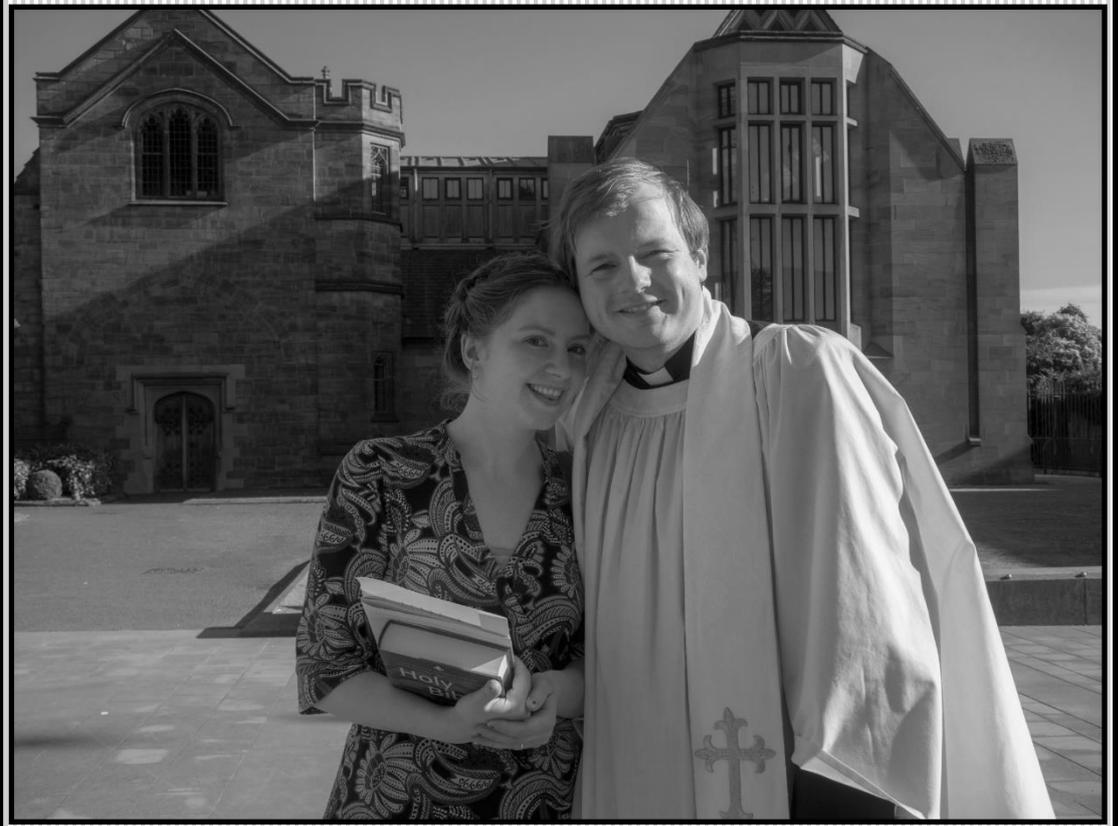
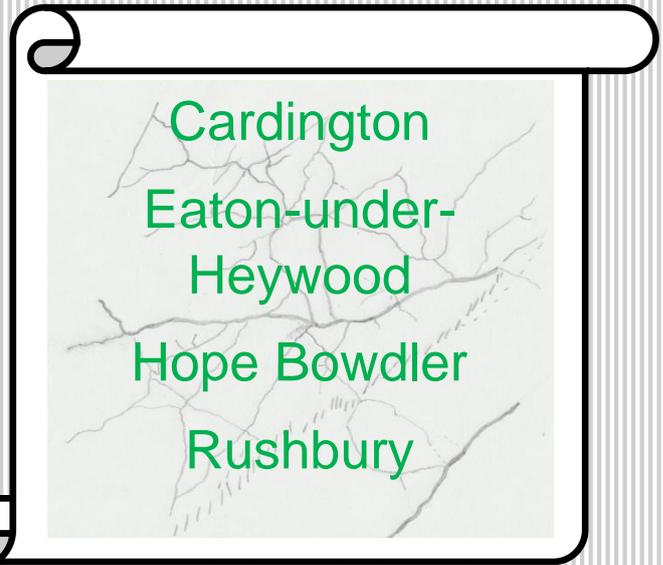


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Welcome to the Revd. Sam Mann and his wife Aisha!



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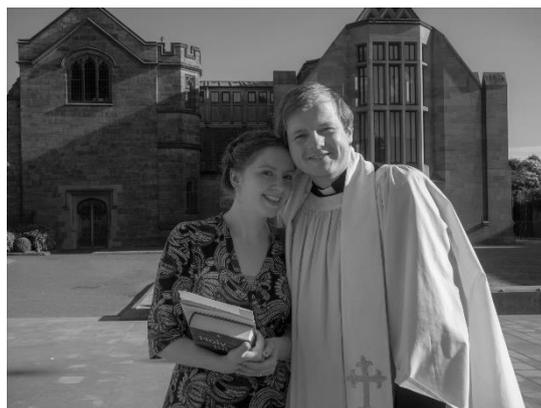
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Dear friends,

I would like to start by saying how excited my wife Aisha and I are about getting to know you all over the coming weeks. We have been amazed by the warm welcome we have received from the four parishes!

I would like to say how grateful I am to all those who have been ministering to these communities during these strange and difficult times. I have heard lovely stories of people looking out for each other; really displaying the message of Jesus to love one another as He loves us. I would particularly like to thank Revds Sue Jelleyman and Virginia Clements for their ministry during the lockdown, and for sharing their knowledge of these communities.

A little bit about myself – I come from a big family, was born in the Black Country, and grew up on Clee Hill. Not only does this mean that I am a loyal and passionate supporter of Wolverhampton Wanderers, it also means that as a teenager I gazed across to the Long-Mynd and Wenlock Edge from my bedroom window. I remember that my brothers and I always knew it was going to snow, because we would watch as it appeared over the Long-Mynd, swooped down Wenlock Edge, journeyed along through the Corvedale, before creeping up the hill to us. It always seemed to happen more often in the school holidays...much to our frustration!

After Ludlow School and Ludlow College (where I met Aisha), I spent three years working for a Funeral Directors in Ludlow while completing my studies in Creative Sound & Music at the University of South Wales. I then studied Theology at Oxford, while training for ministry at Cuddesdon Theological College. After my ordination I spent three years as the Curate of Coalbrookdale, Ironbridge, and Little Wenlock.

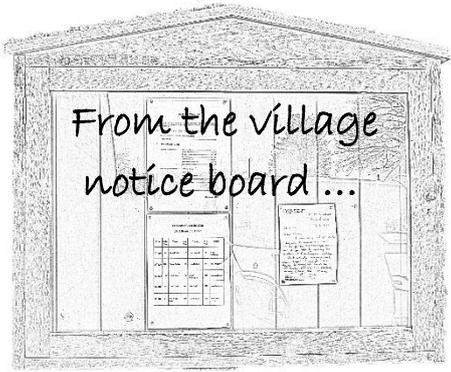
I look forward to meeting many of you in due course. As I love exploring and walking, you are likely to find me loitering around our communities, buying cake in Church Stretton's bakery or, for those with similar allegiances, chanting away with my twin brother in the North Bank at Molineux (in normal times of course!)

With my prayers and best wishes,

Sam

The Honeypot Team would like to wish Sam and Aisha a very warm welcome!

This month's copy should be with the editor by
Saturday October 10th
Alterations to contact details on the inside cover, or the two Church information sections, need to be with the editorial team before the first day of each month.



Cardington News



DISCRETIONARY STUDENT GRANTS

The Trustees of Cardington Charitable Trusts would like to advise any students of the parish who are in full time university education that there are discretionary grants available to assist with the cost of course materials.

Students must apply in writing by October annually to **Mr. S. Pennington, Wilstone Farm, Wilstone, SY6 7HW** with details of their course.

Please note: students may reapply for each year of full-time study.

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Cardington Parish Council Update

The September Parish Council Meeting was held via Zoom and are pleased to announce that Shropshire Council have agreed to repair the footbridge over the ford in Cardington. This work will commence in October.

Due to the Covid restrictions we have been unable to meet in the village hall to distribute the Smartwater packs to the remaining households. If anyone has not yet collected their free pack they can contact the Clerk who will book a bottle of Smartwater to them and this can be collected from the Chairman, Clive Tonks.

The next Parish Council meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 1st December. This will be advertised on the Parish Council website and on village notice boards. Whether this is in the village hall or via zoom, members of the public are welcome.

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CARDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Eaton-under-Heywood News

EATON UNDER HEYWOOD & HOPE BOWDLER PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

It has been brought to our attention that Himalayan Balsam is making its appearance along this parish's various streams and watercourse. Japanese knotweed has also appeared in Ticklerton. We have asked SC's Highways Dept. to deal with the knotweed outbreak, but we urge all parishioners to pull up both knotweed (and please dispose of in a bin) and Himalayan Balsam which they encounter.

The Agendas for our meetings are posted on the notice board in Hope Bowdler and in the bus shelter in Ticklerton and 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.

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Hope Bowdler News

Hope Bowdler Village Hall is now open for bookings of up to 6 people.

The hand bell ringers are practising there once a week, but ensuring that no more than 6 attend each rehearsal. *(The photograph was taken in early September before the new "rule of 6" came in.)*



Meet Mervyn and Jenny Lewis

Mervyn and Jenny moved to Hope Bowdler in October 2019 having spent the previous 30 years in York. The reason for the move was Mervyn's work, which involves visiting farms in Shropshire and Herefordshire. Jenny is a retired primary school teacher and taught some of the grandchildren during lockdown. Poems written by Rhiannon (10) and Daniel (8) during that time are reproduced on page 21.

They are both keen gardeners and during lockdown made use of the time to create a veg and flower bed where previously there had been grass, and to put up a greenhouse. Mervyn enjoys running but the hills are a challenge after the flat landscape of York. Jenny enjoys all kinds of craftwork and in particular card making.

Mervyn and Jenny have already become involved in local activities. Mervyn is Hope Bowdler's new Head of Distribution for The Honey Pot. He put on an amazing display as part of the Rushbury and District Alternative Produce Show. (See page 6).



Rushbury News

Monday 19th October

Rushbury Parish Council continue to meet via virtual remote meetings. The next meeting will be held on Monday 19th October.

RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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Apedale Amblers

Taken on one of our early September walks

The Tuesday walking group will continue to meet this month with the new restrictions being followed. This means walking in separate groups of six and complying with social distancing. If you would like to walk, please meet at 10.00am in Merle Lippitts top field, 1 Walls Bank SY6 7HJ. Any further info from Merle Lippitt 01694 771405.
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Rushbury Village Hall News

On September 5th we were able to hold an alternative, socially distanced version of our annual flower and produce show, and what a lovely event it turned out to be.....

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There was no competition this year, just display, but this did not seem to take anything away from the enjoyment of those who viewed it.

Well done and a very big "thank you" to all of the organisers!



The hall has been reopening a little during September, despite the new restrictions, with yoga classes in particular proving very popular.

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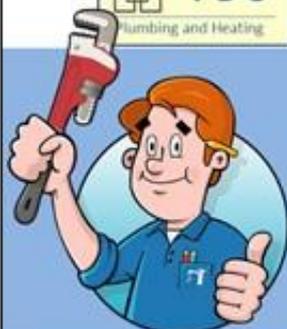


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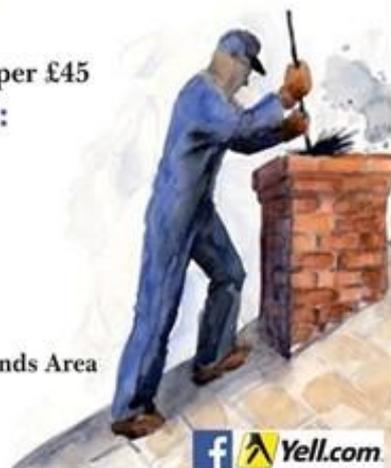
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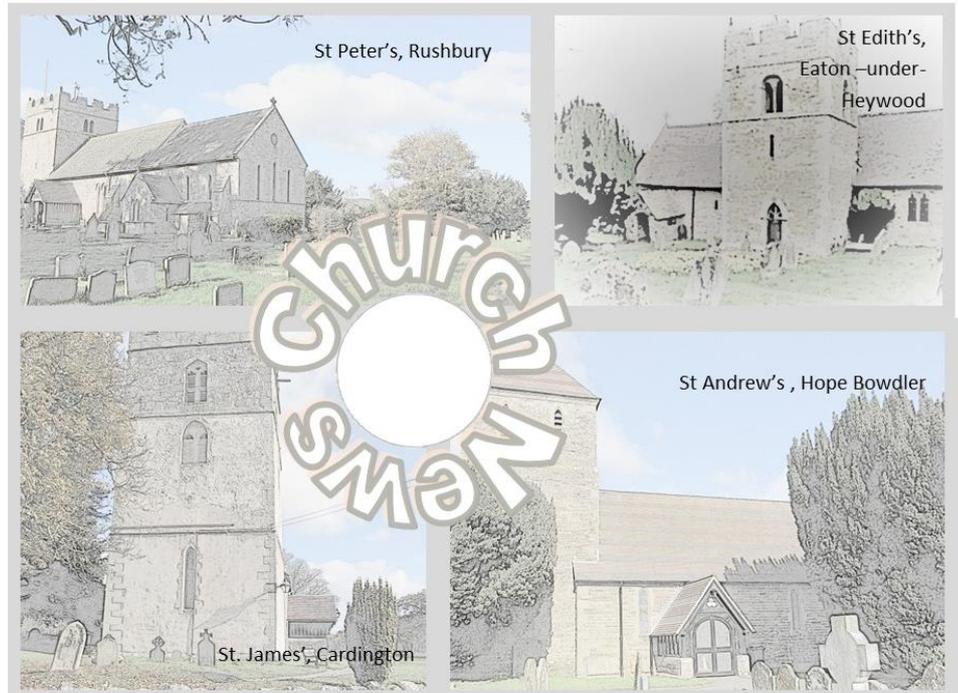
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SERVICE TIMES for October

**We have the following service times and dates confirmed for October.
Each one will include the APCM (annual parochial church meeting) for each parish.**

October 4th: 10 am - Hope Bowdler Church, including the APCM
October 11th: 10 am - Cardington Church, including the APCM
October 18th: 10 am - Rushbury Church, including the APCM
October 25th: 10 am - Eaton-Under-Heywood Church, including the APCM

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS:

On Friday 28th August at St James' Church Cardington, the Burial of Ashes of **Brian Sidney Iverson**, after cremation at Emstrey Crematorium on Thursday 23rd July.

On Saturday 5th September at St James' Church Cardington, the funeral of **Francis John Evans**, followed by interment in the churchyard.

Our thoughts and prayers are with these families in their loss.

Notes from St James, Cardington

Services for October

The church remains closed for the time being, except for private prayer.
Please contact Jill Wesson if you would like to have access to the church, and please also join us for a service, which will include the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, on October 11th. (See above.)

Shirley McNicol

A message from Robin Maydew...

Due to a technical fault with the Tannoy system shortly before the start of the late John Evans' funeral we were unable to relay the service outside the church into the churchyard. I would like to say sorry to Pat and the Evans family, and to all the mourners present who were unable to hear and follow the service.

So sorry, **Robin Maydew**.

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

Flower rota

Elizabeth

A quiet good-bye

Sadness reaches Eaton again. Robin died in July. We loved his charming friendly manner. His quiet courtesy always brought a smile to our faces. He contributed to many services, in different ways, reading, carrying the plate, serving for communion, preparing and tidying afterwards. For many seasons he cut the grass. And for many more he was an active sidesman.

Judy and he contributed so much to church and village life for a long period of time. First when he lived at Hillview, and latterly from All Stretton. Such an interesting and caring man will be much missed. We know Judy will continue to join us.

Heartfelt condolences to her and their family.

Fond Farewell

St Edith's PCC and congregation wish to express much appreciation to Richard.

He served the Parish with great commitment for some considerable time. All aspects of churchwork and the Benefice benefitted from hundreds of hours so freely given.

Many, many thanks for your very significant contributions. We will miss you.

New Life

Congratulations to Michelle and Greg on the arrival of their son Lois. Another child for our Parish . Wonderful.

Gratitude

Thanks to Ray and Elizabeth for clearing the fallen tree that the gale brought down across the wall . It hung dangerously across the memorials to cremated parish 'residents'.

Farewell

Trudy and Tony departed for Kent, via Suffolk ,earlier this month.

Welcome

A warm welcome to Ginny and Simon, who come in their stead. We look forward to meeting you soon.

Delightful return

It delights us that there will be a wedding at St Edith's on the 26th September
...and a Morning Service on 20th.

The PCC extends heartfelt greetings to the new Rector Sam and his charming wife Aisha.

**Settling into the Rectory in the late summer eases them into Benefice life , whilst the days are still quite long.
We hope they will enjoy joining us all.**

Gwen Sidaway



Hassocks

All the ladies involved in the working of these wish to acknowledge the leadership, expertise and draughtsmanship of Elizabeth Lowndes and her diligent husband.

**From Ann Lawton
Church Warden**

Notes from St Andrew's, Hope Bowdler

St Andrew's can be open for private prayer by arrangement. Please contact Ruth Jenkins on 01694 724919.

Notes from St Peter's, Rushbury

There will be a service with Communion at St Peter's in Rushbury at 10am on Sunday 18th October.

We would like to welcome as many people as possible but you will need to 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 inside the church.

We hope to see you there."

Rushbury APC meeting will take place on Sunday 18 October during the church service at 10 am.

We're on Twitter! Find out more about what is going on at your church by following **@StPeterRushbury**



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Statement from the Bishop for October

Following the announcement of the Very Revd Michael Tavinor, Dean of Hereford, The Rt Revd Richard Jackson, Bishop of Hereford has issued a public statement:

"Through his prayerfulness and liturgical skill, Michael has been a heartbeat for the Cathedral for nearly twenty years. He has served in a number of roles over his long and distinguished ministry in the Church of England. His gentle, self-effacing grace and good humour mark out a ministry setting a perfect tone for many occasions over his years at the Cathedral, including my own enthronement service earlier this year. As Dean he has brought the history of the Cathedral and her community to life through his speaking and writing. In the Chained Library and Mappa Mundi he has created one of the most visited attractions in Herefordshire, which will be enjoyed by future generations. Throughout the changing seasons Michael has remained an outstanding colleague and friend to the Cathedral and wider diocesan family. He will be greatly missed by all and we all wish him every blessing as the transition to retirement begins."

THAT bike ride..... Shirley's SHCT day out!

In previous years the SHCT churches taking part in the Ride & Stride day had people stationed ready to mark your sponsor form as you arrived, provided tea and biscuits (if you were lucky!), loos – maybe even music playing..... that was then, none this year of course.

But on the plus side anyone riding this year could please themselves when they started their ride, and so that was me, off bright and early to

Cardington, my first call, at 10.00 am.

Then up to Enchmarsh with the glorious views from Yell Bank as a reward, perhaps 50 miles in each direction: it really is spectacular up there, if a little bracing sometimes, and I've even seen photos of wonderful snow drifts that hung over the road like great big wings.

Then a fairly hair-raising ride down past Lower Chatwall Farm and on down to Causeway Wood – not just the road surface to worry about, which took an absolute pounding in last winter's terribly heavy rain, but also vast amounts of gravel and debris from more recent monsoon-like downpours washed into the road and a danger to the unwary cyclist!

Through Ruckley and eventually arriving at **Langley Chapel**, where you find it marooned in a field.

Langley Chapel is a perfect little gem, being one of the few new churches built in Elizabethan England, as a private chapel for Langley Hall. With loss of population and the Hall itself in the 19thC it became disused and abandoned, escaping modernisation and so remaining a rare time capsule of the 17th century, simple and austere, complete with original furnishings, and open too.



More spectacular views then on the road to Acton Burnell - you may have to work at cycling in South Shropshire (even with an ebike) but you do get rewarded for your efforts!

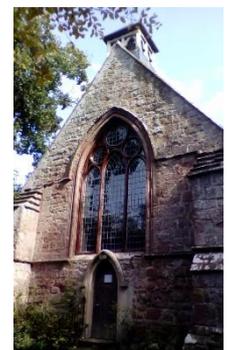
St Mary's, Acton Burnell was next, open, and surrounded by a wild flower meadow - a little detour takes you to the ruined castle which you enter through a spooky and mysterious yew wood.



You simply cannot escape history around here: from Acton Burnell the Roman road, Watling Street, took me south west to **Frodesley**,

(**St. Mark**, really tiny and also open), then continued, plus a slight

detour to **Longnor** (again), carefully over a ford, on through Hollyhurst to meet up with the A49 finally. (The 'hurst' bit refers to 'a clearing in a forest', so straight away you know what the trees were all those years ago when the primeval woodland of England was being cleared for growing crops.)



The A49 is not a road I like to cycle on, so I was very glad to be safer on Watling Street, and taking my chances -although visibility is good the traffic moves swiftly here so you can't hang about - I crossed over it for the next leg of my journey, to **St. Michael and All Angels, All Stretton**, perched up above the road.



The next one was **St. Laurence's, Church Stretton** – ‘street town’ – (straet tun) the town on the street i.e. Watling Street. I suppose at a time when muddy byways and tracks were the only links between settlements, the presence of even the remains of a straight, metaled road made an impression and so the town was named.



Last few churches coming up now, our own parishes of Hope Bowdler, Eaton, then finally Rushbury, but only reached by tackling Sandford Avenue first. Long, straight and relentless at any time so the maximum power was welcome now from the battery, and then I had a breather in the lay-by at the top.

Have you ever noticed the enormous rock there as you pass it in the car? I would suppose it is part of the debris carried along by a glacier in the last Ice Age, then dumped when the ice melted – there's another one, very similar, at Stone Acton. Glacial ‘erratics’ is what they're called, and hard as it is to get your head around, we were once covered by ice a mile thick in these parts!



It's a glorious thing to cruise down a hill at top speed, and I did, down to **Hope Bowdler**, but there's a nasty bend at the bottom so to be safe I dismounted in the lay-by, crossed the road and walked round to the church, which has that unique little building, recently restored.

Back on the bike for a more gentle downhill ride all the way to **Eaton**, tucked in under Wenlock Edge, and with the curious sloping floor that mirrors the land surrounding the building - I also inspected the composting loo!



One to go! This was (almost) the home straight, Darby Lane – but there was **Rushbury** still, so no left turn for me just yet. Just a chance to have a quick walk round it and see the Saxon herring bone walling of the original building, and then I hoisted my now weary bones back on to the bike to return home and a nice cup of tea!

Thanks to all my sponsors for giving me the reason to go out on the bike and just enjoy myself, and for your welcome donations, I know they will be used well. Thanks also to Fran who rode with me along the whole route, having arranged it one evening after our usual mid-week ride – you see we really cannot get enough of being out on the bikes, it's great!



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 9.30 am Holy Communion first Wednesday in month at St. Andrew's, Hope Bowdler. This is not currently taking place but we are hopeful it will restart very soon.

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) the Revd. Virginia Clements 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. 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.

Around and about..... News from outside the Four Parishes

Much Wenlock and Cressage Medical Practice News

Flu Clinics

This year we will obviously have to do things a little bit differently. What hasn't changed is our aim to vaccinate all those eligible in a safe and efficient environment. COVID-19 has posed challenges throughout the year and flu clinics are no different. We need to find a way to provide mass vaccinations whilst ensuring social distancing between patients and minimal risk of any viral transmission between patients and clinicians. A 'Drive Thru' clinic would allow just this and is how we hope to conduct our first two flu clinics.

General Practices have been advised by the Government and Public Health England as to the order of vaccine administration. **The first priority groups to be vaccinated will be:**

Extremely high risk or 'Shielding' patients and their household members, pregnant women, care home residents.

The next groups to be vaccinated are patients over 65 years of age, patients under 65 years of age with long term conditions.

The final group to be vaccinated will be patients aged 50 – 65 years of age with no pre-existing conditions.

To find out if you are eligible for a flu vaccination please visit www.nhs.uk

Clinic Dates

26th September 2020 at 09:30 - 16:30, William Brookes School, Much Wenlock

10th October 2020 at 09:30 – 16:30, Williams Brookes School, Much Wenlock

Booking

To book a flu vaccination in one of the above clinics please ring the surgery. We ask that you call in the afternoon Tuesday – Friday to avoid busy times on our phone lines and enable us to process urgent patient calls outside of these times.

Preparation

If you are unwell or have a temperature please DO NOT ATTEND the clinic. Your appointment can be rearranged for a time when it is safer for you to be vaccinated.

When attending a Drive Thru Clinic please

Have your name clearly displayed on the dashboard to enable our administrative team to identify you quickly within the records. Ensure that your upper arm is easily accessible to administer the vaccination

When asked to stop at the vaccination tent please ensure the handbrake has been safely applied and take care when pulling away from the area

We look forward to seeing you in a Flu Clinic soon!!

Healthwatch would like to hear your views about hospital discharge during Covid 19

Healthwatch Shropshire and Healthwatch Telford & Wrekin are working together to find out about people's experiences of leaving hospital during the pandemic. Since March hospitals have been working closely with community health, social care partners and local councils to improve the discharge process. Triggered by Covid-19, the aim has been to make sure no one is in hospital longer than they need to be.

Healthwatch are gathering people's experience of discharge under the current arrangements and have worked with local hospital trusts, the Clinical Commissioning Group and Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin Councils to develop a short questionnaire.

They want to hear about what is working well and where things could be improved so that lessons can be learnt and changes made to improve the process and patient experience of leaving hospital. People can find the questionnaire here: <https://www.healthwatchshropshire.co.uk/tell-us-about-your-experience-leaving-hospital-during-covid-19>

Rotary Club Of Church Stretton brings you good news

WORLDWIDE POLIO ERADICATION IS ALMOST THERE

Rotary members have played an invaluable role in the effort to rid the African region of wild polio.

By raising funds for polio eradication, advocating with world governments and national leaders Rotarians have contributed nearly \$890 million to conquer polio in the region.

This progress is the result of a decades-long effort across the 47 countries of the African region. It has involved millions of health workers travelling by foot, boat, bike and bus, innovative strategies to vaccinate children amid conflict and insecurity, and a huge disease surveillance network to test cases of paralysis and check sewage for the virus. The World Health Organization has certified the African region polio free. This means five of the six WHO regions, which represent 90% of the world's population, will be free of polio.

Rotary members across Great Britain and Ireland remain committed to making the final, challenging steps towards a polio free world a reality as the virus continues to circulate in parts of Pakistan and Afghanistan..

Events will be taking place across the world on 24th October, to mark annual World Polio Day.

This is just one example of what we do and to find out more please contact Derek Smith:

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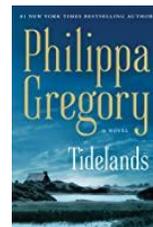
As the days begin to draw in, what are we reading?

Tidelands, by Philippa Gregory. Published by Simon & Schuster, August 2019

Gripping historical fiction beginning in 1648 during the English Civil War on the marshy landscape of the south coast. Not an easy read, but to me, memorable. The main character, Alinor, lives in abject poverty and by her own skills and wits. Her abusive husband has disappeared. She meets a young man on the run and a chain of events begins ...

Review by Anne Davis

Image taken from Goodreads



The Eighth Life, by Nino Haratischvili. Published by Scribe UK, November 2019

A novel of the highest order, a masterpiece - as rewarding a read as Anna Karenina.

This is the story of a Georgian family whose wisdom and wealth lies in a secret and dangerous chocolate recipe. The first story/life is Stasia who lives through the end of the Russian Empire and the rise of the Russian communist state. The eight life stories reflect the rise and glitter for some of the communist state, reaching too into the heart of the pogroms that continue to this day.

Review by Ros Ephraim

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Lorna Taylor

**WE WOULD LIKE TO SHARE THE BOOKS YOU HAVE ENJOYED TOO. PLEASE EMAIL THE EDITOR:
honeypoteditor@outlook.com**

These two poems were written by Mervyn and Jenny Lewis' grandchildren who were being taught by Jenny during lockdown. See page 5.

The Magic Box

I will put in the box
A red vintage car that doesn't break down,
Plants, trees, flowers that will grow when I want them to
grow,
Another season with snow, sun and plants.

I will put in the box
A snowman that never melts,
A book of word searches and dot-to-dots that never end,
A secret den that only I know about.

My box is fashioned from gold with patterns of vintage
cars round the side,
It has flowers and beautiful red roses,
And hinges made of dinosaur teeth.
I will drive in my box to a big sandy beach and build
giant sandcastles, and plant lovely flowers there.

By Daniel Turner

The Door

Go and open the door.
Maybe outside there are
Horses galloping around the paddock,
Or a big stable full of horses,
Lots of guinea pigs to play with,
Or rabbits sitting in their pen.

Go and open the door.
Maybe mice are scurrying up and down the ramp in their
cages.
Maybe there will be a farm with lots of farm animals and
vehicles,
Or collie dogs barking in the yard or a cat lying in the sun.

Go and open the door.
If there is a storm or a crashing wave,
The storm will clear, and the wave will calm down into a
small puddle.

Go and open the door.
Even if it's the middle of the night where a storm is brewing,
Even if the storm is at the highest point,
Even if there is not even anything.
Go and open the door
At least there will be a draft.
By *R. Gannon. I. Turner.*

Welcome to....Apedale

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Special Birthdays or Occasions





News from Woodlands Nursery

20 years! A Serious Achievement Indeed

It is with many happy memories and shared experiences that we congratulate Sally Payne on twenty years at Woodlands – and still going!

Sally joined us in 2000 and has brought so much to the children here, not least the particular boy having such fun with Sally as she worked her way through the curriculum using a wide range of farm related resources. Counting tractors, looking at the different makes and their logos, considering the different crops and animals – and more. All much enjoyed and the little man unaware of the learning, just having fun – as it should be. There are many children who have blossomed in her care. Twenty years is a serious achievement and we look forward to more fun to come.

We have a cluster of new babies who have joined the Woodlands family, toddlers who have progressed from the baby room and school leavers group with school on the horizon in 2021. Much to do, but never a dull moment.

Moriel Gidney

Elizabeth from Wolverhampton

As mentioned in early Lockdown copy, Elizabeth is tracing Yapp and Cox ancestry. A few weeks ago ,she forwarded a family tree demonstrating the 'common' ancestors of herself and Janet, our last Cox from Upper House Farm. A fitting gesture.

Rushbury School

Three classrooms. Fifteen per class. Wonderful outdoor space. Teachers working through the break. Places available to all who wished to attend/ return.

Congratulations to all concerned. Quite an achievement in these strange times.

Gwen Sidaway

Note from the editor:

No Rushbury School News this month as things have been rather busy! We look forward to hearing from them when things are a little easier.

Speake, Speak or Speke?

River of lives, a story of the Speakes in Shropshire.

This amazing boo, I wish to mention, provokes much thought. It is a fascinating insight into the social history of our Apedale Benefice, with Acton Scot. Much is added to the social history of Church Stretton and the surrounding communities. A good browse.

To whet your appetite....

In 1697 a Daniel Speak of uncertain address appears in the Eaton register.....a hundred years later there is a trail of 360+ descendants across the Parishes. Quite an achievement.

Gwen Sidaway

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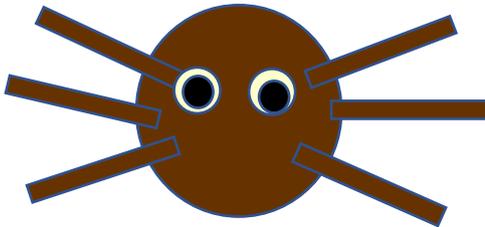
Somewhere to go...

Struggling to occupy your little ones with many playgroups and activities for younger children still being closed since Covid 19 began?

Did you know that **Mad Hatters** in Church Stretton has re-opened under new ownership? Details on their facebook page.

Or further afield, **Bodenham Arboretum** can make a lovely and stress free day out with younger children. Open 7 days a week, there are farm animals, easy family walks, pools and a lovely lakeside café. They put on well thought children's trails from time to time, suitable for tinies, toddlers and older children too. During September they had a lovely trail to find the Tree People. From Saturday 24th October there will be a Pumpkin Trail, but you will need to book tickets for that one. <https://www.bodenhamarboretum.co.uk/>

...and something to make



Can you make some of these spooky spiders from marshmallow biscuits, chocolate matchstick fingers and chocolate buttons? Push the biscuits in, and use a little icing or icing glue to stick on the eyes.

You might be able to find some small liquorice or chocolate sweets for the eyeballs or just draw them on with an icing pen.



News from Little Acorns of Rushbury

It is lovely to be back at Little Acorns after the summer break, and our new children are settling in beautifully!

We are spending every morning in Forest School, and are thrilled with our new storage shed. Many thanks to The Family Shopper for helping us to raise funds for this with a raffle. Our leavers also bought us some super binoculars and hot water dispensers, so we are really well equipped now.

Little Acorns have enjoyed looking for lots of bugs (and a toad) and were fascinated by the "huge, enormous" caterpillars brought in for us to see – they will turn into Japanese oak silk moths!

Little Acorns have some spaces left for the autumn term, so please contact Elaine by e-mail info@littleacornsrushbury.org.uk for more details or visit our website www.littleacornsrushbury.org.uk



Our new shed and presents



"Look - a toad!"



"Huge, enormous" caterpillars

This Month's Dates for our Four Parishes

OCTOBER

- 10 Sat Deadline day for copy for NOVEMBER Parish Mag to reach the editor.
19 Mon Rushbury Parish Council Virtual Meeting.
23 Fri NOVEMBER Parish mag to be distributed to delivery teams from today.

**APEDALE AMBLERS ARE NOW WALKING ON TUESDAYS. (See page 6 for details.)
THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY WALK THIS MONTH**

As things become nearer to normal, we can only guarantee inclusion of news which reaches us before the cut-off date.

We are however very aware that things are changing all the time at the moment and often you may be waiting for a meeting or guidance before making an announcement. We will do our best to accommodate you if it is at all possible, but ask that you advise us that your news is on its way and ask if it is possible for us to add it late (sometimes it may not be) and perhaps advise us of how much space to reserve for you.

Do continue to put your own posts and pictures on our Facebook page. Suitable items from this page may also be added to the HoneyPot at an appropriate time.

We are aware that it may still be difficult for some of our readers to access their printed copy therefore we are intending to continue to post a digital version in the form of a pdf for you to view or download on our parish council and school websites until the end of this year. This will also ensure continuous access if any further lockdown was to be set in place making it difficult to print or distribute a printed version.

The digital HoneyPot can be found on: Cardington Parish Council page
<http://www.cardingtonparishcouncilshropshire.co.uk>

Eaton and Hope Bowdler Parish Council page www.eatonhopebowdler.co.uk

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

And Rushbury School page www.rushburyschool.co.

The rainfall at Ticklerton in August 2020 was 155mm.
Claire Nicholson.

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My husband and I have now moved to ANNAGMORE. I have always had a love of cooking, doing breakfasts, evening meals, and catering for small parties. I can now only cater in people's houses, or drop off. If anyone would like a luncheon, evening meal, or small party catered for in their home please contact me. I can cater for most diets.

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