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# The **Christian** *Link*

Dear Friends.

A new kind of hope?

As I write this I think of things I have never done on my birthday before, such as writing a pastoral letter. It's easy to think of the things I cannot do, such as the traditional going out for a meal with friends and family. However, staying in has its benefits. My daughter has baked an amazing cake and my wife is cooking a lovely birthday meal (omelette and chips, in case anyone asks). These are a couple of the many upsides to being in lockdown. Others are that friends and strangers have more time to chat, albeit from across the road. The other evening I took our dog out for what felt like an apocalyptic walk; not a single person to be seen, a strange hush that I have never felt before, only a few birds chirping in the distance to break the silence. The sound of an approaching car seemed to go on forever before it drove past. They say that when things get back to normal, it won't be the same kind of normal.

The initial response to a crisis; panic, seems to have abated somewhat as the shops restock with toilet rolls and other essentials. Shopping is a new, strange, experience; having to queue to get both in and out of the supermarket. I visited one supermarket and everyone wore a mask. I visited another and no one wore a mask. I have no idea why. I would recommend using the village shop, if you can. They seem to be better stocked, and if you don't have to drive there's a double bonus.

I find it interesting the way society responds to experts. They have been studying climate change for many years. Its real and its happening now, although mainly somewhere else, so maybe that's why most of us slept peacefully at night. Until the floods came, and took many houses and cars (including ours). We had the floods.

Australia had the fires and then somewhere in between, the virus started. It's new, it's unknown, it's never happened before and yet we listen to every word the experts tell us. Why? We don't have a choice; it's a matter of life and death. Originally we were told the old and the infirm were most at risk, but

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A crisis strikes at the very heart of humanity and humanity responds from its heart. Today, a new kind of hope and a new kind of hero is emerging. In the NHS people are literally losing their lives in order that others may live. I hope we don't forget them. It's a new kind of war and they are a new kind of hero. As are the many thousands who are flocking to volunteer to help those in need. I hope this will continue. After the initial panic, this crisis has brought out a new kind of humanity, to simply love one another. Truly, I hope this will continue.

Rex Shaw Reader Minister



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# Church News

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Fiona will be licensed on Wednesday 1st July 2020 (details to be arranged).

I am sure you will all join me in celebrating this good news and in praying for Revd Fiona and her family as they prepare to move to join us here in the Barrow and Wolds group. We pray also for the benefice where Revd Fiona currently minsters, with whom this news is also being shared today. We will look forward to the opportunity, when we can all gather together to celebrate Fiona's arrival with us and her ministry among the Barrow and Wolds group of churches.

In my recent messages to you all I have spoken of the hope that we have in Jesus Christ, of the light that cannot be extinguished and of the joy that is to be found with God, even in the darkest of times. I believe that this wonderful news is a reminder of the plans that God has for our group of churches and of his calling to us all to serve him in this place, a reminder of God's love, light, hope and joy at this

With my continued prayers for Revd Fiona and for you all, I wish you every blessing,

> Revd Clive R Watts Priest in Charge Barrow and Wolds Group

## A message in light of Coronavirus (COVID 19).

We have all seen and heard much in the news recently about the spread of Coronavirus and the impact this is having on individuals and communities. As I sit and write this we are working to formulate contingency plans for our churches, and there are more uncertainties and unanswered

questions than there are answers. This uncertainty has led to worry, and fear for many people.

In the midst of this fear and uncertainty our faith in God offers us hope. Jesus gives us the reassurance of his presence with us at all times saying; "remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:20) It is often said that the Bible tells us to not be afraid, or not to fear, 365 times, once for every day of the year. The prophet Isaiah recorded God's words, *"Do not fear, for I have* redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour." (Isaiah 43:1-3) Whilst it is natural to be fearful when we read our newspapers or watch the TV news bulletins, it is reassuring to know that no matter what is happening in our world, despite our concerns over Coronavirus, and in times of adversity and sickness, God is there with us, walking alongside us, and offering us the comfort of his redeeming love and saving grace. As we face Coronavirus it is good to remember the words of St Paul "Nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither [...] our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow [...] indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39)

Whilst we have seen some selfish and irresponsible behaviour in response to this situation, such as the panic buying of household products and some food stuffs, I have been encouraged by the many generous and positive steps that people have taken. Neighbours have been looking out for one another, notes have been put through doors offering help if it is needed, communities are coming together to ensure that the most vulnerable members of society are cared for and supported through this situation. Jesus constantly reminded us of the need to "love one another" or to "love your neighbour as yourself" (John 13:35, Mark12:31), and his message of care and concern for the sick, the vulnerable and the suffering is as important as ever in light of this pandemic. It is heart-warming to see so many people putting their Christian faith into action and caring for their neighbours at this difficult time.

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have written to all clergy regarding Coronavirus, in their letter they said...

> We want to assure you all of our prayers and thoughts as across the country, communities consider what steps they can take to care and support one another. [...] May we also pray for all those working in our health service and in leadership roles. We are grateful for their dedication, expertise and hard work. As we journey

# News Items and Adverts for next issue

# Deadline date for the June issue is Monday 11th May. Items submitted after the Deadline Date may not be included in the Link.

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PAGE 4 **Christian Link**  through this season of Lent we are all aware of the challenges that face us day by day. Now we need to continue to work together and to pray for each other, showing compassion and resilience and above all, caring especially for those who are marginalised in our societies.

In response to Coronavirus, our prayers to God are for those who are ill with this virus and for those who care for them, especially in countries that have been most affected. We also pray for health and frontline workers as they face their daily tasks. And we remember those communities and businesses that have been affected and any people facing discrimination as a result of the virus. Please do join me in praying for those infected and affected by Coronavirus, you might like to use one of these prayers; the first is written by the Revd Sam Wells from St Martin's in the Field, London and the second is from the Church of England.

God of healing and hope, in Jesus you meet us in our places of pain and fear. Look with mercy on those who have contracted the new virus, on any who are vulnerable, and on all who feel in danger. Through this time of global concern, by your Holy Spirit bring out the best not the worst in us. Make us more aware of our interdependence on each other, and of the strength that comes from being one body in you. Through Christ our wounded healer. Amen.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

If you are self-isolating, or avoiding going to public places at the moment, you might like to try some of these online worship recourses to enable you to join in with regular worship from the comfort of your own home. More can be found on the church of England website.

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Finally, if you are fed up of singing 'Happy Birthday' to time your hand washing, you might like to try singing the chorus of 'Great is Thy Faithfulness', or 'How Great Though Art', or perhaps reciting the 'Apostles Creed' or saying the 'Lord's Prayer' twice, all of which I understand take the same amount of time.

Take care of yourselves and one-another and be assured of my prayers for all in our parishes at this difficult time.

Every blessing, Revd Clive Watts

> The Revd Clive Watts Priest in Charge, the Barrow and Wolds Group

# News from St Andrew's



Well, what can one say about April? What a world wide

concerning period we are experiencing. As one who is old enough and actually caught the Hong Kong flu in 68/69 I know how frightening that was and this is apparently far worse. Because of the enormous developments in communication we are far more aware of the situation and this adds to the feeling of helplessness and concern. As my son would say "This is a period where we must be brave" and my Mum would have said "Let's pray".

Reverend Clive is working wonders in keeping in touch with us by placing services on the internet and for anyone who feels they would like to be part of the service you can either access the website

**www.barrowandwoldsgroup.com** or if Facebook is your preference <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a> revdclive.barrowwolds.

Not much else to say really as everything has been cancelled till further notice. Please keep well and safe.

God bless.

Adena Hecks

# News from St Mary's



It has been lovely to see the beautiful daffodils in full

bloom as I have walked around the village recently. The ones growing around the church look, I think, particularly beautiful and are a reminder not only of nature continuing when all else may be pausing but also of the great community spirit within our village. There are many, many people working behind the scenes as well as on social media to make sure that people are, if they need it, being taken care of.

In terms of what has been happening at St. Mary's I can tell you that the prayer group has continued to pray together on Wednesday's via Zoom and the bell ringers have been very active in setting daily ringing challenges throughout April as well as meeting at the virtual pub after a virtual practice on Tuesday evenings. None of this quite matches meeting together in person, we know, but it helps us all to stay connected with friends and those we enjoy spending time with.

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Clive has been working tirelessly to ensure that we are supplied with Bible readings, prayers and Sunday services. This began by email and has now moved to the live streaming of services.

To view this, all you need to do is to go onto the Barrow and Wolds group page and you should find all the information you need. Our thanks go to Clive and those helping with updating the web page and teaching everyone how to use the technology. We are all becoming quite whizzy at this stuff now! Further details can be found by visiting <a href="https://www.barrowandwoldsgroup.com">www.barrowandwoldsgroup.com</a> or <a href="https://www.facebook.com/revdclive.barrowwolds">https://www.facebook.com/revdclive.barrowwolds</a>

We also have some very exciting news... an Associate Priest for the Barrow and Wolds group of churches has been appointed and will hopefully be in post from July. Revd. Clive emailed us the following announcement:

'On behalf of the Churchwardens of Barrow upon Soar with Walton le Wolds and the Churchwardens of Wymeswold and Prestwold with Hoton, I share the following announcement from Bishop Martyn, Bishop of Leicester...

#### The Revd Fiona Cotton-Betteridge

The Bishop is pleased to announce the appointment of The Revd Fiona Cotton-Betteridge, Priest-in-Charge in the Benefice of Friskney and Old Leake with Wrangle in the Diocese of Lincoln, as Associate Priest (House for Duty) in the Benefice of Barrow-on-Soar with Walton le Wolds and the Benefice of Wymeswold and Prestwold with Hoton.

Fiona will be licensed on Wednesday 1st July 2020 (details to be arranged).

Michael has been in touch with Fiona and she is very much looking forward to moving to the area and working with us soon. I am sure that she and her family will be in our prayers as she prepares to leave her old parish and move to our village.

Finally, for several years we have collected food and other essentials each week for the Carpenter's Arms. With the lockdown in place this way of supporting their work is no longer possible. To mitigate this, the PCC (Parochial Church Council) met virtually in March, and unanimously voted to donate £750 to the Carpenter's Arms in Loughborough. They have now received this money and are able to begin to put it to good use to support those in greatest need.

If there is anything we can do to support you further during this time please do feel free to contact Clive, whose various contact details can be found by visiting <a href="https://www.barrowandwoldsgroup.com">www.barrowandwoldsgroup.com</a> or myself or Michael on 880218

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We have been doing other work with the Ambulance Service but this has been very limited.

We still maintain the Wymeswold Defibrillators each month so that they are always ready for service.

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We recognise that major disruptions are taking place and a lot of pressure is being put onto both parents and school staff.

We wish everyone well and pray that you are all safe and we look forward to a great welcome back school celebration when advised we can safely reopen.

Peter Blount Co Chair of Governors

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## Update from Wymeswold Church Appeal Fund



First we'd like to bring you some wonderful news - an extremely generous anonymous donation has been made to support the essential repairs and upkeep of St Mary's Church which were identified during its routine five-year inspection (a bit like the annual MoT for cars). This, combined with your generosity in supporting WCAF fundraising events over the past year or so, means that the Fabric Committee of St Mary's Church are able to commission the necessary programme of works once we are out of "lockdown".

On the not so good news front, due to the uncertainty on social gatherings over the next few months we have cancelled this year's Safari Supper (13th June) but hope to go ahead with the Curry and Quiz on Saturday 26th September. We will keep you updated through Link and the village website.

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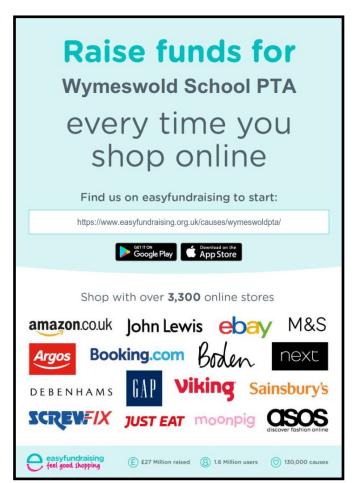
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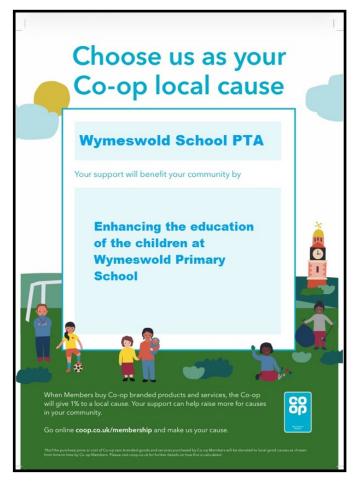
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WORD TO OUR
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# News Burton Hoton Cotes Prestwold

## Hoton, Prestwold and Cotes Village Hall



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Chris Cassell

# Burton on the Wolds Gardening Club

2020 is proving to be a year like nothing else any of us have ever experienced. We began in January with our annual lunch at Gates Nurseries near Oakham - a very enjoyable occasion for all.

Since then things haven't gone to plan - the bad weather put a stop to our snowdrop outing, originally set for February at Belton House in Lincolnshire. Then came news of Covid 19 – should we continue with our talk in March by Griselda Kerr of the Dower House at Melbourne? To be on the safe side we postponed the talk. The "Bee Lady", Sandra Hart, was due to talk to us on April 23rd but as things are getting worse

we have postponed her talk too.

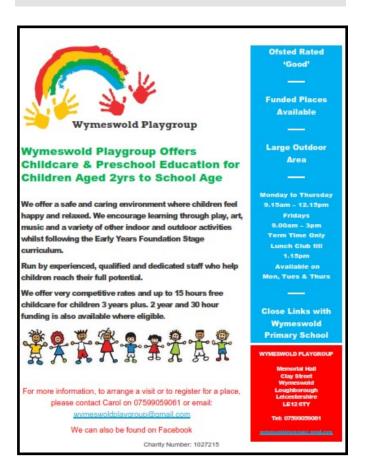
Our "big outing," the weekend coach trip to see gardens in Yorkshire has also had to be postponed, but there is a light on the horizon! We have rearranged the trip for June 4th/5th and 6th 2021- the price is the same and any deposits already paid will remain valid (We still have some places available).

We hope we'll be able to continue with the programme planned for the later part of this year but it really is a case of wait and see.

All the NGS (National Garden Scheme ) "Yellow Book" gardens that we so enjoy visiting (not least for the cups of tea and the wonderful cakes!) will be closed this year. This is devastating news for the many charities that benefit from the generous donations given to them by the NGS from the money raised by the opening of these gardens. In 2018 the NGS donated £3 million to nursing and health charities. These charities include Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice UK, Carers Trust, Queen's Nursing Institute, Parkinson's UK, Perennial, and MS Society.

If you wish to support any of these charities you can find more information at <a href="ngs.org.uk/benificiaries">ngs.org.uk/benificiaries</a>. In addition, Club members Maggie and Steve Johnson, who usually open their lovely garden in Wymeswold (Brookend) for the NGS, made a video tour of their garden this March, and intend to repeat these 'virtual tours' through the seasons. This first, very interesting video, explains the layout and history of the garden and what will develop through the coming year. It can be seen on <a href="youtube.com/watch?">youtube.com/watch?</a> <a href="https://www.enum.org/enum.o

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Wash your hands frequently for 20 seconds with soap and water and avoid touching your face. Use hand sanitiser if you are unable to wash your hands easily.

If you are over 70 or have compromised immunity the village has an excellent volunteer network which can arrange for your medication to be delivered for you, shopping to be fetched, mail posted, dogs walked...... – the number to ring is 07904 518410 or email wymeswoldhelp@gmail.com

Unfortunately we are unable to undertake all the deliveries ourselves as there just isn't enough time or staff!

So this May is the time to enjoy your gardens and the one thing we can be sure of is that hay fever season is upon us and we have good availability of antihistamine tablets and eye drops!

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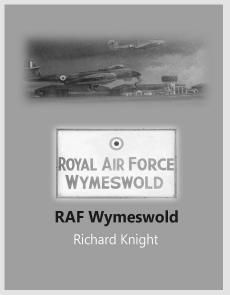
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# General News

Despite the wonderful publicity in the last *Link* sadly Richard Knight's talk about RAF Wymeswold was postponed. However Richard's fascinating history of the airfield which appeared as a PDF late last year has been revised – and extended. Because it was already



getting to be a very large file to download the revised version is in six separate parts. Part Four is entirely new, with many first-hand recollections of flying from the airfield and other activities of 504 Squadron – and, once again, many evocative photographs and other 'memorabilia'. And if this is not enough there are five YouTube videos about the airfield, the aircraft and the crews too.



The WHO's talk in May is postponed while the talk in June and walk in July are to be confirmed.

#### Things to do

While the WHO's monthly meetings are in hiatus there is plenty to do! If you've not delved into the history of the local area then there's much to be discovered from the comfort of home. The WHO web site has **over 100 web articles** going back to 1990 and about **25 PDFs** – including all four issues of The Wolds Historian.

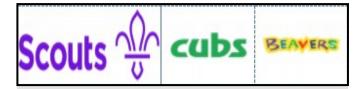
Did you know that there was once an **Especially Sacred Grove** somewhere along the Fosse Way to the east of Wymeswold?

And if all that reading is too much then there are links to several YouTube videos about the Wolds and Leicestershire more generally which I put together two years ago.

All the necessary links via **www.hoap.co.uk/who/**Advice on finding your way about is on the opening page.

Stay safe and very best wishes.

Bob Trubshaw Chair, Wolds Historical Organisation 01509 881342 bobtrubs@indigogroup.co.uk



#### The 1<sup>st</sup> Wolds Scout Group

#### We prepare young people with skills for life and now they need these more than ever.

We are certainly in challenging times and it is times like this that the importance of scouting comes to the forefront. We hope that everyone is keeping in good health and finding plenty of things to entertain families. Scouting goes on with all sections keeping in touch with their

Scouting goes on with all sections keeping in touch with their Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. We will carry on with badge work at home.

Corona has stopped us from starting back this term and our programme is on hold for a bit but we will be planning and ready for the day everything returns to 'normal'. We have postponed our AGM and a few other things. There are lots of activities on the Scout Association website for anyone to use.

#### **Proposed new Beaver Section:**

The new Beaver Colony is on temporary hold but leader recruitment continues so that we will be ready to get it all going again.

#### Scout Teddies in windows:

Just for fun, all Beavers, Cubs and Scouts have been asked to put something in their windows with the scout green and yellow necker on so passers-by can spot it and know they are members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Wolds Scout Group.

#### **Beech Party**

We are hoping that our Beech Party on 6<sup>th</sup> July will be a celebration.

#### Keep safe.

From the Scout Law the following may come in handy over this time

# A SCOUT'S DUTY IS TO BE USEFUL AND TO HELP OTHERS.

Keep smiling and stay happy. Yours in Scouting

#### The 1<sup>st</sup> Wolds Section Leaders:

# Group Scout Leader & Scout Leader: Peter Blount 01509 889692

#### Beavers:

Beaver Leaders:

David Bradshaw/Mandy Hickling

David:07879 846812 Mandy:07709784118

#### **Cub Scouts:**

Cub Scout Leader: Shaun Black 01509 880438

#### Scouts:

Scout Leader: Peter Blount 01509 889692

Peter Blount

# **TEMPORARY BAN ON BONFIRES**

# **UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

In order to protect the safety of members of the public during
the Covid-19 pandemic, we have taken the decision to
temporarily ban bonfires at allotments.

People with respiratory problems are extremely vulnerable to the effect of smoke inhalation and requiring treatment for this puts them at risk of exposure to Covid-19.

Residents spending more time at home in lockdown may also suffer nuisance from bonfire smoke preventing them spending time in their gardens which is often the only place where they can get exercise, relax or enjoy some fresh air.

We appreciate this will cause inconvenience for plot holders needing to dispose of green waste, but please bear with us and respect the others during this difficult time.

# Please do not ignore this instruction

Further details; Charnwood Borough Council Environmental Protection Team Tel. 01509 634636

### £50 million support package for Charnwood businesses leaps into action

More than £5 million of government funding is on its way to Charnwood businesses as part of a £50 million package to help local firms.

Charnwood Borough Council has acted quickly to get the first set of government business grants to local companies who are struggling because of the coronavirus pandemic. More firms will receive millions of pounds of support in the coming weeks.

On the day the council launched its online registration form (Wednesday, April 1), 539 businesses registered for grants and 222 payments worth a total of £15.5 million were processed that day or within the next week. Some applications require further checks or information and are being carried out as a priority.

The Council estimates 2,700 businesses in the borough will be eligible for the grants worth a combined total of £32million.

It comes as the Council also informs 850 businesses in the borough this week that they qualify for a business rates relief holiday and therefore will not pay rates for a year. That will save the 850 businesses over £18 million in business rates.

Combined with the grants, the available support to borough businesses is worth around £50 million.

In total, between the grants and the business rates holidays, we estimate that package of support will be around £50 million in Charnwood alone. Grants of either £10,000 or £25,000 are available to businesses that already get rate relief or are in sectors most affected by the national lockdown – such as shops, restaurants, gyms, beauticians and estate agents.

In order to claim the grant payment, a business needs to fill in an online registration form on the Council website. It does not take long to complete and will help ensure that payments only go to those businesses that are eligible and in most need.

The Council has also deployed extra staff to help process the payments and deal with queries about the grants and other business rates matters during the COVID-19 crisis. However, the Council has been experiencing a high volume of calls so people are encouraged to visit the Council website in the first instance <a href="www.charnwood.gov.uk/cvbusiness">www.charnwood.gov.uk/cvbusiness</a> or email <a href="www.charnwood.gov.uk/cvbusiness">business.rates@charnwood.gov.uk</a>.

Alternatively, call 01509 634831.

The government website businessupport.gov.uk is also packed with information for businesses.

Web: <a href="www.charnwood.gov.uk">www.charnwood.gov.uk</a>
Twitter: @charnwoodbc
Facebook: facebook.com/charnwoodbc







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13.00							
13.00 -	public	club	public	club	public	Coaching	club
15.00						2.30pm to 4.30pm	
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#### Timetable for tennis courts.

To book a court during public time please contact Pam or Peter Harrison on 01509 880058, Please note Monday and Friday public times maybe used by BOW school and occasional Wednesdays so

The key for court is available from Pam and Peter at 51, Barrow Road, Burton on the Wolds.

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# Diary Dates

May

June

Fri 1st First Friday, Petanque, Pizza and Prosecco

night at Hoton Village Hall, 7pm

Mon 11th Burton PFA AGM, 7.30pm at the Pavillion,

Towles Field

Christian aid Coffee morning, 10.20-noon at Sat 16th

Walton Village Hall

Sun 31st Plant sale and Cream teas, 2.30-4.30pm at

Burton Village Hall

Sun 28th Strawberry teas, 4pm at Walton Village Hall

July Sat 4th Hoton Strollabout Supper Sun 5th Burton Fete 50yr Celebration

September

Sun 6th Hoton Village Show

Sat 26th Wymeswold Church Appeal Curry and Quiz

December

Fri 4th Hoton Christmas Light switch on

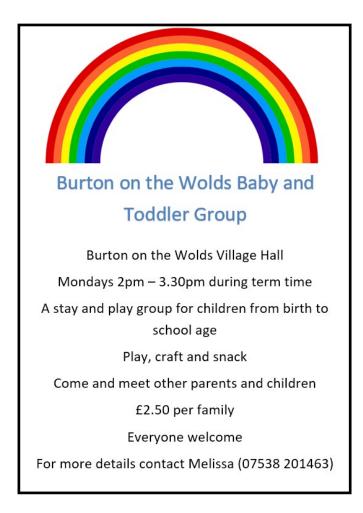
Sat 5th Christmas Coffee morning, 10.30-noon at

Walton Village Hall

Thurs 17th Carols by Candlelight at Hoton Village Hall

Please note many of the above dates may be cancelled due to COVID-19. Please check with the organisers.

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Please check with the organisers as some dates below may be cancelled due to COVID



#### Roman Catholic Services: East Leake & Keyworth:

Father Michael (Parish Priest), Our Lady of the Angels, Main Street, East Leake (01509 852147).

www.grasshopper-hosting.co.uk/eastleakeandkeyworth/04\_MassTimes/MassTimes.html
Saturdays: 6pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday) Our Lady of the Angels, Main Street, East Leake.
Sundays: 9am St Margaret Clitherow, Willow Brook, Keyworth. Sundays: 11am Our Lady of the Angels, Main Street, East Leake.

#### Analican

St Mary's Wymeswold Churchwarden: Michael Henshaw (880218). Assistant Church Wardens: Chris Keeling and Elizabeth Tingle Verger for St Mary's: (See voluntary list inside the church)

St Mary's, Walton Churchwarden: see voluntary list inside church

St Andrew's Prestwold Churchwarden: see voluntary list inside church

#### Methodist

Rev John Pugh, 18 Kingfisher Road, Mountsorrel, LE12 7FG (01162304689) Day Off: Saturday

Superintendent Minister: Rev Andrew Lomax, Logos House, 23 Lemontree Lane, Loughborough, LE11 2QS (01509219804) Day Off:

Circuit Administrator: Mrs Josephine Wills, c/o Trinity Methodist Church Centre, Royland Road, Loughborough: (01509807441)

Office hrs: Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri 10am to 2pm loughboroughmethodist@gmail.com

Church Stewards: Margaret Folwell (880770).

#### Barrow Baptist Church

Minister: Rev Ben Haldane , Beveridge Street, Barrow upon Soar 01509 416603 administrator@barrowbaptist.org.uk Services are held at 10am on Sunday mornings. There are various mid-week groups for all ages, please contact us for more information.

#### Barrow & Wolds Group of Churches

Priest in charge Rev'd Clive R Watts

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E: rev.clive.watts@barrowandwoldsgroup.com

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- FRUIT & VEG BOX -

# -MEAT BOX -£36 1.5kg Whole Chicken 'PIMP YOUR MEAT BOX?' Add

2kg shoulder of lamb £	15		
-SUNDAY LUNCH BOX - #meatandtwoveg (serves 4)			
1.5kg Chicken	£17		
1kg Pork Loin	£17		
2kg shoulder of lamb	£21		
1kg Striptoin (35 day aged Hereford)			
2 x 16oz Chateaubriand (35 day aged Hereford)			
all served with potatoes, carrots and a hispi cabbage*			
'All to be cooked by yourselves at home All meats are approx uncooked weight			

- FRUIT & VEG BOX -		
2 x kg potatoes		
4 x cooking onions		
1kg wonky carrots		
1 x large leek		
1 x baby swede		
1 x hispi cabbage		
1 x garlic bulb		
125g mixed leaf salad		
1 x baby gem		
4 x flat cap mushrooms		
4 x tomatoes		
4 x satsumas		
4 x apples		
4 x bananas		
1 x lemon & 1 x lime (for your gin	?)	
ADD SOME MEAT?		
1.5kg Whole Chicken	29	
1kg Minced beef	29	
1kg Stewing Steak		
1kg lincolnshire sausages	£10	
1kg streaky bacon	83	
	for 1 /2	
10oz British Barnsley lamb chops	£5/9	
40z minute steak (35 day aged Hereford)	€4/7	
90Z Sirloin (35 day aged Hereford)	£6/11	
200Z bone on sirloin (35 day aged Hereford)	£10/19	
16oz Chateaubriand (35 day aged Hereford)	£20/38	

sliced fresh bread (white or brown)	per item
	£2.75
4 pints of fresh British milk*	\$2.00
6 hen eggs	£1.75
a tray of eggs (30)	£8.00
250g butter	£2.50
250g baking butter (vegan)	£1.50
1.5kg bread flour	£2.75
1.5kg self raising flour	£2.75
4 pack of toilet roll	\$2.00
500g fresh yeast	£3.50
cucumber	£1.10
green pepper	£1.00
200g mature cheddar	\$2.00
500g penne pasta	£2.50
3kg penne pasta	£10.00
1kg granulated sugar	£1.35
- WINE - We also have wine and other drinks	

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