

**NOVEMBER 2021**

**PARISHES OF PILTON, CROSCOMBE, NORTH WOOTTON AND DINDER**

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**MONDAY 15th NOVEMBER 9.00am**

**RECTOR’S RAMBLES**

Now that the clocks have changed and the evenings are drawing in, it is a time when many of us want to stay in our warm homes in the evenings.

Church life in November starts with a season of remembrance. On Sunday 7th November we will be holding our annual All Souls Service, and the following week our Remembrance Services will take place. Both are times when our minds go to those who have died, whether known personally to us or from our villages. If you prefer not to come to an actual Church Service, all our Churches are open so do feel free to come into our Churches to appreciate the peace and quiet and to remember.

We seem to have been sharing a lot of poems recently but here is another one taken from Ruth Burgess’s book “Autumn”, which sums up the season so well.

**“The season of letting go”** by Sally Howell Johnson

It is the season of letting go.

Green makes way for red and gold.

Winds blow with fierce intention

And what once held strong

Now releases its grip on limb and bough.

It is the season of slowing down,

Of remembering the bud and seed,

Of measuring light, dying beams

Slanting across the changing rhythm of our days.

It is the season of returning,

Falling back to the earth,

To the life that quivered in summer breezes,

To the energy that shone sun onto our upturned faces.

Creator of all seasons, enfold us in the wisdom of letting go.

Infuse us with the breath of slowing down.

Guide us in the dance of returning

As we rest and renew in this most holy season.

*Rev. Chris*

**A message from Assistant Bishop, Trevor Willmott**

Whenever I hear one of Jesus’ searching questions to his listeners I find myself thinking “What would I do in these circumstances?”

If I were casting my nets, and Jesus said “Follow me”, would I do it? I imagine many of us would be hoping that we never have to find out.

All too often it’s assumed that being called is just about the religious life, to a particular ministry, lay or ordained, in the life of the Church. Of course, it is about that for some of us, and thank God for that, but in the New Testament, vocation or calling has a much wider understanding.

St Paul talks to the Corinthians about this more general call when he writes “Now there are varieties of gifts but the same spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of working but it is the same God who inspires them all in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good”.

Every one of us is called to use the gift or gifts we’ve been given to help build up the body of Christ. That “building up” can never be confined to what we do on Sunday. Building up is about using the whole of life, including Monday to Saturday. The very act of working or being at home, school, work, leisure is vocational. Our daily behaviour becomes a sacrament and an offering.

The realisation that we are being called comes in many different ways. For some, it’s like a sudden flash of light as came to St. Paul on the Damascus road. But for others, it’s just not that clear. In my earlier work as a Director of Ordinands and Vocation, I listened to many people who described their sense of calling as a feeling of discomfort. “Like having a toothache” someone said -their “yes” a moving towards a sense of peace and clarity.

Perhaps, as you read this, you know what God is calling you to do. Perhaps you’re still searching. But remember, God has made you for a purpose. And God will work that out, but in his own time, not yours.

With my prayers and blessing

*+ Trevor*

**AWAY MORNING**

**Sunday 21st November** – **10.00am – Croscombe Village Hall**

Re-arranged Away Morning for our parishes of

Pilton, Croscombe, North Wootton, Dinder and Dulcote.

Anyone who attends or would like to attend Church in any of our village

churches is invited to Croscombe Village Hall on Sunday 21st November.

After a long period of online services and now the re-introduction of limited services it feels like an opportune time to all get together to discuss a more permanent rota. We are hoping that as many of you as possible will be able to join us in Croscombe Village Hall on that day.

The morning will start at 10.00am with a service of Holy Communion and then Revd Richard Priestley is going to assist us in trying to discern a sustainable service pattern to take us forward.

 Tea/Coffee will be provided and the morning will end with a shared lunch, so please bring some finger food to share. There is another booking at 2.00pm so we will finish by 1.30pm at the latest.

If you are unable to attend, please do email me your views in advance of the morning at rector.pcnd@gmail.com

 *Rev. Chris*

**ALL SOULS SERVICE**

**Sunday 7th November 4.00pm at Dinder Church**

Our annual All Souls Service is being held in Dinder Church at 4.00pm followed by tea or coffee in the Village Hall.

This is a service designed to give you space to remember someone who has died, either recently or in the more distant past. You are all very welcome to join us; there will be tea/coffee available at the Village Hall afterwards.

**CHURCH SERVICES**

Please make sure you check the service pattern as our Church Services are slightly different again this month.

***Please note that if the Church is crowded we strongly encourage you to wear a mask at least when singing.***

**PRAYER FOCUS**

As we slowly emerge from our isolations and separations and start to socialise once more may we appreciate the importance of family, friends and neighbours. We welcome new people whom we are yet to meet and hope they find joy in our communities.

**PSALMS**

This month’s Psalms include praising God for creation and through history, for being able to trust him and follow his guidance.

The psalms that can be read on Sundays in November are:

 7th November Psalm 136

14th November Psalm 96

21st November Psalm 29, 110

28th November Psalm 25-1-9

**BIBLE READINGS**

 7th November Hebrews 9: 24-end Mark 1:14-20

14th November

21st November Revelation 1: 4b-8 John 18: 33-37

28th November Jeremiah 33: 14-16/1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13

 Luke 21: 25-36

**BENEFICE BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

We are now meeting in person again, fortnightly on a Monday. If you would like to join us you would be very welcome. Contact Rev. Chris for details (her contact details are on the inside front cover of this magazine).

Lysbeth Ballantine and family wish to give heartfelt thanks to everybody who has helped over the last four months especially driving her to visit Ron in various hospitals. Ron is now happily settled in Torrwood Nursing Home.

**REMEMBRANCE SERVICES**

**SUNDAY 14th NOVEMBER**

In **Pilton** starting at **10.55am** there will be a formal Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial; at the same time there will be a similar Act in the Parish Church for those who find the hill difficult. These will be followed by a United Remembrance Service at the Parish Church.

In **Croscombe** there will be an Act of Remembrance in the Parish Church, starting at **10.55am** and this will be followed by a Remembrance Service.

At **North Wootton** Church there will be a Remembrance Service beginning with an Act of Remembrance at **10.55am.**

**ABOUT PEOPLE**

We look forward to meeting at village events, catching up with old and making new friends.

We send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell at the moment, whether you are at home or in hospital. We remember those receiving treatment and those awaiting the results of tests.

**Baptisms**

We welcome **Carter, Chester and Aluna Thick** to our church family. They were baptised in Pilton Church on Sunday 3rd October.

**Funerals**

Our thoughts and prayers go to the families and friends of:

**Betty Wilmott** who was buried in Croscombe Cemetery on Thursday

7th October.

**Gavin Poyntz-Wright** whose Memorial Service was held in St Mary’s Church, Croscombe on Saturday 9th October.

**Ena Febrey** whose funeral is scheduled for Thursday 21st October in St Mary’s Church, Croscombe.

**WHAT’S ON IN PILTON**

**November**

3rd Happy Circle, PWMC 2.15pm

3rd Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 7.30pm

8th History Group, Village Hall

 ‘Benefits, Brass and the Girtest Grandest Day’ 7.30pm

13th Working Party at Burial Ground 9.00am

13th Christmas Fair. Pilton Club 12.00-4pm

14th Remembrance Sunday Service, Parish Church 10.55am

17th Happy Circle, PWMC 2.15pm

20th & 21st Christmas Market, Tithe Barn 10.00am-4.00pm

21st Pilton Village Trust AGM. Worthy Room. 7.30pm

**PILTON ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 2021**

 Within Pilton there will be **collection boxes** at our Churches, Public Houses, Pilton Working Men’s Club and the Co-op. There will be limited door-to-door collections but for anyone who would like to make a donation, cheques and postal orders should be made payable to **‘RBL POPPY APPEAL’** and delivered to Mr Peter Cheetham, PAO for the District of Pilton, Vine Cottage, Bread Street, Pilton BA4 4BQ. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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**PILTON VILLAGE HISTORY GROUP**

**"Benefits, Brass and the Girtest Grandest Day"**

West Country Friendly Societies and their Brass Emblems

The next meeting of Pilton Village History Group will be on Monday 8th November in the Club Room of Pilton Village Hall at 7.30pm.It will also hopefully be available to view live on Zoom and as a recording afterwards. The Zoom link is available on the Pilton Village Facebook group the week beforehand, or by email. Please let us know if you wish to attend in person, as we may have to limit numbers…
Chris King 890357 ck.pilton@btinternet.com

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**PILTON WORKING MENS CLUB**

**Christmas Fair**

Saturday 13th November

12noon - 4pm

Free Entry

**THE PILTON CHRISTMAS MARKET**

**20/21st November**

 **10.00am-4.00pm**

 Free entry

 A wonderful emporium of festive goodies.

 30 stalls with locally sourced ethical gifts.

 Something for everyone.

Mulled wine, tea, coffee and snacks available.

 **Pilton Tithe Barn, BA4 4EE**

 Access via Red Gate at Steanbow farm on the A361,

access for villagers on foot via the footpaths.



**PILTON PLAYERS - LATEST NEWS**

Pilton Players have been told by the Trustees of The Pilton Village Trust to remove all our belongings from the Village Hall by 21st November, with no return date identified.

Our belongings include not only our costumes and props, but lights, curtains and all our staging and other items.
We are sorry that these items and facilities used by various village groups and organisations, which we have provided freely in the past, may no longer be available to others, or to the village as a whole.

We are now therefore in urgent need of storage space, as local as possible; all and any offers gratefully considered!

We hope we can survive, somehow, elsewhere, as our main performance and rehearsal space in the Top Room in the Hall is now occupied by the Boxing Club.

If we do not survive, and decide we have pulled our final curtain, may we thank you for all the support you have given to us over the many decades since Pilton Players was re-formed in 1974.

**PILTON SHOW QUESTIONNAIRE**

To help planning for 2022 after these two enforced years of no Pilton Show, a questionnaire has been devised to ask for all villagers’ input, to mark preferences, as it is YOUR Show. We would be grateful for feedback as this will help planning for 2022, when we hope to be back to normal.

Questionnaire is on the Pilton Village Community Facebook page, and Pilton Show FB page and website [www.piltonflowershow.org.uk](http://www.piltonflowershow.org.uk)

If unable to print out or scan, complete and email, paper copies are available in Jenny’s porch (details on form) or on windowsill at the Co-Op. Details also on form where to return **by 30th November please.**

 *Pilton Show Committee*

**PILTON SHOW CALENDAR 2022**

The 2022 *Flowers in Pilton* calendar (£6) is now on sale at the New Room café, open daily (except Sundays) from 10.00am -12.30 pm. Honesty Box so please have right change! It will also be on sale at the Christmas Market in the Tithe Barn on Saturday 20th November. If you cannot get to these, please phone Jenny on 890465 for copies.

**PILTON PARISH COUNCIL**

A working party will be meeting at the Burial Ground on Saturday 13th November at 9.00am. Everyone is invited to come along and lend a hand.

The Remembrance Day Service will start at the War Memorial at 10.55am.

The Parish Council is looking for suggestions for the location of another dog poo bin. Please contact the Parish Clerk with your suggestions.

With the dark nights approaching please slow down when driving. Pedestrians, please make yourself visible and stay safe.

 [piltonparishclerk.com](http://piltonparishclerk.com/)

[www.piltonparishcouncil.org](http://www.piltonparishcouncil.org)

**BHOPAL ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISE**

Unfortunately, the fundraising event for the Bhopal Medical Appeal on 3rd December has been postponed for the time being.

 *Fiona Case*

**AGM OF PILTON VILLAGE TRUST (CHARITY NO 233541) AND ELECTION OF TRUSTEES FOR PILTON VILLAGE TRUST AND PILTON PLAYING FIELD TRUST**

 **SUNDAY 21st NOVEMBER, 7.30PM WORTHY ROOM**

The Trustees ensure the Playing Field and Village Hall building are maintained and developed for the use of Parishioners.

Nominees, proposers and seconders must live within the parish of Pilton as at 5th November 2021 or be an Honorary or Life member of Pilton Working Men’s Club as at 31st December 2012 and be over the age of eighteen as at 12th November 2021. An eligible person may propose not more than one nominee and second not more than one nominee.

Trustees are elected for one year.

Nomination forms and ballot box will be available in the lobby of the Village Hall on 24th October and completed nomination forms and resolutions for discussion at the AGM must be posted into the ballot box by 7.30pm Sunday 14th November.

If there are more than 12 nominations for Trustees an election will also be held on the 21st November at the AGM.

Do consider helping to maintain our village assets for future generations and stand as a Trustee.

Pilton Village Trust

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**CHRISTMAS AT GLASTONBURY ABBEY HOUSE**

**8th December 7pm**.

Ticket price £15.00.

Commencing with mulled wine and seasonal mince pies in the sitting room with a string quartet playing in the background. This is followed by a concert by Abbey Singers with seasonal music, readings and instrumental interludes.

All proceeds go to Save The Children.

To reserve your tickets call Lysbeth Ballantine on 676991.

  **NOVEMBER EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUBS**

**PILTON WORKING MEN’S CLUB (890162)**

piltonvh@gmail.com

**Pilton Club**

Tuesdays -Thursdays 7.00-10.00pm

Friday 6.00-10.00pm – Food served 6.00-8.00pm

Saturday 7.00 -10.00pm

Sunday 12.00noon – 4.00pm

Sunday Carvery 12.00noon – 2.00pm

Eat in or take away

November 6th Pilton Stage Competition (Doors open 7pm)

November 13th 12.00-4pm Christmas Fair, Free Entry.

**THE GEORGE INN, CROSCOMBE (342306)**

[www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)

November opening hours are 8am-3pm daily

5pm-9pm Monday – Thursday 5pm-10pm Friday and Saturday

Closed Sunday evening.

Take away or eat at the pub is available daily until 1 hour before closing times and include:

Curry on Thursday

Fish and Chips Any time

Pizza Saturday Night.

Call to order in advance please 342306 or 07892 699297

Village Shop – open daily 8.00am – 2.00pm

**PILTON NEW ROOM**

**COMMUNITY COFFEE SHOP**

(Next to the Pre-school and Chapel)

Managed and run entirely by volunteers

This month we will be open from

**Monday to Saturday**

**10.00am to 12.30pm**

If you are interested in joining our

team of volunteers please call

Philip or Gill on 890468

**SMALL ADS**

**Chantry Construction: stone walling, drives, block paving, patios,** extensions, mini–digger and driver. Contact Paul Merrett 01373 836787 or 07855343388.

**Daniel’s garden maintenance.** Lawns cut, seeded, turfed. Hedges cut, garden clearance, Patio-laying, jet-washing, fencing plus fence painting. Weeding. Call Daniel 672832 or 07936583986

**Daniel’s property maintenance** Roof repairs. Gutters cleaned, repaired and renewed Interior and exterior painting and much more.
Call Reg 672832 mob 07518116140

**Give your garden a treat. 2 year old well-rotted horse manure** sold by sack or load. 100% organic. Contact 890582.

**Chimney Clean:** Chimney sweep, clean and efficient service est. 1985. Please ring Colin on 07596 534861.

**J.D. Waste.**  House clearance.  Rubbish clearance. Garage Clearance.

Call 07919 584737 or 07961 892014.

**Domestic Cleaning Services.** For references and details please call 01749 689099 or email pattinson321@yahoo.co.uk

**JM Building** for all general building needs and property maintenance. All building work, natural stone work, patios, tiling, decorating. 25 years’ experience, free quotations. References available. 07546589825

**West Country Gardening and Landscape Services** for all types of tree, hedge, shrub and garden work. We also do one off garden tidying. Licensed waste carrier. 01458 210237. 07961 986871

**Chiropractor,** Dr Ben Bullard D.C. clinic in Pylle. All ages, and all types of pain treated. Book online [***portmanhousechiropractic.co.uk***](http://portmanhousechiropractic.co.uk)or call 01749 681656

**Mendip Window Cleaning** - Services we provide include: Domestic and commercial window cleaning, Fascia and soffit cleaning,  Jet pressure washing, Conservatories, Solar Panel cleaning.

Call Matt on 07850 596217

**Christmas Trees** (Nordman’s non-drop) Norway spruce and holly wreaths on sale from the middle of the month at 2, Abbots Way, Pilton 890952.

**Parish Council Websites**

[www.piltonparishcouncil.org](http://www.piltonparishcouncil.org)

[www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk)

**WHAT’S ON IN CROSCOMBE**

**November**

5th Trio Paradis Café Concert 10.30-11.30am

7th    Dinder and Croscombe Cricket Club Quiz.

                   The George Inn                                                     8.00pm

14th  Remembrance Sunday Service.  St. Mary’s Church     10.55am

14th  Rural Touring Dance Initiative.                                         7.00pm

                        (See separate notice).  Village Hall

18th  Senior Citizens’ Club.  Bring and Buy Sale.

         All welcome.  Village Hall annexe                                    2.15pm

19th Friends of St Mary’s Music Appreciation. Church Room 2.00pm

25th  Parish Council Meeting                                                      7.30pm

27th  Coffee Morning. Village Hall Committee 10am-12noon

**POPPY APPEAL 2021 – CROSCOMBE, DINDER AND DULCOTE**

After 2020’s enforced break, your friendly collector will be knocking on your door again this year. The appeal runs from Saturday 30th October to Remembrance Sunday (14th November). Michael Comer, who has collected in Dinder for several years, is retiring and our sincere thanks go to him for his sterling service. Katy Pitts has very kindly volunteered to take his place.

 *Jenny Mitchell* Local Poppy Appeal Organiser

**CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Committee are delighted to have been awarded a grant of £1500 from Somerset County Council from their Opening Up Safely and Reconnecting Communities Fund.

Our next coffee morning will be on 27th November from 10am -12noon.

*Sheila Wilkins*

**TRIO PARADIS CAFE CONCERT**

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You are cordially invited to our Trio Paradis Café Concerts which take place on the first Friday of every month (except January) in Croscombe Village Hall at 10.30am and last about 45minutes. Tea, coffee and cakes available from 10.15am. Entrance is free with donations invited.

Friday 5th November **Russian Masters** – well known Russian classics.

Friday 3rd December **Sleigh Ride –** Christmas and winter music

*For more information email* *trioparadis@icloud.com**.*

**RURAL TOURING DANCE INITIATIVE**

Croscombe Village Hall

Sunday 14th November 7pm

Tickets £12 Adult, £7 Child/U25

A double bill from one of the UK’s leading Krump dancers

[www.takeart.org](http://www.takeart.org) or 01749 939485 for information/tickets

*Richard Cronin*

**CROSCOMBE SENIOR CITIZENS**

We will be holding our annual ‘Bring and Buy’ sale with a Christmas theme on Thursday 18th November at 2.15pm in the Village Hall annexe. Everyone is welcome to join us.

 For further details contact Lyn Manvill 343833

**FRIENDS OF ST MARY’S MUSIC APPRECIATION**

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**2.00pm Friday 19th November. The Church Room.**

We are happy to resume our popular meetings, but on a Friday afternoon rather than in the evening. It is all very relaxed and you do not need to be an expert. You are even allowed to say if you don’t like it! This time we will hear solo piano works by Beethoven, Haydn, Dohnanyi and Mozart, chosen and presented by Terry McCarthy. Short programme notes are provided.

Do come along. The music lasts for about an hour and we will have time then for a cuppa and a chat. New ‘Listeners’ will be very welcome.

Entrance £3 (Free for Friends of St Mary’s). Contact Terry (345139) or Jenny (345405) for more details.

**SEQUENCE DANCING** every Tuesday at 8.00pm, in Croscombe Village Hall.

*Contact Lyn Manvill 343833.*

**ST MARY’S, CROSCOMBE - HARVEST FESTIVAL COLLECTION**
The Harvest collection came to £150 and we have received a letter of thanks from the YMCA for our donation. They write ‘Please can you pass our heartfelt thanks to your lovely congregation…. It is so wonderful that, despite the current restrictions, you still thought of us…. Grace Harris House are very excited about receiving the money and looking at using the donation to provide cooking classes for the residents.

**CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

In addition to work on planning the new children's playground, flood prevention, and the issue of traffic, the Parish Council is also going to canvass opinion throughout the village on support for the idea of a Community Orchard. Everyone will receive a survey through their door soon, and we need to hear your views before we take the idea any further. [www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk)

*Mick Rogers*

**CROSCOMBE COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION**

A vacancy has arisen at Croscombe Allotments. If you are interested in a well-tended plot please contact Trevor Harris for further details on 343194.

**CROSCOMBE FROLICS PRESENT**

**‘SLEIGHING AT THE POLE’**

 **A festive Murder Mystery!**

Saturday 4th December 7.30pm

 at Croscombe Village Hall.

A hot supper and dessert are included.

£15pp plus booking fee.

Tables of 6. For more information and individual tickets (on-sale from

1st November) visit www.fb.me/e/2Fz75KP50

Licensed bar. Show not suitable for children. For further information contact Richard Cronin 01749 939485.

**CROSCOMBE CHRISTMAS MARKET**

**11th December 11am - 2pm**

 **Croscombe Village Hall.  **

Locally produced and made~~,~~ arts & crafts, jewellery, food, mulled wine, Christmas decorations, gifts, stocking fillers, Indian head massage and much more. All proceeds go to Croscombe Village

School Playground Project.
For more details please contact Candy Stanley 07970 640842

**CROSCOMBE OAPs CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Croscombe OAP and Childrens Fund wish to invite all Croscombe OAP’s (Men 65, Ladies 60 and their spouses) to the Christmas Dinner on Monday 13th December, 7pm for 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

For anyone who hasn’t been before, or is new to the village, this has been a tradition for many years and we provide a three-course Christmas dinner, drinks and musical entertainment…..all free.

Please book by phoning Imelda 343788 or Sheila 343068. Please leave a message if no reply, stating any dietary requirements.

*Alison Hodges*

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 **CROSCOMBE NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY** |

We are delighted to let you know that there will be a New Year’s Eve party in the Village Hall. As we have all had a difficult couple of years, the Village Hall Committee has generously offered to cover the cost of

the DJ.

The party will be FREE, ticket only (limited to 150) 7.30pm - 12.15am.

Bring your own food and drink (not a sharing table as in other years).

Accompanied children welcome. Raffle.

Tickets will be available from 1st November, but please feel free to order

yours now from Sarah Cowell or Alison Hodges.

**Online Talks for The Arts Society Mendip**

2nd November

**Signs, symbols and iconography: The Hidden Story In Art.** Leslie Primo will reveal the stories in Italian Renaissance art works to The Arts Society Mendip on 2nd November at 11.00am, in Croscombe Village Hall (and simultaneously via Zoom-links will be sent to all members). Guests welcome, on request to tasmendip.comm@gmail.com. A guest donation of £6 will be requested.

7th December

**Glad Tidings: The Story of the Annunciation**. Imogen Corrigan describes its symbolism with 4-16th Century images to The Arts Society Mendip on 7th December at 11.00am, in Croscombe Village Hall (and simultaneously via Zoom-links will be sent to all members). Guests welcome, on request to tasmendip.comm@gmail.com. A guest donation of £6 will be requested

**WHAT’S ON IN DINDER AND DULCOTE**

**November**

7th All Souls Service, Dinder Church 4.00pm

19th Save the Children Coffee Morning 11.30am – 1.00pm

 Dinder Village Hall



The Wells branch of Save the Children will be joining the Dinder Village Hall regular Coffee Morning on **Friday 19th November** at 11.30am until 1pm. On sale will be Christmas cards, home-baked goods, plants, preserves and bric-a-brac. Please help us keep alive the long standing tradition of a Save the Children Coffee Morning in Dinder, so firmly established by the late Joan Chambers. We would love to see you there!

*Hilary Cain, Chair Wells Branch*

**DINDER AND CROSCOMBE CHOIR**

We are a group of people who enjoy singing. We get together three times a year to sing for Christmas, Easter and Harvest services in both churches. We would love to have some new members to swell our numbers. It would be helpful if you can read music, but not essential.

If you are interested or would like to know more, please contact me.

*Jane Thorne, 674378 or* *janethorne13@gmail.com*



**CROSCOMBE SCHOOL**

October came with lots of autumnal celebrations and fun activities. On Wednesday 13th Chestnuts Class enjoyed a trip to the Rural Life Museum in Glastonbury to support their classroom learning. We would also like to highlight our appreciation of the support from FOCS, our wonderful PTA, who helped to fund part of the trip. As part of the Wells Festival of Literature, Conkers Class were invited to hear author, Lucy Strange, talk about her work and her book, “The Ghost of Gosswater”. The class was also given the opportunity to buy some of her works at a reduced price, what a great opportunity!

As this report is being written we are looking forward to our Harvest Service in the church with Rev. Chris. During the service we plan to sing harvest songs and to read prayers, to help us recognise the importance of this time of year within the Christian calendar. New parents are invited to join us for the first school celebration assembly since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic!

We are delighted to announce that our ‘40 for the Federation’ fundraiser for Croscombe C of E and Stoke St Michael Primary Federation has raised a total figure of nearly £7,000 for outside playground equipment. What an amazing achievement! Thank you to all of those who helped, especially to Tamsyn and David Richardson-Aitken for creating the

fundraiser! For more updates, visit our website:

  <https://www.croscombestokefederation.co.uk/> .

*Millie Hole*

**POSTAGE STAMPS**

I am still collecting postage stamps for the charities (mainly RSPB at the present time). They can be left at my house - Livadia, Fayre Way, Croscombe. Charities are always grateful for donations. Many thanks for those received recently. *Janet Dowding*

**CANCER RESEARCH UK**

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On behalf of Cancer Research UK, I would like to thank everyone who came or contributed in any way to the coffee morning at Stook House Farm, Mark on 25th September.   Takings on the day, plus contributions over the previous 18 months, came to an amazing £1,400.  Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way - especially helping on the day, donating cakes, plants or raffle prizes but to all who came or donated.

 *Lynne Duckett*

**PILTON COMMUNITY FRIDGE**

A team of volunteers has been working hard over the last year to reduce the food waste from the Co-op by collecting and redistributing the waste food at the end of the day. We now finally have a community shed where we take the food for anyone to collect the next day when the shed opens. The shed is on Barrow Lane and is open every day 9am- 8pm. If the door is open and you can see the sign, please pop in, follow the guidance and help yourself to any food in the fridge, freezer or on the shelf. We follow a strict food safety management system and trained volunteers need to vet all food being 'shared' with others. If you would like to share some food please contact Kelly or Vicky on the details below beforehand.

The shed has taken a surprising amount of work to get set up and I would like to thank the multitude of helpers who have given so much assistance in getting this project back off the ground..

We're always on the lookout for volunteers for opening and closing shifts - which take no more than 20 mins and you can do as little as one a month. For more information, please contact Kelly on 07931509104 or Vicky on 07877239787 and follow us on facebook @piltonfridge

*Kelly Knight*

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 **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES**

Services at 10.30am followed by coffee in the New Room

 7th November      Revd Craig Manley

14th November   Remembrance at Parish Church (**10.55am**)

21st November    Claire Laudicina

28th November    Revd Tina Swire  (Holy Communion)

**PARISH CHURCH SERVICES – NOVEMBER 2021**

 **7th November 3rd Sunday before Advent**

11.00am Morning Service Pilton

11.00am Holy Communion North Wootton

 4.00pm All Souls Service Dinder

**14th November 2nd Sunday before Advent**

 **Remembrance Sunday**

**10.55am** Remembrance Service Pilton

**10.55am** Remembrance Service Croscombe

**10.55am** Remembrance Service North Wootton

**21st November Christ the King**

**10.00am** Holy Communion at the Village Hall Croscombe Followed by Away Morning (see page 5 for details)

**28th November Advent Sunday**

 9.30am Holy Communion Pilton

 9.30am Morning Service North Wootton

11.00am Holy Communion Croscombe

**CHURCH SERVICES**

Please bear with us as our service times have not yet established themselves into a set pattern….

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