

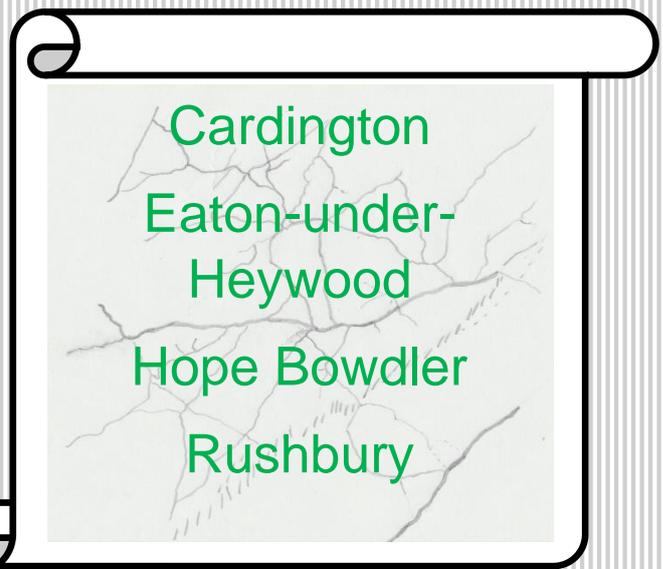
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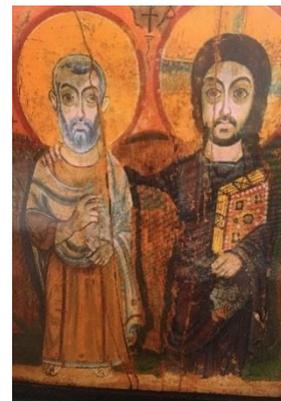
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Dear Friends,

As I considered what theme to address in this letter to you, I scrolled through a webpage about 'Events in August' – and right at the beginning I found the mention of the 'International Day of Friendship' which was declared by the United Nations in in 2011. They fixed it as July 31st, although it seems other places and cultures mark it on August 1st. Whichever date you prefer, I hope that you will agree that the idea of emphasising friendship anytime is excellent, but for this summer, when, I hope and pray, we continue to be able to socialise with our friends with far fewer restrictions than we have for the last eighteen months, it seems particularly pertinent.

At your first glance at this page, you may wonder why I have chosen a religious picture this month, when usually we opt for a landscape or a wildlife image. If you take a closer look and maybe you will get a hint of why I feel this is appropriate.

The icon is sometimes known as 'Jesus and the Believer' but is also referred to as 'The Icon of Friendship'. Christ is the figure in darker clothes and with darker hair, holding the Gospel and a close look, I hope, will reveal that the right hand rests on the shoulder of the Believer standing next to him.

The loving friendship of Jesus himself is something we can all rely on if we trust in him, and this image certainly helps me if and when my faith wobbles.

Maybe now is also a time to bear in mind what Jesus described as the second commandment 'Love your neighbour as yourself' – a salutary reminder of our duty of care and support for people around us, which surely amounts to a form of friendship that can be offered to everyone around us.

Let's try to keep on thinking ourselves into the position of those who find themselves anxious and uncertain without the restrictions on social distancing and socialising that have dominated our lives for so long and in love and friendship offer them what they feel they can cope with, rather than the full return to how things used to be, that we might be glad of ourselves.

With my love and prayers,

Sue

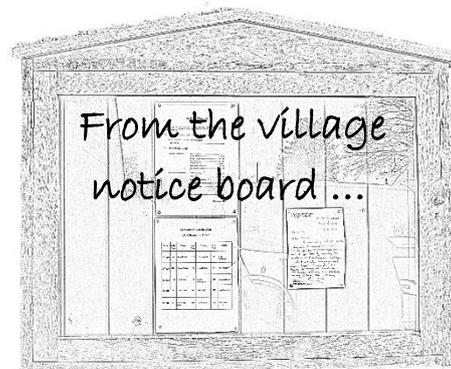
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The original is held in the Louvre, where it's known as Jesus and Abbot Mena. Apparently it is 'the oldest icon of Coptic Church, painted in the monastery of Saint Apollo in Bawit, Egypt and it is dated to 6th century'.

Next month's copy should be with the editor by
Tuesday August 10th

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need to be with the editorial team before the first day of the preceding month.*



Cardington News

Sunday 8th August

Cardington Garden Trail.

12-6pm. Tickets at village hall car park.

A date for your diary....

Tuesday 7th September

Cardington Parish Council will meet in the Village Hall from

8-9.30pm. During each meeting members of the public have an

opportunity to make comments or bring matters to the attention of the council. All welcome.

Cardington Tote Winners:

July

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5th	£10	130	Jim Kirkwood

Saturday 4th September

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Please note that the Fete will only take place if Government rules regarding Covid allow and those attending will be required to follow all rules that are required by Government for the control of Covid. We hope to put up-updates onto the Cardington website and by using the local circulation lists.

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Eaton-under-Heywood

....and Hope Bowdler News

EATON UNDER HEYWOOD & HOPE BOWDLER PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The draft minutes of the parish council's meeting on 19th July 2021 are available to view on the parish council's website.

We do not hold a parish council meeting in August unless something urgent arises, so our next parish council meeting will be on the 20th September 2021, 7.30pm in Ticklerton Village Hall. Parishioners are invited to attend to raise any issues they may have with the parish council.

The agendas for our meetings are posted on the notice board in Hope Bowdler and in the bus shelter in Ticklerton and can be viewed on our website which is www.eatonhopebowdler.co.uk. Also on the website are the contact details for all councillors and the Clerk, information about the parish council's accounts and audits, and copies of minutes, agendas, protocols and financial information.

To contact the Parish Council, please call the Clerk, Mrs J de Rusett, at 1, Pipe Aston Barns, Pipe Aston, Ludlow SY8 2HG, tel. no. 01568 701880 or by email at eatonhopebowdlerpc@gmail.com.

Rushbury News

Apedale Amblers

Sunday 8th August at 2.00pm and Tuesdays at 10.00am.

All the walks this month will begin in Church Stretton. The Tuesday walks beginning at 10.00am take approximately one hour, the Sunday walk, starting at 2.00pm, about 2 hours. Please meet opposite the Methodist Church, parking in Hazler **Crescent**.

For further info please contact Jacquie/ Ray on 01694 722912 or Merle on 01694 771405.

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Wednesday 18th August

The next meeting of **Rushbury & Cardington W.I.** will be at 7.30pm in **Rushbury Village Hall**. The evening's speaker is Di Carrington with a presentation entitled **Rowing across the Atlantic**.



*We always welcome new members so anyone interested in joining our WI please call/email Liz Fullbrook on 07970924507 or email liz.fullbrook1@gmail.com or Rosemary Shepherd on 723730. Don't forget you can always **road test** us by joining us for a meeting on the third Wednesday in the month.*

Rushbury Parish Council Update

There is no meeting of the Parish Council in August. The next scheduled meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Monday 20th September at 7.30pm.

If all goes to plan the Tennis and Ballcourt will have been resurfaced and be available for use. If not, please refer to the Council website for updates.

www.hugofox.com/community/rushbury-parish-council
Rushbury Parish Council

Coffee Stop

Coffee Stop is now on Summer Break.

We re-open on **Monday September 6th** at Rushbury Village Hall between 10am & 12 noon, Covid Rules Permitting.

Take a break and join us for a cuppa.....

A warm welcome awaits.



A date for your diary... Are you planning your display?

Saturday 4th September

Rushbury and District Flower and Produce Show

Following the great success of our "alternative" Flower and Produce Show last year, this year's show will follow the same format. **Shop window displays will be created based on submissions from you, for any of the following:**

- anything that you have made/created over the last few months.
- anything that you have baked/cooked close to produce show weekend – perhaps something you have enjoyed making and tasting during lockdown.
- things that you have grown in your garden this year – either as they are or created into a display.
- Bring them along, by appointment, on the afternoon of Friday 3rd September. Come and see what everyone has been up to on the afternoon of Saturday 4th September. Entry will be free. If you would like refreshments, then please bring your own picnic tea and enjoy it outside.

You may choose to do this on your own, by family, or with a group of friends or neighbours.

Items will be displayed on a table 1 metre square, or 2 metres long, according to the amount you have to display or the number of people involved. No competition involved, just a chance to show off what we have all been doing.

For further information, or to book in to present a display please contact Merle Lippitt on 771405.

More details will be made available on the village hall website: www.rushburyvillagehall.org

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A welcoming village hall in Rushbury....
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Around and about.....

News from outside the Four Parishes

Church Stretton Rotary **Rotarians pick litter to say *Thank You***

Church Stretton Rotary members picked up litter in Carding Mill Valley on National Thank You Day, Sunday 4th July. This was to help the National Trust and to thank them for managing access to the valley when it has been inundated with visitors. Many have travelled there from all over the West Midlands to enjoy the beauty and facilities of the valley when it's been difficult to travel elsewhere due to the Coronavirus restrictions. Rotary Community Team Leader Julian Hargreaves said: "We're delighted to support National Thank You Day and send many thanks to The National Trust. Rotary is very happy to support them with environmental action in addition to our usual community activities".



Julian Hargreaves is pictured with members of the Church Stretton Rotary Community Team in Carding Mill Valley, celebrating Thank You Day on 4th July.

We are also running a competition to **FIND THE ROTARY BEARS.**
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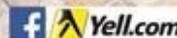
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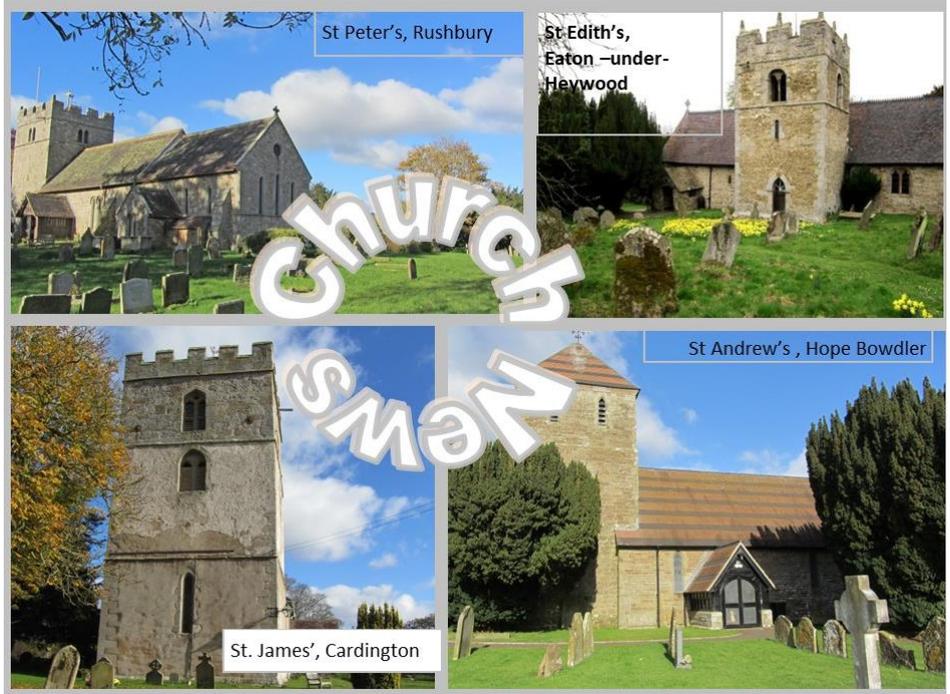
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9.30am Holy Communion Hope Bowdler
6.30pm Evensong Cardington

Wednesday, 4th August

10.00am Mid-week service of Holy Communion (said, no sermon) Hope Bowdler

Sunday, 8th August

9.30am Holy Communion Eaton
11.15am Holy Communion BCP Hope Bowdler

Sunday, 15th August

9.30am Holy Communion Cardington
11.15am Holy Communion Hope Bowdler

Sunday, 22nd August

9.30am Morning Prayer Cardington
9.30am Holy Communion Eaton
11.15am Holy Communion Rushbury

Sunday, 29th August

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion Rushbury

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

Funeral of **Pamela Lavinia Wilding**, of All Stretton, formerly of Ragdon and Chelmick, at Emestry Crematorium, Shrewsbury, on Wednesday 23rd June. Aged 93.

We remember her family and friends in our prayers.

New Dean of Hereford

Bishop Richard is delighted that Her Majesty The Queen has confirmed the appointment of The Revd Canon Sarah Brown as the next Dean of Hereford. Her nomination was announced by Downing Street and she will take up her role in the autumn of this year.

This is a significant appointment for the Church of England in Herefordshire and South Shropshire. It is also the first time in the 1,300 year history of the diocese that a woman has been appointed to the role of Dean.

“It is a cliché to say that ‘I am humbled by this appointment’ but it is true. This is not modesty on my part but when I remember who I was when I first started on the Christian path I can only reflect with awe upon what God is capable of. To find myself following in the footsteps of Michael Tavinor as Dean of Hereford is both a privilege and a slow-growing miracle!”

Sarah came to faith in her late twenties and describes how she first encountered God in her village church where she joined the choir.

She explains: “It was here that I discovered the power of church music, the care of a Christian community, the teaching of a wonderful rural vicar and finally, in utter astonishment which persists to this day, the disarming love and forgiveness of God. “



Sarah is currently Canon Missioner at Peterborough Cathedral in the diocese of Peterborough where she has spent most of her adult life.

"I will miss everyone at Peterborough but I am excited by the beauty and missional prospects of this good and holy place land. I look forward to getting to know the people and places of Herefordshire and South Shropshire and of course joining in with what God is already doing in this part of the world."

Sarah was ordained in the diocese of Peterborough in 2008 following a career in business. After reading German at Nottingham University she worked in corporate sales and marketing before responding to an unexpected call to lead FCN, a national farming charity, which she did in tandem with studying theology and serving her curacy.

Sarah is married to Richard and they have two children; Alice, who is a musician and Edward, who is training to be a vet.

Sarah will be installed a Dean of Hereford at a special service which will take place in Hereford Cathedral later this year. Details will be announced nearer the time.

Shropshire Historic Churches Trust

It is good news that **Ride and Stride** can go ahead this year and it is a fun way of raising much needed funds for our beautiful churches. A sponsor form can be downloaded from the SHCT website, 50% of the money raised goes to the Historic Churches Trust and 50% to the church of your choice.

Churches can be open and some may provide light refreshments.

The date for this event is **Saturday 11th September 2021**. Do look at the website for more details.

Happy cycling/striding.

Angela Morris

Notes from St James, Cardington

	Flowers	Brasses	Sidesmen
August 1 st	Kay Davies	Dolly Stratton	Jane Secrett
August 8 th	Jane Seabury	"	Services at Eaton, Hope Bowdler
August 15 th	Gill Silk	"	Margaret Kirkwood
August 22 nd	Dolly Stratton	"	Jane McMillan
August 28 th	Sue Akers	"	Benefice Service, Rushbury

Church Cleaning

July 31 st	Floors	P Evans, L Pinches, B Norris, J Secrett
August 7 th	Furniture	A Norris, J Watkins, S Akers
August 14 th	Floors	M Cooper, S Maw, C Elliott
August 21 st	Furniture	J Tonks, L Iverson, K Smith
August 28 th	Floors	P Evans, L Pinches, B Norris, J Secrett

If these adjusted rotas are not suitable please could you arrange substitutes? Thank you.

Notes from St Edith's, Eaton-under-Heywood

Flower rota Judy

Cleaning rota

8th Jen Rose and Sue Orme
22nd Judy Winkworth and Elizabeth Johnson

AS EXPECTED

Architect Mark arrived for the Quinquennial inspection. He felt impressed by the condition of the church inside and out. His compliments included the churchyard. This is Mark's fifth and final report for us. He is retiring. We wish him well.

HONEYPOT EDITORS

will be pleased to note. The final spend from their generous donation is complete. Emergency lighting is installed at the back of church. And when the main door is opened the lights switch on for ten minutes. Great Health and Safety improvement. TY again.

UPGRADED ACCESS/ENTRANCE

to Eaton Manor complex is a great compliment to our newly refurbished wall. We enjoy the enhancement.

SPEEDY KNITTING

We send our best wishes to John as he copes with his healing ribs. An unpleasant experience. Mend slowly. Take care.

SELF-SET

and thriving. Two small yews nurtured in the Churchyard and transplanted to the yew line-up by the path, are settling well. TY to TM.

RECTOR SAM and REV. SUE

walked the Churchyard to discuss placement/location for additional bench seating. More to follow.

Some of the work force enjoying a tea break!

MORE KNOWLEDGE

of St Edith's past clergy. For her book 'The Broadgate - a Ludlow House and its inhabitants ' Valerie Thomas investigated the Lloyd family. Descendants of Evan Lloyd from Weobley, attorney sons ,Henry and William occupied the Broadgate. They held the Living at Eaton -under- Heywood in their gift. Brother Thomas became vicar at St. Edith's. When he moved (1809) , they gifted to the next incumbent. At the close of his tenure the gift was sold on.

Keep safe.

Gwen

Notes from St Andrew's, Hope Bowdler

Flower rota

July 31st & August 7th

Claire Szreider

August 14th & 21st

Dorothy Landers

August 28th & September 4th

Eve Dapling

If anyone is unable to do these dates, please can you find another person to do them.

Many thanks to all for all your work throughout the year, especially through difficult times.

Cleaning rota

August 7th Jane and Andrew Price

August 14th Rosemary Allworth and Jean Webb

August 21st Isabella and Peter Jones

Thank you to all who help to look after our church.

If you would like to be involved, please contact Ruth on 01694 724919.

THE CHURCH WILL NOW BE OPEN DURING THE DAY ON MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FOR INDIVIDUAL PRIVATE PRAYER AND QUIET CONTEMPLATION WHILE WE WAIT FOR FURTHER EASEMENT OF RESTRICTIONS FOLLOWING THE PANDEMIC.

The churchyard work party planned for July 3rd was put off because of the rain. However, the following Saturday, blessed with good weather, eleven helpers turned out and set to work, strimming, pruning and weeding. Refreshments were kindly provided by Su Powell Jones and Rev Sam.

A **big** thank you from the church wardens to all who helped. We hope to continue the work started on Saturday July 31st, weather permitting!



Notes from St Peter's, Rushbury

Flower rota Karen Griffiths

If you are unable to do the flowers, please arrange a swap with someone else.

Cleaning rota

21st Becky Hotchkiss, Pauline Griffiths

Thank you for your contribution in keeping our church clean. We are always looking for more help to join the 'team'. Please contact Ann Price on 771636 if you can help.

We're on Twitter! Find out more about what is going on at your church by following  [@StPeterRushbury](https://twitter.com/StPeterRushbury)

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A New Service

Rushbury Church will be launching a new service for all the family on Sunday 5th September, and then every first Sunday of the month.

All are welcome!

Rushbury Church is open by appointment for individual private prayer.

Please contact our churchwarden Darren Merrill to make arrangements.

We would like to welcome as many people as possible to our church services as advertised in the Honeypot but please book your place with Darren Merrill on 01694 771341 or email at darrenbmerrill@gmail.com.

There is a limit on places to maintain social distancing and we will ask you for your contact details for the NHS Track and Trace system which we will keep for 21 days, at which time these will be destroyed in line with current rules.

There will be no singing and face coverings must be worn.

The 'Butty Van'

We invite all in the Farming Community to come for a bacon butty and a chance to chat on Thursday 16th September from 10.30am-12noon.
at Longville Farm, Longville TF13 6DS
by kind invitation of Roger, Barbara and Philip Pugh.

Come as you are, we look forward to seeing you!

This event is supported by the Borderlands Rural Chaplaincy which has now extended from Hereford into Shropshire

The Borderlands Rural Chaplaincy provides a confidential listening ear and pastoral support to farmers, farming families and agricultural communities.

COFFEE STOP Every Monday from 10.00am to midday at Rushbury Village Hall. Term time only. See Rushbury News for this month's dates. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN US.**

HOLY COMMUNION 10am Holy Communion first Wednesday in month at St. Andrew's, Hope Bowdler.

A MONTHLY COMMUNION SERVICE, first Thursday each month, 1:30 p.m. at Mayfair Community Centre, Church Stretton. You would be most welcome. Not currently taking place. Check with Mayfair for further information.

WHAT'S GOING ON IN AND AROUND HEREFORD DIOCESE - explore www.hereford.anglican.org for information for Churchgoers, Visitors, about Church work and Diocesan News and views.

PRAYER AND CARE. In situations of illness or distress and need for prayer and perhaps visiting, please contact (with the permission of those affected) Revd Sam Mann, the Rev. Sue Jelleyman, or one of the churchwardens (details listed on the Church contacts page).

HOLY COMMUNION CAN BE TAKEN TO PEOPLE AT HOME if they are unable to get to church. Contact Revd Sam Mann, Revd Sue Jelleyman, one of the churchwardens, or one of the parish-link people if you would like either of these or if you know of someone else who would.

LETTER FROM HEREFORD For August 2021

"In our present Covid dominated and shaped world it is a timely reminder if we needed it that as Christians we have a hope beyond present circumstances."

I have learned in the Christian life to be prepared for surprises. One of those for me was discovering that the 1662 Prayer Book language can be both inspiring, deeply moving and have a depth of spirituality that when taught liturgy in my training college and curacy never revealed. I accept it will never be everyone's cup of tea and more importantly often needs to be explained or translated for our modern ears and audiences. Cranmer wrote it to provide liturgy in the language of the people and to make worship available and accessible to all, not just a few well-educated people who understood Latin! He certainly would not expect us to be using those words in the same way just over 350 years later! Worship needs to reflect the time and context of the people of our own time and we have many creative liturgists in our own day who seek to make our worship accessible and awe-inspiring.

However, one prayer that was written originally in sixteenth-century English is still particularly helpful. It was shared with me by a colleague who died last year and who sent me this prayer on my ordination as a priest. I found his letter recently when I was looking for something else and once again I was reminded of its power. It isn't actually from the Book of Common Prayer and it is attributed to Sir Francis Drake although there is doubt that he wrote the whole thing. It is likely to be based on something he wrote in a letter, whatever its true pedigree it struck me as both encouraging and deeply faith-filled.

Disturb us, Lord, when
We are too well pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true
Because we have dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to the shore.
Disturb us, Lord, when
With the abundance of things, we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.
Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,
To venture on wider seas
Where storms will show your mastery;
Where losing sight of land,
We shall find the stars.
We ask You to push back
The horizons of our hopes;
And to push into the future
In strength, courage, hope, and love. Amen

In our present COVID dominated and shaped world, it is a timely reminder if we needed it that as Christians we have hope beyond present circumstances. It also challenges us to put our trust in Jesus and to seek to be bold in our faith despite our apparent circumstances or to quote St Paul.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written:

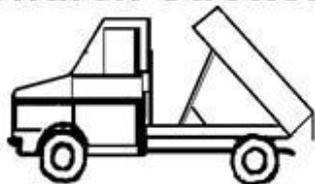
**"For your sake, we face death all day long;
we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."**

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 8:35-39

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A little bit of history.... RUSHBURY RECORDS TRUST

One of the members of the Rushbury Records Trust was on a visit recently to Thomas Telford's Cast Iron Aquaduct which was built to replace a flood damaged brick bridge on the Shrewsbury spur of the now defunct Shropshire Union Canal.

It is now a listed structure and has visitors from around the world, as it is of equal historical importance as the Ironbridge itself. Its charm rests on the rural setting spanning the River Tern in an idyllic meadow in Mid Shropshire on the outskirts of the Telford conurbation.

Whilst this is "Out Parish", it is a good day out from Rushbury, and one can only imagine the famous Thomas Telford when he built this and the A5, straying down to our Parish on his survey of its route. Telford Town has appropriated his name. I wonder whether he would have approved?



Images: David Jones of Aston on Clun

Notes from a Bookseller.....



***A Short History of The World According to Sheep* by Sally Coulthard.**

Sally Coulthard weaves the fascinating story of sheep into a vivid and colourful tapestry, thickly threaded with engaging anecdotes and remarkable ovine facts. So much of Church Stretton's history features sheep, from the town-centre sheep sales to Carding Mill Valley (which wouldn't be Carding Mill Valley without a nod to sheep's wool!).

Read more about sheep and Church Stretton's strong links with farming in **Robin Bywater's** memoir of life on a post war farm in South Shropshire **Farm Ferret and Travelling Tortoise** and in the new reprint of **Church Stretton Through the Ages** by Barry Raynor and Tony Crowe, an excellent local history resource.
Ros Ephraim

Images: supplied by Ros Ephraim

The Honeypot Book Reviews

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Claire Nicholson
Floral profusion on Wenlock Edge today - orchids, buttercups, yellow rattle. They look wonderful.



From our Facebook page....

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News from Rushbury Church of England Primary School

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Church Stretton Cricket Club are delighted to be able to donate a selection of kit to Rushbury Primary School.

Pictured here are Andy Dixon and Steve Morris, Head Teacher. Steve was delighted to accept this as the school hasn't had the chance to focus on cricket due to lack of kit. "It really is the perfect donation as the pupils will now have the chance to try cricket and enjoy the summer sport. Just great!"

Church Stretton Cricket Club in its' 100th year is supporting the ECB All Stars and Dynamos Programme for 4 to 12 year olds, and has up to 40 children each Thursday taking part. They will also host the first Shropshire Dynamos festival on the 11th of July.

If you have children who want to take part please contact Andy Dixon andy@addfoodnetwork.co.uk or Rob Whittall rob.whittall@dykeyaxley.com



News from Little Acorns of Rushbury

Little Acorns have had a busy month. We have been so lucky to have been given a series of music sessions provided by Shropshire Music Services. The children have explored the sounds of different instruments, revisited some familiar songs and rhymes, and learnt some new ones.

We had an exciting walk to Rushbury park – venturing through the very overgrown footpaths. It was like being in a jungle! We have also had fun with lots of sensory play from chilly ice cubes to smooth shaving foam.

Our outdoor stay and play sessions take place on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am. If you would like more information about this or our pre-school please contact Elaine by e-mail info@littleacornsrushbury.org.uk or visit our website www.littleacornsrushbury.org.uk



Music session



On our way to the park



"Making perfume"



Something to make....

August is the holiday month; holiday from school, the sun shining, endless days to play. We hope!

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Decorate with yellow and orange rays and add sunglasses and smiley mouth .

Cut a piece of white card or paper to fit inside , write your message and stick it down.



.....and something to find!



CHURCH STRETTON ROTARY are running a competition to **FIND THE ROTARY BEARS** for children under the age of 12. It will take place during August in Church Stretton. "LOOK FOR THE POSTERS AND GET SEARCHING".

This Month's Dates for our Four Parishes

AUGUST

- 8 Sun Cardington Garden Trail. 12-6pm. p4
8 Sun Apedale Amblers. 2pm. Hazler Crescent. p5
10 Tue **Deadline date for copy for SEPTEMBER Parish mag to reach the editor.**
18 Wed R&C WI. RVH. 7.30pm. p5

SEPTEMBER

- 4 Sat Rushbury and District Flower and Produce Show. RVH. p5
4 Sat Cardington Village Fete. The Old Vicarage. 1pm. p4
6 Mon Coffee Stop re-opens. RVH. 10am. p5
7 Tue Cardington Parish Council Meeting. CVH. 8pm p4

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Claire Nicholson

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