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Litchborough Church and Village

Newsletter

September 2024



4th September - Garden Club Meeting



8th September - James Rudkin
Litchborough GOLD MEDAL winning
Olympian Welcome Home Reception



14th September - **RIDE + STRIDES**



17th September - Parish Council -
7.00pm Village Hall

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Litchborough Village MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Friday 27th September

Community Cuppa and Litchborough Ladies

10.30am - 12.00 noon - Village Hall



28th September 7.30pm Village Hall



Youth Club Every Tuesday 7.00pm-8.30pm



Litchborough Playgroup
Tuesdays 9.30am -11.30 am in the Village Hall

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THE REVEREND WRITES

Have you ever thought that you would like to know more about the Bible? Have you ever wondered how the Old and New Testaments fit together to tell the whole story of God's plan for salvation? Did Jesus ever exist and is he really the Son of God? Even those of us who have been going to church and reading the Bible for years have questions we would like to ask and the opportunity for discussion. The Bible contains over three-quarters of a million words so there is always plenty to learn!

This autumn we are offering the chance for anyone in the villages who is interested to delve into the Bible. It doesn't matter if you have never opened a copy or know something and would like to find out more. You don't have to attend church to come, there will be no expectations of a deep Theological understanding and no obligation to even say anything if you prefer just to listen! Starting with a whistle-stop journey through the Old Testament to put things into context we will then look in greater detail at the life of Jesus using Tom Wright's study guide to Luke's Gospel.

We will meet on the second Tuesday of each month starting on September 10th in the small meeting room in Litchborough Village Hall between 2pm and 3pm. There will be tea/coffee and cake and it will all be very informal - just come along!

If you would like more information please contact me and if you are interested but the time doesn't work for you please let me know and we can look at starting up an evening series.

God bless

Revd Sue

If you would like to talk please contact me on 01327 341307
stanley.thehole@btinternet.com

Your Village Newsletter



Have you a special event, a story to tell, news to share or even a moan? Then email me at dq2010@btinternet.com or telephone me on 01327-830077 by the 20th of the

month and it can go in the newsletter. It is always good to hear interesting and amusing tales be they from the past or present

Sandy Aked-Walker

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Benefice Services for September

1st September	14th Sunday after Trinity	
10:00am	Holy Communion	Maidford
6:00pm	Compline	Adstone
3rd September	9:30am Holy Communion	Woodend
8th September	15th Sunday after Trinity	
9:00am	Holy Communion	Farthingstone
10:30am	Celtic Morning Worship	Blakesley
10.30am	Family Service	Litchborough
4:00pm	Harvest Festival	Adstone
6:00pm	Evensong	Maidford
15th September	16th Sunday after Trinity	
9:00am	Holy Communion	Maidford
10:30am	Holy Communion	Litchborough
10:30am	Music and Meditation	Blakesley
6:00pm	Compline	Adstone
22nd September	17th Sunday after Trinity	
9:00am	Matins	Maidford
9:00am	Holy Communion	Adstone
10:30am	Celtic Morning Worship	Litchborough
10:30am	Holy Communion	Blakesley
6:00pm	Compline	Farthingstone
29th September	18th Sunday after Trinity	
10:00am	Benefice Holy Communion	Blakesley



From St Martin's Church - September Services

1st September	14th Sunday after Trinity	No Service
8th September	15th Sunday after Trinity	
10:30am	Family Service- Greeter and refreshments	- Christine/Carol
15th September	16th Sunday after Trinity	
10.30am	Holy Communion	Refreshments: Carol
Greeter:	Reader: Helen	
22nd September	17th Sunday after Trinity	
10.30am	Celtic Morning Worship	Refreshments: Liz
Greeter:Ian	Reader: Matthew	
29th September	18th Sunday after Trinity	
10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion	Blakesley

FRIDAY COMMUNITY CUPPA + more 27th September



Hello Everybody, First of all, thanks as always, to everyone who came along to the Village Hall last month, really good to see you.

This month is slightly different, we're joining with the Village annual **Macmillan Coffee Morning on the morning of the 27th, between 10.30am and midday**. Please come! Bring along friends and family, it's such a worthwhile charity. Looking forward to seeing you in the **morning** down our Village Hall,
Best wishes,

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Village Defibrillator

The new defibrillator is a little smaller but works in exactly the same way and is now in a carrying bag inside the dome in the phone box. The emergency kit of scissors, face mask etc is also in the bag

Need it and you are on your own -help is at hand

Several people have kindly offered their phone numbers to be contacted to go and get the defib and bring it to you. Sandy and David 01327-830077/07759-326675 Sonia -07929-963976, Anna Prior 07940379650, all are available to help. - if you do need to use the defib and take it away please let David Aked-Walker know so we don't think it has been stolen again! Thank you to the volunteers.



Village Lottery



Two winners this month, Isabel Davies and Ruth Burbidge. Both had their lucky numbers drawn as the Bonus Ball on Lotto Saturdays Draws, and each will benefit from the winning £25 prize.. To find out more phone Ian Lowery on 01327 830823



War Memorial Flowers - September

7th September -Bex Hutchings, 14th September- Sharon O'Brian 21st September - Liz Robinson, 28th September -Amanda Graves, 5th October - Susie Heygate



Litchborough Gardening Club - As the busy summer fades into Autumn, the gardening club have enjoyed trips to Canons Ashby, Kathy Browns Garden, Hampton Court Flower Show and Buscot Park and a very successful open gardens !! But now with a new season approaching, we will be back in the village hall on the first Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm from 4th Sept September - "Semi ripe cuttings in an Autumn garden " by Helen Mandel. This is open to members and non members (charge for non members £5 a session).

Plants-and-flowers jobs for September - Buy spring bulbs

Most bulbs are ready to plant straight away, with the exception of tulips, which are best left until November to avoid the disease tulip fire. Whether you're buying online, or garden centre or supermarket, look for named varieties and buy the biggest size bulbs you can for the best display of flowers. Plant the bulbs at three times the height of the bulb

Divide perennials -Autumn is a good time to divide clumps of perennials such as hardy geraniums. Lift the clump and divide into pieces, either by prising it apart with two forks or cutting it up with a spade or bread knife. Each piece needs some leaves and roots. Older pieces from the centre of the clump should be thrown away, but newer pieces can be replanted or shared with friends. Some perennials, such as sedums, will benefit from being divided every few years to keep the clump growing vigorously.

Sow winter salads Early September is the best time to sow salad plants for harvests between November and early May. Grow them out of the worst of the weather under a protective covering, such as glass, polythene, fleece or insect-proof mesh. Although no extra heat is needed, without any protective covering harvests are small in winter and of lower quality. Sow in modular trays using a Best Buy compost for sowing seeds and then plant outside when they're big enough to handle next month.

Winter salads to try: **Chervil** - sow asap for small harvests of fine flavour. **Chicories and endives**- small harvests of bitter and pretty leaves. **Claytonia** - very hardy, and prolific in mild winters. **Corn salad** - for harvests from November to April. **Land cress** - sow asap for small harvests of strong flavours, and beware pigeons. **Lettuce**,- to stand as small plants then heart up in spring or for regular picking of outer leaves from November to May. **Mizuna** - for plentiful leaves in autumn and occasional winter harvests. **Mustards** - large leaves in mild weather. **Salad rocket** - crops in small amounts through the winter. **Spinach 'Medania'** - sow asap for small, steady and sweet harvests

Happy Gardening- Diane & Teresa



Litchborough Ladies Friday 27th September

Litchborough Ladies next meeting will be on **Friday 27th September** from 10.30am - 12.00 noon in the Village Hall as we are again joining with Community Cuppa for the **Annual MacMillan Coffee Morning**
Many thanks to Vivienne for hosting our last meeting -the delicious cakes and great company enjoyed by all

. Everyone is are welcome

See you on the 27th - Jan Hutchings 01327-830877



Air Ambulance Clothes Bank in the Village Hall Car Park



There are several people from this village who have been extremely grateful for the local Air Ambulance Service and living in a rural area are more than aware of the need for its service.. So save the fuel on going to find a clothes bank and pop along to the Village Hall and donate your items (list on the Bank) to this very deserving cause.

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SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 7.30PM



Come along to the village hall for Hit Mix Music Bingo. A fun evening where you can sing along to 70s/80s/90s/00s music and hopefully shout "BINGO!" first and claim a prize. Spot prizes also awarded for singing and dancing throughout the evening.

£5 p.p. to secure a place, then £2 per Bingo card. You can come a long for a fabulous pot-luck supper for £5 and just watch, or join in the madness.

Everyone to bring a dish for the communal supper table please, plus your own nibbles, drinks and glasses, and a prize for the prize hamper please (usual format!).

Doors open at 7.30pm, to reserve your place please transfer £5.00 p.p. to SARAH HOBBS - 089066 - 14110216 and let either Sarah - sandghobbs4@gmail.com , Catherine - catherine@belmartechologies.co.uk or Janice jab1960@yahoo.co.uk. know you are coming.



YOUTH CLUB Every Tuesday 7.00pm-8.30pm

In the Village Hall

if you've any questions Contact 😊 email: sarah@cypn.org

Michaelmas Concert
at St Mary's Church, Blakesley

Lambfold Choir

together with folk trio



6.30pm on Sunday 29th September 2024

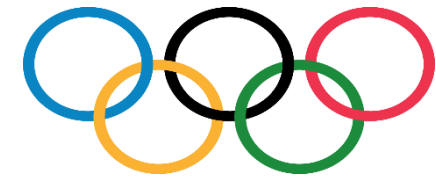
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Andrew and Sarah Rudkin invite you to share a glass
of fizz with them to celebrate James's GOLD
medal. Please join us in the Village Hall between
12.00noon and 1.00pm on
Sunday 8th September 2024.

Soft drinks and nibbles will also be available.
Everyone welcome with thanks to the Parish Council

Stop Press -Welcome News



THE OLD RED LION is Roaring Back
to Life with the new landlord
Jacob at the end of September
beginning of October.

It can take a bit of time for Lions to wake up!!
Check the Notice Board for the Opening Date and
Hours



Beers and wines  are on order !!