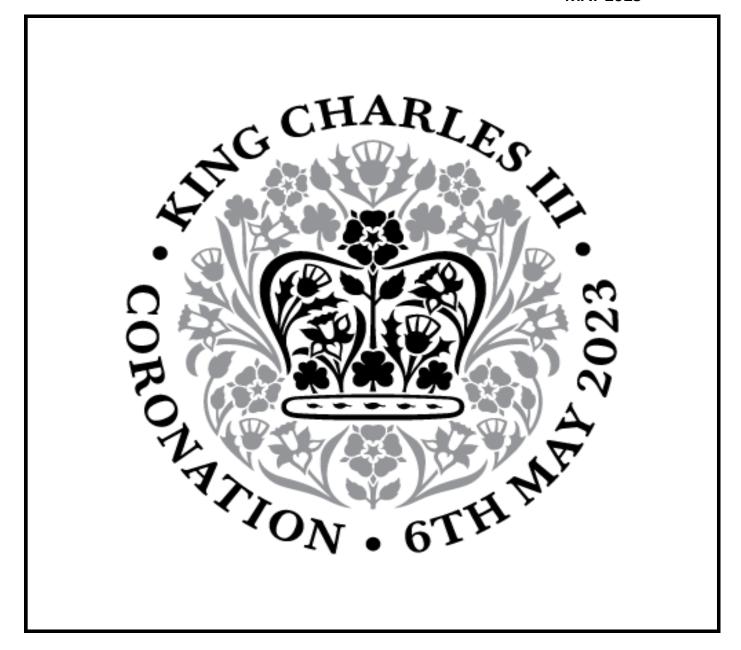


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HEXAGON NEWS

Message from Rev Stephen March

From my school days I remember the concept on Venn diagrams. You would draw a circle that described a set, within that set, every item shared at least one characteristic e.g., the set of people with blue eyes. We often think of church in this way. Three characteristics might change. Some churches focus on baptism, others on a conversation experience, maybe certain behaviours - like attending church. But they all focus on establishing a boundary, so that we can't tell who is in and who is out. I'm not sure this was the way Jesus thought. I think for Jesus it was more about the direction you were moving in - towards Jesus, or away from him.

In this model your life might still be a mess, but you could be moving towards Jesus, he would consider you as one of his followers. Therefore, the religious leaders were often complaining that Jesus spent time with sinful people.

I wonder what your direction of travel is. Are you moving towards Jesus, even though maybe at this moment your life is messed up and far from Christian? Or are you a respectable good-living person, but moving away from Jesus?

Church is the place where we can move closer to Jesus in a supportive community. It's not easy, but it is worth it. Come as you are. But be prepared to be changed.

Blessings

Rev Stephen March

Lutterworth & Villages Foodbank

I would like to thank you on behalf of the Foodbank for the 228kg of food collected by your Churches (Shearsby-14kg / Arnesby-86kg / Husbands Bosworth-128kg) during March.

Barry McHugh

Lutterworth & Villages Foodbank

St. Peter's Church, Arnesby

Church Warden: Brian Spriggs - 0116 2478559

SUNDAY TEAS IN CHURCH 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Please join us for tea & a chat each Sunday from 21st May 2023 to 24th September 2023.

CASH SALES ONLY

Coronation Celebration - Sunday 7th May 2023, 12.30

Bring & Share lunch for all villagers Outside the Village Hall (inside if wet) followed by children's games in the playing field.11.30am - 12.30pm Crown making workshop for children opposite the village Hall

Arnesby Baptist Church

Morning Service 10.45am &

Evening Service 6pm in the chapel

Monday Ladies and Girls group, 7.30 -9pm contact Val

Monday Football training 7pm Behind the chapel

Evergreens cafe- Tuesday 10am-12noon

ABC Parent, Baby and Toddler Group -

Wed 10am -12noon, The Barn Contact Ellie: 07784939781

Thursday Eve Bible Study 7.30-9pm

Friday Explorers 6-7.30pm for school yrs 1-6

Saturday Youth Club 7-9pm for school yrs 7+

Cafe in Barn - Fridays- 2.30pm -5pm with an extension for Explorers parents.

St Mary's Church, Bruntingthorpe

Church Warden: Andy White - 07595 252030

CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

Phil and Steph Baker at Seals Farm have very kindly agreed to the village using their barn and paddock for a Coronation party on **Sunday 7th May 2023**.

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All Saints Church, Husbands Bosworth

Church Warden: Di Jones - 01858 880741

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Foodbank at All Saints in March. We collected 128kg this time. A lovely thoughtful collection of Easter eggs to delight the children, although I doubt that they would consider tooth paste and brushes in the same way. Lots of cleaning stuff to help with Spring cleaning. Our next collection will be on Friday 23 June 2023 2pm to 4.30pm at All Saints Church. Do stop for Tea, coffee, cakes & biscuits, and a natter when you drop by with your contributions. Everyone welcome. Further information Sam Bell. 07764369200 Di Jones 880741

St. Nicholas Church, Mowsley

Church Warden: Janet Skinner - 01858 880276

Erica Hearnshaw - 0116 2404054

Coronation weekend

As most of the events will take place around the Church and Village Hall, the Church will be open and flower arrangements would be welcome on Saturday morning. The road will be closed on Sat 6th May 2023 4.30pm to 11pm and Sunday 10.30am to 7pm. All specific details have been circulated by Tony. Let us hope the weather will be kind and everyone can celebrate together.

St Mary Magdalen Church, Shearsby

Church Warden: David Durran - 0116 247 8708

Coronation Celebrations in Shearsby

All villagers and close family are invited to our Party on the Green on Sunday 7th May 2023. From 12 noon, bring your own food and drink, 2-3pm Ceilidh band, 3.30-5.30pm live music from 'The Other Country', dress in red, white, and blue!

A massive thank you to everyone who helped us raise the amazing amount of £750 at our Easter coffee morning. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Your support and generosity are very much appreciated. Rev Stephen March will bless our new church banner and patten and veils at our communion service on 4th June. The beautiful banner has been designed and created by Lynn Cosgrove and kindly donated to the church. The patten and veils, given by David and Nellie Durran, are in memory of Jill Stanley. All are welcome to attend.

All Saints Church, Theddingworth

Church Warden: Janet Lewis - 01858 881188 or 07847138865 Church Warden: Avril Bailey - 01858 880236 or 07977098666



THEDDINGWORTH CELEBRATES



A DATE FOR THE DIARY. WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US ALL! Sunday 7th May - 4 - 11.30pm at Little Croft Paddock

We would like to celebrate this very special occassion as a village!

BBQ & Pop up Pub!

Come & join the village for a pint at our pop up pub, 'THE KINGS HEAD' and enjoy burgers, sausages, steaks or vegi options at the serviced BBQ. (Food served 6 - 8pm)



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marquee will be erected for all British weathers! Organised by the Theddingworth Coronation group - contact Sarah Jones - 07836 721427

Cafe in the church

A huge thank you to all involved in the "Cafe in the Church" last month. Over £600 was raised for the building fund, thanks to the generosity of those who baked, cooked, manned, and of course, supported the event. The church was full of lively conversation and laughter, a lovely way to spend time with neighbors and friends, new and old.



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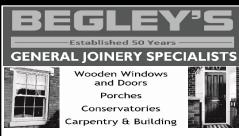
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Sunday 7th May 2023, 10.30am Theddingworth
Sunday 14th May 2023, 10.30am Husbands Bosworth
Sunday 21st May 2023, 10.30am Arnesby
Sunday 28th May 2023, 10.30am Mowsley
Sunday 4th June 2023, 10.30am Bruntingthorpe

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