

# CLEEVE PRIOR NEWSLETTER



St. Luke the Physician's Day  
18 October

# OCTOBER 2020

## The Benefice of the East Vale and Avon Villages

October. The nights are drawing in fast, and the cold winter weather is just around the corner. But in the bleakness and the dark, there are reasons to celebrate. For one, the month culminates in All Hallows' tide - Halloween (All Hallows Eve), All Saints' Day, and All Souls' Day. Three days to remember all those who have gone before us. Those whose stories we know. Those whom we have loved. Everyone who has had an impact on each of us, and who have helped us grow into the people we are today.

But before we get to All Saints, we have **St Luke's Day**, in the middle of the month – on the 18<sup>th</sup>. In the middle of a pandemic, celebrating the feast day of the patron saint of physicians seems particularly fitting, as we recognise and give thanks for the work of the NHS and medical scientists. Bright lights shining in the darkness of the pandemic. In the last few months we've realised, as a nation – and world – that we haven't always recognised the 'key workers' in our society. Perhaps now, as we approach All Saints' Day, other questions that we could each ask ourselves are, 'Who are the key people in *my* life?' 'Who has shone brightly for me, in my dark moments of need?'

Some of these people we will have known personally. Others we might only know from their legacy, or through stories told about them. All Hallows' tide gives us a particular opportunity to ask ourselves, about these people who have been saints in our lives, 'What have we learned from them, and what might we learn?' And then perhaps even, 'How can we shine as lights in the dark times of other people's lives?'

*Fr Timothy Hupfield*  
Assistant Curate

# St Andrew's Church

## Services at St Andrew's for October

As we strive to return to some normality we are able to announce the following services for October

At the time of going to press, only one service is arranged for St Andrew's during the month. If and when another service is organised notices will be placed on the two church notice boards

Sunday 18 October, St.Luke's Day, **9.30 am**. Morning Prayer

As we try to keep within the guidelines we will be adhering to the rules on social distancing, which means that seating will be limited to 20 maximum, so be sure to arrive early.

**Please note the start time of the service on 18 October is 9.30 am.**

Please refer to the Benefice notice of where other services are being held during the month.

For private prayer and meditation, the church will be open from 11.00am until 1.00pm on Wednesdays and Sundays.

For the time being The Rotas for church cleaning and Church flowers are suspended.

Revd Philip Morton, The Vicarage, High Street, Badsey, Evesham  
Worcs WR11 7EJ 01386 832599

### **Churchwardens**

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### **Safeguarding in our Benefice**

Benefice Safeguarding Officer – Lisa Farmer Tel.01386 40401 ,

Safeguarding Advocate – Elizabeth Spencer Tel. 01789 720078

For enquiries concerning Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals contact the Benefice administrator, Wendy Stafford. Tel. 01386 424728

## Services in the Benefice during October

Date	Time	Service	Church
Sunday 4th	9:30am	Morning Prayer	South Littleton
		Harvest Festival	
	11:00am	Eucharist	Bretforton
Sunday 11th	9:30am	Morning Prayer	Badsey
		Harvest Festival	
	11:00am	Eucharist	Offenham
Sunday 18th	9:30am	Morning Prayer	Cleeve Prior
St Luke's Day	11:00am	Eucharist	South Littleton
Sunday 25th	9:30am	Morning Prayer	Bretforton
	11:00am	Eucharist	Badsey

## Volunteers, October 2020

As the numbers of cases of Covid 19 are unfortunately rising, you may find yourself having to self-isolate because either you or a family member have symptoms, you may be in quarantine following a holiday – whatever the circumstances we are here to help. Volunteers follow government guidance and practise social distancing so will support you safely.

**To access help from the volunteers** please contact either  
Susan Robinson: call 01789 491380; text or WhatsApp 07880 493600;  
Email – [paulj.robinson@btinternet.com](mailto:paulj.robinson@btinternet.com)  
Iain MacDonald: 07826 866775 call, text or WhatsApp  
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# NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL



For those of you who are not aware, my name is Kevin Riley and I have the great pleasure of being the Interim Head here at Cleeve Prior Primary School. I know that over her time as Headteacher here, Mrs Newbury had a wonderful time working with the children of the village and I am sure that it will be the same for me. It has certainly been a busy start to the new academic year here at Cleeve Prior Primary School. Whilst the ongoing Covid situation has had an impact on the school and how we operate, I am delighted to report that the children have returned to full-time schooling very well. There have been lots of happy faces around school (children and parents!) and the staff have been working hard to make sure that the new systems and arrangements we have been working to have been set in motion successfully.

It has been a delight to start to get to know the children and parents here and I look forward to working with them to provide an exciting and interesting educational experience.

Sadly, many of the events that would normally happen during our school year cannot go ahead but I was very pleased that we were able to visit St Andrew's on Thursday 24th September for our annual Harvest Service. Unfortunately, we were unable to invite parents to attend but, nevertheless, the children had a great time. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our collection for Caring Hands in The Vale.

I look forward to meeting more of you in the future and to sharing more developments here at Cleeve Prior School over the coming months.

Warm regards,

*Kevin Riley*, Interim Head of School



## *Cleeve Prior Heritage Trust*

Registered Charity Number 1063291

### **News from Field Barn**

It's Autumn – get on those walking boots and explore the Heritage Trust!

After a glorious September the temperatures have dropped but there are still plenty of jobs to be done. Watch out for information on the Annual programme of Autumn Clearance. Brian says he usually manages to pick a rainy day so we always have a backstop date!!!

It's a lovely time of year to get out for a walk - if you have never done the Greenlink walk why not give it a go? Maybe you have never visited the Top Wood at the Trust where the poetry walk will be sited – do go and have a look.

### **The Sanctuary**

I am always amazed how many people have never been into the Sanctuary which is situated just off Quarry Lane through the gate on your left, opposite the entrance to the Millennium Green. This is a lovely quiet space with plenty of interest with the Bird Hide, pond and all the poetry/quotation boards, which have an environmental theme. There are a couple of benches so take a flask and enjoy some quiet time. We have just ordered a memorial plaque to Reg Taylor for one of the benches. Reg owned and worked the area of land known as South Booby's Close. It was sold by his family to the Trust after Reg's death age 90 and this fulfils a promise made to his family that he would be remembered.

Volunteers are always needed for a variety of tasks so get in touch if you are interested and have a few hours to spare. If you have a background in marketing, education or the environment, do please get in touch to assist with current projects.

Safe working practices with social distancing are being actively managed for our hard-working Tuesday morning volunteers, and I am sure they would appreciate a few more helpers. We are a friendly bunch and it's a great place to spend a few hours out in the fresh air. If you are interested to learn more about Volunteering please contact Brian Taylor, on 773075

*Gina Carr, Trustee*

## **Dahlia blooms for charity**

For the last two weekends I've been selling bunches of dahlias to raise money for charity.

Weather permitting (hopefully no frosts on the horizon), I'll do a final sale on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of October.

I will leave the flower bunches in tubs under the tree in our front garden in the morning. Help yourself to a bunch or two in exchange for a donation of £4.

Either put cash through our letter box, which will be donated to the CP Church Roof Appeal, or alternatively make a donation to my justgiving page supporting the Stratford food bank, just type 'Justgiving Peter's Birchfield vegetable plot' into your browser to find the page.

Thanks for your support

*Peter Byrne*  
Birchfield, Mill Lane

## **Jan's Charity Walk**

On 13 September I, together with a close friend, started our attempt to walk the 300 miles of the Cornish Coast Path, expecting it to take one month.

This is in memory of my 19 year old granddaughter, Lottie, who passed away last year at the tragically young age of 19, and to say a huge thank you to the Myton Hospice where she was cared for so magnificently. Nothing was too much trouble for the staff - they were simply incredible and continue to support Lottie's parents and brother.

We would be delighted to receive any sponsorship, no matter how small, as the Myton Hospice survives 100 per cent by charitable donations.

Donations can be made via the Just Giving website:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/janstewart1>

Alternatively by cheque payable to Myton Hospice, to my address: Clarendon House, Mill Lane. Thank you so much.

Update: After week one, I unfortunately sustained a leg injury. My amazing walking partner Joy is continuing to walk the coast path alone until I am able to rejoin her after some rest time. Our challenge is now coming under the heading of "Team Lottie"

*Jan Stewart*

## **Cleeve Prior Ramblers**

Unfortunately the new Covid restrictions and the emphasis being laid on adherence to the rules means it is impractical to plan any more rambles until the restrictions are eased.

*Peter Wilson*

## **Perkins Educational Foundation**

**A reminder to students aged 18 plus**, residing in the village and in further education, to make an application to the Foundation for additional funding. Completed application forms must be submitted by 15 October 2020. Consult [www.williamperkinscharity.org](http://www.williamperkinscharity.org) for details.

## **LCTKD Shibashi OnlineWorkdshop** **(<https://lctkd.com/shibashi>)**

We are running another online Shibashi (Qigong) workshop in October, on Wednesday, 14 October, 6.30 - 8 p.m.

Shibashi is a kind of flowing Qigong, which looks a lot like Tai Chi, but doesn't take up quite so much space and is easy to learn. You do it from the comfort of your own home, so you don't need to travel and you don't need to worry about lockdowns and social distancing. The workshop costs just £15 and you don't have to be one of our current subscribers to attend - tell your friends!

It's all explained with a nice little video on our website (address above).

Take care and stay safe,

Neil R. Hall,  
LCTKD Chief Instructor  
Email: [office@lctkd.com](mailto:office@lctkd.com)

## *Tree of Light 2020*

### *Remembering loved ones this Christmas*

Every year, the Rotary Tree of Light is there for people to remember loved ones whilst donating to charity. Over 20 years, around £250,000 has been raised for many local charitable causes which provide a much-needed service in and around Evesham. Details of charities supported to date are listed on our website.

As Covid-19 has had a major effect on the work and finances of all our local charities, your donations this year will be to support those which are most seriously affected.



### **Supporting Local Charities**

Naturally, we would be delighted if you would consider being involved in supporting the Tree of Light this year. You can do this by visiting our website and clicking on the **'Tree of Light'** page.

Complete the form and either donate online or print the form and post it to us at **Evesham Rotary**, PO Box 318, Evesham, WR11 9EX or ring 07764 528044 for a Donation Form.

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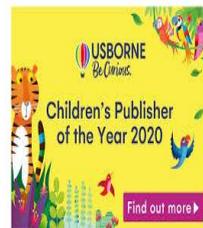
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Friday, 12 till 3pm, 5 till 10pm

Saturday: 12noon till 10pm

Sunday: 12noon till 5pm



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Please don't put us in the position where we have to refuse entry. This is a Government rule we need to follow to help keep everyone safe.

If you would like to book a table for food, please call 01789 601706.

See you all very soon,  
Donna, Henry and the team

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