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# Prayers for the Church

*Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory,*

*The Lord our God the Almighty reigns*

21st September is the Festival of St Matthew; give thanks for his Gospel and for his loyalty as an Apostle. 29th September is the Festival of St Michael and All Angels; pray for everyone who celebrates this important occasion in the Church's year. Pray for the mission for St Mary's, Sedgeberrow, and for everyone who worships there and link those prayers with all missionaries at home and abroad, that they may feel the encouragement of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Give thanks for the gift of the Scriptures and ask God's blessing on the groups within our United Benefice who meet to study them. Remember the members of our congregations who greet us as we arrive for services. Pray for the fellowship of the churches of the Asum Group, that they may draw closer together. Pray for those who are engaged in plans to reform the parishes of our area, that they may reach the right conclusions.

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## Cathedrals to Coast Bike Ride; 22-23 September 2012

Do you enjoy a cycling challenge? Then why not consider joining Team Poverty on the inaugural Cathedrals to Coast Bike Ride! Starting in London, this 147-mile challenge over two days will take cyclists past some of England's finest cathedrals and castles, and finish on Weymouth's seafront. Details at: [www.christianaid.org.uk/getinvolved/events](http://www.christianaid.org.uk/getinvolved/events)

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## From Mark Binney, Priest in Charge



What a Summer - so many good moments to enjoy! Two particular highlights are Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the London Olympic Games, both of which touched millions of people and bound us together as a nation in a spectacular way. The weather may not have been kind to us but it did not prevent a huge outpouring of emotion in all the street parties for the Diamond Jubilee and the crowds lining the streets to see the Olympic torch. The Olympic Games produced the best results for Team GB in over a 100 years; so many outstanding performances which were helped by the fantastic support of the crowds at the Olympic Stadium and other venues.

What will be the legacy of these events? Both have been once in a lifetime occasions. The Jubilee celebration included a look at our history and the contribution the Queen has made to our nation throughout great change. Her faith has been very apparent in the Service held at St. Paul's to formerly give thanks to God for her 60 years as Queen and to pray for the health of her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh. She also provides continuity with the past which makes us somewhat unique in the richness of our traditions. At a time when so many good things are simply abandoned the Queen reminds us that it is important to keep some of the traditions going which have made us 'Great'. The Queen would include our Christian faith and heritage as being one of the pillars of our society. The Olympic Games have also put the 'Great' back into Britain. They should act as an inspiration to us all about what can be achieved if we apply ourselves. Last summer we had the riots, which illustrated all the negative qualities of our national life. This summer the Games will have shown the world the more positive aspects of our nation; that we can still achieve things if we plan and work towards a goal. Our history is not just about the past, but also about the future of our young people who have been inspired and can achieve great things with commitment and hard work. There is much to be optimistic about this summer that may be a defining moment for the future life of our nation. There is also a great deal that we have to be thankful for.

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### **Open Church - Saturday 8th September 2012**

It is hoped that St Andrew's church, Hampton will be open not for just the normal 'Second Saturday in the Month' morning, but for the whole day as the area takes part in the annual Worcestershire & Dudley Churches Ride and Stride Day. Watch out for information on the weekly Pew sheets for details but, as usual, volunteers are always welcome.

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## **Open Letter from the Churchwardens of St Andrew's Church Second in the Series**

Following on from last month's letter we are able to report one small gain, in as much as the Bishop of Worcester has agreed to a three-year addition to the suspensions within the benefice, instead of the five originally requested and the legal notice has been displayed on all benefice notice boards. Sadly nothing else from that meeting has been confirmed, but then, on the brighter side, nothing had been ruled out - yet.

However there is one item which will affect all of us: Mark has been 'invited' to become the Priest in Charge at Bengeworth with near immediate effect thus dramatically increasing Mark's current workload. This does not mean that Bengeworth joins our benefice at the same time and no one yet knows how things will turn out: we ask for your prayers of support for Mark, for Bengeworth and for the whole of our benefice.

In an attempt to provide both vehicular access and parking facilities for St Andrew's Church the PCC has been successful in purchasing the upper section of the old vicarage drive. The intent was to clear away the accumulated debris and, by adding hardcore or similar, provide hard standing for vehicles. Unfortunately an unofficial site report from the Worcestershire County Council Highways Engineer indicates that the existing access does not meet the current safety standards. Therefore no matter what we do to try meet the current mandatory 'line-of-sight' safety regulations we will not be able to meet even the minimum requirement due to the nature of the church frontage and adjacent cemetery.

However this area is not just suitable for parking and could become a God given opportunity to create a new open air amenity for all. With thought and careful landscaping it ought to be possible to provide the right mix of hard standing and grassed areas to create an area suitable for holding Fêtes and similar events together with a seating area for quiet reflection. The possibilities of what we might achieve with a little vision are boundless.

With regards to parking and vehicular church access – well, our current ideas may have failed to give what we thought we wanted, however be assured that there are other possibilities being investigated but, at this juncture, we feel that it is far too early to begin to raise your hopes and expectations.

Roy Buffery & Gabrielle Falkiner  
Churchwardens, St Andrew's Church.

## What's the Big Idea?

### **An Introduction to the Books of the New Testament: Ephesians**

Paul's letter to the Ephesians has been described as *'the divinest composition of man'* (ST Coleridge) and reads as two halves; chapters 1-3 are theological issues, while chapters 4-6 deal with the practical outworking of the Christian faith. Paul wrote the letter around AD 60, while in prison at Rome but it lacks his usual personal greetings and doesn't directly address any particular problems in the church: it was probably a circular letter to be read in the house churches of Ephesus and western Asia Minor (now Turkey).

Paul founded the church at Ephesus around 52 to 55 AD when Ephesus, the leading city and commercial centre in the region, was famous for its temple to the goddess Artemis (Diana), the practice of sorcery and as a centre of the magic arts.

Paul's aim in writing his letter was to help his readers understand the dimensions of God's purpose, His grace for them and his eternal plan for the church. The converts, mostly of Greek extraction, needed to understand Christ's Lordship, their status 'in Christ', and to be encouraged to live in the Christian lifestyle whilst appreciating the Jewish heritage of their faith.

Having shown God's purpose for the church, Paul shows how God has reconciled individuals to himself as an act of grace (2:1–10), has reconciled people to each other in one body, having broken down the barriers through Christ's death (2:11–22). This is the 'mystery' fully revealed by Paul (3:1–13) then he shows how Christ's gifts promote unity and maturity (4:1–16) contrasting the believer's new life to the old way of life without Christ (4:17–6:20).

The great overarching theme of the letter is that we are rescued by God not just for our personal benefit, but to bring praise and glory to him in our lives.

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## **CLIC SARGENT Cancer Charity Coffee Day**

Organised by Ann Evans and held at home in Pershore Road on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August – this event raised a staggeringly massive total of £1500.00.

From all the children supported by this charity as they battle with their various cancers and the effects of the treatment necessary to keep them alive a very big THANK YOU to all who helped and/or attended the coffee day .

If you were not able to attend this event but would still like to help it's not too late as you can always send in a donation to Ann at 156 Pershore Road, Hampton.

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## Hinton on the Green

**Petertide Service and Fête, 24th June:** The village's effort to revive the tradition of celebrating their patron saint's day was a huge success. An astonishing 100 people were packed into the church, from all over the benefice - and from even further afield, as there were two American tourists who just happened to "drop in"! The fête that followed, in the churchyard, worked amazingly well, and it was quite possibly the first time in several decades that so many villagers have been gathered together in the same place! Many thanks to all the people who worked so hard to make this an event to remember (and to repeat, we hope) - and even more thanks to all the people who came along, and who spent their cash so generously. The fête and service raised £800 towards our church restoration fund.

**St Peter's Restoration:** The fête's £800 goes towards the £108,000 that Hinton is attempting to raise to maintain the building. This is needed to undertake a raft of work all over the church - far too many jobs to list, but the primary works are to replace the tower roof, which is in a sorry state; to overhaul the other roofs; undertake re-pointing of much of the external walls, and to completely re-decorate and re-plaster the interior. The PCC is actively seeking grants from The English Heritage Lottery Fund, and others, and already has a pledge of £2,000 from the Laslett's charity, the church's Patron.

**Harvest Supper:** Following the success of the Petertide fête, Hinton's next major event will be another revival of an old tradition - a Harvest Supper. The supper, with entertainment, will be held at St Peter's Church on Saturday evening, 20th October. Please watch out for details in the October Herald. All will be very welcome and it would be great to get a good turn out from all the benefice's congregations.

**Chancel Repair Liability.** The PCC has commissioned a professional report which has determined that no third party has legal liability for the cost of repairs to our chancel. If you know about CRL, this might be a relief to you; if you don't know about it, this tells you that you don't need to know!

**100th Wedding anniversaries:** Well, not quite, but these two add up to a century! On Saturday 28th July a village party was held for Charlie and Joyce Webb to celebrate their 55th Wedding Anniversary. Charlie and Joyce were married on 19th July 1957 at St Peter's Church in Hinton. They are the longest married couple, still living in the village, to have been married in our village church. It was a wonderful day and the weather was perfect and this time it didn't stop their celebrations, as it did in 2007 when they had to cancel their golden wedding celebrations due to that year's terrible summer floods. The party was shared with near neighbours Lyn and Den Attwood who will be celebrating their 45th Wedding Anniversary on 30th September; Charlie, Joyce, Lyn and Den would like to thank all family and friends for making it a day to remember. A raffle was held on the day to help boost Hinton Community Groups (HCG) funds to purchase a Village Marquee and a whopping £118 was raised. With no Village Hall a Marquee is desperately needed in order for the village to hold such occasions.

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## **Bell-ringing**

**Hinton** - As well as undertaking their first ever service ringing for the Petertide Service, the newly formed St Peter's Church bell-ringers joined in with the nation's "All The Bells" performance and welcomed the Olympics to Great Britain at 08:12 on Friday 27 July 2012. Bells of all sorts, shapes and sizes were rung for 3 minutes across the country, including Big Ben, and our village was proud to join in with the celebrations. Thanks to all those that took part in this historic event.

**Hampton** Church bell ringers are on the hunt for experienced or potential bell ringers of all ages, sizes and levels of talent. Free training will be given to those who want to learn or improve and please note that no one is too old to learn – the only restriction is that you are able to climb up a fairly tight winding stair to the ringing floor and survive the climb!

Come on – you've been switched on by the Olympics, now take part in something new. What? Set in your comfy armchair and don't think you can do it? Just ask the new ringing band at Hinton-on-the-Green what can be done with just a bit of effort. They only started earlier this year and they have already achieved a standard where they are proficient enough to ring for their own services.

Come on give it a go and contact John Smith, Tower Captain, on 01386 443157.

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## **Little Hospice Hoima**

A big thank you to all those who donate at Church Coffee to this worthy cause, and recently a cheque for £65 was sent to Hospice Africa - the umbrella organisation for 3 hospices in Uganda including Hoima.

The money is used to train undergraduate medical and nursing students and health professionals already in practice.

Working with the teams in the hospices are community volunteers who help care for patients as well as identifying those who need palliative.

*Your help is greatly appreciated.*

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## **Prayers ... for the World**

Pray for the peace-keepers of the world in their work to deliver from violence all who suffers from armed oppression. Ask that the hearts and minds of the oppressors may come to understand the distress of their victims and that they may use their power for the good of their fellows. Give thanks for the Fairtrade organisations and for the commercial success of the movement to bring just rewards to those who work to provide us with our food. Pray for the problems of the Eurozone, for the sacrifices that a solution demands and especially for those who will feel the effects most keenly.

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# St Andrew's Summer Fête



Didn't we do well? Thanks to heavy rain during the preceding week, a last minute decision had to be taken, meaning that nearly all of our plans had to be set aside, but thanks to the generosity of the headmaster of St Andrew's C of E First school we were to set up most of our stalls in the hall or outside near the entrance. On the day, the weather was fine and during afternoon the sun shone warmly (well - most of time anyway) and an enjoyable time was had by all.

The attendance was slightly down on last year but as a result of the hard work by our volunteers we managed to achieve a grand £1028. Thanks to all our hard working magnificent volunteers and to you, the public, who made this possible.



What will we be able to achieve next year?  
Well, who knows but can we do even better next year - you bet we can!  
See you there then?



## 29th September – Michaelmas



Michaelmas, or the Feast of Michael and All Angels, is celebrated on the 29th of September every year. As it falls near the equinox, the day is associated with the beginning of autumn and the shortening of days; in England, it is one of the “quarter days”.

There are traditionally four “quarter days” in a year (Lady Day (25th March), Midsummer (24th June), Michaelmas (29th September) and Christmas (25th December). They are spaced three months apart, on religious festivals, usually close to the solstices or equinoxes. They were the four dates on which servants were hired, rents due or leases begun. It used to be said that harvest had to be completed by Michaelmas, almost like the marking of the end of the productive season and the beginning of the new cycle of farming. It was the time at which new servants were hired or land was exchanged and debts were paid. This is how it came to be for Michaelmas to be the time for electing magistrates and also the beginning of legal and university terms.

St Michael is one of the principal angelic warriors, protector against the dark of the night and the Archangel who fought against Satan and his evil angels. As Michaelmas is the time that the darker nights and colder days begin - the edge into winter - the celebration of Michaelmas is associated with encouraging protection during these dark months. It was believed that negative forces were stronger in darkness and so families would require stronger defences during the later months of the year.

Traditionally, in the British Isles, a well fattened goose, fed on the stubble from the fields after the harvest, is eaten to protect against financial need in the family for the next year; and as the saying goes:

*“Eat a goose on Michaelmas Day, Want not for money all the year”.*

Sometimes the day was also known as “Goose Day” and goose fairs were held. Even now, the famous Nottingham Goose Fair is still held on or around the 3rd of October. Part of the reason goose is eaten is that it was said that when Queen Elizabeth 1 heard of the defeat of the Armada, she was dining on goose and resolved to eat it always on Michaelmas Day. Others followed suit. It could also have developed through the role of Michaelmas Day as the debts were due; tenants requiring a delay in payment may have tried to persuade their landlords with gifts of geese!

The custom of celebrating Michaelmas Day as the last day of harvest was broken when Henry V111 split from the Catholic Church; instead, it is Harvest Festival that is celebrated now.

# The Michaelmas Daisy



The Michaelmas Daisy, which flowers late in the growing season between late August and early October, provides colour and warmth to gardens at a time when the majority of flowers are coming to an end. As suggested by the saying below, the daisy is probably associated with this celebration because, as mentioned previously, St Michael is celebrated as a protector from darkness and evil, just as the daisy fights against the advancing gloom of Autumn and Winter.

“The Michaelmas Daisies, among dede weeds,  
Bloom for St Michael's valorous deeds.  
And seems the last of flowers that stood,  
Till the feast of St. Simon and St. Jude.”

*(The Feast of St. Simon and Jude is 28 October)*

The act of giving a Michaelmas Daisy symbolises saying farewell, perhaps in the same way as Michaelmas Day is seen to say farewell to the productive year

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## Ever wonder what the Christians did for the Olympics?

For this past summer, thousands of Christians across the country have taken part in the Olympic games. They may not have raced, jumped, swam or cycled, but they still gave their all in helping make the event a success. They were working with the Christian umbrella agency for the event, **More Than Gold**, which created the largest ever inter-church response to the Olympics.

And so it was that Christians from all over the country spent the summer:

- ❖ running events for their communities, including large screen festivals (possible total attendance 500,000), family fundays, children's clubs, street parties and more
- ❖ volunteering as Games Pastors (more than 300) to serve those passing through main transport hubs
- ❖ offering free accommodation for over 300 family members of competitors who would otherwise have been unable to attend
- ❖ serving in teams giving out water to visitors and spectators – led by The Salvation Army
- ❖ welcoming more than 1,500 people – mostly young adults – who came in from 40 countries to support churches as they engage with and serve their communities
- ❖ attending almost 700 free performances by international musicians, dancers and visual artists across 30 venues including Southwark Cathedral, Westminster Abbey Green and Methodist Westminster Central Hall
- ❖ engaging with young people in more than 300 2012 Youth Café's.

## Events Update – September 2012

Amendments and additions in **bold**. Unconfirmed and provisional in *italics*.

Benefice Youth Group	Thurs	6 Sept 7pm	Hampton Parish Room
Church Open Morning	Sat	8 Sept 10am-Noon	Hampton
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	11 Sept 9.30am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Fellowship Meeting	Tues	11 Sept 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Benefice Youth Group	Thurs	13 Sept 7pm	Hampton Parish Room
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	18 Sept 9.30am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Prayer Group	Tues	18 Sept 6.45pm	Hampton
PCC Meeting	Wed	19 Sept 7.30pm	Hampton
Benefice Youth Group	Thurs	20 Sept 7pm	Hampton Parish Room
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	25 Sept 9.30am	Scout & Guide Hall
Coffee Morning	Thurs	27 Sept 10am	Sedgeberrow
Benefice Youth Group	Thurs	27 Sept 7pm	Hampton Parish Room
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	2 Oct 9.30am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Harvest Festival	Sun	7 Oct 11am	Hampton
<b>St Andrew's Fellowship Meeting</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>9 Oct 2pm</b>	<b>Scout &amp; Guide Hall</b>
<b>Church Open Morning</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>13 Oct 10am-Noon</b>	<b>Hampton</b>
St Andrew's Harvest Supper	Sat	13 Oct 7.30pm	Scout & Guide Hall
<b>St Andrew's Prayer Group</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>16 Oct 6.45pm</b>	<b>Hampton</b>
<b>Standing Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>17 Oct 7.30pm</b>	<b>Hampton</b>

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## Prayers ... for Communities

At the beginning of this academic year, pray that the pupils, students, teachers and support staff in schools and colleges may find their experiences successful, fulfilling and enjoyable. Pray especially for our local schools and colleges and for anyone you know who is going to study away from home. Ask God to bless social groups where people come together for fellowship, WIs, Hampton Club and others like them. Include too, the lonely and pray that they may find their way to one of these groups.

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or left for the editor in St Andrew's Church.

Large Print editions of the magazine are available on request.

# St. Andrew's Harvest Festival

The service will be on Sunday 7th October at 11am, with coffee afterwards in the Community Hall. Decoration of the Church will take place on Friday 5th October, from 10am onwards.



**Our Harvest Supper** will take place in Hampton Community Hall on Saturday 13th October at 7.30pm. There will be lists in church requesting food for the occasion, offers of help setting up, and clearing away and washing up.

There will also be our Traidcraft stall.

If any member of our congregation would like to show off their talents in our entertainment slot or who could volunteer ideas please contact Ray Edwards on 01386 443683.

## Apple and Blackberry Crumble

This method pre-cooks the crumble topping to avoid gluey, uncooked crumble and retain the texture of the fruit

### Topping

120g plain flour  
60g caster sugar  
60g unsalted butter, cut into pieces

### Fruit Filling

300g dessert apples  
30g unsalted butter  
30g Demerara sugar  
115g blackberries  
¼ tsp ground cinnamon

Heat oven to 190C/170C fan/gas 5

Serve with vanilla ice cream

Enjoy! (Just the thing for Harvest Supper)

In a large bowl rub the butter into the flour and sugar until a breadcrumb texture. Sprinkle this mix evenly onto a baking sheet, and bake for 15 minutes until a light golden colour

Peel, core and chop the apples into 2cm dice. Put the butter and Demerara sugar in a medium saucepan and melt over a medium heat. Cook for 3 minutes until the mixture turns to a light caramel. Stir in the apples and cook for 3 minutes. Add the blackberries and cinnamon, and cook for 3 minutes more. Cover, Remove pan from heat, cover and leave for 2-3 minutes. Spoon the warm fruit into an ovenproof dish, top with the crumble mix, and then reheat in the oven for 5-10 minutes.



## Street Pastors in Evesham

Some of the members of Churches Together in Evesham & District decided that Evesham ought to have Street Pastors working in town each week-end, and a preliminary meeting has already taken place with interested persons attending. Additional meetings have now taken place with the Ascension Trust in London (the Street Pastors umbrella organisation), Church leaders, the Police and Wychavon District Council.

Volunteers are required to undertake training to become Street Pastors and the local organisation requires financial as well as prayer support.

For more details contact Ray Edwards on 01386 443683 and keep watching the notice boards as information will be posted at regular intervals.

## From the Registers – June / July

<b>Baptisms</b>	24 June	Jack William Gittus	Hampton
	15 July	Oliver Les Selby	Hampton
	22 July	Sophie May Tilley	Hampton
	29 July	Rose Olivia Unwin	Hampton
<b>Weddings</b>	9 June	Ian Davenport / Jean Clark	Hampton
		David Ryan Marshall / Rachael Louise Biddle	Hampton
	16 June	Adam Richard Teague / Victoria Punch	Hampton
	21 July	Lee Timothy Moulder / Donna Fay Churchill	Hampton
<b>Funerals</b>	3 July	Valerie Greening	Hampton
	10 July	Sandra Gail Preece	Hampton
	23 July	Nancy Thould	Hampton

## Bible Readings – September 2012

Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thirteenth after Trinity	Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9 James 1.17-27 Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sixteenth after Trinity	Wisdom of Solomon 1.16 – 2.1, 12-22 or Jeremiah 11.18-20 James 3.13 – 4.3, 7-8a Mark 9.30-37
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> Fourteenth after Trinity	Isaiah 35.4-7a James 2.1-10 [11-13] 14-17 Mark 7.24-37	Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> Seventeenth after Trinity	Numbers 11.4-6, 10-16, 24-29 James 5.13-20 Mark 9.38-50
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> Fifteenth after Trinity	Isaiah 50.4-9a James 3.1-12 Mark 8.27-38		



## Sedgeberrow CE First School

I do hope that everyone has had a good summer and we apologise for missing the last issue of the magazine. Everything got very busy at the end of last term with building work going on alongside our usual end of year events.

The whole school took the theme of 'The Olympics' for their topic during the last half-term and thoroughly enjoyed all their studies. We were awarded an arts council grant to contribute a piece for the Olympic Torch Relay celebrations in Broadway on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July and created a whole school version of the Olympic rings. Each year group had a ring representing a different continent and they filled it with art work including clay models. On the reverse of their ring they put flags from all the different countries competing in the games. The finished article was amazing as you can see and it attracted a great deal of interest in Broadway when we all enjoyed watching the torch come through. The rings are now suspended in our library where we would welcome visitors who are interested.



During the Summer Term we had a whole school walking challenge aiming to cover the distance that the torch travelled from Olympia to London. The whole school regularly went on walks around the village aiming to cover the distance which was represented on a large map displayed in the school hall to show progress. The challenge finished at the end of our 'Healthy Living Week' with a final walk down to Glebe meadow where we all celebrated with a picnic. The money raised goes towards our ICT appeal for much-needed replacement computers.

Our building work is now complete and has made a huge difference to the school. We now have two larger classrooms to accommodate the full year groups in Year 1 and Year 2 and a larger office with proper security areas. We are delighted with the expansion of our lovely school both in terms of number on roll and size of the accommodation. With 30 new children starting Reception again this year we are moving towards being full throughout the school however there are still some spaces so we will be inviting everyone to an Open Morning later this term which I will mention in the next issue.

[www.sedgeberrowfirstschool.uk.org](http://www.sedgeberrowfirstschool.uk.org)

## **Hampton WI**

At our meeting on 12 July, Keren Green gave us an *Introduction to Beekeeping*. Keren has kept bees for 8 years and with the aid of slides she covered many aspects, including the basic components of a hive and the equipment used by beekeepers; what goes on in the hive; the uses of beeswax and the problems currently faced by bees, such as the virus spread by the Varroa mite. We learnt that there are 250 types of bees in the UK, and that bumble bees can work in cooler temperatures than honey bees. Keren explained the social structure within the hive, that bees have five eyes, how to catch a swarm and that in medieval times bees were kept in woven baskets (skeps) on wooden plinths, although in those days the bees were destroyed to allow the honey to be collected. She had brought along some jars of her honey, and pointed out that hay fever sufferers could be helped to overcome their allergy by eating local honey. These and many other fascinating items of information made for a most enjoyable talk.

On 9th August we have our lunch at Kings Court Hotel to look forward to, followed by an outing to Waddesdon Manor on the 22nd. The next meeting, on the 13th September, will be our Harvest Supper, when the competition will be a hot or cold pudding to be eaten with the supper.

Our meetings are held at the Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm. Please contact Joyce Davey on 01386 443755 for more information.

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### **Prayers ... for the sick**

In your prayers for those who are unwell please include the patients of our local hospitals and Maggie Bailey, Pat Bayliss, David Brasher, David Canning, Brenda Clarke, Pamela Collins, Audrey Davies. Pam Eustace, Monica Garston, Harry Green, Ella Hampton, Sarah Hands, Sue Jones, Clifford Lewis, Beryl Lord, Isabel O'Connor, Iris Pinkstone, Graham Quinney, Rosie Rencher, Alan Roberts, Reverend Bernard Rumbold, Phillippa Shepherd, Celia Sheward, Joan Simpson, Pat Smith and Doug Thompson.

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### **Prayers ... for those who have died**

Amongst those who have passed into eternal life please include Jamie Airns, Nancy Thould, Vera Molesworth, Jessie Willetts, Michael (Mike) Jenkins, Sarah Jane Evans and Jabus Smith together those who mourn.

*Praise God all you his servants*

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## Services for September 2012

<b>1st</b>	<b>Sunday 2</b>	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
		11am	Family Service	Hampton
		2pm	Baptism	Hampton
		6pm	Holy Communion with prayers for healing	Hampton
		Wednesday 5	10am	Holy Communion
<b>2nd</b>	<b>Sunday 9</b>	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		9.30am	Eucharist	Hampton
		11am	Family Service	Sedgeberrow
		2pm	Baptisms	Hampton
		Wednesday 12	10am	Holy Communion
<b>3rd</b>	<b>Sunday 16</b>	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
		11am	Welcome Service	Hampton
		2pm	Baptisms	Hampton
		Wednesday 19	10am	Holy Communion
<b>4th</b>	<b>Sunday 23</b>	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		9.30am	Eucharist	Hampton
		11am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
		2pm	Baptism	Hampton
		Wednesday 26	10am	Holy Communion
<b>5th</b>	<b>Sunday 30</b>	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton

## Services for October 2012

	Wednesday 3	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	Saturday 6	1pm	Wedding	Hampton
<b>1st</b>	<b>Sunday 7</b>	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
		11am	Family Service	Hampton
		6pm	Holy Communion with prayers for healing	Hampton
		Wednesday 10	10am	Holy Communion

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