Footprints

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A very Merry Christmas to all our Friends



Marion Allen

Ursula & Chris Baker
Janet Barber
Jim & Gill Beardshaw
Rachel Bilsby
Gill & Keith Brooks
Glenys & Chris Croft
Andrew & Magda Cullen

Eric & Heather Dale Sharon & Ken Downes Jim & Mary Dryden

Chris & Caroline Fennell Mr & Mrs C W Forington

Jonathan, Alison & Sophie Gadd
Sue Ganderton

Pete & Sandie Greenwood Stuart & Frances Grieveson

& Family

Jennie Harper
Pauline & Mike Key
Moya Kirk & family
Sylvia & Geoff Laws
Andrew, Fay, Ivy & Ayda Leach

Patrick & Liz Leach Alan & Joy Lewis Jan & Jim Norris Yvonne & Robert Pearce Maggie Presland Arthur & Jenny Ratcliffe Paul & Susan Reeve Gill Richardson Peter Rixon Vi & Rogers Keith & Wendy Rowlands Andy & Becky Sinclair David South & Mel Marion & Brian Staton Val & John Steel Geoff & Alice Trow Peter & Helen Walker **Bob & Barbara Whyatt** Paul & Avril Willis Geoffrey Winkworth & Pamela Andrew & Elizabeth Winscom Angela & Derek Woodhall

Total raised, so far this year, for St Richards Hospice: £830
Thank you, everyone who has contributed.

Church Words by Rev Canon David Sherwin

Do you play that perennial game at Christmas - 'Charades'? I am sure we have all played at some time, well I have a 'charade' for you..... it has 6 words, it's been a film and a song....... have you got it yet?

Oh well I will have to tell you or else I can't really tell you anything else.

'Christmas come but once a year' was a short cartoon film made in 1936 about an orphanage that wake up on Christmas morning to find their presents in their stocking as they play with them they all fall apart because they are second hand the children cry and a certain professor Grampy comes along and wants to help. He is an inventor and has lots of old things lying about so he proceeds to make then 'new' recycled presents which do not fall apart. To everyone delight their presents are a big success he event makes them a new Christmas tree with old umbrellas.

Maybe like those children you have, or your children have experienced breaking a new present on Christmas day, so upsetting. The Christmas story is all about a special person who enters into the world to create Christmas, to bring renewed hope into the world, to fix the broken, not broken presents, but you and me.

That story also reminds us that even in 1936 there was a need to recycle probably more likely because of the great depression when no one had any money. Yet in 2019 we need to recycle in order to take care of our broken world which Jesus also came to renew.

'Christmas comes but once a year' has entered our vocabulary and maybe we are glad it is only once a year when we consider the costs involved for many. Yet with the one who came, Jesus in our lives day by day it is Christmas everyday because he has come and he is with us always as he promised.

So maybe 'Wizards' song 'I wish it could be Christmas every day is more true because the one for whom we celebrate Christmas is with us always.

So, though the celebration of Christmas may come but once a year may I take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

God Bless you all, now and always.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Annual General Meeting was attended by 17 members and the following appointments were made:

Chairman : John Turley Vice-Chairman : Derek Grubb Secretary : John Russell Treasurer : Sue Ganderton

Congratulations were expressed to Pat & Bert Bradley on there golden wedding and Bert was presented with a 30 year badge for being a Poppy Collector.

The next meeting will be our **Annual Darts Match** at the Talbot Hotel on the **2**nd **December** starting at **6.30pm** and with wonderful refreshments



Our speaker this month, Robin Pearce, told us about his love of plants and how he built up Worlds End Nurseries supplying to independent plant retailers. He worked with his wife, collecting and propagating many varieties of plants. He is now retired from

being a Nurseryman but continues to develop his amazing garden which is open to groups. I do hope we can visit. Robin's talk focussed on plants which might provide colour in our gardens in Winter and into early Spring and it was very interesting seeing many plants which we could easily grow.

December 11th 2pm - Christmas Meeting,

Festive Fun and Talk: 'My life as a Vicar's Wife'

Susan Reeve



Tom Elliott's "Oh My Days!" tour is coming to Martley!

Tom is a comedian and magician and his show brings laughter and tricks for all ages. Described by Miranda Hart as 'Such Fun', his performances are clean and non-offensive, ensuring you a great evening of live entertainment. He takes his show to theatres, churches and corporate events across Britain and will be taking it to the Edinburgh Festival next summer. A great night for the whole family to laugh away the winter blues!

Saturday 18th January at 7.30pm, Martley Church

Diary ~ December 2019

Sun	1st	10.30am	Contemplative Worship - Broadwas Church
		6.30pm	Evensong - Cotheridge Church
Mon	2nd	6.30pm	R.B.L. (Darts Match) - Talbot Hotel, Knightwick
Wed	4th	9.00am	Morning Prayers - Broadwas Church
Thurs	5th	12 for 12.30	Opm Lunch in Company - Village Hall, Broadwas
Sat	7th	1 - 4pm	Christmas Fayre - Martley Memorial Hall
Sun	8th	9.00am	Holy Communion - Cotheridge Church
		10.45am	Morning Worship - Broadwas Church
		11 - 1.30pm	Farmers Market at Talbot (Carols at 12noon)
Wed	11th	2.00pm	W.I Christmas Meeting - Village Hall, Broadwas
		7.30pm	Alpha Celebration Evening - Martley Mem. Hall
Thurs 12th NATIONAL ELECTION DAY			
Sun	15th	10.30am	Holy Communion - Broadwas Church
		3.00pm	Carol Service - Knightwick Chapel
Thurs	19th	3.30 - 5.30p	m Messy Church - Old School Martley
		7 - 8.30pm	WWRT Youth - Martley Old School
		7.30pm	Carols at the Rodney
Sun	22nd	4.00am	Carol Service - Broadwas Church
		6.30pm	Carol Service - Martley Church
Mon	23rd	8.00pm	Carols at the Mason's Arms, Wichenford
Tues	24th	11.00am	Carols at the Cob House, Wichenford
		5.00pm	Crib Service - Broadwas Church
		11.30pm	Christmas Communion - Broadwas Church
Wed	25th	9.00am	Christmas Communion - Cotheridge Church
		11.00am	Christmas Family Worship - Martley Church
Sun	29th	10.30am	West Worcester Rural Team Eucharist -
			Broadwas Church.

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Wed Jan 1st HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Community Car Service

If you have transport problems getting to Medical Appointments etc. we will be happy to help if we can.

Try from the top of the list downwards

 Jim Norris
 01886 821246

 Helen Walker
 01886 822137

 Jill Blakeley
 01886 821102

- Current Charge: 40p per mile (from Driver's door to driver's door)
- Area covered Lower Teme parishes (there are schemes in some of the surrounding parishes)
- Please give as much notice as possible when you need transport, to increase your chance of finding a driver available.
- Drivers reserve the right to refuse a request if they feel it inappropriate in any way
- Getting desperate for New Volunteers please ring

Helen Walker - 01886 82213 for details

Great News!

The Parish Website https://www.broadwas-cotheridge.com/ is now available on your smart phone.

May the Parish be with you! (Apologises to Star Wars fans)

Monthly Police Surgeries

Venue: Lower Broadheath Community Shop

Informal Drop-in service

Meet your local police and discuss any issues and concerns.

11 am – 12 noon Monday 25th November Thursday 19th December

Thursday 23rd January

Thursday 27th February

Sue Foord Fitness

It's nearly the end of the year,

New Year's resolutions will start to be thought about.

What will you do to improve your health in the New Year?

I offer a number of things that may help and gift vouchers are available too, ideal for Christmas presents!

Clubbercise - a fun dance fitness in a darkened room with disco lights

Pound - a cardio jam workout based on pilates using Ripstix (drumsticks)

Personal Training - 1-2-1 training designed to fit your goals

Wellness Bootcamp - combined nutrition and fitness sessions over 8 weeks in small groups

Contact me for more information on sue@suefoord.co.uk

What do you do with the stamps on your Christmas Post?

If you usually throw the used stamps away with the envelope, would you be willing to donate them this year to charity instead? If you just take a few seconds to cut them off the envelope and start collecting, we can all help raise funds for the Royal National Institute for the Blind. They are happy to receive UK and foreign stamps in order to raise money. Collection boxes can be found at either Broadwas or Cotheridge Church next to the Food Bank container from the middle of December to early January. It would be wonderful to think that we, as a community, could make a difference with very little effort.

Thank you and Happy Christmas.

Notice of Road Closure

Closure Reason: Drainage Work / Flood Alleviation

Proposed Start Date 15/01/2020 Proposed End Date 07/02/2020

Proposed Times : **07:30 - 16:00**

Location LIGHTWOOD LANE, C2067 (usrn: 24406943), COTHERIDGE Highway Section Closed from Junction with A44 Bromyard Road for a distance of approximately 350 metres in a north easterly direction along C2067 Lightwood Lane

SWDP Review & You!

The **South Worcestershire Development Plan** (SWDP) was adopted in February 2016 and by law it has to be completely reviewed every **five years**. The SWDP Review will allocate further land for houses, jobs and retail. It will also set out planning policies for making decisions on new development proposals up to the year 2041.

The consultation runs from 9 am on **4th November 2019** to 5 pm on **Monday 16th December 2019**, and you can get involved in the following ways: **View** the documents and make comments **on-line** at https://swdpconsult.objective.co.uk/portal/swdp-review-preferred-options

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Visit a **library or Customer Contact Centre** to view printed copies of the documents and complete a printed response form.

If you have any queries you can contact **Maria Dunn**, Planning Policy Team Leader, Worcester City Council or **Fred Davies**, Planning Policy Manager, Malvern Hills District Council, Wychavon District Council by phone 01386 565000 or email contact@swdevelopmentplan.org.

'The price of peace is eternal vigilance'

The quote is attributed to Leonard Henry Courtney, 1st Baron Courtney (1832 – 1918).

Moving on to..... the future of YOUR church....

Everyone who is interested in the role of the church in their parish, whether a regular member, an occasional attender or even a non-attender is invited to join in a conversation with the Diocese to look at how effective ministry is shaped and resourced and how it is funded. There are nine non-area specific conversations across the diocese, but I have only listed the ones closest to us below.

Wednesday 11 December, 2 – 4.30pm, The Old Palace, Worcester, WR1 2JE Wednesday 11 December, 7 – 9.15pm, The Old Palace, Worcester, WR1 2JE Tuesday 14 January, 10am – 12.33pm, Pershore Town Hall, WR10 1DS Tuesday 14 January, 7 – 9.15pm, St James' Church, Welland, WR13 6LP Thursday 30 January, 2 – 4.30pm, The Old Palace, Worcester, WR1 2JE

If you want further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me or go onto the Worcester of Diocese website.

Village Information

Church Officials:

Priest in Charge - Rev David Sherwin 01886 888664

Assistant Priest - Rev Jennifer Whittaker 01886 833897

Churchwardens – Lower Teme Valley Parish

Rob Pearce 01886 821959

Peter Walker 01886 822137

Deputies: Broadwas – Helen Walker 01886 822137

Cotheridge – Jay Popplewell 01905 359851 Knightwick – Geraldine Cooper 01905 427501

Parish Councils

Broadwas & Cotheridge: www.broadwas-cotheridge.com Chairman – Eric Dale

Clerk – Carole Hirst tel: 07903 377066

Mon - Fri 9am - 5pm)

Email: parishclerk@broadwas-cotheridge.com

Knightwick & Doddenham

Clerk - Geoffrey Brewin 01886 821386

Village Hall

Broadwas - Geoff Winkworth 01886 821470

Bookings only: 01905 312456 [new number] www.timesaversconcierge.co.uk

Clubs and Societies

Broadwas Sports Assoc. Sec. - Gill Brooks 01886 821292 Croquet Club – John Guy 01905 748192

Royal British Legion – Sue Ganderton 01905 422711

W.I. - Barbara Lloyd 01905 333635

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