

News & Views

Haselbech, Kelmarsh Marston Trussell, Naseby, Welford, Sibbertoft & Clipston

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Jesus, during Your ministry on Earth You showed Your power and caring by healing people of all ages and stations of life from physical, mental, and spiritual ailments. Be present now to people who need Your loving touch because of COVID-19. May they feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses.

Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation from people receiving treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them.

### Dear Friends

We began our Lenten journey in February, and it continued through March; now, early in April, we arrive in Jerusalem: Palm Sunday. What crowds came out to see Jesus as he entered the city! How they cheered and waved their palm branches, how enthusiastic they were, and how eager to see Jesus.

How exciting it must all have been for a subjugated people, how much they must have hoped he was the answer to their prayers; that he would throw off the yolk of oppression and the weight of Roman occupation.

Some of them had listened to his teaching, perhaps even seen his healings; many of them had heard about him, some were just caught up in the moment. All who came out, though, were keen to see his arrival, to be part of his great triumph against the powers that be. This was going to be a Passover Festival like no other; it would remind the world who God's chosen people were! What castles were built in the air, what imaginative plans they had for the future......

It only took a few days for them to realise that their excitement was horribly misplaced: this was no king to set them free, this was just a charlatan pretending to be something he was not. He was just another no-body. What a disappointment! Well, he wasn't going to get away with shattering hopes and plans. So they turned on him for not being who they wanted him to be.

How often do we want God to fit our hopes and dreams? How often do we seek to shape him, mould him, restrict and contain him to suit our own ends? It is all too easy to do, to think that what we want is right, that we know what is best for us and for others. Yet if we fall into that trap, we do <u>ourselves</u> a disservice: God can cope perfectly well with our lack of perception, our desire to shrink the future to human dimensions - but we can't.

# So let Easter Day shatter the horizon of your understanding – let it open up a whole new way of living.

For if we are to flourish and grow, know true peace and joy, then we need to place our future in God's hands, and look to that future with wonder and expectation. God only knows what the future holds – but what we know is that Christ will come again in glory: may we be ready for his return.

# Rev Míranda

#### Coronavirus and the worshipping community

I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord......to give you a future with hope. Jeremiah 29:11

No doubt things will have moved on during the time between me writing this and you reading it. It is, as we are all aware, a very fast-moving situation, and we need to respond to each stage quickly, calmly and effectively, in line with expert advice.

It may be that services will be suspended and, if they are, we are working on plans to live-stream a service from one of the Benefice churches each Sunday – I hope this proves to be possible. If not, the Church of England website has details of various churches which already offer this facility. Not all of you, of course, will be able to access this, so we are also working on alternative resources to enable everyone to know that they remain within the embrace of their local congregation.

However, I do want to reassure everyone that whatever hygiene precautions are necessary will be in place in all the churches of the Benefice. Whatever happens, our church buildings are a resource for the whole community, and we are actively working on ways in which they can provide places of quiet contemplation in turbulent times.

Prayer is utterly fundamental to our lives, the bedrock of our faith, and I will be holding you all in mine. For this country, the crisis is unprecedented in recent years, but one which we can travel through confident that our Lord is with us, and that we can trust in him. A rhythm of prayer can sustain and encourage us all, and I urge you to find the time and commitment to make it a part of your daily life. If you need help with this, let me know and I can offer some thoughts, resources, and guidance.

This is a prayer you might like to include:

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen

Do feel free to speak to me if you have any concerns or questions.

Revd Miranda

# SIBBERTOFT MANOR







## Sibbertoft Sunday Teas

It is with great sadness and a heavy heart that we have to inform our loyal and treasured visitors and volunteers that we must delay the opening of Sunday Teas this year.

We sincerely hope that this will be a temporary measure and that we will be able to open for business in a few months time and possibly extend by an extra month at the end of the year.

We will keep you informed and regularly updated.

The reading room committee have been busy again through out the winter months organising the second phase of the **Big Refurbishment program**. Be prepared for significant changes to our unique and characterful community building which has had a make over!

Installation of modern disabled WC and access facilities. New flooring, redecoration and lots more. This is a huge project for a small village and Saint Helens church are grateful for the teams dedication and hard work.

There is more to do and as I write this piece on the day after the governments grave announcements I am encouraged by the

# **Quiet Days**

Thursday  $23^{rd}$  April, And Saturday  $25^{th}$  April 2020 10.30 a.m. -4.30 p.m.

Sometimes we feel we are running on empty. Learn to step out of your busy daily schedule Restoring peace and balance in your life.

# Sibbertoft Village Easter Treasure Hunt



# Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2pm



To celebrate the start of the Easter holidays why not join us for a family treasure hunt around Sibbertoft?

Pop into St. Helen's Church, Sibbertoft between 2pm and 3pm on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April to collect your quiz sheet. Follow the clues around the village before collecting your prize in the village Reading Room.

## £2.50 per entry of one sheet of clues - all entrants receive a prize!!!

Why not finish off your day by enjoying a cup of tea and delicious homemade cake in the Reading Room as part of Sibbertoft's famous Sunday Teas – on sale

# Sibbertoft Pancake Party

Thanks to all who attended this event on a cold snowy Shrove Tuesday back in February. 45 adults and children consumed 12 dozen pancakes filled with delicious savoury and fruit fillings. Eyes were glued to one of Frank Parton's famous quizzes which was won by the Kraftl family.

A noisy but fun event marking the start of Lent enjoyed by all.

Thanks to everyone who helped to make this a successful event. Great to see some new families we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

£250 was the profit on the evening.

#### SIBBERTOFT PARISH COUNCIL

Sibbertoft P.C. meets in the Reading Room, Berkley Street, at 8.00pm. on the 1st Tuesday of each month (exc. Jan & Aug). The agenda & minutes are displayed on the notice boards, one outside the Reading Room and one next to the bus stop on Church Street. They can also be seen on the village website <a href="https://www.sibbertoft.org">www.sibbertoft.org</a>

The public are always welcome to attend the meetings and if you wish to raise a matter please contact the Clerk Mrs. Sam Vickers, Lily House, Church St., Naseby 01604-743265 E-mail: sib-bertoftpc@hotmail.co.uk

#### MARSTON TRUSSELL PARISH RESIDENTS: FINAL CALL

If you have yet to return your CIL Questionnaire and would like to share your ideas on how the village might spend its CIL allocation, please do so no later 30<sup>th</sup> April. For more information call Jo Garner on 07989152090 or email joannesarahgarner@btinternet.com

# fun Quiz

- 1. From which country do French Fries originate?
- 2. What kind of animal is the Horned Toad?
- 3. What colour is a Purple Finch?
- 4. How many months have 28 days?
- 5.In which country are Panama Hats made?
- 6. Where did India Ink originate?
- 7. After which animal are the Canary Islands named?
- 8. What is a Camel Hairbrush made from?
- 9. What kind of animal is a Firefly?
- 10. What colour is an aircraft's Black Box?
- 11. How long is New Zealand's Ninety Mile Beach?
- 12.In which month does Russia celebrate the October Revolution?
- 13.Before Mount Everest was discovered, which was the highest mountain?
- 14. What kind of animal is a Prairie Dog?
- 15. From which country do kiwi fruit originate?

# **Good Neighbours**



# **Coffee Morning**

Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> 10.00-12.00 Welford Village Hall

# Advance notice for May 31st

Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup> May is a fifth Sunday and the service at 6pm at St Mary's, Welford will be a Songs of Praise. Everyone is welcome to attend and if you would like to suggest a hymn or song we can sing there will be an opportunity to complete a suggestion form and then put your suggestion in-

#### WELFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Welford Parish Council meets in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. on the 4th Thursday of each month (no meeting in August). The minutes are displayed on the council's notice board outside the Village Hall. If you wish to raise a matter with the Parish Council please contact the Clerk, Ian Kelly. 6 The Leys, Welford. Emailwelfordpcclerk@btinternet.com









China has closed down its last coronavirus hospital. Not enough new cases to support them.

Doctors in India have been successful in treating Coronavirus. Combination of drugs used: Lopinavir, Retonovir, Oseltamivir along with Chlorphenamine. They are going to suggest same medicine, globally.

Researchers of the Erasmus Medical Center claim to have found an antibody against coronavirus.

A 103-year-old Chinese grandmother has made a full recovery from COVID-19 after being treated for 6 days in Wuhan, China.

Apple reopens all 42 china stores.

Cleveland Clinic developed a COVID-19 test that gives results in hours, not days.

Good news from South Korea, where the number of new cases is declining.

Scientists in Israel likely to announce the development of a coronavirus vaccine.

A network of Canadian scientists are making excellent progress in Covid-19 research.

Tulsa County's first positive COVID-19 case has recovered. This individual has had two negative tests, which is the indicator of recovery.

All 7 patients who were getting treated for COVID-19 at Safdarjung hospital in New Delhi have recovered.

## Coronavirus -Covid 19 - to join in with Daily Prayer online

During these unsettling times many people may need to self-isolate, or might feel vulnerable in going to public places where others are gathered and this might include churches. The Church of England website has up-to-date information regarding precautions which will be implemented in our church worship locally. If however, you do decide not to come together to worship you might still like to join in worship in your own home. If you follow this link

https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources

you can either pull up Morning, Evening or Night prayer or obtain Apps for worship for a phone or tablet device. If you want the text for Common Worship (modern wording) this is what appears by default. If you want to use the traditional form of text, then from the screen which opens scroll down a little way until you see **More options**, click on there and this will allow you to select traditional wording.

When you have that screen hit the downward arrow and select traditional, then you choose which service you want under Time of day. Finally the date box tells you which day will be displayed. Don't forget to click apply and then you will see the text, readings and prayers for that service for that date.

In the near future we intend to make available a paper copy of the texts for Morning and Evening prayer, together with a list of specific daily readings. If you want to be Daily Prayer ready for any eventuality and you struggle to find this document, or enact it, or if you would like a copy of Morning or Evening prayer please contact Kairen Ball who will be pleased to assist you in loading this onto your computer or supplying hard copies. (575331)



# World Day of Prayer 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020

The service "Rise! Take your mat and walk" was prepared by the Christian women of Zimbabwe and reflected the difficulties and unrest of the country, sharing the challenges they have met and their hopes for the future, inviting us to support them as they continue their journey towards full reconciliation. During the service we were encouraged to write down our own commitments to support our communities with actions of love, peace and reconciliation and to pray about them.

The collection of £141.00 was sent to WDP to help their work and projects run by Christian charities around the world.

A big thank you to all who took part in the service or helped in any way.

Join us next year for the service prepared by Vanuatu "Build on a Strong Foundation". Rachael Heard

# Welford Church Fete 2020 will take place on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2.00pm − 4.30pm



## At The Manor House

by kind invitation of John and Christine O'Reilly

There will be the usual array of stalls and games as well as the Lutterworth Town Band and the fabulous tea and coffee tent with delicious homemade cakes and goodies.

If you would like to take part, either by volunteering to help on the day or else running a stall then please contact Bob Finch on 575179

\*\*\*\* Subject to Confirmation \*\*\*\*



# SUNDAY 10TH MAY 2020

Service of Celebration St Mary's Church Welford

10:30am

Complimentary refreshments and historical society display in the Youth and Community Centre afterwards.

## Covid-19 Response in Welford – no-one left behind

Welford is a very friendly place and many people in the village are keen to step up and help make sure that everyone has a point of contact and help in the forth-coming months of social isolation.

You should have had a note through your door offering help, but if you haven't contacted us yet, please do, even if you think you'll be OK with the support of family and friends. We really do want to make sure that no-one is left without the support they need.

#### What support are we offering? Daily phone calls to maintain social contact

One of the biggest challenges for many of us over the coming months will be not having anyone to talk to. We're determined that everyone in the village gets to have a phone conversation every day. Even if you have friends and family who will call you, this might be a nice chance to get to know someone new in the village and bring us closer together as a community.

#### Someone to buy food and medicines on your behalf

If you're not allowed to go out, you need to ask others to help you get hold of food and medicines. Please get in touch if you need anything at all.

#### Walking the dog

If you're sick and have a dog that needs walking, please let us know. We'll do our best to find someone who is happy to walk your dog for you.

#### Anything else?

If there's something that you need, please phone the person who is the point of contact for your part of the village and we'll see what we can do to help.

#### What to do next

If you haven't already shared your details with us through one of the forms that should have gone through people's doors, **please call the person who is co-ordinating your part of the village using the phone numbers below.** They will make sure that we've got your phone number and an idea of the kinds of contact and support you need so that we can make sure you stay as happy and healthy as possible during this difficult time.

Lucy Parsons - Church Lane, Northampton Road and Woodford Glebe, 01858 571258

Pat Moores - High Street, from the shop to Church Lane, 01858 575098

Helen Nicholas - Naseby Road - 01858 571215

Jonathan Smurthwaite - The Leys - 01858 575842

Julia Bennett - bottom half of Newlands Road, from the Leys to West End - 01858 575635

Andrea Tuck - Sulby - 07960616150

Niamh Bland - Millers Road - 01858 571174

Rebecca Sandercock - Wakefield Drive - 01858 575941

Lucy Charlick - Browns Meadow - 07725848231

Emma Holland - West End from the Post Box out of the village towards South Kilworth - 07766379781

Tania Hall - West Street 01858 575917

Sue Nicholas - High Street from the shop to the bottom of the hill - 01858 575422

All other roads – please contact Lucy Parsons. We are looking for volunteer co-ordinators for these roads as well. If you can make and receive phone calls and allocate jobs to others then please let me know. You don't have to leave your house to be a co-ordinator so over-70s and people on the at risk list are welcome to do this job.

Let's get through this together!

Lucy Parsons 01858 571258 07789558744 lucy\_c\_p

lucy\_c\_parsons@hotmail.co.uk.



#### Naseby WI, March 2020

Nineteen members attended the March Meeting chaired by the President, Angela Carter.

The members enjoyed an interesting talk by Alison Lowe the owner of 'Sulby Gardens'. Alison talked about Sulby Hall, now demolished and the origin of 'Sulby Gardens'. The remaining 12 acres of garden comprises of a working Victorian kitchen garden, an orchard with 63 varieties of apple, ice house, nature reserve, ponds and flower meadows.

It was suggested that members who subsequently self isolate due to the Covid-19 virus should keep in touch with other members in order that they decrease any anxieties and feelings of loneliness

Members were reminded to make cakes for Cynthia Spencer Hospice later in the month.

Coach seats are available for the visit to the Bayeux Tapestry at Reading Museum and Grey's Court in July and members from neighbouring WIs, family and friends are to be invited to join us.It was also agreed that we would plan an exhibit for the WI Flower Festival at Kelmarsh Hall in September

#### Welford WI March 2020

Denise Cattell, President, led the meeting attended by 30 members and two guests. Denise read out a statement from the Federation advising members that, until notified otherwise, WI events would be going ahead and asked all members to heed Public Health England's advice on the precautions recommended in dealing with Covid-19. The Spring lunch will be at The Bull's Head, Clipston Tuesday 24 March. In addition to the advised visits to Grimsthorpe Castle, Studeley Castle and an evening with Simon King, members were told of a visit to Daventry Museum to see the exhibition relating to the Battle of Naseby's 375 anniversary and a tour of the Holy Sepulchre Church, Northampton. Volunteers are sought for our participation in the village VE celebrations. A 'friendly' skittles match is being arranged with North Kilworth. The new County Bounty forms are available from Julie Newman.

Mike Alcock then gave a very interesting and informative talk on the significant life-saving work undertaken by the RNLI (Royal National Lifeboat Institution). His talk included information on the involvement of women over the years.

The competition for a 'Lighthouse', organised by Ann Thorington, was won by Jane Cottrell with Pauline Matthew 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sue Brotherton 3<sup>rd</sup>. The raffle, run by Val Jackson, was won by Denise Cattell, Christine O'Reilly and Viv Journeaux. The speaker next month is Clive Matthew and his topic is 'Hedging and Farming.'



# Chapel Comment

# Wishing you a peaceful Easter

Spring is here

Easter it brings

Peace in his heart

A child sings

Hand in Hand

The world can be

When peace begins

With me

What is Peace?

Peace is respect for others

Peace is sharing

Peace is understanding

Peace is caring for others

Peace is helping

Peace is giving to others

Peace is singing together

Peace is laughing together

Peace is playing together

Where is Peace?

Peace is in a smile

Peace is in a handshake

Peace is a wink

Peace is inside of me.

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