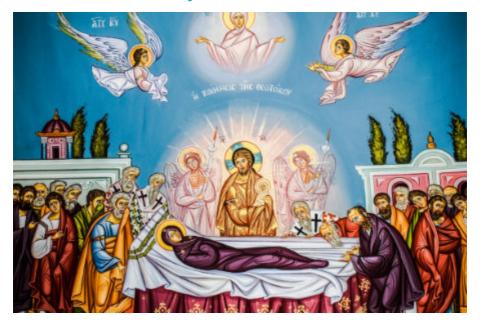
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Dear Friends



No Need to Leave A Message, I am Available

Some years ago, and feeling in need of some stress-busting exercise, I was in the swimming pool changing rooms when I overheard someone say those familiar words: "Sorry, I am unavailable."

For all I know, someone in the next-door cubicle could have been changing the message on their mobile phone, but it was 6.00 pm, and previous conversations from the cubicle suggested it was a harassed mother and a tired, hungry child. Assuming it was an exchange between mother and child, the child was learning one of the hard lessons of life. There are times when people (even mum) are not available.

We live in an age of instant communications and fast delivery services. Even so, we soon learn that there are times when those we want to talk to are unavailable. Over and over again, we hear the mechanical strains of the answer phone "The person you are calling is unavailable. Please leave a message", or even more infuriatingly, "Your call is important to us, please wait until the next available customer services assistant is available."

What a refreshing change when it comes to talking to God. If God had an answer phone, perhaps the message would be: "No need to leave a message. I'm available. "Except that we never hear that message; it is unnecessary. There is no queue to wait in. No time when God is unavailable. As Psalm 121 reminds us, "He who watches over you, slumbers not nor sleeps."

We can call on God at any time. He is the perfect, heavenly Father who is always available to his children. The door is always open, and God is always waiting for us, longing for us to come to him. We are the ones who hold back. We are the ones who think our lives are too trivial to bother Father God with. We are the ones who think it may not be a convenient time for God to be disturbed. We need no such worries. God wants us to talk to him. All the time, about everything and every part of our lives.

And if we need a reminder of the phone number it is this. Jeremiah 333. That is Jeremiah Chapter 33 verse 3. "Call to me, and I will answer you."

Yours in the God who never slumbers or sleeps,

Revd Anne



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Sunday Services

Acton

7 th Aug	11:00 am United at Worleston, 6:30 pm Evensong
14 th Aug	8:00 am Communion, 11 am United at Church Minshull
21st Aug	10:00 am United Messy Church, 1 pm Baptism
28 th Aug	8:00 am Communion, 11 am United at Wettenhall
4 th Sep	11:00 am Communion, 6:30 pm Evensong

Church Minshull

7" Aug	11:00 am United at Worleston, 1 pm Baptism
14 th Aug	11:00 am United Cafe Church
21st Aug	10:00 am United at Acton
28 th Aug	11:00 am United at Wettenhall
4 th Sep	11:00 am Service of the Word

Worleston

7 th Aug	11:00 am United Service
14 th Aug	11:00 am United at Church Minshull
21st Aug	10:00 am United at Acton
28 th Aug	11:00 am United at Wettenhall
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21st Aug	10:00 am United at Acton
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	Sidespersons Cleaning & Flowers			
7 th	Aug	United at Worleston	Mrs A Hignett &	
14 th	Aug	United at Church Minshull	Mrs A Hancock	
21st	Aug	United at Acton	Mrs H Wilson	
28 th	28 th Aug Churchwardens & Family			
4 th	4 th Sep Mr N Moss Mrs S Ward & Mrs I Drinkall			
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Coffee & Cake

The next meetings will be on Thursday 4th August & 1st September from 10-12noon! Everyone is very welcome to pop in for as little or as long as they wish.



Harvest Service

The Harvest Service will be held on the 11th September at 6:30pm.

Followed by the traditional

Harvest Supper

Calveley School

At the end of July the Leavers were each presented with 'A Diary of a Disciple'.- a modern version of St. Luke's Gospel. This was given on behalf of St. David's as a reminder of their Church Assemblies and expressing our best wishes as the children move on to the next exciting stage of their education.

Darnhall Brownies

The girls enjoyed making a Desk Tidy for their Fathers Day gift this year.

1st Darnhall Brownies also had a wonderful time at The Royal Cheshire Show, held at Tabley. In true Brownie spirit, they joined in with all the activities and learnt more about the animals they saw.

















Saint Fiacre - The Patron Saint of Gardeners

St Fiacre is the name of three different Irish Saints, but these paragraphs refer to Saint Fiacre of Breuil, born in 670 and named after a Battle King or Raven. He became a monk and lived at a hermitage near Bennetsbridge in County Kilkenny. He became well known for curing illnesses using herbs and vegetables. Eventually the number of people approaching him for treatment resulted in him emigrating to Breuil in France and seeking the help of the Bishop of Meaux in 628AD.

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In 1999, in celebration Millennium Saint at the Irish Nation

remained there until 1568. At that time, it was thought that his relics may be disturbed by Calvinists and so they were removed to safety at Meaux Cathedral. Here they remain to the present day, having been a source of inspiration for many believers during the 17th and 18th centuries. Even Queen Anne of Austria and King Louis XIII of France visited his tomb.

In 1999, in celebration of the Second Millennium Saint Fiacre's Garden was opened at the Irish National Stud and Gardens in

Tully, County Kildare. He is the Patron Saint of all gardeners, vegetable growers and ploughboys. Hopefully he will help us all to keep on gardening and not despair at the weather, the pests and the weeds. Meanwhile we can visit his gardens in Ireland to find the beauty in gardening that he discovered in Ireland and France.

The Bishop had known a previous Irish missionary named Columbanus and had been impressed by him. So, on meeting Fiacre, he said that Fiacre could have any land that he

could furrow in a day to create a garden. Fiacre was said to have plunged his staff into the ground and immediately the trees, weeds and plants fell away in front of him. The Bishop recognised the hand of God in this miraculous gardening and a hermitage was established with a vegetable, herb and spice garden. Alongside was a hospice for the care and treatment of travellers. Fiacre's sister, a blind nun living in Ireland, emigrated to be with him in Meaux. She is reputed to have prayed, while lying face down in the earth, until her sight

was miraculously restored. Fiacre continued to live in the hermitage praying, fasting and tending his garden. His fame for curing disease with the laying on of hands became well known in a wide area of France. He died on the 18th August 670 AD and was buried at his own hermitage. His relics







National Garden Scheme; Group Garden Visitors

For the third year, garden visits have been arranged at Milford House Farm in Wettenhall. These have all been part of the National Garden Scheme for Cheshire and Wirral. The first two years of open gardens in Wettenhall were in the midst of the Covid pandemic and dominated by its restrictions and safety measures. This year we are still coping with Covid, but it's more relaxed because the visitors are all outside in the garden and Wettenhall is nothing if not well ventilated as the wind whips across the Cheshire Plain. Group visits are back on the agenda as clubs and social meetings resume and trips can be arranged again. It has been lovely to welcome group visitors from the local area. Eaton Gardening group, known as 'Up the Garden Path', were the first to visit on one of the few damp and drizzly evenings of the month. Fortunately, they are a hardy bunch and were not deterred by a bit of rain. Like most gardeners they had been hoping for rain on their own plots anyway. It's quite a challenge to host a gardening group, their comments and questions demand sensible answers and Eaton's organiser, Lindsey, is currently studying for a Royal Horticultural

Society diploma!
The next group to arrive were the Red Hat Ladies, led by Wendy and all sporting a variety of red hats and fascinators. Red Hat groups are an American organisation, similar to our own Women's Institute. The sunshine came out to light up those hats for a lively look around the garden and lots of tea and cakes in the marquee. It's an

opportunity for everyone to chat, learn a few plant facts and discuss whether lawns should be left longer to flower or remain cut like a bowling green. The gardener has the last word on that one.

A very busy week of meeting, greeting, talking and catering ended with a coach trip [a first for my garden!] from St. Mary's Church in Nantwich, with their organiser Cathie and Revd Dr Mark Hart. It had been drizzling again, but the sun came out as they arrived, and it was almost too hot in the marquee at lunch. The visit started with coffee and biscuits, a bit of background information about the garden and then a look through the orchard, flower beds and walled garden. Plant sales and a lunch followed, with lots of sandwiches and cake all over again. None of these events would have been so well catered and organised without the help of the brilliant volunteers Marjorie, Sonia, Sheila, Ann and Chris. It was a successful



start to this year's fund raising, with over £700 raised over the three days. All that's needed now are a few showers prior to the main open day!





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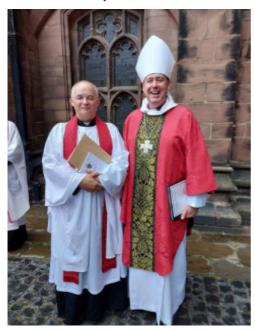


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Rev Jim Britcliffe

Rev. Jim Britcliffe with Bishop Sam at his Priesting at Chester Cathedral in June. Jim spent his placement in the Cross Country Parishes. We wish him every Blessing in his future ministry.





Ladies Lunch

Tuesday 16th August at Glebe House, Acton 12:30 pm - Cost: £10 For Further details contact: Isobel (624521) or Ann (528273)

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Making Tracks



Making Tracks returns to Chester Cathedral for a second year!

Pete Waterman OBE and the Railnuts modelling group have created a brand-new 'OO' gauge layout, once again based on the West Coast Main Line, which will be open across summer 2022.

Whilst based on the West Coast Main Line, for 2022, the model features a completely new stretch – the approach to Rugby station from Kilsby Tunnel in the south through to Hilmorton Junction at the north end of the model. The layout will feature a four-track main line throughout the scenic section, but impressively it also has grade separation to cross the Down Northampton line over the Up Fast line at the big junction which occupies one corner of the layout. The era for the new layout will be the modern day on the West Coast Main Line, but with a few nods to its past around Hilmorton Junction by including the lattice bridge faces. In addition to building the scenic section, the team has also rewired the layout with new modules from Megapoints Controllers to introduce train detection around the layout to allow operators and the viewing public to keep an eye on progress of trains as they move around the layout. Rolling stock is also being prepared for the show including long container trains, Pendolinos, parcels trains and more.

Making Tracks 2022 is open Monday to Saturday from Monday 18 July 2022 to Saturday 3 September 2022.

The layout will not operate on Sundays.

Tickets £2.50 per person (children aged 5 and under are free).

Ladies Lunch in the sun

On a beautiful day in June we enjoyed lunch in the delightful gardens of Henhull Hall

Thank you to Joyce and Philip for making everyone feel very welcome and laying on such a splendid feast!





Calveley School



OYEZ! A stunning new outdoor classroom at Calveley Primary Academy is sure to prove a big hit with children.

That's according to Nantwich Town Crier Dev Hobson, who dropped in at the primary school to officially open the new facility. Dubbed 'The Acorn', it has been cleverly created by Nigel Little, Facilities Manager for North West Academies Trust (NWAT), which has managed the school since 2021.

Rather than throwing out an old summer house, he has transformed it into a brilliant classroom complete with a large TV, stage lights and even a disco ball.

Mr Hobson said: "It is certainly a fantastic place to learn and it will be a great asset to the children who use it. I hope they have a wonderful time; I'm sure they will!"

Parents were welcomed to school for a special ceremony to celebrate the opening of The Acorn, which was funded by money raised by FROCS (Friends and Relatives of Calveley School) through events including a Halloween Disco, Christmas Fair and a Welly Walk.

Head of School Ray Rudd said: "I think I can say, on behalf of all the children, we are very excited to be able to use the new outdoor classroom and I'd like to thank everyone for all the help and support which has enabled us to have such a fantastic resource. I am sure we will have lots of fun using it." Children also thanked FROCS, Mrs Rudd, teachers, their families, the wider community and Mr Little for making it possible.



Mr Little said: 'The first plan for the old summer house was to knock it down, but I see potential in things like this. I thought, who wouldn't want a cinema in their garden? So, that was the starting point and then it developed into including a stage area and a learning area. I have built something similar at another school, but not on this scale.

The next project is the Acorn Secret Garden which will feature planters for the children to start growing their own veggies and plants!"

The Acorn is the latest in a series of improvements made at Calveley since it became part of NWAT, including rectification of long-standing drainage and subsidence problems and the remodelling of classrooms.

The school is also one of seven English schools - alongside sister school Acton CE Primary Academy - which are part of a Government pilot scheme to install ground source heating. The project, which involves using boreholes to extract heat energy from rock, will dramatically reduce heating costs.

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- 300g Blueberries
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- 175g plain flour
- 75g butter
- 100g flaked almonds

Method

- * Heat oven to 200C or 180C fan
- * Place raspberries & blueberries in a greased ovenproof dish. Scatter over 1 tbsp of the sugar & then the ground almonds.
- * In a bowl mix flour & butter with fingertips until it resembles breadcrumbs.
- * Stir in the remaining sugar & flaked almonds.
- * Scatter the mixture over the fruit & bake for 30-35 mins until lightly golden.
- * Serve with cream or ice cream.



Enjoy!

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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.



Coffee

On the 7th August there is a United service at Worleston. Could anyone available help with the coffee please?

Worleston WI

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Worleston WI President, Rosalind Lea and her husband Steve, decided to hold a Tea Party in their garden for Worleston WI members and their friends.

To celebrate the royal occasion garden had been dressed with bunting and a Union Jack Flag.

The party was held on the afternoon of Saturday 4th June 2022 and luckily the weather was warm with sunny spells.

Sandwiches, a variety of homemade cakes, scones with jam and cream as well as tea or coffee were provided at festively dressed tables in the garden.

Members donated items for a very successful raffle.

A great time was had by all.



More Photos on Next page

Coffee and Cake



St Oswald's Worleston

Saturday August 6th from 10am-12 noon.

Come along and enjoy a Coffee & Cake and a chat.

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Worleston WI Craft Group was recently formed and members worked hard to make two entries for the Royal Cheshire Show at Tabley on June 21st and 22nd.

The first entry was in the 'Recycling' class, where a recycled box measuring 30 x 30 x 30 cm should be decorated with recycled material in any way they wished. Worleston decided to produce a 'Treasure Chest' with an old belt as the clasp and old buttons, jewellery, netting, wool etc were used to decorate the box.

The other entry was in the Co-operative Craft Class. The theme was A Royal Occasion and the team decided on a Street Party. As the rules of entry prescribed three items of different crafts to be produced for exhibition. A row of houses made from materials with machine and hand embroidery, a beautifully made decoupage long table and exquisitly made salt dough food.

This was Worleston WI first entry to Cheshire Show and all the members involved thoroughly enjoyed the experience.













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