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Berrow with Pendock, Eldersfield.  
Hollybush and Birtsmorton



Parish Magazine

**UNITED BENEFICE OF BERROW WITH PENDOCK ELDERSFIELD HOLLYBUSH AND  
BIRTSMORTON**

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Dear Friends.

The Easter Sunrise service is always special at Pendock Old Church, with the rays of the sun filtered through the lovely stained glass window behind the altar. It took 15 hours by Volunteers to ready and clean the inside of this medieval redundant church, part of the Churches Trust organisation, which looks to us to maintain it still. Alleluia, Christ is risen! We gave the acclamation as the five Pascal candles of our Benefice, one for each church, were lit for the first time.

Reflecting on the empty tomb and resurrection of Jesus after the 40 days of Lenten preparation, was a great joy. Easter eggs, Easter egg hunts, and chocolates consumed, followed by different Easter activities at Eldersfield continued our Easter celebrations after the very well attended Holy Communion service at St Faith, Berrow.

With the weather giving us a great variety, the cycle of life continues with the emergence of greenery and blossom in the hedges, woods and in our gardens. As the daffodils fade, other flora and fauna appear and spring lambs, piglets, calves and other baby animals and birds can be found.

In the cycle of the church liturgy, in Acts 2, there is much to learn about the story of the Day of Pentecost. The people gathered at that time from all over the world: different nationalities, cultures and dialects. Peter and the other disciples spoke of the Day of Pentecost for the rest of their lives. It changed the way they thought, felt and acted. They had only watched Jesus do things, but now they went on His behalf to proclaim to the world what He had done.

And this is what happens to believers today! Many people misunderstand Pentecost and the power of the Holy Spirit. Many people experience and understand the power of the Holy Spirit in different ways, depending on their personality, their life experiences and their own faith journey. People are challenged or can remain unconvinced. In Romans 8:16 tells us that –“The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God. Jesus gave to us the model”, or the example for us in John 14:16, "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever.”

Each of the disciples needed the Holy Spirit to give them the strength and wisdom to carry on the work Jesus started for the emerging Christian church; for they were just ordinary people. People of faith today are just ordinary people and face a challenging world, where exploring faith or even going to church is not part of many people’s lifestyle. Christians today also need the Holy Spirit to help us transform ourselves, our actions and to help us to be part of the work building up of the Christian life from Jesus’s model. We look for guidance of the Holy Spirit in these times of much change in our world and in our church communities. As we open our hearts to God’s purpose, may our churches welcome all people and be places of love, joy , peace and justice.

Rev’d Julie James



# A Pentecost Prayer



The Holy Spirit is our guide,  
Ever walking by my side.  
Bless each step I take today  
All that I think and do and say.

Thank you for your abundant love  
Fill my heart with blessings from above.  
May we see all things in a new light  
Give us grace, mercy and new worldly insight.

With all obstacles thrown our way.  
Keep our fears and anxieties at bay.  
Empower us and bring us closer to you,  
May the word of God bring hope anew

*Amen.*

Rev'd Julie James

## Benefice Diary

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

<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Coronation Celebrations</b>	<b>Pendock CE Primary School 12 noon -pm Bring and Share Welcome Ideas and activities!</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Volunteer Day</b>	<b>If you have time, we have plenty of tasks !</b>
<b>Tuesday' s in Term Time</b>	<b>Drop in 9.30- 11.30am</b>	<b>Pendock CE Primary School Books, refreshments and your company!</b>
<b>Sat, 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Exhibition Details to be advertised</b>	<b>All Saints , Hollybush</b>
<b>Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Eldersfield Concert</b>	<b>Details to follow</b>

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



### Bible Study

**Tuesday: - Thistledown, Pendock**

**Tuesday: 9<sup>th</sup> May , 13<sup>th</sup>. June, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023,**

**10.30am Cuppa and biscuit!**

**Bible reflections, depart 12 noon**

Rev. Julie James



## **Community 'Drop In'**

**ALL welcome!**

Pendock C.E. Primary School Hall

Refreshments and Books to exchange.

Chat and catch-up

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to help and attended.

Can you think of any way the 'Drop In' sessions could incorporate any useful:-  
hobby/discussion/business venture?

Do let us know!

Rev'd Julie James



**LET'S PARTY! Everyone in the Community Welcome!**

**WHEN? Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023 12 noon onwards**

**WHERE? Pendock CE Primary School-Hall /Grounds**

**WHAT? So far, suggest a 'BRING AND SHARE PICNIC'  
lunch**

**FURTHER IDEAS? Please contact me!**

**VOLUNTEERS needed to co-ordinate events and ideas.**

**Contact: Rev'd Julie James Tel: 01531 651795**

**Or email: [julie.m.james@btinternet.com](mailto:julie.m.james@btinternet.com)**



**In Aid of Brain Tumour Research**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May  
Berrow Village Hall – 2pm**

**Clothes, Toys, Bric-a-brac, Raffle, Cakes**

**Please email [suefinch27@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:suefinch27@hotmail.co.uk) or call  
us on 07980078220 or 01531 650727**

**We would like to thank everyone for their  
support in March and hope to see you all again  
in May**

**Sue & Sam Finch**

# Easter Day Walk & Quiz 2023

## Eldersfield Church

The sun shone (most of the time) on Easter Day and over 60 people attended the quiz, the Easter egg hunt, saw the Easter display and took part in the craft activities. The hot cross buns were very popular as was the hot chocolate and the children spent time scouring the churchyard for hidden eggs. Everyone who took part in the quiz/walk had an Easter egg prize - and generally the children got more answers correct than their parents!

It was great to see so many of the local community enjoying the spring weather and many thanks to the Eldersfield Fundraising Team for their hard work in organising the event. Donations for the DEC Turkish/Syrian Earthquake Appeal totalled a generous £340. Thanks to everyone for coming and making it a special day and to Eldersfield Parish Council for their support. Much appreciated.

### **Eldersfield Cricket Club Notes** **by Dereck Hartland**

After finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> last season in the league, Eldersfield find themselves promoted to the 7<sup>th</sup> Division of the Gloucestershire County League which is obviously good news, but will require a lot more travelling, and if your roving Cricket Correspondent can't even find the ground at Woodmancote, what chance has he got of finding places like Poulton and Langford? Probably not a lot!

But there are always home games to watch and starting on May 13<sup>th</sup> (weather permitting), Eldersfield will host Langford, so why not come along, and watch the lads play. You might be impressed with the standard of cricket, and with the Butchers Arms just over the road for after-match entertainment, it could be the perfect way of spending your Saturdays! If anyone fancies a game of village cricket, I'm sure you will be made most welcome. Look forward to seeing you all.

#### Fixtures (all 1pm start)

May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Poulton 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Away
May 13 <sup>th</sup>	Langford 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Home
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Aston Ingham 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Away
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Painswick 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Home



# Thames Walk in aid of **The Children's Society**

If you could support me in my challenge I'd be very grateful. On May 11<sup>th</sup> I plan to walk from the source of the Thames near Cirencester following the river to Lechlade, around 23 miles downstream. This aim is to raise much needed funds for The Children's Society - and I hope to complete it in one day (if my knees survive!)

Progress is being made in helping young vulnerable people in the UK who are uncared for, unloved and often unwanted escape from abuse. The often dangerous work of rescuing hundreds of children from the clutches of County Lines drug gangs continues, returning children, often as young as 7 years old to their families. Please will you help The Society continue its important work and end the abuse? Your support will change children's lives and restore hope.

I have set up a Justgiving page at: [justgiving.com/page/andrew-holt-1678702892071](https://www.justgiving.com/page/andrew-holt-1678702892071) or if you prefer to use cash/cheques rather than go online, let me know and I will sort it for you. Anything you can do will help our young people escape from a life of misery. Thank you. Andy Holt. [awholt36@gmail.com](mailto:awholt36@gmail.com)

[www.childrenssociety.org.uk](http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk)



# Pentecost Word Search

R E W O P C S M P M T F E S S  
B V S E L P I C S I D I C E Y  
T O N G U E S I G N S F N G M  
D N I W Z F I L L E D T E A B  
P E N T E C O S T X B I S U O  
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H C R U H C N E V A E H P A Z  
Y R A N I D R O A R T X E L E  
D N U O S P I R I T F I R E D

CHURCH  
DISCIPLES  
EXTRAORDINARY  
FIFTIETH  
FILLED  
FIRE  
FIRSTFRUITS  
HEAVEN  
LANGUAGES



OFFERING  
PENTECOST  
POWER  
PRESENCE  
SIGNS  
SOUND  
SPIRIT  
SYMBOLIZED  
TONGUES  
WIND

# The Day of Pentecost

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All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:4

Choose the word that best matches the definition.  
Answers can be found in Acts 2:1-13 (NIV).



- \_\_\_ 1. To say words, to use the voice  
A. wind B. sound C. speak D. fire
- \_\_\_ 2. Means of communication used by the people of a particular country  
A. spirit B. language C. speak D. wind
- \_\_\_ 3. A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost  
A. speak B. spirit C. heaven D. holy
- \_\_\_ 4. Something that can be heard  
A. wind B. sound C. language D. fire
- \_\_\_ 5. Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word  
A. holy B. heaven C. fire D. speak
- \_\_\_ 6. A destructive burning  
A. holy B. spirit C. fire D. speak
- \_\_\_ 7. The place where God lives  
A. fire B. wind C. heaven D. language
- \_\_\_ 8. Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree  
A. sound B. holy C. language D. wind

**Birtsmorton Parish Council**

**Notification re forthcoming local elections - Thursday 4 May 2023**

A reminder that following the Boundary Commission review there has been an adjustment to some of the Malvern Hills District Council wards with a reduction in the number of district councillors.

**Birtsmorton Parish is now in the Longdon Ward**

In the event there are local contested elections and for those who like to vote in person at the polling station

**for Birtsmorton Parish this will be Berrow & Pendock Village Hall**

a change from Castlemorton Parish Hall

**If you are voting at any polling station, please also remember to take a photo ID with you otherwise you will not be able to vote.**

**Birtsmorton Parish Council**

**Wednesday 17 May 2022**

**Castlemorton Parish Hall 7pm**

**Annual Parish Meeting**

To be followed by

**Annual Meeting of the Parish Council**

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# “Hollybush Church & its Community”

An Exhibition of  
photographs, memorabilia  
and local information

at

All Saints, Hollybush

Saturday May 27th

10am to 5pm

*Refreshments available*

DO JOIN US for this all day exhibition at All Saints, Hollybush on May 27th! There will be varied displays of photos, memorabilia and information about Hollybush, including its flower festivals, fetes and local faces past and present.

The exhibition will include some of the history of Hollybush, with information about the churchyard and its graves, the Church Room and the wider Hollybush community.

On the day we would welcome any information, photographs or memories you can share with us for our archive. Perhaps you will be able to help identify some faces from the past?



Mark and Sheila Wardle warmly invite you to visit their garden at Weir Reach, The Rudge, Maisemore GL2 8HY which is opening again this year for The National Garden Scheme on Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup> from 11.00am to 5.00pm. Plant sale and home-made teas. Admission £5.00.

The National Garden Scheme supports many charities including Marie Curie, Macmillan Cancer Support and Parkinson's UK

Full details at <https://ngs.org.uk/view-garden/36192>

Or email: [weirreach@gmail.com](mailto:weirreach@gmail.com)



Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm

## **Aftersun**

(12A-2022-102mins)

A luminous father-daughter drama starring Paul Mescal. A stylistically daring, emotionally piercing and beautifully understated story of love and loss.

**All proceeds to go to earthquake victims in Syria and Turkey**

Tickets £5 on the door for advance booking call Beth 01531 631503 or Malcolm 01684 833297 or email [mortonmajestic@gmail.com](mailto:mortonmajestic@gmail.com).

Licensed Bar / Refreshments / Ice creams

The Morton Majestic is at Castlemorton Parish Hall WR13 6BE

[www.castlemortoncinema.co.uk](http://www.castlemortoncinema.co.uk)

## Recipe of the month - May

### Risotto

The best rice to use is Italian ARBORIO (this dish is, after all, Italian!) and, if possible, avoid long grain rice. Arborio rice has a high starch content, which it releases to help give a creamy finish to the dish. Use rice to stock in the proportion of approximately 1:4.

#### Ingredients (for 3 - 4 helpings)

1 tea cupful rice  
1 pint (approx.) good chicken or veg stock  
1 medium onion, finely chopped  
2 – 3 oz butter  
1 teaspoon oil  
2 – 3 oz grated parmesan cheese

#### Seasoning

together with any or all of the following options:

1 small glass dry white wine  
1 clove garlic, finely chopped  
1 stick celery, finely chopped  
Spring onion, finely chopped  
Parsley, finely chopped

#### Method

This recipe needs 20 minutes of constant stirring and attention, then 5 minutes rest before serving. Take a large non-stick frying pan (with lid). Heat the stock separately so as to use it hot when adding to the rice. Using most of the butter and the oil, gently sauté the onion (+ the garlic and celery if selected) until soft, but do not allow to take colour. Stir in the rice and coat until translucent. If using wine, add at this stage. Then start



adding the hot stock, a ladleful at a time, stirring constantly until absorbed; then add another ladleful etc. After about 18 – 20 minutes the result should be thick and creamy. Test to make sure the rice has become ‘al dente’ but cooked through, then add spring onion, parsley and milled black pepper. Stir in half the parmesan cheese and the remaining butter. Put the lid on the pan and turn the heat off. Allow the cheese to melt into the rice before making additions and serving. Offer extra grated cheese.

### *Suggested additions*

1. Diced, cooked chicken breast and sliced chestnut mushrooms.
2. Cooked peeled prawns.
3. Cooked asparagus tips and peas and/or baby broad beans.
4. Chopped ham and tomato concassé (no seeds or peel)

# **Staunton & Corse Community Hub @ The Swan**

## **Opening Hours**

Wednesdays 11am - 3pm  
Thursdays 11am - 3pm  
Fridays 11am – 3pm  
5.30pm – 10.30pm  
Saturdays 5.30pm - 10.30pm

## **Daytime activities**

**Rhyme Time - Wednesdays, 11.00 - 11.30am**

**Knitting & crochet group - Thursdays, 11am - 12.30.**

**Book Club - 1st Friday of the month, 11am**

**Card Making - 1st Thursday of the month 11am - 12.30pm**

**Gardening Group - every Friday, 11am - 1pm**

**Forest Voluntary Action Forum Advice Hub - Every other Thursday - 13th May, 27th May, 12.30 - 3pm.**

## **Other Regular Events**

**Anything with wheels - Natter & Noggin - held on the first Thursday of the month, starting on 11th May, 7-9pm.**

**Come and share your knowledge and experiences with other like-minded people. The bar will be open for drinks and snacks.**

**If you would like to set up your own group or club please get in touch.**

## **New Spring/Summer Daytime menu**

**(from Wednesday 3rd May)**

**Ploughman's- cheese, Ploughman's – ham, Pork pie & salad, Cheese & onion Quiche with side salad**

**Quiche Lorraine with side salad, Filled baguettes - cheese, ham, cheese & onion**

**Homemade cakes, different each week**

## **Friday Night Food Vans**

**9<sup>th</sup> June Roly Poly Eats**

**7<sup>th</sup> July Dirty Boys**

**Look out for updates of other vans as we book them in.**

**Dine in Fish Supper - After the great success of our first dine in Fish supper supplied by Tudor Fish & Chip Shop, we are planning to run these every month. Please keep an eye out on Facebook and notices in the village for upcoming dates.**

## **Saturday nights**

**From mid-April we will be serving food on Saturday nights for special events only. Please contact us if you have such an event coming up and we will be happy to discuss the options with you.**

## Upcoming events

Polling station - Thursday 4th May the Hub is being used as the polling station for the local elections. Breakfast rolls are available to buy from 8am - 11am. Our new daytime menu is available from 11am - 2pm. The bar will also be open until 10.30 pm.

King Charles III Coronation Garden Tea Party - Sunday 7th May, 12pm - 4pm. This is an advanced ticketed event at £5 per person. Tea party meal includes sandwiches, crisps, piece of cake and a pot of tea or for children a Fruit shoot. The bar will also be open if you wish to toast our new King with something stronger !

Beer & Cider Festival - Saturday 12th August, 12pm - 10.30pm - further details to follow.

The Cygnet room is available for private bookings, so please get in touch to discuss your requirements.

If you have a few hours spare each week and would like to join our family of amazing volunteers please call 01452 840323, email [theswancommunitygroup@gmail.com](mailto:theswancommunitygroup@gmail.com) or message us via Facebook Messenger. Various roles and shifts are available.



PLUS Upton-upon-Severn Foodbank, The Baptist Church, Old Street, Tewkesbury 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. Money donations are also accepted.

Please continue your generous contributions in these times of rising costs for everyone. People really 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

CASTLEMORTON COMMON ASSOCIATION

NOTE THIS DATE

**SUMMER SHINDIG**  
**SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023**

**PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY !**  
**MORE DETAIL TO FOLLOW**

**From the Magazine Archive - May 1988**

MAY SAYINGS AND SAINTS DAYS

Who doffs his coat on a winter's day, will gladly put in on in May.

Button to the chin till May be in.

A windy March and a rainy April make a beautiful May.

May makes or mars the wheat.

Mist in May, heat in June, makes the harvest come quite soon.

Spud a thistle in May, it will come another day;

Spud a thistle in June, it will come again quite soon;

Spud a thistle in July, it will surely die.

Rain in May makes bread for the whole year.

Shear your sheep in May and shear them all away.

A dry May portends a wholesome summer.

Be sure of hay till the end of May.

Be in weal or be it woe, beans should blow (bloom) before May do go.

A swarm of bees in May, is worth a load of hay.

He who sows oats in May, will have little to repay.

He who would live for aye must eat sage in May.

Marry in May, repent alway,

Of the marriages in May, the bairns decay.



# Castlemorton Community Café



Delicious  
homemade  
bakes

Hot  
drinks

Treats  
for the  
Kids!

Cream  
teas

All dietary  
requirements  
catered  
for

Everybody  
welcome!

**Fri 12 May, Fri 9 June, Fri 14 July**

**♥ 2.30 - 4.30pm ♥**

**Castlemorton Parish Hall**

**SPECIAL OFFER: bring a local neighbour, friend  
or relative who cannot attend by themselves  
and get a cup of tea and slice of cake FREE!**

Any profits towards Parish Hall projects





**Weddings-Please check the website. [www.berrowbenefice.org.uk](http://www.berrowbenefice.org.uk)**

**At present, we are holding a rotation of services each Sunday. Please check for details on the website or contact us.** For the 'qualifying attendance' to be married in a church, you need to attend for a minimum of 6 months, once a month.

### **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**

In very special cases, you can apply for a Common License to marry with us. Please do seek an early explanation and the process involved.

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

If you are unable to attend for 6 months to qualify, then you could have Registrar a civil ceremony first. We can then 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. We do try to meet your expectations and make this a special day. Do try and attend our marriage preparation day. We try to answer your questions, look at the wedding day itself and looking ahead to the future.

Be safe and keep healthy! May your love for one another be strengthened and bind you closer than ever during the challenges of our world.

Rev'd Julie James





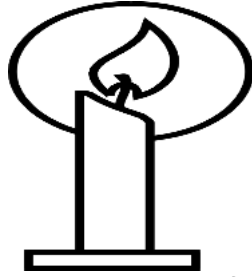


## **Baptism (or Christening)**

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



With you every step of the way

## **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.**



## pastoral care

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

## SERVICES IN THE UNITED BENEFICE OF BERROW WITH PENDOCK, ELDERSFIELD AND BIRTMORTON AND HOLLYBUSH

Would readers and intercessors themselves please arrange an appropriate replacement if they are unable to be present on the dates shown

Date	Venue	Time	Service	Reading	Reader	Intercessor
<b>4<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>Trinity</b> <b>Sunday</b>	Eldersfield Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Isaiah 40.12-17, 27--End 2 Corinth's 13.11 --End	Janet Peters	----
	Berrow Village Hall	10.30am	Café Church	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>11<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday</b> <b>after Trinity</b>	Berrow Church	10.30am	Holy Communion	Hosea 5.15 — 6.6 Romans 4.13 — End	Elisabeth Rambridge	Ann Ward
	Hollybush Church	6.30pm	Evensong	1 Samuel 18. 1 – 16 Luke 8. 41 -- End	Shirley Williams	Cathy P-Chandler
<b>18<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</b> <b>after Trinity</b>	Pendock Cross Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Exodus 19. 2 – 8a Romans 5. 1 -- 8	Andrew Rambridge	---
	Eldersfield Church	10.30am	All Age Worship	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>25<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</b> <b>after Trinity</b>	Birtsmorton Church	10.30am	Holy Communion	Jeremiah 20. 7 – 13 Romans 6. 1b – 11	Bob James	Doug Braund
	Eldersfield Church	6.30pm	Evensong	1 Samuel 24. 1 – 17 Luke 14. 12 -- 24	Fiona Collins	Brian Woodcock

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Intercessor</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Eldersfield Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Acts 7. 55 – End 1 Peter 2. 2 – 10	Janet Peters	----
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	Berrow Village Hall	10.30am	Coronation Café Church!	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Berrow Church	10.30am	Holy Communion	Acts 17. 22 – 31 1 Peter 3. 13 – End	Mel Roberts	Doug Braund
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	Hollybush Church	6.30pm	Evensong	Zechariah 8. 1 – 13 Rev'n 21.22 – 22.5	Liz Lean	Celia Greatwood
<b>21<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Pendock Cross Church	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Acts 1. 6 – 14 1 Peter 4.12-14; 5. 6-11	Andrew Rambridge	—
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	Berrow Church	10.30am	All Age Worship	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Hollybush Church	10.30am	Holy Communion	Acts 2. 1 – 21 1 Corinth 12. 3b—13	Bob James	David Allen
<b>Pentecost</b>	Eldersfield Church	6.30pm	Evensong	Joel 2. 21 – End Acts 2. 14 – 21	Fiona Collins	Brian Woodcock

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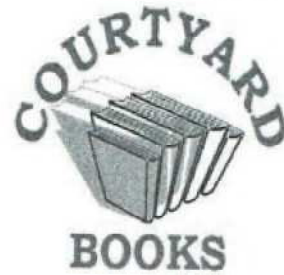
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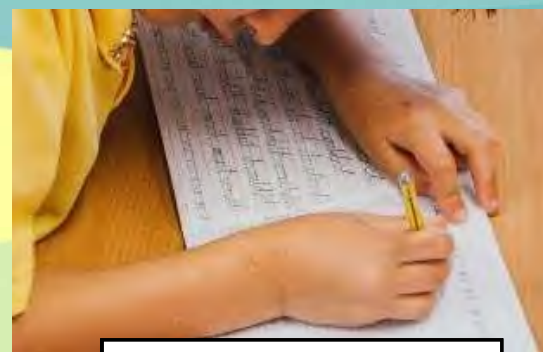
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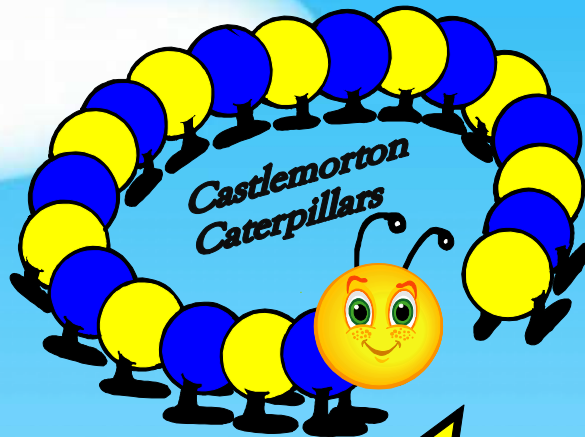
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