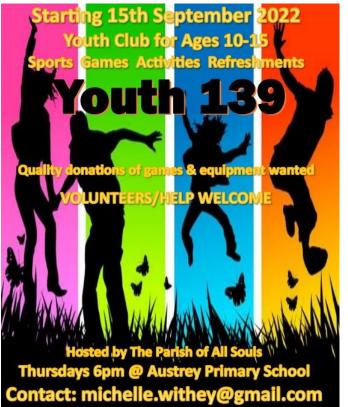


Parish of All Souls North Warwickshire

Austrey, Newton Regis, Seckington, Shuttington with Alvecote & Warton

April 2022 Church News

On Saturday 5th of March a number of us gathered to reflect on the journey of All Souls and to discern and pray about where we felt that God was at work in our Villages. It is clear that we have many gifted people within our congregations that recognise God's call on their lives and have much to offer our church and wider community. In line with a desire to *Love God, love one another and love those we don't know yet*, we have a small team setting up a Stay and Play at Newton Regis and a Youth Club at Austrey. I am also looking at how we can provide pastoral support for each other and those on the fringes. If you feel you could be part of a pastoral visiting team, I would love to hear from you. Blessings and a Happy Easter when we get there. Revd Joanne.





This Months Services

Apr 3	5th	Sunday of	Lent Pas	sion S	unday				Philippians 3 : 4b – 14	
8.30 am NEWTON REGIS					,					
No 10.30 am service as Soul Café has now closed										
Apr 10 Palm Sunday Luke 19:28 – 40 Passion Narrative Luke 22:14 – Luke 2									22 : 14 – Luke 23 : 56	
10.30 am WARTON					Family Communion					
6.00 pm NEWTON REGIS Evening Prayer (Passion Narrative)										
Apr 14 Maundy Thursday 1 Corinthians 11 : 23 – 26 John 13 : 1 – 17, 31b – 35										
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Apr 15	Goo					Passion Narrative: John 18:1-19:42				
2.00 pm NEWTON REGIS					Meditation An Hour by the Cross					
7.00 pm SHUTTINGTON					Good Friday Meditation (with choir)					
Apr 17	East	er Day		Acts	10:34	- 43	Johr	n 20 : 1 – :	18 or Luke 24 : 1 – 12	
8.30 am NEWTON R			REGIS		Holy C	ommur	nion			
10.30 am AUSTREY				Easter Family Communion						
6.00 pm SECKINGTON				Easter Praise (with choir)						
Apr 24	2nd	Sunday of	f Easter			Acts	s 5 : 2	7 - 32	John 20 : 19 – 31	
10.30 am WARTON				Family Worship						
		No Evenii	ng Service	5						
May 1	3rd	Sunday of	f Easter		Acts 9	:1 – 6 (7 – 20))	John 21 : 1 – 19	
8.30 am Austrey				Holy Communion						
10.30 am Newton Regis		Regis		Family Worship						
FUTURE DATES:										
Fri 1 April 7.00 pm Ch			Choir	oir Practice at Warton						
Mon 4 April Fu			Funeral of Thomas Wetton at Sutton Coldfield							
Mon 4 April			7.30 pm Churchwardens' Meeting							

- Thurs 7 April12.30 pmFuneral of Peter Cotterill at Newton Regis
- Fri 8 April7 for 7.30 pm EASTER BINGO at Newton Regis Village Hall. All
proceeds to St Mary's Church.
- Fri 8 April 7.00 pm Choir Practice at Warton

For up to date information on services please consult the parish website www.allsoulsnorthwarwickshire.co.uk or your local church noticeboard. Baptisms, weddings and funerals can all be accommodated and enquiries should be made to the Rector Revd Joanne Dyer.

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Join us in prayer

Prayers for the world: we pray for peace to come to the country of Ukraine as the fighting and aerial bombardments continue. We pray for an end to the hostilities and for success in the negotiations to reach a settlement acceptable to both sides. We pray for all who are suffering as a result of the conflict: for the injured, the bereaved, those deprived of the basic necessities of life, those fleeing the terror of war and seeking refuge in foreign lands. We pray for the countries of NATO and the UN as they attempt to influence Russia without escalating the conflict. We pray for continued vigilance in respect of the coronavirus, so that the pandemic might finally be contained. We pray that efforts to deal with climate change might not be forgotten, for targets to reduce emissions to be upheld. We ask your blessing on all agencies working to help the vulnerable and the needy, including Christian Aid, Mission Aviation Fellowship, Crosslinks, Bethesda Leprosy Hospital and Birmingham City Mission.
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Prayers for the nation: we pray for Elizabeth our Queen, asking that you would bless her and keep her safe and in good health. We pray for our government to exercise wisdom and discernment in the field on international diplomacy and to show compassion towards those struggling financially to meet the dramatically rising costs of energy, fuel and food. We continue to give thanks for the selfless dedication of all NHS workers, as they deal with the backlog of patients requiring treatment, praying for their safety and protection.

Prayers for the Church: we pray for the Church and its leaders seeking to convey the good news of the gospel in a world facing challenges on so many fronts. We pray that the message of Easter will be a source of comfort and hope for many. We pray for our Parish of All Souls, for Joanne, the churchwardens and members of the PCC as we continue to seek to discern the way forward in our six villages.

Prayers our Community: we pray for all those who reside or work in our parish, that you would continue to bless and protect them in their daily lives. We pray especially for all the staff and children in our 3 village schools, that they might continue to make progress with their learning in spite of any disruptions. May they find rest and refreshment during the Easter break.

Prayers for the sick: we ask for your love and healing touch to surround all who are ill or in pain at this time, especially those of our church family and others known to us, that they might know your loving presence and find healing and peace.

Prayers for the bereaved: we pray for all who mourn at this difficult time, remembering especially the families and friends of Stan Orton, Thomas Wetton and Peter Cotterill. Comfort all who are weighed down with grief, support and reassure them in the difficult weeks ahead.

"Alleluia! Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!"

TITHE FOR APRIL—Bethesda Leprosy Hospital

We receive regular updates from our BLH this is an little from our latest letter about the work our tithe supports.

'Bethesda continues its good work among leprosy and HIV/ AIDS patients to show God's love. We are very glad to say that an invaluable humanitarian is being done in Bethesda. Orphans, widows, less privileged people are being benefitted by this ministry. Bethesda is the place where these people are being comforted in His name. Many souls have been added to His kingdom. Leprosy patients' wounds of heart and body have been healed. Doctors and the other medical staff are working among the patients, showing God's amazing love. School is working for the children of leprosy and HIV. '

SOUL CAFÉ:

Soul Café was launched in 2007 as the Parish of All Souls came into being to provide an opportunity for a more informal style of worship. While it has enjoyed a loyal band of supporters, the team now feel it is time for something new, although what that will be has still to be worked out! Thanks must go to all who have worked so hard to make it run smoothly over the years and to our village schools for allowing use of their premises.

SERVICES OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS

Starting on Wednesday 4th May at 7.30pm there will be monthly services of Healing and Wholeness at Holy Trinity, Warton. These services of Holy communion focusing on healing, wholeness and reconciliation will include opportunity for anointing and, or laying on of hands.

CHURCHYARD MOWING:

Can you help please? The volunteers who mow **Austrey** churchyard are looking for some help. Can you spare some time to help keep the churchyard tidy? It's a big area and can be very time-consuming. If there are a few more volunteers to mow and strim an allocated area, it would make the job much easier. All equipment and petrol is provided. If you are able to help, please contact Peter Oliver tel: 01827 830337 or email: <u>pjroliver@btinternet.com</u> or Martin Cooke tel: 01827 830548 or email: <u>mvcooke55@gmail.com</u>

ALL SOULS ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING:

This year's APCM will be held a little later than has traditionally been our custom, on Monday 16 May at 7.30 pm. Watch out for further details in the coming weeks.

CHURCH FINANCES :

Church finances are still recovering from the effects of the pandemic and lockdown but All Souls is still hoping to be able to meet all its costs in full, including its Common Fund asking for the year 2022 which has been set by the Diocese at £36,718. Any help you can give will be deeply appreciated. For further details please contact the Treasurer Trish Richardson – tel: 01827 66282 or email trishrich18@gmail.com

DOVE MAGAZINE:

The next edition of The Dove is due to appear at the beginning of May. If you have any ideas for articles which might be suitable, please contact the editor Alison Meredith Tel: 01827 892796 or email <u>meredithalison2@gmail.com</u>. **Copy deadline will be Wednesday 20 April.**

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3 : 16)