

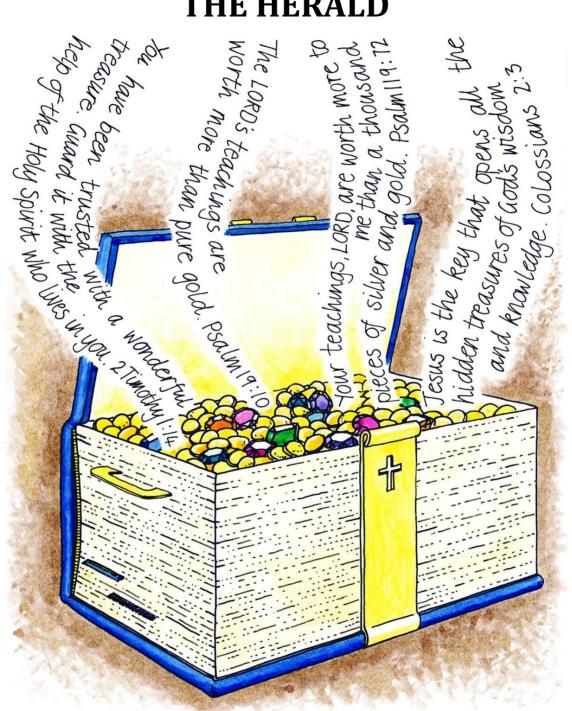




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Prayers ... for the Church

I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel.

We celebrate the Festival of Luke the Evangelist on the 18th. Ask for guidance as we read and study his Gospel. The Festival of Saints Simon and Jude falls on the 28th; give thanks for their lives of service and pray that we may find inspiration in their example. Pray for Christian people around the world that they may find strength and comfort when times are difficult for them. Give us all the perseverance to look for the good things in life at the same time remembering that our Lord did so much for us by personal sacrifice. Locally pray for the people our United Benefice, making special mention of the congregation at Saint Andrew's, Hampton.

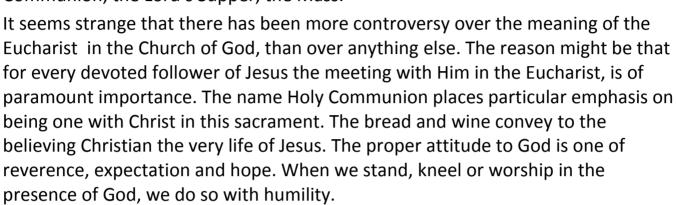
Prayers ...for the World

Continue to pray for the countries which are torn by conflict where the people live lives with little hope and are lost as refugees. Give thanks for those who strive to bring help to them. Ask for God's blessing on the migrants who are seeking entry into Europe and on the communities on whom this is a considerable burden. Include especially those who are already weighed down by huge debt. Pray for the underprivileged, oppressed women in the world who have no rights and who find traditions that shut them off from advancement; may their aspirations find fulfilment.

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From Mark Binney THE SACRAMENTS: EUCHARIST

The title Eucharist derives from the Greek word for thanksgiving. It is the central act of Christian Worship which is to be explained either by the fact that at its institution Christ 'gave thanks' (1 Cor. 11:24, Mt. 26:27) or by the fact that the service is the supreme act of Christian thanksgiving. Other names for the service are the Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, the Mass.



The frequency of attendance at the Eucharist depends upon your church tradition. Some like to receive every week, others once a month. Both are right. Not everybody has the opportunity for frequent attendance at a time when the Priest is increasingly only available at intervals. So we should treasure the Eucharist and avail ourselves of the opportunity the parish provides in receiving this Sacrament at regular intervals and in expressing our gratitude for such a holy gift. Jesus said ' I came that they might have life'. And this is what Jesus gives to us in the Eucharist, the Sacrament of life, love and fellowship, to go out into the world.

Reverend Mark Binney - Priest in Charge

Christianity Explored

Christianity Explored is a course about the Christian Faith, which starts in October for six weeks. It gives you the time and space to consider the big questions of life and to explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith – Jesus Christ.

You don't need to know anything about the Bible You won't be asked to read aloud, pray or sing You can ask any question you want, or just listen

The first session is on Monday 12th October 7pm – 9pm at Bengeworth Church. For more information: www.christianityexplored.org

If you would like to be included on the course or you have any questions about it please contact Sarah on 429122 or Mark on 424235



BIBLE SUNDAY AND MARY JONES

Last August Charlie and I stayed on a caravan site near Bala, in North Wales. We happened to visit a Christian book shop in Bala who told us about a new visitor and education centre, created by Bible Society on the edge of Lake Bala in a redundant Church. Intrigued we decided to go there and find out why they had done so in such remote place. It took a little finding but was well worth it.

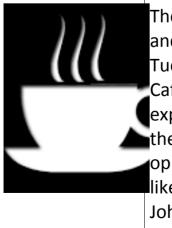
The centre gives you the opportunity to discover the story of Mary Jones and Thomas Charles and learn about the impact of the Bible not only in Wales but the rest of the world. It was in 1800 that a 15 year old girl called Mary Jones walked 26 miles from Llanfihangel-y-Pennant to Bala to purchase a Bible from the Revd Thomas Charles. Mary had saved up for six years to buy her Bible. Mary knocked on the Rectory door in Bala (the Rectory is still there but is now a bank) and made her request for a Bible. The Revd Charles was very moved by this. He kept a supply of Bibles for sale but was not used to seeing someone going to such lengths to obtain the word of God. Charles began to think about all the other Mary Joneses who must be wanting Bibles, not only in Wales but in England, Scotland, Ireland, and the rest of the world.

In 1804 the British and Foreign Bible Society was formed by Thomas Charles and others in response to the need which Mary Jones had brought to light to share the good news of the word of God. This work continues today through the Bible Society who is still enabling people in the UK and abroad to access the Bible. The Rev Charles is buried in the Churchyard at the visitor centre.

It is strange to think that the origins of the Bible Society have their roots in a teenager's faith and a Rector's vision in a remote part of Wales. On Bible Sunday we are inspired to regularly open the Bible and read the word of God.

Mark Binney

CafeChurch@TheBear



The venue is moving to the Bear in Port Street, (by the Regal) and the time has changed to 7.30 pm but still on the first Tuesday of the month.

CafeChurch is particularly for those who have had no recent experience of Church. We provide a relaxing atmosphere, a theme for the month, with a Christian viewpoint and an opportunity to ask questions about faith and life. If you would like to know more contact Sarah Hewitt on 07456 549969 or John Darby on 07747 842192.

Shine - Out of School Clubs

A team of Asum Group parishioners joined together in March this year to create a social enterprise, to provide professional, bolton, wrap-around care at three of our Church Schools in Evesham – Sedgeberrow, St. Richard's, and Bengeworth Academy. Sedgeberrow commenced in September with an After School Club, running from 3 – 6 Monday to Friday. St.



Out of School Clubs

Richard's and Bengeworth Academy will hopefully start in the New Year depending on Governor approval and Ofsted Registration and will offer after school clubs and holiday clubs.

Shine offers, at a modest cost for parents and carers, a complete out of school club with trained and experienced staff and will be held on school premises where practicable. The service is designed to work seamlessly with the teaching team and to ensure that the children are cared for kindly and professionally as soon as they reach the club.

Shine after school club and holiday club will have supervised games and other activities, which will include theme weeks.

The costs, which will be collected directly from parents or carers, will be set to allow Shine to provide a high standard of care and as we are a charity, we will in time, invest any surplus to help low income families or lone parent families to access the club and fund further mission projects in Evesham.

For further information contact: Sarah Hewitt 07456549969

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Family Church at Fairfield

Fairfield Church is opening again for Sunday morning services, but a more informal approach, with coffee and refreshments alongside worship and prayer. The aim is to provide Church in a style that will attract those who currently do not attend a regular place of worship. The first Service is on Sunday 27 September at 10.00am and weekly thereafter. The service will start with breakfast, children's craft activities and then a worship band will lead a block of worship followed by scripture, a talk, prayers and a final block of worship.

In order to further resource this new service we need a small group of people to come and help us as Welcomers; Cooks; Children's Team; Musicians; Singers; Readers; Crew and Administration. If you would like to be involved in any way, please contact Sarah Hewitt on 07456 549969

SoulFood: Sunday Evening Service: Every Sunday at All Saints 6pm – meal and reflection, free entry, all welcome. Run by CTED. 'Feeding Body, Mind and Soul'.

St Andrew's Fundraising Committee

Harvest Festival Service

Sunday 4 October at 11am

This will be followed by a 'bring and share' lunch, in the Scout & Guide Hall. There will be salads, new potatoes and hot food available, followed by delicious desserts and tea/coffee. Wine and fruit juice will be on sale, and there will be a Raffle Tickets £5.00 per head Tickets available from Parish Office or Margaret Thomson 01386 47541



A Date for Your Diary - Quiz Night Saturday 7 November 6.30pm for 7pm Hampton Scout and Guide Hall

Tickets £10.00 per head to include a drink on arrival and Fish & Chips from Hampton Chippy.

Get a guiz team together and come along to join in the fun. Raffle tickets will be on sale and extra drinks can be purchased.

Tickets available from Carolyn Jenkins or Margaret Thomson at St Andrew's Church

Christmas is coming!

St. Andrew's church will be supporting St Andrew's School by having a stall at their Christmas Fayre.

Watch this space for details of the school events. Come along and support us.

Coffee Morning In aid of Vale of Evesham School 21 October 10.30am-12.30pm **17 Meadows End**

Most popular Bible Stories:

This month we continue our series looking at the top ten Must Know Stories. We will look at the story of Adam and Eve (Genesis 1-3), reflecting on God's question to Adam: 'Where are you?' (Genesis 3:9).

These chapters remind us that God is our creator. He created Adam and Eve in his image (1:27), to steward the earth and enjoy an intimate relationship with each other and Himself. This remains God's purpose for our lives, despite living in a fallen world, where things have gone wrong.

We also see that God calls us to obey His commands. Adam and Eve were told not to eat the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (2:15-17). This command was for their benefit and protection, so that they could continue to enjoy fellowship of God. The story shows that disobeying this command and eating the fruit brought separation and death. When God questioned Adam and Eve they were hiding in the garden from their loving Father.

God asks us all 'Where are you?', for we all share Adam and Eve's story. The universal condition of humanity is that we have all sinned and are separated from God's love and life. Yet this story points to a second Adam, Jesus Christ, who came to bring us back into relationship with the Father. His death and resurrection enables each of us to know God personally in our lives.

The story is told of an estranged Spanish father and son. Having searched for his son in vain, the father finally puts an ad in a local newspaper. The ad read: 'Dear Paco, meet me in front of this newspaper office at noon on Saturday. All is forgiven. I love you. Your Father'. On the Saturday, 800 Pacos showed up!

From the Registers							
Baptisms							
2 August	Sophie Ella-May Hillier	Hampton					
30 August	Gracie Ann Evie Neale Hampton						
	Austin Edward Williams	Hampton					
Weddings							
8 August	Adam Flood and Samantha Parsons	Hampton					
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Prayers ... for those who have died

Catherine James, Kath Willoughby, Diane Wright, (Brian) Dirk Hands, John Le Page and Gwyneth Page

With you is the well of life

The Ride and Stride Cycle Ride by Daniel Lewis, Harry Edwards and Diana Sturgeon

It was Harry who suggested we go as a group, and he was in charge of route planning and navigation. Diane and I played the role of the nation of Israel to Harry's Moses.

We started at St Andrew's at 9am. The weather forecast was sunny with showers. Up School Road we went where the tarmac ceases, and it becomes a rough country track. Wheat was still being harvested in the fields to our right, looking down from our hilltop to the river valley.

St John's, Charlton was open, but unmanned. We signed the visitors' book, and were about to leave when the Churchwarden and her friend arrived. They were surprised to see anyone there so early, and were just arranging the Harvest decoration as well as manning the church for the day.

St Michael's, Cropthorne was next. This church has a 7th century Anglo Saxon carved cross, perfectly preserved. It's an absolute gem, probably a preaching cross from the days before they built churches.

At St John the Baptist, Fladbury, the church notice board greeted us with a job vacancy advert for a vicar. Apparently the post has now been filled, although the new priest has 14 parishes and one helper. So good luck, and God be with her. St Thomas's, Lower Moor, was a red brick Victorian church, manned by the churchwarden. We did not stay long as we were building up some momentum. We took a short cut through a field of sweetcorn to St Anne's, Wyre Piddle. This is an Anglo Saxon Church built on a Neolithic tumulus. This spot has always been a place of veneration since humans settled here. Some Anglo Saxon stone carvings were on display. A heavy downpour kept us here for 15 minutes.

St Nicholas Church, Pinvin is in a field, not at the side of the road. Medieval paintings remain on the walls here, after surviving the Victorian period of 'renovation'. Quite well targeted on the Ride and Stride route, we were offered salads and cakes, and enjoyed a rest.

On to Pershore Abbey, always good for a nose around, looking at the knight's tomb, and the gallery looking down into the church.

Next we went to St Peter's, Little Comberton, then St Michael's, Bricklehampton, where we surprised them preparing for Harvest Thanksgiving. Services there are once every two weeks, and they had not heard of Ride and Stride. We told them how great is for net working, and seeing how big the Church of England is.

St Mary's Church, Elmley Castle was interestingly old. St Barbara's, Ashton under Hill, is unusually named after a female saint. Finally St Mary's, Sedgeberrow, where they have occasional bee and wasp swarms. Another heavy downpour kept us there. All in all, it was a great eye-opener. The churches are hosted by such positive and good people, the buildings are a deep well of culture. We passed other riders and striders en route, and hope that it was a good fund raiser. *By Daniel Lewis Praise God*

Sedgeberrow News

Coffee Mornings: These continue to be successful, the one in August made £167, The next one is on Thursday 22 October, 10am to 12 noon.

Harvest Supper: 2 October in the Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 for a Fish and Chip supper also Apple Pie and Cream, available from Ann Banks on 01386 881623.

Harvest Lunch: We are having a Ploughman's Lunch on Saturday 31 October 12 to 2pm. Tickets available, please ring Ann Banks for details on 01386 881623.

Bingo: The Bingo on 12 September made £104. The next Bingo is on Saturday 10 October at 8pm in the Village Hall. RBLWS have Bingo on 3 October at 8pm.We are having a Bingo on Saturday 12 September at 8pm in the Village Hall, any prizes would be very welcome to 881623.

Remembrance Sunday: Remembrance Service 8 November 10.45am. Royal British Legion Service at 3pm.

Correction: In the September Herald, Ron Gardiner's funeral was stated as having been at Sedgeberrow. It was, in fact, at Hinton. Apologies for the error.

Churches Together in Evesham and District

Saturday 24 October – Evesham Street Pastors – Annual Thanksgiving Service - All Saints Church – 7.30pm

Sunday 25 October – United Churches Choir – Evesham Methodist Church – 6.30pm

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Items for inclusion should be received by 5th of the month prior to the publication date or by special agreement.

Articles are submitted on the understanding that they may be edited to fit the available space.

Articles can be submitted by email to: editor@hamptonchurch.org.uk or sent to the editor at The Parish Room, Hampton Vicarage, Pershore Road, WR11 2PQ Large Print editions of the magazine are available on request.

Edward the Confessor – helping to found Westminster Abbey

If you approve of giving money to help cathedrals survive, then Edward the Confessor (1003 – 66) is the saint for you. This early King of England was the virtual founder of Westminster Abbey. And never mind entrance charges - at one point in his life, Edward was giving a full tenth of his income to Westminster Abbey. Edward was the son of King Ethelred the Unready and his second, Norman wife, Emma. After various ups and downs, which included a brief exile in Normandy, Edward was made king of England in 1042. As King, Edward had a tricky time of it trying to keep the peace for over 20 years while various Danish and Norman magnates struggled for power (which eventually led to the Norman Conquest). Scholars have argued over how much of a success he was as a king. As a Christian, there is no doubt: Edward's holiness was evident to all. He made himself accessible to his people, he was generous to the poor, and chaste. He was also reputed to have seen visions and even achieved miraculous cures for people through prayer. Edward did much to help the Church in many ways. His lasting contribution was the original Westminster Abbey - a huge Romanesque church, 300 feet long, with a nave of 12 bays.

Westminster Abbey became the place of coronation and burial of kings and queens of England. It was finished and consecrated just before his death. Edward was buried there, and his relics are undisturbed to this day. During the Middle Ages, Edward was a very popular saint: along with Edmund of East Anglia he was widely considered to be England's patron saint for a time.

Psalms on the go – CofE launches new mobile app



The latest publication from the Church of England brings an ancient tradition of following the Psalms to mobile devices and e-readers. Reflections on the Psalms is a standalone book, ebook and mobile app written for anyone wishing to follow the ancient practise of the Psalter, reading the Psalms of the Bible each morning and evening.

The mobile app is available to buy on the iOS App Store, with an Android version coming soon. Users are asked to tweet their favourite #mypsalm @chpublishingUK.

The new publication provides short meditations on each of the Psalms written by Bishops, well known writers, experienced ministers, biblical scholars and theologians. The Archbishop of York, Dr John Sentamu, a contributor, said: "Reading and listening to the Psalms is a great way to start a conversation with God. I love reading and reflecting on them daily."

The book (physical or electronic) is available at: www.chpublishing.co.uk The iOS app is available to purchase at bit.ly/PsalmsApp

St Andrew's Fellowship – September 2015

Although I briefly mentioned last month that we went to Toddington for a ride on the steam train, it was such a special day, I thought I would say again how much we all enjoyed the day. They gave us a carriage to ourselves with our name on the window, and were so welcoming, even putting up a ramp for the wheelchair. Some members enjoyed bacon butties during the journey to Cheltenham, others having coffee and cake. We all still went into the restaurant for a meal afterwards! This month's speaker was Nicholas Clark (a retired teacher from Evesham High School), who gave us a very interesting talk, with slides, on 'Rail across India'. Unfortunately, as it was a sunny afternoon and the light was coming through the skylights, we were unable to see the slides as clearly as we hoped. We all enjoyed the talk.

We gave the members a glimpse of what we have in mind for next year's programme, which includes: A meal at the Northwick Hotel on 26 January; 8 February - Andy Green (now a lay minister) talking about his previous life in the police force; 8 March – Linus Quilts; 12 April – return visit by Andy Pedrick, who really wowed us earlier this year. He will be giving us a different talk, which we are sure will be just as good.

We still have a lot more going on this year, with Maurice Heritage on 13 October, with a second talk on Snowshill Manor. In November, we will be going to see the Shoeboxes being packed and put on to lorries, ready to be transported overseas to children who don't get Christmas presents.

So, if any of these things appeal to you, we welcome anyone from the community at large, young, old, male or female, any faith or none, though we do start our meetings with a prayer.

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month in Hampton Scout and Guide Community Hall at 2pm. For more information about our friendly group, please ring 01386 49161 for details.

Jenny Perkins

Prayers ... for those who are unwell

With anyone you know who is unwell and the patients of our local hospitals pray for Janet Bailey, Anna Ballard, Beattie Ballard, Hubert Martin, Maurice Miller, Maureen Cauldwell, Sarah Clements, Grace Dolphin, Andrew Dyke, Monica Garston, Rosie Goodwin, Olivia Hancock, Girlie Humphries, Margaret Goodman, Sue Jones, Lewis Langston, Clifford Lewis, Barbara Lines, Nina Lippett, Grace Percival and Janice Sinclair as well as others known to us personally.

Hinton on the Green – St Peter's Church

HARVESTEEN SUPPER

Saturday 31ST OCTOBER from 7.00 p.m. 'til late At St Peter's Church (and marquee) Hinton on the Green



In aid of Church Restoration Fund Don't miss out – get your Harvesteen tickets soon!! Numbers strictly limited. Tickets available from any member of the PCC or phone Clare Davies on 07814 188 077 clare7875@gmail.com £12.50 per person (£10 concessions – under 16 and over 65) Price includes Hog Roast and entertainment from Dampier's Round <u>www.dampiers.clara.net/</u> and Drakes Broughton Hand-bell ringers Licensed Bar and Raffle

Licensed Bar and Raffle Forthcoming events Harvest Festival: 27 September at 11.15am, followed by 'Bring and Share' picnic in the churchyard (or church, if wet). Please bring a dish to share with others Coffee Morning: 29 September from 10.30am Candlelit Evensong Service: 11 October at 6.00pm Bible Sunday: 25 October at 11.15am. Thinking about the relief of poverty. Please bring one or more items for Evesham Food Bank to help those in need Coffee Morning: 27 October from 10.30am Harvesteen Supper: 31 October from 7.00pm Remembrance Sunday: 8 November Joint Service for Hinton, Sedgeberrow and Aston Somerville at Sedgeberrow Breakfast Church: 22 November - Time to be confirmed Coffee Morning and Christmas Bazaar: 24 November Benefice Service: 29 November at St Andrew's, Hampton DETAILS OF CHRISTMAS SERVICES NEXT MONTH

THE CHURCH IN THE COMMUNITY – THE COMMUNITY IN THE CHURCH

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH THE DOUBLE "C" MONTHLY TEAS

Conversation

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For those who are lonely or bereaved. Please come & join us for **Traditional Afternoon Tea** Last Sunday of the month - next one - 25 October 2015 Hampton Guide & Scout Hall from 2- 4pm For further information contact Elaine Major 01386 446381 or 01386 40722

Events Update - October 2015

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Harvest Supper	Fri	2 Oct 7pm for 7.30pm	Sedgeberrow
Harvest Lunch	Sun	4 Oct (after service)	Hampton
SoulFood	Sun	4 Oct 6pm	All Saints
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	6 Oct 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Café Church	Tues	6 Oct 7pm	The Bear, Port St
Hampton WI	Thurs	8 Oct 7.30pm	Scout & Guide Hall
Church Open Morning	Sat	10 Oct 10am - Noon	Hampton
Bingo	Sat	10 Oct 8pm	Sedgeberrow
St Andrew's Fellowship	Tues	13 Oct 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
SoulFood	Sun	11 Oct 6pm	All Saints
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	13 Oct 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
SoulFood	Sun	18 Oct 6pm	All Saints
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	20 Oct 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Standing Committee	Wed	21 Oct 7.30pm	Hampton
Coffee Morning	Thurs	22 Oct 10am - Noon	Sedgeberrow
SoulFood	Sun	25 Oct 6pm	All Saints
Double C's Afternoon Tea	Sun.	25 Oct 2 – 4pm	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	27 Oct 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Coffee Morning	Tues	27 Oct 10.30am	Hinton
Ploughman's' Lunch	Sat	31 Oct 12 – 2pm	Sedgeberrow
Harvesteen Supper	Sat	31 Oct 7pm	Hinton

RNLI – Fish Supper

Between 9 and 11 October, the RNLI are asking people to host a Fish Supper to raise money to support the charity.

This recipe for Fish Pie is from their promotional material.

Fish Pie with Crispy Parsnip and Celeriac Top

Ingredients

Sauce

300ml semi-skimmed milk	50g butter
2 bay leaves	2 small onions, finely chopped
3 black peppercorns	1 large leek, thinly sliced
750 g mixed skinless and boneless fish,	1 garlic clove, finely chopped
cut into bite-sized chunks	150ml crème fraîche
180g peeled prawns	3 tbsp cornflour
1 small celeriac, peeled and grated	2 tsp wholegrain mustard
400g parsnips, grated	Handful of fresh chives, chopped
1 medium egg	

Method:

Heat the oven to 200°C/180°C fan/Gas 6

Put the milk into a pan with the bay leaves and pepper corns. Bring to a simmer and add the fish, cook gently for 5 minutes, then add the prawns and cook for a further 2 minutes. Lift out the fish and place in an ovenproof dish. Save the milk, but take out the bay leaves and peppercorns



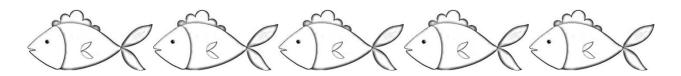
Melt the butter in a pan, and soften the onion on a low heat for 10 minutes. Add the leek, fry for 5 minutes, then add the garlic and cook for a further minute.

Add the reserved milk and crème fraîche and bring to a simmer.

Mix the cornflour with 3 tbsp water, add to the pan and heat until bubbling and thickened. Take off the heat, quickly stir in mustard and half the chives, then pour over the fish.

Put the grated celeriac and parsnip in a bowl, add the beaten egg and the rest of the chives. Season, mix well and spread over the fish and sauce.

Bake for 20 to 30 minutes until the top is golden.



Hampton WI – September 2015

Our September meeting was our usual Harvest Supper, but before we got down to the serious business of eating, there were a few items of business to be dealt with. The small group who had visited Stone House Cottage Garden had enjoyed it so much that a second visit was suggested for next year. Expressions of thanks had been received from several members, past and present, who had attended the Centenary Tea Party in August. Jill Robinson thanked those who had bought items from her hand-made craft stall at the Tea, which had enabled her to send a donation for £10 to Hearing Dogs for the Deaf (this was the subject of our July talk). An invitation had been received from Evesham Vale WI to an open meeting in October, and names were being collected for the Annual Council Meeting. A team would be playing in the Group Skittles tournament. We were disappointed to learn that the New Speaker's Evening at Wickhamford had been oversubscribed, and we had not been allocated any tickets.

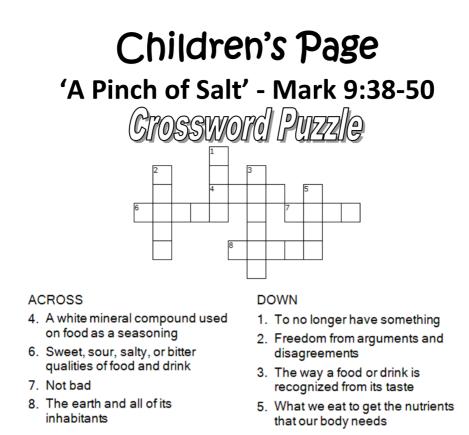
The president reminded members that it is the AGM next month, and appealed for more of them to consider standing for the committee. In addition to the AGM, we would be having a demonstration of gift parcel wrapping from Jean Lewis.

Business concluded, it was time for supper, and we all enjoyed the savoury buffet prepared by the committee. Several members had made puddings for the monthly competition, and the winner was judged to be Jean Wright, with her beautifully decorated Summer Pudding.

Our next meeting on 9 October will be our AGM, when we will welcome Suzanne Owen, a WI Advisor. If you would like to join us at one of our meetings, do come along. We are always pleased to see visitors and you will be made very welcome. We meet in Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm. For further information, please contact our Secretary, Joyce Davey on 01386 443756.

Prayers ... for the people around us

Give thanks that the problem of homelessness is less pressing than it has been but continue to pray for those who may find accommodation but not the means to make it a home. May they find help to bring warmth to a mere building and come to experience the reality of a home. Pray for everyone who works in local government, charged with the maintenance of the day-to-say services that make life easier for us. During October, the traditional time for Harvest Festivals, give thanks for the bounty of the earth in the areas where we live. Give thanks for all of our neighbours whose work brings to us the enjoyment of these gifts.



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After a very busy and eventful school year, we all welcomed the summer holidays and we have all returned to school refreshed and rested. Term began very calmly on 7th September with forty new children being welcomed into our two new Reception classes. We also welcome a whole new team of staff in our Year 3 class.



At the end of the last summer term, we shot to the top of the award stakes by securing our THIRD coveted Eco-Schools Green Flag Award. This makes St Andrew's officially one of the most ecologically friendly schools in the country. Please look out for our press release in the Evesham Journal.

Last month, Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their three night residential trip to Kingswood Activity Centre in Stafford. They participated in many teambuilding and adventure activities and all had a wonderful time.

We will be holding Open Days on 20th and 21st October 2015, from 9.30am – 11am, for parents and carers who have a child who was born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012. Visitors are welcome to drop in at any time between these times where you will be able to look around the school and see the wonderful opportunities, experience and facilities that we offer at St Andrew's. Applications for starting school in September 2016 are now open. You need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2016. For more information and to apply, visit <u>http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20099/school_admissions</u>

We celebrated Harvest during the week of 29 September and following the Harvest Church Service, we donated food and produce to the 'Caring Hands' food bank at the Christian Centre in Evesham which serves vulnerable families in Evesham and surrounding areas.

Also, if anyone has an hour or more to spare every week and would like to listen to children read, please contact the school office on 01386 41351.

Email: office@st-andrews.worc.sch.uk

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SEDGEBERROW CE FIRST SCHOOL "Reach for the Stars"



Following the retirement of Mrs Humphreys at the end of the Summer Term, the new headmaster, Phil Croke, took over at the start of the Autumn Term.

The following is part of his first newsletter from the school website:

'I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Headteacher of our school. Firstly may I thank everybody for the very warm welcome that I have received from everyone, it has made for a very pleasant start to my time at Sedgeberrow.

I would also like to say how impressed I am with the all of the staff. There is a wealth of experience and an abundance of enthusiasm and I am looking forward to working alongside such a great team.

I am aware that Mrs Humphreys will be a difficult act to follow; her leadership of this school was undoubtedly outstanding. I do hope to maintain the high standards that Mrs Humphreys and her staff set and, over time, build on her legacy.

Over the summer I have met up with Mrs Humphreys to aid the handover process and I think that we have a similar outlook on how to lead and manage a school.

My career, which frighteningly spans nearly 20 years, is six years in Inner city Birmingham, three years in Australia, two of which as the Headteacher of a tiny school in the 'sticks', 2 years as Deputy at Broadway Catholic School and eight years as the Headteacher of Bledington School in Gloucestershire, with a short span of leading two schools to cover the maternity leave of the Headteacher at Stow on the Wold. At Bledington we achieved two Outstanding Ofsted reports and most importantly developed a wonderful community spirit throughout the whole village.

My philosophy on education is to ensure that every child is active, has an opportunity to showcase their talent, to enjoy school and to achieve their full potential.

I look forward to meeting everyone over the next weeks and working together at this fantastic school. I'm looking forward to the challenge'.

Phil Croke

Talent Show

This year we will be holding our annual Sedgeberrow Talent Show again. There will be more information in due course but we do encourage any child who wishes to participate. Auditions are held in school after October half-term and the final show is due to take place on Friday 13th November at 2.15pm.

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Services for October 2015

	4 October –	Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity					
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
	9am	Parish Eucharist	Sedgeberrow				
	11am	Harvest Festival	Hampton				
	3pm	Baptism	Hampton				
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Wednesday 7	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
1	1 October –	Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity					
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
	10am	Family Eucharist	Hampton				
	11am	All Age Worship	Sedgeberrow				
	6pm	Candlelit Evensong	Hinton				
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Wednesday 14	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
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	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
	9am	Parish Eucharist	Sedgeberrow				
	10am	All Age Worship	Hampton				
	3pm	Baptism	Hampton				
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	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
	10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton				
	11am	All Age Worship	Sedgeberrow				
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	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
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	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton				
	9.45am	Remembrance Service	Hampton				
	10.45	Remembrance Service	Sedgeberrow				
	3pm	RBL Remembrance Service	Sedgeberrow				
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