who Jesus met by the shores of Lake Galilee and who were called by Jesus to leave their nets and follow him. His feast day is July 25th and I am writing this the day before. James was the first of the apostles to be martyred and tradition holds that although he was put to death by Herod in Jerusalem his body was eventually laid to rest in Spain where he had preached the Christian story.

I wonder what God will give me to bring back to our parishes? Of one thing I am sure and that is that I cannot predict what it will be. I may not even be consciously aware of everything that I am given. We all receive many more gifts from God than we are ever aware of. I will simply walk each day of my pilgrimage in faith and in hope.

Saint James, pray for me.

Revd Stephen Winter

2023

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September 3rd 13th after Trinity			September 10th 14th after Trinity				September 17th 15th after Trinity			September 24th 16th after Trinity		
9.00 am	Hampton Lovett	HC-CW	9.00 am	Rushock	HC-CW	9.00 am	Elmbridge	HC-CW	9.00 am	Elmley Lovett	HC-BCP	
10.00 am	Hartlebury	Sunday First	10.00 am	Ombersley	Family Service	10.00 am	Ombersley	MP-CW	12.00 pm	Ombersley Village Hall	Harvest + Lunch	
10.30 am	Elmbridge	Family Service	10.30 am	Elmley Lovett	MP-BCP	10.00 am	Hartlebury	MP-CW				
11.00 am	Doverdale	MP-BCP	11.00 am	Hartlebury	HC-CW	11.00 am	Doverdale	HC-BCP				
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3.00 pm	Bells Farm Shop	HC-CW										

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PERFECT

I was looking at myself in the mirror, not a pretty sight especially when I looked at my teeth. I remembered the cost of recent dental treatment. All remarkably successful. But the sight of my molars and incisors, the colour, the higgledy-piggledy nature of my teeth, and the signs of past fillings and damage was all rather disturbing.

Then I considered looking at some images of current celebrities. They can afford dental work to produce something perfect. I put on my sunglasses and viewed their wonderful smiles. Dazzling white teeth, requiring me to wear those sunglasses. Perfect positioning of everything. Perfect in every way? Yet there is something too perfect, it seems a bit artificial. At least my poor teeth have a bit of character.

Perfection is surely an excellent thing to strive for. But it is a bit more complicated than that. There is an old saying, "Do not let the perfect be the enemy of the good." Yes, I know about that in my own life. Times when I would like something to be perfect, I aimed for it, worked for it, but failed. With a more realistic approach I could have done something good. Perfection as the only aim can indeed be difficult or impossible, and the good is pushed out because of the strive for perfection.

Jesus appears to be in favour of perfection. "Be perfect, therefore as your heavenly Father is perfect." Matthew 5.48. That seems clear does it not? But again, is it not more complicated? If you look at the whole of the teaching of Jesus, you sense that he expects us to fail at times, to be imperfect. There is so much in his teaching about the generous love of God who forgives us, and the call for us to forgive one another. The teaching of Jesus is not about people being perfect, earning celestial brownie points to earn eternal life. It is more about the amazing love of God who forgives us and welcomes us into his life. It is a gift.

To my mind, the call to be perfect is more about aiming for good and perfection than achieving perfection. Let me explain. Imagine a frog, but the size of a dot. The frog tries to cross the road but jumps in a particular way across a path one metre across. It jumps $\frac{1}{2}$ a metre, and then $\frac{1}{4}$ followed by $\frac{1}{8}$. Each jump is half the distance of the previous one. The distance travelled by the frog, after n jumps is expressed mathematically as follows:

$$S_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

As n approaches infinity, $1/2^n$ approaches zero and tends to one. The frog, if it was the size of a dot, would get remarkably close to crossing the path but would never quite get there. That is a symbol of the call to perfection. It is good for that to be our aim, but in most cases we will never achieve complete perfection.

Perfection is not always appropriate. Take a wonderful work of art like a painting. It is not that it is perfect, but the artist with amazing skill conveys to us something of exceptional quality and emotional impact. A composition of music can be beautiful and moving, but perfection is not a suitable description. You can see from the sketches of great composers how they have altered pieces to improve them. I am sure in most cases the composer would not have called it perfect. Scientists may not reach perfection with their theories. These theories in physics and cosmology are always developing getting closer but are often superseded as time goes on.

I don't know what your experience of perfection is like. It is often good to aim for the perfect, aim to improve. In life, faith and experience we need to beware of the perfect being the enemy of the good. As I try to learn from this, I do hope that there is plenty of good in your life.

Stephen Owens

Stephen Owens is a retired priest living in Hartlebury and a member of St James' congregation

GARDEN WILDLIFE, Bloody noses, Demented hedgehogs and Helpful bugs

I am writing this on a gorgeous summer's day where the temperature is 11° Centigrade and we have 100% humidity, i.e. it is raining. Nature is certainly pulling out all the stops to address the effects of the dry spell earlier this year but, whilst our gardens are well watered, prospects for the harvest are not looking good. Local wildlife seems to be coping well and my garden is full of fledglings including Blue Tits, Great Tits, Dunnocks, Robins, Blackbirds, Goldfinches, House Sparrows, Swallows, Starlings, Greater-spotted Woodpeckers and Collared Doves. The wet weather will have made wild food more available to many birds although the birdfeeders still need filling frequently. The partly bald female Blackbird has only just recently stopped harassing us for dried mealworms and, judging by the number of Blackbird fledglings in the back garden, has now finished her final brood. Most young birds will not get their adult plumage for some time so that they are not seen as competitors by the adults. Apparently juvenile male Blackbirds initially have a black beak rather than the yellow of the adult. We also have a follicularly challenged Great Tit (right) which has suffered the depredations of rearing its young but should return to its usual splendour after the moult is over. Birds in general will be quiet at this time of year until the Robin starts singing to stake his early claim on a territory.



The Swallows who nest in the alley by the side of our house have produced two broods this year and a group of about 20 birds have been seen on telephone cables in Clattercut Lane and Purshull Green. By the time that you read this they will be getting ready to embark on their 6,000-mile migration back to South Africa flying during daylight at speeds of about 17-22 miles per hour and feeding on the wing.

Mammal sightings have been fairly low apart from the occasional weasel dashing across the road and a barking Muntjac heard in the distance at night. I still haven't seen any hedgehogs at home but have a report of two regularly being seen up in the village. There also seem to be quite a few rabbits about this year which is good news for predators such as Buzzards, Foxes, Weasels and Stoats if not for the people whose gardens are being raided.



My tadpoles have still not developed, despite supplementary feeding, but can happily overwinter as tadpoles which should give them a flying start next year. This may be due to lower temperatures as the 'pond' consists of a Belfast Sink buried in soil to just below the rim.

There has been a good succession of flowering plants in my garden over the summer and it has been visited by a wide range of bees, butterflies and other pollinators including the Marmalade hoverfly (left) that gets its name from its orange colour, and the different sized black bands across its body: 'thin cut' and 'thick cut', just like marmalade.

All the creatures that we share our gardens with will appreciate any help we can give them by maintaining a natural environment. Please be mindful of this if you are clearing your garden in the Autumn and consider leaving an untidy corner and leaf litter under hedges and also allowing hollow stemmed plants and dried flowerheads to stand over Winter to provide shelter for insects. Leaving Ivy untrimmed for now will allow it to flower, providing a late source of nectar for bees, hoverflies and other pollinators. Similarly, uncut hedges will provide a range of berries which are vital winter food for many species.

Competition for Rudolf?

I recently came across this little creature which has a rather strange defence mechanism. It is a Red or Bloody-nosed Beetle which is a large, round, flightless, domed black beetle with a bluish sheen. It has long legs and can often be seen during spring and summer, plodding slowly across paths or in grassland and hedgerows. One of our largest 'leaf beetles', the adults and larvae feed on the leaves of Lady's Bedstraw and related plants, where the larvae can be seen hanging from the plants. Adults are mostly active at night.



The Bloody-nosed beetle is so-named because, when threatened, it oozes a bright red liquid from its face which is foul-tasting and so should deter birds and other predators looking for a tasty menu item. The picture shows this in full colour in the on-line version of the magazine but, if you are reading the print edition, you will have to do your own colouring-in!

Corn circles – major suspect cleared

With the recent return of corn circles in the locality I was reminded of this article from, I think, the 1990s. A group of experts were discussing the origins of corn circles which were quite common at the time with over 180 formations having been recorded in that year. I quote "Current theories to explain the origin of the

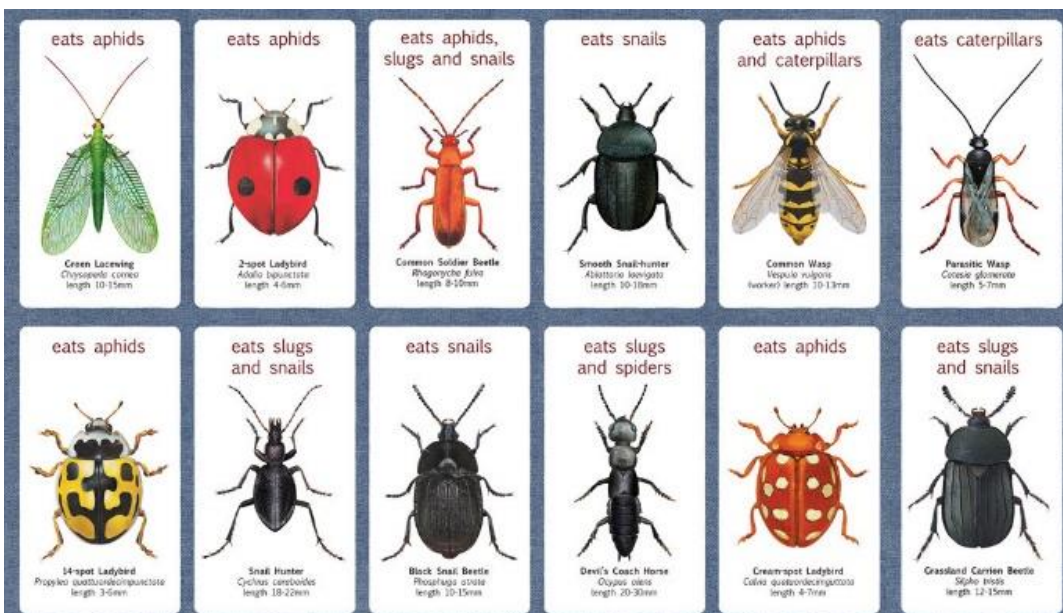


circles include the notion that they were caused by running deer or demented hedgehogs. But the

latter view lost credibility since it was calculated that 40,000 synchronised hedgehogs would be needed to create just one small circle".

Little Garden Helpers

I found this graphic that shows some useful insects and their diet which consists of many of the problem species that are found in the garden. They will certainly do a good job but will only be found in your garden



if there is food available for them. Blackfly on my Dwarf Runner Beans were controlled by the aphid eaters already in my garden. If I had used insecticides these useful bugs would have been killed alongside the so-called

pests. Many of the toxic chemical pesticides are now being withdrawn by manufacturers and organisations like the Royal Horticultural Society but even 'organic sprays' are not selective and so will kill off the 'good guys'. So please consider giving Nature a better chance of survival as big animals rely on smaller ones for food. Lots of small local actions like this can have a very real beneficial effect.

Terry Green

COUNTRY DIARY - September

"You must give to get. You must sow the seed before you can reap the harvest." Scott Reed

Late summer and that means harvest time. From mid-July to October there is a crop to reap or something to pick, be it from field or garden, a culmination of up to a year of work. The combines start to roll across the acres of winter barley, sown the previous autumn and that is usually followed by winter wheat and winter oats with spring barley somewhere in-between depending on the summer. In 'normal' years the spring barley will grow steadily and produce a decent crop, albeit a lower yield than winter barley but some years when the weather is against it – a cold, late spring, a very dry summer, it yields very little with some plants barely a foot high.

A couple of tons an acre of winter barley and three tons an acre of winter wheat is a decent harvest, although good wheat growers on ideal ground will top four tons an acre. The combine has a 'header', the tray out in front, that contains a side to side cutter bar which gives the corn a haircut just above soil level. A reel then combs the stalks and heads into the guts of the machine with the help of a horizontal auger. Once inside the 'threshing' takes place, separating the ears of corn from the straw stalks, which are ejected out of the back of the machine in tidy rows.

The corn – the actual wheat, oats or barley ears – are funnelled into a big bin which can be emptied in one go into a trailer running alongside via an auger, or in big fields, the trailer will often run alongside the combine and it will empty as it is harvested. Average acreage cut can vary between 40 acres and 80 acres a day (with huge machines in East Anglia topping 100 acres a day), depending on the width of the header, the density of the crop and the field size. Smaller fields mean downtime moving from one to another.

This, however, is in optimum conditions with a standing crop and a shining sun: a wet summer puts a different slant on the job. Corn can fall over in the field, known as 'lodging', and this needs to be skilfully combed back up and into the machine. This slows the process down considerably and at the other end of the harvest, the farmstead, damp corn will need to be dried before it can be stored otherwise it will rot. Ideally it needs to be harvested below 20% moisture and stored at 13%. In a good summer the corn harvest will be finished by late August – in bad years it can still be awaiting the combine in October. In really wet summers the ears start to sprout and regrow new plants while still standing in the field; a financial disaster for the grower.

What happens to the harvest? The yellow rape of spring is harvested for its oil, rapeseed oil becoming more and more popular for cooking at home. Barley of course goes into brewing but there are different varieties that are more suited for this process than others so the seed corn is sold as 'malting' barley for brewing. The ordinary barley mainly goes for animal feed, as does the ordinary wheat harvest with the best going for bread making. This is called 'hard wheat' as it has a high gluten content which gives the dough more elasticity and bread that holds its shape when baked. Feed wheat is known as 'soft wheat'. Oats are used animal feed and porridge, and the standing crop has very long straw, making it a difficult crop to harvest in wet years.

The straw is used mainly for animal bedding with barley straw the softest, wheat straw the hardest and oat straw the most edible, although both wheat straw, and barley straw in particular are used to feed livestock, the fibre helping digestion. Harvest hasn't changed for a hundred years with the crop taken off and stored away the same as it ever was. However, the machines used most certainly have with horse-drawn reaper-binders a century ago replaced by high-tech machines today with GPS tracking and a cab that allows the driver absolute comfort for a long day of driving. The first combine that I drove in the late 1970's was a Massey-Ferguson with an eight foot header, which was the smaller of the two combines on the farm and was used for some very small fields of 15 acres or less. It had no cab and I would finish the day covered in dust during a dry spell but for a lad on the farm in his late teens I wouldn't have swapped it for a drive in a Ferrari: this was the ultimate farm kit.

I did get to drive a New Holland with a 14 foot cut and a cab a few years later but I probably wouldn't recognise the inside of the cabs of today's machines if I ever got chance to sit in one. It is a pleasure to watch them working and clear a field so if you get the chance, lean on a gate and watch modern technology at work. This year has been challenging with days snatched here and there between the showers to bring the harvest home: such a contrast to 2022 when all was safely gathered in by mid-August. Harvest, of course, is far more than just cereals and as we move into early autumn other crops

are ripening in the late sunshine with hops and apples as important to those who enjoy a tippie as the malting barley now in store.

The important hop growing areas are Kent/East Sussex and Herefordshire. Hops will grow to over 20 feet tall and the bines entwine themselves around thick string supported by rows of poles; note how hops 'follow the sun' and curl clockwise around the string (whereas runner beans curl anti-clockwise). Harvesting is best on those glorious late August and early September days that start off with a thick mist at dawn, which is soon burnt off by the rising sun to leave a clear and warm day. Old hands will rise early, see the mist, feel the coming warmth and announce that 'it's a hopping morning.'

Once the hops have started to dry a little on the vine a cherry-picker or similar will cut the twine from the top wire and the hops will fall into a trailer running alongside. The crop is then taken to an oasthouse to separate the flowers from the vine and to complete the drying process down to about 8% to 10% moisture. They are then tightly compressed into 'pockets' to store; there are often pubs in hop-growing areas called The Hop Pocket. In the UK there are 27 different varieties of hop each offering distinct flavours and degrees of bitterness for brewing and of these the best known is probably Fuggles, an old Kentish variety. The smell of dried hops is unique and always takes me back to another place in another time.

And so then onto the top fruit harvest: apples, pears and plums but also greengages, damsons, quinces and medlars. The apple is a very British fruit with 2,500 varieties here out of some 7,000 world-wide, many of them iconic. Hasn't everyone heard of the Bramley, the Cox's Orange Pippin and the Granny Smith? Brogdale in Kent is a 'seed bank' for hundreds of our heritage apple varieties and it's worth searching out different types in farm shops and greengrocers. They have such a range of flavours and textures that put the standard supermarket types to shame, and old orchards are a great place for wildlife with mistletoe hanging from old branches and a host of insect life making a home in the gnarled trunks.

Alongside our amazing range of eating and cooking apples are our cider apples and again, we excel in choice with over 300 available. Cider making is a bit of a ritual in the western side of England from Somerset to Herefordshire, with many small producers making excellent product from their own small orchards and even some village cooperatives getting together over a few autumn weekends to pick, juice, ferment and bottle their own vintage. Cider apples are just grown for their juice and so the look of the fruit is not important – many apples are gathered from the ground, and those that are left are a good food source for badgers, hedgehogs, rodents and a myriad of insect life.

Away from the more formal orchards are the wild offerings, sometimes planted in years gone by and sometimes accidental. As a boy there was an entire hedge of plums on a local farm and every other year they would yield a bounty beyond compare. Large, purple, sweet and juicy plums that you could eat and eat until unbelievably, you got fed up with them. By that time there was jam and bottled plums, plum crumble and frozen plums ready for another day. Damsons and bullaces are less popular than they used to be, possibly because we have such choice in the supermarkets whereas in the past country folk in particular would harvest free food before hunkering down for winter.

Blackberries are easily picked by all and so are hazelnuts if the squirrels don't get there first. Mushrooms are less common than in the past as horse manure was ideal for them in old pasture; people aren't as self-assured in identification today and tend to leave them alone. I love picking wild fungi and there is usually a choice of tasty offerings from the excellent ceps through to parasols and shaggy ink caps. If you go for a walk in the autumn countryside keep an eye open for fungi (if you are confident) as well as crab apples, sloes, nuts and damsons. Pick some, leave some and enjoy!

A.J.Selby -Kindly submitted by *Barrie Audis*

LETTER FROM THE ARCHDEACON OF WORCESTER



Taking time to do less

On the whole August is the holiday month, and life slows down for many people. It has a particular significance for me as I prepare to retire in the autumn, hoping that slowing down might become something of a more regular feature of my life. People keep telling me that I'll never know how I found the time to work. Others ask me what I am going to do, and what plans I might have. All of which are good questions and, no doubt, shrewd observations, but also rather

alarming for someone like me who was thinking retirement might be about having a rest and a bit of space to do what you like!

There is a time for doing lots of things, and, I believe, there is a time for doing nothing – though clearly not, in the latter case, as a full-time activity or lack of activity. We need the stimulation of people, places and events. However, in a hectic world where we are so often measured by what we do or achieve, by our successes and achievements, it is perhaps good from time to time to learn simply to be.

How often do we ask someone on meeting them for the first time, 'well, what do you do then?', as if this is the most important thing about anyone. I know it is harder to ask 'who are you?' or 'what excites you in life?' Yet the story of who we are is so much bigger than what we do for a living. Perhaps this is something we can learn from those who are retired.

We carry this over into our prayer life as well, which so often can become very busy and wordy. It was Rowan Williams, a former archbishop, who described prayer as akin to sun-bathing. You don't actually do very much, but wallow in the warm rays of God's love. By the way, I can't actually imagine this particular archbishop sun-bathing - and yet, I do like the image of prayer being about us simply soaking up God's love. Maybe that is something for which I might find more time in retirement.

Archdeacon Robert Jones

MORNING PRAYER

The dates for Morning Prayer are as follows: (All are Wednesday morning at 09.15 am);

September

06.09.23	Ombersley
13.09.23	St Marys, Crosway Green
20.09.23	Doverdale
27.09.23	Elmley Lovett

Diana Glendenning

COUNTRY FAYRE

Saturday 4th November

11:00 – 3:00

Stalls to include:

- Hand knitted goods-
- Preserves and cakes-
- Decorative Sea glass and pottery-
- Vintage and collectables-
- Upcycled furniture-
- Handmade wooden goods-

And many more

Tea Coffee and handmade cakes will be available

CUTNALL GREEN & DISTRICT MEMORIAL HALL
WR9 0NE

RIDE + STRIDES for Churches

On Saturday 9 September, sponsored cyclists, walkers, drivers and riders across Worcestershire & Dudley will be visiting as many churches as they can to raise money for the local Historic Churches Trust. The annual event, which has been taking place for over two decades, is a fun way for participants to raise much-needed funds whilst enjoying a few hours travelling around the region's beautiful countryside and some of its most historic buildings. Anyone can take part, and half the money raised will go to a church or chapel chosen by the participant, with the other half going to the local Trust and its work supporting the upkeep and repair of historic churches in Worcestershire & Dudley. All the resources needed to take part can be downloaded from the website www.ridestrideworcs.org.



Bishop John said, "Ride and Stride is a great way to visit some of our churches while raising money to support these important and historic 'memory palaces'. Many of them will be open, with refreshments on offer for visitors, so there'll be an opportunity to pop in and learn about the stories held within the stones by cycling, walking or driving. I'm looking forward to getting on my bike!"

Many churches around the diocese have already said that they will be open for visitors on the day, with more churches registering every week. You can find out which churches are open, and whether they provide refreshments, at www.ridestrideworcs.org, which also lists some suggested routes. However, participants can visit any church – whether open or not – of any denomination to add to their tally of churches visited on the day.

More information can be found on the website, or by contacting the Trust's Ride & Stride Coordinator Tobias Thornes at tobiasjtwt@googlemail.com.

New Archdeacon of Worcester announced

Bishop John has announced that the Revd Canon Mark Badger is to be the next Archdeacon of Worcester. Mark is currently rector of Kempsey & Severn Stoke w Croome d'Abitot & Norton as well as Area Dean of Malvern and Upton. He will succeed Archdeacon Robert Jones, appointed exactly nine years ago today, who is retiring at the end of November.



Mark has lived in Worcestershire for most of his life, growing up in Kidderminster and being ordained in Worcester Cathedral in 1996. He served in St Stephen's and St George's churches in Worcester before briefly leaving the diocese to be Chaplain at Thames Valley Police, moving back to Worcester to head up 'Motov8', the charity he founded which supports young people who struggle in mainstream education with their personal and social development. He returned to full time parish ministry in 2012 as Rector of Kempsey and Severn Stoke. Mark said: "I am humbled and honoured to have been asked to become the next Archdeacon of Worcester. I hope that I can continue Archdeacon Robert's work in being a pastor to the people in the Archdeaconry, helping them to feel loved and listened to and enabling them to continue to grow in their

relationship with God and each other. I'm currently feeling a bit daunted, and I will be sad to leave my parish, but it is a very exciting next step. I have loved being Area Dean, supporting colleagues and parishes and it's great that I will be able to continue to do that as Archdeacon."

Bishop John said: "Mark is an extremely able individual who has a proven track record as a parish priest and, more recently, as a highly effective Area Dean. Most of his ministry has been in this diocese and we have been very enriched by it: he is highly respected. I am delighted with his appointment and look forward greatly to working with him in this new role. I also give thanks for the ministry of Archdeacon Robert, who has filled the role with such great distinction and been a huge blessing to us all."

Mark was appointed to the new role following a competitive interview process with other shortlisted candidates from outside the Diocese. As Archdeacon, he will have oversight of parishes and clergy in the four deaneries of Worcester, Malvern and Upton, Kidderminster and Stourport and Pershore and Evesham. He will also have responsibility for our diocesan priority to double the number of children and young people in our churches by 2030 and support parishes in their ministry to new housing developments.

Mark continued: "Children and Young People have always been a very important part of my ministry so I'm delighted to take the lead for the Diocese in this area, working alongside our Director of Education and Children and Youth Adviser. I have also had considerable experience of working with new housing developments in my current role and this is another area for which I have a real passion. I am looking forward to taking on a range of different responsibilities as Archdeacon."

Mark is married to Kate and has four children; two grown up boys and two girls aged 11 and 13. The family has two flat coated retrievers and they enjoy spending time together walking with them. Mark is also a self-confessed petrolhead with a love of sports cars!

It is anticipated that Mark will be installed as Archdeacon of Worcester in a service in the Cathedral in early December. There will also be an opportunity to say farewell to Archdeacon Robert at Evensong in the Cathedral on Sunday 19 November, to which all are welcome.

Droitwich 50+ Walking Club

Affiliated to the Ramblers

Have you recently retired? Would you like to make new friends? Are you seeking a new interest and / or do you like walking in the countryside? If so, perhaps the following might appeal.

Open to all, our club boasts a membership of approximately 150 members and growing. We naturally share a passion for the great outdoors and are to be found walking in all weathers! Well nearly all! With



the variety of walks and the changing seasons, there is always something new to hold our interest including a variety of flora and fauna, and places to be seen that you would never see on a car journey. So how well do you think you know your local area? You might be surprised at how much you don't know. A friendly group, sometimes, we are so busy talking to each another, we have to remind ourselves to look up at the surrounding beauty.

Walking mainly in Worcestershire, but occasionally in adjoining counties e.g. Shropshire, Herefordshire, Warwickshire we offer 2 walking days i.e. Tuesdays and alternate Thursdays. Typically 20-25 members walk on a Tuesday and about 30 walk on a Thursday. Almost all walks start at 10am from the start of the walk so we make our own way there to arrive in plenty of time to "boot up". Car sharing where possible is good as car parking space can be limited. Tuesday walks are 7-9 miles long with a coffee stop and a lunch stop, whilst Thursday walks are 4-5 miles with just a coffee stop so if you are not a regular walker, you might like to test out your fitness level on a

Thursday and maybe progress to the longer Tuesday walks. For the socially minded a drink in the "Local" after a walk is often welcome, or others might prefer a cuppa in a local tea shop or NT cafe.

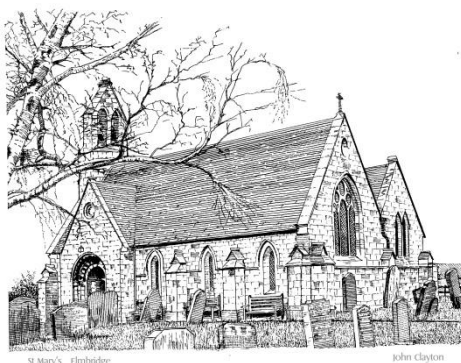
There is no charge for joining our club, however, we do have to pay a Public liability insurance and we might have incidental expenses so we ask members to make an annual voluntary contribution of £5. Affiliated to the Ramblers, we have our own Constitution and a committee which is voted in at every AGM. This is usually held on the same day as our Christmas Lunch. Short walking holidays are also offered usually once a year. This year participating members are going to Dovedale in Derbyshire in November. Fingers crossed for good weather for them. If you have the skills to offer, we are always looking for new walk leaders.

Should the above information have stimulated your interest, you can check us out before joining our club; i.e. walk up to 3 times without becoming a member. We are called Droitwich 50+ as we primarily aim at people in that age group who are retired, at home, or work part-time. However, the club is open to all!

So what's stopping you? Why not seek out the healthy option, get off that settee and join us!

For further details visit membermojo.co.uk/wlwg or contact Brian Jones, Walks Organiser 07375 050928 or jonesb2008@hotmail.co.uk





ELMBRIDGE NEWS

ELMBRIDGE BRIDGE CLUB



NEW SEASON – NEW TIME!

We are starting the new season on **Monday 25th September** and, following your majority decision, we will be starting at the new time of **2.30pm**. Less driving in the dark – which will be very welcome!

Inevitably, with the increase in energy prices, we have had to make a small increase in our membership fee but have managed to keep this down to £30 for the season.

We look forward to seeing you all again and if you know anyone who would like to join us, please bring them along. They will be most welcome.

SEE YOU ON 25TH SEPTEMBER AT 2.30PM

HARVINGTON HALL

Come and learn something that you don't know about

THE HOUSE OF SECRETS

The Friends of Elmbridge are having a hot supper on

Friday 10th November at 7.30pm

in

Elmbridge village Hall



Supper will be followed by a talk on this 13th Century Grade 1 listed building. Originally owned by Adam de Harvington, Chancellor of the Exchequer, it has a fascinating history. It contains more priest holes than any other building - most of which were the handiwork of the Master carpenter Nicholas Owen, a Jesuit lay Priest.

But that's only part of the story and **Phillip Downing, Harvington Hall Manager**, is going to tell you a whole lot more about this iconic Tudor/Elizabeth mansion.

But, first of all you'll need to book a place (£15) by phoning **Chris Gray on 01299851469**.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

It's that time of year again!

We will be having our usual service at 10.30am on Sunday 1st October followed by Max's Walk plus dogs (on leads).

The harvest lunch and auction will follow and if you could let Anne Judge (07776183483) know you will be coming it helps with the catering side of things.

Lunch is £7.50 but children age ten and under can eat for only £2.50 whilst those age five and under don't pay anything! That has to be good value! So come along for a cheap Sunday lunch – but don't forget to bring your own drink and glasses.

PS. Working Party.

To get us in the harvest mood, we will be decorating the church and tidying up the churchyard on Saturday 30th September at 9.30am. It would be great if you could come and help us.



YES! Family Services are Back

We are holding family services on the first Sunday of the month and are very fortunate that the Rev Julie Humphries has offered to take the majority of these for us.

For those of you who don't know Julie, she has been to St Mary's a number of times and her family services are always interesting (and often different!) and she has that invaluable knack of engaging with the younger generation which gives her services a unique edge.

So do come and join us with the family and see for yourselves.

Don't forget – the first Sunday of the month. Starting Sunday Sept 3rd.

WHERE HAS ALL THE GOOD NEWS GONE?

Warnings of
summer air
travel chaos
in Europe

Where has all the good news gone?
'Cos when I turn the telly on
All I see is a face so glum
You'd think the end of the world had come.
The trains are on strike
So get out your bike.
Doctors and nurses, are coming out too
I wouldn't get sick if I were you.
Never mind, there's sun in the morning
BUT they've issued an amber warning.
With interest rates still on the rise
It'll hardly come as any surprise
To learn we're worth less – and that's because
Our castle's value is not what it was.
And what about the cost of living
How has that affected giving?
Oh dear, we can't win the cricket –
Not the way Aussie took Bairstow's wicket.
Never before has Lords heard such booing
Whatever did members think they were doing?
But, hang on, is this a dream?
Things are not really as bad as they seem,
I've so many things to be thankful for
I find it hard to keep the score -
My life, my health, my family and friends,
Fresh air and laughter and all God sends.
So, let's not moan and make a fuss
But remember those worse off than us.

PS.

To the newsreader - a plea
From everyone (and not just me)
It would be great if only you would
Conclude the news with something good
Before you go and say 'Goodbye'
Can you leave us on a high?

Overtime ban to give rail
passengers a week of woe

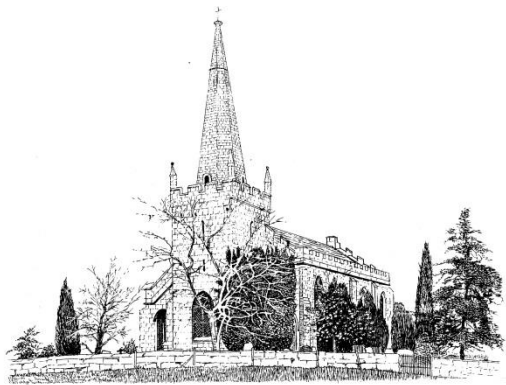
Relationship between police
and public 'at breaking point'

Tata to build
gigafactory
in Somerset

Biggest investment in car industry since 1980s

Some relief
as grocery
inflation
falls to 15%

It's independence day thanks to
new drug to treat Alzheimer's



ELMLEY LOVETT NEWS

Our Church Needs You!

Saturday the 26th September at 7pm for 7.45pm sitting at the Cutnall Green Memorial Hall.

Please get your tickets for our **Fundraising dinner** from the Post Office, Nick 07968 531216 and Marzena 07775 800186 .

All details on our poster which is on the inside back cover.

Come and join us for an evening of great food and fun and help us make our church whole again!



Elmley Lovett PCC invite all to their HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE on Sunday 8th October, led by the Revd Stephen Winter.

The Service is at 11am followed by our complimentary buffet lunch.

ALL WELCOME!



HAMPTON LOVETT NEWS

Summer Events at Hampton

The summer months have been very busy here at Hampton. Restoration work on the tower is still ongoing but hasn't prevented us from using the church for services.

A Special Baptism

We were delighted that Helen and Matthew Laight chose our church for the baptism of all their four children Gareth, Bethan, Ollie and little Harry on Sunday 16th July. Yes, all four children were baptised.



Our Rev. Stephen said it was the first time he had baptised four siblings at one time and it may even be a first for St Mary's church too. Helen, with the help of her mother Sue and mother-in-law Joyce cleaned and decorated the church beautifully.

The service which was attended by family, numerous godparents and friends was a joyous occasion and began with Bethan, Gareth and Ollie carrying in the cross and churchwardens' staves ahead of Stephen.



Celebrations continued afterwards in the Parish Rooms included some spectacular individual cakes made by all four children.



We wish the four of you every blessing in your future lives.

Mortar Skill Workshop



Thirty people from within the Parish, Benefice and other local towns and communities attended a National Lottery Heritage funded workshop organised by the contractor Midland Conservation Limited (MCL) and the PCC. An in- depth talk and presentation in the parish Rooms was followed by a hearty sandwich lunch and then the practical sessions up at the church. These were all led by Nigel Copsey, an enthusiastic, hands-on conservator who was converted to the benefits of earth mortars and hot mixed lime many years ago.

Participants had the opportunity to have a go at applying the lime mortar to the church's stonework which had been prepared by MCL stonemasons.

Feedback on the day was very positive.

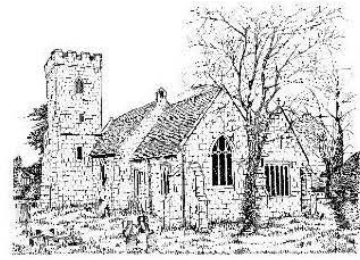
As I write we are looking forward to providing people with another opportunity to see repointing and the use of lime mortar up close during our forthcoming scaffolding tours.

Also, don't forget that during our **Heritage Open day on Saturday 9th September** a stonemason will be on site to give a demonstration of his craft and to give visitors the opportunity to "have a go"

He will show the skills and techniques used around our church over the centuries, including during the current work on the tower.

Do come and join us this day and enjoy a cuppa and homemade cake generously provided by our loyal church supporters and PCC.

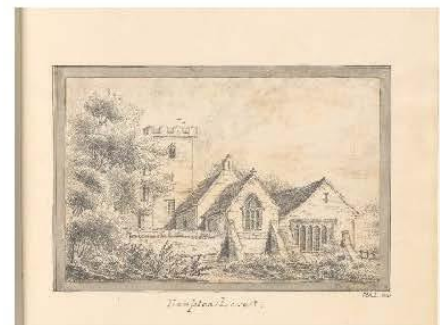




Creativity Unwrapped
Hampton Lovett Church
Saturday 9th September 2023
10.00am – 4.00pm

The theme of the 2023 national Heritage Open Days programme is 'Creativity Unwrapped'. Please come along and help us in celebrating examples of the creative spirit of Hampton Lovett through the ages. Exhibits, displays and demonstrations will include:

- *Renowned sculptors and their works*
- *A demonstration of stonemasonry*
- *The works of a local artist – blacksmith*
- *The secret works of a C17th century writing group*
- *Local craft pottery*
- *The artist's view of the church*

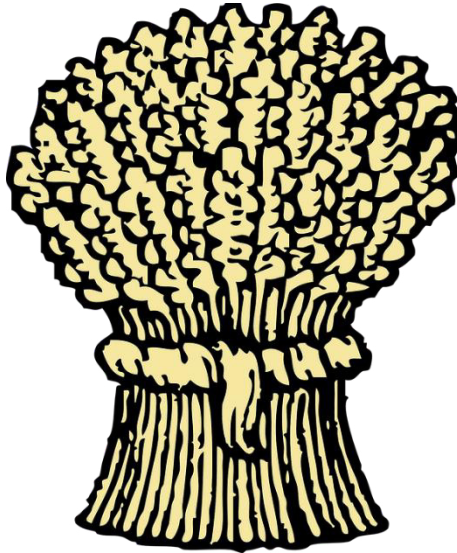


Have a wander around and learn about our wider heritage and discover what is currently going on in the tower!

Coffee, tea and cakes as well

WC Parking Nearby

HARVEST TIME AT HAMPTON



Our traditional **Harvest Service** takes place at St Mary's & All Saints on Sunday 17th September at 6.00pm. Please do join us in thanking God for all his bounteous gifts over the past year.

Our **Harvest Supper** this year will be in the Parish Rooms on Saturday 30th September at 7.30pm. Join us for a sumptuous meal of cold meats, quiches, salads, delicious puddings and biscuits and cheese plus coffee to finish. Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

There will be a raffle and a quiz.

Tickets only £10 per head (children £5)

Please inform Rachel (01905 779091 or Rachel@moatcottage1.plus.com) or June Heaven (01299 851452) if you would like to come.

People in our thoughts

James Homer

Firstly, we send our sincere congratulation to James Homer who will be ordained Deacon at Worcester Cathedral on Sunday 24th September at 6.30pm. James will then be the Rev James Homer and will be taking on a new role within our parishes. We all send you our very best wishes for your future role.

Fred Dancox

About a dozen members of Fred's family and the PCC attended a short service in August to inter Fred's ashes in our churchyard. James Homer led a very moving service for Carole and her family. We send them all our best wishes.

Dorothy Atwell

Residents of the "The Forest" were saddened to hear of the death of Leeza Odell's mother Dorothy in July. Dorothy had lived at "Dalecroft" with Leeza, Andy and the granddaughters for many years. We send you all our sympathy and best wishes.

A story about a man and his ostrich....

A man walks into a restaurant with a full grown ostrich behind him. The waitress asks for their orders.

The man says "A hamburger, fries and a coke." He turns to the ostrich and says "What's yours?"

"I'll have the same," he replies. When the waitress returns with the order and says "That will be £9.40 please" the man reaches into his pocket and pulls out the exact money to pay her.

The man and the ostrich repeat this routine for several days until the man says one day "As it is Saturday I will have a steak, baked potato and salad today" and the ostrich says "same"

in a while the waitress brings the order and says "that will be £32.62" and the man once again pulls the exact change out of his pocket and places it on the table.

The waitress, unable to hold back her curiosity any longer says "Excuse me sir but how do you always come up with the exact amount of money in your pocket every time?"

The man explains. "Several years ago I found an old lamp in my attic and when I rubbed it a genie appeared who granted me two wishes. My first wish was that if I ever had to pay for something I would just reach into my pocket and the exact amount would be there."

"Brilliant" said the waitress. Most people would ask for a million pounds or something but you will always be as rich as you want for the rest of your life. How smart of you"

"That's right. Whether it is a pint of milk or a Rolls Royce" replied the man proudly. "What's the ostrich all about though" asked the waitress.

The man sighs, pauses and answers with a heavy heart. "My second wish was for a tall chick with long legs who accompanies me wherever I go and agrees with everything I say....."

And a story about a Genius and an Idiot (or maybe 2 idiots!)

A proud and confident Genius makes a bet with an idiot. He says "Hey, idiot, every question I ask you that you don't know the answer, you have to give £5 but if you ask me one that I can't answer I will give you £5,000.

The idiot agrees.

The Genius then asks him how many continents there are in the world and as the idiot doesn't know he has to pay him £5.

The idiot then asks his question. "Which animal stands on 2 legs but sleeps with 3 legs?"

The Genius thinks very hard for an answer but then gives up and gives the idiot £5,000.

He then asks the idiot what the answer is.

The idiot hands him £5!!!!

The Blind Pilot (a true story)

A blind woman was flying from Melbourne to Sydney.

The flight attendant explained that there would be a delay and if passengers wanted to get off the aircraft the plane would re-board in 50mins.

Everybody got off the plane except the blind lady and her sighted dog Max. She had flown many times before on this route and the pilot knew her well. He asked her if she would like to get off the plane and stretch her legs to which she replied "No thank you but maybe Max would like to."

All the people in the gate area came to a complete standstill when they looked up and saw their pilot walk off the plane with Max. He was even wearing dark glasses!

People scattered. They not only tried to change planes they wanted to change airlines!

Remember, things aren't always as they appear. A day without laughter is a day wasted.

Old Cemeteries have some fascinating writing on old tombstones!

Harry Edsel Smith of Albany , New York :

Born 1903--Died 1942.

Looked up the elevator shaft to see if the
car was on the way down. It was.

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In a Thurmont, Maryland , cemetery:

Here lies an Atheist, all dressed up
and no place to go.

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In a London cemetery:
Here lies Ann Mann, who lived an old maid
but died an old Mann. Dec. 8, 1767

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In a Ribbesford cemetery:
Anna Wallace
The children of Israel wanted bread,
And the Lord sent them manna.
Clark Wallace wanted a wife,
And the Devil sent him Anna.

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In a Ruidoso, New Mexico, cemetery:
Here lies Johnny Yeast.
Pardon him for not rising.

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In a Uniontown, Pennsylvania , cemetery:
Here lies the body of Jonathan Blake,
Stepped on the gas instead of the brake.

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John Penny's epitaph in the Wimborne, England, cemetery:
Reader, if cash thou art in want of any,
Dig 6 feet deep and thou wilt find a Penny.

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In a cemetery in Hartscombe, England :
On the 22nd of June, Jonathan Fiddle went out of tune.

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Anna Hopewell's grave in Enosburg Falls, Vermont :
Here lies the body of our Anna,
Done to death by a banana.
It wasn't the fruit that laid her low,
But the skin of the thing that made her go.

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On a grave from the 1880s in Nantucket, Massachusetts :
Under the sod and under the trees,
Lies the body of Jonathan Pease.
He is not here, there's only the pod,
Pease shelled out and went to God.

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In a cemetery in England :
Remember man, as you walk by,
As you are now, so once was I.
As I am now, so shall you be,
Remember this and follow me.
To which someone replied by writing on the tombstone:
To follow you I'll not consent,
Until I know which way you went.

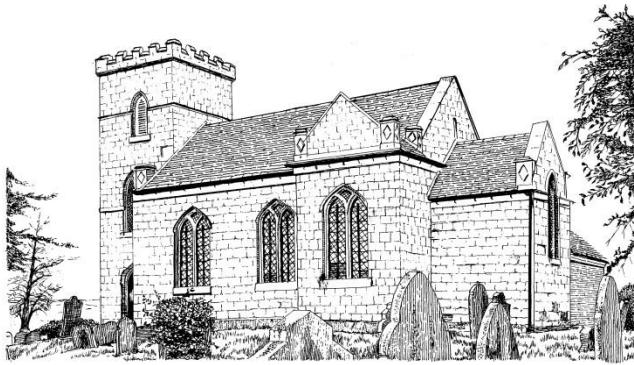
Did you know.....

Three times as many Japanese die in the bathtub as in cars.
Saudi Arabia has the highest motor accidents rate in the world and there are no women drivers!
Education costs a fortune these days but wisdom comes with experience which is free.

And lastly a thought for this month....

You should do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return but
because of who you are.

Margaret Vertigen



RUSHOCK NEWS

Rushock Coffee Morning in the Village Hall.

In 2017 Claire Jennings with the help of Gemma, Ros, Malcom and Claire's mum, Jan, started the first Rushock Coffee Morning. The idea was for the members of the community to meet for a relaxed get together with coffee and cake, this proved to be very successful .

When due to Claire's work commitments she could no longer organise the coffee morning, it was taken on by a group of stalwart community members. These included Vicki Jennings, Judy Weaver, Ruth Hopcroft, Sue Horton and Pauline Trimble. They soon created a reputation for mouth watering cakes and savouries, with Pauline being chief coffee maker in the kitchen, all working together as a good team.

Over the years that followed they created a friendly relaxed atmosphere and raised money towards several small charities.

In December 2022 this happy band of workers decided they would hand over the reins of the coffee morning, so they could now relax, chat and enjoy someone else's cakes!

This daunting task was taken on by myself, Maureen Cooper, Jan Whittle (Claire's Mum) and Maggie Potham. Jan and Maggie are the principal cake makers helped by other ladies of the community when necessary. Not to forget to mention John Nicholls who sets up the tables and most importantly lights the fire early in the winter mornings to warm the room before anyone arrives.

We ask people who attend the coffee morning to donate £5.00 towards the coffee and cake. During the last 6 months £440 has been raised which has now been dived between the Hall and Church.

Starting in SEPTEMBER there will be a puzzle and book exchange.

The coffee morning still has a relaxed friendly atmosphere which takes place every FIRST TUESDAY of the month from 10 o'clock until 12 o'clock in Rushock Village Hall.

Looking forward to seeing some new faces in the months to come, for a coffee, cake, of course a good chat!

Maureen Cooper

Rushock Church Harvest Service & Lunch



October 15th 11am,

All welcome to the service, followed by a sit down Harvest Lunch in the Village Hall.

£12 adults, £5 children, to include drinks.

Tickets from John Nicholls 01562 777 824



Save the Date for

RUSHOCK ADVENT DINNER

Kindly supported by Lord Lee Morton in aid of Rushock Church

Saturday 25th November, 7 for 7.30pm

Details in next issue or more information from

Theresa Morris 07971179623

Clare Jennings 07730015077

Movies at Chaddesley 2023-4 season of films

A very warm welcome back to our eighth season of films. We've got a really exciting season ahead and we're all looking forward to seeing our regulars again and to welcoming newcomers. Our season's brochure is also included in this email so please make a note of the screening dates in your diaries.

As you will see, we have included two matinees this season - they were extremely popular last year, so if you know someone who prefers not to go out in the evening, why not buy them a ticket?

This season, the ticket price has gone up to £10, after five years of holding the cost per ticket at £8.00. Every element of what we offer has increased in price since last season - ice-cream, wine, hall licence, insurance etc. This year, to make up for the increase, we will add in a raffle draw each month for a bottle of our excellent Wine Society wine - plus a few little snacks and extras along the way.

Please spread the word about MAC to friends or new neighbours and if you know anyone who would like to receive our emails, ask them to email us on moviesatchaddesley@gmail.com

Friday 8th September 2023  When a small Yorkshire hospital is threatened with closure, the geriatric ward decides to fight back! Adapted from the Alan Bennett play, this comedy drama stars Jennifer Saunders, Judi Dench and Derek Jacobi. (2022) 99 mins Friday 13th October  The first film from Bhutan ever to be nominated for an Oscar, this uplifting drama follows a young teacher transferred to the most remote school in the world, cut off from modern life deep in the Himalayan glaciers. (2019) 110 mins Friday 10th November  Mark Rylance cuts it brilliantly as a tailor who finds himself embroiled with The Mob in this Chicago who's-the-snitch whodunit thriller. (2022) 105 mins	Tuesday 21st November MATINEE  A young girl who raised herself in the marshes of the Deep South in the 1950s becomes a suspect in the murder of a man she was involved with. (2022) 125 mins Friday 15th December The Quiet Girl. This beautifully shot, understated Irish film follows Cait, a quiet, neglected girl, sent to live with relatives for the summer. Based on Clare Keegan's book, Foster, (2022) 90 mins Friday 12th January 2024  Lily James and Emma Thompson star in this romantic comedy following a young filmmaker, struggling to find love, who decides to document her childhood friend's arranged marriage to a bride from Pakistan. (2022) 105 mins Tuesday 23rd Jan MATINEE  When Harold (Jim Broadbent) learns his old friend is dying he walks to the local post office to send her a letter but just keeps on walking ... all the way to her hospice 450 miles away! (2023) 84 mins	Friday 9th February  * First watch the trailers of the films short-listed for our Oscars Night in April and vote for your favourite Then relax and enjoy tonight's film, the life of Neil Baldwin who shrugged off his perceived limitations to live his best life. Toby Jones excels as Neil. (2014) 90 mins Friday 15th March  The Banshees of Inisherin is a jewel of a tragi-comedy set on a small island off the coast of Ireland, as two old friends fall out with each other and their lives begin to pay the price. (2023) 109 mins Friday 12th April IT'S OSCARS NIGHT MYSTERY MOVIE!  Dress to impress for a red-carpet night out and watch the winning film chosen by MAC regulars. 
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VENUE: Chaddesley Corbett Village Hall, DY10 4QA

Doors open at 7pm. Film starts at 7.30pm.

(Whenever possible, our films show English sub-titles so we all hear better!)

BUY YOUR TICKETS from our lovely village retailers:

THE FLOWER ROOM

THE VILLAGE BUTCHER

TICKET PRICE: £10 which includes a glass of Wine Society wine, your favourite luxury ice-cream and a raffle.

Unreserved seats - choose where you sit.

Tickets are not refundable.

PLEASE NOTE: TICKETS GO ON SALE EXACTLY ONE MONTH BEFORE EACH SCREENING DATE (don't delay as tickets usually sell quickly)

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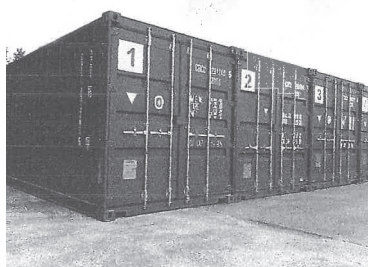
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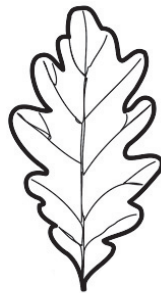


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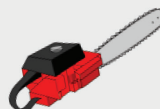


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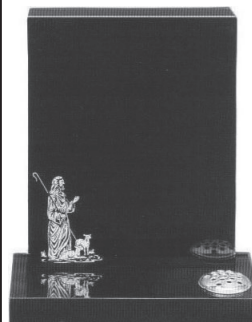
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DATE	LITURGICAL COLOURS	TIME	CHURCH	FESTIVAL/ SUNDAY	SERVICE/ LEADER	SIDESMAN	READER	FLOWERS	LESSONS
Sept 3rd	GREEN	9.00am	Hampton Lovett	13th Sunday after Trinity	HC-CW	Ruth Yardley & Rachel Wyatt	Robert & Gay Carr	Sue Winwood	Jer 15:15-21 Rom 12:9-end Matt 16:21-end
		10.30am	Elmbridge		Family Service			Anne Judge	
Sept 10th	GREEN	9.00am	Rushock	14th Sunday after Trinity	HC-CW	C.Jennings	Clare/Sophie Becky Vale	Vicky Jennings Sue Horton	Ezek 33:7-11 Rom 13:8-13 Matt 18:15-20
		10.30am	Elmley Lovett		MP-BCP <i>James Horner</i>	Tim Goss	Judy Bromage	Julie Taft	
Sept 17th	GREEN	9.00am	Elmbridge	15th Sunday after Trinity	HC-CW	Carol & Tony Lloyd	Various	Caroline Needham	Gen 50:15-21 Rom 14:1-12 Matt 18:21-35
		6.00pm	Hampton Lovett		Harvest			Flower Committee	
Sept 24th	GREEN	9.00am	Elmley Lovett	16th Sunday after Trinity	HC-BCP <i>Stephen Winter</i>	Judy Bromage	Tim Goss	Julie Taft	Jonah 3:10,4 Phil 1:21-end Matt 20:1-16
Oct 1st	GREEN	9.00am	Hampton Lovett	17th Sunday after Trinity		Rachel Wyatt & TBC	Church Wardens	Dee Cutler	Ezek 18:1-4,25-end Phil 2:1-13 Matt 21:23-32
		10.30am	Elmbridge		Harvest			Axine Taylor	

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