#### Berrow with Pendock, Eldersfield, Hollybush and Birtsmorton



Benefice Magazine

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Dear Friends,

September is a fresh start for many youngsters as they enter different aspects and phases of education. September is the start of Autumn, when the Harvest Festival is a traditionally celebrated in churches and schools. People are encouraged to donate produce to those in need. The Harvest Festival is a time for feasting, celebrating and giving thanks. It is also a time for honouring those who grow and reap crops. Exodus 23.16 says, 'You shall keep the feast of ingathering at the end of the year, when you gather in from the filed the fruit of your labour.' (NIV)

Churches are often decorated with fruits and vegetables brought by parishioners, which is then donated to charity. The Harvest Festival is celebrated around the world across many different faiths and cultures. It takes place at different times of the year in different countries, according to when the main harvest is for each country.

This year, with the Malvern and Upton Deanery church folk we are celebrating the Harvest Festival outdoors on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> September in Pendock. We'll come together to give thanks with produce, songs and prayers of praise. Donations will be made to the local foodbanks at a time when many folk are struggling to manage household budgets and put food on the table. As Christians, we remember to give thanks for the food we do have and to find ways to share that harvest. God commanded all people to love and care for others.

September 20<sup>th</sup> will also be a time of the gathering of people from the Malvern and Upton Deanery to discuss and put forward constructive ideas, possible drawbacks, possibilities and so on for the future of all our local parish churches in the years ahead. These 'Open Conversations' are important as we move forward in hope for the future of our parishes, our communities and how the mission and ministry can continue with less money, less people but still having a Christian presence in our villages and towns. If you'd like to know more, please do ask and all are welcome to attend; watch out for timings and details.

As we all look to the future, whether for ourselves, our family, our communities our nation, many things seem tenuous, fragile and in conflict. We hang onto the celebrations surrounding events which are important for us. Many of our wedding couples and families have had to wait for their marriage service or baptisms. These occasional offices have been very special and blessed. Jubilant crowds gathered to celebrate the success of the Lionesses Football squad. The Commonwealth Games in Birmingham also proved inspirational, with iconic moments for many athletes from around the world.

'The Lord stood with me and gave me strength'. 2 Timothy 4;17. Starting again this Autumn, let us all work together, support one another and through our commitment, bring hope to our world. Rev'd Julie James



#### **Benefice Diary**

Please note that all meetings planned below are in person unless otherwise arranged.

Sat.3 <sup>rd</sup> September.	'Pop up' Plant Sale and Art Exhibition	Watch out for more details
Tues. 20 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Deanery of Malvern and Upton 'Open Conversations'	ТВС
Sunday, 25 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Deanery 'Harvest Festival' Outdoor Thanksgiving service	Off School Lane Pendock.3- 4pm. Bring a chair, wear suitable clothes. Come along and join us.
	'Eldersfest'-Live music, 2 Course Supper and Grand Auction	Eldersfield Court Gardens. 3pm-6-45pm
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Standing Committee	7.30p.m. Pendock Cross Church
Thurs. 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Eldersfield PCC	2pm. Holt's home
Wed. 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Birtsmorton and Hollybush PCC	2.30pm Hollybush Church
	Berrow and Pendock PCC	7.30pm Knott's home
Fri. 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Eldersfield Quiz and Fish and Chips	7pm at Eldersfield C.E.Corse Lawn School

If you have any additional dates, please contact Mel Roberts or Rev'd Julie James.

#### Harvest Prayer

We give thanks for the blessings of all food production. Thank you for all who toil to bring food from the land and sea for us to consume, which provides both nourishment and sustenance.

Holy God, the earth, the air and water are precious to all of us. As climate change confronts us, give us the will and the courage to simplify the way we live, to reduce the energy we use, to share the resources provided, to find ways to bear the cost of change.

Help us to find a vision to wisely use all our resources fairly.

#### Amen.



A Harvest of blessings-Rev'd Julie



**Bible Study** 

When? Tuesday: - Thistledown, Pendock

Tuesday: 12th September, 11th October, 8th November.

10.30am Cuppa and biscuit!

Bible reflections 11.00-11.30am

All welcome.

Rev. Julie James

#### **POPPIES IN 2022**

Although Remembrance Day is three months away the subject of recyclable poppies came up at our last PCC meeting in Eldersfield . We are going to try this year to knit as many poppies as we can for people to wear and to decorate the Church . Poppies will be available for sale (and that money will go to the British Legion as usual) but can then be put away after November 11<sup>th</sup> to be ready for use next year.

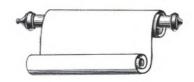
If you would like to join in the knitting (very, very straightforward patterns!) then you can either find a pattern on line at <a href="www.gathered.how">www.gathered.how</a> or contact me on 01531 635794 as I have some copies of the simple pattern I'm using. 1 ball of red double knitting wool provides lots of poppies, and 4 mm, size 8 knitting needles are the sizes you need. There are some spare needles if anyone wants to have a go!

Cathy Powell-Chandler

**FROM** 

THE

**REGISTERS** 



#### **Weddings and Blessings**

#### St Thomas of Canterbury with St Peter and St Paul Birtsmorton

3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Dominic Feather and Carol Chin-Ten-Fung
4 <sup>th</sup> June	James Skinner and Aimee Russell
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Lee Essex and Sophia Hammond
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Robert Bogie and Harriett Nuttall
1st July	Jonathan Day and Claire Collingridge
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Opeyemi Ige and Jodie Thorne
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Joseph Penn and Anna Reynolds
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Simon Cooper and Kathryn Selmes
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Benjamin Hutchings and Amy Broomfield
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Nicholas Houghton and Lisa Williams

#### St John the Baptist Eldersfield

18 <sup>th</sup> June	Robert Collins and Alice Scott-Flanagan
16 <sup>th</sup> July	David Griffiths and Carly Pearce

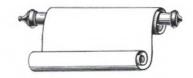
#### St Faith Berrow

30<sup>th</sup> July Charles Rambridge and Lucy Watson

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#### **Funerals and Interments**

#### All Saints Hollybush

22<sup>nd</sup> June

John Clutterbuck

#### St Thomas of Canterbury with St Peter & St Paul Birtsmorton

24th June

Christine Allsopp

#### St John the Baptist Eldersfield

20<sup>th</sup> June

Mary Greening

13<sup>th</sup> July

Timothy Lander and Hubert Lander

#### **Baptisms**

#### St Faith Berrow

5<sup>th</sup> June

Jacob Oliver Duckhouse

5<sup>th</sup> June

Olivia Bethany James

#### St Thomas of Canterbury with St Peter and St Paul Birtsmorton

11<sup>th</sup> June

Charlie Watkins Clara Zanelli

9<sup>th</sup> July 31<sup>st</sup> July

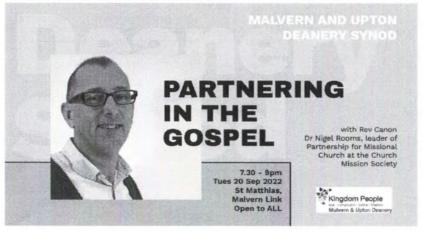
Layla Morris

Dear All,

We warmly welcome you to join our open Deanery Synod on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 7:30pm at St Matthias, Malvern Link (advert attached).

We will be preparing the ground for the important Deanery conversations ahead, by looking at "partnering in the gospel" as a model of working and why this might be relevant to our churches. We are delighted that Rev Canon Dr Nigel Rooms, Church Mission Society Leader – Partnership for Missional Church UK will lead us in our reflections at this event.

This will be a key Synod as we approach the future together, and an important opportunity to prayerfully meet together and to look at some key values we move forwards. We would strongly encourage attendance of Deanery Synod representatives and welcome all who wish to attend.





# Malvern and Upton Deanery Harvest Festival

Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2022

3-4pm.



ALL welcome-come sunshine or rain!

Bring own chairs: Hosted in the field off:

School Lane, Pendock.

All donations welcome for FOOD BANKS

Refreshments in Pendock CE Primary School afterwards.

Kindly by permission: The Churchill's

Save the date! Save the date! Save the date! Save the date



A Late Summer Musical Evening and Auction

#### Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup> 2022

#### **Eldersfield Court Gardens**

# Join us for an evening of live music, a two-course supper & grand auction

(List of auction items published in early September)

Tour the grounds to see the beautiful gardens.

3 pm the Gardens open and the concert begins at 3.30pm.

A two-course supper will be served in the interval and a grand auction will take place afterwards. The second half of the concert will start after the auction and the evening finishes at 6.45pm.

The bar will be open throughout the evening.

Tickets: Adults £20. Children £5. Available from: Wendy B: 07748 484442, Liane B: 07376 236504, Frieda G: 01452 840364, Andy H: 01452 780429, Cathy P/C: 01531 635794

## Please join us for the Grand Auction

Auctioneer: Charles Rambridge

## Thank you to all the local people who have so generously donated auction lots – much appreciated.

If you are unable to attend in person please bid in advance by contacting Andy Holt (awholt@btinternet.com) with item number and maximum bid. Thank you & good luck!

1 Two hours gardening Arbore	eus Landscaping
2 Bistro meal for 2 at Corse Lawn House/bottle house wine, special offer menu.	Baba Hine
3 Dessert for dinner party	Audrey Ridley
4 Decorated Christmas Cake	Dawn Holt
5 Bell ringing tuition for one Eldersfield Church	Janet Peters
6 Butchers Arms supper for two	Jo-Anne Block
7 Half lamb for the freezer	<b>Rosalind Gott</b>
8 Man with a Van (50 miles radius) a.m or p.m.	Chris Gott
9 Hair cut and blow dry	Dawn Grey
10 Three guitar lessons, introductory or advanced	Nick Burr
11 Firewood (1.2 cu m. load)	Fred Everall
12 Anthony Joshua World title winning autographed Boxing glove in presentation case	Ben O'Connor
13 Aromatherapy Massage (Hempstead)	Val Parsons
14 Autumn Hamper	Rowan Thomas
15 Magnum of Prosecco	Liane Barton
16 Half hour Physical Fitness session	D.Davies
17 Airport run, Heathrow, Birmingham or Bristol	Bill Sparey
18 Land Rover Experience, half day, Eastnor	Frieda Griffiths
19 Christmas Pudding (Great Ormond Street Recipe)	Cathy Powell/Ch
20 C.B.T. (Cognitive Behaviour Treatment) One hour	CBT
21 Christmas Wreath/table decoration	Mary Mitchell
22 Ancient Art of Hedge-laying, half day experience in late Autumn	Dan Burlingham
23 A car valet at Stewards Farm, Corse Lawn	Andy
24 Two Paulownia Elongata trees (4mx4m)	Jan George
25 England Athletics running coach, 6 hours (8 or 9 sessions, U18s with parent)	Mike Younger
26 One night 4 people Medieval Cottage, Tewks Abbey (additional nights negotiable)	Pete Griffiths

and other lots.

Payment by cash, cheque or bank transfer. Sort Code: 30-91-87. Account: 02737938. Eldersfield PCC.

#### Berrow-with-Pendock PCC

# GIFT DAY

Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at

St Faith's Church, Berrow and

#### The Church of the Redeemer, Pendock Cross

2.00 - 4.00 pm

Please support your church in this year when there has again been no Pendock Fête. Contributions will be gratefully received in advance or on the day.

#### Recipe of the month - September

#### **Ruth's Ginger Cake**

Roy Pritchard has, very kindly, allowed me to use this recipe, which was so much enjoyed, as the "Recipe of the Month". Thank you, Roy; and thank you, Ruth, for the many delicious ginger cakes you made.

#### **Ingredients**

8 oz plain flour (+ a pinch of salt)

3 teaspoons ground ginger

2 level teaspoons bicarb

1/4 pint milk

4 oz margarine

4 oz soft, dark, brown sugar

4 tablespoons golden syrup

2 beaten eggs

#### Method

Line a 6-7 inch round tin (with loose bottom). Sieve the flour, bicarb and ginger. Beat the margarine until soft and creamy. Add milk, sugar, syrup and beaten eggs, then mix into the flour, bicarb and ginger. This should give a soft mix. Pour into lined tin. Bake for about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours in a moderate oven until firm and dark brown. Allow to cool before serving.

# estic morton



# Thursday 15th September at 7:30pm

# The Duke (12-2021-95mins)

Geordie from Byker who "nicked" a valuable painting from the National Gallery in order to raise money to help pensioners Jim Broadbent is superb in the role of Kempton Bunton, a pay their TV licence fee.

The police are hunting an international art thief and caught flat-footed by Bunton a Byker baker. A feelgood comedy with great performances from Broadbent and Helen Mirren

Tickets £5 on the door, for advance booking call Beth 01531 Licensed Bar / Refreshments / Ice creams 631503 or Malcolm 01684 833297 or email www.castlemortoncinema.co.uk mortonmajestic@amail.com.

#### You could save a life! - DEFIBRILLATORS

Did you know that Berrow and Pendock are fortunate to have **THREE AED** (Automated Electronic Defibrillators) available locally?

These require **no training to use BUT** are the best way to save someone's life if they have gone into cardiac arrest – and time is of the essence.

#### The Defibrillators locally are found at:

- Outside Ellis Dawe and Son LTD Timber Supply Merchant at the Junction of A438/Rye Street (Opposite the Duke of York Pub)
- In Hollybush on the A438 towards Ledbury near to the Hollybush Car Park for the Malvern Hills
- · Pendock Village shop on the wall outside

The Defibrillators are locked in a cabinet with a yellow case. There is a coded lock and a 999 call handler will give you the code to open the cabinet and access the defibrillator.

If you think that someone has had a cardiac arrest (they are not obviously breathing or responding to you) you should:

- 1) Dial 999 and shout for help
- Start doing CPR the 999 operator will talk you through this, you DON'T need to breathe into anyone's mouth, just do chest compressions.
- 3) Send someone to get a defibrillator if you can. These do not need any specialist training to use. They talk you through how to use them and will only deliver a shock if the onboard computer thinks it's appropriate. You don't need to make any decisions.

Using a defibrillator fast after a cardiac arrest saves lives

Dr Phil Thompson

For and on Behalf of the Berrow Parish Council

# IN AID OF 'HOLLYBUSH VILLAGE ROOM' RESTORATION FUND



#### 'CEILIDH PIE AND PEAS'

# THE AWARD WINNING 'BURDOCK BAND' SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

AT UPTON MEMORIAL HALL
UPTON ON SEVEN
WR8 0HA
7.00pm - 11.00pm

Tickets £12.50 to include 'Pie and Peas' from 'Tilly's of Tewkesbury'

(Vegan\Veggie option available for pre-order) Bring your own drink

For more information or tickets please call or text: 07731400216

Email: hollybushvillageroom@outlook.com

CASH ONLY SALES also available from:

WELLAND VILLAGE POST OFFICE

**UPTON LAUNDERETTE - 5 NEW STREET UPTON ON SEVERN** 

#### **Hollybush Church Flowers**

Do you like flowers? Do you fancy being a flower arranger? Nothing too grand, but volunteers are always welcome to help with flowers to enhance our little church on the common. If you are interested please ring Celia on 01531 650346

#### HARTPURY HERITAGE DAYS

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Sept: 2pm-5pm Grade 1 listed church, Old Dominican Chapel, Bee Shelter. Tours of Hartpury Mill. Teas.

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Sept: 12noon-7pm National Perry Pear Centre tap bar open. Orchard walks.

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Sept: 12noon-7pm

Open Day at National Perry Pear Centre and orchard.
Display of perry pears, hopefully about 90 varieties.
Lunches, teas, tap bar with perry.
Church and Bee Shelter open all day.

Sun 18th Sept: 12noon-7pm.

National Perry Pear Centre tap bar open.

Orchard walks.

Cheltenham Motor Club car rally passes the Centre three times in the day – access may be limited occasionally.

#### **Gwyneth Mary Williams**

Family, friends and colleagues attended St. Faiths, Berrow to celebrate the life of dear Gwyneth who passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family.

Gwyneth has been a churchwarden at St. Faith, Wooden Church at Pendock Cross and Old Church across the field at Upper Pendock. Her particular favourite being the Wooden Church. Services were always prepared and no matter who the incumbent everyone got a smile and warm welcome. Gwyneth just got on with the job without fuss.

Gwyneth was a teacher in History and English. She married Les and they had three children; Jenny, Michael and Richard. Les was a mathematician so they were a well-matched pair. She taught at St. Mary's Convent, Worcester, Abbey Girls School in Malvern Wells, The Chase High School and finally ending her career at The Hill School in Upton. They and the family moved to Portway Cottage, Pendock. She became a Governor and later Chair of Governors at Pendock Primary School and very much looked forward to helping children with reading. Sadly Les passed away in 2002 leaving Gwyneth bereft.

She had a fair menagerie of animals who needed and enjoyed her love and attention; ponies, a donkey, many dogs and cats, chickens and cockerels, and together with the wonderful grandchildren they all wanted her attention and getting it. Needless to say her chosen charity was 'The Blue Cross'.

Gwyneth was very proud of her family and they in turn loved her with equal measure. Some of them contributed to her wonderful service. In fact one poem 'Dust if you Must' is a true winner, Gwyneth to a tea, so I have included a copy for you to read.

When I journey to Pendock Shop I automatically look at her gate just on the chance, but no, she's no longer there but her memory will always be.

Gwyneth was a true and wonderful friend; very supportive in fund-raising events; never saying no but giving of her best. She helped me with Pancake Day and had a wonderful sense of humour. A fashion show I was mad enough to organise needed models; Gwyneth was the star of the night showing elegant outfits off to perfection. She had a very sincere smile and I shall and do miss her as a friend. If every household was blessed with a Grandma like Gwyneth the world would be a better place.

So to end, Bless you Gwyneth may you rest in peace. The poem I promised follows.

#### ROSEMARIE BOLTON

#### Poem

#### Dust if you Must Written by Rose Milligan Read by Lizzie Williams

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better
To paint a picture, or write a letter,
Bake a cake, or plant a seed;
Ponder the difference between want and need?

Dust if you must, but there's not much time, With rivers to swim, and mountains to climb; Music to hear, and books to read; Friends to cherish, and life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there With the sun in your eyes, and the wind in your hair; A flutter of snow, a shower of rain, This day will not come around again.

Dust if you must, but bear in mind, Old age will come and it's not kind. And when you go (and go you must) You, yourself, will make more dust.



Can you think of the names of fruit and vegetables, using all the letters of the alphabet:

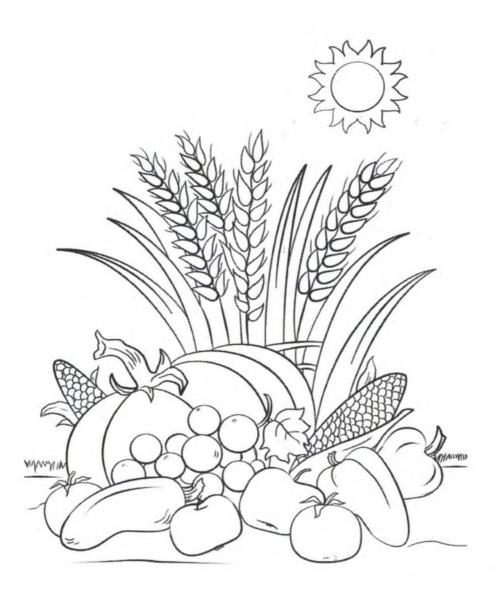
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q. r. S. u. ٧. W. X.

у. z.

What is your favourite fruit or vegetable?



### BERROW AND PENDOCK VILLAGE HALL VACANCY – TREASURER / SECRETARY

A vacancy has arisen for the role of Treasurer/ Secretary of Berrow and Pendock Village Hall.

This is a voluntary role (estimated 4 hours a month) working with the members of the village hall committee dealing with the day to day running of the hall as well as evolving its future as the hub of the community.

The responsibilities of the role include:

- Managing the village hall bank accounts and arranging for invoices to be paid when due.
- Keeping up to date accounts and producing an end of year financial statement for approval by the committee.
- Arranging committee meetings and the AGM (4 meetings per year).
- Producing agendas and minutes for the meetings.
- · Acting as a liaison point to the committee as necessary.

No previous experience is necessary, but admin/finance background would be advantageous along with good IT skills. An ability to work on their own initiative also desirable.

Start date 1st October 2022.

For more details, please contact Janice Kennedy at:

berrowandpendockvh@gmail.com



Pastoral care is one aspect of a priest's role. The word *pastor* comes from the Latin word for "shepherd." Caring for a person who is struggling with a difficulty, being present during a time of pain, praying with someone in a crisis—these are the moments when we need to know someone can come alongside us from the church community.

Most people only visualise a priest working on a Sunday. The reality is that preparing for Sunday services, Bible Study, and daily prayers are only a small part of my role. Looking after several churches, being on many different committees including being a school governor for our two local schools, engaging in a large wedding ministry, plus occasional offices like funerals and baptisms, means that my working week is very busy.

The Pastoral Visitor is Mrs Cathy Powell-Chandler. Part of her role is to co-ordinate pastoral visitors within our church communities. If you would specifically like me to visit you, then please indicate this by contacting me direct or via one of the church officers, all details of which are in the magazine. In a caring community, we all look to see whether our neighbours need or wish to accept our help.

Rev'd Julie James



#### Weddings-Please check the website. www.berrowbenefice.org.uk

Many wedding days have sadly been disrupted by Coronavirus restrictions. At present, we are holding church services each Sunday. Please check for details on the website or contact us to check. For the 'qualifying attendance' to be married in a church, you need to attend for 6 months, once a month. Numbers attending are increasing-but we still ask guests to wear masks in church, as singing is now allowed.

#### How we get you legally wed

We are legally entitled to marry you in a Church of England church through the publication of banns, read 3 times before the wedding date. We ask you to contact your local parish church and arrange when the banns are to be read 3 times there too. A **Marriage Document** is now signed at the church ceremony since the rules changed on May 4<sup>th</sup> 2021 and then you apply for a Marriage Licence through the **Worcester Registry Office**. We will give you all the details.

#### Common License

If you have made the qualifying connection to the Church, you can apply for a Common License to marry with us. We have already explained to our couples who could apply for this and what is involved.

#### Civil Ceremony followed by a Blessing in Church

In the interim, if a Registrar marriage is possible, you could have a civil ceremony. We can offer you a Church blessing of your marriage which is as similar to a full wedding as we can make it.

#### Conclusion

Rev'd Anthea and I are ready to help you during this decision making process. Please do discuss the options with us and your wedding venue hosts. It is an anxious and frustrating time and no-one can predict too far in the future what restrictions, rules or recommendations will be made.

Be safe and keep healthy! May your love for one another be strengthened and bind you closer than ever during this upheaval worldwide.

Rev'd Julie James





#### Baptism (or Christening)

The baptism service is for a child or adult. As an adult, you make the decision and the promises. A child has adults (godparents) who make decisions and promises on behalf of a child.

At the point you are baptized, you simply have water poured on your head. If you are considering being baptized or for a member of your family, do talk to us as we will be delighted to help. Baptism can occur during the usual church services which rotate around the Benefice or at a time for just you, your family and friends.

Rev'd Julie James



#### **Funerals**

If you wish to have a church service, please contact the priest to check dates as soon as possible. With your chosen Funeral Director, all bookings and other arrangements can proceed for you, the family and with the help and support of the clergy during this difficult time. We are still requesting the wearing of face coverings inside the buildings.

If you wish to have a burial in the churchyards at St John's, Eldersfield. St Faith's, Berrow or All Saints, Hollybush, the deceased person must have been resident in that Parish. Reservations (which last for 25 years) can be made by applying for a faculty which is a formal legal process and which we can help guide you through.

The Diocese of Worcester has issued guidelines for the erection of memorials in the churchyard. Please contact a local Stonemason who will have these details.



And Upton-upon-Severn Foodbank, The Baptist Church, Old Street, and Ledbury.

Many thanks to all those who continue to donate food for the Food Bank during these tough times. It was most gratefully received.

Please continue your generous contributions in these times of rising costs for everyone. They appreciate both food, toiletries and money. The referral of families to the food banks is unfortunately greater in numbers so please support.

Rev'd Julie James

#### Tewkesbury Abbey to Gloucester Cathedral Pilgrimage

#### Saturday 10th September

The Tewkesbury Abbey to Gloucester Cathedral Pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September, the second occasion on which it has been run. The route of the Pilgrimage includes beautiful sections alongside the River Severn and some musical entertainment will also be provided. You can walk the whole route or just some sections. There is no charge for participation, but you are requested to register.

Full details and registration arrangements can be found via the following link: Gloucester Pilgrimage Registration, Sat 10 Sep 2022 at 08:00 | Eventbrite

#### **Eldersfield Cricket Club**

With just three games of the cricket season left, Eldersfield Cricket Club find themselves sitting at the top of the Premier Division of the Cheltenham/Gloucester/Forest of Dean League. This looked highly unlikely after their narrow one run defeat against Aston Ingham 2nds, but a convincing 7 wicket win over previous league leaders Arcadian Nine Elms 2nds has put Eldersfield in pole position. But in an unpredictable league, there is still a lot to play for.

There have been many good performances over the last couple of months, none better than the match-winning 113 not out by opening batsman Jack McCracken at Stanway (probably one of the best batting performances for many a year) and he continues to be one of the most consistent batsmen in the league. Dependable all-rounder Chris Fincher has also had a good season, scoring handy runs and taking quite a few wickets with his tidy bowling. Other bowlers to have performed well have been Charlie Icke, George Bunn and even young James Bullock, but Harvey Sagar's bowling spell of 3-2 against Arcadians Nine Elms 2nds could prove to be vital if Eldersfield are to win the league but only time will tell if that is the case.

#### Results

#### Woodmancote CC 2nd (Home)

Cancelled

#### Westbury-on-Severn CC (Away)

ECC 214-8 (Jack McCracken 63, Charlie Icke 45)
Westbury-on-Severn CC 2<sup>nd</sup> 138-9 (Chris Fincher 2-9, Charlie Icke 2-16)
ECC won by 76 runs

#### Forest Exiles (Home) Car

Cancelled

#### Redmarley CC 2nd (Home)

Redmarley CC 2<sup>nd</sup> 120 (Chris Fincher 3-14, George Bunn 3-16) ECC 121-5 (James Green 48 n.o)

#### ECC Won by 5 wickets

Ullenwood Bharat CC 2nd (Away)

Ullenwood Bharat CC 2<sup>nd</sup> 186-7 (James Bullock 3-48) ECC 149 (Jack McCracken 45, James Bullock 32) Ullenwood Bharat CC 2<sup>nd</sup> won by 37 runs

#### Highnam Court CC (Home)

Highnam Court CC 124 (Matthew Rawlings 4-28, Chris Fincher 2-10) ECC 125-5 (Charlie Icke 48 n.o.) ECC won by 5 wickets

#### Stanway CC (Away)

Stanway CC 205-3 (Charlie Icke 2-33) ECC 206-8 (Jack McCracken 113 n.o., Chris Fincher 39) ECC won by 5 wickets

#### Aston Ingham CC 2nd (Home)

Aston Ingham CC 2<sup>nd</sup> 213-7 (Charlie Icke 3-35, Chris Fincher 2-21) ECC 212 (Jack McCracken 88, Chris Fincher 50)

Aston Ingham CC 2<sup>nd</sup> won by 1 run

#### Arcadians Nine Elms CC (Home)

Arcadians Nine Elms CC 91 (Harvey Sagar 3-2, Leo Rendall-Baker 3-11) ECC 92-3 (Chris Fincher 31) ECC won by 7 wickets

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2nd October	Eldersfield Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Habakkuk 1. 1-4; 2. 1-4 2 Timothy 1. 1 – 14	Janet Peters	- 1
after Trinity	Berrow Village Hall	10.30am	Café Church	TBA	ТВА	TBA
9th October	Berrow Church	10.30am	Holy Communion	2 Kings 5. 1-3, 7-15c 2 Timothy 2. 815	Mel Roberts	Doug Braund
17th Sunday after Trinity	Hollybush Church	6.30pm	BCP Evensong	TBA	TBA	Lis Ritchie
16th October	Pendock Cross Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Genesis 32. 22—31 2 Timothy 3.14 – 4.5	Andrew Rambridge	ТВА
after Trinity	Berrow Church	10.30am	All Age Worship	TBA	TBA	TBA
23rd October	Birtsmorton Church	10.30am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 45. 22 – End Romans 15. 1 – 6	Martin Knott	Cathy P-Chandler
Dible Sullday	Eldersfield Church	6.30pm	BCP Evensong	Jeremiah 36. 9 – End Romans 10. 5 – 17	Fiona Collins	Brian Woodcock
30th October	Hollybush Church	10.30am	Holy Communion for All Saints	Daniel 7. 13, 1518 Ephesians 1. 11 End	David Allen	Celia Greatwood

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4th September 12th Sunday	Eldersfield Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Deuteronomy 30. 15End Philemon 121	Janet Peters	1
died ittility	Berrow Village Hall	10.30am	Café Church	TBC	TBC	TBC
11th September	Berrow Church	10.30am	10.30am Holy Communion	Exodus 32. 7-14 1 Timothy 1. 12-17	Mel Roberts	Martin Knott
13th Sunday after Trinity	Hollybush Church	6.30pm	BCP Evensong	Isaiah 60. 1End John 6. 5169	Liz Lean	Celia Greatwood
18th September	Pendock Cross Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Amos 8. 4-7 1 Timothy 2. 1-7	Andrew Rambridge	-
14th Sunday after Trinity	Eldersfield Church	10.30am	10.30am All Age Worship	ТВС	TBC	TBC
25th September	Birtsmorton Church	10.30am	Holy Communion	Amos 6. 1a, 47 1 Timothy 6. 619	Ruth Coates	Doug Braund
after Trinity	School Lane, Pendock	3.00pm- 4.00.pm	Outdoor Deanery Harvest Thanks Celebration	TBC	TBC	TBC

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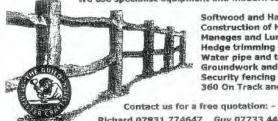
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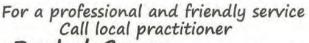
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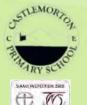


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