Tardebigge and Bentley Parish Magazine







Grosvenor House is a detached Victorian property, nestled between the peaceful villages of Alvechurch and Barnt Green, and is home to 25 residents.

Grosvenor House

Spring View Care

A high quality local nursing home

At Grosvenor House, we provide small homely environments where our residents are at the heart of everything we do. It is our aspiration to provide nursing homes where we ourselves would be happy to stay.











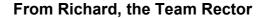


Grosvenor House: Aqueduct Lane, Coopers Hill, Alvechurch B48 7BS Tel: 0121 447 7878

Website: www.springviewcare.co.uk Email: mercy@springviewcare.co.uk

November





As we reach November it is inevitable that our thoughts edge towards Christmas. What an enormous festival it has become! There is no religious event in the worldwide calendar that attracts such a wide amount of participation. You may already be signed up for Christmas meals, outings or shopping trips, and some of us will have a good idea as to who from our family and friends will be receiving a visit from us, and which ones will be paying us a seasonal visit.

It is also inevitable that Christmas celebrations will be undertaken with varying degrees of respect to the fact that it is a Christian festival, although not our most

important one.

Christmas is inspiring because of the talk of peace and goodwill; it is fun because it is a celebration, and it is commercial because we exchange cards and presents. It is

a way for people who don't see each other very often to catch up, and there is nothing sinister or threatening about a baby in a manger, especially as we usually surround the crib with a host of cute and fluffy farmyard animals.

Meanwhile, we have other remembrances; we celebrate parliamentary democracy on Bonfire Night; we mourn those we have lost on All Saints' Sunday, also on November 5th this year; the following Sunday is Remembrance Sunday itself; then it's only a fortnight to "Stir Up Sunday", the Sunday before Advent, when the collect – "Stir up O Lord the will of thy faithful people..." - reminded generations of cooks to stir up the ingredients for their Christmas puddings, etc. The last day of November is St Andrew's Day,



when the Church across the world prays for its task to bring the gospel to all nations to go forward with increasing energy. November is an energetic and reflective month, therefore. The days darken, the rain falls, shops are adorned with tinsel, trees are denuded and leaves rustle underfoot. It's a month that can bring floods, or even early snow; but if you're busy it can race by, and before you know it the first Christmas card has dropped on the doormat, as you wonder how on earth they find the time to send them out so early.

God actually created seasons to mark the year; but also, religious festivals, first the Jewish ones and then the Christian ones. At St Bartholomew's and St Mary's we face the challenge of re-Christianising this time of year in the face of a highly sophisticated, cynical, secularised and commercialised society. We do so in the knowledge that God has seen this all before, and is never taken by surprise:

"Whatever is has already been, and what will be has been before; and God will call the past to account." Ecclesiastes 3:15.

The Lord sees and understands; let us remember to keep on sharing our lives with Him in prayer throughout November, and to honour Him first and foremost as we begin to we plan and prepare for Christmas.



A verse for November

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn

Romans 12: 14 - 15

The Real Advent Calendar

The Real Advent Calendar is designed to share and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. The calendar comes with a Christmas story activity book.

To order yours (£3.99 each) please contact *Jane Hall* (07980 358252) or (01527 598342)

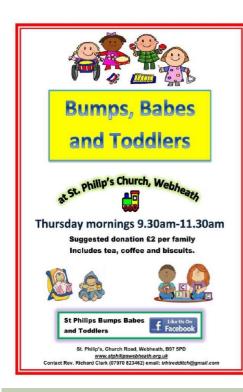
Email: janeehall73@gmail.com



Tardebigge Church also has a supply of Traidcraft Christmas cards

Please contact Jane Hall for details







Magazine subscriptions from only £10 per year

For more details please contact

Dean or Jane Hall

(contact details inside back cover)

Thank you for supporting St. Bartholomew's and St. Mary's Churches

December/January Magazine

Please send your articles and items to our central email address: contact@tardebiggechurch.org.uk by MONDAY 20 November

Thank you.

Wardens' World

November 2017

What a great time we had at Harvest this year. The churches were beautifully decorated with wonderful flowers and produce, a wonderful quantity of food was collected from generous congregations and passed on to the Redditch food bank and Primrose Hospice. The highlight of the day was as usual the Harvest Lunch. Many thanks to the 42 people who came to enjoy it, and especially the Stubbings family for organising the raffle and other aspects, and also to Sheelagh, Jane, Lucy and Vivien who provided those delicious desserts,



and to Richard for his quiz ("...next time, can we have a vicar who's not so intelligent?" was a comment from one participant!). Once again, Angela Rigby's catering skills did us proud, and despite having to use the Church Hall, we managed to fit everyone into without too much trouble.

Some of you may have seen the activity around the church for the Cookes memorial during October. In an attempt to find out exactly how it is put together, and how much reinforcement there is, a specialist team came to project gamma rays through it. Alas, our church is too strongly built, and the rays were unable to penetrate the nave's east wall on which it hangs. A second attempt to go sideways through the marble was also inconclusive – the marble is just too dense. However a very professional stonemason specialising in memorials who also attended was able to give us a thorough assessment of what he thought it would involve...we await their report and the next investigation, which will involve more conventional metal detection systems. Unfortunately, the day also coincided with an unannounced visit by the 'Earl of Plymouth in waiting' Ivor Windsor and his wife, who had come to visit the family graves. It was a shame not to be able to spend more time with them, but it was great to reestablish contact with this family which has been so important for our parish over the years.

As always happens at this time of year, one festival service now quickly follows another. Both St. Mary's and St. Bartholomew's will have Remembrance services on November 12th, to which all are more than welcome. Even as the major wars of last century recede, we should never forget those who died or who were injured in them, and use the opportunity to help ensure we never get into similar situations again. Our All Souls' services, remembering in particular those who have passed away in the past year, will be at St. Bartholomew's on November 5th. This year will be particularly important, given the relatively large number of funerals and we have seen this year, and the several loyal parish members we have lost.

On a more joyous note, November 5th will also see Archdeacon Nikki Groarke joining the Café Church service – do come along, even if you don't usually participate, to hear what she

4

has to say. The breakfast and bacon rolls which are very much part of the service are strongly to be recommended – served from 9 o'clock!

The merrymaking then continues as December fills the churches with a rapid succession of services celebrating Advent and Christmas – highlights <u>in addition to our normal services</u> to get in your diary now are:

10th December 9.30 am Carol Service at Lower Bentley

11.00 am Family Gift Service, where we bring and donate gifts

(unwrapped) for families less fortunate than ourselves.

17th December 6.00 pm Carols by Candlelight – do let Rob Barnett know if you can sing

and would like to join the choir for this special service

Tardebigge Church Men's Group

Many of you may be missing the regular reports from Alan White on the activities of the Men's Group, and it has to be said that without him and his energy, the Group has dwindled in numbers, almost to the point of extinction.

Amongst the archives which are gradually emerging from Alan's house, thanks to Helen's patient and diligent sorting, is something of the history of the Group. There had been a branch of the nationwide Church of England Men's Society at Tardebigge from around 1950. When the Society came to an end across the country in 1986, the Tardebigge branch had lasted longer than many, and it was decided to form a Tardebigge Churchmen's Group to continue independently to provide Christian fellowship and serve the church in various ways. Over the years it set up not just devotional meetings for its members, but social events including an annual New Year's Day Walk, and was always on hand for practical jobs in and around the church.

Another social event has been the annual October meeting, at which Dave Besley presents an illustrated talk; this year, following a request from Fred Shrimpton that it still take place, this was arranged by the ladies of the parish. It was a very pleasant evening, though, sadly, Dave's friends outnumbered greatly the gentlemen of the parish – only two of whom came along.

Single-handedly, Alan continued to lead the group until shortly before his death. Now a successor is needed if the group is to survive, and that successor needs to be a man! The ladies only stepped in as October's meeting was a social one and a special request.

If you are interested in joining or continuing with the Men's Group, please contact Revd. Richard Clark for further information.

Vivien



The Evergreens in 1986 and 2017

How it all began 31 years ago ...

(Helen found this note on the Evergreens in Alan's papers.)

On Monday 19th May 1986, the Evergreens – a new club for older church members and others of the Parish to meet together for afternoon tea and fellowship - had its first meeting in the Church Hall. The Revd Peter Frowley was largely responsible for its creation and for inviting the forty-plus people who attended the inaugural meeting. He decided that meetings should be held on the third Monday in each month, beginning at 4.00pm and finishing at about 5.30pm. The first Club leader was Mrs Pam Shaw. Transport for those who needed it was arranged by Mrs Doreen Underhill.

Over the years since, the Evergreens Club has provided an opportunity for our older church members to meet and chat and sometimes to be entertained by a speaker or a musician, and it has been especially appreciated by those unable, for various reasons, to attend church services. Sandwiches, cakes etc. have been provided by church members who have helped to set up tables and serve the tea. Many members have generously brought small prizes for the raffle which helps to fund the activities of the Club. Besides the usual Monday afternoon meetings, other activities have included a summer outing and also a Christmas Lunch each year.

After a recent lapse of about two years, the Evergreens are now meeting again. Details from the Revd Alan White, Assistant Priest. (Does anyone know when Alan took over?)

Fast forward to Monday 16th October 2017 ...

The Evergreens met today, in the Church Hall at 4.00pm, for tea and fellowship. Sandwiches and cake were provided by church members, who also set up the hall and provided transport for those no longer able to drive and there was a raffle – somethings don't change!

Sadly, other things have changed: Alan, the driving force behind the Evergreens for many years, died shortly after attending May's meeting, so today was the first time the group gathered without him. Sadly, also, the number attending today – thirteen, including the helpers – is much reduced from that of 1986, due to age and infirmity, although there was still plenty of fun and conversation and the possibility of a Christmas lunch was mentioned. Are you interested in joining us, or do you know of anyone in the parish who might like to come along? For Evergreens to continue as a meaningful group more members are needed and additional help would be appreciated.

Please contact Vivien Mackenzie (07727 293664) or further information.

Vivien and Mary



The Spring Greens is our ladies' group for women of all ages with a young outlook. We usually meet in the Church Hall on the third Thursday of the month at 7.45pm. For more details please contact Jane Hall (07980 358252); or Email janeehall73@gmail.com

In October we welcomed Stuart, a former Police Chief Superintendent as our speaker for the evening. We were all captivated as we listened to him talk about his time working in the West Midlands, Greater Manchester, London, New York and Washington, Poland and Ukraine; it was a really interesting evening and we hope he'll talk to us again at a future meeting.

At our meeting 16th November we will be making Christmas puddings (£5 incl. subs). Lucy Parkes has kindly agreed to organise the ingredients, so if you would like to make one please let Lucy, Jane or Allison know by Thursday 9th November.

Jane Hall

Tardebigge Fair and Show – hooray, looks like it's NOT the end of an era!

Further to the article in last month's magazine, we are delighted to report that Nick Reading has agreed to take on **JUST** the Produce Show again in 2018. As Lucy Parkes will not be organizing the overall Fair, there is an opportunity to modify the event in lots of ways - if this is what people want to do. To explore these opportunities and decide how to move forward, there will be a meeting in **Tardebigge Church Hall** at **7pm** on **Tuesday 16th January 2018**, so if you would like to be involved, please get that in your diary now. If you would like to be involved but are unable to attend on the 16th January, please just email contact@tardebiggechurch.org.uk or call Nick (01527 559207) to register your interest.

Many thanks in anticipation!

Christmas Tree Festival at Worcester Cathedral

Tardebigge Community is participating in the festival again this year and we'd love you to make decorations for our tree! Our theme this year is 'Choral Music'. Please feel free to use your imagination; you could perhaps create choristers, singing angels, musical notes, or even birds (bird song/the Dawn Chorus). Decorations will be needed by December.



For more details please contact Jane Hall (07980 358252)

Celestial Corner

November, the month of the Leonids, but more about that later.

We are now back using Greenwich Mean Time, the standard for time around the rest of the world. In astronomical circles it is known as Universal Time, UT for short and strictly, ALL mention of time when referring to astronomy should be in UT. However, this is not so important here, as the difference in the sky over a couple of hours either way will not show a great difference!

November, the first month of winter as far as the solar cycle is concerned. But cheer up, as a poet said, "If winter comes, can spring be far behind?"

High in the South, almost overhead is the square of Pegasus along with Andromeda. If you can see it on the map, look for the second star away from the square that is almost covered by the "A" of Andromeda. You will notice there is a fainter star at around two o' clock to the right. On a night when the sky is clear, and you can get out of the glare of any street lights,try and find that fainter star. You may see a faint fuzzy patch that may disappear as you try to look directly at it. That patch is what was once called the Andromeda Nebula. We now know it is not a nebula (a gas cloud) it is a Galaxy, very similar to the one our star, the sun, belongs to. It's known as M31, the 31st object in Messier's cataloque and is known to be one of the "Local" group of Galaxies and is the closest galaxy to our own.

Below Pegasus is a line of faint, sprawling constellations, Capricorn, (the Goat), Aquarius, (the water bearer), Picses, (the two fishes) and Cetus, (the whale). None have any stars brighter than second mag and are rather difficult to make out. Aries, the (ram) and Triangulum (the triangle) are a little easier being higher up.

Remember last month I mentioned Comets and their dust trails? Well this month the earth passes through the dust trail(s) of comet Temple Tuttle around the 17th. So we get a meteor "shower". If you trace back the trails of the meteors they all seem to originate from the same point. This is called the Radiant and it lies in the constellation of Leo, so the shower is known as the Leonids. The comet comes back every 33 years and for about two years either side of the return the Leonids can put on a spectacular show with hundreds of meteors per hour for a couple of hours.

Unfortunately, this year is not going to be one of those years, and the radiant is low in the north east until after midnight, but if the moon is out of the way, you may be lucky to see maybe twenty per hour during the late evening.

Last month the BBC made a fuss about the Draconid shower, they failed to tell you that the full moon would interfere, the meteors are not very bright and not really very plentiful! The next decent shower is the Geminids, more about them next month. The map is for 8pm 14th November.

R.B.



Altar flowers rota 2018

It's coming up to that time of year again – the flower rota for 2017 runs until the end of January and then we need a new one, so if you would like to be involved, call me as soon as you see this notice to pick your date(s)! You don't have to wait to be asked, so if you haven't done the flowers before (just a very modest arrangement for the altar, nothing grand!) and would like to know more, do also give me a ring!

If you want a particular date, it is very important that you call me as soon as possible, as some dates go quite quickly. If you would like to help but don't mind which date you do, it's less urgent, but it would still be helpful for me to know that you are interested.

A big thank you to all of you who have done altar flowers this year!

Lucy Parkes 01527 871132 liparkes@btinternet.com



Bentley Pauncefoot WI



October is the month that the Worcestershire Federation of WIs holds its Annual Council Meeting at the Severn Hall, Three Counties Showground, Malvern. 14 of our members joined over 350 others to enjoy an excellent day. There were stalls laden with homemade produce and beautifully crafted goods and we were treated to three interesting and entertaining speakers.

Richard Tompkinson from Rosebank Vineyard told us about the Centenary Wine that has been produced to celebrate the Worcester Federation's Centenary in 2018. He grew the Phoenix grapes for a dry white wine on a south facing slope overlooking the Malverns. 18 ladies picked the grapes which were then transported to Halfpenny Green Vineyard to be processed and bottled. WI members were involved every step of the way. Apparently, it was quite challenging to decide how dry the wine should be, so it had to be tasted many times! The WI also chose the style of bottle, cap and label. Strange to relate, all the bottles that were available to buy in the Hall were snapped up and some

of us have planned an excursion to Halfpenny Green to obtain additional supplies for a Bentley Pauncefoot celebration next year.

Ben Cooper of Bargain Hunt fame was next. He was relaxed and very amusing and told us about his experiences at an auction house, as a dealer and on television. He said that one of the things he enjoyed most about the antiques world was the characters he met. For instance, when he was at Sotheby's an old boy brought in an object saying "I think it's plastic". It was in fact carved rhino horn which Ben estimated at £10-12,000. When it was sold for £45,000 a voice was heard at the back of the room "Chuffin' heck!" A real Del Boy moment.

The last speaker was Alison Sharman who has had a distinguished career in television and now runs her own TV company. She has a lifelong passion for cooking and was involved with Masterchef and Saturday Kitchen. She pointed out that on average there are about 450 hours of cookery programmes a week across all the TV networks. In her view people want cookery presenters to be experts and they want to be inspired to create something extraordinary from ordinary ingredients and they want value for money.

However, the highlight of the Council Meeting is the Competition, this year with the theme of "A Festival of Colour". Bentley came third in the preserves class and achieved a highly commended in the photography competition.

Finally, on the creative front, we had a poetry competition at our last meeting which Lucy Potter won. We would like to share it with you:

Lucy's Poem

Many good things in life are free A piece of cake and a cup of tea A gentle stroll along the lane The smell of grass after the rain.

The little bird that hops along And chirps for you his little song The birds of prey hovering on high Waiting and watching with eagle eye.

Closing your eyes to feel the breeze Listening carefully to the rustling trees Feeling the sun on your face Just standing in a special place.

Meeting a friend along the way
To share the beauty of the day
Fluffy clouds and sky so blue
Smiling at someone who then smiles at you.

You see, many good things in life are free It's just remembering to stop and see.

Taking that moment to stand and stare
At all the things that we can share.



Lynne Reading

From the archives

From The Parish Magazine of Tardebigge & Bentley - November 1983

The School House, Tardebigge

At last I am able to tell you the good news about the Bishop's plans for me and for the future care of the Parish. Last month I went to see the Archdeacon of Dudley and he explained the proposals to me; now the Churchwardens have had a letter from the Bishop telling them what is going to happen and so it can all be made public.

The Bishop hopes to ordain me deacon at the St. Petertide ordinations next year on 1st July. By then I will, I hope, have completed my academic studies at the Queen's College. As a deacon I must be licensed to an experienced incumbent in order to 'serve my title'. The Bishop proposes therefore to license me to the Rev. David Salt, Vicar of St. Stephen's, Redditch, and this will give me the chance to have some experience in a town centre parish as well as that of a rural parish.

David Salt will be licensed as Priest in Charge of Tardebigge, and I shall be his curate, hopefully still looking after Tardebigge but also helping with the work at Redditch. I have met David Salt and I am sure that we will get on very well together. I am very pleased at this arrangement and I am sure that it will work out well for all of us. The Bishop hopes to come to Tardebigge to License David Salt on the evening of Sunday 19th February next, but this date has still to be confirmed as suitable by all concerned.

I am continuing part-time studies at Queen's College, the three year course that I started last year. This entails attending lectures on Tuesday evenings and a weekend or Sunday every month; plus home studies and writing the necessary essays on which my work as a 'mature' student is assessed. But in addition this year, at the same time as the second year studies, I am attending third year lectures by day with the full time students - again plus the private study and essay writing, so that by next July I shall (hopefully) have completed the full syllabus.

All this means that despite my high ambitions when I retired last July to do a lot more Parish visiting (which I really enjoy) I shall not have much time for any at all, certainly not until after July. Perhaps I will be able to make up for lost time then! I shall still do what visiting I can and if any of you want to see me on any matter or talk to me about anything, please let me know and I shall certainly be able to find time to call.

The future to me seems very exciting. We are thriving at Tardebigge, our congregations are growing, and what is more important, more and more people are getting involved in the work of the church - caring for one another and spreading the Gospel. At times things have been difficult over the last two years, but God has been with us, guiding us and helping us, and through the Holy Spirit we have continued to do his work. Our future is now clearer but we must not sit back and be complacent. We must continue as a united Church, working together to show the love of God for all mankind.

Peter Frowley



The Midland Sinfonia Friday 1st December St Laurence Church, Alvechurch

Concert by Candlelight

Handel – Water Music Suite in F Mozart – Exultate Jubilate Dvořák – Nocturne Haydn – Symphony No.43 'Mercury' Lizzie Ryder, soprano



Tickets: on the door £14.50, in advance £13 from 'Gin & Pickles', The Square, Alvechurch or online at www.midlandsinfonia.co.uk FT students and schoolchildren accompanying an adult **FREE**

For more information: midlandsinfonia@gmail.com or 0121 447 7040



St Mary's Church

St Mary's is a countryside Church located in Lower Bentley.

St Mary's is licensed to Publish Banns and for the

Solemnization of Marriage.

St Mary's is ideal for small, intimate weddings, being able to accommodate up to fifty guests.

For further information contact

Jane Hall, Parish Clerk on 07980 358252 or email: contact@tardebiggechurch.org.uk





News from School

Already it's half term and we've recently had our parents' evenings, giving the opportunity for parents/guardians to discuss their child's progress with their teacher. On 8th November we have our open day, when we welcome prospective parents to the school whose children are due to start school in September 2018. During open day our Year 4 pupils who are keen ambassadors, give visitors a guided tour of the school; in the evening our school governors come along to show the prospective parents around.

You may be interested to know how maths is currently being taught. We have recently adopted a method called 'Singapore Maths', developed in Singapore and its emphasis is to teach pupils to solve problems; they learn to think mathematically as opposed to reciting formulas they don't understand. The 'Maths - No Problem!' is a series of textbooks and workbooks written to meet the requirements of the 2014 English National Curriculum and is the only textbook recommended by the Department of Education's expert panel for schools on the mastery programme.

We celebrated Harvest Festival in our Friday assembly 13th October and each class sang a harvest song. We were very proud of our children; their singing was amazing and lots of parents gave positive feedback on the performances. Thanks go to those who generously gave items of non-perishable food; these have been donated to the Catshill and Marlbrook

Foodbank based at Catshill Baptist Church.

We look forward to sharing our plans for Christmas celebrations in the next edition of the magazine.

Jane Hall

Contact details:

Telephone: 01527 872886

Email: office@tardebigge.worcs.sch.uk Website: www.tardebigge.worcs.sch.uk

Head Teacher: Julie Cutler













Fellowship
at the
Harvest Lunch
8th October



James Giles and Sons Ltd Est. 1916

The Complete Funeral Directors



01527 872318 jamesgilesandsonsltd.co.uk



24 Stourbridge Road, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire B61 OAE



We were privileged to have Epiphany perform at Tardebigge Church in September. Most of the musicians play in leading orchestras. Not only were we entertained by a quality programme of popular classics but the audience also found their playing very moving; a review of their performance appeared in last month's magazine.

Linda Entwistle, a member of Epiphany is inspired to write her own songs and she sang the following at the concert. (Linda lost her husband in a tragic accident three years ago).

I was born to love

I was born to be a lover – an admirer of all worthy things
And I want to be a companion of creation – supporter of the life it brings
And beyond the stars the lover of mankind calls every heart and mind
So he can play a part
He loves to share the rhythm of our heart

I was made for love
I was made to be the lover I know I was designed to be
So I try to be a friend to everybody no matter how they are with me
And I try to live for what is good and right in my lover's sight
But should I ever fall I know I am supported by his love

When you have a moment sit and think about who you want to be
How do you feel about yourself?
It matters that we're cared for; never think that we should be alone
As soon as we're born we need a home

I was made for life
And life was made for living – I will enjoy each single breath
And with each new day I'm closer to fulfilling my purpose and my destiny
And then on that day when everything will change and all will seem so strange
Though in a different place
I will see my lover face to face





Letter from the Bishop of Dudley By Rt Revd Graham Usher

Recently I made my first visit to the National Memorial Arboretum near Lichfield. It's a place of memory and hope, and I was particularly struck by the main memorial to those members of the armed forces who have died since 1945. Names are carved on about two thirds of the stone walls; sons and daughters, husbands and wives, mums and dads, who never came home. I found myself running a hand along the smooth wall for future years and wondered whose names would be there. I pondered to myself what pain was still to come, what tears and bloodshed, bullets and bombs? Oh, if only we could learn to make plough shares and pruning hooks. How, I wondered, could I make a difference towards building a little part of more peaceable world?

In 1940 a young twenty-five year old left his native Switzerland and moved to France wanting to make a difference. For years he had been ill with tuberculosis, and during that long convalescence the call to create a community had matured within him. At the height of the Second World War, Brother Roger, as he became known, realised that he could build a little part of a more peaceable world by assisting refugees.

He settled in the small Burgundy village of Taizé, close to the demarcation line dividing France in two, and it was there that he, together with one of his sisters, began sheltering refugees, including Jewish people. There was no running water, just the village well, and food was scarce.

Brother Roger's parents, knowing that their son and daughter were in danger, asked a retired French officer who was a friend of the family to watch over them. In the autumn of 1942, he warned them that their activities had been found out and that everyone should leave at once. So until the end of the war, it was in Geneva that Brother Roger lived and it was there that he began a common life with his first brothers. They were able to return to Taizé in 1944.

Since then Brother Roger's ecumenical community has grown to around 100 brothers. Each summer they are joined by thousands of young adults to spend a week seeking communion with God in prayer, singing, silence and reflection. Young people who spend time there often rediscover an inner peace, a meaning to life and a new impetus. Experiencing a simple life shared with others reminds us that daily life is the place where Christ is waiting for us.

Next July I am going to be leading a pilgrimage, together with the Bishop of Southampton in the Diocese of Winchester, to Taizé. I warmly invite 18 to 25 year olds to join me, but all of us can play a part in this pilgrimage. Please share this page with young people who you know, pray that they might respond to this invitation and please consider whether you or your PCC might sponsor one or more young people to go (it will cost around £200 per person). Do please let me know and I would be happy to send a personal invitation. My prayer is that this pilgrimage will encourage a generation of young people in their Christian life and witness as together we sing a song for peace.

Future Promise

When we're burdened down with worries,
When life seems full of care,
Comes the promise of a Saviour
That He hears each whispered prayer,
Our troubles will be eased we'll find,
Our hearts more trouble free
With the surety of a future
Where the best is yet to be.

'Tis said we gain experience
With the passing of the years
Having known happiness and pain,
Much joy awash with tears,
Memories bind the past and present
With a heartfelt certainty
That the future beckons with the promise
That the best is yet to be.

L M Wadlow



Memorial Bench at Tardebigge

Remembering Nancy and Leonard Goodall at their memorial bench in the churchyard 1st October, are their children.

Pictured: (Standing) Joanna Cronin (Seated: Left to Right) Clare Hawkins, Elizabeth Groves & Stephen Goodall

VANCY & LEONARD GOODALL
WHO SO LOVED THIS PLACE

Registers

Baptisms

Oct 15 Oscar Reuben BROWN

Rose Emilia BROWN

Jacob Joshua Peter COLLINS



Funerals

Oct 16 Josephine Ann THOMPSON



	Side	Flowers		
Nov 5	11.00am 6.00pm	E Price <i>and</i> P Hopkins P Hopkins	Vivien Mackenzie	
Nov 12	8.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	D Hall G Price <i>and</i> L Parkes M Price	Remembrance - (Team)	
Nov 19	11.00am 6.00pm	J Oldaker <i>and</i> P Hopkins P Hopkins	Noreen Hall	
Nov 26	8.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	G R Underhill P Hopkins <i>and</i> D Stubbings T Powell	Advent - (No flowers)	

Services at Tardebigge & Lower Bentley

"Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, But encouraging one another" Hebrews 10: 24-25a

Sunday 5th November

9.30am Café Church in the Church Hall (breakfast from 9am)

11.00am Traditional Morning Prayer 6.00pm Traditional Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 12th November

8.00am Holy Communion
9:30 Service of Remembrance (St Mary's)
10.45am Service of Remembrance
6.00pm Traditional Evensong



Sunday 19th November

11.00am Holy Communion **and Sunday Funday**6.00pm Traditional Evensong

Sunday 26th November

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Worship for ALL
11.00am Traditional Holy Communion (BCP)
6.00pm Traditional Evensong







27th November - Lily Bedford

Bible Word Search: TRUST IN THE LORD (PROVERBS 3:5-6 NIV)

UWVKIXMO Q S P Τ Ρ Ρ В R 0 J RRL RXHRB J Ι 0 YE S AAL Τ IJ GC RI E JAV J Ι O D G S J R P Y H A S OKV V C Τ K Y F I ΥE AAU I D X D Τ S S O N Α P G WJ F F C Н N D P Ζ ΑN L Τ Ρ K Ν Ι SWC C Ι Α Μ Χ Ν Ρ Τ G Η L Н G F R Р F U Z D T L Q H Z O W C G X E O

ACKNOWLEDGE	HEART	LEAN
LORD	PATHS	STRAIGHT
TRUST	UNDERSTANDING	WAYS

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV) "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding: in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."

Instructions:

Find and circle the words from the list. Words may be forward, backward, vertical, or diagonal within the puzzle.

© Memory-Improvement-Tips.com

You may copy & distribute this word search without restriction as long as this copyright notice remains in place.

Sudoku

	4					5	6	
	3	9			8		7	- 10
7		0	2	5		. 1		10
3	1				6	7		. 88
		5		7		1		
		6	4				8	9
				9	7			2
	2		8			6	5	
	8	1					9	

3	9	2	8	5	1	6	7	4
6	8	7	4	2	3	1	9	5
4	5	1	9	7	6	2	8	3
5	6	9	2	3	4	8	1	7
2	3	8	7	1	5	4	6	9
1	7	4	6	9	8	5	3	2
9	1	6	3	4	2	7	5	8
8	2	3	5	6	7	9	4	1
7	4	5	1	8	9	3	2	6

Solution next month

Last month's solution

© memory-improvement-tips.com



Registered charity no. 1012868

www.cherishfund.org.uk

The Cherish Fund is a UK based charity which has the provision of education for African children and young people as its primary objective.

The charity is also helping to support a clinic in Uganda; many of the patients are disabled children from local villages.

Your support would be very much appreciated!



RCA SERVICES



36 YEARS



HEATING ELECTRICAL PLUMBING GAS · OIL · LPG

All Makes of Boiler Serviced & Repaired Domestic Heating & Plumbing Radiator & Boiler Powerflush Cleaning Fuseboards · Sockets · Lighting Thermal Storage Systems and AGA's

All Work Guaranteed



Fully Insured 01527 834 953 07976 270 240



www.rcaservices.co.uk



Approved Contractor





Tardebigge Community Hall

This new, superbly equipped building, large hall, committee room and modern kitchen, is available for hire. Suitable for wedding receptions, parties, and meetings.

For further information, please contact Lynn Denyer

Tel: 07763 446902



Professional gardening services - all work considered, including:

- . Lawn Mowing . Hedge Cutting
- . General Weeding . Border Maintenance
- . Small Trees

Fully insured, CRB checked - reliable service guaranteed For a free quote contact Matthew Massey

Tel. 01527 836149 / Mobile: 07875 973601 Email: mgoservices@yahoo.co.uk

OAP + DISABLED **NEED A NEW BOILER?** DISCOUNTS **UP TO 10 YEARS' GUARANTEE** 5 YEARS' FREE SERVICING H EVERY NEW WORCESTER BOSCH BOILER

Order your Worcester Bosch Boiler NOW from your local Worcester Bosch accredited showroom and receive: FREE servicing for 5 years worth £350.

All Worcester Bosch Boilers also include a minimum 7 years and up to 10 years parts and labour guarantee.

TYPICALLY £1000 CHEAPER THAN THE LEADING BRAND!

Other boilers available from £1100 + vat. fitted

7 rad full installs from £2500 + vat

- Call us for an appointment for your free written quotation.
- f newboilershowroom
- @boilershowroom



FREE Advice & Quotes



or visit **newboilershowroom.co.uk**



ALL YOU NEED UNDER ONE ROOF

· OAP & Disabled Discounts · Domestic & Commercial · Competitive Prices

Aspects

Plumbing

- Leaks & overflows
- Tanks & Cylinders
- Taps & Toilets
- Sinks & Showers

Central Heating

- Gas Oil & LPG
- · Combi, Conventional & System Boiler Installation
- Repairs & Servicing
- Powerflushing

All Aspects

- · Drains, Sinks, Toilets Unblocked
- High pressure Water Jetting
- Camera Surveys
- Excavation Work

All Aspects

Gas Services

- · Fires, Cookers & Waterheaters
- Repairs & Servicing
- Landlord Certificates
- Installations

Call 01527 539 478 or go online! www.AllAspectsUK.co.uk





Tardebigge Court

A unique retail and business park of specialist shops, trades and services

- ~ fitted furniture, upholstery, haberdhashery
- ~ fireplaces and stoves
- ~ cake decorating classes
- ~ wedding dresses, shoes, flowers and stationery
- ~ designer and prescription eyewear
- ~ memorial and keepsake jewellery
- ~ sports clothing and equipment
- ~ hair and beauty salon, gents barbers
- ~ sports injury physiotherapy and massage
- ~ musical instruments and tuition
- ~ horse equipment and feed, canine massage
- ~ motor and building services
- ~ Alestones real ale micropub
- ~ and the New Tardebigge Court Café

Plenty of free parking

For more details visit www.tardebiggecourt.co.uk

Tardebigge Court, Hewell Lane, Tardebigge, Worcs B97 6QW



Huntleys Funeral Services

A life well remembered lives on.



A funeral is a time to say goodbye and to remember the life of a person you love. It's our privilege to be at your side.

You can talk to us any time, day or night or for further information visit us at

huntleysfunerals.co.uk

58 Ipsley Street, Smallwood Redditch B98 7AE 01527 62106

funeralpartners.co.uk



Funeral Portners



Garden Centre

Opening hours Mon-Fri 9 to 5, Sat 10 to 4

Woodwork Packing / assembly Landscaping / maintenance

Support your local charity which offers people with special needs the opportunity to experience the real world of work

Wellesbourne Close, Easemore Road, Redditch B98 8ER (01527 69955)



A. Pullen

MEMORIALS

Additional Inscriptions & Renovations

All work is to the highest standard and carried out at our workshop

Showroom and Workshop

338 Alcester Road, Burcot Bromsgrove B60 1BH

Tel: (01527) 876200

Email: apullenmemorials@hotmail.co.uk



MEMORIAL MASON

St. Bartholomew's, Church Lane, Tardebigge, B60 3AH

Directory

St. Mary's, High Elms Lane, Lower Bentley, B60 4JA

Church Wardens

Chris Milton, 86 Finstall Road, Bromsgrove, B60 3BX (01527 871132 & 07825 749767) cmilton@btinternet.com

Dean Hall, 73 Appletree Lane, Redditch, B97 6TD (07985 165168) deanrehall@gmail.com

Reader & Sacristan	Raymond Hopkins	01527 67099
Treasurer	Kate Healey	07583 607094
Treasurer	,	0/383 00/094
	kate@katehealey.co.uk	
PCC Secretary	Vivien Mackenzie	07727 293664
Parish Clerk &	Jane Hall	07980 358252
Electoral Roll Officer	janeehall73@gmail.com	
Choir Master	Robert Barnett	01527 542491
Organist	Dudley Fowkes	
Safeguarding Officer &	Kay Middleton	07867 492938
Sunday Funday	kmi@northbromsgrove.worcs.sch.uk	
Central Communications	c/o Jane Hall	07980 358252
(Magazine & Enquiries)	contact@tardebiggechurch.org.uk	
Envl. Scheme & Gift Aid	Lucy Parkes	01527 871132
Magazine Distribution	Jane & Sally Oldaker	0121 445 1844
Sidesman's Secretary	Pat Hopkins	01527 67099
Sexton	Michael Price	01527 544152
St. Mary's Church,	Marion Wormington	01527 880666
Lower Bentley	Michael Sansom	01527 83686
Tardebigge First School	Headteacher: Julie Cutler	01527 872886
Church Hall Bookings	Angela Rigby	01527 872174
Community Hall	Lynn Denyer	07763 446902
Bentley Village Hall	June Brazier	01527 403950

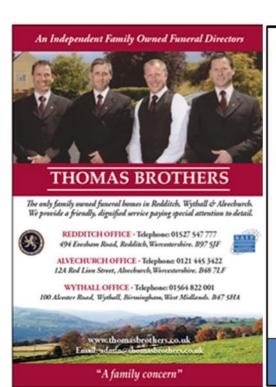
Clergy Team

Incumbent/Team Rector: Rev. Richard Clark
The Vicarage, Webheath, Redditch B97 5PD
(01527 543967 & 07970 8234620 trhtredditch@gmail.com

Rev. Allison Davies (Assistant Curate) (01527 60892)

Rev. Paul Irving (Team Vicar, St. Leonard's, Beoley & Education) (01527 435683)

Rev. Paul Lawlor (01527 62375) (Rural Dean, Team Vicar, St. Stephen's & Town Centre Chaplain)



JONATHAN SPROULE AND SONS LTD (Master Builders)



SPECIALISTS IN INDIVIDUAL CHARACTER, TIMBER FRAME & PERIOD PROPERTIES 20 Years Experience

HOUSE EXTENSIONS. RENOVATIONS
CONVERSIONS & ALTERATIONS
BARN CONVERSIONS
TIMBER / OAK FRAMED GARAGES



07973 445048 & 07976 826065 FAX: 01527 821452

Advertise in the Magazine

Annual or monthly rates (annual shown below) 50% discount for charities

Format	Cost				
Black & White - full page	£100.00				
Black & White 1/2 page	£ 75.00				
Black & White 1/4 page	£ 50.00				
Black & White 1/8th page	£ 30.00				
Colour - full page	£100.00				
Colour - inside cover	£100.00				
Colour 1/2 page	£ 75.00				
Colour 1/4 page	£ 50.00				
Colour 1/8 th page It you are interested please	£ 30.00				
If you are interested please	call Dean				
Hall on 07985 165168 or email your					
advert to us:					

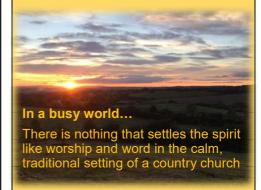
contact@tardebiggechurch.org.uk

Evensong



From the Book of Common Prayer Every 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday at 6pm

St. Bartholomew's Church,
Tardebigge







Tutnall Hall is an 18th century Georgian house with fabulous landscape gardens and views over Worcestershire, and is home to 35 residents.

Tutnall Hall

Spring View Care

A high quality local nursing home

At Tutnall Hall, we provide small homely environments where our residents are at the heart of everything we do. It is our aspiration to provide nursing homes where we ourselves would be happy to stay.

















Tutnall Hall: Tutnall Lane, Tutnall, Bromsgrove B60 1NA Tel: 01527 875 854 Website: www.springviewcare.co.uk Email: mercy@springviewcare.co.uk