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## *Letter from Vanessa*

*Dear Friends*

**A**s we come towards Remembrance Sunday, we take some time to stop and reflect on our past, and on our future. At the heart of Christianity is the call to remember who God is, where God is in our lives and in the whole of history. Remembering is at the heart of who we are as human beings, a vital part of our shared experiences, and remembering has been part of human society from the very beginning – sharing stories and ancestral history. We love telling stories, our own and those of our family.

It is ever more vital in today's world that we continue to share those stories, particularly that we give thanks for all those who contributed to our freedom and peace. And it is through that remembering and giving thanks that we can celebrate all that we now can enjoy – justice, truth, opportunity and privilege. The past helps us to value all that we hold dear ever more deeply, and in our troubled and ever changing political situation, both nationally and globally that feels all the more important.

Do come and join us for our Remembrance service as we give thanks for those who have gone before, and commit to building a future that honours their sacrifice.

With love and prayers,

***Vanessa***



# Weekly service pattern

## Sunday Services

	All Saints	St Mark	St Denys	St John
1st Sunday	11:00 Messy Church	09:30 Tidy Church	09:30 BCP Matins or Communion	11:00 Communion or Morning Prayer
2nd Sunday	11:00 Communion	09:30 Communion		
3rd Sunday	11:00 Communion	09:30 Communion or Morning prayer	09:30 BCP Matins or Communion	
4th Sunday	11:00 Communion	09:30 Communion		
5th Sunday	11:00 Communion	09:30 Communion		

## Midweek Services

When	Where	What
Tuesday, 10:30	St Mark, Ampfield	Small group Communion in St Mark's room, followed by coffee
Wednesday, 19:00	All Saints, North Baddesley	Communion in a peaceful candle lit space in the midst of your busy week

## Remembrance Sunday 13th November

### Ampfield War Memorial

Corner of A3090 and Knapp Lane



Following the 9.30 service at St. Mark's there will be a short Act of Remembrance at approx. 10.50am

# Benefice News

## Ampfield Market – St. Mark's Stall

We will be back at the Market on **Saturday 5th November** selling clothes and gifts. Come and grab a bargain, many of the clothes are from designer labels and/or 'brand new with tags'. If you have something to donate, please contact:

Chris on 01794 367104, or email [cl.kerr@hotmail.com](mailto:cl.kerr@hotmail.com), or

Kate on 07738467350/[Kathleen.mccallum@icloud.com](mailto:Kathleen.mccallum@icloud.com) to arrange delivery or collection.

## Harvest Lunch at St. Mark's

Friends for Lunch hosted 30 diners for a lunch celebrating Harvest on the 12th October. Thanks to Jean for her quiz and dingbats and to the diners for their generous donations of food for the Romsey Foodbank. There were two hampers raffled and the winners donated them to the Foodbank. £150 was also donated by Friends for Lunch from the takings. All in all, a great success and thank you all for your support.



## Pause for Paws

St. Mark's is planning to start a coffee hub for Chapel Wood dog walkers. It will be from 8.30 - 10.30am on Tuesday mornings and we are looking for volunteers to serve coffee. We hope to set up a rota so that each person only has to do it once a month. Please contact Vanessa on 023 8073 7617 if you would like to help.

## Pre-Advent Quiet Morning

**Saturday 19th November 10am-3pm**

As we approach Advent, why not take some time out of your busy schedule to refocus yourself and reconnect with God. To be held in St. Mark Church and led by the Hopeweavers Community, and will offer a no pressure opportunity to think about where you are on your faith journey, more details on our [website](#).

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## Benefice News

### All Souls Service

This year there will be an All Souls Service, which will take place at All Saints Church, Rownhams Road, North Baddesley on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm. During the service there will be an opportunity to light a candle and names of those who have recently departed will be read out. Please do join us in giving thanks for all those who have died, it is a time for reflection as we remember before God our departed loved ones. Tea/Coffee will be served afterwards and there will be a time to chat, or if preferred to just sit in silence.



### Researching and Recording the Church of St. John the Baptist

The finished book was handed over by the Arts Society Romsey to Cilla, churchwarden at the Harvest Service. Vanessa, Sally, the organist and 5 others were absent due to Covid. Stephen (back row right) was churchwarden for St. Mark's for many years and his wife Anita (blue coat) was PCC



secretary.

# What's on

## Welcome Café



All Saints Church,

Rownhams Road, North Baddesley SO52 9EQ

The Welcome Café is for any and everyone in the community to come and meet friends for a catch-up and enjoy great coffee. There is no charge for coffee but donations are welcome.

We particularly welcome those who find themselves lonely or who have been bereaved. There are trained 'listeners' who will be happy to talk, befriend and empathise with you and if appropriate signpost to other helpful organisations, all in complete confidence.

**10am – 12 noon on Thursdays 6 & 20th November**

Contact [joinin@acnb-church.org](mailto:joinin@acnb-church.org) ☎ 023 8073 7617

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## FRIENDS FOR LUNCH

**Wednesday 16th November**

**12.30pm**

If you would like to attend, please ring Kate  
on 07738467350

***Our Christmas Lunch is at Ampfield Golf Club on Tuesday 13th December. Please ring Kate to book.***



# **What's on**

**The  
Ampfield Market**  
(Established in 2000, now in its 23<sup>rd</sup> year !)

**will take place  
on  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November  
From 10am to 12noon  
in Ampfield Village Hall (SO51 9BJ)**



Our Market has a great reputation, we regularly sell:-  
Fresh fruit and veg, bread, jams, chutneys and pickles, cakes,  
biscuits and scones, plants and fresh flowers, cards and  
wrapping paper, books, antiques, unusual crafts, jewellery,  
children's clothes, adult's clothes and accessories, toys, honey,  
seasonal surprises, bric a brac and much, much more.

**Fresh coffee and a wonderful selection of cakes will be  
served all morning  
in the Garden Room**

Parking and admission are always FREE.

All proceeds support the Village Hall.  
Registered charity no. 1057353  
Contact Julie on 023 80254587 for table bookings Information.

**Next date. Saturday December 3rd 2022**

# **What's on**

## **Ampfield Village Hall QUIZ NIGHT**

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**Join us at our fun Quiz Night with  
Raffle!**

**By popular demand, the Ampfield Quizmasters  
are back!**

**Friday 11 Nov.'22 at 7.30pm (Doors open at 7pm)**

**Enjoy our ever popular friendly quiz.**

**Come as a team of up to 6, or in smaller numbers and  
teams will be made up on the night.**

**A bar will be available and 'bar snacks' will be put on your tables.  
If you wish, please bring along your own picnic supper to enjoy  
during the interval or throughout the evening**

**Cost £5 per person inc. 'bar' snacks**

**BAR                      Prizes for winning table.                      RAFFLE**

**Pay on the evening but please book your place  
or a table first.**

**Contact: Martin Hatley 07970 501050  
Or email [martin.hatley@btconnect.com](mailto:martin.hatley@btconnect.com)**

**All proceeds to go to the Village Hall Funds – a registered charity.**

# What's on

## Winter Fayre – 18th November 2022 Crossfield Hall

The Romsey Show Society will be running another Winter Fayre this year. 30+ plus small traders from businesses will be brought together in the Crossfield Hall. You will find inspiring gifts and treats including delicious food, beautiful things for your home, fashion, beauty products, arts and crafts. Many of these products cannot be found in mainstream shops so this is your chance to find Christmas gifts that are just that little bit different.

Relax with a hot drink and homemade cake in the café area or meet up with a friend for a light lunch.

The Crossfield Hall is situated in the heart of Romsey surrounded by plenty of parking (charges do apply). The Winter Fayre will be open to the public on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November from 10 am to 6 pm and will cost £1 to enter, children will be given free entry.

For enquiries, please email [info@romseyshow.co.uk](mailto:info@romseyshow.co.uk)



## Terroir Challenge

Friday 11th November, 7pm

St Mark's Room, St Mark's Church, Ampfield, SO51 9BU

For all wine lovers, this is an invitation to an interesting and fun local wine tasting event. To find out more about me and why my wine events offer something different, please see my website:

[www.terroirwine.uk](http://www.terroirwine.uk)

where you can book tickets or send me an enquiry. I also offer personal and commercial sommelier services.

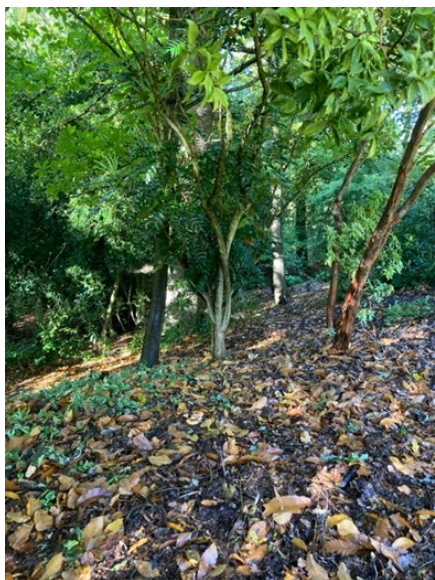
I look forward to sharing a glass of wine with you!

Samantha Searles



# Friends of Chapel Wood by Graham Roads

Looking back over the year, we have been very lucky with the weather in 2022 and the date for our October working party proved no exception. It was a lovely day when we all arrived to



enjoy another Saturday morning working in the woodland around St. Mark's church. We had decided to continue the jobs we started in August, namely clearing the area to the rear of St. Mark's which had become very overgrown. We also decided to clear up around the bonfire area, which was also not looking at its best.

The working environment at the rear of St. Mark's was not the easiest in the world because a lot of it is on a steep slope and care over footing is very essential. But it is one area in the wood where we

can provide a landscape able to borrow from its surroundings, in this case the view towards the pond. Over the years this area has become very overgrown, both as a result of the incursion of uninvited vegetation but also as planted trees and shrubs have thrived. Over the past couple of working parties, we have cleared much of the slope, so this time it was the turn of the cultivated plants.

as one approached from the pavement.

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**T**wo jobs remain outstanding in this area. Firstly, we need to give the lovely magnolia a trim and, secondly, we plan to plant a small hedge of yew trees, which will provide a boundary between the church and the woodland.

With a great team at work, it is always surprising how much good can be done in a relatively short period of time. Equally surprising is how much an area can benefit from a good cutting back. It makes a space seem fresher and allows plants to re-form in their natural shapes. By the time we had finished the whole area had been improved visually, and the attractive blue stone of the church was again in full view

With the area behind the church under control, a small group were able to tidy up around the fire pit. Over the summer, bracken had taken over and the fire pit itself had become almost unrecognisable. In addition, the ashes from previous fires had been left under and around the seats and had begun



to detract from the established rustic elegance of the area. After a couple of hours, we managed to clear everything up and restored our bonfire pit to its former glory.

The Friends of Chapel Wood is a group of keen volunteers who look after Chapel Wood, the Ampfield community wood that surrounds St. Mark's church. New recruits are always welcomed, so if you fancy the idea of joining some like-minded neighbours for a few hours once a month, just turn up in the St. Mark's car park at 09:45 on the second Saturday of every month.



**Graham Roads**

## Ron and Stella's Quiz Night

1. What colour is found on 75% of the world's flags?
2. What is the name of Wendy's dog in Peter Pan?
3. How many times has Katie Price been married?
4. In tennis, what piece of fruit is found at the top of the men's Wimbledon Trophy?
5. Which bird can fly backwards?
6. Which animal name means River Horse?
7. What is the biggest state in America?
8. In "Only Fools and Horses" by what name did Trigger always call Rodney?
9. What do you call a group of jelly fish?
10. Vanilla comes from what flowers?

**Answers on p. 23**



## **The Children's Society**

**T**he Children's Society is a national charity, a non-profit organisation working to transform the hopes and happiness of young people facing abuse, exploitation and neglect. The society supports them through their most serious life challenges and campaign tirelessly for the big social changes that will improve the lives of those who need hope most. They have been doing this for 140 years but I have only been a tiny cog in a very big wheel for a number of years now.

As a volunteer Local Honorary Secretary (Box Coordinator at St. Marks) of the Children's Society in Ampfield I am responsible for the issuing, recording, collecting and banking monies from the Annual Box Collections, which provide funds for the Children's Society to continue to do their brilliant work for young people. My loyal boxholders in and around the area are dedicated to collecting their spare small change throughout the year for me to count and bank. No amount is too small, I know it is getting harder each year but every penny collected is used by the charity in the best possible way.

If you would like to know more about the Children's Society and their work, for 'hope' and 'a brighter future', their vision and goals, please visit: <https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk>

A big THANK YOU to all who contributed so generously to this year's box collection. I have been able to bank £634.24 as a grand total. Thank you again for your continued support for the Children's Society.

Bless you

**Heather**

If you would like to join the Box Scheme, please contact Heather Claxton on:

01794 516822

Or email

[hclaxton2011@gmail.com](mailto:hclaxton2011@gmail.com)

## Ampfield Art Class Gallery



Julie Trotter's Art Class takes place on Thursday afternoons from 2-4pm at the Village hall.

Beautiful Madonna  
Acrylics  
Karen

Honeyboat Autumn Gourds  
Watercolour  
Stephanie



Blue Card designs - watercolour and ink, Barbara.

## Ampfield Art Class Gallery



Beach Sunset  
Acrylics  
Hilary



Shabby Doorway in Portugal  
Acrylics  
Diana



Azincourt Coat of Arms  
Watercolour  
Nick



Autumn Gourd  
Watercolour  
Alan

## *Mass dials - an expedition to find some of them in the Test Valley*

*By Liz Hallett*

Last month we looked at Saxon sundials. It is logical to follow this by a look at mass dials. These seem mostly to date from Norman times and are quite frequently to be found scratched on to the stonework of old churches, (this being the reason for their other name of 'scratch dials'). They are easier to see than to photograph!

A mass dial consists of an incised circle, often of about six inches diameter, with a central hole for the gnomon or rod to cause the sun to cast a shadow on the dial. The circle was marked out with radial lines, probably chiefly to tell the time of church services. These dials vary considerably in how well they have been preserved, and this is due, in part, to the fact that they were often incised by the village clergymen, some of whom clearly made the marks deeper than others. Of course, like ordinary sundials, these too are found on the sunny south side of churches, so they have also suffered from weathering over the centuries. They are usually found on the stone jambs of doorways or windows, often close to the main entrance. If you enjoyed the suggested drive last month in search of Saxon sundials, here is another outing for you: in a very pleasant drive up the Test Valley, you can find a number of mass dials. Some are clearer than others and in most cases lichen helps to obscure the engraving.

**Start at Timsbury.** As you follow the path round towards the door of St Andrew's Church, you will find a rather faint dial scratched on the south face of a south-east corner stone, about four feet from the ground.



Timsbury mass dial

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**C**ontinue up the Stockbridge road and stop next at **St Peter and St Paul, Kings Somborne**. This time you need to walk around the right hand end of the church and, along the rear south-facing wall, look at the third window along. Here you will find two clearly-defined scratch dials, with the central holes easily visible. They seem to be upside down, so must have been re-positioned at some time after they became obsolete.



Kings Somborne  
Better Dial

In Stockbridge there are two churches to explore. **Old St Peter's** is on the corner as you reach the roundabout on the edge of Stockbridge. This fascinating little church (all that remains



of the original village church) has a dial dating from c.1240 on the left (north) side of the main west doorway. Half way up the main street is the **new St Peter's**, and here a scratch dial can be found on one of the windows on the west end of the building, on the jamb of the window lighting the north aisle.

This was one of the many stones brought from the old church when the new church

Stockbridge old St Peters dial

was built in Victorian times, which is why it has been placed where little sun is likely to reach it.

Stockbridge parish church  
mass dial



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**R**eturn by way of All Saints' Church, Houghton, where you will find another fine example on the south wall of the nave. Passing through **Romsey** and having 'got your eye in', see if you can find the mass dial, again re-used and in an unsuitable place for its purpose, on the east face of the Abbey. Look about twelve feet up on the north side of the south-east buttress (see photo with dial arrowed). It's a challenge to find it but once you see it (level with a small section of rounded pilaster in the nearby angle) it is quite clear. Presumably it was once on the south wall of the now-demolished Lady Chapel.



Romsey Mass dial ext east wall

*With thanks to Peter Ransom, whose article on the web inspired us to visit these dials:*

[www.sundials.co.uk/~testvalley.htm](http://www.sundials.co.uk/~testvalley.htm).



**Liz Hallett**



### *From the St. Mark's Register.*



#### **Marriage**

St. Marks church on 14th October between David Poole and Angela Poole

#### **Funeral**

The thanksgiving service for Margaret Rothwell followed by burial of ashes in the churchyard took place in St. Marks church on 12th October.

## Energy Efficiency Grants for Local Residents

The Sustainable Warmth scheme funded by the Government is managed by City Energy, working in partnership with Test Valley Borough Council. It can provide up to 100% funding for various energy-saving improvements such as installing insulation, heating systems, and energy efficient hot water solutions to make a property more energy efficient. It is targeted at low income households who are living in the least energy efficient properties. The scheme is open to owner occupiers and private tenants. Residents can find further information and check if they are eligible at:

[www.hampshire-applications.co.uk](http://www.hampshire-applications.co.uk)

or by telephone to 02921 680951

and press one for scheme applications.

**Kate Orange**

### THE QUEEN OF HEARTS

by Dennis E Bryant

They came in their thousands to see her.  
They queued for long hours, night and day.  
Many came to say thank you and bless you.

Others didn't know quite what to say.  
They just wanted to come and be near her,  
as she made her last way past the throng.  
Past the guardsmen, policemen and people,  
who had loved and admired her so long.

As the cortege moved so slowly past them,  
people prayed, many curtsied and wept,  
for a reign of such love and devotion  
and a lifetime of promises kept.  
Let her epitaph be love and service.

Let us try, as at last she departs,  
to hold dear to the shining example  
of Elizabeth, Queen of our hearts.

# Ampfield Village Hall - weekly timetable

## MONDAYS

**THE AMPFIELD PARISH COUNCIL** ordinary meetings, planning meetings and other meetings. For details look at their [www.Ampfield.org.uk](http://www.Ampfield.org.uk) website.

## TUESDAYS

### AMPFIELD BRIDGE CLUB

Friendly duplicate bridge from 7pm to 10pm. Mixed standard. of players. Contact Janet Cox on 01794 367255 or

[janetwallace1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:janetwallace1@hotmail.co.uk)

## WEDNESDAYS

### 1<sup>st</sup> AMPFIELD BROWNIES

Term time. 6pm to 7.30pm Tel. Sue Moore 01794 523947

### ROMSEY MODELLERS

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Wed. of each month 8pm to 10pm.. [www.romseymodellers.co.uk](http://www.romseymodellers.co.uk)

## THURSDAYS

**YOGA with Diana Craven 9.30 to 11.30am** E-mail:

[diana\\_craven@hotmail.com](mailto:diana_craven@hotmail.com) for details.

### AMPFIELD ART GROUP

Thursday afternoons during term time 2pm to 4pm. All levels welcome.

Contact Julie on 023 8025 4587

### DANCE YOURSELF FIT! A NEW CLASS!

Two classes. At 6.30pm Disco Dance Aerobics and at 7.30pm

Clubbercise. Book now @madeleinewardfitness

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

## FRIDAYS

**YOGA with YogaByGaynor 9.30 to 10.30am**

All levels, Gentle, Vinyasa Flow Yoga. All welcome

Facebook: @yogaByGaynor OR Email: [yogabygaynor@yahoo.com](mailto:yogabygaynor@yahoo.com)

## SATURDAYS

### VILLAGE MARKET (Established 2000)

First Saturday of every month 10-12noon (except Jan. and Aug.).

Entry free. Many varied stalls. Fresh coffee and delicious cakes To rent a table ring Julie on 02380 254587.

### CRAFT CLASSES

Meets monthly, normally 2nd Saturday 10am to 4pm. Details from Vanessa 01794 515490 Or 07765 198088.

**Arriving soon!** - It is hoped that a new Pilates Class will be coming to the Ampfield Village Hall soon and possibly a pre-school dance class. Phone Martin below for latest information or register your interest by emailing him.

*For general enquiries and hall bookings tel. Martin Hatley 07970 501050*

*E mail: [martin.hatley@btconnect.com](mailto:martin.hatley@btconnect.com)*

## Answers to Ron & Stella's Quiz Night

1. Green
2. Nana
3. Three
4. Pineapple
5. Hummingbird
6. Hippopotamus
7. Alaska
8. Dave
9. A bloom
10. Orchids



### **The Autumn Robin**

by John Clare

Sweet little bird in russet coat,  
The livery of the closing year,  
I love thy lonely plaintive note  
And tiny whispering song to hear,  
While on the stile or garden seat  
I sit to watch the falling leaves,  
The song thy little joys repeat  
My loneliness relieves.

# A Kitchen Garden—G4G

by Graham Roads

Every season brings with it special moments, and the autumn is certainly no exception. It is a season of change, things are happening and keeping on top of everything now can pay dividends later. This can range from having regard to what is happening right now, to planning what will be sown where next spring.

Autumn is a really good time to clear beds that have done their thing for the year. As the vegetation dies back but the weather remains mild, it is easy to create ideal conditions for pests and diseases to flourish. Removing the debris now helps to prevent a build up in the soil that can manifest itself later. But be a bit selective! Beans, and other members of the legume family, have the ability to fix nitrogen in the soil. If you look at the bean root carefully, you will see there are small nodules attached to it. These nodules are formed by

bacteria from the soil that invade the root and basically swap ammonium for carbohydrates. The ammonium then converts into nitrogen. There is a similar argument to sowing green manure. Red clover also has the ability to fix nitrogen.



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There is another by-product of clearing away unwanted vegetation, and that is the attraction of watching the local birds digging for breakfast. As you loosen the soil to remove stuff you don't want, all sorts of delicious morsels are revealed. Delicious, that is, if you are the average robin. We call ours Cedric. He appears as regular as clockwork every time there is a bit of weeding going on. It is difficult to say, precisely, what good he does for the soil on a purely scientific basis, but he is good company, if a bit of a timewaster. He is also an astute political commentator. He certainly provides some most thoughtful and reflective tweets, covering a range of subjects - although most seem to centre on worms!

Of course, at this time of year there are a number of crops that are only just coming into their own, especially the leeks and the cavolo nero. These beds need to be kept weeded and dead plant material removed. The herbs also continue to perform well, especially the flat leafed parsley which should be good for some weeks yet. Herbs are really some of the most rewarding crops to grow. They take up little room and make a real difference to many dishes.

As usual, all the information needed for growing vegetables successfully can be found on the RHS website ( <https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/grow-your-own> ).

This also provides a great summary and good ideas on what to do now as well as recipes. It would be great if we could all put together a collection of recipes over the summer, focusing on stuff that we have grown ourselves. Send all thoughts, ideas and contributions to Rob & Chris. They are most welcome.

**Graham Roads**



**50 YEARS AGO**  
**From the Archives**  
**The Ampfield Messenger November 1972**

FESTAL EVENSONG AT 6 p.m. NOVEMBER 5th

Mr. Peter Morgan is arranging a special music for Evensong on November 5th and the way to show our appreciation of our choirmaster and choir is to be present at this service. I shall not be the only one disappointed if we do not have a really good congregation.

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MOTHERS' UNION

Our M.U. Meeting on October 11th was an especially happy and thought provoking afternoon. About 38 of us, including guests from Rownhams M.U. with their Enrolling Member, Mrs. Salter came to the W.I. Hall which looked welcoming, decorated with lovely flowers and around the inside of the Hall were little dainty tables for four for a tempting Tea-party after our meeting. Today's kind hostesses were Mrs. Hearse, Mrs. Jean White, Mrs. Beecher, Mrs. Rose with help too from Mrs. Vass. The Vicar opened our meeting with prayer and our special speaker for a very important M.U. subject was Mrs. J. Felstead, J.P. - the wife of Canon Felstead, Master of St. Cross and she spoke with care and knowledge about our 1973 M.U.'s discussions on "New Dimensions", emphasising prayer before any individual decisions to be made by the end of January 1973. Mrs. Salter and Mrs. Evans thanked Mrs. Felstead for her outstanding and helpful talk. Among my notices I read messages of regrets from M.U. members who could not be with us - such as Mrs. Coatman, Mrs. Procter who sent her love and prayerful thoughts while still too ill to join us as yet; and Mrs. Swainson and Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Lound who had just moved to North Baddesley. A notice that pleased our members was the kind invitation from Mrs. Faber to have our meeting on November 8th at 2.30 p.m. at Ampfield House and as our previous Enrolling Member helped greatly in making our guests welcome and talking together with each during our most delicious tea-

party. At the end of the Hall was a special attraction - a Stall with what was left over from the M.U. Fete Stall, that Mrs. Coatman prepared before leaving for Wales and was today run by Mrs. Earle and Mrs. John Earle. The stall was surrounded and cleared rapidly, making £5 and Mrs. Evans raffled an adorable piglet made and dressed by Mrs. Adams which realized £2.05. Mrs. Williams became the envied winner of the piglet.

So we raised £7.05 in all. It was such a happy afternoon and Ampfield members found old friends among our guests and we were delighted to have 3 or 4 Ampfield Church members visiting our M.U. and we do so hope that they will join us again at Ampfield House on November 8th.

Please note that there will not be a Celebration on Thursday, November 2nd because of the holidays.

With my thoughts and best wishes

Marjorie Wagland

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#### HOLY BAPTISM

October 15th Janice Anne daughter of Neil &  
Janice Lawson, 3, Bramble Cottages,  
Green Lane

#### BURIAL

September 25th Dorothy May Barter  
Redburn Farm, Ampfield

Mrs. Barter died after a long illness which she bore with outstanding courage and spirit. A Romsonian, Mrs. Barter had lived a great part of her life in Ampfield where her husband had been brought up and where he was so well known in farming circles. Mr. and Mrs. Barter had been married 35 years.

We send our deepest sympathy to Mr. Len Barter and the family in their bereavement.

## Rotas for St. Mark's November 2022

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Inter-cessions	Sides	Coffee	Music
6th Nov	Tidy Church				Doreen	Mark & Abbie
13th Nov Remembrance	Chris Malachi 4:1-2a	Doreen 1 Thessa- lonians 3: 6-13	Rob	Phil Daryl	Heather C	Organist
20th Nov	Robyn Jeremiah 23: 1-6	Jennie E Colossians 1: 11-20	Ron	Ron Mark B	Stella	Jean
27th Nov	Heather S Isaiah 1:1-5	Mark B Matthew 24:36-44	Sally	Diane Sally C	Jean	Organ- ist

### Flowers:

Jennie E

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### Coffee after Communion:

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## A Prayer for those who have died on active service

O God of truth and justice,  
we hold before you those men and women  
who have died in active service:  
in Iraq, in Afghanistan and elsewhere.  
As we honour their courage and cherish their  
memory,  
may we put our faith in your future;  
for you are the source of life and hope,  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**



## Information

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