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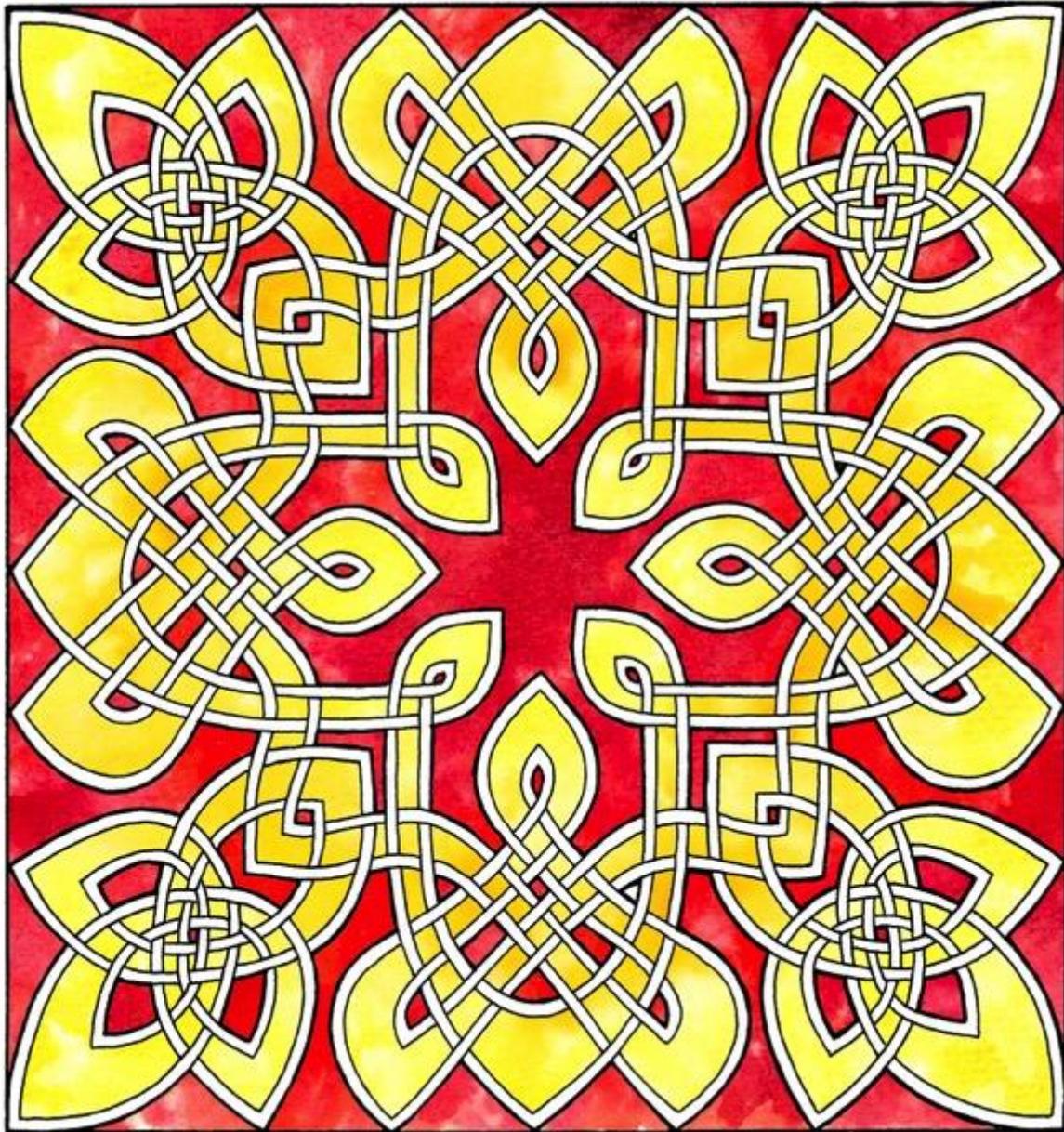


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Thanks to Brian Reid

Regular readers of The Herald may or may not know that the Prayers, every month, have been submitted by Brian Reid. He has written them for many years, but has sadly decided that he does not wish to continue. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all his help, sending in his submissions in promptly each month – I never had to chase him up! This month sees the last of Brian's entries, and from the July issue of the magazine, the prayers will be written by Mandy Palmer.

Mandy has written a little bit about herself:

'I have been married to Andy since 1985, and we have two grown up sons, Tom and Sam. Andy and I both trained as readers in the Birmingham Diocese. We live in Hampton and love our new environment, as we find everyone is really friendly and welcoming. We like to work hard and enjoy walking in the country. We are both qualified teachers, Andy works full-time in Stratford and helps with the young people at Fairfield Church. I am involved with Open the Book, have helped out at Youthie, and am on the teams at Fairfield and Soulfood, while studying Theology at CMS. Andy's interests are DIY and gardening; mine are reading and learning how to garden! If you visit us at home you'll understand why!'

The Editor

Prayers ... for the Worldwide Church

The Lord is my crag, my fortress and my deliverer.

Within your prayers for the worldwide Church make special mention of the Christian people of Australia and New Zealand that they may respond with joy to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Remember too our neighbours in Eire and Northern Ireland that they may grow together in their service to God. Pray for the young people of our town as they grow in their knowledge of God and his will. Give thanks for the service of those members of our congregations who lead us in the prayers we offer. On 11th we celebrate the Apostle Barnabas and 29th the Apostles Peter and Paul; pray that our churches may follow their example of self-less service; on 24th we commemorate John the Baptist; give thanks for his sacrificial preparing for the coming of Jesus.

Prayers ... for the World

Give thanks for the good things in life which we all enjoy and continue to pray for people who suffer from famine, especially those in northwest Africa, that they may find relief and a just share in the necessities of life. Pray for the millions of followers of the Hindu faith that their hopes may be fulfilled. Ask God to bless our new Parliament which we shall elect on Thursday 8th, that it may serve the nation faithfully and with wisdom. Bring to God the people of the Pacific Islands, that they may find sufficiency and contentment.

A Letter from the Archdeacon of Dudley, Nicki Groake

On Sunday 11 June I will have the privilege of preaching at a Service of Thanksgiving for Women's Ministry in the Cathedral. 2017 is a significant year of anniversaries, an opportunity to remember and celebrate some key moments in the gradual acceptance in the Church of England of the ministry of women in leadership roles:



50 years since female lay readers were appointed;

30 years since women deacons were ordained;

25 years since the vote was taken for women's ordination to the priesthood in 1992.

In this diocese, the ministry of women has long been welcomed and appreciated wholeheartedly by the vast majority of church members. It is an encouraging environment in which women can flourish and realise their potential, serving in roles which suit their varied gifts, personalities and skills, being who God made them to be, in the same way that men can. Hopefully, as the impact of our Kingdom People: Calling Young Disciples project grows, we will similarly see young people and children increasingly playing their part, growing in confidence that what they bring is valued and vital to our shared life as God's people.

I am acutely aware that I am in a senior role in God's church, as one of a steadily growing number of women, because wise people invested in me, saw my leadership potential, gave me opportunities and trained and mentored me. They picked me up when I stumbled, let me make mistakes and learn from them, and stretched me to do more than I thought I could, trusting that God equips the called, rather than calls the equipped. I am especially grateful to those who did that when the church still had questions about the role of women. I think they were following in the footsteps of Jesus!

When Jesus walked on earth, women were uneducated, not given a legally valid voice, and treated like property. He refused to bow to those cultural stigmas, instead modelling a way of relating to women which was totally different – radically inclusive, no limits on their God given destiny or restrictions on how their gifts could be exercised. It is when women and men, and young people and children work together that the church is enabled to be what it is created to be, the hope of the world, fully representative of the body of Christ as we seek together to be Kingdom People

I hope many from across the Diocese will be in the Cathedral at 4pm on 11 June to celebrate the ministry of women. I pray that each of us will think of young people in whom we can invest –especially girls, and invite them to join us, so that we are a truly multi-generational church encouraging gifts and contributions of everyone.

Asum Group Bulletin – June 2017

Germinate Enterprise takes root this month...

There will be six workshops for local people who would like to run their own business or social enterprise. The course will run from 6.30 to 8.30pm on Thursdays as follows 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th June and 6th, 13th July 2017. The venue is Hampton Farm Shop, Evesham. Cost is £5/person per week to include workbook and coffee.



Tutors will be Chris Sheehan (contact on 07977072105 or at chrispetersheehan@btinternet.com) and Sarah Hewitt who have run many successful businesses including a local social business.

It is not too late for people to book. So please remember to encourage anyone you know who might benefit from this course to book in asap!

Supporting Benefice United

At long last, the Pastoral Scheme has been drafted to join the parishes of Bengeworth, Hampton, Sedgeberrow and Hinton-on-the-Green into one 'benefice' within the Asum Group. This move was agreed several years ago during the re-organisation of the deanery.



There is a notice publishing this intention now posted in all of the churches affected. We hope Church Commissioners will finalise the Scheme once the consultation period is over, and this will give the four PCCs involved a firm basis on which to plan and work together in future.

Prayer for the Fayre

The annual Port Street Fayre is happening on Sunday 2 July, and St. Peter's, Bengeworth are preparing to share in the community celebrations.

The plans for the church's involvement include a short service at 9.30am (before the fair opens at 10am), refreshments served to guests visiting the church, where there will be extra flowers on display, a treasure hunt for children and an art competition for young people for a window design. And the PCC has bought 200 copies of the **TryPraying** booklets – to offer to visitors that day as a gift.



In the meantime, please add your prayers for those organising the Fayre, and ask for 'fair' weather on the day, too!

So what is a 'Fresh Expression' of Church?

Why do we need them? How do we grow them?)

Sarah Hewitt, Missioner in the Asum Group, is leading a session on this subject for all those in our deanery who are interested to know more.

The gathering will be on Monday 12th June, 9am (coffee & croissants) for 9.30am start at St. Peter's Church, Bengeworth. So, if you're wondering how God seems to be moving his Church into new places, do come along and find out more.



Tots Galore

Every Tuesday morning, the Guide and Scout Hall next to St. Andrew's Church is buzzing with excitement and imagination. From 9am to 10.30am, little ones and their parents and carers gather for friendship, fun, food and faith. Most families who come have been in touch with the church through baptism. These mornings are very popular – and numbers keep going up!

Pippa, Margaret, Ray and Jenny are in the thick of it. The leadership team get together once a month to plan themes, stories and activities. The first hour is 'playtime' – with a host of different toys and equipment for the little ones to choose. One table offers a craft activity (when I went it was 'ladybirds' made of biscuits, pink icing and chocolate polka dots!) which ties in with the storytime theme. Today's story was the 'Lazy Ladybird', but most are taken from the Bible. After the story, the children enjoy carefully-prepared fruit pieces – all good and healthy – while the adults get cake (made by Cath, of course)!



“St. Andrew's Tots’, as the group is known, has been around for years – since Noah was a lad, some might say. But its popularity proves that bite-sized Christian faith in an atmosphere of warm hospitality and imaginative fun can still attract the crowds and hopefully, step by step, make Jesus better known to children and adults together.

The next meeting of the Asum Group Council is on Monday 19 June, 7.30pm at All Saints Church, Evesham.

As well as updating on the TryPraying initiative, the Germinate project, and possible Asum Summer Events for Children, we shall also be considering plans for joint ventures for the year from September 2017 – including Lent 2018.

If you want an idea or issue to be raised, please speak to one of your representatives, or come to the meeting yourself!

Nick Wright
(Council Secretary)

Prayers ... for the people around us

Pray for the families of our parishes that they may live happily together, making special mention of any you know particularly well. Remember the homeless of our area that they may find the opportunity to resettle themselves. Ask God to bless the members of the Royal British Legion in their fellowship and their contribution to our community. Give thanks for the members of our Fire Service and pray for their safety in their work. Ask God to bless the members of the Friendship Club that they may continue happily in the life they share.

Praised be the God of my salvation.

Understanding the Trinity

'The words 'God is love' have no real meaning unless God contains at least two Persons. Love is something that one person has for another person. If God was a single person, then before the world was made, He was not love.' (CS Lewis).

Trinity Sunday takes place this month (11th June), yet the idea of One God in three Persons is not easy to get our heads around. CS Lewis was right in saying that we have to understand the doctrine in relational terms. So why is the Trinity so important for us?

First, the Trinity provides us with a model of community. God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit relate to one another in love and work together to accomplish God's purpose in the world. At His baptism, Jesus the Son is obedient to His Father's purpose, who declares His approval and the Spirit anoints Jesus for ministry.

This relationship between Father, Son, and Spirit has been described as 'perichoresis', a Greek word referring to dance. In this divine dance, each person of the Godhead complements and builds on the work of other members of the Trinity. God intends that our life together in the Christian community should reflect the very life of God Himself.

Secondly, we find our mission in the Trinity. Jesus said, 'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' As the Father sent His Son into the world, so Jesus sends us out to do the Father's work, equipped by the Spirit of God. We are called to establish God's kingdom on this earth, so that God's will may be done on earth as in heaven! Our work for God is done from the standpoint of the Triune God, who created, redeemed, and enables us to do it.

All three persons of the Godhead are at work in our lives and church, as well as in the world around. If we live with a renewed awareness of the Trinity, our spiritual lives will deepen, our vision of God's kingdom will expand, and the work that God has chosen for us will take on a new vitality and urgency.

'At the heart of reality lies the love between the Father and the Son. The Spirit unites us with Christ so that we begin to experience the same depth of love that exists between the Father and the Son.' (Graham Tomlin).

St Andrew's Fund Raising Committee

Strawberry Tea and Parish Fete – 8 July

Strawberry teas will be served in the marquee on the lawn, and there will be some lovely stalls including crafts, tombola and raffles for you to enjoy.

Exhibition of arts and crafts in the church and entertainment on the lawn, so we are looking for local talent. If you can help in any way please contact Elaine at the church office

Sleeping is not to be ashamed of

Do you try and live on little sleep? It is not a good idea. Just one night without proper rest quadruples your risk of catching a cold, because your immune system is suppressed. You will also face the day with less motivation, less empathy with others, slower reaction times, poorer concentration, and feeling far more hungry!

For constant gnawing hunger can be caused by lack of sleep. Researchers at Pennsylvania State University found that less than six hours a night causes levels of the hormone ghrelin, which signals hunger, to rise, and levels of leptin, the sense of fullness hormone, to drop. So when you are over-tired, you will feel hungry, but never full.

Also, too little sleep can have grave long-term effects. Harvard Medical School found that less than five hours a night increases the risk of certain cancers, diabetes, Alzheimer's, obesity, cognitive decline, depression and heart disease. As one expert puts it: 'There is not one single good thing about poor sleep, yet we live in a society that at best disregards it, and at worst, views getting by on very little as a badge of honour.'

Bad sleep ages your brain. Good sleep 'shampoos' your brain. During sleep, the space between brain cells actually expands 60 per cent, allowing the brain to flush our built-up toxins. "Under-sleeping is the next sugar scare – it's a health time bomb.' So says Dr Sara Gottfried, a sleep expert.

(Her book on the subject is, Younger, by Dr Sara Gottfried, published by Vermillion

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Events Update – June 2017

SoulFood	Sun	4 June 6pm	All Saints
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	6 June 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Café Church	Tues	6 June 7.30pm	The Red Horse
Hampton WI	Thurs	8 June 7.30pm	Ecgwin's Club
Church Open Morning	Sat	10 June 10am - Noon	Hampton
SoulFood	Sun	11 June 6pm	All Saints
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	13 June 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
St Andrew's Fellowship	Tues	13 June 2pm	Scout & Guide Hall
SoulFood	Sun	18 June 6pm	All Saints
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	20 June 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Standing Committee	Wed	12 June 11.30am	Parish Office
Coffee Morning	Thurs	22 June 10am – 12 noon	Sedgeberrow
2 C's Afternoon Tea	Sun	25 June 3pm – 5pm	Hampton
SoulFood	Sun	25 June 6pm	All Saints
John Martin Service	Sun	25 June 6.30pm	Hampton
St Andrew's Tots	Tues	27 June 9am	Scout & Guide Hall
Petertide Fete	Sun	2 July 12 noon	Hinton

St Richard of Chichester

St Richard of Chichester, who lived from 1197 to 1253, is patron saint of the English county of Sussex.

In 1244 Richard was elected Bishop of Chichester but King Henry III wanted someone else as bishop and he ordered that no one should feed or house Richard. So Richard lived with a friend who was a parish priest and visited his entire diocese on foot for two years until the king relented.

Richard is widely remembered today for the prayer he is supposed to have said as he was dying. The prayer was adapted for the song 'Day by Day' in the musical Godspell and it is in this form that most people know it today:

*Day by day,
Dear Lord, of thee
three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly,
Love thee more dearly,
Follow thee more nearly,
Day by Day.*

Fairfield Church

All services start with breakfast.

1st Sunday - Communion

2nd to 4th Sundays - Community Worship

5th Sundays 'Bring and Share' Breakfast

(Jul 30, Dec 31, 2017)

Alpha at the Fairfield Inn

Tuesday 25 April and all subsequent Tuesdays

Contact Sarah Hewitt on 01386 429122 for details

Fairfield Tuesdays

1st - CaféChurch, The Olde Red Horse, Evesham 7.30pm onwards - **Note change of venue**

2nd - Home Group 7.45pm until 9pm (Fred and Noelle Beaumont)

3rd - Prayer & Planning 7.45pm until 9pm (Sarah and Neil Hewitt)

4th - Home Group 7.45pm until 9pm (Andy and Mandy Palmer)

Contact: Sarah Hewitt 07456 549969

Cinema Trip - Monthly. Contact: Noelle Beaumont 07745 113006

Saturday Sizzle and Share Men's Breakfast

Saturday Sizzle and Share is on the first Saturday of every month. Breakfast will start sizzling at 8.00am but if you are not an early riser feel free to come any time before 9.30 am. 6 May. Contact: Fred Beaumont 07833 475309

Book Club

Book Club is an opportunity to get to know other women in the area, read a book and share refreshments, in the form of cake and wine. Call Noelle Beaumont for information on where and when and what... 07745 113006

First Friday Meals with friends

2 June 2017. Sign up for Starter/Host/Dessert

Someone hosts and cooks dinner; someone brings a starter or drinks; someone brings dessert. Contact: Sarah Hewitt 07456 549969

Sewing Bee - Mandy (446309) or Noelle (45310)

Friday's fortnightly, 10am to 12 pm followed by soup and a roll.

Bring your own project or come and learn. We would also like to donate some small quilts to the Linus Project who pass them on to vulnerable children.

Motoring holiday

Lost Husband: Where are we now?

Wife: Halfway between Paris and Marseilles, dear.

Husband: Don't bother me with details. What country are we in?



10 June – Queen’s Official Birthday

The Queen celebrates her birthday twice each year - once on the anniversary of the day she was born, April 21, and on an "official" birthday in June.

So why exactly does the Queen have two birthdays?

It is a tradition that was started by George II in 1748 and is owes its origins to the ageless problem of the British weather.

George was born in November, and felt the weather would be too cold at that time of year for his annual birthday parade.

So instead, he combined his birthday celebration with an annual spring military parade known as Trooping the Colour, in which regiments displayed their flags or "colours" so soldiers would be familiar with them.

It is a tradition that has continued to this day. All British sovereigns are given the option of having an "official" birthday, and because the Queen's real birthday is on April 21, she has stuck with the tradition of celebrating in June.

Otherwise known as The Queen's Birthday Parade, the Queen inspects soldiers from the Household Division. It takes place on Horse Guards Parade behind Whitehall.

During the early part of her reign the Queen's official birthday was on a Thursday, but it later changed to a Saturday in June so that more members of the public could enjoy it.

The Queen usually spends her birthday privately, but the occasion is marked publicly by gun salutes at noon: a 41 gun salute in Hyde Park, a 21-gun salute in Windsor Great Park and a 62-gun salute at the Tower of London.

This year Trooping the Colour takes place on Saturday, June 17.

Sedgeberrow News

Coffee Mornings

The March coffee morning made £137.60, and the April one made £194.50, both for Church funds.

Next coffee mornings are Thursday 22 June and 27 July, both at 10am.



Church Fete

The Church Fete will be on Saturday 15 July from 2pm to 4pm.

The venue is yet to be announced

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH

THE TWO C'S MONTHLY TEAS

Conversation Company

For those who are lonely or bereaved.

Please come & join us for

Traditional Afternoon Tea

Last Sunday of month - next one - **25 June 2017**

Hampton Guide & Scout Hall from **3- 5pm**

For further information contact Elaine Major

01386 446381 or 01386 40722

From the Registers – April 2017

Baptisms

2 April	Ronnie Instone	Hampton
2 April	Chloe Marie Townsend	Hampton

Funerals

6 April	Royston Francis Thomas Lavell	Worcester C
10 April	James Patrick (Pat) Collins	Hampton
11 April	Rose Hyde	Hampton
26 April	Carl Lister	Hampton

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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.

Hinton on the Green – St Peter’s Church

Hinton on the Green ‘Royal’ Fete - Sunday 2 July 2017 at 12 noon.

Our theme this year is **Princesses and Princes**. Children (and adults too) are invited to come dressed in their royal finery. We are thinking back to Princess Diana who died 25 years ago and who brought the ‘common touch’ to today’s monarchy.

Our 5th glorious year will see old favourites such as:-

Refreshments and the More Cake Stall, Plants, Produce Stall, Books and Bric-a-Brac, Children’s Games, Tombola, Raffle, BBQ food and Entertainment

NEW for this year will be: – Dog Show, Children’s ‘Bake-Off’ competition with prizes, plus Icicle Tricycle and Craft and Flower Displays in the **ANCIENT** Church of St Peter

CAN YOU LIKE TO HELP? If so please contact one of our Churchwardens - Lisa on 07866654923 or Nicola on 07779159346 or 01386 424630 - or any member of the PCC. We need – home-made cakes, raffle prizes, bottles **of any kind** for the bottle stall (but please check they are in date), flowers and flowers arrangers, hats and handbags, publicity, helpers and donations.

WHAT’S IT ALL FOR?

Hinton is a small village with a big heart

We are seeking to restore and renovate our lovely old Church and breathe new life into it as well. As there is no other community building in the village we want to see the old building used for many events such as Birthday parties, Exercise classes, Films, Play Group, Village Get-togethers ... and more.



TELL YOUR FRIENDS AND COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN

IN PRAISE OF BAPTISM

On 11 June at 11.15am there will be a special service in St Peter’s Church to celebrate the Baptism of those baptised here. They are specially invited and asked to bring along family, friends and godparents. If you were baptised here and have photos, christening gowns or Christening gifts, which can be displayed, please let one of our Churchwardens know. After the Service there will be a picnic in the Churchyard (or Church if inclement). Bring food to share and drinks. Soft drinks, teas and coffees will be available in the Church.

GOLD STARS IN ST PETER’S CHURCHYARD



We are often complimented on the beauty of our Churchyard, especially in Spring. A Parish Churchyard Day saw the pollarding of the lime trees, as well a big clear up after high winds. Hard work but very satisfying! The Churchyard is kept mown by a group of public-spirited parishioners. We would like to thank the following for their assistance so far this year: Sam Heemsburgen, Liz Davies, Mark White and David Cross, also Ann and Alec Trow for the last mow of 2016. Gold stars all round.

Lime & Vanilla Tart

Crisp pastry and a smooth custard filling give this simple dessert good bite and contrast. The addition of lime lifts the flavour for a fresh, summery tasting experience. Perfect to prepare ahead for lunch with friends.

INGREDIENTS

SWEET PASTRY

500g flour
150g butter
100g caster sugar
100g icing sugar
2 eggs
50ml water

METHOD

SWEET PASTRY

- Preheat the oven to 180 degrees.
- Combine all of the dry ingredients into a food processor until it is like breadcrumbs.
- Add the water and eggs to combine.
- Cover with cling film and chill in the fridge for at least 30 minutes to prevent shrinkage.
- Line a 6-8" tart case. Bake blind (line with baking parchment and fill with baking beans or rice) for 10 minutes and then for a further 5 minutes without the beans/rice until golden.
- Allow to go cold.

INGREDIENTS

TART MIXTURE

3 eggs
3 limes (zest and juice)
100g sugar
250ml double cream
½ vanilla pod

METHOD

TART MIXTURE

- Whisk the eggs and lime juice and zest together until thick and pale.
- Boil the cream, sugar and vanilla.
- Combine everything together, sieve and then pour into the tart case.
- Bake at 130 degrees until set which will take approximately 20 minutes.
- Serve cold with Salted Chocolate or Chocolate ice cream.

Serves 4

Hampton WI – May 2017

The President welcomed members to our Resolutions Meeting held on 11 May. Before moving on to the business, and the eagerly anticipated fish and chip supper, we were able to hear a short presentation from Alison Hewitt and Brenda Spain, who had come to talk to us about The Worcestershire Breast Unit Haven, which is a charity helping those diagnosed with breast cancer, both women and men. Alison has been in this position and benefitted from the charity, and Brenda is a fund raiser. The charity is based at the new Breast Care Unit at Worcester Royal Hospital, and aims to take the work of the Unit forward, by assisting with breast care needs, by providing clinical services, assistance and complementary therapy over and above what the NHS can offer. This means that support for those with breast issues can be provided under one roof.



Moving on to the business part of the meeting, members were reminded of the lunch at Working World; an open meeting at Littleton's WI and a lecture on Forensic Science in July.

A Strawberry Tea at Hampton Farm Shop and a visit to the Delphinium Confetti Fields at Wick, are being arranged for later on in the summer.

Hampton had won the flower arrangement competition at the recent Croup Meeting, with an arrangement in a seashell, which had been created by Ann Evans. Before moving on to discuss the Resolutions, there was a break for refreshments, fish and chips from Hampton Chippy.

Finally there was discussion on the two Resolutions to be discussed at the National AGM in Liverpool in June: Alleviating Loneliness; and 'Plastic Soup' – aiming to keep micro plastic fibres out of our oceans. Votes were taken with a show of hands and each Resolution received unanimous support.

Next month's meeting will be held at Ecgwin's Club in Evesham, due to Hampton Community Hall being used for the General Election. Our speaker will be Alan Brewer, whose talk is entitled *Up in the Clouds with Fluffy Bits*.

If you would like to join us at one of our meetings you would be made most welcome. We usually meet in the Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall at 7.30 pm on the second Thursday of each month. For further details please ring 01386 443755.

St Andrew's Fellowship – May 2017

St Andrew's Fellowship May 2017

What an enjoyable afternoon we spent on 9 April, being transported to the Highlands of Scotland by our speaker, Sue Ablett, who showed us some lovely slides of her week's holiday there.

Sue, who has had a lifetime's interest in all forms of wildlife, has travelled the world taking photos, which she has made into slide shows for the many groups around the country which she talks to.

We first got in touch with Sue when we heard about her involvement in the restoration appeal for Evesham Bell Tower. After a very interesting talk on that subject last year, we invited her to return to talk about another of one of her many projects.

At the end of April, we visited St Peter's Garden Centre, outside Worcester, where we had an enjoyable lunch and time for a little shopping.

On 13 June, we had been intending to visit Croome Court, but due to a quite a few members not being very mobile at the moment, we have decided to have our usual meeting at the Guide and Scout Community Hall, when Christine McGregor will talk about Alpine Gardens.

We meet every second Tuesday of the month in Hampton Guide and Scout Community Hall, at 2pm. We welcome both men and women, church goers or not, although we do start our meetings with a short prayer. Anyone who would like to join our group is welcome to come along as a visitor. For further information please ring Jenny on 01386 49161

Jenny Perkins

Prayers ... for those who are unwell

Janet Bailey, Maureen Cauldwell, Sarah Clements, Gloria Cross, Liz Davies, Grace Dolphin, Andrew Dyke, Margaret Goodman, Terry Grinnell, Olivia Hancock, Jess Hawkins, Girlie Humphries, Sue Jones, Joyce Lampitt, Lewis Langstone, Clifford Lewis, Marika Parisotto, Tim Russell, Janice Sinclair, Cyril Westwood, Jessie Webb, Graham Williams and Michael Wood as well as others known to us personally.

Prayers ... for those who have died

For those who have died and all who mourn at this time:

Brenda Partridge, Carl Lister, Jean Davis, Ivy (Joan) Haines, June Padfield, Joyce Fuller, Viv Barnes, Jean Davenport and Maureen Cauldwell

The powers of the earth belong to God.

Children's Page - Bible Bite

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Genesis ch 25:19-33, 27:1-42

Jacob had cheated his father and brother, and had run away to stay with his uncle Laban. On the way there..

Jacob saw angels and heard God.

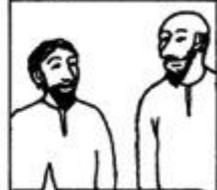


At Laban's house, Jacob met his cousin Rachel



Work for me for 7 years and you can marry her

7 years later



Can I marry Rachel now?

But Laban tricked him into marrying her sister Leah

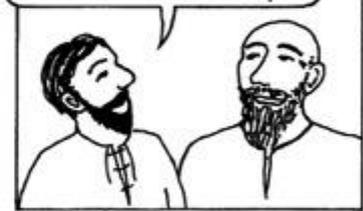


So Jacob worked 7 more years to marry Rachel



Then he said to Laban

As you aren't paying me wages, can I have the black sheep?



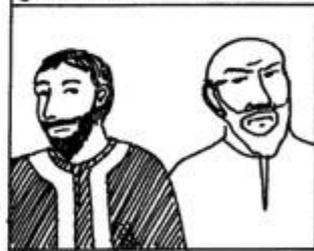
Laban agreed, but that day he moved all the black sheep far away



But God blessed Jacob and his black flock grew



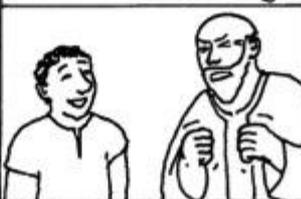
Laban became very jealous of Isaac



Your father doesn't like me any more. We need to go back to my home.



They waited until Laban was away..



but he was told ...



Children's Page - Wordsearch

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sheep

Leah

years

run

flock

agreed

God

work

sister

Rachel

black

father

angels

jealous

away

marry

Jacob

wages

seven

brother

home

Laban

cousin

moved

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The first half term is flying by and the school is a hive of activity. We are running several sports-related 'out of school' clubs such as Tennis, Cricket, Dance & Fitness, Karate and Football Clubs for both girls and boys. We also offer drumming and piano lessons for those children who wish to learn to read and play music.

We were recently very lucky to work with the Almonry Museum on a community arts project. This involved a storyteller coming in to school to do some work on creating six word stories. He told the children riddles and fairy tales, which were interesting and interactive. The children then had to do actions and recite key parts of the stories. They also created their own six word stories about caring which they had to explain in detail using senses and similes to bring them alive. These stories will be woven into banners which will hang in the Almonry Museum over the summer.

At St Andrew's we have always acknowledged the importance of providing our children with learning experiences outside of the classroom. They not only give children the opportunity to perform hands-on learning, the types of memories that educational trips create are known as 'episodic memories', which help children retain information for longer periods. This is why each term trips are arranged to put the children's topic learning into context. Recently, both Reception classes thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Bishops Wood Centre. They listened and joined in with the story of 'The Three Little Pigs' and then attempted to build homes for the pigs from natural materials. They then tested out how strong they were when the big bad wolf came to blow them down! Following this, the children learnt about different man-made and natural materials and made clay tree guardians. Some children even built houses for the woodland animals using the natural resources they found whilst out in the woodland area. This term, Years 5 and 3 are going to Sandfield Farm in Sedgeberrow to find out more about animals and their habitats and 'how things grow.' The children always have a wonderful time whenever we take them off-site. We are not only proud of their infectious enthusiasm for learning, but also of their impeccable behaviour and maturity.

Reception's Monday morning 'Stay and Play' sessions, continue to be extremely successful. These sessions provide parents and carers with the opportunity to come into school and 'work and play' alongside their child. Recently, a father came along and showed the children how to build using bricks and cement. They then got to have a go themselves.

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Services for June 2017

Saturday 3	1pm	Wedding	Hampton
4 June – Pentecost			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	9am	Parish Communion	Sedgeberrow
	10am	Family Service	Hampton
	10am	Communion Service	Fairfield
Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30, 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21, John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39			
Wednesday 7	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
11 June – Trinity Sunday			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
	10am	Fresh Expression Worship	Fairfield
	11am	Family Worship	Sedgeberrow
	11.15am	Celebration of Baptisms Service	Hinton
Isaiah 40:12-17. 27-31, 2 Corinthians 13:11-13, Matthew 28:16-20			
Wednesday 14	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
18 June – First Sunday after Trinity			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Benefice Confirmation	Bengeworth
	3pm	Baptism	Hampton
Exodus 19:2-8a, Romans 5:1-8, Matthew 9:35 – 10:8 [9-23]			
Wednesday 21	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
25 June – Second Sunday after Trinity			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
	10am	Fresh Expression Worship	Fairfield
	11am	Morning Worship	Sedgeberrow
	6pm	Parish Communion	Hinton
Jeremiah 20:7-13, Romans 6:1b-11, Matthew 10:24-39			
Wednesday 28	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton

Services for July 2017

2 July – Third Sunday after Trinity			
	8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
	9am	Parish Communion	Sedgeberrow
	10am	All Age Worship	Hampton
	10am	Fresh Expression Communion	Fairfield
	3pm	Baptism	Hampton
Wednesday 5	10am	Holy Communion	Hampton