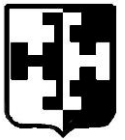




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October 2018

# St Luke's Hallowe'en GREET & TREAT



**Teams will be out again on the evening of  
Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October handing out  
'Hope' bags and inviting young revellers  
back to the chapter house for hot chocolate  
and marshmallows.**

**If you are available to tour the streets or to  
make drinks and welcome folk, please meet  
at church at 6.30pm.**

# Services for October

## ST LUKE'S

7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HARVEST</b> 9.15am MORNING PRAYER – Barrie and Maryanne 11.00am CONNECTIONS at St Luke's Primary School
14 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am HOLY COMMUNION – Rev Alan 11.00am CONNECTIONS at St Luke's School
21 <sup>st</sup>	9.15am MORNING PRAYER – Roger and Barrie 11.00am CONNECTIONS at St Luke's Primary School
28 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am HOLY COMMUNION – Rev Alan 11.00am CONNECTIONS at St Luke's Primary School

## ST CHAD'S

7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HARVEST</b> 9.00am HOLY COMMUNION BCP – Rev Alan 10.45am FAMILY SERVICE - Kath, Muriel F and the team
14 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am PRAISE & PRAYER – Kath & Muriel F
21 <sup>st</sup>	10.45am ALL AGE HC – Rev Alan
28 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am MEMORIAL SERVICE – Kath & Muriel F

## MIDWEEK ECUMENICAL HC SERVICES

Wednesdays at 9.15am

Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at ESL

Oct 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at EMC

## DATES FOR THE DIARY:

- Our Memorial Service is planned for Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> to be led by Rev Julie and Barrie.  
PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE.
- Our Remembrance Service will be held at 10.45am on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup>. A beacon will be lit at 7.00pm near the village hall to commemorate the end of WW1. Roy Horley has been invited to light the Beacon!

# St Luke's Harvest



**Our harvest thanksgiving services will be held at 9.15 and 11.00 on Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.**

As usual we shall be supporting our local food bank in Leek and would welcome donations of food. To see an up-to-date list of current requirements please p27 or consult the website. Packets, boxes, tins and cartons of most foods are

welcome with the exception of baked beans and dried pasta. Please do not donate fresh produce. With winter approaching soups and stews would no doubt be very acceptable.

**THANK YOU FOLKS..WE KNOW YOU WILL RESPOND GENEROUSLY!**

# Barrie's Big Day



Barrie was well supported by around 17 members of St Luke's at his licensing last month at Lichfield.

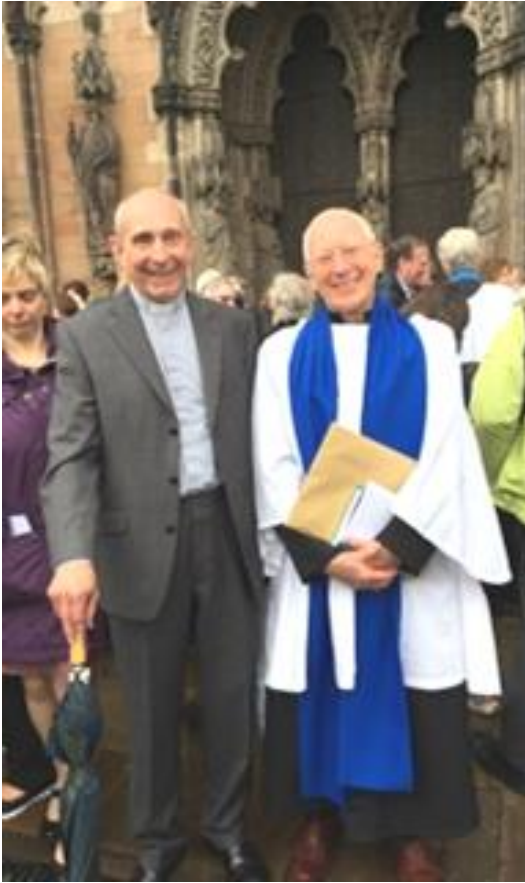
It was very heartening to see so many and we were delighted that Sue and Dave Hardacre came along representing our wider community. Barrie's son Chris travelled up from London with his girlfriend and our Reader Emeritus James



Benson was also present having been licensed himself at Lichfield by Bishop Keith twenty-four years ago.

Each of the reader candidates

recruited a sponsor to present him/her to the bishop and this role was ably and cheerfully fulfilled by Alan Payne. Barrie proudly sported a blue reader's scarf passed on to him by Rev



Alan. As Alan said, he felt a bit like Elijah passing on his cloak to the new prophet Elisha (1 KINGS 19 v19).

Straight into harness the next day at the 9.15 HC service, Barrie was presented with a card and monetary gift as a token of our love and appreciation.

We look forward to enjoying and benefitting from Barrie's continuing ministry among us. As a licensed reader he is now able to conduct



funerals as well as to lead and preach at certain other services. (We also hope that Barrie will continue as our administrator and PCC Sec.) The Lord bless you Barrie as we too feel blessed to have you with us and ministering to us.

# THE GREAT WEST DOORS



When candidates are ordained or licensed in Lichfield Cathedral it is traditional that at the end of the service the Great West Doors are opened as the candidates process down the centre aisle away from the altar.

I find it a moving and significant act, a kind of spiritual 'kick-out', as though the Lord is saying:

***“Now you’re all officially commissioned, don’t hang around in here....get out there into the world where you’re needed!”***

On September 8<sup>th</sup> fourteen new lay readers from around the diocese were licensed and we pray that they all will be used by God and blessed wherever their ministries take them. **Ros**

***Sheila Hurst says...Thanks to all MU members who wrote Christmas cards for prisoners in gaols in the Diocese. We sent 170 to Diocesan MU headquarters.***

## A Message from Our New Reader...

# THANK YOU ALL!

I would like to thank everybody at St Luke's and St Chad's for all the love and support you've shown me throughout my training - Bishop's Certificate, Pathways and ultimately my training for Readership. To everybody who braved the rain to be at Lichfield on my licensing, I would like to say a very big thanks – you really did, “make my day”. I was also deeply humbled by the present you presented me with on the Sunday. Your generosity will enable me to fund the next set of books for my ongoing, “on the job” ministry training! I have been privileged, through my involvement in the Christian Fellowship at Bagnall Heights over the years, to worship with members of both Churches; also to study alongside Ian and Caryl, both of whom are now also training for Ministry.

It is nearly 20 years since my “Damascus Road” experience, when I brought Chris as a toddler to see what the local church Sunday School at Endon looked like! He's now living and working in London and I'm still here!

I look forward to the opportunity in the coming years to putting something back into the Church and the Benefice which have given me so much and which I love dearly.

With love and grateful thanks -

***Barrie***

# **OUR SHIRLEY – Happy 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday!**

*The phone rings with the news that someone in our church circle (or known to someone who is) is ill or in some kind of difficulty. What can be done to help?*

*The pastoral team swings into action. The prayer chain is mobilised and just prayer offered but appropriate practical help is organised.*

*Set up some years ago by Rosemary Millward, the pastoral team fast became a vital part of the ministry of St Luke's. After Rosemary's death in 2010, Shirley bravely took up the reins so the work could continue.*

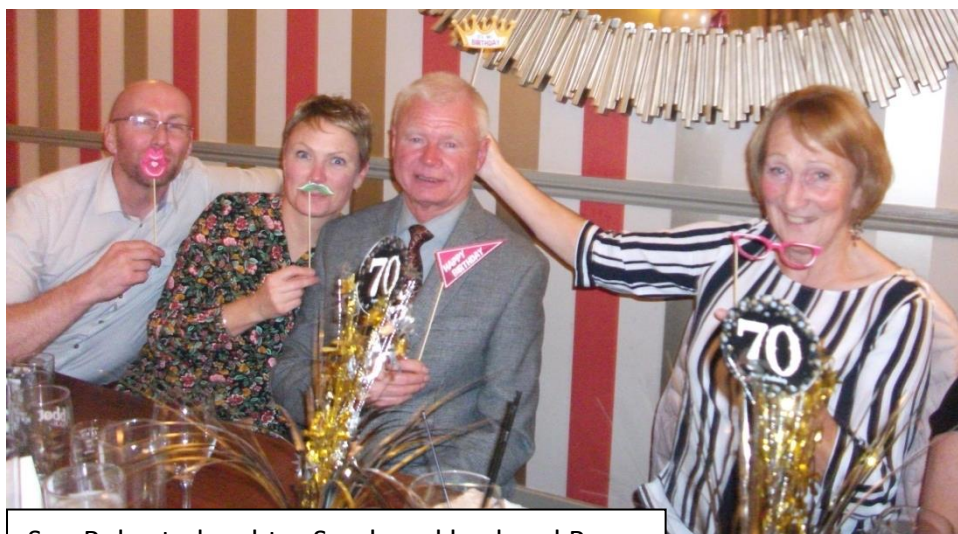
*Many folk are visited or phoned every week (especially those who can no longer get to services) thanks to Shirley and her dedicated team.*

*Not only this but Shirley also oversees the candle dedications, is a lesson reader, one in our team of altar servers and on the coffee rota in the chapter house! (She finds time to play golf too.)*



*The not*

*church*



Son Robert, daughter Sarah and husband Roger

*At home she is grandma to four lovely young grandchildren whom she loves dearly and takes a very active role in their care.*

*Members of the pastoral team*

*threw a surprise party for her last month as she celebrated her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday and the 9.15 congregation presented her with flowers and Pandora vouchers. **Thank you Shirley**, we are all very appreciative.*



## ***Message from Shirley...***



*I would like to say a huge and heartfelt 'Thank you' to everyone at St Luke's who helped to make my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday such a happy and memorable occasion. There were so many unexpected surprises*

*that it was, at times, completely overwhelming.*

*Thank you all for your company, the beautiful flowers, the cake and gift card and thank you to Jean and Sophie for organising my birthday meal!*

*You good people have made this rather big birthday one that I will always remember and treasure.*



***Shirley***



Come follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad

# THE BROAD CHURCH

## Eastern meets Western faith

### The Bishop of Lichfield's Pastoral Letter for October 2018

'East Meets West' was the theme of our memorable and inspiring encounter with fellow Christians from the dioceses of West Malaysia and Kuching in July this year. That was an event involving only Anglicans, but two experiences in August have made Julia and myself think further about another dimension of the meeting of East and West in Christ. One was the baptism of our granddaughter in a Russian village church close to the Estonian border (our daughter-in-law is Russian). On 2nd August – the Feast of Elijah the Tishbite, according to the Russian Orthodox calendar – four-month old Rosaline was thoroughly drenched in water, anointed with huge quantities of oil, led around the church to repeated chants of 'Alleluia', then held up high by the priest and whooshed along in front of the screen of icons of the saints – an action filled with joyful wonder, and particularly fitting for the day, which is also National Paratroopers' Day in Russia.

Meanwhile, back in Lichfield, it was our privilege this summer to host in our house three Palestinian icon painters from Bethlehem. They were working on a magnificent icon for the Cathedral, to be dedicated on 14th September, the Feast of the Holy Cross. Depicting the figure of 'Jesus Crucified, Risen and Lord of All', this will hang at the east end of the nave, above the place of the altar. I have been particularly interested to learn about the arrangements for securing it in the ceiling, as I will be the first person to stand under it *as* I preside at the Eucharist; I am assured that I need have no fears.

The worship, art and spirituality of the Orthodox churches of the East can seem to some Western Christians strange and puzzling; to others, they are

appealing and intriguing. Both reactions are a sign of how distant from one another we have become over the years. For almost a millennium now, since the Great Schism of 1054, the churches of East and West have been separated from one another, and during the centuries they have in many ways continued to grow still further apart. Yet we share a common root, and the people of our own country received the gospel of Christ from men and women for whom the split between East and West was not final: Chad our first bishop is revered by Eastern Orthodox Christians as a saint of the undivided church.

In our own time, there is an increasing recognition that East and West have much to learn from one another. For me as a Western Christian, there is much enrichment in the deep and unaffected note of resurrection joy that runs through Orthodox liturgy, in the simple and transcendent beauty of the holy icons, in the profound traditions of spiritual wisdom passed on by holy men and women. The late Pope John Paul II spoke of the Church's 'need to learn to breathe again with both its lungs – its Eastern one and its Western one'. For us in this country, that is a particularly important message to remember at a time when suspicion and hostility between East and West seems to be on the rise.

Next May, I am hoping to lead a pilgrimage group from the diocese to Moscow, to spend a few days exploring some of the rich heritage and living reality of Russian Orthodox faith. More details of that will soon be available on our website and in our regular diocesan Bulletin\*. I hope that several of you will be able to join me on that trip; but for the many of you for whom that will not be practicable, please do find time soon to come to our Cathedral to look on the wonderful new icon of Christ crucified, risen and Lord of all. As you contemplate that image, created by artists from Bethlehem, the birthplace of our common faith, pray for the reunion of the Lord's divided church, that breathing together as two lungs of the one body of Christ we may all be renewed by the life-giving Spirit.

*+ Michael  
Bishop of Lichfield*

*\*Anyone can sign up for the fortnightly Bulletin online at [lichfield.anglican.org/signup-the\\_bulletin](http://lichfield.anglican.org/signup-the_bulletin)*

# PASTORAL TEAM

Please contact Shirley Brindley on 504089 if you are available for pastoral visiting.

## HILLSWOOD LODGE VISITS

Meet at Vicarage 10.50am for 11.00am

Next dates:

**11th October**

**8th November**

**13th December - Carols**

Please sign the sheet at the back of church.

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## Congratulations to Rev Julie and Richard!

It was with immense joy that we received the news last month that our Methodist Minister Julie Herbert had become engaged to her very good friend Richard Hassall.

All of us at St Luke's are delighted and send them our love and pray the Lord's blessing on their future together.



## All Welcome at 11.00am every Sunday

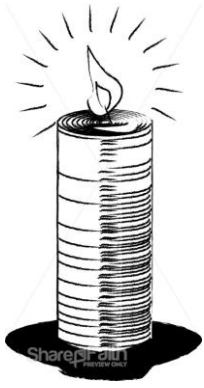
in St Luke's Primary School for 35 minutes followed by refreshments, time to chat and play.



## **OCTOBER GREETINGS**

to George Rigby (2<sup>nd</sup>), James Porter, Deb Millington (4<sup>th</sup>), Emma Greatbatch (6<sup>th</sup>), Neil Taylor (9<sup>th</sup>), Mabel McGrath (10<sup>th</sup>), Rob Brindley, Megan Dale (13<sup>th</sup>), Nancy Price, Bethany Salt (20<sup>th</sup>), Andrew Barlow (27<sup>th</sup>), Chris Sproston (30<sup>th</sup>), Paul Hurst (30<sup>th</sup>)

*If you would like your own or a family birthday included please here contact Ros 504137*



# CANDLE DEDICATIONS for OCTOBER

For £2.50 you can keep the Candle of Hope or the Sanctuary Light burning for a week with a dedication. Contact Shirley Brindley on 504089 for a particular date or fill in a form available at the back of church.

Oct	CANDLE OF HOPE	SANCTUARY LIGHT
7 <sup>th</sup>	Maureen Foster to celebrate the birthdays of Emily ( 5 <sup>th</sup> ) and Joe (13 <sup>th</sup> )	Marilyn Plant to celebrate the birthday of her granddaughter Annabelle Mabel
14 <sup>th</sup>	Janet Bowyer in loving memory of Nellie and Jack Parker, Aunt and Uncle of Janet, David and Robert	Marilyn Plant to celebrate the birthday of her granddaughter, Phoebe Samantha
21 <sup>st</sup>	Sheila and Stan to celebrate the birthday of their granddaughter, Bethany (20 <sup>th</sup> )	Marilyn Plant to celebrate the birthday of her son, Andrew Edwin
28 <sup>th</sup>	Sheila and Stan to celebrate the 10 <sup>th</sup> birthday of their granddaughter, Anne (26 <sup>th</sup> )	Sheila and Stan to celebrate the birthday of their son Paul (31 <sup>st</sup> )

## ST LUKE'S MEAL OUT

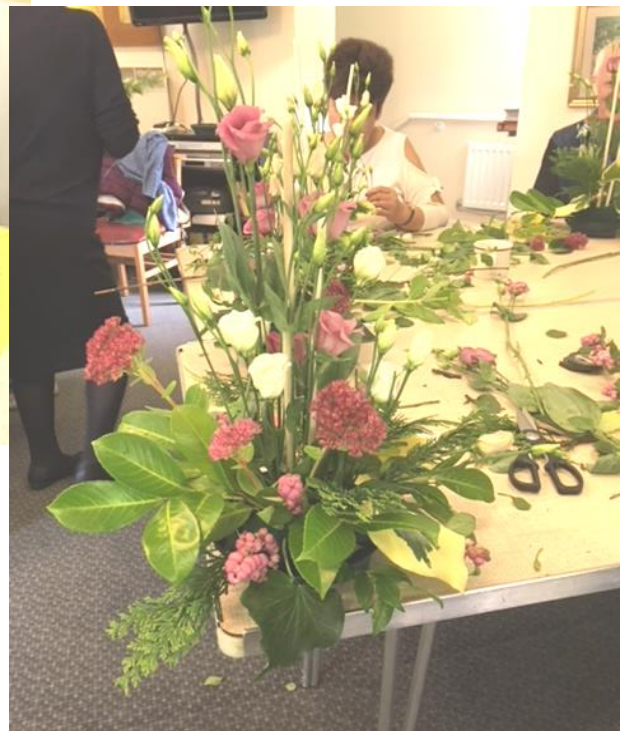


Around 18 folk responded to Maryanne's suggestion that we have a church meal out on Thursday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at Greenway Hall Golf Club Restaurant. Thanks Maryanne for organising it. We all had a very pleasant time and it was a good chance to catch up with each other. If you couldn't make it you missed a treat. Try not to miss the next one!

# Flower Arranging – Lesson One!



Pauline Shaw and Jeanette Lackey from Endon Floral Arts ran the first of their fortnightly taster sessions in St Luke's chapter house on 26<sup>th</sup> September.



## **Sue Forrester reports...**

The first meeting took place with 12 eager participants, all of whom were absolute beginners! After a demonstration from Pauline and much encouragement from her and Jeanette, everybody was able to produce a lovely arrangement. Shirley, Ina and June were happy to leave their arrangements in church to be admired on Sunday. The next meeting is on Wednesday 10th October from 1pm to 3pm in the Chapter House.

If you didn't make the first session you will be very welcome on 10th October. Please bring a flower pot, some greenery and five feature flowers e.g. gerbera. (Bring a friend too!)

**For more details or if you need a lift, please contact**



**Sue Forrester on  
01538 384884 or  
mobile 07854  
043187.**

***NOTE: This is meant to be a social gathering as much as anything else so even if you just want a cup of tea and a chat please, please come along! You will be more than welcome whether***

***you stay for the whole session or a few minutes.***



# **OUR GOLDEN COUPLE**



*Think of anything of a practical nature that needs attention in St Luke's and immediately Alan and Maureen Payne come to mind. Since we were privileged to welcome them into our church (and our hearts) a few years ago they have become quite indispensable.... willing to roll up their sleeves and tackle almost anything. Alan often doesn't need to be asked about a particular job and supported by Maureen, just gets on and does it. Paint jobs and repair work are his stock-in trade along with phoning firms to get quotes and chasing them up. Although declining to become church warden he, along with Maureen, are part of an excellent warden's team acting as vergers, helping with children's church visits, Christian Aid Walks, selling bric-a-brac at well dressings, gritting icy paths and sweeping up leaves...you name it, they've been involved.*

*Our recent bad winter very nearly caused them to emigrate to Biddulph but thankfully (and wisely) they decided to buy a 4 x 4 and stay put. They celebrated their Golden Wedding last month and we send them our whole-hearted congratulations. We thank God for them and pray they have many more happy years together in Endon!!*

**GOD BLESS YOU BOTH and  
THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING!**

# **POPPIES GALORE NOW APPEARING!**



When Rev Alan issued a challenge to members of St Luke's to produce a cascade of poppies in time for Remembrance Sunday he was rather unprepared for the response which has been truly overwhelming!

## **LATEST NEWS...**

The speed at which three big boxes at the back of St Luke's have been filling up with poppies has been truly

amazing, with contributions from far and wide....some knitted, some crocheted and some cut out of felt. However, more poppies are welcome in order to fill the sheet.

## **THANK YOU EVERYBODY!!**

Maryanne would appreciate help in attaching and arranging them on the sheet to be draped over a wooden trellis which will cascade down the pulpit. She is hoping to work on this after the Wednesday morning HC services at around 10.00am. Please contact her if you need more details or just come along.

You will see a few purple poppies have also been contributed. These are in recognition of the many animals that also died in the conflict.

# NEWS FROM ST CHAD'S, BAGNALL



Sheila Tipper writes...

## Happy 70th birthday, Kathryn!



We celebrated the event in church on Sunday 19th with, maybe, a slightly smaller congregation than normal as, apparently, such a good night was had the previous evening at the village hall that some were still in bed!

I don't know who did the arrangement of sunflowers in the church entrance but they were



beautiful, and just made you smile as you entered the building. In fact, the whole



thing had a sunflower theme (Kath's favourite flowers) as emphasised by the cake which we all enjoyed with our coffee after the service.

Kathryn, as well as many other members of the congregation, does so much for St Chad's, not just at our services, but behind the scenes as well. Without all these amazing volunteers would our church be able to continue? It's quite

a daunting thought and so I would like to offer a big "Thank You" to everyone who contributes in making St Chad's such a great place to worship.

### Tuesday study group:

As a group, it was decided that we will give the Tuesday study group a break until next year when we will start again with our Lent course.

It takes a lot of work and preparation on the part of Muriel and Kath (who already put in loads of hours of voluntary work for St Chad's) and, during the dark evenings many members are not comfortable going out at night.

# Poppies:

We are hoping to open the church during the week after Remembrance Sunday so that everyone who has helped with the knitting of the poppies (and anyone else who's interested) will be able to enjoy them in situ. There will be more details of this in November's magazine so keep watching!

# Beetle Drive

## Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September:

Over 50 people enjoyed a great evening's entertainment at the village hall on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September. A supper of pie, peas, red cabbage and gravy, followed by a mouth-watering array of desserts, seconds and thirds being readily available, preceded the main event.

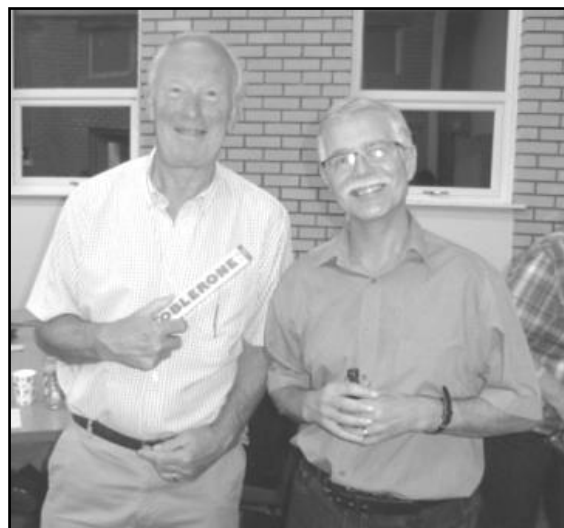
A fast and furious couple of hours ensued with lots of laughter and the occasional red card administered by Arnie for unprofessional behaviour! Everyone had a great time and it was nice to see a mixture of church members, villagers and friends.

A very big thank you must go to the Lawleys and Shropshires for the food and Kath and Arnie for trying to keep control of the actual game!



Booby prizes:  
Adults:  
Bill and Peter (This is not the first time Peter has appeared in this category!!!!)  
Youngsters: Fergus

Prize winners:  
Adults: First prize - Caryl,  
runner up - Yvonne  
Youngsters: First prize - Finn,  
runner up - Maggie



I must point out that there was some controversy over the fact that Caryl chose one of the children's prizes (2nd childhood springs to mind or is it just a compulsion for sweets!!!)

Also, Bill is Fergus's granddad so they are definitely keeping it in the family!

As for me, I think I was the only person in the room never to move seats but an awful lot of nice people joined me during the evening!

## **Dates for your diary:**

**St Chad's is open for coffee, biscuits and a chat between 10.45am and 12.15pm every Wednesday.**

**Creative Corner craft club** meets on Monday 1st, 15th and 29th October at 1pm to 3pm at The Stafford Arms

### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October, Harvest Service:**

Harvest baskets will be sold after the service and, as last year, there will be a maximum charge of £10 per basket. Lunch at the village hall will follow service.

### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October - Memorial Service**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Day service with our poppies on view**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Christmas Fayre in Bagnall village hall**

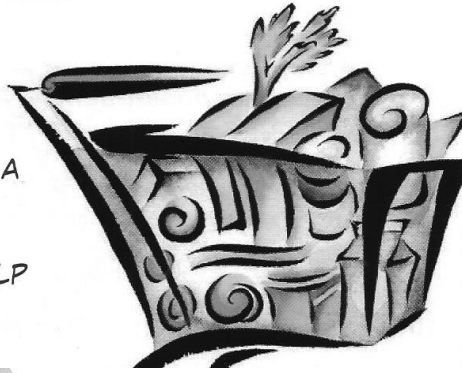
**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Carol service at 4pm**

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## ENDON, ST LUKE'S SCHOOL CHRISTINGLE SERVICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED and DONATIONS PLEASE!

The Christingle Service will be held in church on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November and will be a good opportunity for church members to connect with the school. Rev Alan is appealing for about 6 or 8 volunteers to go to the school at 9.30am to help the children construct their Christingles and for a couple of volunteers to act as welcomers at church from 1.30pm for the Christingle Service at 2.00pm. Also he would like us to fund the materials which include oranges, candles, ribbons/red tape, cocktail sticks and sweets. If you are available to help out at any of these times and/or able to make a donation towards costs please contact Rev Alan as soon as possible.

# **Here's Another Opportunity to visit St Luke's School!**

In connection with the school harvest thanksgiving,  
the school invites folk from not only the church but  
also the community to a



# **Coffee Morning at 10.00am**

## **on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

Those attending the mid-week service of Holy Communion on that morning at the Methodist Church will be walking across to the school after the service. Please join them!

The children will be serving biscuits that they have made themselves.



# Home Groups

are a way of studying the bible in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. We can ask the questions that we do not always have time to on a Sunday. Not only do home groups help us on our journey of faith but they also strengthen the relationships within church. At the moment a group meets at James &

Ros's on a Monday evening and a group meets at Bagnall Heights on Tuesday morning.

Day	Venue	Host	Leader	Time
<b>Monday</b>	Claremont St George's Ave	James & Ros	Maryanne	7.30pm
<b>Tuesday</b> (NB 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of the month, this is replaced by HC on Wednesday.)	Bagnall Heights Lounge	Pauline Hart	Barrie Jackson	11.00 am

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## Fair trade status

St Luke's is a fair-trade church. If you donate items to the catering cupboard, please check that they are Fair Trade, Ethical Tea Partnership or similar organisations that guarantee small traders and workers are not disadvantaged.







## ***Lest we forget...***

By the following Saturday we had still heard nothing of Edward. The interval usually allowed for news of casualties after a battle was seldom as long as this and I began, with an artificial sense of lightness unaccompanied by real conviction, to think that there was perhaps, after all, no news to come. I had just announced to my father, as we sat over tea in the dining room, that I really must do up Edward's papers and take them to the post office before it closed for the week-end, when there came the sudden loud clattering at the front-door knocker that always meant a telegram.

For a moment I thought that my legs would not carry me, but they behaved quite normally as I got up and went to the door. I knew what was in the telegram – I had known for a week – but because the persistent hopefulness of the human heart refuses to allow intuitive certainty to persuade the reason of that which it knows, I opened and read it in a tearing agony of suspense:

**“Regret to inform you Captain E H Brittain M.C.  
killed in action Italy June 15<sup>th</sup>.”**

**Testament of Youth** by Vera Brittain  
Submitted by Roger Simpson

**NEXT MONTH YOU ARE INVITED TO SHARE IN A COMMEMORATION  
OF THE END OF WW1, ORGANISED BY ENDON PARISH COUNCIL...**

# **BATTLE'S** **O V E R**

A stylized illustration of a section of barbed wire with three strands and several sharp points, positioned below the word 'OVER'.

**6.45 pm: Assemble at Station Rd Playing Fields**

**6.55 pm: Bugler sounds The Last Post**

**7.00 pm: Beacon of Light**

**7.05 pm: St Luke's Church Bells**

**7.10 pm: Town Crier - Cry for Peace**

**7.15 pm: Endon Village Hall**

Refreshments, Exhibition of pupils' work on WW1,  
Social History - photographs & artefacts,  
Entertainment in music and words from local  
residents, schools and societies.

This is a free event with an opportunity to donate your  
appreciation to 'Help for Heroes'

**A NATION'S TRIBUTE**

**11TH NOVEMBER 2018**

# LEEK FOOD BANK UPDATE



Up to the 17<sup>th</sup> August the number of people helped by the foodbank was 71 and included 32 children. Our website will be updated as soon as possible but for your convenience we require....

## **URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS**

- Rice
- Tinned Salmon
- Men's toiletries
- Nappies size 5/6
- Dog food
- Sturdy carrier bags
- Ketchup red and brown

## **WE STILL HAVE PLENTY OF**

- Baked beans
- Dried Pasta

The month to month changes reflect just how well you all respond to our needs. Thank you so much.

We are pleased to say that Cathy Mallins has agreed to cover the rota and we are still considering how best to tackle the ongoing training of volunteers.

A huge thank you to Barbara for all she has done over the years.

Jenny Hogan our donor coordinator has also expressed her desire to step down from the beginning of October. We will need to find folk willing to pick up on what Jenny has done so competently over the past years. The Donor

coordinator liaises with the supermarkets and arranges collections. Saying thank you to, and keeping our food donors informed, is important, and this too has been part of the task. It may be that someone can do these things even though they are not part of the regular team of volunteers who serve in the warehouse or hospitality room. Any offers???

**Harvest is nearly upon us and if your church or organisation is giving us harvest collections it would help very much if we could know when such offerings will arrive so that we can be fully prepared.**

If you'd like to have a look around then you would be most welcome, but please ask so that we can make sure that we have the right level of help rather than just turning up.

Yours sincerely

Peter Davies

*(Please note: Foodbank clients need to carry away their donations of food in some form of container. Even though we are all trying to limit our use of plastic, the folk running the foodbank would be grateful for any spare plastic bags you may be willing to donate.)*



**You'll like this...  
"DEREK THE CLERIC!"**

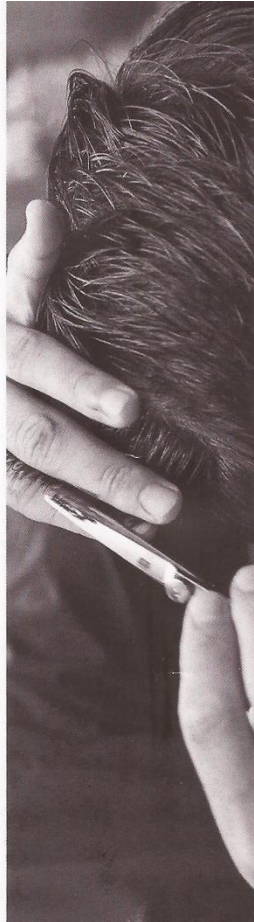
In case you missed it...this cartoon was shared widely on FACEBOOK recently.

# Dan's



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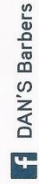
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# October Prayer Focus

- The release of Iranian-British mother Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe serving a 5 year gaol sentence on alleged spying charges
- All affected by the recent capsized boat on Lake Victoria in Tanzania killing hundreds of passengers
- Victims of the typhoon in the Philippines, Hong Kong and China and the tropical storm affecting US states Virginia, North and South Carolinas
- All helping to re-build thousands of shattered lives
- For the farmers in the outback of New South Wales, Australia, that rain may arrive soon
- For friends and families of those who lost their lives when the bridge collapsed in Genoa and those investigating the causes
- Archbishop Justin Welby in addressing the need for an increase in taxes and for taking on Wonga and Amazon
- All fleeing persecution to Bangladesh from Myanmar
- Medical teams and relief agencies
- Those starving in Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan and all the aid agencies working there
- The problem of the millions of plastic bottles afloat in our oceans and the tons of 'space junk' orbiting our planet
- Brexit negotiations
- SYRIA, YEMEN, ISRAEL and PALESTINE: For an end to hostilities
- Healing for those in our church and community who have been in hospital recently and are now recuperating
- Wisdom for world leaders in making decisions for peace
- Those in our parishes who are ill and those caring for them
- For all refugees and asylum seekers
- All who have lost loved ones recently
- Schoolgirls kidnapped in Nigeria and anguished parents
- For the abolition of slavery and female genital mutilation
- The Trussell Trust locally
- The unemployed or in work but not earning a living wage
- For all suffering from depression
- For all involved with the Chernobyl Project
- Our Vicar, PCCs and Pastoral Team and visitors to our church
- For Barrie Jackson as he begins his new ministry as a lay reader
- Our MPs and district and parish councillors

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## JAMES 2 v 14 – v17

What good is it my brothers if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

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<b>Maurice &amp; Margaret Woolliscroft, warden's team</b>	<b>502390</b>
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