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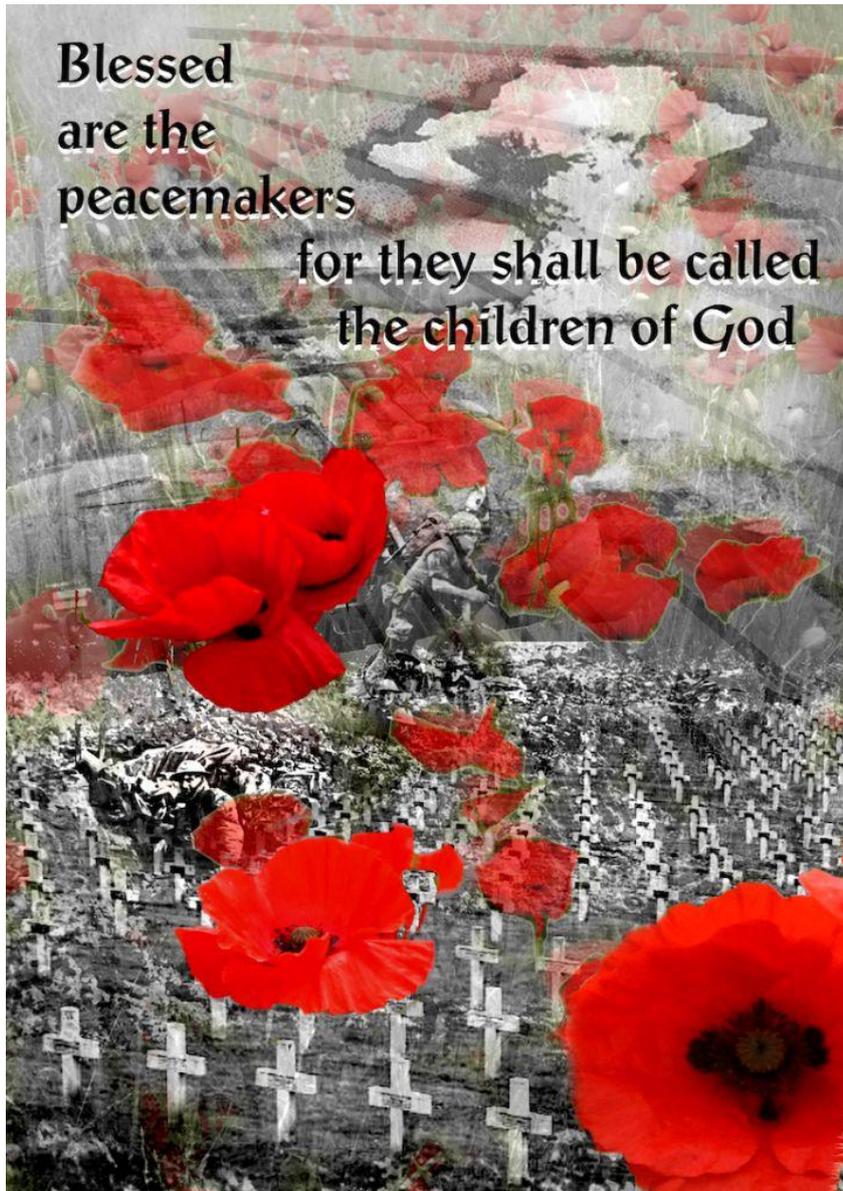


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THE HERALD



Remembrance Sunday – 10th November

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Hampton, with Sedgeberrow
and Hinton on the Green

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Prayers ... for the Church

I will call upon the Most High who fulfils his purpose for me

November 1st is the Festival of All Saints; give thanks for the lives of the saints throughout history and ask for the help of the Holy Spirit as we seek to follow their example. 30th is the Festival of St Andrew; pray for the congregation at St Andrew's, Hampton as they celebrate the life and inspiration of their Patron Saint. As we mark Remembrance Sunday, pray for all Christian people in their efforts to work for peace in today's world where so many of all faiths suffer oppression. Pray for the mission and worship of our local Methodist congregations. Ask God to bless our leaders, Mark, Patrick, Leonard, John and Elaine in their service on our behalf.

Prayers ... for the World

Bring to God the troubled areas of the world; mention Syria, Afghanistan, and any others for which you feel a personal concern. Pray for the victims, for the aid agencies and for the aggressors, that they may set our common humanity before all else. Include especially the children who are caught up in these conflicts, those who have lost homes and families, the injured and the fearful. Include the followers of Islam throughout the world, especially those who feel threatened by reason of their faith. Ask for God's blessing on the people of Australia and New Zealand.

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From Mark Binney, Priest in Charge

Every November the annual Field of Remembrance at Westminster Abbey is organised and run by The Poppy Factory. The packed lines of remembrance crosses resemble a temporary military cemetery. Over 350 plots are set out for regimental and other associations in the area between Westminster Abbey and St. Margaret's Church. Each cross is in memory of a fallen comrade and loved one. It soon becomes apparent to anyone who views this Field of Remembrance how many people have lost their lives in war. The Field is opened every Thursday before Remembrance Sunday and stays open for a further ten days. The tradition began in 1928 when Major Howson with a few disabled ex-service men grouped around a battlefield cross, familiar to those who had served in Flanders and the Western Front. With a tray of poppies, they invited passers-by to plant a poppy in the vicinity of the cross. At that time there were only two memorials – one dedicated to "Tommy Atkins" a nickname for a rank-and-file soldier in the British Army, and one to Field Marshall Douglas Haig who had died in January 1928. Major Howson was the founder and chairman of the Royal British Legion Poppy Factory. He cannot have imagined how this tradition would have grown and grown over the decades to become what it is today.



There are now six Fields of Remembrance across the country. At Saltwell Park Gateshead in 2012 there were 10,000 crosses given in memory. This year there will be 15,000 crosses. Some of these will be in memory of those who have died recently in Afghanistan. Each cross remembers a person who is loved and missed, who sacrificed their life in wartime. After the Fields of Remembrance close, the crosses are collected and burnt and the ashes scattered at the First World War battlefields in northern France and Belgium.

Why must we remember? For many people war is a phenomenon seen through the lens of a television camera or a journalist's account of fighting in distant parts of the world. For those born in peacetime, all wars seem removed from our daily lives. But for those who went to war, they truly believed that without freedom there would be no peace. It is by remembering their sacrifice that we have peace today. Even where there is still conflict this is recognised as price we have to pay to maintain freedom. It is up to us to make something of our lives, so that their sacrifice is not in vain.

We shall remember them.

Mark Binney

Priest in Charge of Hampton, Bengeworth, Sedgeberrow and Hinton on the Green

Coffee Mornings & Other Fund Raising Events

A coffee morning continues to be held each month on the First Wednesday following the 10.00am mid-week Holy Communion Service; this brings together a few members of our congregation. However it would be lovely if more people could support this and perhaps increase our group of Church Supporters by bringing along their friends and neighbours. We serve coffee and tea with biscuits and sometimes cake. There are cakes, plants and greetings cards for sale. The next Coffee Morning will be after the 10am Communion Service on 6 November.



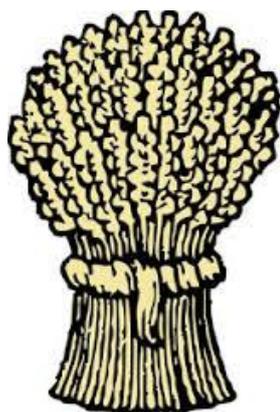
Celebration & Quiz Night with Fish & Chip Supper

This is to take place on Saturday 2 November at St. Andrew's Church Centre in Battleton Road. Doors open at 7.0pm for a prompt start at 7.30. Please book your tables for a fun evening, the last time we did this it was a great success and over 50 people had a most enjoyable time. Tickets at £9.00 can be purchased from Shirley Lynch and from the Church Wardens, Gabrielle Falkiner and Pippa Henly. Ticket price includes a Fish and Chip Supper, with tea, coffee and soft drinks available free of charge.

The Quiz Night will be preceded by a party, to celebrate the refurbishment of St. Andrew's Church Centre. The Centre committee would like local people to join them to Celebrate before the Quiz Night starts. Please join us at St. Andrew's Church Centre for wine and nibbles from 6.45pm on Saturday 2 November to view all our improvements.

John Cotton

St Andrew's Harvest Supper



We held our Harvest Supper on Saturday 12 October. Over thirty parishioners gathered to enjoy a feast prepared by those who kindly donated food, John Lynch looked after the bar and an excellent raffle raised over £50 towards our funds. Charlie Binney supplied some musical entertainment and the evening showed a contribution to the Church of £251.00, including the raffle. I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way and especially those who helped to set up and clear away, and to all who helped in the kitchen and with waiting at table.

A thoroughly happy evening.

Ray Edwards

Prayers ... for the people around us

Ask God to bless families everywhere and especially within our United Benefice; give thanks for the happiness and security that they bring but remember too families where there is unhappiness, where the warmth of former times has cooled. Pray for all members of the British Legion, for the fellowship it fosters and for the help it brings to former members of the armed forces. Pray for your neighbours that their lives may be fulfilling and for the people who assist in St Andrew's Tots and for the mothers and children who go there. Give thanks for everyone working in the shops of our area who serve us so well.

Ride and Stride - September 2013

We were planning to have a few days holiday in Devon when we learned about the Ride and Stride Project. We decided to give it a go!

We bought OS map 202, contacted Devon Churches via the internet and visited ten participating churches in the most southernmost part of Devon, Woodley Deanery. The day had arrived. The two days previous to the ride were torrential rain and the two days following the rain continued, but Saturday was glorious sunshine.

At 7.30am we commenced, firstly to Stoke Fleming on hilly winding narrow roads. We took minor roads where possible. The furthest west was Modbury Church, arriving there at 5.30pm, getting a quick snack from the One Stop Shop! We continued to Halwell. which was our final destination, another two hours cycling ahead! Darkness was falling. The whole journey was exciting, exhausting and exhilarating and certainly a wonderful experience. The wild life was in abundance. The churches all very different in Architecture but all had a real feel of the presence of God. We would like to share with everyone this prayer, which was on a wall at Buckland Tout Saint Church.

The One beside you in the Pew
Perhaps is just a Stranger too
All here like you have fears and cares
All of us need each other's prayers
In fellowship we bid you meet
Within our church, God's mercy seek

We thank everyone who sponsored us. We cycled 42 miles and raised £184.

Colin and Diana Sturgeon
Hampton Church

The Abbey Bell Tower

Many of you will know that John Webster and Malcolm Benning cycled from the Abbey Bell Tower to the Beccles Bell Tower to raise some funds toward the £500,000.00 or so, which is needed to restore it – but more sponsorship is needed. Here is an account of their achievement – 450 miles cycled in 6 days!

‘It seems a dream now – we set off with the bells ringing in our ears, it was a cold September morning and soon we were riding on country lanes. At Silverstone we met our support team, Chris Povey, Captain of The Bell Tower and his wife Helen, and welcome hot tea and cake then on to the first stop at Olney. Sue Ablett, Friends of the Bell Tower, joined us for breakfast then on to Downham Market for our second night and an excellent pub dinner – the next day to Beccles! We set off early for a 3.0pm arrival – they promised that the bells would be ringing when we got there. Complications on the way and we arrived just five minutes late but triumphant. Chris and Helen, John and Sue and Spike the dog welcomed us, and the Bells Rang Out.

The next morning it was back in the saddle for the return journey. It was wet and when we arrived at Downham Market the shower didn’t work and we had wet clothes to dry but the next day the sun shone and despite a head wind got to Olney by 4.30 only to find we had to cycle a few more miles to find our beds at Newport Pagnell. This was our longest day - 84 miles fully laden. Then on to Fenny Compton, lunch with friends and my wife Carolyn who took our bags so the remaining miles to the Workman Bridge were burden free. We crossed the bridge at 6.0pm, a final photo call and home for a well-earned rest.’

Donations supporting John and Malcolm to: Sue Ablett – Co-ordinator, Evesham Abbey Bell Tower Appeal, Church House, Market Place, Evesham WR11 4RW

Operation Christmas Child

In the run up to Christmas this year, hundreds of thousands of people throughout the country, from every community and all walks of life, will be packing shoeboxes of gifts for needy children overseas. Last year more than a million shoeboxes were sent.

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) explains: “Every box is a precious gift for a needy child overseas, wrought out of heartfelt desire to show compassion, to express love and to share something of God's love for us and his greatest gift to us: Jesus.”

For more details on how to pack a shoebox this year, visit:

www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk/getting-started.

St Andrew's Fellowship

A lovely sunny afternoon on Tuesday, 8 October, brought out our members for a very interesting talk by Father Andre Papendriou. We tried to keep up as he explained about the different religions and how things have changed over the generations. He also spoke briefly of his years working in the Prison Service. During the afternoon we voted on where we would like to go next year for our outside visits. Wells Cathedral came out as favourite for the Spring, and Westonbirt Arboretum to see the beautiful colour changes of the trees in Autumn. Both will be something to look forward to.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 12 November at 2pm in Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall, when Frances Haley from Wychavon District Council, will talk of her work as a Neighbourhood Warden. We look forward to seeing everyone at this meeting. We welcome new members, both men and women, and you don't have to be a Church goer to join.

For further information, call Jenny Perkins on 01386 49161.

Recipe for November - Fruity Seeded Flapjacks

200g/8oz margarine or butter

150g/6oz light brown sugar

150g/6oz golden syrup

150g/6oz sultanas

400g/1lb porridge oats

25g/1oz each of sunflower and pumpkin seeds



- Melt margarine/butter, sugar and syrup gently in a large saucepan.
 - Add the porridge oats, sultanas and seeds and mix well.
 - Pour the mixture into a lined shallow baking tin (approx. 20cm x 30cm) and spread evenly to smooth top.
 - Bake at 180°C/160°C Fan/Gas 4 for 25-30 minutes or until golden brown.
 - Remove from the oven while the flapjack is still slightly soft, it will harden once cool.
 - Place the tin on a wire cooling rack and leave to cool for about 5 minutes, then mark into squares. Leave to cool completely, then cut and remove from tin.
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What's the Big Idea?

An Introduction to the Books of the New Testament: 1 Peter

This letter begins: 'Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia.' (1:1) The author clearly identifies himself as Peter the apostle and leader of the early church. The places mentioned are all Roman provinces located in the northeast part of Asia Minor (present-day Turkey). Peter is writing to churches that had been established by Paul. The letter's recipients are also described as 'strangers' or 'exiles', by which Peter is referring to the Christian community scattered throughout the empire, those 'who have been chosen ... for obedience to Jesus Christ' (1:2).

Peter is writing from the church in 'Babylon' (5:13), which probably refers to Rome, in the same way that it is used in Revelation 17-18.

In terms of date, the letter was probably written towards the end of Peter's life in 63-64 AD. Peter speaks into a situation where the Christians were experiencing persecution, which suggests the persecution that took place in 64 AD when Nero blamed Christians for the Fire of Rome. Roman historian Tacitus tells us that Christians were persecuted by Nero with public approval for 'hatred of the human race' (Tacitus, Annals, xv.44).

Although it is a short letter, only five chapters long, it is an important one for us to study. It contains a number of important themes that Christian disciples should understand if they are to serve Jesus faithfully today. Some of the main themes include:

- Appreciating our salvation in Christ, rather than taking it for granted
- Learning obedience and submission even through tough times
- Practising holiness while being engaged with those around us
- Living in the world without being overwhelmed by it
- Following Christ's sacrificial lifestyle so it becomes our own
- Growing through our sufferings rather than being defeated by them
- Being faithful in our relationships with family, employers, and employees
- Grasping our true identity as God's people
- Preparing for judgment without being driven by fear
- Developing the character of leaders who reflect the leadership of Christ

Peter concludes by saying 'I have written to you briefly, encouraging you and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it.' (5:12). This sums-up Peter's intention throughout the letter of pointing his readers to God and his grace, while helping them to see practical ways in which they can grow in the likeness of Christ.

Hampton WI

The President, Joyce Davey, welcomed members to the AGM on 10 October. Also welcomed was the WI Advisor, Ann Smith.

Joyce said that last month's Harvest Supper had been very enjoyable. She gave details of a Christmas Fair at Peopleton on 31 October in aid of St Richards Hospice, and the annual WI Carol Service at Worcester Cathedral on 8 December. To celebrate the 45th Anniversary of the founding of Hampton WI, cake and wine would be served at the November meeting. That meeting would also be the last opportunity to bring items for the Shoebox Appeal.

Ann Smith then proceeded to conduct the Annual General Meeting, and opened by calling on the Treasurer to give her Report.

The President then gave her Annual Report, commenting on the strong friendships forged within the group and wishing those members who had been unwell a speedy return to good health. There had been some very interesting and varied talks during the year and enjoyable outings to Pershore College, a guided tour of Worcester Cathedral, a look behind the scenes at the RSC in Stratford and a visit to Winterbourne House and Gardens. In addition there had been excellent lunches at Broadway Golf Club, in January and August, and visits to other WI's for open evenings.

Ann then supervised the election of the committee members and president. As all the committee were willing to stand again and there were no new nominations, these members were elected en bloc. Nominations were then requested for the office of president. Mrs Davey had expressed her wish to stand down and take time out. Members were very appreciative of Mrs Davey's 8 years as president. Jill Robinson was elected as the new president.

In conclusion, Ann spoke briefly, explaining that next year's Annual General meeting would be in September, as the Commonwealth Games baton would arrive in Malvern on 10 September, being carried round the county until 16 September, the day of the AGM, when it would be passed on to the West Midlands. This meant everyone would have an opportunity to see it. She also encouraged members to attend the Carol Service in Worcester Cathedral and to support Denman College. The business having been concluded, members were able to relax with the usual refreshments.

The next meeting will be held on 14 November, our anniversary meeting, when Pauline Smith will talk to us about Fundraising for Macmillan.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings, which are held at the Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm. Please contact Joyce Davey on 01386 443755 for more information.

Hinton on the Green – St Peter’s Church

Hinton bell-ringers tie the knot

On Saturday 12 October the village helped celebrate the marriage of Kayley Dore and Ben Sidney. St Peter's Church was packed with friends, family and other well-wishers. To make more seating available, I watched the proceedings from the bell ringers' chamber.

Although supportive of the "novice" bell ringing team and having listened to them on many occasions, I had never actually watched the team working together. It was interesting to see how a team of seven people (they were one short!) rely on observing the actions of others and listening to the bell calls, whilst concentrating hard on their own timely actions to produce the glorious sound of church bells ringing across the land. With a broad age range from 14 years old upwards, it shows how a group of diverse individuals when working together as a team, can achieve their own personal celebration to support their two fellow bell ringers on their special wedding day.

Those of us who are not bell ringers, also came together to support their fellow congregants and PCC members whether it was by cleaning the church, collecting hymns books or gardening within the churchyard prior to the wedding service. On behalf of the village of Hinton on the Green, we would like to wish Ben and Kayley well in their future life together.

Liz Davies

Candlelit Evensong Service

Everyone is most welcome at our Candlelit Evensong Service – a traditional service with a traditional setting. Discover St Peter’s Church, Hinton on the Green at 4.00 p.m. on 8 December.



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A fable, recalled by Hinton Churchwarden, Lisa James, from her Sunday School!

The sun and wind were in the heavens having a debate on who was the strongest. The wind declared it must be him because he made the trees sway and created great waves. "I push great clouds across the sky and even turn the sails on the windmill so the farmer can grind wheat."

"Well," said the sun, "Prove it! You see that man down there?"

"Yes," said the wind.

"Make him take his coat off," said the sun.

"Easy," said the wind, and he blew as hard as he could. The trees swayed and the waves crashed onto the shore but all that happened was the man held his coat tighter around himself.

The wind blew harder and the sails turned on the mill and the clouds dashed across the sky, but the man did up the buttons on his coat and held it tighter than ever.

"I give up," said the wind, "You try if you're so strong!"

The sun smiled and began to warm the earth. The beams shone down on the man and he started to undo his coat. The sun became hotter and the man rolled up his sleeves. By now the day was bathed in beautiful sunshine.

The wind watched on in amazement as finally the man took off his coat and placed it under his arm.

The moral of the story? You achieve more with kindness than with force.

Sedgeberrow News

Thank you to all those who helped to make the Macmillan Coffee Day a huge success. A total of £867 was raised.

The next Coffee morning is on Thursday 28 November, 10am - 12noon. The December one is on Tuesday 17 December, 10am - 12noon, when we will have Christmas Trees displayed. If anyone is interested in decorating a tree please get in touch with Ann Banks on 01386 881623.

Our next Bingo Session is on 9 November, followed by 14 December, starting at 8pm.

To make you smile – Chicken Rules

One day a new chicken was introduced to the farm. The duck, who was in charge, showed the new chicken around. "This is where you go to get fed, this is the water trough and that is the coop. Chickens hang out near the fence, us ducks near the pond and the geese near the gate. We're pretty friendly but we keep to our own. Oh but whatever you do, DO NOT cross that road. You'll never hear the end of it."

November 30 – St Andrew – First Disciple of Jesus

Andrew, whose feast day ends the Christian year on November 30th, is probably best known to us as the patron saint of Scotland, though his only connection with the country is that some of his bones were reputedly transported in the 8th century to Fife and preserved at a church in a place now named St Andrews. In fact, there are so many legends about him all over Europe and the Middle East that it's safest to stick to what the Gospels tell us - though the strong tradition that he was martyred by crucifixion is probably true and is perpetuated in the 'St Andrew's Cross', the 'saltyre' of Scotland.

The Gospels record that he was one of the first disciples of Jesus, and the very first to bring someone else to Christ - his own brother. Like many fervent Jews at the time Andrew and an unnamed companion had been drawn to the desert, to be taught by the charismatic prophet known to us as John the Baptist. Many thought that he was the long-promised Messiah, but John insisted that he was not. 'I am the voice crying in the wilderness,' he told the crowds. 'Prepare the way of the Lord! One comes after me who is greater than I am.' So when one day John pointed out Jesus to Andrew and his friend and described him as the 'Lamb of God', the two young men assumed that the next stage of their spiritual search was about to unfold. So as Jesus made off, they followed him.

All the more strange then (though, on reflection, very true to human nature) that when Jesus turned and asked them what they were 'seeking' all they could come up with was a lame enquiry about his current place of residence: 'where are you staying?' Or, perhaps, they were hinting that what they were seeking could not be dealt with in a brief conversation. If they could come to his lodgings, perhaps their burning questions might be answered.

The reply of Jesus was the most straight-forward invitation anyone can receive: 'Come and see'. Come and see what I'm like, what I do, the sort of person I am. What an invitation!

The results of their response were in this case life-changing - for themselves, and for many other people. Andrew brought his brother, Peter, to Jesus. The next day Jesus met Philip and called him to 'follow'. Philip then brought Nathaniel. The little apostolic band who would carry the message of Jesus to the whole world was being formed. They came, they saw, they were conquered! And right at the front of the column, as it were, was Andrew, the first disciple of Jesus.

Events Update – November 2013

St Andrew's Tots	Tues	5 November 9.00am	Scout & Guide Hall
Coffee Morning	Wed	6 November 10.30am	Hampton
Church Open Morning	Sat	9 November 10am-Noon	Hampton
Bingo	Sat	9 November 8pm	Sedgeberrow
Service of Remembrance	Sunday	10 November 9.45am	Hampton
Service of Remembrance	Sunday	10 November 11am	Sedgeberrow
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	12 November 9.00am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Fellowship Meeting	Tues	12 November 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Hampton PCC Meeting	Wed	20 November 7.30pm	Hampton
Ladies Relax Evening	Thurs	21 November 6pm – 9pm	Hinton
Coffee Morning	Tues	26 November 10.30am	Hinton Church
Coffee Morning	Thurs	28 November 10.30am	Sedgeberrow
Coffee Morning	Wed	4 December 10.30am	Hampton
St Andrew's Fellowship Meeting	Tues	10 December 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Church Open Morning	Sat	14 December 10am-Noon	Hampton
Bingo	Sat	14 December 8pm	Sedgeberrow
Coffee Morning	Tues	17 December 10.30am	Sedgeberrow
Standing Committee Meeting	Wed	17 December 7.30pm	Hampton

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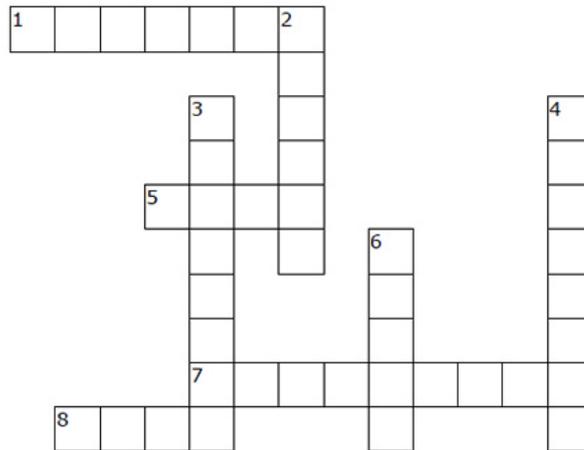
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January Magazine

In order to get the January magazine printed before Christmas, we will need any copy by Friday 13 December at the very latest.

The Editor

Children's Page



ACROSS

1. The day set aside for rest and worship
5. Not limited or controlled by anything
7. A person who pretends to be what he is not
8. To be changed from an originally straight position

DOWN

2. To be cured from illness or injury
3. Not bent or curved
4. To be disabled, especially in the feet, legs, or back
6. To instruct or give knowledge to another person

FREE	TEACH	HEALED	STRAIGHT
BENT	HYPOCRITE	SABBATH	CRIPPLED

Sudoku

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St Andrew's CE First School

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The first half of the Autumn term is nearly over and it seems to have been a long one! All the adults and children have been working extremely hard, and school has been a hive of activity. Our Open the Book assemblies have been going very well, ably led by Sharon Mathers whose infectious enthusiasm is caught by everyone.

Parents' evenings went very well and feedback to teachers was extremely positive. Children here are involved in so many activities additional to school work that really helps to develop the whole child. We run a variety of clubs every night of the week and we are very inclusive, helping children to achieve wider outcomes.

We are really looking forward to coming up to church on Friday morning for our Harvest Festival service, and thanking God for our abundant food. Afterwards we will be taking our generously donated foodstuffs to Caring Hands in Evesham to be distributed where needed.

Emma James (Acting Head)

Twelve New Street Pastors hit the Streets of Evesham

Following a successful commissioning service at All Saints where Ascension Trust's Anwar Bourazza presented caps to newly commissioned Street Pastors and welcomed the Prayer Partners, the first patrols began in Evesham.

While these were only short due to it being Mop Fair night they allowed us to start testing all the detailed planning and preparation that had preceded the day itself. And first impressions were favourable with curiosity and recognition in equal measure and the chance to start touching people with Jesus' work.

For more information about Evesham Street Pastors see our website

www.evesham.streetpastors.org.uk

or contact John Darby on 07747 842 192 or j.darby@virgin.net

Next time you pray, think of a teaspoon, tsp for your 'prayer recipe'

T – thank you!

S – sorry...

P – please?



During the Autumn Term we do a lot of fund-raising for charity and this has tied in really well with the Christian value we are focusing on currently – Hope. The children have thought a great deal about giving hope to others less fortunate than themselves and have also been thinking a great deal about hope for our world in the future.

Key Stage Two organised a MacMillan coffee morning which was very well attended by parents and visitors. The children made a great many cakes and biscuits and then did a wonderful job of hosting. They raised an amazing total of £370 for the cause.

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Harvest Festival and for sending in such lovely produce donations. We have been able to send a cheque to ‘Seeds for Africa’ from the sale of fresh produce, a charity we support through harvest every year, and donated all the tinned and packet food to ‘Caring Hands’ food bank at the Christian Centre in Evesham. A group of Year 5 children took the donations over and were very excited to be shown around the centre.

Bob James talked to the children in assembly about Operation Christmas Child, another of our charities. Over half-term children will be thinking about filling a shoebox for this annual appeal with presents suitable for a little boy or girl who has very little. Since 1990 over 100 million children in more than 150 countries have experienced the joy of Christmas through Operation Christmas Child and know that someone somewhere cares about them.

We are currently raising money to refurbish our school library and FOSS, our parents association, recently held a magnificent Promises Auction, which raised the amazing total of £3500 towards this project. We are very grateful to all parents, friends and businesses who generously donated ‘lots’ and dug deep into their wallets on the evening. Particular thanks to Andrew Jackson for undertaking the role of auctioneer for the evening.

Mrs M M Humphreys
Headteacher

www.sedgeberrowfirstschool.uk.org

What's On - November 2013

Evesham Christmas Lights Switch-On - Market Place Evesham

Saturday 23 November

The fun starts at 11am with our Charter Market in High Street and Bridge Street, plus Christmas Craft & Gift Fayre in Evesham Town Hall, Victorian Penny Arcade, Festive Bar and Kiddies Rides.

Touch FM will be joining the celebrations with Christmas Carols, live music and entertainment throughout the day.

One lucky person is in line for a fabulous early Christmas present of £3,000, as the YES (logo) Card Grand Prize Draw will be made at 2pm.

Father Christmas and his Reindeer are expected at 3pm and will parade up Bridge Street into Market Place where they will spend the afternoon.

5.30pm Santa ably supported by Peppa Pig and the Mayor of Evesham will lead the countdown to the Christmas Lights Switch-on followed by a fireworks extravaganza.

The evening will be completed with a Rock 'n' Rollin' Christmas sing-a-long.

Evesham Arts Centre – Holmes Alone

Saturday 9 November 8pm

It's the eve of the Great War and the great detective is on the cusp of retirement - and without Dr Watson. But a spate of mysterious deaths calls Holmes to the Sussex Coast, whereat Sherlock must face one of the deadliest foes he has ever encountered... Meanwhile, the late Professor Moriarty's right-hand man, Count Negretto Sylvius, plots to avenge his master's death by bringing about the downfall of the Baker Street sleuth!

Join Jonathan Goodwin of Don't Go Into the Cellar Theatre for a gloriously Victorian mystery drama! Tickets: £10 (£8 EAA, concessions)

More details are available from www.EveshamArtsCentre.co.uk

No 8 Pershore – Richard II

Thursday 14 November 7pm

Number 8 is thrilled to be screening the first ever cinema broadcast from the stage of the Royal Shakespeare Company, the sell-out production of Richard II which became the fastest selling show in the RSC's history. David Tennant takes the title role in this enthralling tale of power and plotting directed by RSC Artistic Director Gregory Doran. Tickets £14, Students £10

November in the Garden



The nights are drawing in, the clocks have changed and there is not much time to garden, but still lots of jobs to do before the winter closes in. Think hard about how you look after your lawn. Does it need to be velvet smooth or could it be a little more natural and a great deal more 'carbon friendly'? Each time we start a petrol mower we are using a highly polluting engine. Just by mowing a little less and allowing the grass to grow a little longer we are helping the environment quite a lot. Now is the time to rake the moss out of the grass using a spring-tine rake, it is very good exercise and removes the thatch which helps the grass to grow in a much healthier way. Aerating the surface is good too; if you don't wish to invest in an aerating tool, the garden fork will do the job. Just drive it in all over the grass then dress the area six parts sharp sand to three of sandy loam and one of leaf mould or fine compost brushing the mixture into all the little holes you have made. Leave ornamental grasses and herbaceous plants with seed heads to provide food and cover for birds and beneficial insects – they look lovely when covered in hoar frost. Talking of frost, start wrapping up any delicate plants which may be killed off by really hard frosts, we do get the here, bubble wrap or horticultural fleece will do the job and save the cost of replacing costly items which may suffer in a really hard spell of cold weather. Lots of mulch and compost round the plants helps too. Good Gardening.

Gabrielle Falkiner

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From the Registers – September 2013

Baptisms

1 September	Montgomery Lewis Garrett	Hampton
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Weddings

14 September	William Joseph Lloyd / Lucy Marie Huckvale	Hampton
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Funerals

20 September	Rosaline Edith Wood	Hampton
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26 September	Glenda Elizabeth Gibbons	Hampton
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Prayers ... for those who are unwell

With anyone you know who is unwell, include the patients of our local hospitals with Dave Beasley, Tony Bennett, Pamela Collins, Audrey Davies, Pam Eustace, Monica Garstone, Harry Green, Evelyn Hewitt, Patricia Hooke, Girlie Humphries. Sue Jones, Harry Lawson, Pearl Lewis, Clifford Lewis, Joanne Painter, Iris Pinkstone. Michael Porter, Julie Porter, Rosie Rencher, Phillipa Shepherd, Pat Smith, Celia Sheward, Joan Simpson and Janferie Wilton

Prayers ... for those who have died

Pray anyone you particularly wish to remember with Betty Holyfield, Rosaline Wood, Glenda Gibbons and Janette Tombs together with those who mourn.

So will I always sing praise to your name

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Services for November 2013

3rd November – Fourth Sunday before Advent / All Saints

8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
2pm	Baptism	Hampton
4pm	All Souls Service	Hampton

Isaiah 1:10-18, 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4 [5-10] 11-12, Luke 19:1-10

Wednesday 6 10am Holy Communion Hampton

10th November – Third Sunday before Advent / Remembrance

8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
9.45am	Eucharist	Hampton
11am	War Memorial	Hampton
11am	Service of Remembrance	Sedgeberrow

Job 19:23-27a, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5. 13-17, Luke 20:27-38

Wednesday 13 10am Holy Communion Hampton

17th November – Second Sunday before Advent

8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
2pm	Baptism	Hampton

Malachi 4:1-2a, 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13, Luke 21:5-19

Wednesday 20 10am Holy Communion Hampton

24th November – Christ the King

8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
10am	Eucharist	Hampton
11am	All Age Worship	Sedgeberrow
11.15am	All Age Worship	Hinton
2pm	Baptism	Hampton

Jeremiah 23:1-6, Colossians 1:11-20, Luke 23:33-43

Wednesday 27 10am Holy Communion Hampton

Services for December 2013

1st December – Advent

8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
2pm	Baptism	Hampton

Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44

Wednesday 4 10am Holy Communion Hampton