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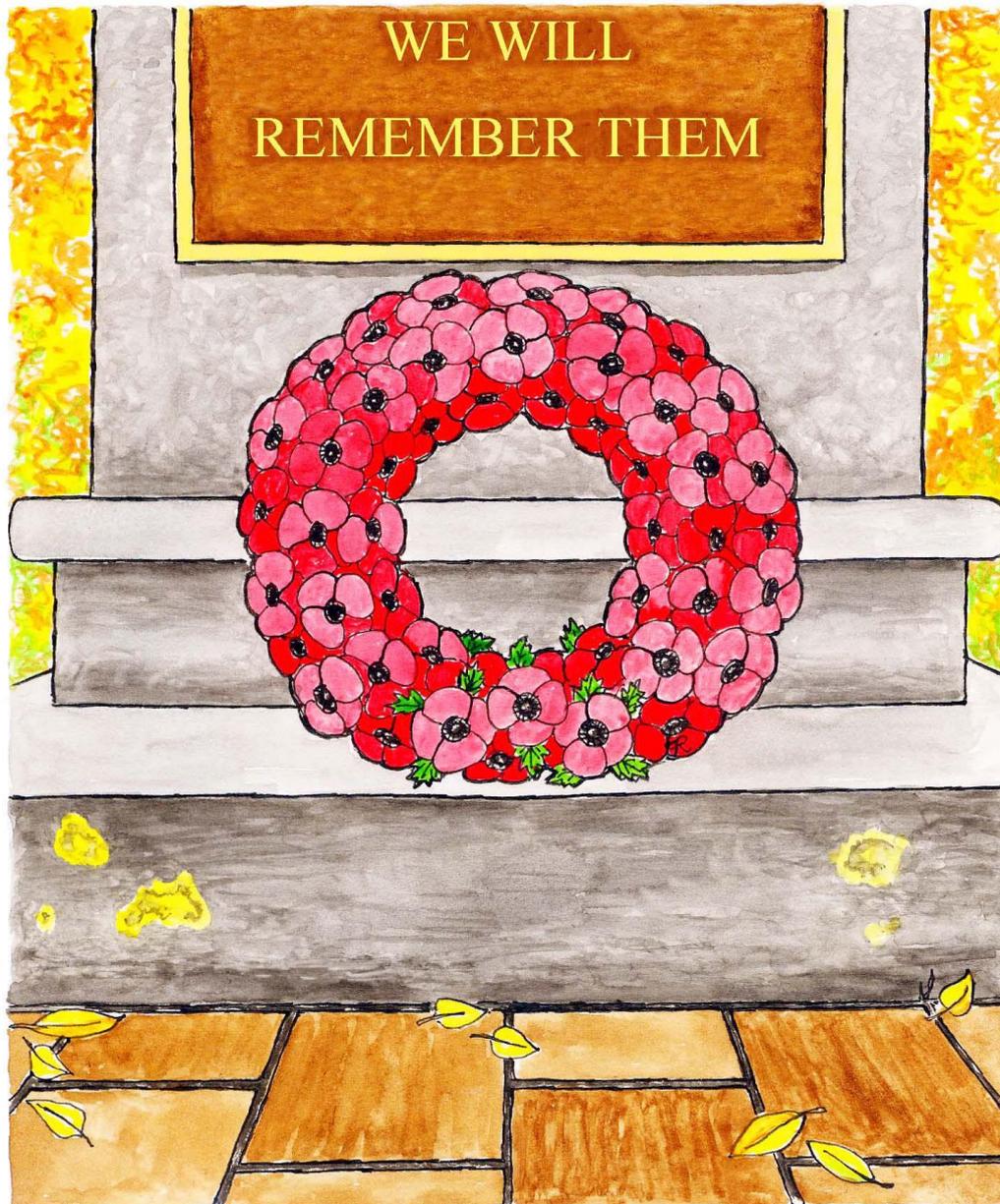


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# THE HERALD



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## Prayers ... for the Church

*God be gracious to us and bless us*

Among Christians across the world, on November 1<sup>st</sup>, All Saints Day, give thanks for the service offered to God by the Saints throughout the years and ask for strength to follow their example. Pray for the people who are persecuted because of their faith and ask that the Holy Spirit may comfort and protect them in their in time of trouble. Give thanks for the achievements of Christian youth workers at home and abroad and offer up a special prayer for the young people of our area that their eyes may be opened to the love of God for them. Pray for all those who work as volunteers at the Christian Centre and for the people they care for. On 30<sup>th</sup> November, Saint Andrew's Day, give thanks for his service to Jesus and his martyrdom and pray that congregations in churches dedicated to him may find joy in their mission.

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## Prayers ... for the World

Pray for all hostages, those known to us and those unknown, that they may find the strength to survive; for their families who live-in hope that they will see their loved ones again; for negotiators that their efforts may bear fruit; for the hostage-takers that they may show mercy to their innocent victims. Pray for women wherever they are held to be second class citizens, that their rights may be recognised and their lives given new dignity. Ask that wisdom may be granted to the leaders of the European Community as they work to bring about a balanced government for all its members. Pray for the followers of Hinduism in India and those who have settled in this country, especially the poor people of that religion.

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## From Mark Binney

### 1914

It is one hundred years ago that the Reverend Studdert Kennedy arrived in Worcester two months before war was declared. He had been ordained in Worcester Cathedral in the summer of 1908 but then served his curacy in Rugby. After a second curacy for his father in Leeds he accepted the slum parish of St. Paul's in the Blockhouse Worcester. At the time he was a strong supporter of the war and of the campaign to persuade able-bodied men to join up in the service of their country. He wrote in the parish magazine at that time "There ought to be no shirking on that duty". Over the next few years his view was to change.



In 1915 Studdert was allowed to leave the parish to make his way to France as an Army Chaplain. This was to transform him without any intention on his part to be a figure recognised throughout the nation and who could attract thousands to listen to his words. Although he grew to hate the war, he never lost his belief in courage which was amply displayed in his own experience. He was awarded the Military Cross for acts of conspicuous gallantry at the attack on Messines Ridge.

The war became the context in which his concern about the problem of suffering took on a new significance. He chose to use poetry as a way of grappling with it and used the thoughts of ordinary soldiers to explore the problem. This makes his poetry very readable and popular. How could God stand by and watch his creation tearing itself to shreds? Studdert gave an understanding of what the gospel had to say at a time of great suffering. By the time the war ended and he returned to Worcester, his volume of poetry 'Rough Rhymes' had made him a national figure. The soldiers gave him a nickname by which he is better remembered as "Woodbine Willie" because of his practice of giving cigarettes as well as spiritual aid. He wrote 'They gave me this name like their nature, compacted of laughter and tears, a sweet that was born of the bitter, a joke that was torn from the years.'

The collected poetry of Studdert Kennedy was published in 1927 as 'The Unutterable Beauty'. This was at a time when all the country was feeling the raw grief of the huge loss of life. Every community had lost many men, mostly young. There was a huge gap in people's lives and they struggled to make sense of it all. At Bengeworth Church a whole chapel was created to remember the fallen. In many places war memorials were built to help with remembrance. At St. Paul's Worcester Studdert built a very large crucifix as a war memorial which still stands outside the Church even though sadly the building has ceased to function. 'Surely a Mother understands Thy thorn-crowned head, the mystery of thy pierced hands – the Broken Bread.'

Studdert only had a decade of life after the war. He had an extraordinary personal charisma, which attracted large audiences. His language was colourful and he

would speak to people rather than preach to them illustrated by his use of a chair on the steps up to the altar. It was inevitable that he left St Paul's Worcester in 1921 to become Chief Missioner of the Industrial Christian Fellowship in London. His funeral was held in Worcester Cathedral in 1929. Thousands attended and lined the streets. Archbishop William Temple said that he was "One of God's greatest gifts to our generation" and "the finest priest I have ever known".

As we commemorate the outbreak of the First World War one hundred years later we reflect on a four year conflict which was to change people's lives in a way that they could not envisage at the time. Studdert Kennedy is one of many people who have shaped popular thinking about suffering and war. It is important to remember their experience of the reality of war. The tragedy would be if in this computer games age war is divorced from any understanding of suffering.

Reverend Mark Binney  
Priest in Charge

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## **St Andrew's Tots**

Welcome back to a new term and welcome to all our new tots who have joined us. We have been celebrating the Harvest and joined Elaine and Caroline in the church for a short Harvest Festival. The children all brought gifts, which will be donated to Helping Hands. Later this term we will be looking forward to celebrating winter and eventually CHRISTMAS!

Our little group is supported by the church which pays our rent and therefore we do not charge a fee for attending the group. However we do encounter other expenses, such as play equipment, snacks for the children, parents and carers, and art activities for us all to enjoy. For this we have to rely on the donations at the door, which do just about cover our costs, but the larger the donations then the more fun we can provide for the children! We are saving up for more non-slip mats for the floor, and some new pushchairs, threading toys and building bricks.

Denise and Pat, two child-minders who attend the group, have kindly donated a slide and have let us use their soft play equipment, which the children love to play on.

The fun starts at 9am very Tuesday during term time. New members are always welcome!!!!

Margaret, Pippa, Ray and Heidi (The TOTS Team)

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## Prayers ... for the people around us

Ask God to bless the people who own or work in the shops of our area, that they may be rewarded for their efforts and find pleasure and satisfaction in that work. Pray for people engaged in the Local Government of our district, councillors and professionals, that they may govern and administrate wisely and be appreciated for their efforts. Remember the unemployed around us that they may find suitable work and have the satisfaction of the independence that most of us know. Include the local sports clubs and the enjoyment that so many people find in membership. Give thanks for all the pleasure that the Friendship Club gives to its members.

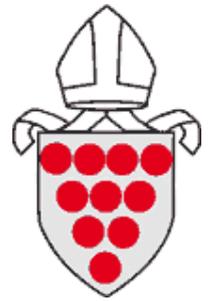
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## From the Diocesan Newsletter

### "The Law, Morality and Armed Conflict"

*Worcester Cathedral, Thursday 6 November, 6pm*

Former Chief of General Staff, Richard Dannatt, will present this year's Annual University-Cathedral Lecture. Lord Dannatt will consider Just War theory as it has developed over time and use it to pass comment on our recent conflicts, in particular examining whether the justification for going to war - or engaging in armed conflict - can be based on moral grounds alone, without a specific legal underpinning.



### "Woodbine Willie – Poet & Padre" – a brand new play about Studdert-Kennedy

*Saturday 25 October, 7.30pm*

*St. Paul's Church, St Paul's Street, Worcester WR1 2BH*

Worcester's most famous link with the First World War is an Anglican vicar called Geoffrey Studdert-Kennedy - otherwise known as Woodbine Willie. (See the Vicar's letter for more details of Studdert-Kennedy).

Searchlight Theatre Company will be performing a brand new play about Studdert-Kennedy. The play – which features poetry and music - had its premiere at this year's Edinburgh Festival and was very well received. Tickets; £10 (£5 - under 18). For further information, or to purchase tickets, please call 01905 22022 or email [info@stpaulschurch.co.uk](mailto:info@stpaulschurch.co.uk)

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## The Wychavon Festival of Brass

**The Entertainment Contest takes place on**

**Saturday 1st November 2014.**

Evesham High School

# St Andrew's Fundraising Committee

## Future Date for Your Diary



**Christmas Bazaar**  
Saturday 22nd November  
2pm

St Andrew's Church Centre, Fairfield  
**Contact Margaret Thomson 01386 47541**

In order for this event to be successful, we will need help and support. We need raffle prizes, tombola prizes, items for Christmas crafts stall, mince pies for refreshments, and lots of helpers. Anyone can run a stall for their own charity, we will be charging £5 per table.

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

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## **Sedgeberrow News**

### **Coffee Mornings**

Next Coffee morning is on Thursday 27 November, 10am to 12 noon. The December Coffee Morning will be on Tuesday 16 December, when the decorated Christmas Trees will be on display.

**Bingo;** These continue on 22 November. Prize donations always welcome.

**Harvest Supper** was a huge success making just under £200 for Church funds. We hope everyone enjoyed the entertainment from singer Betsy Harmony.

**Open the Book:** Mark, accompanied by Ann Banks, continues to go into School with 'Open the Book'

### **Sedgeberrow School:**

Key Stage 2 came to Church on 16 October for their half term service.

Key Stage 1 will be going to Church on 20 November for their service.

The whole School will be in Church on 18 December. All are welcome.

**Baptism** in Sedgeberrow Church 19 October - Jessica Mary Ann Waters.

**The Coffee Morning** organised by Mrs Doreen Hayes for the Worcestershire Breast Cancer Unit raised the magnificent sum of £1,005. A big Thank You to all who supported it in any way.

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## **Missioner News from Sarah Jayne Hewitt**

The Missioners Conference that I attended was outstanding, giving ample time to sit and consider everything we had heard. At the end I sat down and wondered if I were to come up with just one thing from the conference what would it be?

It was this: Let's stop doing anything that isn't missional and what we have to do, that is not missional, how do we incorporate mission?

I was interested in what George Lings had to say on the first day. He explained about being, "committed at the core, loose at the edges" an idea from the Northumbria Community.

For many church members the phrase 'regular attendance' has become meaningless. Perhaps monthly is the new normal? Clergy wish for weekly attendance but this is not the norm. Paradoxically, looseness in attendance will require a more committed life between attendances. This is a challenge for all of us. How do we maintain our faith and faith relationships without weekly attendance?

There is also new variety of de-churched people, who have left a church but kept the faith. George asked us to consider what their reason for leaving could be. He says, it is, apparently a combination of a lack of sense of belonging and church infighting. We need to take heed of this.

Blending is also on the increase: blending means mixing attendance at other places and local church attendance. Where is the boundary between the core and the loose edge? Are we committed at the core?

So we need to search for our church DNA, both its essence, and its method of transmission. Is this about relationships or practices? We need to build a relationship of love with God, love our neighbour, and love of ourselves. This then needs to go into our practices, not the other way round.

A path for all Christians? Disciples are better seen as apprentices. Learning about our faith is not just about content. It is about skills. We need to become masters of the skills of mission. The word 'disciple' was, after all replaced by 'Saints' and 'children of God'.

We need to welcome back theosis, to travel and grow like Jesus. (Theosis is the understanding that human beings can have real union with God, and so become like God to such a degree that we participate in the divine nature). That is a vision of what could be at our core. So these are the challenges and I would be interested in your response to them. The challenges George posed are set below.

### **The challenges (for a Missioner and all the church)**

1. Will you love the church?
2. Will you be determined to be Jesus centred?
3. Will you advocate that church is relationships before practices?
4. Will you be clear enough on the core to dare to have looseness at the edges?

**Evening Worship - SoulFood** at All Saints Church, Sunday at 6pm, with a simple shared meal. The service is contemplative and informal.

**Domus** - The second Sunday of the month at 11.30am, concluding around 1.30 pm. All welcome.

**CaféChurch** meets monthly on the first Tuesday evening at 7 pm. Coffee is free, donations are welcome. Come and join us!

Contact Sarah Hewitt for further information on 07456 549969

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## **St Andrew's Fellowship - October**

As we didn't have a meeting on this Tuesday 14 October, we thought it would be a good idea to have a small coffee morning at my bungalow, in aid of MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship), which is our charity for this year. Quite a few members and friends came along, and we raised £113.60. Many thanks to all those who helped.

On Thursday 16 October, we all piled into Gloria (mini bus), and ventured up the hill to Batsford Arboretum, hoping the weather would be kind to us, and it was! Glorious sunshine enabled us to see the beautiful trees and shrubs in all their autumn colours, topped off with blue skies. We could not have wished for more. The day was not without incident, as my power chair broke down, but thanks to David and Caroline from Warwick, who very kindly pushed me all the way, I made it back to the restaurant where we were meeting for lunch. After lunch members were able to look round the shop and garden centre before we left for the drive home at 3pm. Soon after John had pushed me back into my bungalow, the Wheelchair Service arrived to mend the power chair. It was the perfect end to a perfect day.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 11 November at 2pm in the Guide and Scout Community Hall, when the talk will be about the Evesham Street Pastors.

We welcome new members, church-goers or not, and if you would like more information, please ring me – Jenny Perkins 01386 49161.

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# ***ST. ANDREWS CHURCH*** **THE DOUBLE “C” MONTHLY TEAS**

Conversation

Company

For those who are lonely or bereaved.

Please come & join us for

## **Traditional Afternoon Tea**

Last Sunday of the month - next one - 30 November

Hampton Guide & Scout Hall from 3 - 5pm

For further information contact Elaine Major

01386 446381 or 01386 40722

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## **EVENTS FOR EVESHAM BELL TOWER APPEAL**

***Saturday 29th November – Concert by Tarantara***, a fabulous choir, back by popular demand, are performing on behalf of the Bell Tower Appeal. Concert starts 7.30pm at All Saints Church. Tickets £10 to include glass of wine and nibbles, available from: The Almonry, Church Office, Rex Colwell (tel: 01386 442283) or Sue Ablett (tel: 0787 1285606 or email [sueablett1@btinternet.com](mailto:sueablett1@btinternet.com))

***Saturday 13th December: EODS Songs from the Shows Pt II and Christmas carols and readings.*** St Peter's Church, Bengeworth, 7.30pm. If you enjoyed their first concert, you will certainly enjoy this one! Tickets £10 to include glass of wine and nibbles, available from the Almonry, Church Office, Joyce Doyle (tel: 446918) or Sue Ablett (tel: 0787 1285606 or email: [sueablett1@btinternet.com](mailto:sueablett1@btinternet.com))



## **30 November - Andrew and the Referendum: BETTER TOGETHER?**

Scotland seems to have been a very busy place these last couple of months. The amazing exuberance of the devolution referendum and its consequences have kept the spotlight firmly north of the border and now, at the end of this month, the Scots will be celebrating once again, this time to honour their patron saint, Andrew. The referendum campaign earned universal respect for its enthusiasm, mass participation and generous spirit. It was good to be reminded that it is possible to disagree agreeably, to hold passionate convictions oneself and yet respect the equally passionate convictions of others. In the end 'Better Together' just beat 'Let's Separate', but there was little bitterness at the end of a fiercely fought but fair exercise in democracy.

And now it is time for St Andrew to be honoured - the disciple who is noted for the way in which he longed to share with others the good thing he had discovered. It was not enough for him simply to decide for himself to recognise Jesus as the Messiah of Israel and follow him. He went straight off and introduced his brother Peter to the Saviour, and followed that up by bringing Nathanael/Bartholomew to Jesus. 'Better Together' seems to have been his slogan, too! 'We have found the Messiah!', he told them, unable to keep the good news to himself.

Andrew's connection with Scotland dates back to the claimed translation of his remains from Patras in Achaia to Scotland in the eighth century. The church in Fife where these remains were buried became a place of pilgrimage during the tenth century. All of this may be no more than pious legend, of course, but that St Andrew was highly regarded in Scotland and became its patron saint is beyond doubt.

Perhaps in the new spirit of togetherness engendered in these islands by the referendum result we might take a fresh look at our four patron saints. Patrick and David are secure, genuinely historical and undoubtedly linked to the lands that now honour them. Andrew has little proven connection with Scotland but presents an admirable historical example of faith and commitment to the good of others. St George, by contrast, has not the remotest connection with England (and indeed may never have existed). Might this be the time to look again at England's patron saint and even (dare one say it?) replace him with a more credible candidate - St Alban, the first English martyr, might fill the role admirably?

Meanwhile, this month Scotland remembers one of the very first disciples of Jesus, a man more honoured for those he brought into the kingdom of heaven than for his own mighty miracles or deeds of faith. Perhaps with him, and the saintly Patrick and David, we can all learn to march 'better together' into what one hopes will be a generous and bright future for these islands? And I suspect that George, the Turkish soldier-martyr, would enjoy the journey too!

## **Hinton on the Green – St Peter’s Church**

### **Afternoon Tea - Last Tuesday of the month, 3.00pm - 5.00pm**

A reminder to all that St Peter's Church, Hinton on the Green are serving Afternoon Tea on the last Tuesday of every month (replaces the Coffee Morning). The next Afternoon Tea will be on Tuesday 28th October 2014 and we look forward to welcoming you there. (The cakes are legendary!!).

The November Afternoon Tea on Tuesday 25th November 2014 will also host an array of Christmas Fare stalls. Come along and do your Christmas shopping in a relaxed atmosphere, whilst enjoying your refreshments and a good old chat with friends old and new! We have already lined up a number of stalls, but if you would like to run a stall selling your wares at the Christmas Fayre, please contact Sheila Frost (07711 181299) or Clare Davies (07814 188077) in the first instance. There will be no Afternoon Tea in December 2014, but they will resume in January 2015. As the church is rather cold in January, February and March, the Afternoon Teas will be held around the village. Please look out for more details in the next issue of the Herald.

### **Get ready for Christmas**

Phone Rosemary Cross now on 01386 443240 to reserve your place at the "Christmas Door Wreath and Table Decoration" demonstration at her home on 4th December at 7pm. Tickets cost £12 and there will be complimentary drinks and nibbles. Places are limited so book soon. All proceeds to the Church Restoration Fund. Two lucky people win the door wreath and table decoration!! Remember the 'Relax' evening last year? If you liked that, you'll like this!

### **Services, and other events for 2015**

What Services would you like to see at Hinton's St Peter's Church during the next year? Now is your chance to let us know. Phone Lisa James on 07866 654 923 or Rosemary Cross on 01386 443240. If you have an idea for an event at the church – which is our only community space – do get in touch with any member of the PCC. We would love to hear from you.



### **Planning your Wedding?**

Hinton's St Peter's is the perfect venue for your 'Country Wedding'. Ask Mark (Vicar) or Lisa (Churchwarden) to ensure you get the date you want. To help with your floral decorations we also have table centre rings and pew end hangers available to hire for a small fee. Bell-ringing available. The PCC can also arrange an elegant marquee in the grounds, so that you can hold an informal under-cover "drinks reception" while the photographer does his stuff - the "full service" can include glasses, drinks and serving staff, if you want! Every assistance given to make 'your' day a day to remember.

### **Collection for the homeless**

Recently a collection has started up in the church for the homeless. We not only ask for dry and tinned goods but also soap, shampoo or deodorant. Anything you can spare to help someone less fortunate than yourself.

### **Harvest Festival**

Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church in Hinton on the Green collected many food items to be distributed locally to those in need. Thank you to everyone who donated. We had four "new" members of the congregation due to the Year 11 French Exchange programme between Evesham & Millau, organized by Prince Henry's High School. Morgann, Marine and two of their teachers were thrilled by their superb welcome in fluent French by John Lynch. The art of full-circle bell ringing is not practiced anywhere in France so that was a bit of an eye-opener to them. Harvest Festival is not traditionally celebrated in the Catholic faith so this was something new to them. As well as enjoying the opportunity to admire our beautiful church, they also got to meet our village community - and to eat some wonderful cake!

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**Hampton WI – October 2014** Jill Robinson, our President, welcomed members to our Annual General Meeting on 9 October, along with Sue White, who was present as our WI Adviser. Going briefly through the business, Jill mentioned the two outings last month, to Harvington Hall and Bletchley Park, both of which had been very much enjoyed by the members who were able to go. At Harvington Hall, our guide, dressed in period costume, was first rate and brought to life the history of the Hall for us, and at Bletchley Park we could only wonder at the abilities of those who were able to crack the code, as well as the fact that their work remained secret during the war and for long after it ended.

After the general business we heard the annual reports from the President and from our Treasurer, Ann Davis. Both Jill and Ann were standing down, along with three members of the committee. Ann Evans expressed her willingness to act as President for the coming year and was unanimously elected. The five remaining committee members were elected en bloc.

On behalf of the members, Joyce Davey thanked Sue White for her assistance, and the retiring committee members for their hard work over the years. Our next meeting will be held on 13 November and we look forward to hearing from Cameron Addicott about his **20 Years Undercover with Customs and Organised Crime**.

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings at the Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm.

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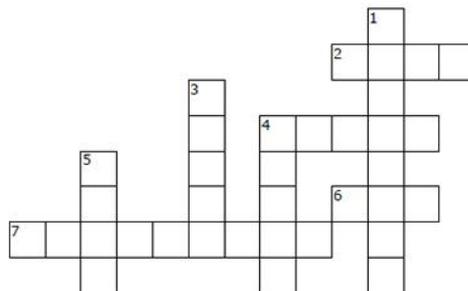
# Children's Page

## Multiple Choice Quiz

Choose the correct word

- \_\_\_ 1. A religious group who were strict followers of the law.  
A. pharisees B. republicans C. hypocrites D. democrats
- \_\_\_ 2. The details of how something is going to be accomplished.  
A. taxes B. plans C. trap D. words
- \_\_\_ 3. A situation from which it is difficult or impossible to escape.  
A. trap B. plans C. truth D. coin
- \_\_\_ 4. Something that we speak or write.  
A. taxes B. amazed C. words D. trap
- \_\_\_ 5. Someone who gives instructions to students.  
A. teacher B. pharisees C. portrait D. Caesar
- \_\_\_ 6. A statement that agrees with fact or reality.  
A. plans B. words C. truth D. trap
- \_\_\_ 7. To give someone money in return for something.  
A. trap B. pay C. plans D. truth
- \_\_\_ 8. Money paid to the government.  
A. trap B. portrait C. Caesar D. taxes
- \_\_\_ 9. What a person thinks about something.  
A. trap B. opinion C. truth D. plans
- \_\_\_ 10. A usually flat piece of metal used for money.  
A. coin B. taxes C. words D. pay

## Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

2. A usually flat piece of metal used for money.
4. A statement that agrees with fact or reality.
6. To give someone money in return for something.
7. A religious group who were strict followers of the law.

### DOWN

1. A picture of a person -- usually showing the face.
3. The details of how something is going to be accomplished.
4. Money paid to the government.
5. A situation from which it is difficult or impossible to escape.

TAXES	TRAP	PORTRAIT	PLANS
TRUTH	PAY	PHARISEES	COIN

# SEDGEBERROW CE FIRST SCHOOL

## *“Reach for the Stars”*

This half-term seems to have gone by very quickly with lots of exciting events taking place. European Day of Languages was great fun with some marvellous costumes and many activities taking place linked to various countries. Our Harvest Festival was a lovely event with the children putting on a wonderful performance. Harvest was very well attended and parents sent in some lovely donations of food and produce. We were able to send £185.70 to ‘Seeds for Africa’ from the sale of fresh produce and Year 5 children took donations to the Christian food bank at ‘Caring Hands’ in Evesham.

Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed their topic on Lego with all the related learning opportunities within it and towards the end were very excited to experience a Lego Workshop in school. They worked as a team to create an amazing city looking at the structure of the buildings and constructing circuits to make the city light up. They worked so well together and we were extremely proud of them.



Year 4 have been studying rainforests and had had a very exciting day when Paul came into school to tell them all about the Amazon rainforest. In the morning they got to see lots of different rainforest animals from all the different layers such as the Giant Madagascan cockroach, Giant African Millipede and Stag Beetle from Malaysia. They learnt about how the animals have adapted to their environments and were shown how some of the animals had amazing camouflage so that they could survive in one of the harshest habitats in the world.



We welcome visits from anyone with a child due to start school next September and also have some spaces in Year 1 and Year 5. Do get in touch to make an appointment if you would like to look around our lovely happy school.

Mrs M M Humphreys  
Headteacher

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# St Andrew's CE First School

*Successful learners. Success for life.*



Lots of exciting work has happened in the first half of the autumn term and both the children and adults have been extremely busy. Our Year 2 class have recently visited Evesham Fire Station to link in with their topic work. Also, Year 4 have re-enacted a Roman Battle fighting for the land of Britannia! The Celts put up a good fight, but in the end, the Romans emerged victorious.

We now have new dates for our previously postponed Reception Open Mornings. They are Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 9.30am to 11am. Parents and carers who have a child starting school in September 2015 will be able to pop along to one of the sessions and look around the school to see what we offer at St Andrew's.

At St Andrew's we are extremely keen to involve parents and carers in their children's learning. Our recent maths themed Inspire Workshops, where parents and carers are invited to come in to school and work with their child have been very positively supported. We will extend these to include English and Science later in the year.

Our school football team have played their first three matches and at the moment remain unbeaten. We know it will be tough up against some of the larger schools, but will give it all we've got and enjoy the challenge!

We now have a completion date of 14<sup>th</sup> November for our building works and are very much looking forward to being able to enjoy the new space this will give us. Everyone's patience and understanding during this time has been very much appreciated.

Before we know it, Christmas will be upon us with all the associated celebrations and we are very much looking forward to a busy and interesting half-term.

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## **Prayers ... for those who are unwell**

With the patents of our local hospitals and anyone you know who is unwell include Beattie Ballard, Judy Buffrey, Maureen Coldwell, Pamela Collins, Ivy Curwen, Grace Dolphin, Andrew Dyke, Sylvia Emson, Monica Garston, Hayden Hall, Girlie Humphries, Sue Jones, Harry Lawson, Clifford Lewis, Hubert Martin, Maurice Miller, Joanne Painter, Vera Peart, Grace Percival, Rosie Rencher, Phillippa Shepherd, Janice Sinclair, Pat Smith & Beryl Wood.

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# COVENTRY'S CROSS

The people of Coventry will always remember the dreadfully long night of 14 November 1940. It was the longest air raid of the World War II and when the light dawned the next morning, Coventry was in ruins. So many people were dead, injured or homeless; there wasn't a person who had not suffered during that night.

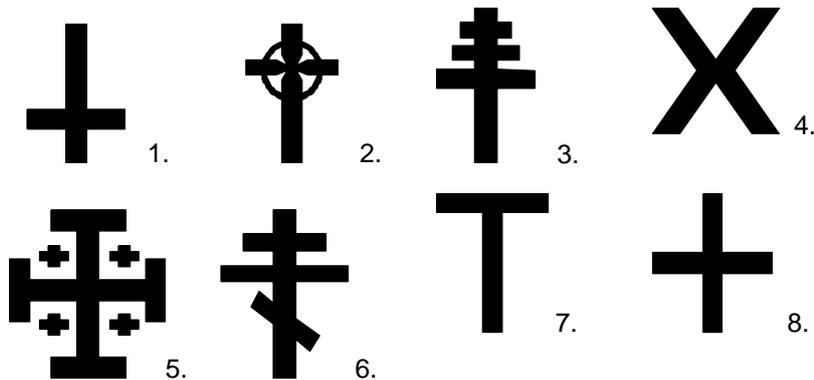


COVENTRY CATHEDRAL  
MEMORIAL RUINS

The medieval cathedral was a burnt out shell. Two of the burnt roof beams were tied together to make a cross and this makeshift symbol was set up where the altar had been. A cross was also made from the 14<sup>th</sup> century iron nails that had held the roof together and this Cross of Nails still remains today as a symbol of sympathy, forgiveness and reconciliation. Copies of the Cross of Nails have been presented to countries round the globe as a reminder that love and understanding bind us together and that we need to remember the horrors that happen when people forget that.

## CROSS PURPOSES

There are many different types of cross in pictures. Do you know what these are called?



Answers Below

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## Prayers ...for those who have died

Commend to God anyone you wish to remember personally and miss and include everyone who is mourning at this time, with Jim Alford, Diana Benbow, Joan Clarke, Ann Ferrige, Jennifer Keen, Janet McErlain, John Nettell,

*For the Lord is a great God and a King above all gods*

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**Answers:** 1.St Peter's 2.Celtic 3.Papal 4.St Andrew's 5.Jerusalem 6.Russian Orthodox 7.St Anthony's 8.Greek

## Lest We Forget

One of the most amazing sights in London this year has been the art installation 'Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red' at the Tower of London. The dry moat has been filled with 888,246 ceramic poppies, each representing a British or Colonial soldier killed in the First World War and commemorated in this centenary year. 'In Flanders fields, the poppies grow between the crosses, row on row, that mark our places; and in the sky the larks, still bravely singing, fly scarce heard amongst the guns below.'

This is the first stanza of John McCrae's poem, first published in Punch magazine in 1915. Within months, it came to symbolise the sacrifices of all who were fighting in the First World War. Today, the poppy remains a tangible symbol of all those who have sacrificed their lives in war. But why do we remember?

'They will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.' (Micah 4:3). Writing about 700 years before Christ, Micah's words have to be seen against a background of violence with the fall of Samaria and the instability created by the aggression of Assyria. However, he prophesied a future of hope, a world where nations come together in peace instead of war. His vision saw a time when the arms of war would be turned into farming tools and people would live in peaceful community.

Our understanding of peace is more than the avoidance of war or the absence of conflict. It's about building relationships between people, communities and nations, which positively creates a love and care for others founded on justice for all. As we remember the sacrifice of those who died in the First World War, our response must be to look practically at how we can build relationships of peace and justice in our world, starting with our own families, colleagues and neighbourhoods. As Micah says, 'we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.' (4:5). We always need God's presence and power to change us into the people who have a passion for peace and justice, and compassion for everyone. 'They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.'



## Events Update – November 2014

Hinton Harvesteen	Sat	1 Nov 7pm	Hinton
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	4 Nov 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Café Church	Tues	4 Nov 7pm	Costa Coffee
Church Open Morning	Sat	8 Nov 10am-12noon	Hampton
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	11 Nov 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Fellowship	Tues	11 Nov 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Hampton WI	Thurs	13 Nov 7.30pm	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	18 Nov 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Hampton PCC	Tues	18 Nov 7.30pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Bingo	Sat	22 Nov 8pm	Sedgeberrow
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	25 Nov 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Hinton – Afternoon Tea	Tues	25 Nov 3pm-5pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Coffee Morning	Thurs	27 Nov 10am-12noon	Sedgeberrow
Christmas Bazaar	Sat	29 Nov	Church Centre, Fairfield
Double C – Afternoon Tea	Sun	30 Nov 3pm-5pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Coffee Morning	Tues	16 Dec 10am-12noon	Sedgeberrow

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## From the Registers – September 2014

### Baptisms

7 September	Logan Leo Hobbs	Hampton
28 September	Declan Vincent Felton	Hampton
28 September	Tyler Turner	Hampton

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### Weddings

6 September	Wayne Kinnersley / Gemma Knight	Hinton
20 September	Neil Lewis / Amanda Hitchman	Hampton

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### Funerals

1 September	Berenice Higgot	Hampton
11 September	Anne Ferrige	Hampton
12 September	John Nettell	Hampton
25 September	Janet McErlain	Hampton

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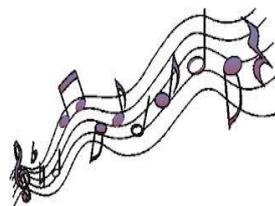
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**Leaf some green stuff in the garden**

The clocks have gone back, and we are putting our gardens to sleep for the winter. But this autumn, when you tidy up, do not tidy away too much. Many insects and wild creatures will be relying on some ground cover or hideaway to call 'home' for the winter. Several piles of twigs or prunings, left around your garden in discreet places, will provide great winter 'snugs' for toads, grass snakes and other small garden inhabitants. 'Spent' seed heads provide cover and food for birds over the winter. Above all, before you light any bonfires on 5th November, take care there are no hibernating hedgehogs inside!

## Services for November 2014

<b>2 November– All Saints Day</b>			
	8am	Holy Communion	<b>Bengeworth only</b>
	9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
	10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
	4pm	All Souls Service	Hampton
Revelation 7:9-17, 1 John 3:1-3, Matthew 5:1-12			
Wednesday 5	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
Saturday 8	12 noon	Wedding	Hampton
<b>9 November – Third Sunday before Advent (Remembrance Sunday)</b>			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	9.45am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
	11am	All Age Worship	Sedgeberrow
	6pm	Holy Communion	Hinton
Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 or Amos 5:18-24, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13			
Wednesday 12	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
<b>16 November – Second Sunday before Advent</b>			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	9am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
	10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
Zephaniah 1:7. 12-18, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Matthew 25:14-30			
Wednesday 19	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
<b>23 November – Christ the King</b>			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
	11am	All Age Worship	Sedgeberrow
	11.15am	All Age Worship	Hinton
Ezekiel 34:11-16. 20-24, Ephesians 1:15-23, Matthew 25:31-46			
Wednesday 26	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
<b>30 November – First Sunday of Advent – St Andrew's Day</b>			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Benefice Eucharist</b>	Hampton
Isaiah 64:1-9, 1 Corinthians 1:3-9, Mark 13:24-37			

## Services for December 2014

Wednesday 3	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
<b>7 December – Second Sunday of Advent</b>			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
	10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
Isaiah 40:1-11, 2 Peter 3:8-15a, Mark 1:1-8			
Wednesday 10	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton