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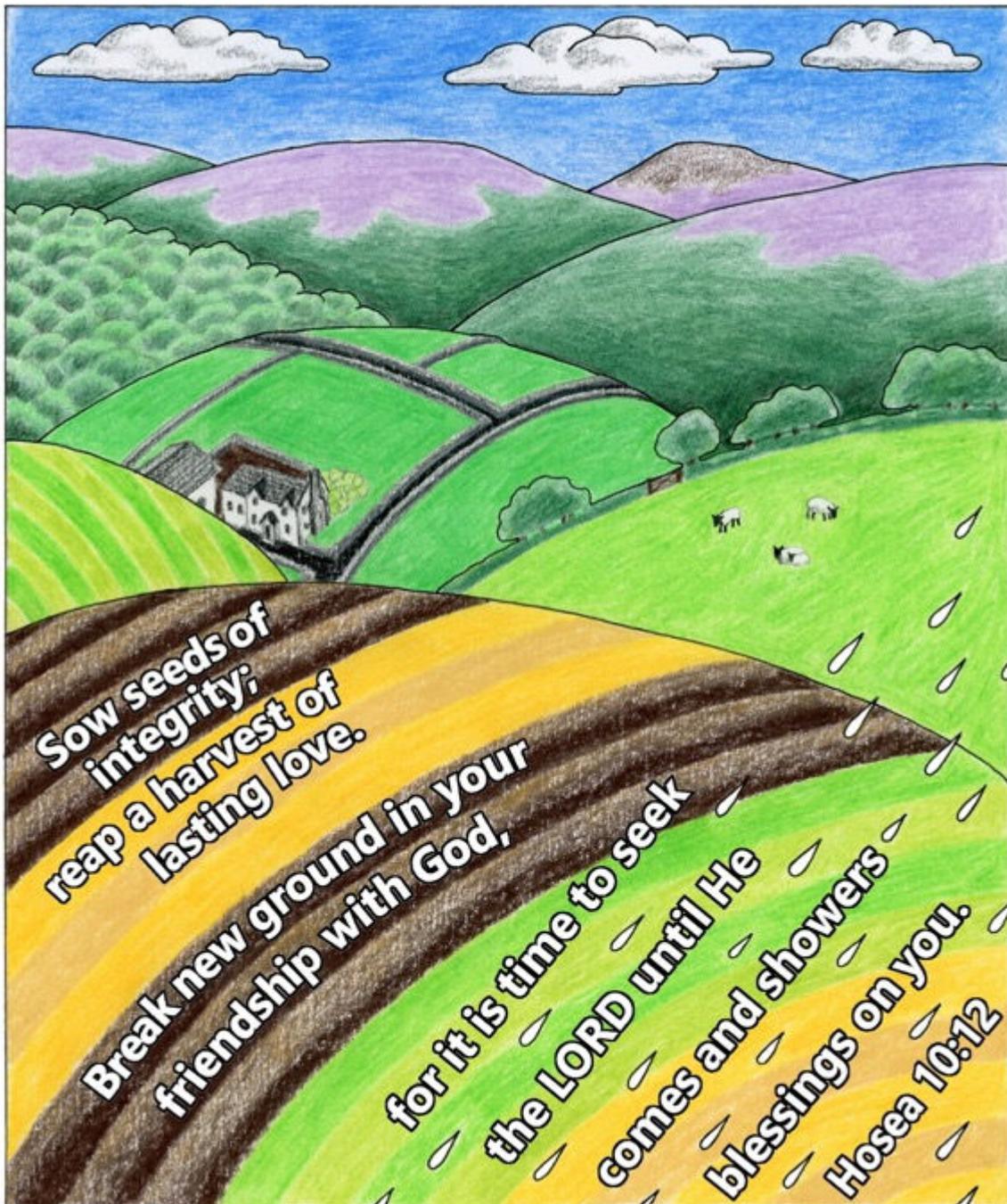


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Hinton on the Green

THE HERALD



CHURCH WORSHIP

With the lifting of restrictions, we have moved forward to managing the risks to ourselves and others as best we can. That means that we are responsible for one another. Our Church has continued with the best hygiene measures that we can and wearing masks as appropriate. This is a recommendation rather than an obligation.

We are singing hymns, so if you feel vulnerable sit towards the back of the Church. We hope to restart refreshments very soon and will encourage you to bring your own cup or accept the use of disposable plastic cups. These are all small steps towards finding a new normality as we seek to reshape the life of our Church.

If you feel unable to return to Church at the present time then please contact the Benefice Office for Communion Wafers. Caryl is there on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday each week.

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Letter from the Archdeacon of Dudley, Nikki Groake

During the month of September we asked everyone across the diocese to join in a month of prayer for the work we are undertaking in transformation and change, which I have the privilege to lead. I hope you were part of that, and I write now to say, "Please don't stop praying!"

Our transformation work is all about our wonderful and varied churches becoming more healthy and sustainable as we grow as kingdom people. You will notice an increasing focus on health and sustainability this autumn as we hopefully begin to emerge from the constraints of the pandemic. There will be things for us all to do, decisions to be taken, plans to be made, local visions to be dreamed and put into practice. You will hear lots more over the next few months, particularly about how we will be providing support for churches in working out what it means to be healthy and sustainable in your individual context, setting and tradition, and taking some steps towards this.

But none of this is of value if it's not underpinned in prayer. God promises to build his church, and invites us to join in with what he's doing. How we discern this is in prayer, seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit. And how it takes effect, is through God blessing our efforts as we cry out in prayer, recognising our utter dependence on him as we seek to be the body of Christ in Dudley and Worcestershire.

The four key elements of our [Growing as Kingdom People](#) vision are making disciples, transforming communities, sharing hope and worshipping God creatively, which when woven together make for healthier churches. Please continue to pray about your church's engagement with these four areas, and get involved where you can.

Please pray too for our churches as sustainability is addressed through our new Ministry Share system, about which PCCs have received letters, explaining how the costs of providing ministry in your parish or benefice are worked out. God is interested in our giving, so praying about it is key, and can help us to prioritise our church expenditure wisely and generously. So please pray regularly and passionately with me for all these things. Praying is how we grow in our relationship with God.

You may like to commit to daily praying our **Growing as Kingdom People Prayer**:

Gracious God, who pours out the life-giving Holy Spirit on your kingdom people,

Fill our hearts with love to worship you creatively,

Equip us to make disciples, inspire us to share hope

And anoint us to transform our communities,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen

In our Thoughts and Prayers

'The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom.' Ps 35 v 1



Let us give thanks for the fruits of the earth and pray that there may be a fair distribution of resources. We pray that workers will be found to bring in the harvest.

May our lives show forth the good news of the gospel of Christ's presence with us. We ask God's blessing on those seeking to spread the gospel throughout the world. As we remember St Luke on the 18th of this month, we pray for those who are sick and for the healing ministry of the church.

'Almighty God, you called Luke to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.'
(From the Collect for St Luke's Day). **Amen**

Thank you!

Charlie Binney would like to say a big 'thank you' for all the card, flowers and good wishes following her recent stay in hospital. She is recovering slowly and looking forward to getting back to normal. Here is a photo of the lovely flowers and cards.



Sunday Service Times
With effect from 26th September

Hampton - the main service time has changed from **9.30am to 10am**
Sedgeberrow - the service time has changed to **10am** every Sunday

From the Registers – August 2021

Renewal of Vows		
20 August	George and Tracey Bradshaw	Hampton
Funerals		
3 August	Barbara Wright	Hampton
6 August	Lucy Rodwell	Hampton
13 August	John Woods	The Vale

Sudoku Solutions (from p16)

Easy Sudoku

3	5	8	9	6	1	2	7	4
7	1	6	8	2	4	9	5	3
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Medium Sudoku

7	5	3	1	4	9	8	2	6
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3	6	7	4	1	8	2	5	9



RETURNING GROUPS

ST ANDREW'S TOTS

HAMPTON GUIDE & SCOUT HALL

Tuesday Morning (Doors open 9am)

Term time only for children up to five years.

Parents, grandparents and carers all are welcome. No charge

If you can help with setting up, refreshments etc please contact
Margaret Thomson on 01386 47541

While the children play with the floor toys or sit at the activity table their carers can relax a little to chat. After a time to socialise, about 10am, we clear the table to serve refreshments. Then there is an opportunity to all sit on the mats for story time and then finish with a sing-song.

ST. ANDREW'S 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 month - next one - 31 October **from 2.00 -
4.00**

For Further information:

Elaine Major 01386 446381 or 01386 40722



in harmony with creation

Spirituality of the Garden:

On-line retreat at home

Saturday 9 Oct 2021

Ever since the dawn of humanity, gardens have played a critical part in the sustenance and well-being of human life. Not just a resource for growing food, gardens nurture our well-being in ways that go far beyond just physical needs, as the poet *Dorothy Frances Gurney* put it "one is nearer God's heart in a garden than anywhere else on earth". Many major faith traditions place significant events in a garden, and spending time in gardens or green-spaces is becoming increasingly valued by health practitioners as at least complimentary to using pharmaceutical products



Holland House is offering **an on-line day** exploring the spirituality of the garden with two fantastic garden designers, both of whom are steeped in both the scientific and spiritual aspects of the garden.

Kristina Fitzsimmons and Patrick Swan are award winning gardeners, and will be leading this special day, facilitated by Revd Ian Spencer - Warden of Holland House. If gardens, green spaces, or even your window-sill or balcony with a potted plant or two, means something special to you - you'll love this retreat-at-home.

Friendly Lunch and Talk

Monday, 25 October 12.30 - 3pm

Come by yourself or with a friend for a friendly two course lunch, served at 1pm, followed by coffee and a talk.

The speaker will be Duncan Cadbury (Holland House Trustee) –

‘George Cadbury and the Bournville Village Trust’

Further details on the Holland House website

<https://www.hollandhouse.org/programme/list-of-events/>

To sign up please visit the website and book online.

The Light and Dark Sides to Hallowe'en

During October we are bombarded with images of, and costumes for, witches, skeletons, ghosts, and black cats. Huge pumpkins are sold to be made into grinning lanterns. There will be children 'trick or treating' who will tell you it is Hallowe'en – but most have no idea what that really is, or even the correct day for it.

When Is Hallowe'en?

In the church calendar, 1 November is All Saints Day and is also known as All Hallows. The 2 November is All Souls Day. All Hallows comes from the Old English word Hallowed, meaning holy or sanctified. Thus the day before All Saints Day, 31 October, was commonly called All Hallows Eve, which shortens to Hallowe'en.

The Origins of some Hallowe'en Customs

Because we commemorate the dead at this season it has an association with skeletons, ghosts, evil spirits, witches etc – all the darker side of the supernatural, which people have always feared. So, on Hallowe'en they dressed in masks or costumes of ghosts, skeletons, witches etc to mock these evil spirits and to confuse them by dressing up in their guise, thus robbing them of their power. Our children continue to dress like this, but sadly they celebrate these 'dark side powers' rather than mocking them.

Trick or Treat?

In the Middle Ages poor folk begged for 'soul cakes' at Hallowe'en in return for praying for the souls of the departed. Modern 'trick or treat' is a corruption of this practice. Some Christians, knowing children will be knocking on their door, take the opportunity to give out Christian treats – balloons, or tiny gifts, which have a Christian message. This could be expensive, but Christian stickers are very cheap (try the Cathedral bookshop) or computer whiz kids could create their own.

Lighting Up Hallowe'en

Many Christian churches organise special Hallowe'en festivities for their young people which focus on light, and Christ as the light of the world, to counter the darker, malevolent aspects of Hallowe'en.

The children dress in bright, light-coloured clothes. They still have pumpkins, but the candle shines out through the cross cut in it, not a grinning face. Angel cake rather than Devils' Food cake is eaten at the party! Games and songs that have a positive view of this special time of year are also part of the fun.



Hoorah For King George V

There are 471 communities around the British Isles that could be shouting this! In 1936, following the death of King George V, a memorial foundation was set up in his name *‘to promote and to assist in the establishment throughout the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of playing fields for the use and enjoyment of the people.’* Between then and the early 1960s land was purchased by the National Playing Fields Trust for the sole purpose of creating King George V Playing Fields that would be open to everyone. Today, the National Playing Fields Trust is known as ‘Fields in Trust’ and it has the legal responsibility of protecting the existence of the George V Playing Fields for eternity. The day-to-day maintenance of the fields are managed by the local parish council, or a local trust created specifically for that purpose.

Why, you may ask, should 471 communities be shouting ‘Hoorah for George V’ today? Well, throughout the Covid pandemic, clubs, associations and organisations were unable to meet indoors in their local parish hall, church hall or pub so they ventured outside to find an ideal safe venue, and for the 471 communities that are blessed with a George V Playing Field what better place was there than their local George V Playing Field?

So let’s not forget to give King George V three cheers for his everlasting memorial without which so many would not have had a safe place to meet for free, and so enabled our local groups, clubs, associations, and organisations to keep going! Hoorah for King George V!

Zebra Crossings – Saving Lives for 70 Years

Seventy years ago, on 31 October 1951, zebra crossings were introduced officially in the UK. The first one was in Slough, Berkshire.

The crossings had been trialled over two years at 1000 experimental sites, but in 1951 the black and white striped pedestrian crossings were approved, with their flashing Belisha beacons, and all drivers were required by law to stop as soon as a pedestrian set foot on them.

The crossings were the brainchild of Yorkshireman and traffic engineer George ‘Dr Zebra’ Charlesworth, a physicist who had worked on the Barnes Wallis-designed bouncing bomb during the war. His zebra crossings were certainly responsible for saving many lives.

The Belisha beacons, an integral part of the crossing but used since 1934, were introduced by Leslie Hore-Belisha, who served as Minister of Transport at the time. Zebra crossings were adopted throughout the world, from continental Europe to North America, Singapore and Australia.

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Jeremy Johnson
Emerging British Singer-Songwriter
Hampton Scout Hut
Sunday 17th October 2021



Some Thoughts from Hinton on the Green

Evesham Bat Care are super excited to announce we are having a fundraising quiz on Wednesday 10 November at The Queen Elizabeth pub in Elmley Castle starting at 7.30pm. The pub serves food from 6pm and Wednesday is Pie Night, so why not gather a team, book a table for dinner and have no washing up! Tables can only be booked for food, so if you just want to come for the quiz, you'll need to take your chance at spaces.

We shall have an excellent raffle (as always!) and you can bring your teracycle goodies and stamps for us too. We shall be more than happy to fill our cars with bags of toothpaste tubes and bits from y'all. Otherwise, stamps and oral care can be handed to me at Sedgeberrow on 14 November or Hinton on 10 October or 12 December.

Other dates for you to support Evesham Bat Care and my personal life of crafting are at the Honeybourne Craft Fayre on Sunday 3 October and then Badsey Craft Fayre on Saturday 20 November so if you want a Christmas robin or particular crafted animal or bird for gifting, then give me the heads up and I'll do my best! It is less than 100 days until December 25th and lots of people will be wondering where the year has gone! I certainly am. So if you can come to any of these events, I'll be super grateful and would love to see your faces too. Fingers crossed the next article I write will be all about Hinton's plans for a December coffee morning with carols or even a festive fete! It's been a curious year and a half, we just need to keep supporting each other and events as we enter into whatever the new normal is.

Stay safe everyone, keep smiling.

Michelle Young

ALM for Hinton and Sedgeberrow

Sedgeberrow Church News

It is good to be back to near normal in Church, hopefully to stay that way!

We have **BEES** again, if anyone knows of a way to get rid of them without poison, please let us know.

We have started our monthly coffee mornings. The first one back was a brilliant morning with lots of new people, and of course the people who have always supported us. We made £280 for Church funds.



The next coffee morning is on Thursday 28 October 28 from 10 am to 12noon.

Burial of Ashes: 20 August - Alan Douglas Deakin

St Andrew's Fellowship – September 2021

Hello everybody.

My apologies - I should have been in touch with all of you recently, but I am sorry that I haven't - where does the time go?

Anyway, the latest situation is this: we have a committee meeting next week, and I hope to be able to come to some sort of a conclusion then.

However, I have to say that I am still far from happy with the current situation nationally - the numbers of cases is rising again - largely I think because so many people are getting out and about and are not taking sufficient precautions. It has not just 'gone away' as a lot of people seem to think - nor, I think is it going to. We are going to have to live with it, and get on with our lives as best we can.

We, personally, are concerned as, in spite of being double-jabbed, Shirley has had two positive tests - but at least one proved to be a false alarm.

I need to find out how the Volunteer centre are coping in these post-pandemic times, and whether or not they are going to be able to transport members to any events we may organise. We will then do a ring around to advise you all personally.

But please be assured, that my absolute priority is making as sure as I can that no single one of you is confronted with this virus or its variants at least while you are at any event that we as a club may organise.

Having said all that, I am well aware that at least some members would dearly love to meet up again - so I promise that we will; but only when it is safe to do so.

So watch this space - and listen out for the telephone! I would love to be able to find somewhere for us to go for a pre- or post- Christmas meal - but it will have to be completely safe.

Please get into touch with us if there is anything you would like to ask, or if you would like to give me a view ahead of the Committee meeting which is on Tuesday – all being well.

With our love and best wishes to you all,

Take care and stay safe

Shirley and John Lynch.

Walk and Talk, Lost and Found Bereavement Group

The group has been re-launched. There will be a change to the way we meet, which hopefully will be more user friendly - so instead of meeting inside we will go for a short walk and chat along the way.

We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, at 2.00 pm in the Market Square, by the big tree.

The All-Saints Team

St Andrew's CE First School

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A HUGE welcome back to all children and their families. We are extremely pleased to see that everyone has settled into school routines extremely well; we are very proud of everyone. A special welcome to all the children starting in the two Reception classes and the other children who have joined us from other schools. We also welcome four new members of staff: Mr. Baker, Mrs. Carey, Mrs. Streeter and Mr. Walton, who are teaching assistants. Finally, a big 'thank you' to all our parents, carers and staff for their unwavering support this week.

At school, we have a daily act of worship based around a set of Christian Values which are relevant to everyone of all faiths and none. This half term's value is **'PERSEVERANCE'**.

To start their new topic of 'Surviving in the Stone Age', Year 3 spent the afternoon in the forest. As they explored the woodland, the children had to think about how they could survive if they lived in our forest.

The lovely September weather has allowed pupils to enjoy learning in our wonderful forest school. Last week, Reception built dens with crates, painted forest pictures and climbed the monkey tree.

Year 1 have also had a super busy start to the new school year as they began their 'Australian Adventure' last week by finding Australia on the globe and talking about how they would get there. They made passports, Australian flags, didgeridoos and boomerangs. They then had a special delivery... Kevin the Koala came to visit. He was lost, so the children learnt about the other continents to help him find his way back home to Australia!

Everyone is looking forward to a busy term ahead, filled with lots of learning!

Andrea Bailey – Headteacher

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End of British Summer Time

**Don't forget that the clocks go back
at 2am on Sunday 31 October**

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Pumpkin Soup with Goat's Cheese



INGREDIENTS

FOR THE SOUP:

- 1.3kg pumpkin or butternut squash, peeled and cut into 2-3cm chunks (you want 850g flesh)
- 200g banana shallots, skin on, halved lengthways
- 1 small whole garlic bulb, leave skin on but cut 1 centimetre from top
- 3 sprigs rosemary
- 2 teaspoons dried chilli flakes (optional)
- 4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 750ml good chicken or vegetable stock, plus extra if needed

TO SERVE:

- 100g crumbly goats' cheese; toasted pumpkin seeds (optional)

METHOD

1. Heat the oven to 180°C/fan 160°C/mark 4. Put pumpkin or squash in a large roasting tin with the shallots, garlic-cut-side down - rosemary, chilli (if using), olive oil and seasoning
2. Toss to coat in the oil. Roast for 45 minutes until mostly tender and golden in places, but **not too browned**.
3. When the pumpkin is ready, remove the rosemary, and squeeze the softened garlic shallots from their skins into the roasting tray, discarding the skins. Heat the stock in a saucepan large enough to fit the pumpkin, then add the contents of the roasting tray and simmer for 15-20 minutes. Blend to a smooth purée using a stick blender, thinning with more hot stock if necessary. Alternatively, cool slightly and blend in batches in a jug blender or food processor (a processor won't give as smooth a result).
4. Reheat gently to serve, season and ladle into warm bowls. Crumble over the goats' cheese and scatter with toasted pumpkin seeds (optional).



Sudoku - Easy

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4		2			7	8	9	5
	8				5			2

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Sudoku - Medium

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	2				7		9	
		9					8	5
	4	6				9	3	
5	3					1		
	1		3				4	
		4		9		6		
		7			8			

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Bible Bites

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Mark 6:17-28, Matthew 14:1-11

After Herod Antipator died, the Romans allowed his son Herod Antipas to rule Galilee and Perea. He was hated by the Jews

Herod Antipas divorced his wife and married his brother Herod-Philip's wife, Herodias.



John the Baptist told him he had broken Jewish law by marrying his brother's wife*



*Lev 18:19,20:21. She was also his niece.

Herodias hated John and wanted him dead.

Herod was afraid of John and wouldn't kill him but put him in prison.

Herod liked to listen to John.



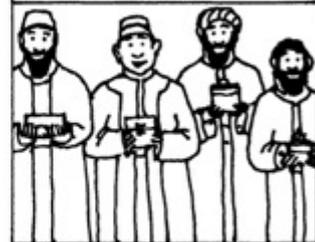
Finally, Herodias got her chance.

Herod had a big party for his birthday.



(Birthday parties were a new trend from Greece.)

He invited everyone important in Galilee.



Herodias sent her daughter to dance for Herod and his guests.



(No decent girl would do this.)

They were very entertained.



I will give you anything, even half my kingdom



(Which wasn't really his to give.)

Salome asked Herodias, then said



I want John's head on a plate.

Oh, no! But I made a promise in front of everyone!



So John was killed* and Salome was given his head. She gave it to her mother.



*illegal without a trial

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Services for October 2021

3 October – Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity				
		8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		10am	Harvest Praise	Hampton
		10am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
Genesis 2: 18-24; Hebrews 1: 1-4. 2: 5-12; Mark 10: 2-16				
Wednesday 6		10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
10 October – Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity				
		8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
		10am	Morning Praise	Sedgeberrow
		11.00am	Harvest Praise	Hinton
Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15 ; Hebrews 4: 12-16; Mark 10: 17-31				
Wednesday 13		10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
17 October – Twentieth Sunday after Trinity				
		8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		10am	Morning Praise	Hampton
		10am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
		3pm	Holy Baptism	Hampton
Isiah 53: 4-12; Hebrews 5: 1-10; Mark 10:35-45				
Wednesday 20		10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
24 October – Twenty First Sunday after Trinity – Bible Sunday				
		8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		10am	Parish Eucharist	Hampton
		10am	Morning Praise	Sedgeberrow
Isaiah 55: 1-11; 2 Timothy 3: 14-4:5; John 5: 36b-47				
Wednesday 27		10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
31 October – Fourth Sunday before Advent (All Saints)				
		8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		10am	Benefice Eucharist	Hampton
		4pm	All Souls Service	Hampton
		2pm	Holy Baptism	Sedgeberrow
Wisdom of Solomon 3: 1-9 or I Revelation 21: 1-6a; John 11: 32-44				

Services for November 2021

Wednesday 3		10am	Holy Communion	Hampton
7 November – Third Sunday before Advent				
		8am	Holy Communion	Hampton
		10am	Morning Praise	Hampton
		10am	Holy Communion	Sedgeberrow
Jonah 3: 1-5. 10; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 1: 14-20				
Wednesday 10		10am	Holy Communion	Hampton

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