

Benefice Services November 2021

- 7th 10.00am Benefice Holy Communion Clipston (also on Zoom)
6.00pm Evensong Marston Trussell
6.00pm Evensong Welford
- 14th **Remembrance Sunday**
9.30am Remembrance Service Naseby
10.00am Remembrance Service Welford
10.45am Remembrance Service Marston Trussell
10.55am Remembrance Services Clipston (War Memorial - Chapel)
3.00pm Remembrance Service Sibbertoft
6.00pm Holy Communion Welford
- 21st 9.30am Holy Communion Haselbech
10.00am Benefice Hybrid Service Welford (also on Zoom)
11.00am Holy Communion Marston Trussell
3.00pm Forest Church
- 28th **Advent Sunday**
9.30am Holy Communion Kelmarsh
9.30am Morning Prayer Sibbertoft
10.00am All Age Service Clipston
6.00pm Advent Lessons and Carols Welford

WELFORD CHURCH

Saint Mary's Church is open every day for visiting and prayer

Mothers Union Communion

Will take place on Wednesday November 3rd
At 10.00am

November 2021

All Saints, Naseby All Saints, Clipston St Michael's Haselbech

St Denys Kelmarsh

The time is always right ...

The Magazine

*...to do what is right
Martin Luther King Jr.*

Welford Congregational Chapel

St Helen's Sibbertoft St Mary The Virgin, Welford St Nicholas' Marston Trussell

Haselbech, Kelmarsh
Marston Trussell, Naseby,
Welford, Sibbertoft & Clipston

News & Views

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United Benefice of Clipston, Haselbech, Kelmarsh, Marston Trussell, Naseby, Sibbertoft and

Welford

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SIBBERTOFT

Dates for the Diary

Remembrance Sunday 14th November—3pm at War Memorial
19th December—Carol Service at 4.00pm
Christmas Day— Service at 9.30am

	Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesmen
28/11 OT	Viv Arrowsmith	Kairen Ball	Viv Arrowsmith
	NT Cynthia Bailey		

WELFORD

	Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesmen
7/11 6.00pm	1st J Horner 2nd C Horner	S Bevin	G Newman
14/11 10.00am	TBA	TBA	TBA
21/11 10.00am	TBA	TBA	TBA
28/11 6.00pm	TBA	TBA	TBA

WELFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

Services at 10.45am

	Preacher	Flowers
Sunday 7th	Rev Barry Osborne	Mrs J Bale
Sunday 14th	Armistice Sunday	Mrs M Curtin
Sunday 21st	Paul Baxter	Mrs S Lees
Sunday 28th	Mavis Adshead	Mrs P Lane

PSALMS AND READINGS



7th November – 3rd Sunday before Advent

Psalm 46, v 1 to 7
1st Jonah 3, v 1 to 5 and 10
2nd Hebrews 9, 24 to end

Gospel **Mark 1 v14-20**

14th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent; **Remembrance Sunday**

Psalm 23
1st Daniel 12, v 1 to 3
2nd Hebrews 10, 11 to 14 and 19 to 25

Gospel Mark 13, 1 to 8

21st November – Sunday before Advent, **Christ the King**

Psalm 24
1st Daniel 7 vs 9- 10, 13 and 14
2nd Revelation 1, 4b to 8

Gospel **John 18, 33 to 37**

28th November – 1st Sunday of Advent

Psalm 122
1st Jeremiah 33, 14 to 16
2nd 1 Thessalonians 3, 9 to end

Gospel Luke 21, 25 to 36

Any items for the December edition should be sent on or before 15th. November
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Dear Friends,

As I sit down to write this article I have just returned from the benefice Holy Communion service at Clipston. The final Hymn we sang was ' All creatures of our God and King, written by William Henry Draper and based on St. Francis of Assisi's Canticle of the Sun. Tomorrow is the feast day of St. Francis who founded the Franciscan Order. There is something fundamentally moving about the way that St. Francis gave up everything to follow Christ's calling on his life, and how he viewed creation. Everything for St. Francis is interconnected, all living creatures, plants, the sun, moon, and stars, which he would address as brothers and sisters, a gift from God that helps us to gain valuable insight into God's character. Creation reveals God's glorious majesty and sings his praises, which the opening verse of Draper's hymn captures perfectly "*All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice with us and sing, alleluia, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beam, though silver moon with softer gleam: O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.....*"

I cannot think of a better time of year to reflect on St. Francis's canticle and get outside into creation. The nights are drawing in, the temperature is dropping, the autumnal leaves are changing colours and painting a beautiful kaleidoscope of colours on the landscape. Even though many days are grey, wet and overcast, on a clear crisp morning when the sun is out and the birds are singing I cannot fail to see Gods glorious majesty which speaks into my heart and soul and brings with it healing. Indeed many of us have taken the opportunity to get outside more regularly over the past 18 months and found those daily walks a lifeline for our mental health and well-being. With the uncertainty of what may lay ahead over the winter months, I would like to encourage you to take a leaf out of St. Francis life and continue to venture out in creation walking with God and allowing your eyes to be open to his beautiful creation which sing his praises.

November also marks a change in the Church year as we move away from Easter and Pentecost and begin to prepare for Advent. It brings a reflective feel to the year's pattern, as it slowly draws towards its end. We mark Remembrance Sunday and the festivals of All Saints and All Souls. All of these moments invite us to think back with gratitude to those who have gone before us. This year, of course, we will remember in a particularly poignant way due to the restrictions that we have had to and continue to live through due to the pandemic. Many may still find themselves feeling raw and especially aware of their memories of loved ones and friends who are no longer with them. It's often easy to be drawn into despair at this time of year and lose hope, but there is always a ray of light and hope to hold onto which is reflected in the way many of us have found a greater sense of community and embraced the value of relationships more deeply. So let's be encouraged and follow in the footsteps of St. Francis to see the beauty of creation all around us, to open our eyes to the goodness in the world, the beauty of nature, and I believe - the love that comes from God which is revealed through creation which upholds, comforts and heals us. May the Lord continue to watch over you and keep you safe, and may his blessing and peace rest upon you and your loved ones now and always.

God Bless

Fr Kris



CHAPEL COMMENT

No!

No sun – no moon!
 No morn – no noon –
 No dawn – no dusk – no proper time of day –
 No sky – no earthly view –
 No distance looking blue –
 No road – no street – no “t’other side the way” –
 No end to any Row –
 No indications where the Crescents go –
 No top to any steeple –
 No recognitions of familiar people –
 No courtesies for showing ’em –
 No knowing ’em –
 No travelling at all – no locomotion,
 No inkling of the way – no notion –
 ‘No go’ – by land or ocean –
 No mail – no post –
 No news from any foreign coast –
 No Park – no Ring – no afternoon gentility –
 No company – no nobility –
 No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthful ease,
 No comfortable feel in any member –
 No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees,
 No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds,
 No-venber!

QUIZ FOR



1. Lewis Carroll's novel Alice's Adventures in Wonderland was published in November 1865. What was the writer's real name?
2. In November 1990 who became the first female President of Ireland
3. In November 1940 which politician became the only U.S. President to win a third term in office
4. Who became King of Spain following the death of Franco in November 1975?
5. In November of which year did Angela Merkel become the first female Chancellor of Germany? a) 2001 b) 2003 c) 2005
6. In November 1957 what was the name of the dog Russia launched into orbit around the earth?
7. What was the name of the female American sharpshooter and exhibition shooter who died in November 1926?
8. Born in November 1934, in what field of activity did Ken Rosewall achieve fame?
9. A bill creating Martin Luther King, Jr. Day was signed by which US President in November 1983
10. In which country would you find the largest circulation English language daily newspaper originally founded in November 1838?
11. Born in November 1933, Jeremy Brett is perhaps best remembered for playing which fictional detective?
12. Which play by William Shakespeare performed for the first time in November 1604 has amongst its characters, Desdemona and Iago?
13. In November 1887 which artist, famous for painting scenes of life in the industrial districts of North West England, was born?
14. Edwin (Ted) Lowe was born in November 1920, but which sport did he become the 'voice' of?
15. Which television service, the world's first "high-definition" service as defined at the time, started in 1936?



**Remembered still those souls who tried
To save the world, but many died.
A moment stolen for a tear,
As we recall those un-lived years.
The camaraderie that flew those souls back
home to those they knew,
And loved them dear and held them close
But for our sakes released to foes
The silence that they leave behind
Is space to calm the troubled minds of those
they loved
– And can't rewind.
Again this day we give our thanks
For those returned from serving ranks
And them 'as gave it all away
Forever in our minds will stay.**

Ernie Rowe 2019

FOREST CHURCH

Welcoming children (7+) and families from across the Benefice



Forest Church 3pm – 5pm on the 3rd Sunday of each month (Sunday 21st November) at our site close to Harrington

New topics and challenges every Month
Games/quiz with prizes
Story and snacks around the campfire

God – Creation – Faith – Friendship



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Contact Fr.Kris for further details: curate@nasebygroup.org

St. Thomas Charity

If you are over 65 years of age and have lived in Welford for more than 3 years you qualify for a small charity gift from the charity. If you have just become old enough to qualify or have not received a small gift just before Christmas please let Sue Nicholas know on 575422 or s.e.nicholas@btopenworld.com

And we will happily include you for this small gift.

World Day of Prayer Service

Postponed from its usual date in March due to the Covid situation this took place on Friday 1st October in Welford Congregational Chapel. Entitled “Build on a Strong Foundation” the service was prepared by the Christian women of Vanuatu and gave an insight into the history of the island and the issues they face today especially in rural communities and with education. The lovely words and music of the service encouraged us to build our lives on a strong foundation. The Ni-Vanuatu motto being “In God we stand”.

The collection of £120.00 was sent to WDP to support their work and projects run by Christian charities around the world.

Thank you all for coming and special thanks to Mary for playing and those who took part or helped in any way.

Join us on Friday 4th March 2022 for the service prepared by England, Wales & N Ireland with the theme “I know the plans I have for you”.

Rachael Heard

Harvest Lunch is back!

On Sunday 10th October, a lovely autumn day, 61 parishioners and friends gathered, once more, to enjoy a Harvest Festival lunch after all the ups and downs of lockdown. Food prepared, as usual, by a number of our ladies. Happy chattering families filled the tables and chairs and, dare I say it, there seemed to be a feeling of release and freedom after the confines of the last years.

This was held, as usual, in the Community Centre and it was so happy-making – to be able to go round and say hello to neighbours and friends. Oh! But the food! It was, as it always is, beautifully prepared and ranged from Chicken Pies, Fish Pies, Lasagne, etc., to the most mouth-watering sweets – Roulards, Fruit Pies, Sticky-toffee Puddings, etc.. How do they do it?

So – thank you ladies, and all who contributed to show that Welford is still such a friendly and caring village.

Anne Dunn

WELFORD HARVEST LUNCH

To all the people who gave pies and desserts for another successful harvest lunch I would like to say a big thank you. I only have to ask, and they miraculously appear.

Val Morson

DAD'S ARMY IS NEARLY HERE!!!

Good Neighbours Coffee Morning Tuesday November 2nd

We look forward to seeing you from 10.00-12.00 in the village hall. Open to all. A warm welcome awaits... books and jigsaws for sale – proceeds to our new charity Thomas' Fund, a local Northamptonshire charity which provides music therapy for children with life limiting conditions.

We are hoping to have tickets for sale for Betty's Christmas hamper in aid of PSP, which will be drawn in December.

You do not need to bring your own mug but we are happy if you wish to continue to do so. Please bring the right money (£1). The wearing of masks is now optional.

Jane, Sue and 'The Team'.



Remembrance Sunday at Welford 14th November 2021

With the relaxing of the Covid 19 restrictions the Service of Remembrance at Welford will return to near normal this year and will be held in the church on Sunday 14th November starting at 10.00am, followed by the wreath laying at the War Memorial.

Although there won't be a door collection this year the work of the British Legion goes on, and in its 100th anniversary year its Poppy Appeal is as important as ever. Poppies and collection boxes will be placed in the church, the Post Office, the garage and the Wharf, or donations can be made online by logging on to www.britishlegion.org.uk/poppy/appeal.

We will remember them.

At Last! After 3 postponements we are pleased to announce the return of this popular TV show. Come and see your favourite characters transformed from the small screen to Welford's famous stage. Mainwaring, Wilson, Jones, Pike etc. will all be there. Be transported to Warmington -on – Sea and see the Platoon in action. An evening not to be missed.

Don't panic! We have made a few changes to keep the cast and audience very safe.

The Village Hall will have adequate ventilation during the performances.

Hand sanitisers must be used on entry. Mask wearing is personal choice.

Everyone will be seated at tables of 4. The audience will be reduced to 40.

Table service only for hot and cold drinks, card payment is available.

The hall will be cleaned between performances.

Ticket sales will be different for this production. All sales will involve filling in a booking form available from Chris Brown, email chrisbrowny55@hotmail.co.uk or call him on 575494. General sales open on 8th November, Priority booking starts on 25th October. To become a priority booking member, email or call Chris Brown and he will add your name to the list.

Tickets are priced at £8 each or £30 for a table. Includes complimentary nibbles. There is no Gala night for this show.

PUT THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY:

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 23rd – 26th November
7.30pm Village Hall.**

Great Big Green Week is only just the beginning for Welford

A team of hard-working volunteers set about planning a whole host of events to mark this year's Great Big Green Week. Running from Thursday 16th right through to Sunday 26th September, there really was something for everyone: talks at Welford Gardening Club and Morley's Allotments, Welford Cubs and the Northants Litter Wombles getting involved in village-wide litter picks, a toy and clothing swap at Welford Babes and Tots, a variety of eco activities for children at St Mary's Church, and an enlightening self-guided walk around the village. The week concluded with a fabulous showcase event hosted at the village hall featuring stunning photographs, interesting stalls, and more suggestions for living your life that little more sustainably. Oh and let's not forget the delicious food from the FarrinHeights food truck and Sally Hayes' mouth-watering vegan cakes.

We're delighted to report that we raised a little under £270 over the course of the week and half of this money has been donated to help support the Community Garden project being run by the Eco Village in Market Harborough. The remaining funds will go towards future legacy projects here in the village, so watch this space. Please follow us on our Facebook page (Welford's Great Big Green Week) and Instagram (@GreatBigGreenWelford) for the latest news. Alternatively, please email welfordvolunteers@gmail.com to be added to our mailing list.

RECYCLING EFFORTS IN SIBBERTOFT AND WELFORD

For some time Sustainable Sibbertoft have been spearheading collection of items for recycling that prove difficult or uneconomic to process through local authorities, these have included aluminium cans and medicine blister packs. As a result of their research during Green Week, Sibbertoft will be creating new local collection points to include snack wrappers, pens, oral care and make-up/personal care products. They will be partnering with recycling experts, Terracycle. Details of collection points will be available from the village WhatsApp groups and a poster in the bus shelter.

Welford will also be joining the recycling effort with Terracycle and coordinating with Sibbertoft, collecting the same items to make best use of the combined volumes and effort. Locations of collection points will be given on the Welford Facebook page, in Welford Bugle and welfordvillage.org.uk. If any other village in the benefice would like to get involved in these recycling activities or share their experiences so far, please contact either Caroline Jackson (carojackson2@aol.com) or Bill Wright (wright22@skynet.co.uk).

We celebrated our harvest last weekend at St Nicholas with a praise service where the congregation were invited to choose their favourite harvest hymns. We collected a large amount of food for the HOPE foodbank and a plate collection raised a further generous amount for a cash donation to help this worthy cause. We particularly gave thanks for the beautiful sunflower harvest at Essex farm which we have all enjoyed seeing as we passed through from Sibbertoft to Marston, and we enjoyed showering friends and family with beautiful bouquets. Although the flowers have faded the seed heads are keeping our local birds well fed so nothing was wasted.

Our Ride and Stride event raised an amazing £1,220 for the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust. This was a combined amount raised from a sponsored bike ride, a sponsored knit, a barbeque (to feed hungry ride and striders) and generous donations.

We are progressing with work towards church restoration, and we are incredibly grateful for the support offered by Mick Morson from Welford who is helping us to navigate through the complicated process.

Sadly, over recent months we have lost 3 members of our PCC due to illness or caring commitments. We thank Amanda (Mandy) Allen, Angela Jane Bates and Diane Parton for their commitment and demanding work over the years and we are extremely glad that they remain members of our church community and continue to help us with advice and practical help where possible. Angela Jane Bates has particularly helped with Christian Aid collections and Newsletter deliveries, and we thank her for her dedication to these tasks.

If anyone would like to offer their help to the church in any capacity, then they will be welcomed with open arms!

We have a Service of Remembrance planned for 10:45am on November 14th to be led by Gordon Temple.

Our Bible reader this month is David Bates and cleaning and flowers by Jane Bates (13 Main St)

We are already looking forward to Christmas – the village hall committee are organising a Christmas fair on 4th December from 2-5pm and we are delighted to announce that the traditional service of 9 Lessons and Carols will go ahead again this year in church. It takes place at 6pm on Christmas Eve. We will be decorating the church in preparation a few days before (details to follow) so all help would be gratefully received, and we would also like to invite anyone who would like to – to volunteer to do one of the 9 Bible readings. Please let either Chris Otway 01858 289516 or Jenny Bradshaw 07989169783 know if you wish to help or be involved in any of the above.