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Beck & Trent Parishes

Services November 2022

		St Andrew's Caunton	St Giles' Cromwell	St Laurence's Norwell	Holy Rood Ossington	All Saints' Sutton	St Mary's Carlton
<i>first Sunday</i>	6 Nov. <i>3 before Advent</i>	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion				10.30 a.m. Joint service at Methodist chapel	3.00 p.m. Evensong
<i>second Sunday</i>	13 Nov. <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	9.15 a.m. Service of Remembrance		10.45 a.m. Joint Service of Remembrance at Norwell		10.30 a.m. Service of Remembrance	6.00 p.m. Service of Remembrance
<i>third Sunday</i>	20 Nov. <i>Christ the King</i>		4.30pm TBC Holy Communion		10.30 a.m. Holy Communion		3.00 p.m. Evensong
<i>fourth Sunday</i>	27 Nov. <i>Advent 1</i>			6.00 p.m. Advent Sung Evensong		10.30 a.m. Holy Communion	3.00 p.m. Evensong
<i>first Sunday</i>	4 Dec. <i>Advent 2</i>	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion				10.30 a.m. Joint service at Methodist chapel	3.00 p.m. Evensong

Beck & Trent churches update

Remember, remember.

There are so many things to remember. Lists of things to do seem to get longer and longer rather than shorter and shorter. But we can also remember by looking back and recalling the things which have made a difference in our lives – that special time together, that amazing holiday, that beautiful flower, that moment of quiet and peacefulness. It is these things which we must hold onto, particularly when times are hard for us personally and when the world around us seems to be falling apart. Stand firm in your faith; that is the rock that is firm.

November is the month in which Remembrance Day falls. Our churches will be having services of Remembrance on Sunday 13 November. They are all at slightly different times so please do check the table of services. It is also the month in which we move into Advent which is another time for stopping and reflecting before the bustle of Christmas.

By the time you are reading this representatives from each parish will have had a meeting with the Archdeacon of Newark to move forward in the process of looking for a new incumbent to lead us forward. At times we have been wandering rather like lost sheep desperate for someone to guide us. The retired and other clergy have been doing a fantastic job taking our services, as have readers and other lay people, but it is not the same as having our own vicar for the benefice. Please pray for the discussions and for wisdom as decisions are made.

Verse of the month:

*“Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not rely on your own insight.
In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths.”*

Proverbs 3 verses 5 and 6

A timely reminder when we think we can do it all on our own – or we don't know what to do.

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From the church



ADVENT – CHRISTMAS IS COMING

**‘... the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and they shall name him Emmanuel’ (Matthew 1:23)**

The Christmas lights are up, TV adverts are counting the shopping days left before Christmas and the shops are busy as people rush around making preparations. It reminds me of that Bible passage where Moses tells the Hebrew slaves that God is about to set them free: Pharaoh’s immediate reaction is ‘make them work harder so they have no time to listen.’

That is just how it is today: people are too busy rushing here and there to listen to God coming in Jesus to set them free from the slavery of sin and human weakness. Advent looks at this coming from three perspectives: the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem, the reality of Jesus in today’s world, and the promise that he will come again.

In our Churches November 27th is the first Sunday of Advent, the beginning of the Church year, and a four-week period of prayer and reflection leading to Christmas. We have special liturgy (the words, prayers and hymns of the service), lots of candles (representing the light of Christ) and a change of colour to purple.

On that first Christmas, Jesus arrived in our world as a result of the love and compassion of God. How we see Advent will determine our approach to the celebration of a world-changing event.

Is the essential work of Advent hanging decorations or is it more about opening our lives to God in Jesus? Even a casual reading of the Bible reveals that the Advent of God in Jesus is much more about surprise than predictability, more about revelation than decoration. The message of Advent is not ‘put up the decorations!’ but ‘here I come, watch, and wait; the very word Advent, means ‘coming.’

That single word ‘Emmanuel’ meaning God with us, spoken by the angel to Joseph, encapsulates the imperative of the now! Not God has been; not God will be; but God with us, right now! A key challenge of Advent is to hear and believe this promise of Emmanuel.

Advent reminds us that God breaks into our lives unexpectedly; we cannot know when our next encounter with Jesus will be, but the time will come and we must be ready and actively waiting.

The complexity of Advent is summed up in the well-known hymn which provides an appropriate source of reflection to inform our prayers this Advent season:

Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown,
When Thou camest to earth for me;
But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room
For Thy holy nativity.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
There is room in my heart for Thee.

Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,
Proclaiming Thy royal degree;
But of lowly birth didst Thou come to earth,
And in great humility.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
There is room in my heart for Thee.

The foxes found rest, and the birds their nest
In the shade of the forest tree;
But Thy couch was the sod, O Thou Son of God,
In the deserts of Galilee.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
There is room in my heart for Thee.

Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word
That should set Thy people free;
But with mocking scorn, and with crown of thorn,
They bore Thee to Calvary.
O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
There is room in my heart for Thee.

When the heavens shall ring, and the angels sing,
At Thy coming to victory,
Let Thy voice call me home, saying "Yet there is room,
There is room at My side for thee."
My heart shall rejoice, Lord Jesus,
When Thou comest and callest for me.

So yes, put up your decorations, buy your
crackers and mince pies; but pray also that God
in Jesus will do something new in your life this
Advent.

I wish you all a good Advent and a Blessed and
Peaceful Christmas.

The Revd. Preb. Vaughan Sweet



Help, support and contacts

We want to assure you that even though we have no vicar at the moment the church is here to help, support and advise you.

Churchwardens:

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Ossington Robin & Jane Drury 07951 439 840

Other contacts:

Norwell Elizabeth Jones 01636 636 365

Also in the Benefice:

Carlton-on-Trent contact PCC Secretary Edith Crowther via
edithtamworth@gmail.com

Sutton-on-Trent contact the Administrator (see below)

- For Safeguarding contacts please see page 3
- For baptisms, weddings and funerals contact the churchwarden or the administrator, Lorna Caddy, on 01636 555082, mobile 07568 929232, or email lorna.c.caddy@gmail.com
- Deanery Administrator paula.carlin@southwell.anglican.org 01636 817988

Beck and Trent website: www.becktrent.org.uk

From the registers

15 September – 15 October

Baptisms

St Giles', Cromwell	Betsy Ann Hutchinson Scarlet Louise Hutchinson	25 Sep 2022
All Saints', Sutton on Trent	Alexander James Hesketh-Court Olivia Jayne Hesketh-Court	9 Oct 2022

Weddings

St Andrews's, Caunton	Michael Stephen-Armer & Katie Emily Elizabeth Green	1 Oct 2022
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Funerals

St Laurence's, Norwell	Veronica Pilmore	30 Sep 2022
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- Prayer and worship evening on Tuesday, 1 Nov. from 7:45 pm.
- Mid-week "Life Groups" and Saturday Breakfast continue - these are a great way to share life and get to know one another, to support and encourage each other in our journey of faith, and to have fun!
- Potting Shed Voices will be getting together to sing worship and gospel songs - see website for dates.
- Rooted Youth meet on Wednesday evenings - school years 6+.

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NATURE *Watch*

Many species have disappeared from British soil, air and water over the past few centuries. The WWF declared Britain to be one of the world's most nature-depleted countries, due to our human-shaped landscapes, fragmented natural habitats and intensive agriculture. Of those species that have disappeared, 'keystone species' are most missed. These are species that have a particularly important and dramatic impact on the ecosystem such as the beaver, the wolf and the wild boar. It is estimated that in England approximately 400 species of plants and animals have gone extinct in the past 200 years alone. This is the first of two articles looking at the reintroduction of native species to the UK.

There have been many successful reintroduction efforts over the past decades, such as that of the red kite, white tailed eagle, golden eagle, bittern, pine marten and the natterjack toad. More recently, in July this year, a small group of European bison (*Bison bonasus*) have been introduced to the woodlands of Kent, after the 6,000 year absence of its now extinct cousin, the forest bison (*Bison schoetensacki*), once native to this country.

After nearly four hundred years, the Eurasian beaver (*Castor fiber*), has been reintroduced to British waters. Beavers

were hunted to extinction in the sixteenth century for their waterproof fur, meat and castor sacs – glands that produce 'castoreum', a secretion widely used in food, perfume and medicines. Beavers are a relatively large herbivore and have important roles in their ecosystems, due to their coppicing of trees and shrubs, building dams in small rivers, and creating wetland areas that allow other aquatic species to thrive: where there are beavers you will also find other aquatic mammals such as water voles and otters as well as wetland birds, newts and toads and an abundance of invertebrates. You can see beavers in action close to home at Idle Valley Nature Reserve near Retford: introduced in November 2021, the small population is thriving.

There is something magnificent about hearing the haunting cry of the red kite soaring over our villages before seeing the reddish hue and characteristic forked tail. Without the reintroduction of this species in the late nineties, we wouldn't have the chance to witness this enigmatic and distinctive bird soaring our skies.

Adam Breslin

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Female beaver, River Otter, Devon by Nick Upton/Alamy



BIRD *Watch*

The first piece of news has potentially disastrous consequences for our bird life, both wild and domestic. Avian flu is a quickly-spreading and lethal pathogen which has hit a number of poultry farms, resulting in DEFRA imposing a national mandate for all units to keep birds housed until the restriction is lifted. Similar impositions were in place earlier in 2022, but recurrence of the disease has brought a new mandate.

It is not possible of course to protect wild bird populations in the same way and it is estimated that some 60 species have already been affected, with birds whose habitat is coastal areas being the most numerous casualties, and with reports of high counts of dead birds found around the whole coast of these islands. However, the flu is not restricted to coasts, and inland species including six types of raptor are known to have fallen victim.

It is even more important now that we all take the greatest care to protect the birds in our own environment, particularly by cleaning meticulously and regularly all bird food dispensers, and by ensuring that

any food given comes from a known and reliable source. Fortunately we have such a source at close hand.

On a more positive note, one or two observers have seen flocks of 100 or more small brown birds locally. These are likely to be linnets which gather in Autumn to pick over the stubble fields for any spilt grain. A number of skeins of migrating pink-footed geese have been seen, some heading, as expected, south-east towards the Wash, and others north-west, possibly to the Lancashire or Solway estuaries. Known of old as the "hounds of heaven" for their unmistakable wild cry, these are real heralds of winter.

It seems that, though buzzards have been especially hard-hit by avian flu, red kites have been more lucky or more immune, since increasing numbers are being seen over these villages. We are not yet at the same stage as medieval London, where red kites were so numerous that they were the main and tolerated cleaners of the dirty streets, but within reason more of these graceful birds should be welcome.

Peter Geldart petergeldart@btinternet.com

RAIN *Watch*

After months of dry weather September was wetter than the long term Norwell average, receiving 5.1cm (2 in) which is 115% of the amount expected. We have had 20% less rain this year than we should have had by the end of September. It is shocking travelling over the Pennines and seeing the reservoirs just small brooks at the bottom of valleys that are usually full of water.

Andrew Ward wardha@aol.com

FARMING *Watch*

The farming year has turned and our churches have held their harvest festivals. After the harvest has been safely gathered in, farmers take pleasure in beginning preparations for the next year's crop. Although many might not think so, farmers have to be eternal optimists hoping for better times in each successive season!

Whilst the fields have mostly changed colour from green or gold to brown, there is less actual ploughing these days. Many now follow the 'min till' system or a version of it, with 'min till' being short for minimum tillage. Inverting the soil by conventional ploughing has fallen out of favour, partly as a result of a better understanding of soil structure and biodiversity. Instead, only the top few centimetres are cultivated, conserving nutrients and moisture, with weeds controlled by targeted agrochemicals. As a result, the system also reduces the cost of labour and fuel accordingly. There are still occasions when ploughing is the preferred option, especially on heavy soils, but it is true to say that the opening line of the hymn 'We plough the fields and scatter...' is not entirely accurate anymore!

With autumnal conditions now here, livestock farmers have to make the important judgement as to when to house their animals. This nearly always involves weighing up the cost and availability of feed and bedding against the decline in the nutritional quality of any grass still growing, whilst taking account of general welfare and the weather. Nutrition affects growth rates and fertility, so it is important not to cause disruption to either of these. Damage to the soil and grass sward can happen if livestock are left on pasture for too long. Ultimately though, as with much in farming, it is the weather that dictates what happens.

Janet Carr jecarr@live.co.uk

General news:

Recycling your old glasses

What do you do with your old glasses? Are they lurking in the back of a cupboard or drawer because you don't know what to do with them, but don't want to throw them out?

I collect old spectacles for recycling on behalf of an international charity.

These are eventually sorted centrally, washed, measured, individually bagged and placed into 'libraries' each of 1,000 pairs. They are then freighted to charitable organisations in Sri Lanka, Kenya and Ghana who have the necessary expertise to ensure the spectacles end up on the right noses and are fitted correctly!

There is a box for depositing them in both St Andrew's church, Caunton and St Laurence church, Norwell. Alternatively, you can leave them in the cloth bag on the front door of our house. So please, gather them up, drop them off and let them do a bit of good for someone else.

NB: No cases and only complete, unbroken pairs of glasses please.

Many thanks.

David Tranter

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Caunton church news



We've had some lovely warm autumn days recently (what used to be termed as an 'Indian Summer') as well as much needed rain. It's at this time of the year, as the leaves fall and daylight decreases, that our thoughts turn to our Remembrance service. This will take place on Sunday 13 November at 9.15am.

We start our service in church then make our way to the memorial by the church gates where we participate in our Act of Remembrance. We are grateful to Revd. John Smith who will be taking the service. If you don't want to come to church but would still like to join us outside then please come along: everyone is welcome.

Christmas at St. Andrew's

We start our Christmas season with the joint School and Church Christmas Fair which will be held on Saturday 19 November 10.00am-3.00pm. There will be lots to keep us entertained and it is a good time to pick up some lovely Christmas gifts.

Society Christmas Trees to be placed in church week commencing Monday 28 November.

Sunday 4 December, 10.30am: Holy Communion

Saturday 10 December: Wedding

Sunday 18 December, 6.00pm: Traditional Lessons & Carols

Saturday 24 December, 4.00pm: Crib Service

Bingo

Friday 4 November. Doors open at 7.00pm for 7.30pm start.

For more info contact Pat on 636523

CHURCH ROTAS

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Sat 5 & 12 November: Mike & Mary

Sat 19 & 26 November: Joy & Dave

Sat 3 December: Pat & Irene

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Caunton community news

Caunton Parish Council – Notes from 12 October meeting

Our community-owned village rooms within Dean Hole School were discussed. Following the lifting of Covid restrictions they are available again to residents, clubs and societies to hire from £5 per session (up to 4 hrs). See noticeboard and website for details.

We are looking at grant proposals to replace various pieces of equipment on the playing fields.

Planning applications for Caunton Cottage and Moor Lane Cottage were supported.

There was a general planting and tidying day on Sunday 2 October. New easy water planters for the Beck side are planned, using funds raised by the village.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 9 November 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Room at Dean Hole School. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Any representation to the Parish Council should be made to the Clerk at parishcouncilcaunton@gmail.com

Steven Routledge, Chair

*Rea Edwards Virtual
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Caunton WI

I must apologise to avid readers of the magazine for leaving you bereft of news from Caunton WI! I can only put this down to a busy harvest period at home and becoming a granny for the first time, which I am loving, but had forgotten what time wasters newborn babies can be!!

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Meanwhile business has been ticking along at the WI as usual. For our September meeting we welcomed Los Amigos, formerly a musical duo but recently joined by Verity playing saxophone and clarinet, bringing a whole new dimension to their individual take on Latin American dance music. It was a lively evening, I don't think anyone got dancing, but there was certainly plenty of toe tapping and clapping!!

Also in September, and still on a musical theme, a few of our members attended a session on steel drumming, organised by the County team, and they absolutely loved it Just one example of the many and varied activities organised by Notts WI and open to all members.

For a complete change of tempo, at our October meeting, the speaker was Robin Hood – yes really, THE actual Robin Hood, usually to be found roaming the streets of Nottingham Town with groups of mostly American/Japanese tourists in tow, but for one night only, he rode all the way to Floral Media to tell us tales of the history and legend of Robin Hood with a couple of his Merry Men!

If any of this sounds interesting, and you fancy taking a look at Caunton WI for yourself, we meet on the first Tuesday of every month at Floral Media just outside Caunton and you would be most welcome to join us. For details of our next meeting, taking place on 1 November, and our Christmas dinner on 6 December, for which booking is required, please give me a call.

Kate Ashworth – President
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Caunton Improvement Group

We would like to thank everyone who helped on the recent village “tidying up and planting day”. Please help to look after the village with litter picking etc. We look forward to 2023 with enthusiasm and commitment

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Caunton Local History Society

"I'll polish him off" – the curious history of Sweeney Todd, the demon barber of Fleet Street, was the theme of the entertaining and informative talk given by Dr Ann Featherstone at the October meeting of the Society.

Sweeney Todd's name and activities are well known to us today. The Victorians would also have been familiar with the character through stage performances and popular publications such as 'penny dreadfuls'. However, for Londoners at the time, the fictional character of Sweeney Todd had such strong resonance with their world that he became very believable, preying on their own anxieties and fears.

In Victorian London the area around Fleet Street was an insalubrious and dangerous place. It was at 186 Fleet Street that Sweeney Todd's infamous barber shop, and his friend Mrs Lovett's pie shop, were located. Todd acquired his barbering skills while in Newgate Prison for theft and established his own shop with the intention of robbing his clients after a rather too close shave with a cutthroat razor. The resulting human flesh and organs supplied Mrs Lovett with a cheap source of protein for her delicious pies which were very popular, encased in tasty pastry 'coffins'. A nineteenth century pie was certainly eaten at your peril! Both Todd and Lovett were eventually brought to justice: Lovett poisoned herself while in prison and Todd was hung outside Newgate Prison in 1801 aged 46 years.

So why has the story of Sweeney Todd endured? It has the essential components of a melodrama: villains, tension and subplots feed the fascination for the macabre but for the Victorians it also had its foundations in a world only too familiar to them and the line between urban myth and reality became blurred.

Not surprisingly, meat pies were not on offer with the refreshments on the night!



At our November meeting we will once again welcome Mike Higginbottom for a talk titled, "English Country Houses – not quite what they seem". This lecture takes an unusual look at a range of English country houses, examining how their recent history illuminates their more distant past. Country houses can be major monuments preserved, it would seem, at a particular moment in time or can still be loved and lived in. This talk will explore how despite alterations through time these houses still bear visible traces of their earlier form and use. (Pictured: Haddon Hall)

The meeting will be on 8 November at 7.30pm at Dean Hole School, Caunton. Everyone is welcome. Your first visit will be free and £3 thereafter.

Lynn Thompson lynn1485@gmail.com

Caunton: Dean Hole Primary School

What a fun-filled half term we have had! We welcomed many new children and they have settled into our Caunton family perfectly.



The children have already experienced so many activities. With Harvest being upon us, the children have been keen to harvest their own freshly-grown vegetables such as carrots, beetroot and beans for Sharon to cook for dinner. Now that some of the beds are empty, the children also began weeding and preparing the ground ready to plant some onions and garlic over winter.

As we strengthen our collaboration with the village, St Andrew's Church is an important feature of our school calendar. We were fortunate to celebrate Harvest there to remind Christians of all the good things God gives us and helps us to share with people who are not so fortunate: our Harvest Festival was a celebration and a chance to give thanks. We celebrated gathering food, vegetables, crops, fruit and the harvest of the sea. We said thank you to the farmers for their hard work and thank you to God for sending the sun and the rain. We linked our Harvest celebration to our Christian Values of 'creation' and 'perseverance.' Thank you to Irene, Caroline, Pat and Reverend Vaughan Sweet for helping our Harvest Service run so smoothly.

Our Harvest offerings were donated to Beaumont House. The children were so proud that their contributions were making a positive impact on someone's life and that because of this they were agents of change.

Other exciting activities have included a visit from the mobile library, balance bikes in KS1 and the introduction of many afterschool clubs. We were also part of a competition in conjunction with Maxey's Farm Shop who invited us to spend the morning at a pumpkin farm where the children assembled a scarecrow, explored the pumpkin patch, read stories and learned about the way pumpkins were grown.

We are also thrilled to have raised £161.11 at the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon. Thank you to our generous families, staff and members of the wider community for the donations.

Our weekly newsletter is published at www.cauntondeanhole.notts.sch.uk. Please take a look at the latest events and keep abreast of future events in the calendar.

As we look forward to the rest of the term, please pay us a visit. We would love to have you in our school and I look forward to meeting many of you.

Best wishes.

Mrs S. Camish
Acting Headteacher

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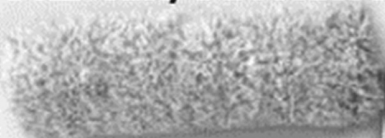
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Cromwell Parish Meeting

On Monday 10 October there was a sparsely attended meeting in the Village Hall.

Cemex Operations UK Ltd It was reported that Nottinghamshire County Council has approved the application by Cemex (F4395) for the relocation of their processing plant at the quarry in order to facilitate the extraction of the aggregate beneath the current processing area. Implementation of this change may be delayed by the recent planning application (ES4111) to extend the quarry further south to the parish boundary with North Muskham. This projected further extension will target 550,000 tonnes of material at 300,000 tonnes per year from 1 March 2023 to 1 January 2025. The 13.4ha site runs from the existing extension southwards past the rear of Cromwell Lock to "The Ness". It would be worked in two phases using the same staff, processing machinery and working practices as they currently employ. Working hours and transport routes would remain unchanged.

Detailed plans were available for inspection. A debate terminated in a unanimous vote to oppose the application on the grounds of: i) lack of need for the product; ii) significant pollution and damage to the footpath (FP5) with consequent inconvenience to pedestrians; iii) the growing incidence of quarry traffic ignoring the EWL and the agreed access route and passing through the village in order to reach the quarry. Some HGVs have been reported to exceed our 30mph speed limit.

A planning application (22/01869/House) for a 2-storey extension at the rear of the house and for a 2-storey extension to the side of the office/garage at Althorne Cottage on Norwell Lane was supported unanimously.

The parish precept for the year 2023/24 was left unchanged at £1,050 (less than 20p/week for a band D property)

There was a complaint about the disorder in the bus-shelter library. At times there was no space left on the seat for people waiting for a bus and, although the library was fully appreciated and books were welcome, other items such as clothing and unwanted household goods were not welcome.

The next scheduled parish meeting will be on Monday 9 January at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Norwell church news



The church is here for the parish. The PCC will provide help, support and information. For the present, Elizabeth Jones will continue to be a first contact on emjones.norwell@btinternet.com or 01636 636 365.

Initial enquiries about baptisms, weddings and funerals should be made to the Benefice Administrator, Lorna Caddy on 01636 555082, mobile 07568 929232 or email lorna.c.caddy@gmail.com

Is life normal again?

It did seem normal when we had our Harvest Thanksgiving services at the end of September. Norwell School had their service first and it was lovely to see them staggering in with all their gifts. The display of produce from the school allotment was very impressive indeed. Well done for growing so many different and interesting things. The 'grown ups' had their service on the following Sunday evening and that too was a very happy time, made more convivial by the food and drinks after the service. All fresh produce from both services has gone to Beaumont House and tins and packages to Newark Foodbank.



Funeral: we are sad to record the death and funeral of Veronica Pilmore who was brought up in Norwell Woodhouse where her family farmed. Veronica continued to be a loyal supporter of St Laurence's church. We shall miss her smiling face and sense of humour. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends.

What's happening in November?

• Remembrance Sunday – 13 November

The service will start at 10.45am in church so that we can process to the War Memorial for the two minutes silence and the reading of the names of all those from Norwell and Ossington who died serving their country. The Last post and Reveillé will be played.

• Carlton Male Voice Choir – Thursday 19 November at 7.30pm

The choir has been here before and we anticipate a lively and entertaining evening with refreshments in the interval. For more details and tickets see the advert. All profits will be for Norwell church.

• Sung Evensong for Advent – Sunday 27 November at 6.00pm

We are marking the beginning of Advent with this traditional and well-loved service of Evensong. We may be out of practice with singing the responses and canticles but we hope you will be able to join us.

Looking ahead to December

Please forgive us for making you think about December and Christmas.

Our service of **Nine Lessons and Carols will be on Sunday 11 December at 6.00pm.** This means that the church will need to be looking its best by then.

Decorating the church

We very much hope that once again organisations, groups and individuals will be willing to 'adopt' a space in the church and decorate it. There will be a theme! This year the theme is the carol 'The holly and the ivy'. With a bit of imagination each verse can be represented in a different colour. This should result in each decorated space being a different colour (you will be given guidance on this!). Decorating could be done on Thursday 8 or Friday 9, but we particularly encourage you to come along on Saturday morning 10 December when we'll be serving mince pies and a hot drink. You are welcome just to come along and chat. Please get in touch with Elizabeth if you are interested in decorating and would like to book a space or offer to help. Offers of holly and ivy will be much appreciated.

Nottinghamshire Historic Churches Trust is organising a concert of 'jolly' medieval music in St Laurence's Church on Wednesday 14 December. All are welcome to come to this seasonal event. More details will be made available as soon as possible. Profits will be shared between NHCT and St Lawrence's church.

A REMINDER

Parish magazines: for the time being spare copies will be available in the church. The church is always open between 9.00am and 5.30pm so please feel able to pop in and pick up a copy.

Cold weather. You will not need reminding that the weather will be getting colder and that heating oil is expensive. We will do our best to have the church warm for services, but you are encouraged to bring a rug (or even a hot water bottle) to wrap up warm.

Norwell Village Hall: Lucky number winners

The winner for September was Geoff Mountford with number 52.

The winner for October was Jenny Lightbody with number 10.



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Norwell community news

Norwell Parish Council

It has been a busy month for Norwell and Norwell Woodhouse Parish Council. Following the closure of Brenda's Village Store at the end of September we have worked closely with some parishioners to investigate the possibility of applying to list the shop as an Asset of Community Value and re-opening it as a community venture.

As a first stage in this process, at the request of concerned villagers, the Parish Council organised and distributed a research questionnaire to every house in Norwell and Norwell Woodhouse to gauge whether there might be sufficient interest and funding to consider a Community Shop in the village. You should have received your questionnaire but please contact Cllr Penny McQuilkin via penny@imconsult.co.uk if you would like another copy.

The results will be analysed and presented at a meeting in Norwell Village Hall at 7.00pm on Tuesday 8 November. All parishioners are invited to attend this meeting where the next steps in the process will be discussed.

Following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Parish Council provided a Book of Condolences in the church to record the sentiments expressed by local people. As per the wishes of the Royal Family, the Book of Condolence will not be sent to the Royal Archive. Rather it will be stored locally in the Parish.

The Parish Council organised Moments of Reflection on the eve of Her Majesty's funeral in Norwell and in Norwell Woodhouse. Both gatherings were well attended and the Parish Council wishes to thank Cllr Heather Moreno and Ashleigh Robertshaw for leading the ceremonies.

At the meeting of the Parish Council on 28 September, resignations were received from four councillors, including the Chair. The remaining three Councillors – Cllr Heather Moreno, Cllr Richard South and Cllr Penny McQuilkin – have liaised with Newark and Sherwood District Council to begin the process of filling the vacancies left by these resignations. Please see the Parish Council notice boards in the villages for more details.

Parishioners may be aware that several former councillors have recently made unfounded allegations about the council finances. We wish to disassociate ourselves completely from these allegations. We would like to assure you that we have scrutinised the Parish Council accounts – which are independently audited annually – and are satisfied that no financial irregularities have occurred. We will be meeting with the Auditor before the next Parish Council meeting for verification.

If you have any questions, please come to the next Parish Council meeting at 6.30pm on 23 November and we will be happy to answer them.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Village Shop meeting at 7.00pm on Tuesday 8 November.

Penny McQuilkin

Norwell Parish Council

Clerk for Norwell Parish Council: Lisa-Jayne Campbell

Contact: email: ljparishclerk@gmail.com
tel: 01623 238712
Office hours: 9am-2pm Monday-Friday.



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Meeting to discuss community shop survey results

Norwell Village Hall Tuesday 8 November, 7.00pm

The meeting will discuss the results of the survey on the interest in a community shop to replace Brenda's.

All parishioners are invited to attend this meeting at which the next steps in the process will be discussed.

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THE HOLLY AND THE IVY

The carol 'The holly and the ivy' provides the theme for decorating the church for Christmas. See Church News for details. Anyone can lend a hand: you do not have to be an experienced arranger.

EVERYONE is invited to come to the church on the morning of Saturday 10 December between 10 and 12 for **mince pies and mulled wine, coffee or tea**. This is an opportunity to see the decorations (or even help with the final touches) or just be sociable. The service of **Nine Lessons and Carols** is on Sunday 11 December at 6.00pm.

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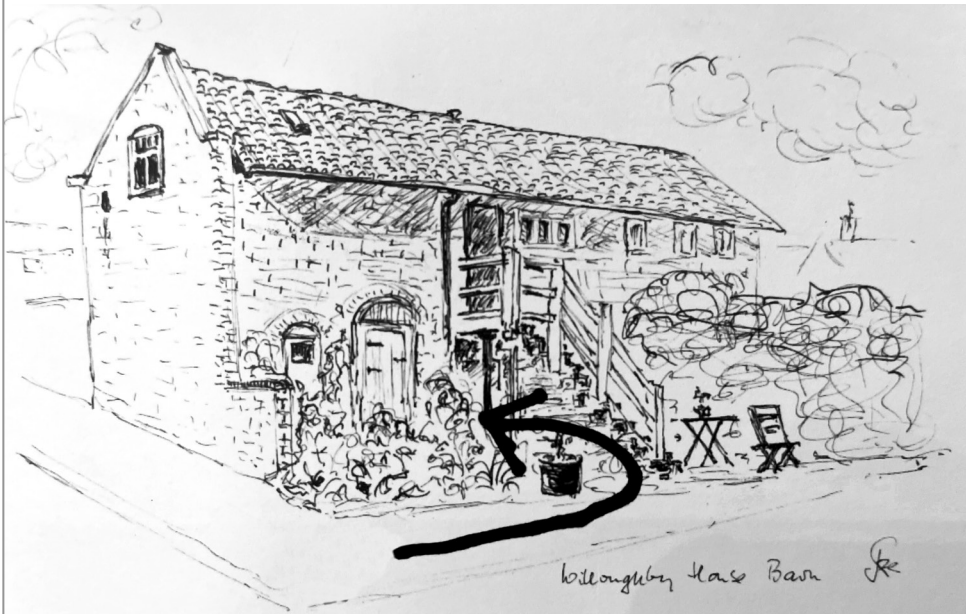
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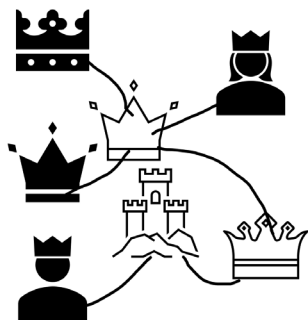
Norwell Parish Heritage Group

Tuesday 15 November, 7.30 pm

Natalie Braber – Coal miners talking

In November we look forward to welcoming back Natalie Braber whom some of you will remember for her entertaining talk about Nottinghamshire accents. This time Natalie's talk will focus on coal miners talking. The language used by miners forms a large part of the identity and camaraderie of the miners. Natalie, a professor of linguistics, has published several books on 'pit talk', the language of miners.

Our October meeting, on the history of mining in the Nottinghamshire, took place after the deadline for the magazine so will be reported on next month.



Our Christmas Party takes place on Thursday 7 December. This year the theme will be Royal Connections and, as usual, it will be a surprising but hopefully entertaining evening. A suitable 'banquet' will be provided. More detail to follow next month.

Book Club

This month's choice is "The Lincoln Highway" by Amor Towles. Set in 1950s America, it is the epic story of four boys making their way from Nebraska to California. Their backgrounds and characters are very different and their adventures range from hilarious to heartbreaking. Said to be original and compelling, we are looking forward to discussing it on Wednesday 30 November.

More information about the Book Club from Helen 636337.



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The joint mixed girls and boys Kite Federation Football team has played three matches against local schools over the past few weeks during which they proudly represented both Norwell and St Matthews and looked so smart in their new football kit! We are very proud of them all. So far they have won all of their games!

Last half term the Year 5 and 6 children visited the Holocaust Centre in Laxton as part of their history curriculum and Year 3 and 4 went to Brackenhurst for the day to learn about how people in England managed during the war. Next term they will be developing their history knowledge further by learning about the Vikings in Key Stage 2. EYFS and Key Stage 1 will be learning about The Seasons.

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Saturday 26 November, 10.00am-3.00pm

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Ossington community news



From the Church

We had a very well attended and good harvest festival service on Sunday 2 October, which was taken by the Area Dean Rev John Chambers. This was followed by a very nice harvest supper on Saturday 7 October at the Hut. Many thanks are due to all who had a hand in organising them both events.

The next service at Holy Rood will take place on Sunday 20 November at 10.30am and will be taken by the Rev Amanda Lees. As ever, all are welcome.

Remembrance Gathering – Friday 11 November

On Friday 11 November Ossington will remember the men and women from the village who served their country, some of whom made the ultimate sacrifice. We will also remember those who came to the village whilst stationed at RAF Ossington during World War 2. The civil gathering will take place from 10.45am at the War Memorial and will include the Laying of a Wreath. Afterwards there will be refreshments at the Hut. Everyone is welcome.

In previous years, the wreath has been jointly purchased by two villagers. If anyone else would like to do this for the community this year, please contact Janet Carr on 01636 821265.

The following poem is appropriate for this time of remembrance. It was written by Eileen Siven, an ex W.A.A.F. who served in the Orderly Room at Station Headquarters at RAF Ossington. She wrote this as part of a letter of thanks after the RAF Ossington Reunion on 23 July 1995.

Where did it go – such youth, such joy?
The years rolled back for maid and boy.
We worked and toiled all day and night
And engines roared with fearsome might,
But golden now those far off days
When friendship's bonds were forged to stay.

Life stands not still too well we know
But oh, the wonder, oh, the glow
On faces worn through joys and woe
When back to Ossington we did go.

Back home, recall with thanks and pride
Those we all knew, befriended, lost.
Time speeds on, the memory dims
But there we found hope, peace, reflections, hymns.



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The Social Supermarket is a club for struggling families – many former clients of the Foodbank – which is held on Monday and Thursday afternoons. The benefit of the social supermarket is that people get to choose what they want for a small amount of money and so learn to budget and to take up the offer of cooking cards which demonstrate how nutritional meals can be made from the longlife, tinned and fresh foods we offer.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors during Covid, who sent us money when they couldn't get out to shop, we are holding sufficient funds to buy food/toiletries/baby needs as and when needed. We have also received grants from our Council and several supermarkets in Newark which have bolstered our account against the coming winter. We are very grateful for everything we receive, all of it can be used to help those in food poverty in Newark. None of our 60 volunteers are paid. All the donations go to pay our overheads which are mainly rent at Cartergate and running of our van. Our warehouse is leased at a peppercorn charity rate.

We hope and pray we will cope with the demand this winter and come out stronger next Spring. We hope you will all pray for that too.

If you or someone you know needs help please go to <https://newark.foodbank.org.uk/get-help> or call NSDC Customer Services (Castle House) – 01636 650000.

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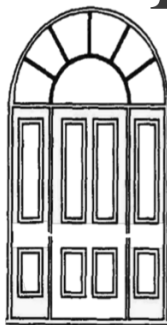
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