



The Hexagon

Benefice Magazine

MARCH 2023

The Spiritual Discipline of Hope

“But as for me I will hope continually and will praise you more and more.” (Psalm 71: 14)

This is the prayer of an old man. He prays later on asking God, “Do not cast me away in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength fails.”

But even as advancing age reminds him of his mortality, even as his enemies start to surround him, he states what his settled approach to life is - to hope in God and to praise Him more and more.

It is relatively easy to praise God when life is good. When troubles are few and blessings are many.

The real challenge comes when life is hard, when troubles surround you, and when blessings are few.

Praising God, holding on to hope, in those circumstances is the mark of a real and genuine faith.

As the Church of England, and as a benefice, we are facing difficult times. Our finances don't add up, our numbers are few, and volunteers are hard to come by.

How will we respond? Moaning, despair, will we simply give up?

Or will we find a way to hold on to hope, to praise God more and more?

Over Lent my wife and I are running a course each Wednesday evening at 7pm, starting 1 st March in the Parish Room adjoining The Rectory, 21 Dag Lane, North Kilworth, LE17 6HD. Our subject will be ‘Worship in the Wilderness’. Come on a journey with us and see if we can find the faith to worship God and to hold on to hope.

God bless.

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HEXAGON NEWS

Lutterworth & Villages Foodbank

I would like to thank you on behalf of the Foodbank for the 83kg (Shearsby 15kg / Arnesby 68kg) of food collected by your Churches during January.

Barry McHugh

Lutterworth & Villages Foodbank

St. Peter's Church, Arnesby

Church Warden: Brian Spriggs - 0116 2478559

Compline

Wednesdays at 7pm, from 1st to 29th March 2023
Compline – A short, reflective service through Lent.

Saturday 11th March 2023 Swap Shop & Litter pick up

Meet at 10 am at the Village Hall

Promises Auction Saturday 25th March 2023 at 6.30pm in the Village Hall

Proceeds to Arnesby Village Hall, St Peter's Church & LOROS

EASTER SUNDAY 9th April at 10.30 Holy Communion

Coronation Celebration of King Charles III

Sunday 7th May 2023

Village Bring & Share lunch from 12.30pm onwards outside the village Hall & games in the playing field.

Films at 7.30pm in Arnesby Village Hall

Tuesday 14th March 2023 Seven Years in Tibet *Change of film Brad Pitt plays Heinrich Harrer, climbing in the Himalayas and meets the Dalai Lama.*

Wednesday 29th March 2023 Operation Mincemeat 1943, *two agents plan to stop the German invasion of Sicily.*

Wednesday 12th April 2023 Elvis Elvis's relationship with his manager Colonel Parker.

Arnesby Baptist Church

All welcome!

Church Services, Sunday 10.45am & 6pm. Sunday club available for children each Sunday morning.

Monday Ladies group, 7.30 -9pm

Evergreens Café - Tuesday 10am-12noon

ABC Parent, Baby and Toddler Group - begins Wed 11th January 10am -12noon —The Barn

Thursday Eve Bible Study 7.30-9pm

Friday Explorers and Cafe in The Barn - (please visit our website for start dates.)

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Church Warden: Di Jones - 01858 880741

Foodbank Collection.

**The next collection will be on Friday 24th March 2023
2.00pm - 4.30pm at All Saints Church Husbands Bosworth.**

The Christmas Collection amounted to 190kg, lots of food and lots of treats. Our thanks go to everyone who kindly donated, a special mention must go to Welford Congregational Chapel who kindly sent a large donation.

Usual tea, coffee and cake will be available with donations going to Ukraine/ Syria appeal and The Children's Society. Everyone will be very welcome.

Di Jones and Sam Bell.

Donate to the upkeep of All Saints Church, Husbands Bosworth

Would you like to contribute to the upkeep of your village church?

You may do so easily using the camera on your smart phone and the QR code below. This code will take you to the "All Saints Church" page on the "Give a Little" website. Your payment will be made via 'Give a Little' and gratefully received by All Saints Church.

All the above contributions qualify under the HMRC "Gift Aid" scheme.



St. Nicholas Church, Mowsley

Church Warden: Janet Skinner - 01858 880276

Erica Hearnshaw - 0116 2404054

The AGM will be on Thursday 16th March 2023 at 2.30pm in Church. Everyone welcome. At our service on 22nd January 2023, we welcomed Mrs. Betty Brice. On 19th January 2023 Betty had celebrated her 103rd Birthday. Revd. Myrtle Cook who officiated that day, brought along a cake. As you may or may not know, Betty was a Mowsley Girl, so we always like to welcome her here. Her father's farm was what is now known as Halycon House.

The film night on the 10th February 2023 was very enjoyable. The Village Hall Ctte are working on a programme for the King's Coronation in May 2023, to include afternoon tea, like the Queens Jubilee celebration, more later.

The Gospel Choir asked to visit us again, but as yet have not arranged a date.

All Saints Church, Theddingworth

Church Warden: Janet Lewis - 01858 881188 or 07847138865

Church Warden: Avril Bailey - 01858 880236 or 07977098666

Cafe in Church

Another of our very popular pop-up cafes will be held on Saturday 1st April 2023 from 10.30. Do come along and meet your neighbours for a chat over the delicious food that is served and take some time to appreciate the beautiful church building.

King's Coronation Celebrations for May 2023

The Benefice service for May will be held in All Saints Church, Theddingworth on Sunday 7th May, so we will be celebrating King Charles III coronation with refreshments after the service. We hope that as many people as possible will join us to commemorate this historic occasion. There will be other village celebrations which will be detailed in next month's issue as well as our village newsletter.



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All APRIL 2023 issue submissions by:
12TH MARCH 2023

Please also send King Charles III event information by 12th March to appear in April's issue.

BENEFICE COMMUNION SERVICES FOR MARCH/APRIL 2023

Sunday 5th March 2023, 10.30am Mowsley

Sunday 12th March 2023, 10.30am Shearsby

Sunday 19th March 2023, 10.30am Bruntingthorpe
Mothering Sunday

Sunday 26th March 2023, 10.30am Theddingworth

Sunday 2nd April 2023, 10.30am Husbands Bosworth
Palm Sunday

Sunday 9th April 2023, 10.30am Arnesby
Easter Sunday

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at
Husbands Bosworth
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