

St David's Wettenhall & St Oswald's Worleston October 2021



**The Cross Country Parishes
of
Acton, Church Minshull,
Wettenhall & Worleston.**

Dear Friends



The harvest season is with us again. We can delight in seeing ripened fruit in the orchards & hedgerows and wonder at the rich palette of Autumn colours.

For those who make their living on the land, it's a much more serious business, of course; when things go well, relief replaces anxiety and hard work is rewarded with the satisfaction of another year safely accomplished.

In our churches, our Harvest Festivals give us the opportunity to gather together & thank God for all 'Good gifts around us'. If we're fortunate enough this year, we might even share in a Harvest Supper!

It's good to give thanks to our amazing Creator God, but I wonder if we only think about it at Harvest time? Writing this reminded me of a story I read many years ago.....

A man spent most of his life longing to go to Heaven. Eventually he died and an angel took him on a guided tour of majestic mountains, sparkling streams, fern filled forests & green meadows. Children were laughing & playing, and music filled the air.

'So this is Heaven?' said the man. 'How wonderful!'

'No,' replied the angel. 'This is the world you lived in - and never saw.....'

May God open our eyes and ears to the boundless riches that we experience every day and give thanks.

Ann



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Sunday Services October 2021

Acton

- 3rd Oct 11:00 am Harvest, 5 pm Songs of Praise
- 10th Oct 8:00 am Communion, 11 am Morning Prayer
- 17th Oct 10:00 am Messy Church, 5 pm Evensong
- 24th Oct 8:00 am Communion, 11 am Morning Prayer
- 31st Oct 11:00 am United at Church Minshull
- 7th Nov 11:00 am Communion, 5 pm Evensong

Church Minshull

- 3rd Oct 11:00 am Service of the Word
- 10th Oct 11:00 am Harvest Cafe Church
- 17th Oct 11:00 am Communion
- 24th Oct 11:00 am Messy Church
- 31st Oct 11:00 am United Communion, Dedication of Re-ordering
- 7th Nov 9:30 am TBA

Worleston

- 3rd Oct 9:30 am Harvest
- 10th Oct 9:30 am Morning Prayer
- 17th Oct
- 24th Oct 9:30 am Communion
- 31st Oct 9:30 am United at Church Minshull
- 7th Nov

Wettenhall

- 3rd Oct 11:00 am Morning Prayer
- 10th Oct 11:00 am Communion
- 17th Oct 11:00 am All Age
- 24th Oct 6:30 pm Communion
- 31st Oct 11:00 am United at Church Minshull
- 7th Nov 11:00 am Morning Prayer

St David's Church Wettenhall		
Sidespersons		Cleaning & Flowers
3 rd Oct	Mr M Moss	Mrs H Moss
10 th Oct	Mrs A Hignett	
17 th Oct	Brownies	Mrs A Brooks
24 th Oct	Informal	
31 st Oct	United at Church Minshull	Mrs A Hignett &
7 th Nov	Mr N Moss	Mrs A Hancock
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Congratulations

Marriages

8th September 2021

Ashley Walton and Emma Hancock

11th September 2021

Thomas Howard Elliott Mason and Christine Howard

We wish both couples every happiness in their married life together.

Thank You

Over the past two years we have been blessed with the surplus produce grown from Mrs. Pauline Matthew's garden!

Last year we had an abundance of lettuce and beans. This year we have had beans and marrows! Pauline is an avid & expert gardener and many people have been truly grateful to find her fresh produce at the back of some of the churches during August.



Thank you also to Adrian Burrows for donating a beautiful wooden bowl to St. David's. This has been greatly admired and put to good use for serving our refreshments!



Coffee & Cake

We'll return to our regular pattern of the first Thursday in the month.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 7th October from 10-12noon!

Everyone is very welcome to pop in for as little or as long as they wish.



Darnhall Brownies



It was great to see all the girls back enjoying Brownies again after the summer break.

They collected items from around the wood, such as leaves, sticks and conkers.

Next week the girls will make a collage out of their resources.



Smile

Smiling is infectious
You catch it like the flu.

When someone smiled at me today,
I started smiling too.

I passed around the corner
And someone saw my grin.
When he smiled I realised
I'd passed it onto him.

I thought about that smile,
Then I realised it's worth,
A single smile just like mine
could travel round the earth

So if you feel a smile begin,
Don't leave it undetected.
Let's start an epidemic quick,
And get the world infected.



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Sacred Gardens: The Garden of Eden

Over the past few months various sacred plants, often sacred to both Christianity and other faiths, have been covered in these pages. But what about the mythological sacred gardens in which these plants were said to grow? The most famous garden in the World must surely be the Garden of Eden, God's terrestrial paradise. It is described in the books of Genesis and Ezekiel and was said to be created to be inhabited by the first Biblical humans, Adam and Eve. It was said to contain every tree that was lovely to look at and all those providing fruit to eat. The Tree of Life would create a life of peace and contented innocence, while the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil would lead us to a life of disobedience to God. We all know which road was taken by Adam and Eve.

The Biblical texts of the Old Testament were translated from Hebrew, and the original writings may have described it as the Garden in Eden, not the Garden of Eden. Its actual location has always been disputed, but the water flowing from the Garden was said to be the source of the great rivers Tigris and Euphrates. In the Lower Valley of the Tigris Euphrates, it was used to irrigate the crop fields for which the area was well known. This whole area was then known as Southern Mesopotamia, now Iraq, and maybe it is the location of the earthly paradise. The Garden of a God was a common symbolic

feature of legends in the ancient Near East and in the same land the people known as Sumerians had settled in about 4000BC. They had a legend of a garden that was 'pure, clean and bright', and where old age did not exist, the Land of Dilmun. In this paradise there lived a God. It is thought that this legend was adopted by the Jews to describe their own ancient origins in another garden on Earth. In Eden God does not reside himself, it is shared with humanity.

One of the themes throughout the Covid pandemic has been the peace of mind,



relaxation and mindfulness that can be found in outside green spaces, whether gardens, woodland or parks. The creation of the legends of sacred gardens reflects these emotions and shows that humanity has always had similar feelings, enabling us to experience a sense of paradise wherever we live.

Heather Pope

Cross Country Pages



this month to

Antonia Adlington Olivia Palin
 Emeilia Bond Thomas Ablard
 Freya Howells Reuben Spencer
 Luke Jones Sophie Bowes
 Megan Farrell Stanley Alexander
 Oliver Latham

Special Birthday

Special birthday greetings and love from his family and friends, to **Mike Alexander** who will be 80 this month.
 We all hope that he has a very good day!

Thank You

I would like to Thank Revd Anne, The Churchwardens and everyone in the Cross Country Parishes for the beautiful Pink Orchid, Garden vouchers and cards I received at the Joint Service at St Mary's Acton at the end of August.

I 'retire' at the end of September from my job as Parish Secretary to have more time with my growing family. I have really enjoyed my job and working with such lovely people! Thank you again and I will keep in touch!

Helen Harper

Faith does not
 make things easy
 it makes them
possible.

Luke 1:37

Ladies Lunch

Thursday 14th October
 at
The Barbridge Inn, Barbridge
12:30 pm - Cost: £10
Please let Joyce (624158) or Ann (528273) know for catering purposes.

To Be confirmed

Mobile Library

Oct	Oct	Nov	Tuesdays	
5 th	26 th	16 th	Arrive	Depart
Badger Church Minshull			10:20	10:45
Home Farm Park South			11:10	11:20
Lea Green				
Home Farm Park North			11:30	11:50
Lea Green				
Wettenhall Church			12:05	12:20
Station Rd Calvey			13:35	13:55
Tollemache Arms			14:05	14:30
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Oct	Nov	Dec	Thursdays	
21 st	11 th	2 nd	Arrive	Depart
Pinfold Craft Centre			11:00	11:25
Poole				
Worleston Station			11:35	11:45
Aston Juxta Mondrum				
Worleston Village			11:50	12:10

Contact Details during Revd Anne's Sabbatical

The first point of contact during Revd Anne's Sabbatical is the Churchwardens. You can find their contact details on page 19 of the magazine.

Alternatively contact details will be available on the Vicarage answerphone.

The parish e-mail address:
crosscountryparishes@outlook.com
 will be monitored.

United Service at Church Minshull

Sunday October 31st

Please note there will be a United Service at St. Bartholomew's Church Minshull at 11am led by the Venerable Ian Bishop.

No services at Acton, Worleston & Wettenhall on this date.

Plough Service in Chester Cathedral

Plough Service Chester Cathedral

3.00 pm Sunday 3 October 2021

Bishop Julie (Bishop of Stockport) will bless the plough

Preacher: Revd Dr Claire Maxim (CEO of The Arthur Rank Centre)

Richard Blackburn, County Chair of Cheshire NFU will also be speaking in the service

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Romans 15:13



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Recipe

Fish Pie

Ingredients

450g Fish pie mix
100g Prawns
1 pint milk
2 Leeks finely sliced
25g butter
25g plain flour
50g frozen peas
1 bunch of parsley -finely chopped
1kg potatoes - boiled & mashed

Method

- Place the fish & prawns on a baking sheet in the oven for 5 mins at 180 degrees.
- Soften the leeks in butter
- Stir in the flour & mix well
- Slowly add the milk to make a sauce
- Gently add the fish, peas & parsley
- Pour into a deep casserole dish & cool
- Top with the mashed potatoes & cook for 25-30 mins at 180degrees until golden brown



St Oswald's Church, Worleston				
Sidespersons				Coffee
3 rd	Oct	Mrs P Haigh		Mrs K Alexander
10 th	Oct	Mrs A Stokes		Mrs J Bailey
24 th	Oct	Mrs A Fletton		Mrs M Booth
Flowers				Cleaning
3 rd	Oct	Mrs M Booth	October	Mrs K Alexander & Mrs L Gater
10 th	Oct	Mrs S Adams		
24 th	Oct	Mrs L Albard		
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Please Note The scheduled services may be suspended if there are any changes to Covid restrictions. Please look out for notices around the village and on the website.

From the Register

Marriage

On Friday 20th August 2021,
Jack Hurlstone and Chloe Dykes
 were married at St Oswald's.
 We send them our best wishes for their
 new life together.

Baptism

On 22nd August 2021,
Joseph Duncan Mullock,
 the infant son of
Brian Mullock and Katie Ollerton
 was baptised at St Oswald's.
 Welcome to Joseph and his family

Thanksgiving

On 5th September 2021
Hattie Evelyn Elsie
 the infant daughter of
Sophie and Lionel Smith
 was brought for a service of Thanksgiving
 for the Gift of a Child.
 Welcome to Hattie and all her family.

Special Visitor

On Sunday **October 24th at 9.30am.**
 Our service of Holy Communion will be
 taken by our Archdeacon, the Venerable
Ian Bishop. He will also preach the
 sermon.
 Do take the chance to come and meet him.

Harvest

Due to Covid restrictions and the risk
 assessments which have been carried out,
 we are unable to have our Harvest service
 and supper this year.
 The school will have its own service in
 school time, restrictions permitting.
 We will have a harvest service on October
 3rd at 9.30am at St Oswald's. Any gifts you
 bring will be added to the school collection
 and will be sent to the local Food Bank.

Thank you

Now that Coffee & Cake has started up
 again on the first Saturday of the month.
 It is a good opportunity to say thank you to
Diane Darlington who organises it. She
 makes all the delicious cakes too! We
 appreciate it very much. Thank You!

Advance Notice

We are pleased to welcome back the

St Christopher Chorale

who will be using St Oswald's again for
 their choir practice every week. They will
 also be leading a service for us again on
 Advent Sunday.

Sunday 28th November

Advent Carol Service at 4 pm

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Congratulations

Belated congratulations to **Alice Ramage**, a well known teacher at Worleston School. Miss Ramage was married during the summer holidays and is now Mrs Croft. We wish **Alice and Jack** every happiness in their new life together.



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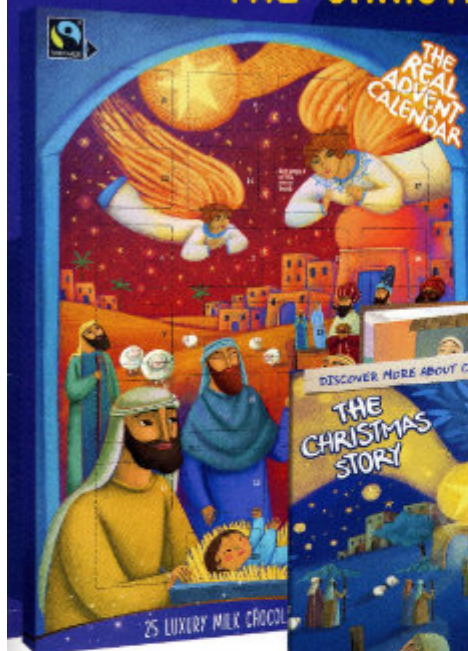
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