Parish of All Souls North
WarwickshirettAustrey, Newton Regis,
Seckington,
Shuttington with Alvecote
& WartonSeptember 2022 Church News

Harvest time is here, some crops are gathered in, others still awaiting that perfect moment. Jamming, pickling, and preserving is in full swing. The recent heat wave and drought in parts of Britain and also in significant areas of the globe have meant that the browned dry grassland and fields, hedges and verges have been with us for quite some time. With all that is going on in the world we are reminded that the lives we live are just a little more precarious perhaps.

I recently came across the Millenium Seed project, at Kew. It is harvesting seeds from as many species across the UK and the world as it can, keeping them at sub-zero temperatures in specially designed underground flood, bomb and radiation-proof vaults. They currently have over 2.4 billion seeds - and counting! A 'Noah's Ark' of seeds for the future, should we need it.

Seeds are the precious treasure-chests of life. They provide the food we eat as grain for bread, and crops of all kinds. They provide flowers and shrubs for our pleasure. They grow into trees for the cleansing and replenishing of the air we breathe. In so many ways they sustain life. The seed is so important for the future of our world, so important for our survival, so important to God that we should be mindful to make sure that we do our best to protect and preserve it.

This autumn perhaps we could find the space and time to reflect on the precariousness of our ecosystems, to think about how we use the world's resources and to make the changes needed in our own lives to preserve our world. Perhaps also, we could sow, plant or grow something new for God and for the future of our world, be that in our gardens or better still in our hearts.

Blessings this September, Rev'd Joanne

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 Rector Revd Joanne Dyer.

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This Months Services

Sept 04 12th Sunday after Trinity		Philemon 1 - 21 Luke 14 : 25 – 33
8.30 am	AUSTREY	Holy Communion
10.30 am	NEWTON REGIS	Family Worship
6.00 pm	WARTON	Holy Communion
Sept 07 7.30 p	m WARTON	Service of Healing & Wholeness
Sept 11 13th Sunday after Trinity		1 Timothy 1 : 12 - 17 Luke 15 : 1 – 10
8.30 am	NEWTON REGIS	Holy Communion
10.30 am	WARTON	Family Worship
6.00 pm	SECKINGTON	Evening Prayer
Sept 18 14th Sunday after Trinity		1 Timothy 2 : 1 – 7 Luke 16 : 1 – 13
10.30 am	AUSTREY	Family Worship
6.00 pm	NEWTON REGIS	Evening Prayer
Sept 25 15th Sunday after Trinity		1 Timothy 6 : 6 – 19 Luke 16 :19 – 31
10.30 am	SECKINGTON	Family Worship
6.00 pm	SHUTTINGTON	Evening Prayer
Oct 02 16th S	unday after Trinity	2 Timothy 1 : 1 – 14 Luke 17 : 5 – 10
8.30 amWARTON		Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 am	NEWTON REGIS	Family Harvest Thanksgiving
6.00 pmAUSTREY		Harvest Thanksgiving

FUTURE DATES

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Sun 4 September	12.30 pm	Baptism of Samuel Stonehouse at Newton Regis
Mon 5 September	7.30 pm	Meeting of Churchwardens
Tues 6 September	7.30 pm	Meeting of All Souls Buildings Committee
Wed 7 September	7.30 pm	Service of Healing & Wholeness at Warton
Sat 10 September	12 noon	Wedding of Albert Bolton & Jodie Stokes, Austrey
Sun 11 September	12.30 pm	Baptism of Joseph & Lydia Thompson at Warton
Tues 13 September	10.00 am	Stay & Play at Newton Regis School
Thurs 15 September 6.00 pmYouth 139 at Austrey School		
Sat 17 September	10 – 12 noo	n Walk-in Coffee Morning at Austrey Church
Sat 01 October	7 for 7.30 pi	m All Souls Harvest Supper – Newton Regis Village
Hall		

Join us in prayer

<u>Prayers for the world:</u> as the conflict continues, we pray for an end to the war in Ukraine, for peace to return so that lives can be rebuilt. We ask God's comfort and blessing on the injured, the dying, the bereaved, the dispossessed, those separated from family and loved ones, those fighting for their country's freedom, those who have fled their homeland. We pray for all working to bring about a peaceful & just settlement. We pray for all nations to act urgently to reduce the effects of climate change. We pray for the victims of the devastating floods in Pakistan, for those going hungry as a result of drought and global grain shortages. May we who have so much in comparison respond to their need. We ask your blessing also on all agencies working to help the vulnerable, the needy and the underprivileged, in particular our own Mission Partners.

<u>Prayers for the nation:</u> we pray for Elizabeth our Queen, that she might enjoy continued wellbeing in her advancing years, and for those members of the Royal Family
taking on extra royal duties. We pray that the right person will be selected as our new
Prime Minister and that the government will take swift action to help those struggling with the ever-rising cost of living, to alleviate its effect on the nation's mental health. We pray for those working in all branches of the NHS in the face of continued pressure

on its services.

<u>Prayers for the Church</u>: we pray for the Church and its leaders at both national and local level. We give thanks for the years of service given by Bishop David as he prepares to leave the Diocese of Birmingham. We pray for Joanne in her ministry here in All Souls, and for God's guidance and blessing on the new ventures starting this month.

<u>Prayers our Community:</u> we pray for God's love and protection on all who live and work in our parish. We pray for all the staff & children in our 3 village schools as they prepare to return to the classroom this month

- <u>Prayers for the sick:</u> we ask for your loving and healing presence to be with all who are ill or in pain at this time, whether at home or in hospital. We pray especially for those experiencing financial difficulties and the anxieties that creates. We pray that they will
- receive the help and support they need but above all that they would know
- reassurance and peace.
- <u>Prayers for the bereaved:</u> we pray for all who mourn at this difficult time, remembering especially the family and friends of Frank Yeo, David Key and Kevin Garlick. Bring comfort all those recently bereaved, give them strength to adjust to life without their
- loved ones; may they be aware of God's love and care in times of darkness.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding." (Proverbs 3 : 5)

TITHE FOR SEPTEMBER : CROSSLINKS

Our latest Study Partner Eden Grant, based in South Africa, is working on her final dissertation and will shortly be completing her studies for a Masters in Scripture and Theology, to equip her for further ministry and bible teaching.

If you wish to supplement our monthly tithe, please place your gift, clearly marked, in the offertory box or plate or contact the Treasurer Trish Richardson 01827 66282 or <u>trishrich18@gmail.com</u>

AUSTREY FUNDRAISING:

Fundraising to repair the churchyard wall got off to a good start with the Afternoon Tea in Austrey Church in August but there is a long way to go! A regular programme of fundraising events is getting under way with a regular Walk-in Coffee Morning on the third Saturday of the month from 10 – 12 noon, starting on Saturday 17th September. Watch out for details of further events on the website, the church newsletter and noticeboard. If you can offer help, please contact the churchwarden Heather Cooke on 01827 830548. **NEW VENTURES:**

Don't forget our new ventures starting this month: **Stay & Play** for pre-school children and their parents/carers, on a Tuesday morning at 10.00 am in Newton Regis School, **starting on Tuesday 13th September.** Also the launch of **Youth 139**, a Youth Club for 10 – 15 year olds, on Thursdays at 6.00 pm in Austrey School Hall, **starting on Thursday 15th September.** Both will be held weekly during school term time.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING:

Harvest Thanksgiving will get under way with the **All Souls Harvest Supper** on **Saturday 1**st **October** in Newton Regis Village Hall, 7 for 7.30 pm. Tickets will shortly be available from the churchwardens at a cost of £10. Do be encouraged to come along to this social evening of food and fellowship.

Harvest Thanksgiving services follow on Sunday 2nd October at 10.30 am (Newton Regis) and 6 pm (Austrey) and on Sunday 9th October at 6 pm (Seckington). Donations of non-perishable food items will be appreciated, for distribution through local food banks. HARVEST CHOIR:

We are hoping to raise a small choir to lead worship at the evening services at Austrey and Seckington. If you enjoy singing and are interested in joining, please contact Trish Richardson on 01827 66282 or trishrich18@gmail.com.

DOVE MAGAZINE:

The latest edition of The Dove is now in circulation and copies are available in church or the village shops.

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." (Colossians 3:15)