

SIX PARISHES NEWSLETTER



for
 St Giles' Church. Badger
 St Milburga's Church. Beckbury
 St Andrew's Church. Ryton



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Rota of Services for the 6 Parishes – July 2018

	Badger	Beckbury	Ryton	Kemberton	Stockton	Sutton Maddock
July 1st	9.30am Matins LT					11am Morning Worship TD
July 8th		9.30am Communion KH trad	9.30am Morning Worship TD	11am Communion KH new		
July 15th	9.30am Communion KH trad	5pm Evening Worship KH		6.30pm Evening Worship KH		11am Communion KH trad
July 22nd		9.30am Matins KH		11am Morning Worship KH		6.30pm Evening Worship KH
July 29th			9.30am Communion KH trad	8.15am Communion KH trad	11am Lammas Service	

KH – Revd Keith Hodson

TD – Tina Dalton

LT – Local Team

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love
 and walk in your ways of wisdom
 that we may find true life and glory
 in your Son Jesus Christ

Amen

Contributions for next month's newsletter to either –

David Tooth at Havenside, Beckbury-01952 750324. Email – davidtooth.salop@gmail.com

Or Ruth Ferguson at Tarltons, Beckbury – 01952 750267 not later than 14th of this month, please.



FROM THE RECTORY

Dear friends

It's started the world cup 2018

So where were you on 30th July 1966? (no prizes for knowing the significance of the date). I can remember where I was – travelling down to the south coast with my parents for our annual summer holidays at the seaside. When we arrived at the boarding house, we were just in time to see the final few minutes, and hear those famous words of Kenneth Wolstanholme “*they think it's all over it is now*”.

This month the football world cup is under way and on June 28th England played the third of three Group G matches. The quarter finals and semi-finals are on but you fans know this already, and those of you not interested do not want to know.

I went to school in Rugby, so it's not hard to imagine what sort of football we played at school. At junior school we played soccer and the switch to rugger was not easy at first. Here are more rules than in soccer, and a whole different feel to the game (quite literally as it is such a physical contact sport).

It is traditionally said that rugby football started when a boy at Rugby School, William Webb Ellis, “*picked up the ball and ran*”. There is a plaque at the school which commemorates this “*fine disregard for the rules of football as played at his time*”. However the evidence for what actually happened is thin, and it seems that catching the ball was allowed back in 1823. By the way, did you know that Ellis became a vicar? I hope he did “*regard the rules*” after his ordination.

One of the big changes to this year's world cup is the introduction of V A R (video assistant referee) who can advise the match referee to look at something, or be called on by the match referee to review. V A R is limited to goals, penalties, red card incidents and ‘mistaken identity’ (disciplining the wrong player). It is a technology already used in rugger, tennis and cricket, and has proved very good in judging tries, line-calls and wickets, but for some reason football has been reluctant to move forward. The Premier League will not use it next season, still allowing for wrong decisions to be made, when the referee is “unsighted”.

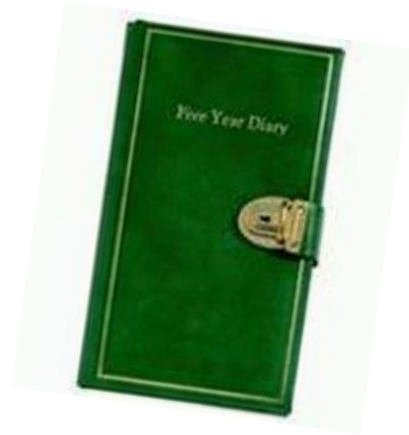
There is an old saying my parents sometimes said “*the One above sees all*”, I don't want to suggest that God is like a referee issuing red cards to send us off, or awarding us with opportunities when there has been foul play against us. But at the end of the day, someone has to make a judgement, and the result is winning or losing and that can influence promotion or relegation.

Enjoy the summer – with or without the world cup TV coverage

Keith Hodson

DIARY DATES FOR July

Wednesday 4 th	7.30pm	Beckbury Parish Council meet in Beckbury Village Hall
Wednesday 4 th	10am	Prayers on Wednesday
Tuesday 10 th	12noon	Six Parishes Friendship Club, Havenside, Caynton Road, Beckbury
Saturday 14 th	12noon – 2pm	Allotments Open Day
Wednesday 18 th	10am	Prayers on Wednesday
Sunday 29 th	11am	Lammas Service at Stockton Church



BAPTISMS

Congratulations to Alastair Spickernell, son to Tom and Katriona, who was baptised at Beckbury Church on 27th May 2018.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our sympathies to the family of the late baby Bean Mae of Bridgnorth whose service was held at Stockton Church on 20th May 2018.

We extend our sympathies to the family of the late Jan Berriman, aged 82, of Tettenhall (formerly Beckbury) whose funeral was held at Telford Crematorium on 29th May 2018.

We extend our sympathies to the family of the late Pam Cooke, aged 82, formerly of Norton whose funeral was held at Telford Crematorium on 18th June 2018.

We extend our sympathies to the family of the late Elizabeth Price, aged 97, of Brookside whose ashes were interred at Sutton Maddock Church on 30th June 2018.

CHURCH NEWS

The **Lammas** service (traditional date for the start of the harvest) is at 11am on Sunday 29th July at Stockton Church. The main harvest services (traditionally when all is safely gathered in and the winter storms begin) are in September and October.

Beckbury Church has its “**FUN DAY**” on Sunday 19th August from 1.30pm to 5pm. More details further on in the newsletter.

Jan Berriman died peacefully on 12th May aged 82. She had lived in Beckbury from 1983 to 2007 and was very involved in village life. She was Chair of the W I for several years and tried very hard to put some life into it - with some considerable success.

She was an inspirational Junior teacher, having trained in Bath and worked in several local schools including the Royal School and Pattingham. Her latest school was St Mary's in Bridgnorth. She had been a Director of PNEU, now Newbridge Preparatory School and a member of Wolverhampton Ladies Circle and Tangent. In recent years Bridge had been her main interest, playing with about thirty different ladies in afternoon games. She had always been a lover of classical music and her favourite composer was Mahler, which is why Mahler One and Five featured in the Service, despite the Vicar not being a fan!

The Service of Celebration was held in the village Church where daughter Julie was married and her children were christened. It was a full house with only one vacant chair. The Church looked lovely with beautiful flowers arranged by Sonia Handley, Jane Rissbrook and Jean Wood. Revd. Keith Hodson presided over a happy service, with contributions from Jan's children and grandchildren.

In recognition of being able to use Beckbury Church the family asked for donations to be given to its funds, and it looks as though they will amount to approximately £1,000.

REPAIRS TO ST MILBURGA'S CHURCH, BECKBURY

In last month's newsletter the Rev Keith Hodson mentioned that Beckbury Church had recently received its 5 year inspection when every aspect of the building and grounds is checked. The inspection report was that the church is generally well cared for and maintained, the main areas of concern are the South Chancel roof and the east end wall, unfortunately this was made more evident by the recent storms.

Estimates have been received which are in the region of £10,000, but the Church does not have that sort of money to hand, so we now have to start a major fund raising effort, then the remedial work can be started before winter sets in. We will be applying for grants but these are normally given on a match funded basis.

So can you help us achieve our efforts in looking after our church, not just for now, but for the future generations who will love our church and our village. Unfortunately Lichfield does not maintain the fabric of the Church – we do!

If you would like to help in any way towards achieving our target, please contact Revd Hodson or any member of the Parochial Church Council.

A DATE TO LOOK FORWARD TO

By popular request last year's traditional style **FUN DAY** on the Church lawns and inside the church will be returning on **Sunday 19th August**, with stalls and games for all, and including light refreshments.

We will be collecting bric-a-brac, toys, books and, in fact, anything which someone else just might be looking for. Perhaps you would like to run a stall or hire a table for £25, all profits towards the roof appeal.

Further information from: David Tooth – 01952 750324, John Wood – 01952 750388 or Sonia Handley – 01952 750415.

All money raised will go towards our **Church Roof Appeal**, so please come along and support your Church. Any offers of help, in any way, would be greatly appreciated.

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To my dear friend Chris Gilbert for her caring and kindness.
To all the neighbours and friends in Ryton for their cards and floral arrangements. Special thanks to Revd Keith Hodson and to Frances and everyone at the Prayer Group for their love and prayers which has inspired me to get well, and not forgetting Mr Isbister, my hero!
My fondest love to you all and looking forward to seeing you soon.

Barbara Powell

SIX PARISHES FRIENDSHIP CLUB

With reduced numbers due to hospital appointments etc members sat in blazing sunshine to enjoy a shared picnic in a meadow near Badger by kind permission of Robert and Helen Hales. We were in an idyllic situation, hot sun, lovely food and good company, what more could anyone want.

After a lakeside walk watching swans with cygnets, mothers keeping an eye on their young, martins and swallows wheeling through the skies, all too soon, it was time to pack up and return home.

Our meeting on Tuesday 10th July, starting at 12noon will be at David and Beryl's house, Havenside, for lunch on the lawn, which will be a shared picnic. There will also be a bring and buy stall, all proceeds going towards club funds, let's hope it will be another sunny day!

For our September meeting we will be going to Llandudno by coach for a day of sea and sunshine (a non-refundable deposit of £10 is required please). There are a few vacant seats to spare, if anyone would like to join us you would be very welcome, please contact David on 01952 750324.

4 CHLOE FOR THE HARRY JOHNSON TRUST

**SPONSORED BIKE RIDE – SUNDAY 8TH JULY starting at 10 am
AT BECKBURY VILLAGE HALL**

10 or 20 miles - in and around Beckbury, Kemberton, Ryton, all starting at Beckbury Village Hall

AFTER THE RIDE - Fundraiser: Food (hot pork baps), refreshments, raffle and 5 star auction

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/fundraising/4chloebikeride2018

Just after her 12th birthday, Chloe was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia, her treatment has taken two and a half years – she is now in remission.

Last year Chloe and family had a holiday of a lifetime in Disneyland Florida, given to them by a charity making dreams come true for poorly children – in an effort to help other children we held our first sponsored bike ride to raise money to help other children have their dreams come true. We raised over £13,000.

This year we are supporting the Harry Johnson Trust who offer help and support to children and teenagers who receive care from the Oncology Team at the Princess Royal Hospital in Telford. Please help us raise as much as we can to support them.



The banner features three white bicycle silhouettes on a purple background. Below them, on a dark blue background, are the following logos and text:

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BECKBURY ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

BECKBURY ALLOTMENTS OPEN DAY

Saturday 14th July12 – 2pm

Please come and join us for an informal browse around our amazing plots.

Free entry, garden and allotment advice, produce for sale (as available)

Vote for your favourite plot, free refreshments, all very welcome.

The children will especially like our chickens.

Allotment jobs to be getting on with in July

- July is usually one of the driest months of the year, so watering can be essential. To help with this, hoe regularly to break up the soil and to remove weeds.
- However, if it's warm and damp, watch out for potato blight.
- It is now getting late in the year for sowing and planting, but there is still time for lettuces, chicory, endives and other salad leaves, as well as fast growing varieties of peas, beetroot and carrots. If you have been harvesting your broad beans, garlic, onions and shallots there may be room to transplant brussel sprouts, cabbages and cauliflower that you have raised from seed in pots.
- If you fancy growing potatoes for Christmas, now is the time to plant them.
- Many vegetables will be ready now, including beetroot, carrots, potatoes, onions, garlic, peas and broad beans. If you have a glut then freezing, chutney and jam making can be a great idea as well as drying onions and garlic for storing.

There are always far too many runner beans, they grow quicker than you can eat them, and so this year we will be donating some to the Beckbury Community Shop.

Looking forward to seeing you all on our open day.

Heide Pringle-Scott

APLEY PARK ROYAL BRITISH LEGION GROUP

The Great War came to an end a hundred years ago. Those who went out to fight were promised 'A Land Fit for Heroes to Live in' when they returned. Many did not return and those who did faced hardships. There was no promised land.

The majority of the troupes were born in the 1890's and if they were lucky lived to retire with a pension at 65. Only then was their homeland fit for heroes.

I hope to write a short account of the conditions in our Six Parishes during the three decades that followed the Great War; and how good men toiled to bring about change.

I will need help from anyone who has a story to tell or any local historian who can offer advice.

Please contact me at ghj238@googlemail.com with your stories.

Thank you.

Graham Jones, Apley Park RBL Group

COMPUTER TRAINING ALBRIGHTON BROADPLACE

Have you just had a new laptop, tablet or I-Pad? Perhaps you simply want to improve the knowledge/skills you already have. Why not give us a call on the numbers below and see if we can help.

We are a voluntary group operating from The Red House in Albrighton every Thursday between 2.30 and 4.30 pm. There are no “set” lessons, we sit with you individually and teach you what **you** want to learn, on your machine. If you cannot bring yours, we have laptops and an I-Pad available for use. We charge £2 per hour to cover the room hire.

We are also a “drop-in centre”, so if you wish to use our computers or bring yours in for up to 2 hours as above you are welcome.

If you are interested or want to know more, please ring **Geoff Page on 01902 372821** or Mike Pitchford on 01902 597701 for more information.

Please note, we cannot do repairs or fault finding.

BROOKES MOBILE LIBRARY

Alternate Weeks on a Monday

Ryton Church Junction - 9am to 9.15am
Beckbury, opposite Lawton Close – 9.25am to 9.40am
Badger, The Crescent - 9.45 to 10.15am

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