

BENEFICE OF DEDDINGTON, HEMPTON AND THE BARFORDS



CHURCH MATTERS!

November
2009

We invite you to send the editor your comments and suggestions on this first issue.

Thanks to all those who suggested a title for the re-styled Church News Sheet. Kate Petty, Vanessa & Alan Loach, Kristin Thompson and Hugh Marshall will each receive a Fair Trade Prize. There were so many good suggestions; we are going to use different titles each month for a while. Then you can make the final decision eventually (if a final decision needs to be made!).

Deadline for notices and other contributions for December issue – Wednesday 18th November

Regular Events

Monday to Friday.

8.45am Morning Prayer Deddington

Monday

6.15pm BB Band Practice Deddington

7.30-9.00pm Bell Ringing Practice Deddington

Wednesday

10.00am Eucharist Deddington

5.15pm BB Anchors Windmill Centre (upstairs)

5.15pm BB Juniors Windmill Centre(downstairs)

7.00pm BB Company Section Deddington

Thursday

2.00pm Squeals and Wheels Deddington

1st & 3rd Thursdays

Friday

10-12.00am Katharine House Hospice Deddington

Coffee Morning

7.45pm Choir Practice Deddington

Saturday

8.45am Prayer Deddington

Sunday

2.30-5pm Teas in Church Deddington

Every Sunday

Notices

Apple Pie Day 2009 Thank you very much to everyone who supported Apple Pie Day on Sunday, October 18th. In all, 33 pies were sold, and £139.50 was raised, in aid of the Banbury Young Homelessness Project. *Sarah Liebrecht*

Deanery Synod meets on **Wednesday 18 November at 7.15 p.m. in St Francis Church Banbury**. This will be the first of three Advent sessions to be led by Bishop Colin. The other two will be on Wednesday 2 December and Wednesday 16 December, also in St Francis church. The title of the series is 'Sustaining the Sacred Centre'. Everyone welcome!

Saturday 5th December from 11.00am through lunchtime in St. John's, Hempton
Come and shop until you drop at St. John's Christmas Bazaar. Gifts, Tombola, Cards, Raffle, Games and a chance to win £50.00 on a date! PLUS a gourmet feast ie lunch!! Join us in a Bazaar Bonanza- help the Friends of Hempton Church maintain our village church.

John Sampson

Fair Trade Christmas. "Fighting poverty through trade"

Advent Calendars, Christmas cards and a wide range of attractive gifts are illustrated in the Traidcraft catalogue, available in Deddington Church or from Hugh Marshall. Cards and calendars will be on sale on some Sunday mornings after the 1030 a.m. service as well as during the Farmers' Market on Saturday November 28th. Orders placed now will usually be available within 10 days and will be delivered anywhere within the benefice (saving the £4.95 delivery charge on orders direct from Traidcraft). *Every purchase helps a craftsman or producer in a developing country to earn a better life.* Enquiries to Hugh Marshall Tel 01869 337761

Opportunities in Advent Please be part of the Benefice's Advent Vigil this year. This will run from 12 noon on Sunday Nov 29th and conclude with the Eucharist on the morning of Sunday 6th. It's a chance for some quiet reflection, an opportunity to take stock of where you and our churches are before God. Sign up on the plan at the back of Deddington Parish Church.

In conjunction with the Vigil we have two events which may be of interest. There will be an exhibition of bronzes by Toddy Hoare, a priest of the Church of England in Deddington Parish Church from Nov 28th to Dec 6. Toddy will preach in relation to his sculpture at Mattins on Sunday 29th.

John Milton's great poem, Paradise Lost, is very appropriate reading for Advent, a period of penitence in which we look forward to our salvation through Jesus Christ and the final ordering of all things under God's rule. You might like to be part of the team reciting the poem in Deddington Parish Church, or you might rather just come and listen. The times of the readings are as follows: Sun Nov 29 8.00-9.30pm; Mon Nov 30 7.30-9.30pm; Tue Dec 1 7.30-9.30; Thu Dec 3 6.30-9.30pm; Fri Dec 4 6.30-7.30pm; Sat Dec 5 6.30pm - as long as it takes. No need, of course, for any individual to do the lot!

Events Update - November 2009

All events to be held in Deddington Parish Church – unless otherwise indicated

Amendments and additions (in bold throughout text). *Unconfirmed bookings in italics.*

2009

Warriner Choral Soc. Concert*	Sat 7 th Nov Rehearsal afternoon	7.30pm
African Children's Choir *	Tues 3 rd Nov Sun 8 th Nov	(rehearsal 7.30-9.30pm) 7.30pm
Armistice Day Service Friends of Deddington Festival *	Wed 11th Nov Thurs 12 th Nov	10.45am 7.30pm
Church Bazaar *	Sat 14th Nov.	11am-2pm
Brass Bits Concert *	Sat 14th Nov	7.30pm
Deanery Synod	Wed 18th Nov	7.30pm St Francis, Highlands, Banbury
Deddington PCC Sculpture Exhibition	Thurs 19th Nov Fri 27th Nov	7.30pm Unicorn Hotel,
Farmers' Market *	Sat 28 th Nov	9am-12.30pm
Advent Carols * (Choros)	Sun 6 th Dec Rehearsal afternoon	6.30pm
Visiting Bellringers	Thur 10 th Dec	7.30-9.pm
Children's Activities *	Sat 12th Dec	10am-12.30pm

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Bloxham School Tsogo Walk	Sun 31 st Jan	
Warriner Choral Society*	Sat 24 th April Rehearsal in afternoon	7.30pm
Wedding	Sat 1 st May	
Chipping Norton & District Choral Society	Sat 8 th May	
St George's Choir, Windsor	Sat 15 th May	
Wedding	Sat 12 th June	
<i>Wedding</i>	<i>Sat 14th Aug</i>	
Wedding	Fri 27 th Aug	1.00pm Bells, Choir, <i>Organ</i>
Parish Show *	Sat 4 th Sept	
Wedding	Sat 2 nd Oct	
Deanery Synod*	Thurs 11th Nov	

* Kitchen booked for this event

Please contact Sue Addison, Benefice Secretary, for [all](#) Church bookings.
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Prayers

Great is the rejoicing in heaven among the saints of God as they worship their Lord in glory.

We pray for all the saints on earth, all those walking as friends of Jesus through the light and shadows of life, in grassy meadows and scaling bare rock; that we may all persevere with joy, supporting one another along the way. **We pray for** all the kingdoms and nations of the earth for their leaders and their people, their policies and needs, that under God's overarching love they may learn his ways and his will. **We pray for** those we love and care for and those who love and pray for us, for the wisdom to learn from all we experience in this life, so that we are not damaged but rather grow from the difficult times. **We pray for** those who are suffering and those too weak to pray; for all who are searching for life's meaning and those who find it hard to believe they are loved and cherished by the living God. **We pray for the sick** and especially for Violet Fisher, Connor and Tyler Rose, Kath Bushell, Christine Gay, Sue Beale, Marianne Elsley and Ray Sones. **We pray for those who have died**, and their families and friends, especially Edna Spiers, Ken Smith, Bernard Roberts, Kobamo Botlhoko, Wilf Gibbard and Honor Aitchison. **This month, as a Deanery, we pray for** Deddington, Hempton and the Barfords: Hugh White; Wykeham Benefice: Epwell, Sibford, Swalcliffe, Tadmarton, Shutford, Broughton with North Newington: Timothy Wimbush and John Tattersall. All church wardens, treasurers, secretaries and administrators; local printers, newspapers, radio and television stations; those in prison and staff and families; for our responsibility for their re-integration into the community; those who work in transport industries; road and other accident victims; those from the churches of the Deanery who have died in the past year; the work of the Funeral Directors and those who work at the cemeteries and crematoria; a faithful remembrance of war and remembering all who still suffer as a result of war; for all members of the Armed Forces who live and work in the Deanery. **We give thanks for** those who have died in faith, giving thanks for the shining lives of the saints, and ask that with them we may come to share in the endless joy of heaven.

With thankfulness we celebrate the transforming love of God, which can take us as we are and make us into what God can already see we would become.

If you would like prayer on any matter, please contact anyone on our Prayer Circle:
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WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY FALLS THIS MONTH

Deddington and Hempton: Emily French, Rose Cox, Alistair Mackenzie and Carolyn Symonds.

Barfords: Natalie Brookhouse, Ernest (Norman) Murrey, Violet Tew, Marjorie Austin, Muriel Brookhouse, Susannah Lovell, Brenda Tibbetts, Benita Sullivan

If you would like to have a name included in the Book of Remembrance, please contact a Churchwarden.

Link Church in Kimberley and Kuruman Diocese

This year there have been a number of visitors to our link diocese, both from Deddington church, Deddington primary school and other parishes in Oxford Diocese. In February our vicar was joined for part of his sabbatical visit by me, by one of his daughters and by staff from Deddington Primary. Parishioners from Watlington and Kidlington have also visited their link parishes and Rosemary Pearce from Church House spent some time with Bishop Ossie Swartz in Kimberley. These visits helped to build bonds of friendship, fellowship and understanding and also enabled the participants to learn more about the church life, daily life and challenges of our brothers and sisters in Christ in South Africa.

The Deddington Link with the Church of the Resurrection in Mmabatho had a focus on helping children affected/infected by HIV/AIDS right from the beginning. What has become the Tsogo Project was a local initiative and is locally run. Deddington has contributed substantially to the building work necessary for it to become a reality. The former church building is now in use as a day centre for pre-school children. The name "Tsogo" means resurrection in Setswana, the main language of the area. Tsogo is Christians in action ministering to widows and orphans. Tsogo is opportunity for volunteers and for the children. Tsogo is love. I consider myself very blessed to be involved in what is now a meaningful link and would urge you to pray for and about the link and how you might become involved.

Our next big link event will be the visit (part of the Revd Maurice Frost anniversary celebrations) by the Choir of the Church of the Resurrection in May 2010. This will be a cultural and spiritual experience for us and for our visitors. Please come and talk to me if you can help with hosting, hospitality or entertainment.

Fiona Gillespie

CHARITY OF THE MONTH

Banbury Carers' Centre based on Horsefair in Banbury, provides support and help to the many people who work unpaid as carers to those who are frail, ill, disabled or in difficulty.

Types of support include: advice and information, advocacy and help with practical tasks. The Centre also provides support groups for carers (including young carers from the age of 68-18), a befriending service for isolated carers, trips outs and training courses on relevant subjects.

Services for November 2009

1st Sunday	1 st	9.00 am	Eucharist	Hempton
All Saints'		10.30am	<i>First Sunday</i>	Deddington
Day		3.00pm	Commemoration of the Departed	Deddington
		5.00pm	Commemoration of the Departed	Barford St J
		6.30pm	Requiem Mass for All Souls	Deddington
	Wed 4 th	10.00am	Eucharist	Deddington
	Thurs 5 th	2.00 pm	Squeals and Wheels	Deddington
2nd Sunday	8 th	8.00am	Holy Communion(BCP)	Deddington
Remembrance		9.00am	Service of Remembrance	Barford St M
Day	<i>from</i>	10.30am	Parade and Service of Remembrance	Deddington
	Wed 11 th	10.00am	Eucharist	Deddington
3rd Sunday	15 th	9.00am	Eucharist	Hempton
2nd before		10.30am	Eucharist	Deddington
Advent		10.30am	(with healing prayer & Baptism)	
		10.30am	Iona Eucharist	Barford St M
		3.30	<i>Free Spirit</i>	Deddington
		(for 4pm)		
	Wed 18 th	10.00 am	Eucharist	Deddington
	Thurs 19 th	2.00 pm	Squeals and Wheels	Deddington
4th Sunday	22 nd	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Deddington
Christ the King		10.30am	Eucharist	Barford St M
			(with Baptisms)	
		10.30 am	Morning Worship with Eucharist	Deddington
		6.00 pm	Evensong	Hempton
	Wed 25 th	10.00am	Eucharist	Deddington
			(with healing prayer)	

5th Sunday	29th 8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Deddington
First Sunday of Advent	10.30am	Mattins	Deddington
	3.00pm	Holy Communion (BCP)	Barford St J
	6.30pm	Advent Celebration	Deddington
Mon 30 th	6.30pm	Eucharist: St Andrew	Deddington

SAINTS ALIVE!

MARTIN, Bishop of Tours c397. Born in Hungary in c316, Martin became a soldier in the Roman Army. He found he could not reconcile being a Christian with army service. Under the influence of Hilary, bishop of Poitiers, he founded, in 360, the first monastery in Gaul. He was elected bishop of Tours by popular acclaim in 372. Sulpicius Severus in his book, *'The Life of St Martin'* writes *'Martin was extremely kind, full of self denial...held in high esteem but truly loved. In his monastery were eighty disciples who followed the discipline of their saintly master... everything was held in common... A number of the monks were subsequently made bishops, for what church would not covet as its priests those trained in the monastery of St Martin?'* Many English churches have been dedicated in his name.

C S LEWIS, evangelist, teacher, spiritual writer 1893-1963. One of the most widely read Christian apologists, C S Lewis, educated at University College, Oxford was Tutor in English and Fellow of Magdalene from 1926-56. There he underwent a gradual conversion experience and wrote a spiritual biography *'Surprised by Joy'*. Later he was appointed to a chair at Cambridge. His writings confirmed the faith of many and brought others to a greater understanding of God.

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