



September 2023

Newsletter of the Churches of Ashby St. Ledgers, Braunston and Welton

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

3 rd Sept	Braunston	Holy Communion	10-30am
10 th Sept	Ashby	Holy Communion	10-30am
17 th Sept	Ashby	BCP Holy Communion	9-00am
17 th Sept	Braunston	Family Service	10-30am
24 th Sept	Welton	Holy Communion	10-30am
24 th Sept	Welton	Harvest Songs of Praise and Tea	4pm

Tea/coffee is served before and after all Sunday 10.30am services.

Friday 22nd Sept: 6.30pm Ashby St. Ledgers Harvest Festival followed by light refreshments.

Harvest Festival is being organised at Braunston– watch for news.

Mid-Week Services

Tuesdays	6pm	Ashby St. Ledgers	Evening Prayer
Thursdays	9.30am	Welton	Morning Prayer
Saturdays	10am	Braunston	Celtic Morning Prayer

Prayer and Praise September 17th 6pm @ Holy Cross Church, Daventry
October 25th 6pm @ Braunston

Baptism News – On Sunday 10th September at 12 noon there will be a Baptism at St. Martin’s Church, Welton. Although this is not part of the usual Service routine, you are invited to attend.

Jesus is the true vine



Outdoor Family Church Saturday 23rd September, 11am-1pm

In the Rectory Garden, High Street, Braunston (almost opposite Braunston Church.)

Games, Bible Story, Prayers, camp fire and a yummy lunch provided. Fun for all the family.

URGENT: Help needed to save the historic wall paintings at Ashby St. Ledger's Church

The following plea for help has just been sent to a number of Charities:

“You may be aware that there is a sizeable collection of wall paintings in our church, including, it has been said, "the most complete collection of Passion Cycle paintings in the UK". These paintings are now in pressing need of protection and conservation before being lost forever. During the pandemic some plasterwork, near the "Skeleton" painting on the West wall, has started to come adrift from the wall itself and is in need of urgent repair work by a conservator. Recently we have prepared a project to undertake the repair work and commission a detailed condition survey with costs that amounted to £29,998 (survey of all paintings £22,398, repairs to the skeleton alone £7,600).

The charity ChurchCare (Church of England) have, last week, offered us an award of £1,995 towards the cost of the survey - provided we finish within six months. Would your charity be able to consider granting us any amount towards either the survey or the repairs (or both) to help us make up the shortfall? If so we would be happy to share the quotes, quinquennial, and other documents etc. to support our application.

You may also be aware that the church is located close by the Gunpowder plot room in the grounds of the Manor House next door. It is our intention longer term, while the main conservation work is underway, to update the marketing platform and documents highlighting the history of the Gunpowder plot. The church needs a toilet and kitchen server, and we plan to reinstate school visits and consider putting on a regular play in the church depicting the events of the past, as in earlier times. But all of this has to be put on hold until we can complete the urgent initial work.

If you are able to offer some financial help, however small, it would be much appreciated.”

Individuals are also invited to donate. If you can help, please make your gift by bank transfer to :

Account Name: **Ashby St. Ledgers Parochial Church Council,**

Account number: **10117366**

Sort code: **207348**

Reference: **Wall paintings**

or by cheque made payable to **Ashby St. Ledgers Parochial Church Council** which can be given to Janet Weaver or popped in the organ pipe in Ashby St. Ledger's church. Please write "wall paintings" on the back of the cheque.

If you want your gift to be gift aided, remember to complete a gift aid envelope, available in the church.

Seasons

An exhibition of art by
Jackie Hibbert DipSBA (Dist)

St. Martin's Church, Welton
Saturday 9th September
10am-4pm

Admission Free

Prints, original art and
cards for sale.
25% commission paid to
St. Martin's Church.
Refreshments (in aid of St.
Martin's Church.)

Running alongside the Welton Produce Show, which will
be next door in the village hall.

A note about the exhibition

Some people have said that they would like to see the exhibition but are involved with activities in their own church, or working, on 9th September.

I have therefore decided to run a "preview" of the exhibition, in St. Martin's Welton, from 6.30pm to 7.30pm on 8th September for anyone who is unable to attend on the Saturday.

Jackie

RIDE AND STRIDE: Saturday 9th September

If you haven't heard about this already, you must have been in another country!!
9th September is Ride and Stride Day. There are lots of ways you can be involved; walk, cycle or sponsor someone, help with refreshments, make a cake for the hungry walkers or cyclists, support other activities in our churches. Talk to your organiser (Jan Wall at Welton, Mariann Holloway at Braunston and Janet Weaver at Ashby)

Bereavement Cafe



Next date:

Friday 1st September
4pm
All Saints' Church



SAVE THE DATE: 1st October after the morning service in Braunston, training/refresher for Eucharist Assistants and would-be Eucharist Assistants for all churches. Let your church warden know if you are attending.

Calling all Toddlers (and their parent/carer)

"Tiny Treasures" Toddler Group will restart on Tuesday 12th September, 9.00-11.00am, following the Summer Break. We meet in Braunston Church – the door is open, just come on in!!



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Please send all contributions for the October Edition of the Newsletter to safeguarding@stmartinswelton.org.uk by **18th September**. Let me know if you would like to receive the Newsletter electronically. *Jackie*

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be included in the prayer chain and receive a copy of the prayer chain or receive prayer for yourself, please contact suejennens21@gmail.com

Do you like talking with children? Could you be a School Governor representing the Church?

Church of England Schools across the area need Foundation Governors. Being a Foundation Governor (representing the Church) is very rewarding. It is a voluntary position which involves visiting the school to talk with staff, pupils and other Foundation Governors, attending some Collective Worship (assemblies) and going to Governor meetings (about 6 a year). It helps to provide an important link between Church and School. The Church of England gives you training, and often your input can give that all important Christian context that a Church of England School needs. If you would like to find out more, talk to Jackie Hibbert or e-mail her at:

safeguarding@stmartinswelton.org.uk

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH , BRAUNSTON
2 - 4PM IN THE CHURCH, SATURDAY
7TH OCTOBER




Keep the winter blues at bay with an afternoon cream tea!




£3.50 for tea and scone. Have a chat and browse the books/jigsaws and craft/jewellery stalls plus have a go at the raffle. All proceeds towards the cost of running the church.

Don't miss out on the yummy scones!!
Put the date in your diary.

A verse for reflection in September:
"I am the true vine and you are the branches. My father is the gardener.....Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me."
John 15: verse 1 and verse 4