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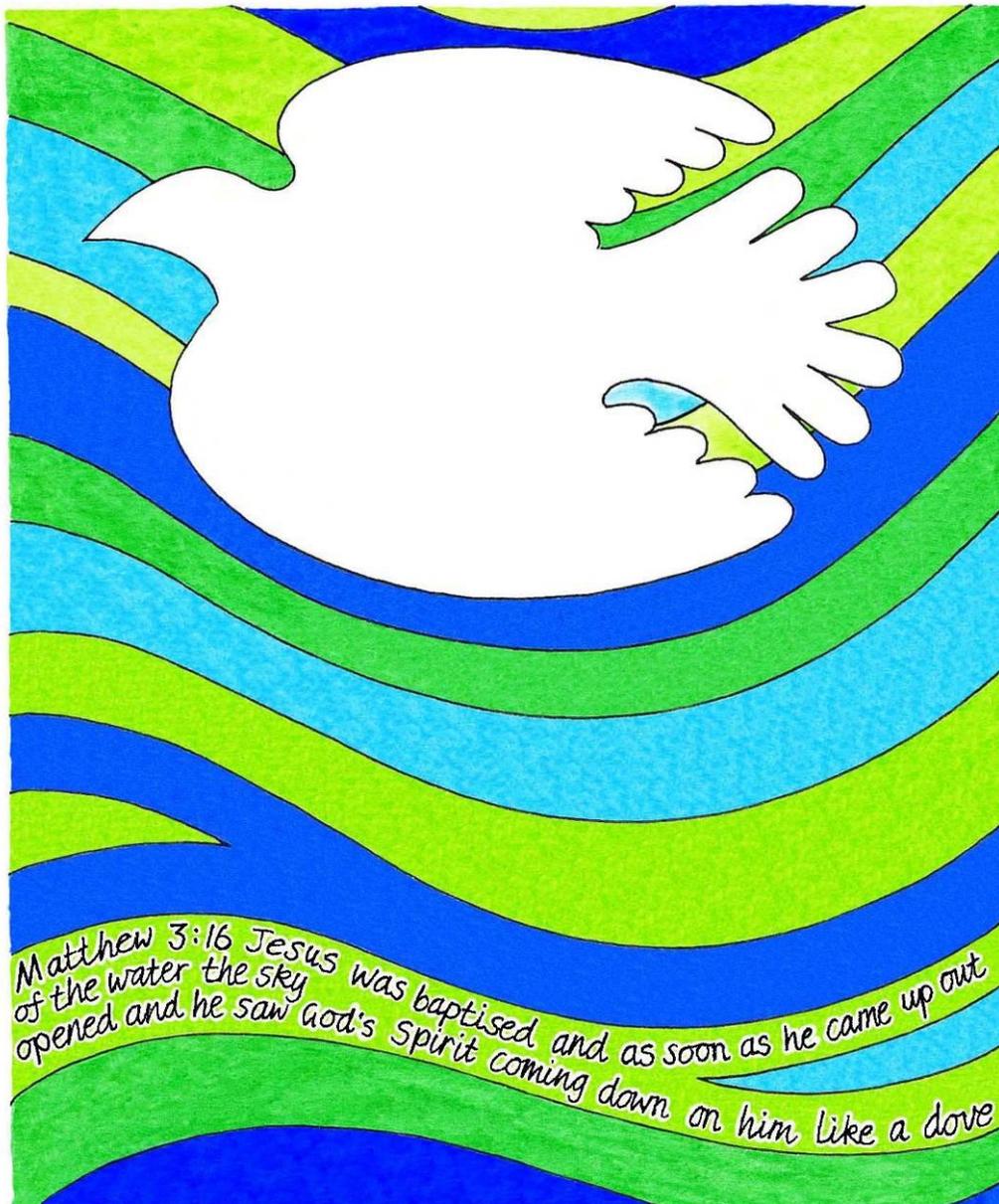


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Prayers ... for the Church

O Lord, my God, in you I take refuge

The 1st of the month is St David's Day; pray for the people of Wales in all that they do; the 19th is the Festival of St Joseph; pray for fathers everywhere, for their care of their children and young people of their families; on the 25th we celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation when the angel visited Mary to tell her that she would be the mother of Jesus. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, the 25th, when we should God to be with us and with Christians everywhere as we prepare for the greatest Feast of all, Easter. Bring to God the people of St Peter's Bengeworth in their mission and all members of the Asum Group in their shared Lenten Talks. Pray for our music through in our United Benefice and for the Altar Guild and all our members who care for our church buildings

Prayers ... for the World

Continue to pray for peace and make special mention of the people of South Sudan, where fighting, losses of homes and famine oppress them. Include those agencies who are trying to bring them aid and pray for a change of heart in their oppressors. Bring to God the people of the Philippines in their continuing efforts to rebuild after the powerful storms of last year. Ask for blessing for the followers of Buddhism, especially in areas where they are oppressed. Remember the women who live in areas where they are treated as third class citizens, that their human rights may be recognised.

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From Mark Binney, Priest in Charge

LENT is the traditional time for Christians to strengthen their faith; forty days to focus on the basics, which connect us to God. It is rather like the annual service for a car, which is to keep the car going. If we make a special effort to renew our spiritual life then Easter becomes even more meaningful. One way we can do this is to participate in the Lent course.

This year's course is very practical. It looks at five of the eight quality characteristics for Church growth. The course takes place at All Saint's Church Evesham on Monday evenings from 7pm – 9pm. The first session is about small groups in the life of the Church. Home groups are a particular example of how our spiritual life can be enriched by meeting and praying with other Christians during the week. It is an opportunity to study the Bible together and apply it to our lives. Perhaps you might consider joining a house group if you have not already done so. The second session is about Passionate Spirituality. It is about sharing our faith with passion. How often do we talk to other people about our faith? Do we know the faith journey of other members of the congregation? Anglican Churches are particularly weak at this and yet it is so obviously important to the life of the Church that we talk about our faith.

In session three we will be looking at what makes for inspiring Worship Services. We all have our own ideas as to what we feel is inspiring. But how inclusive is our Worship to those outside the Church? Should we be bothered if most people under 60 are missing? Perhaps we might like to think about the balance between satisfying our own worship needs and seeing the Church grow.

Session four is about Empowering Leaders. It is easy to think that this is the responsibility of the Vicar, Churchwarden's and P.C.C. But with more than one parish to look after the clergy need each congregation to be much more involved in leading the Church. There are many ways to do this such as the Authorised Lay Ministry scheme in the Diocese of Worcester. Sometimes when you are tempted to complain that this or that is not being done, you might like to ponder if God is calling you to do it!

Our final session is about Needs Based Evangelism. A good example of this is 'Caring Hands' at the Vale Church. Each Church is called to relate to the needs of the community. If we cut ourselves off from the majority of people how can we expect them to come to Church? As society becomes more secular we need to engage with the social issues which affect most people such as divorce, debt, loneliness, addictions, death, and provide programmes which link these issues to our Churches. Do you have a particular life experience, which you feel the Church could have been more effective with?

Prayers ... for the people around us

Give thanks that the people of our immediate area have been untroubled by serious floods and pray for the needs of those of our country who have seen their homes ruined by the rising waters. Pray for the business people around us, especially those who have to endure the problems arising from the closure of the bridge. Ask that the Holy Spirit may be with the young people of our United Benefice and with the mothers and children who join in with Saint Andrew's Tots. Pray for the needs of the poor people of our district, those who find it difficult to provide themselves with the necessities of life and for those who seek to bring them help.

From the Diocesan Newsletter

Elements of creation at Holland House

Four days of reflection on the nature of God through and in connection with the four ancient elements of Earth, Air, Fire and Water.

Led by Ian Spencer & Alex Vaccaro.

A time for meditation, prayer, exploration and creativity, discovering the God who dwells at the heart of all living things ~ the sacred presence in our midst and a God who sustains and transforms all creation.

Air ~ 8 March, Water ~ 24 May, Fire ~ 27 September, Earth ~ 1 November

All days begin at 10am with coffee and end at 4pm. Cost: £20 per person to include lunch. Booking essential; 01386 860330

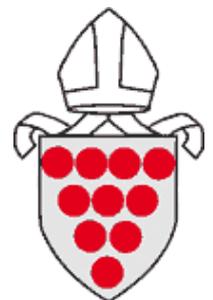
The Real Easter Egg

This year the Real Easter Egg is offering a special edition egg with chocolate bar and olive wood holding cross from the Holy Land, a sharing box with 20 smaller eggs and 20 Easter story booklets in the box and a blue boxed egg which comes with a 24 page Easter story book and some Chunky chocolate buttons.

The Real Easter Egg campaign aims to establish giving a Real Easter Egg as a tradition. Out of the 80 million Easter Eggs sold in the UK every year, the Real Easter Egg is the only one which tells the Easter story, gives money to charity and is Fairtrade.

The Meaningful Chocolate Company came up with The Real Easter Egg in 2010. It was a real struggle as all the supermarkets turned it down at first. So in December 2010 churches and schools joined together to establish the egg by placing orders and making it a mail order hit. To date, more than 450,000 eggs have been sold with 210,000 sent through the post directly to churches and schools.

You can read more at www.realeasteregg.co.uk



Church Electoral Roll

The church electoral roll is the formal list of church members and everybody who worships regularly should be on the roll. Each year the roll must be brought up to date. If you are not already on the roll please complete an application form (available in church). It is important that the list is up to date.

At St Andrews completed forms must be returned to Michael Hunter, The Electoral Roll Officer, by 9th March.

The Evesham Lent Series of Talks

Third Millennium Church: Faith, Growth and Leadership

The Evesham Lent Series this year is looking at Natural Church Development and we are focusing on 5 of the 8 Marks of Quality Characteristics. Each talk will last an hour after which there will be ample opportunity to ask questions. The programme is shown in summary below, with more detail on the fourth and fifth speakers.

March 10th Lynn Chetcuti - Holistic Small Groups

Vice Chair of Natural Church Development

<http://www.ncd-uk.com/>

As a Vineyard Pastor for fourteen years, Lynn is passionate about seeing both individuals and entire congregations identify their gifting, calling, and fully engaging in society to bring Kingdom transformation.

March 17th Jeff Lucas - Passionate Spirituality

<http://www.jefflucas.org/>

Jeff Lucas is an international speaker, broadcaster, and bestselling author. He is a teaching pastor at Timberline Church in Fort Collins, Colorado. He broadcasts on radio - In Good Company, and Lucas on Life on UCB Radio.

His radio shows can be heard daily on over 350 radio stations worldwide, including Europe, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. Jeff has a weekly television programme on Revelation TV.

March 24th Jonny Baker - Inspiring Worship Services

Course Director for Church Mission Society www.cms-uk.org

Jonny is passionate about contextual and global mission and the particular edge he brings is the imaginative connection of the Gospel to contemporary culture. He is a creative communicator.

March 31st Marcus Honeysett - Empowering Leadership

Director of Living Leadership

<http://www.livingleadership.org/>

Marcus Honeysett is the director of Living Leadership which provides training, discipling and pastoral support for leaders. He is the author of four books including Fruitful Leaders – How to Make, Grow, Love and Keep Them (a great lent read for any church!) and



Gospel-Centred Preaching (with Tim Chester)

April 7th Bob D Pierson - Needs Based Evangelism

Pastor, Teacher, Director Bob Pierson Ministries

www.BobPiersonMinistries.com

Dr. Bob Pierson is founder and Executive Director of Leadership Nexus Foundation. As Senior Pastor, he and his wife, Delia, served Christ United Methodist Church in Tulsa, OK for 37 years, growing it from an attendance of 200 to over 1600. He also was



instrumental in founding The Large Church Initiative of the United Methodist Church and served as its chairman for 14 years. He has also served as chairperson of Mission Evangelism for the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church, and as chairperson of multiple boards and committees of the United Methodist Church in Oklahoma.

Bob will also be leading a workshop at Bengeworth on the same subject on **Saturday 5th April** and preaching at Bengeworth on the Sunday

From the Missioner - Authorised Lay Ministry

At one of the February ASUM House Groups (Wednesdays 7.30 pm) we were looking for Mission in the scripture that we were to study that evening. It was the story of Paul, Silas and Timothy taking news back from the Apostles on some questions that the churches were raising. The passage (Acts 16:1-15) says: ⁴“As they went from town to town, they delivered to them for observance the decisions that had been reached by the apostles and elders who were in Jerusalem. ⁵So the churches were strengthened in the faith and increased in numbers daily”

This felt like a really important couple of verses. In fact the whole study provoked some really great discussion! The churches they visited were given some very simple rules to live by, this strengthened them in their faith...they grew in numbers. Sounds simple enough.

But what if, Paul, Silas and Timothy hadn't been there? What if there had been no one to take this really important information around the churches? It reminds me of “the harvest is plenty, the workers are few”. There are lots of things that we could be doing if we had more people involved in the everyday running of the church. Pastoral and Community workers, Children's and Youth Ministry, Administration, Worship Leaders and Evangelists (not as scary as it may sound!). The passage really highlighted the importance of what is being called “every member ministry”. Clergy numbers are in decline as the income of the church drops - it is just not possible to have one church and one vicar anymore. We are exceptionally fortunate in this Group that we have two Vicars and a Missioner, and it shows the importance given by the Diocese to strengthen us in our faith so that we may grow in numbers.

Have a look at this research that the Spending Plans Task Force (CofE) recently published. <http://www.churchgrowthresearch.org.uk/report> It clearly shows that we need to do things very differently and we have the opportunity to be ahead of the curve, if we act now.

The Diocese has just launched this year's programme for Lay Ministry. There are 6 ways you can be part of the church and bring your talents and skills to good use.

- ALM Children and Youth worker
- ALM Community Worker
- ALM Evangelist
- ALM Parish Administrator
- ALM Pastoral Worker
- ALM Worship Leader

I have the full information sheets and would love the opportunity to talk to you after Sunday services, about how you can be authorised to do one of the above roles. It would be great for every church to have at least one of the above Lay Ministers in place. We must prepare ourselves for leaner times ahead, so that our churches can function as places of worship and places where people can come and be restored and have their faith deepened so that our numbers can also grow. The closing date is June 16th, so please prayerfully consider your role.

Go here for more information: <http://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/FHH/275> or call me on 07456 549969 Sarah Hewitt

Asum Group



ASUM House Group – Wednesday Evenings 7.30pm

We are picking out bible verses that reflect Mission. All are welcome - bring a bible. Come when you can, no need to commit every week. 1 Broadway Road.

ASUM Group Mission - 3rd Tuesday of month 7.30pm

No need to commit to coming every time, come when you can. 1 Broadway Road

Morning Prayer – Monday to Thursday from 8.15am at 1 Broadway Road

Until March we are trialling Morning Prayer with coffee and croissants for 20 minutes. Would you enjoy starting off your day grounded in prayer, silence and meditation?

Cafe Church – First Tuesday of the month 7pm – Costa's, Bridge Street. Starts Tuesday 4 February. Invite your non-Christian friends out for coffee with a difference. Discussing topical issues and unearthing what God would think about them.

For more details on all the above, contact Sarah Hewitt 01386 429122

St Andrew's Fellowship

Although we have had some terrible weather, even on the morning of our meeting, the sun came out in time to welcome our members.

Deposits were collected for our belated Christmas Lunch at the Broadway Hotel on 20 February. We are all looking forward to it.

We didn't have a speaker, but one of our members, Betty Keenan, talked about MAF, which is our chosen charity for the year. MAF means Flying for Life. They cover over twenty four developing countries, transporting doctors, nurses and volunteers whenever and wherever needed.

Our chosen charity for last year was Clic Sargent Children's Cancer Charity, and a letter of thanks from them for the welcome donation was read out.

At the next meeting, which will be on Tuesday 11 March, in Hampton Guide & Scout Community Hall, we will be having a speaker from the National Dogs Trust at Wickhamford.

We look forward to welcoming new members in 2014, both men and women, Church-goers or not. For further information, call Jenny Perkins on 01386 49161.

March in the Garden



Spring usually arrives by mid-March and the frequent sunny days provide the opportunity for an increasing range of gardening tasks. It's time to get busy preparing seed beds, sowing seed, cutting back winter shrubs and generally tidying up around the garden.

Top 10 jobs this month

1. Plant shallots, onion sets and early potatoes
2. Protect new spring shoots from slugs
3. Plant summer-flowering bulbs
4. Lift and divide overgrown clumps of perennials
5. Top dress containers with fresh compost
6. Mow the lawn on dry days (if needed)
7. Cut back Cornus (dogwood) and Salix (willow) grown for colourful winter stems
8. Weeds come back in to growth - deal with them before they get out of hand
9. Start feeding fish and using the pond fountain; remove pond heaters
10. Open the greenhouse or conservatory doors and vents on warm days

St Andrew's Fundraising Committee

Dates for Your Diary

March

Tabletop Sale

St. Andrews Church Centre, Fairfield

£10:00 Per table (Call Parish Office to book a table 446381)

April

Ladies Pamper Evening

June 21 – 2pm

Church Fete

Vicarage lawn

October

Quiz Night with Fish and Chip Supper

St Andrews Church Centre, Fairfield

October 11

Harvest Supper

Hampton Scout and Guide Hall

November

Christmas Bazaar

St Andrews Church Centre, Fairfield

In order for the events to be successful, we will need help and support.

Please contact Margaret Thomson on 01386 47541 if you feel you can help out!

Dates to be confirmed.

Prayers ... for those who are unwell

Include in your prayers anyone known to you personally with Dennis Attwood, Pamela Collins, Audrey Davies, Andrew Dyke, Monica Garstone, Evelyn Hewitt, Patricia Hooke, Girlie Humphries, Sue Jones, Harry Lawson, Clifford Lewis, Jan Meyer, Joanne Painter, Iris Pinkstone, Alan Reed, Rosie Rencher, Phillipa Shepherd and Pat Smith.

Prayers ... for those who have died

Pray for those you remember personally with, Tony Bennett, William Brown, Dorothy Carter, Henry Davis, Harry Green and Celia Sheward together with those who mourn.

When I cry to the Lord, he will answer from his holy hill.

Women's World Day of Prayer – A Brief History

In the beginning ...

The origins of Women's World Day of Prayer date back to the 19th century when Christian women in the USA and Canada, in spite of strong opposition from all-male mission boards, founded numerous and effective women's boards for foreign and home missions, whereby they could work directly with and for women and children. For some time women had been encouraging one another not only to engage in personal prayer, but also to lead communal prayer within their mission auxiliaries and associations. This led to annual days and even weeks of prayers within individual denominations.

But women had a vision of Christian Unity

By 1887 women from different denominations were joining together in organising days of prayer for missionary work, both home and overseas, and in 1910 women celebrated 50 years of women's missionary activity by organising a series of events across the USA that provided a powerful experience of ecumenical cooperation. In 1922 two separate united days of prayer, one in Canada and one in the USA, came together with a common date - the first Friday of Lent. In 1926 the women of North America distributed the worship service to many countries and partners in mission – the response worldwide was enthusiastic and the **World Day of Prayer** came into being.

The Movement spreads

After the 2nd World War the Movement grew dramatically. By 1968, no fewer than 127 countries were participating. It was decided that an international meeting should be held every 4 to 5 years, attended by representatives of all national committees.

At this meeting an international chairperson is elected; an international executive committee is also elected to oversee the work of the Movement worldwide. This executive committee is made up of representatives of the seven WDP regions of the world - Africa, Asia, Caribbean and N America, Europe, Latin America, Middle East and Pacific.

Women's World Day of Prayer reaches the British Isles

Women whose lives took them to other countries spread news of this special day around the world. Mrs Grace Forgan heard about it at an international missionary gathering in Jerusalem in 1928. Immediately she felt that women in her native Scotland would want to get involved. The first service was held in Scotland in 1930, then in England in 1932, in Wales in 1933 and the Republic of Ireland two years later.

As well as the international meetings regional conferences may be held, where women of a particular area can get to know each other better. Even within one continent there are such differences of history, culture and religious traditions.

European conferences are held every four or five years.

The services are written by a different country each year. The March 2014 service was written by the Egyptian committee, at a time of great hope, just after the Arab Spring.

The selected country and its people, becomes the focus of the world's prayers on the day itself. The first service of the day takes place on the Island of Samoa as dawn breaks. The world is then circled in prayer for 36 hours and the service is celebrated in over 170 countries until the last one of this special day takes place on American Samoa.

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 7 March 2pm – Evesham Methodist Church

This year's service will be organised by the Salvation Army



Recipe for March – Egyptian Fig, Date & Walnut Bread

From Women's World Day of Prayer Website

Ingredients

150g / 6oz chopped pitted dates	50g / 2oz chopped walnuts
150g / 6oz chopped dried figs	2 eggs
50g / 2oz softened butter	75g / 3oz plain flour
1½ tsp bicarbonate of soda	75g / 3oz whole wheat flour
240ml boiling water	½ tsp baking powder
100g / 4oz granulated sugar	Pinch of salt

Method

- Pre-heat oven to 180 C, (160 C Fan), 350 F
 - Lightly grease an 8" x 4" loaf tin
 - Place dates, figs, butter and bicarbonate of soda in a mixing bowl, and pour over the boiling water
 - Stir well and leave to stand for 15 minutes
 - Beat sugar, walnuts and eggs into the date mixture
 - Add the flours, baking powder and salt, and stir until just blended
 - Pour the mixture into the prepared tin
 - Bake in pre-heated oven for 55 to 65 minutes, or until a skewer comes out cleanly
 - Cool in the tin for 10 minutes, then turn on to a wire rack to cool completely
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Hinton on the Green – St Peter's Church

Church Services

At Hinton on the Green service planning meetings, we are striving to make our services, events that everyone can get something out of and enjoy.

In March we have ***Mothering Sunday*** and we are looking for poems stories and even pictures from the children of Hinton that we can use to decorate our church.

In April, we have a very important month with ***Good Friday and Easter Sunday***.

In May we are planning a ***Picnic Sunday*** (weather permitting!) where we would like to be able to take our service and then join together for a picnic lunch. Everyone is welcome.

In June we have ***Petertide*** and we hope to carry on the old tradition of the village fete. Anyone who wishes to be a part of this would be very welcome.

In July we are planning a service to give ***blessings for our animals***, details to be arranged.

In August and September we ***celebrate harvest*** and we mark 100 years since the start of World War One. We would like to have some displays up in the church if anyone could help with this please contact Rosemary or myself.

As always there is tea and coffee and homemade cakes after each service and all are welcome.

If you wish to be involved with anything we are planning or if you have some ideas of your own you will be warmly welcomed. Please contact any member of the P.C.C. *Lisa James - Church Warden*.

Annual Parish Meeting and St Peter's Electoral Roll

This is advance notice of the date of the annual parish meeting which will be held on Thursday 24th April 2014 at 7.00pm in St Peter's church. The Electoral Roll will be updated prior to this meeting and forms will be available soon if you wish to be included in the next electoral roll. These meetings are the villager's opportunity to question the PCC on any matter pertaining to the church, and also an opportunity to join the PCC. Further details will be posted on the church notice board and in the April Herald. In the meantime, if you have any questions about these items, please contact Nick Frost on nick@frostline.org.uk or 07768 540848.

Bell Ringing - Are you a lapsed ringer? Or do you yearn to try it, but not sure how to arrange this?

Q: Where can you learn to play the world's heaviest and loudest musical instrument, have a huge amount of fun, meet an enthusiastic, supportive bunch of people - and all for free!!???

At St Peter's Church, Hinton on the Green - Tuesday evenings 7.30pm - 8.30pm.

A couple of years ago a new bell ringing band of 6 ringers was formed at St Peter's church. One who had not rung for a number of years and five who had never even been in a ringing chamber, far less knew how to 'handle a rope'!! Two years later,

the 6 are still ringing (and loving it!) and have recently been joined by a new young recruit - who has come on leaps and bounds in a very short space of time. We are a mixed bunch of people ranging from 11 to 50(something), male and female.

Fancy getting back up to speed with something you used to do? Fancy 'trying it'? Then why not come along to one of our practice nights? Any Tuesday - at St Peter's Church - at 7.30pm.

If you want to have a chat about it before coming along to a practice night - email or call Sheila on sheila@smm-solutions.co.uk or 07711 181299.

Talking of Bells.... Selby Scout Camp

Another date for your diary!

The Scouts' lease on Selby Camp in Hinton terminated on 31 Dec 2013 and they have now sadly vacated. One of the "fittings" at the camp was a smallish bell which was made especially for the camp by a bellringer called Arthur Jopp, who lived at Stoulton and was trying his hand at casting small bells; its fittings were made by Harry Plumb who used to work as a coachbuilder at Goodall's Garage in Evesham. The Scouts have decided that they would like the bell to remain in Hinton as a memento to their many, many years here. It is to be hung in St Peter's church and will be formally dedicated at the end of the service on Sunday 23rd March 2014. Scouts old and new will be invited to attend to mark the occasion.

It would be wonderful to have a good turnout of villagers attend this dedication as a mark to the 50 or so years that the Scouts were resident at Selby Camp. (I bet a few of you attended camp there when you were little boys/girls!)

It's YOUR Church!!

The team on Hinton Parochial Church Council are always looking for new ideas to involve the community and to get you interested in coming to join us in the regular services and many social and fund-raising events which we plan throughout the year. We encourage and welcome new ideas - whether it be the services or events. We already have services on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month, coffee mornings on the last Tuesday of each month, our Petertide fete in June - but what else would you like to see in or around the church? Please don't be shy if you have some ideas we would love to hear them!! Why not drop me a note or give me a call - Sheila on sheila@smm-solutions.co.uk or 07711 181299.

Coffee Mornings

The coffee mornings are held on the last Tuesday of the month - 10.30am - 12noon. As the church is a little difficult to heat at this time of year - the February coffee morning will be at School House (next door to the church) and the March coffee morning will be at The Old Vicarage (across the road from the church). If you have never been to one of our coffee mornings, I urge you to come along. The cakes are phenomenal! (And the company is rather good too.....)

Hampton WI

We were lucky enough to have a dry and relatively calm evening for our February meeting. There had been a change of programme and members enjoyed listening to Alan Benjamin, who entertained us with tales from his school days and his career as a constable in the police service. Although both his parents were teachers, Alan admitted to being a lazy pupil, putting in the minimum of effort, and he was often in trouble at the boarding school he attended. However, after speaking to a police officer at a careers convention, he did enough to pass an entrance exam and, following an interview at Hindlip Hall and a medical (the source of several amusing tales), he became a police cadet. After his training, Alan began on the beat in Redditch. In those days there were no radios or Panda cars and at night the street lights were turned off. He had to check all the front and back doors of businesses were locked and make up his route book hourly, usually in the doorway of the MEB, which were the only premises where the lights were left on. Later in his career Alan drove a Panda car, was a Youth Liaison Officer and, thanks to his knowledge of music, became the conductor of a school choir and orchestra in Alcester. He served with the force for 33 years, retiring in 1998.

Our lunch at Broadway Golf Club earlier in the month had been very much enjoyed by members, and the fortnightly Knit and Natter Group is proving popular. At our next meeting on 13 March our speaker will be Vince Williams, who will talk on the subject of '**Idle Women**' and we are looking forward to hosting the Group Meeting on 10 April, when we will learn about '**The History of the Music Hall 1850 - 1950**' from Lisa Jayne Smith.

Our meetings are held at the Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm. Visitors and prospective new members are always welcome. Please contact Jill Robinson on 01386 40136 for more information.

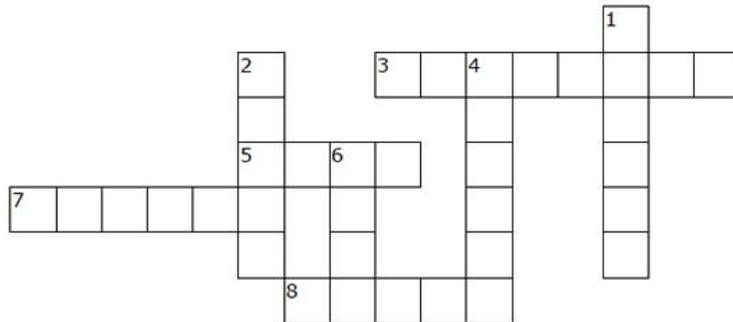
Sedgeberrow News

The loss of revenue from the 200 Club will see the Church struggle for funds. If you would like to make a donation in lieu of the 200 Club you can, by contacting the Treasurer on 01386 881623 and your donation can be Gift Aided.

Coffee Mornings will start again on March 27th 10am till 12noon.

Children's Page

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3. To decide if a person is guilty or innocent
5. A present that is given to another person
7. Killing of a person by another person
8. The place where gifts or sacrifices to God are made

DOWN

1. A group of human beings (men or women or children)
2. To be furious
4. To be at risk of being injured or harmed
6. A person who lacks good sense

DANGER	PEOPLE	ANGRY	MURDER
JUDGMENT	GIFT	ALTAR	FOOL

Word Search

R X M T R D A N G E R B R Y O
 F V I E B C D A D K V R E J Y
 P X S U X P R A X J Q O C D I
 K A G W P N J E L A X T O P K
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ALTAR	ANGRY	PEOPLE	REMEMBER	MURDER
OFFERING	FIRST	FOOL	JUDGEMENT	GIFT
BROTHER	HELL	DANGER	RECONCILED	FIRE

St Andrew's CE First School

Successful learners. Success for life.



2014 – Mr Coaché returned from having completed a term at Oasis Academy Warndon. He was pleased to return to St. Andrew's where we are looking forward to exciting times ahead for our school community. Building work will start on the 7th February to begin the process of our school re-modification. This is excellent news as it will provide the school with the long-awaited alterations it desperately needs.

Year 2 Inspire Workshop - On Tuesday 28th January we were joined by many Year 2 parents and carers to take part in a literacy themed workshop. The children showed off their spelling skills, recited two of their 'poems of the Week' by heart and wrote some speech inspired by a film. A very worthwhile afternoon was shared by all.

Life in Evesham Project – The children will soon be embarking on a 'Life in Evesham' project, especially focusing on the village of Hampton. If anyone has any articles, photographs or indeed artefacts which chronicle the history of Hampton we would be very interested in seeing them in school. Any enquiries may be made via the school office.

At the beginning of term Year 5 were investigating melting ice balloons, as part of this topic the children wrote poems including this one by Eli.

The Ice Ball

The oily bubbles in a dolphin's call,
Like oil dripping into a puddle,
Frozen there for eternity,
still, still, still.

Mini people trapped in a winter wonderland,
Lobbing snow balls at the centre,
Slipping and sliding on the icy floor.

Year's 3 and 4 are eagerly awaiting trips to tie in with their topics of the Tudors and Egypt respectively. We look forward to recounting all of the exciting things they will get to see and do in the next edition of The Herald.

David Coaché (Headteacher)

Events Update – March 2014

St Andrew's Tots	Tues	4 March 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Women's World Day of Prayer	Friday	7 March 2pm	Evesham Methodist Church
Church Open Morning	Sat	8 March 10am-Noon	Hampton
Lent Series – Holistic Small Groups	Mon	10 March 7pm – 9pm	All Saints Church
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	11 March 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Fellowship	Tues	11 March 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Lent Series – Passionate Spirituality	Mon	17 March 7pm – 9pm	All Saints Church
Standing Committee Meeting	Wed	19 March 7.30pm	Hampton
Lent Series – Inspiring Worship Services	Mon	24 March 7pm – 9pm	All Saints Church
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	25 March 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Lent Series – Empowering Leadership	Mon	31 March 7pm – 9pm	All Saints Church
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	1 April 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Workshop - Needs Based Evangelism	Sat	5 April	Bengeworth Church
Lent Series – Needs Based Evangelism	Mon	7 April 7pm – 9pm	All Saints Church
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	8 April 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Fellowship	Tues	8 April 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Church Open Morning	Sat	12 April 10am-Noon	Hampton
Hampton PCC Meeting	Wed	16 March 7.30pm	Hampton

From the Registers – January 2014

Baptisms

19 January	Harry James Marshall	Hampton
26 January	Evelyn Wendy Teague	Hampton

Funerals

13 January	Dorothy Carter	Hampton
14 January	David Beasley	Hampton
21 January	Henry Davis	Hampton
22 January	William Brown	Hampton
29 January	Anthony Bennett	Hampton



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On 29th and 30th January 2014 we received a visit from Ofsted and were absolutely delighted to receive a judgement of **Outstanding** in every area – the highest accolade that can be awarded. Here are some of the headlines from the report:

- + This is an outstanding school.
- + Pupils make excellent progress and leave the school with high standards across all subjects.
- + Much of the teaching is outstanding and teachers take every opportunity to challenge and support pupils to do their best.
- + In lessons pupils listen hard, work very hard and participate with great enthusiasm.
- + The topics that pupils study absorb their interest and stimulate their curiosity whilst helping them develop their academic, creative and social skills to a very high level.
- + Pupils' behaviour in lessons and around the school is excellent and there are very high levels of respect between pupils and amongst pupils and staff.
- + Pupils feel very safe at school and are exceptionally clear on how to keep themselves safe.
- + The headteacher, staff and governors share an ambitious vision for the school and put pupils at the heart of everything they do.
- + School staff, governors, parents and pupils work together very effectively to continually improve and enhance the education the school provides.

I am so proud of everyone – children, staff, governors and parents. We are a great team and have worked hard for this recognition. I feel very privileged to be head teacher of Sedgeberrow CE First School.

The full report can be read on our school website.

Mrs M M Humphreys

Headteacher

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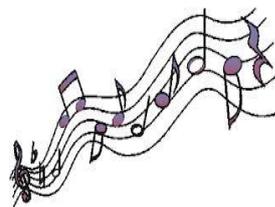


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The Hospital Club, Avonside

Next meeting – 25 March 2pm

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Services for March 2014

2 March – Sunday next before Lent			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
	10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
	2pm	Baptism	Hampton
Exodus 24.12-end, 2 Peter 1.16-21, Matthew 17.1-9			
Ash Wednesday 5	10am	Holy Communion with Ashing	Hampton
Friday 7	2pm	Women's World Day of Prayer	Methodist Church
9 March – First Sunday of Lent			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
	11am	All Age Worship	Sedgeberrow
	4pm	Holy Communion	Hinton
Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7, Romans 5.12-19, Matthew 4.1-11			
Wednesday 12	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
16 March – Second Sunday of Lent			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	9am	Parish Eucharist	Sedgeberrow
	10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
Genesis 12.1-4a, Romans 4.1-5. 13-17, John 3.1-17			
Wednesday 19	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
23 March – Third Sunday of Lent			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
	11am	All Age Worship	Sedgeberrow
	11.15am	All Age Worship	Hinton
	2pm	Baptism	Hampton
Exodus 17.1-7, Romans 5.1-11, John 4.5-42			
Wednesday 26	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
30 March – Fourth Sunday of Lent - Mothering Sunday			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Benefice Eucharist	Bengeworth
Exodus 2.1-10 OR 1 Samuel 1.20-end, 2 Corinthians 1.3-7 OR Colossians 3.12-17, Luke 2.33-35 OR John 19.25b-27			

Services for April 2014

6 April – 5th Sunday of Lent			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
	10am	All Age Worship + AGM	Hampton