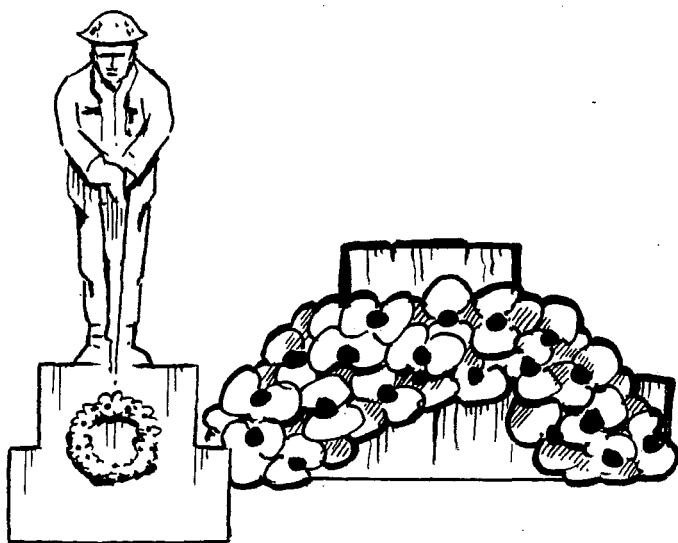


Good News: 60p

The magazine of the Oakham Benefice
November 2012.



*"They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn,
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
We will remember them."*

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November Reflection

by *David Pattinson*



**“November’s sky is chill and drear
November’s leaf is red and sear (withered)”**

Walter Scott’s less than cheery lines from his epic poem “Marmion” are a poor recommendation for any month. The Anglo Saxons called November both the “wind month”, as the cold winds arrived and the “blood Month”, because it marked the time when animals were slaughtered for winter food – hardly enhancing its reputation.

But the bonus is that this is a month for sitting in front of the fire and reflecting. Reflecting on the Christian year that is closing, on the highs and lows of another year that is fast fading. A time for remembering, as the festivals at the start of the month betoken - All Souls; All Saints; Remembrance Day. Not to mention “remember, remember the 5th of November”. How could I forget that? I met Margaret for the first time on the 5th November 1966! Fireworks all the way!

How will we reflect on 2012?

Royalists will look back on splendid Diamond Jubilee celebrations, honouring a queen whose values of integrity, loyalty, faithfulness and service have found greater currency in uncertain times, and gained her the increasing affection of her people.

Parliamentarians will be less encouraged. Politicians of all hues have struggled to make their mark. It becomes more difficult to discern party values, as policies seem to materialise in response to public/press pressure, and with the main intention of ensuring a win at the next election.

Financiers will also be crying all the way to the Bank. The woes of the euro and a growing UK deficit have made life unrewarding. The growing numbers of unemployed across Europe will understand at first hand that the “financial wheels are wobbling!”

Sports fans will have much more to cheer. A fabulous Olympics and Para-Olympics that highlighted to the world our skills and abilities, and seemed to bring out the best in so many. Even Londoners were talking to strangers! And then, Andy Murray winning his first grand slam, not to mention the Ryder Cup.

And how will we reflect on church life this year? A change of Archbishop of Canterbury, but no resolve to the thorny issues of women bishops and gay marriages. We believe in a God who has “broken every barrier down” – but some remain. At All Saints, we have the chance this year to set out our reflections on the blue forms. Still time for some late entries.

The good thing about reflection is that it gives us a sense of proportion. It lifts our gaze from the day to day demands and routines, from the tedious, if necessary, tasks, from the unimportant, (on reflection), and allows our minds to soar. From this wider view we can appreciate better the “state of the nation” and our own spiritual journey, and also appreciate what God has done for us in making us part of His glorious, miraculous and gracious creation.

So go on – put your feet up in front of the fire and reflect on this year and your Christian journey in 2012.

“I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember your miracles of long ago. I will meditate on all your works and consider all your mighty deeds.” Psalm 77: 11, 12.

Editorial

Our aim is to get Good News into all subscribers hands promptly before the beginning of each month. All of us are volunteers and appreciate the help we are commonly given by subscribers and the massive amount of time that it saves. Not all subscribers can easily produce material immediately ready for production and we do not wish to discourage their contributions but for those who can following the requirements below would help enormously.

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Thank you for your help.

David.

Note: We need copy for December by Nov. 5th.

We want to produce and distribute the magazine before we leave on holiday on the 14th.

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MOTHERS' UNION NEWS

Diocesan News

Gordon Woods reports the following: September's final Saturday signalled the Mothers' Union Festival Eucharist for Peterborough Diocese held once every three years. Hundreds, well over 300, including 10 from our branch, converged on the cathedral for this joyous service. It started with the parade of banners, with Oakham's being carried by Elizabeth McCarthy, and a welcome from outgoing Diocesan President Meg Dyer. Meg shared the lesson reading with her successor as president, Barbara Haynes. Hymns were lustily sung prior to the Bishop of Brixworth, John Holbrook, preaching about the role of the Mothers' Union today and presiding over the communion itself. Afterwards homemade cakes featured in tea in the transept, a chance to mingle with members across the diocese or patronise the stall selling MU merchandise. An uplifting day for all who attended.

Deanery News

The Deanery Quiet Morning took place in All Saints Oakham on 9th October when we welcomed members from around the Deanery to join us for a service of Holy Communion, followed by coffee and then a Quiet Time before lunch. The service was conducted by Revd. Audrey Atkinson who also led us in a morning of reflection and spiritual self-examination using some ideas from the Spiritual Exercises developed by St Ignatius Loyola. Revd. Audrey gave a short biography of St. Ignatius and described her own path to this form of worship "to praise, reverence and serve God our Lord." Then came the hard bit as we struggled to get underneath the everyday to the living heart of our faith! But after this period of quiet reflection we emerged spiritually refreshed ready for a convivial lunch prepared by members of Oakham and Braunston MU.

We are so grateful to Revd. Audrey for her thoughtful preparation of the morning and for her typically cheerful and ever-smiling encouragement. Thanks are also due to Pamela and her team of helpers, especially Derek Ufton, who worked so hard in so many areas for us and Barrie James, who helped in the setting-up and putting-away needed for this successful and well-attended morning.

Branch News

The next meeting will take place on **Thursday 8th November in the Church Hall at 2.15pm.** On this occasion we are very pleased to be welcoming one of our own members, Ruth Maguire, who will speak on "How Deep are your Roots? – A Look at Geneology." Family History is currently a very popular subject and anyone wishing to join us as a visitor will be most welcome.

And finally ... I thought you might be interested in this excerpt from David Dyer's article in a recent Diocesan MU Magazine ... "At our Rutland Deanery Synod meeting when our President so splendidly pulled the wool from the eyes of so many of the audience and showed them what we really do, it was clear to me that the MU is not just "the best kept secret of the church" it is also a very bright light so far "under a bushel" that virtually nobody saw beyond a monthly meeting around a cup of tea. We can get more members, we can be more well-known, and yes we can command far greater respect for what we really get done."

As an old BBC radio programme used to have it – "Think on These Things."

Barbara James



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The Rt Revd John Holbrook, Bishop of Brixworth, writes

The sound of silence

Autumn is the season of remembering, with All Saints and All Souls quickly followed by Remembrance Sunday. There will be plenty of respectful silence as we remember those who have gone before us, great people of faith and those who have given their lives in the all too many armed conflicts of the last 100 years.



Silences can be awkward – the difficult silence when something has been spoken that perhaps shouldn't have been, or perhaps should have been but we wished hadn't. No-one knows what to say, no one dares break the silence, but everyone is longing for it to be over. Jesus was good at using those silences to help people face reality, often reality about themselves.

Silence can be frightening. The late Cardinal Basil Hume described this as "a silence that is no more than the absence of noise, an emptiness, a negative thing, frightening for those who have not made of silence a special friend".

But silence can also bring people together. Whoever we are, from wherever we come, whatever our beliefs, we can recognise in unifying silence that we are sisters and brothers, children of God, one human family. In our two minutes of reflection at Remembrance, differences are laid aside in silent recognition that we need each other, we belong together.

Silence articulates our inarticulate feelings. We share a common grief, mourning together, heart speaking to heart without the need for words. We express our deep gratitude to those whose names may be unknown to us but who died on our behalf.

Many have found God in silence. Jesus himself repeatedly made time to go away to a quiet place to be with his Father.

One Christian wrote: "Several years ago I had lost any sense of joy in worship and prayer. The emptiness persisted. I was on the point of giving up when I discovered a completely new way of understanding the spiritual journey. For the first time I recognised that I lacked a personal relationship with God. The sound of silence became a means to a relationship with him, as a way of encountering Christ."

It is in such silence that we shall hear a voice deep within us, the voice of God, sometimes no louder than a whisper, but speaking to us unmistakably if we learn to listen.

+ A handwritten signature in dark ink, consisting of a stylized 'J' followed by a flourish.

Around the diocese

Sister Rachel takes up spirituality adviser role

Bishop Donald recently asked Sister Rachel, a solitary religious living in Peterborough, to take on the role of Diocesan Adviser for Spirituality. Here she introduces herself and what she can offer to individuals and churches.

I qualified in medicine before I became a sister and lived within a religious community for 23 years. During that time I worked in both general practice and psychiatry. Within the community I was responsible for music and liturgy. I now live alone under life vows, according to a Rule of Life, and am accountable to the Bishop of Peterborough.



My pattern of life is based around a daily framework of prayer and worship. I have a small chapel where I live, and here I recite the monastic offices up to five times a day. I spend time in both silence and solitude, but I also have to work to generate a small income. The ideal is to maintain a balance between prayer, work and recreation.

Spirituality is about developing our awareness of God, and letting that growing awareness inform and shape our life. In practice, this requires us to establish a pattern of prayer, and to learn about how we relate to ourselves and to the world around us: how we take our place within the Church, humanity and creation.

Learning about different ways of praying can be helpful in this journey, as can quiet days and sometimes retreats and guided prayer weeks. From the earliest days of the Church, there has been a tradition of what has been called spiritual direction (or accompaniment) where one Christian meets with another to listen to them and their experiences, and help them grow in awareness of God, and of how the Holy Spirit is moving in their life. The real "director" is always the Holy Spirit.

One of my first steps as Adviser for Spirituality will be to set up a network of spiritual directors in the diocese, supported by training, supervision and teaching about different ways of prayer and forms of spirituality.

I would be glad to hear from anyone (clergy or laity) who is already engaged in a ministry of accompanying others in this way, or from anyone who might feel drawn to the ministry. If you would like to explore spiritual direction, or are wondering about how to find a spiritual director for yourself, do please contact me.

Over the years I have been involved in spiritual direction, leading retreats and quiet days and teaching groups about prayer and

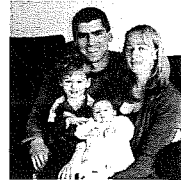
spirituality. I have worked with just about every type of group, from leaping around with children on parish missions, to a perhaps more sedate preaching to the Mother's Union. So either as an individual or a group, please make use of me!

You can contact me via my website www.anchorhold.co.uk

Pioneer ministry at St Crispins is two years old

Andrew Dunlop, Pioneer Minister on the St Crispin's new housing development in Northampton West, reports:

It is two years since Sarah and I moved onto the St Crispin's estate with our son, then six months old, and our cat. We set about getting to know our new community, hoping that eventually we might be able to set up some "Fresh Expressions" of church.



At that time the development was just numerous houses, a school and a post box. Many people commuted long distances to work, leaving mums and small children at home where they knew few others. Since then a parade of shops has opened, including a coffee shop which has become the centre of the community.

We began by establishing a team and getting to know people, open to where God might guide us. After eight months or so we were able to offer a few groups to serve the community in bringing them together. I started a weekly kick-about, Monday Night Football, with a trip to the pub for the guys. Neighbours who had never spoken started to become friends. We also started a book club and a baby signing course.

In May this year we felt it was time to start worshipping together as a team each month. We shaped our worship around those who might not be used to traditional church, without dumbing down the content. With no obvious venue on the estate, we met in our home. Sixteen adults and plenty of children attended the first two Sundays. We needed more space and we have now moved to an unused Free Church building in the old village.

Typically on a Sunday we begin at 4pm, all together for a game. After that the children go to sessions for their age group whilst the adults stay to investigate the theme of the day. We are following a series on the basics of the Christian faith, leading up to Christmas. Afterwards everyone stays for an early-evening sandwich tea and chat together. We are clear that this time together is just as important as the time with Bible input. People start to drift away at about 6pm, ready for the children's bedtime.

This monthly gathering is not meant to be our primary outreach event, but rather for those in the team who want to deepen their faith. Alongside the relationship-forming groups that already run

throughout the week, we intend to start something more easily accessible such as Messy Church, at the same 4pm time, on another Sunday of the month.

However, we now have the task of ongoing discipleship to consider with the group from the first monthly gathering. It is a lovely problem to have, and one that I might not have expected at this stage had you asked me two years ago!

Looking forward to "Winter glory"

Fourteen years ago two women from Christ the King church in Kettering went on a prayer walk around Kettering Conference Centre (then Kettering Leisure Village). Sally and Lynne felt that God was asking them to pray for a Christian conference that would be held there one day. To hire the Centre was expensive and Lynne said to Sally that "it would take a miracle" for them to be able to host the Kettering and district women's conference at the Centre.



The miracle has happened! On Saturday 26 January 2013 a Christian women's conference entitled Winter Glory will take place at Kettering Conference Centre, with space for 400 or more participants.

The main speaker will be Alison Morgan (pictured), thinker, writer and speaker with the organisation ReSource. Alison led the pre-ordination retreat in our diocese this year, and preached at the ordination services at Peterborough Cathedral.

A team from Christ the King has organised an annual women's conference since 2006. Last year over 300 women from far and wide attended. Churches are invited to bring a group. Tickets (£12.50) and more information are available from enquiries@winterglory.co.uk or www.winterglory.co.uk

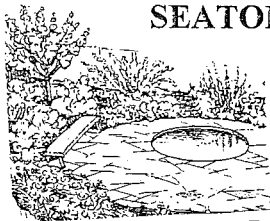
November events

Sat 17 - Thurs 22, Prisons Week Exhibition at Peterborough Cathedral, featuring work by prisoners from HMP Peterborough, plus information about the work of the Chaplaincy and others to help ex-offenders re-integrate into the local community. www.peterborough-cathedral.org.uk.

Thurs 29 Nov - Sat 2 Dec, Christmas Carols Creativity at St Botolph's, Longthorpe, Peterborough. Models, paintings, stitching and woodcuts representing Christmas carols. Refreshments on sale. Open Thurs 2pm-4.30pm, Fri & Sat 10am-4.30pm.

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Braunston News

Harvest Sale

As is our usual custom we sold the produce which decorated the the church for harvest and are sending the proceeds to Helen House. At the time of writing the proceeds amount to £160.

Thanks to those who gave the produce and those who bought it at the sale. That raised £100. Thanks also to those who, unable to join us for harvest, have contributed to the funds. At the moment the fund stands at £160- reaching £200 would be good.

David.

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Come and join us for **Church@4** at **4.00pm** on the **4th Sunday** of the month, it's held either in the church or in the Village Hall, next door. We'd love to see you.

We next meet at 4.00pm on October 28th for a Lite Nite Party, and then on November 25th to celebrate Christ the King with a Feast!!!

It's good to know if you're coming, but we'll be glad to see you anyway, call Alan or Gail on 01572 755570.

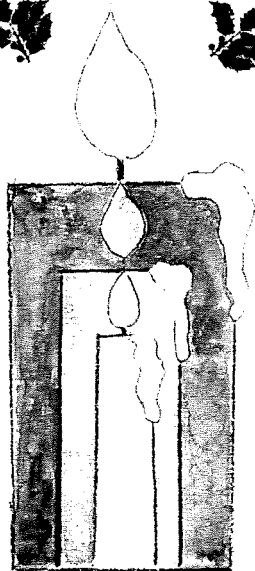
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BROOKE NEWS

Brooke PCC Meeting

The main business of the Brooke PCC Meeting held on Friday, 12th October, was discussion about the chest tombs in the churchyard which are in a dangerous condition. As complete renovation would be prohibitively expensive it was reluctantly agreed that the only solution would be partial demolition but retaining the inscribed side panels of the two tombs. Even this would be extremely expensive and would require a Faculty. Some form of fund raising would therefore be necessary to cover the costs.

The other item of interest was the recent decree on jam jars which would have an impact on one of our usual sources of income. It was agreed to follow the same procedure as the WI Market.



The Brooke **Christmas Bazaar** will be held on the first Thursday of December, but at a different venue as a result of Sheila Harrington's recent accident. It will now be held at **6 Tay Close, Oakham on Thursday, 6th December**, from 10 a.m. until 12 o'clock, thanks to the generosity of Ann and Ken Grimmer.

The next meeting will be the **Annual Meetings** of the church, and they will be held at the home of Ken and Ann Grimmer, 6 Tay Close, Oakham.

The meeting closed with refreshments at 9.30, and Cath and Ian were thanked for their hospitality.

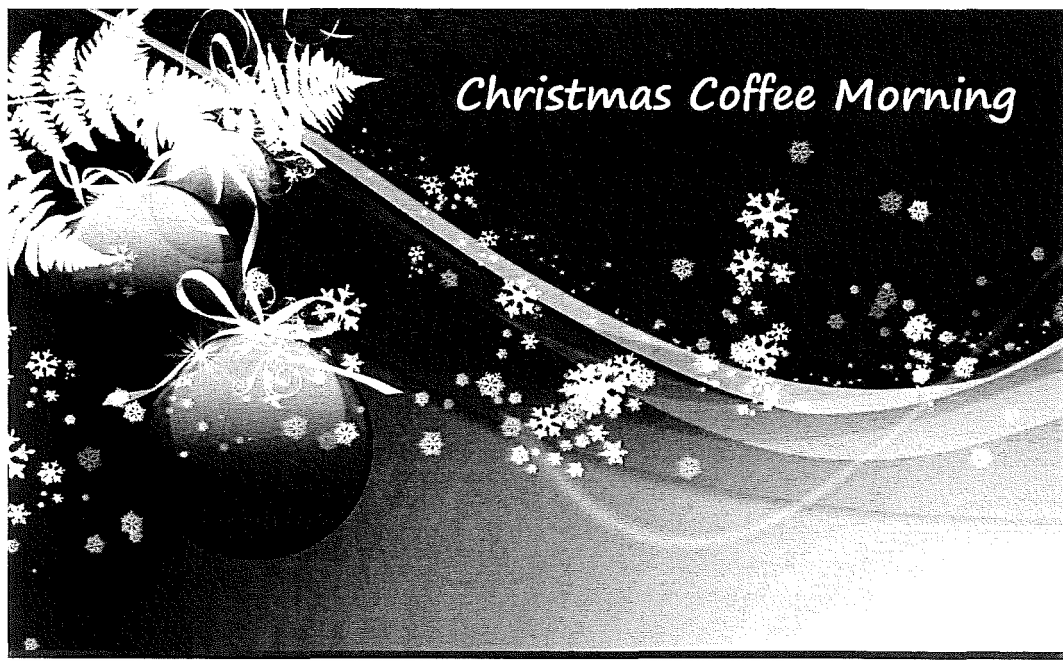
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Thursday 6th December 2012

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Harvest Festival at St Peter, Brooke Sunday 21st October

Although later this year, the Harvest service was held at the end of a lovely sunny, autumnal Sunday and the pealing of the bells attracted a full congregation.

The little church of St Peter was as usual beautifully decorated for the occasion by the ladies and friends of Brooke church using flowers kindly donated by Rowland Meadows of Braunston.

The service with favourite traditional harvest hymns was given by the Venerable Gordon Steel, the Archdeacon of Oakham and Reader Alan Rudge with organist Connie Beadman.

There was a treat at the end of the service when we were entertained by the wonderful singing of Matthew Clemence and Rebecca Dewey as they performed songs on a theme of fields. Hopefully they will be back sometime to enthral us again with their voices.

After this it was time for the Brooke hospitality team to produce another table full of delicious refreshments and drinks for the many people who stayed afterwards to enjoy good company and conversation.

Our thanks go to all who in anyway contributed to the decorations, service, entertainment and refreshments.

We look forward to our next event which will be the Christmas Coffee Morning on Thursday 6th December, this year at 6 Tay Close, Oakham. So do come along for an early mince pie!



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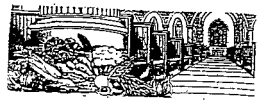
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EGLETON NEWS



Harvest Festival elicited a great stir of activity during October's early days: thanksgiving was properly expressed, acknowledging "all safely gathered in" after the trials and tribulations of a dismal, wet summer season.

For the most part, summer had become a distant, bad memory as preparations for the Festival took root in St. Edmund's parish: the gifts and graces of Eggleton's floral artists were prominent once again and so too the culinary skills, as the plans for worship and for feasting were fulfilled.

The Sunday evening Festival Service was directed by the Revd Audrey with Churchwarden Sue and her predecessor David as Readers, Neville as Intercessor and Margaret as a busy organist to accompany the Congregation's large appetite for a Harvest indulged in a lusty sequence of harvest-tide hymns.

Malcolm commanded the auction of the harvest gifts before Eggleton's thankful harvesters repaired to the Village Hall, with appetites whetted for Harvest Home Supper – a real treat and another ample cause to "thank the Lord, Oh! Thank the Lord of all his love!"

November, twentieth marks the Feast Day of St. Edmund King & Martyr and calls for a further Festival in which to give due honour to EDMUND in our Patronal Festival. On the Sunday nearest to his Feast Day, Eggleton will rise to this major obligation in each and every Calendar of parish life.

Our nearest neighbour among the many English parishes dedicated to St. Edmund King & Martyr is located in Holme Pierrepont, a truly rural satellite of Nottingham.

In 2001 there was a cordial response from Holme Pierrepont to share the Festival of Edmund parishes in St. Edmundsbury Cathedral. Again, in 2010, for the second Festival in the Cathedral, Holme Pierrepont had a prominent profile!

Personal ties of friendship have been established in and between these enterprises and, as one more evidence of our parochial links, Neville has been invited to participate as their Guest Preacher when Holme Pierrepont

celebrates Patronal Festival on that same morning of November Eighteenth:
may it prove to be another memorable season, whether here or there!

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HAMBLETON NEWS

On Sunday, 16th September *Evelyn Hazel Ward* daughter of *Rebecca and Andrew Ward* was baptised at St Andrew's Church, Hambleton by *Rev Audrey Atkinson*.

On Saturday, 22nd September, *Sheila Clayton and John Davey* were married at St Andrew's Church, Hambleton. *Rev Lee Francis-Dehqani* conducted the Service. The organist was *Robert Gower* and *Araminta Mathias* led the Bell Ringers.

On Tuesday, 25th September at 1.30pm *Sam Brown* who lives at The Old Hall, Hambleton held an excellent flower demonstration; "*Wild and Wonderful Flowers in the Home*" at Hambleton Village Hall. Tickets included traditional afternoon tea and were in aid of the St Andrew's Church Roof and Repair Fund. More than sixty people attended and £1,030.60 was raised by the sale of tickets and a raffle of *Sam's* marvellous flower arrangements.

On Saturday, 17th November there will be a Supper and Race Night in aid of the church roof repair fund. The event starts at 8pm and will be held in the Village Hall. Tickets are £10 each and are available by contacting *Geoffrey or Susan Graves* on 01572 720816 or gg.ats@btinternet.com.

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Langham

Harvest celebrations.

Langham celebrated this on October 14th, and it was lovely to have a Christening during the service. Isobel Crouch, daughter of Hugh and Natasha beamed to everyone throughout! The Church was decorated by a loyal band, displaying flowers and produce. Zetland plants, trading in Langham, generously donated produce from their market stall.

After the service, 50 sat down to enjoy a roast turkey lunch followed by fruit crumbles. John and Bridget Bingham with Val Page worked hard in the kitchen, and grateful thanks go to them for all their work. Another loyal band helped with the washing up! Nick Holford auctioned the produce which raised another £48 for Church funds.



Langham Tree and Crib Festival

Sat Dec 1st 10-7 pm & Sunday Dec 2nd .10 -4pm

Come to see the Church decorated
and vote for your favourite!

Live musical performances

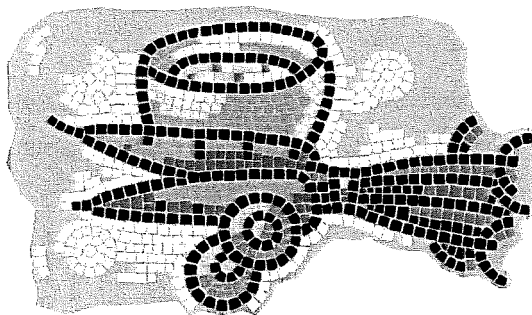
Refreshments and crafts in the Village Hall
Saturday Dec 1st

Opening night concert Friday Nov 30th
Jackie Morrison sings and entertains.
Tickets £15 from Debbie on 723533

For any further details please ring Jenny on 724032.

St Peter and St Paul's Church
Langham

Soup!



We're all in this together

Sunday November 18th @ 4pm

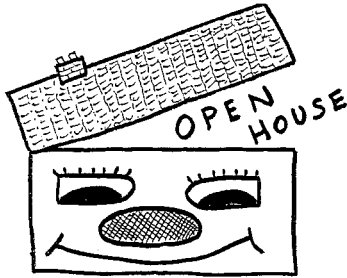
In the Village Hall

Songs food activities

Prayers games

OAKHAM NEWS

OPEN HOUSE 2012



All welcome

Wednesday, 14th November

at the home of

Margaret & David Pattinson

6 The Dell

Between 10 a.m. and 12 noon

The League of Friends of Rutland Memorial Hospital

Despite the rather dismal forecast, we were once again blessed with good weather for the Coffee Morning on 11th October and the Committee would once again like to thank Joan and Harold for their kind hospitality in holding the event in their home at 58 Ashwell Road – always a very enjoyable venue. Thanks, too, to all who came to support, sent or brought items for the bring and buy and raffle stalls, gave donations, or helped in any way.

Plans are being considered for the landscaping and financing of the Hospital Courtyard garden (further details later) and the sum of £255 raised from the Coffee Morning will be donated to this project.

The Friends Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 30th October, at the Hospital, when Pauline Pitts and Rose de Jardin (who constructed a garden at Hampton Court) will give a talk.

From Oakham Parish Church Registers

Burial Office in Church

2nd October

Florence Jarvis

“May she rest in peace”

THANK YOU

After a very joyous Harvest Service many members of the congregation stayed for refreshments and had the pleasure of sampling a lovely selection of cup cakes with their tea/coffee. These were delicious and thoroughly enjoyed. A big thank you goes to all the wonderful cooks who baked and provided us with such a treat.

Thanks be to God for all his love and goodness.

MUSIC AT ALL SAINTS' OAKHAM

Our Wednesday Lunchtime Recitals continue as follows. Our thanks to Oakham School for providing these in term time and to *Robert-John Edwards* and *Quodlibet* at Half-Term.

November

7 th	<i>3rd Form Award Holders</i>	
14 th	<i>One piano-one hundred years</i>	
21 st	<i>Form 4</i>	<i>Brass Recital</i>
28 th	<i>Alice McLaren</i>	<i>Alto</i>

Lunchtime Recitals are at 1.30 p.m. on Wednesdays. All welcome. Retiring collection for Church Funds. We look forward to seeing you.

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Wednesday, 7th November 2012
10.15 a.m. – 12 noon

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Monday, 3rd December, 2012

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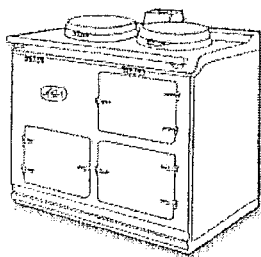
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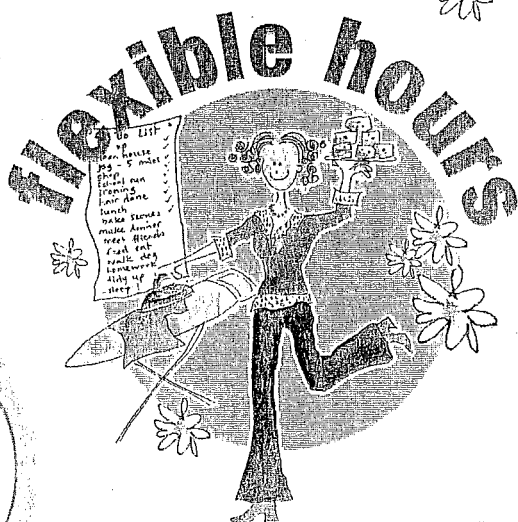
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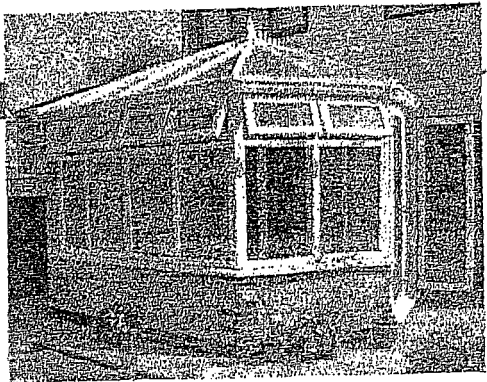
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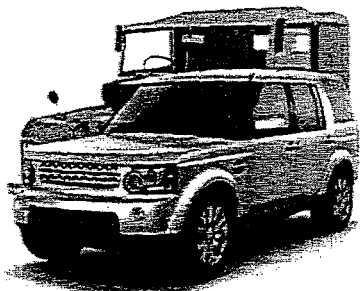


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Reg.	Date		
Mon.	t.t.o	2.00pm	Pram and Toddler Service All Saints Oakham
Tues		10.00am	Holy Communion All Saints Oakham
Wed		1.30pm	Lunchtime Concert. All Saints Oakham.
Thur	t.t.o.	10.00am	Tiny Tots. All Saints Oakham
		12.15pm	CTO Prayer Meeting Trinity Chapel All Saints
Fri		10.00am	Holy Communion All Saints Oakham
Others			
Thur	1st		All Saints Day
Fri	2nd		All Souls Day
Sun	4th		Patronal Festivals Oakham and Braunston
Mon	5th		Final day for Copy for the December Issue
Wed`	7th`	10,15am	WWDof P Coffee Morning and Cake Stall St Joseph's School Station Road Oakham
Thur	8th	2.15pm	Mother's Union. Church Hall Oakham
Sun	11th		Remembrance Day
Wed	14th	10.00am	Open House: 6 The Dell Oakham
Sat	17th	8.00pm	Race Night and Supper Hambleton Village Hall Tickets(£10) from Susan Graves 720816
Sun	18th		Second Sunday before Advent St Edmund's Eggleton Patronal Festival
		4.00pm	Church@4pm: "Soup" Langham Village Hall
	20th		Feast of Saint Edmund.
	25th	4.00pm	Christ The King: Church @4 All Saints Braunston
Wed	28th	6.00pm	Come and See. St John and St Anne Westgate An evening of Christian Meditation for Advent.
Fri	30th		St Andrew.: Langham Festival Opening Night Concert Tickets (£16) from Debbie 723533
Dec			
Sat	1st	11.00am	Advent Fayre Village Hall Braunston
		10.00am	Langham Tree and Crib Festival til 7pm
Sun	2nd	10.00am	Advent Sunday. Langham Festival til 4pm
Mon	3rd	7.30pm	NSPCC Carol Concert All Saint's Oakham Tickets (£12) from Margaret Wheeler 813 626
Thurs	6th	10.00am	Brooke Christmas Bazaar: 6 Tay Close Oakham Please note the different venue.`

Benefice Service Patterns and Times

Church	Note	Week	8am	9.00	9.30	10.30	11.00	4.00	6.00
Oakham		1,2,4	(HC)T			F.C.			EP
	1	3	(HC)T			FC/FS			EP
Ashwell	2	1			HC				
		2				FS			
		3			HC				
		4							EP
Braunston		1 & 3					HC		
		2					MP		
	3	4						Church at 4	
Brooke		1 & 3							EP
		2	HC(B)						
		4	HC(T)						
Egleton		1&3		HC(T)					
Hambleton		2 & 4		HC(T)					
Langham	4	1							EW
		2 & 4					HC		
	3	3						Church at 4	
Market		1							EP
Overton		2 & 4		HC(T)					
		3				FS			
Teigh	5	1		HC(B)					
		2 & 3		HC(B)					
		4		Matins					
Whissendine		1,3 & 4					HC		
		2					FS		

Notes: **HC** Holy Communion Contemporary Language
 HC(B) Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer
 HC(T) Holy Communion Traditional Language
 FC Family Communion
 FS Family Service: Not a communion service
 MW Morning Worship: Sometimes traditional matins.

Numerical Notes:

1. Alternate months will be a Family Service with or without Communion. On odd months there may be baptism(s) within service
2. Odd months only
3. At Braunston and Langham these are activities of varying kinds an act of worship and afternoon tea.
4. Modern evening worship
5. Even months only

Fifth Sundays These are benefice occasions and a team service is held in one of the churches in the Benefice. See church notices for details of these