



Welcome to the October edition of our Newsletter

HARVEST SERVICES



Cottesmore

Sunday October 3 at 11 AM followed by a “bring-and-share” meal together in church. (See over).

Exton

Exton's Harvest Festival is on October 10th at 11.15am with contributions invited for the Food Bank (see over).

Our Harvest Supper is on Saturday October 16th and on the 22nd there is to be a quiz in aid of Exton Church in the Village Hall. Anyone interested in attending these events please get in touch with Sally at sallyrm24@gmail.com

Greetham

The breakfast services have restarted on the second Sunday of each month. The Breakfast service on October 10 will include a Harvest celebration. Come at 9:00 AM for breakfast and expect something a little different.

Thistleton

The Harvest service will be celebrated on October 10 at 4:30 pm followed by refreshments.

Feedback

We would very much appreciate your comments and feedback which can be sent to Julie Leefe at Cottesmorebenefice.office@gmail.com.

Printing copies for friends and family

If you know of a neighbour or a family member that doesn't use email, why not print them a copy of this newsletter (the PDF version is best) so they don't miss out on news and church information?

Sparklers Toddler group

Rev Anthony Oram writes:

We are thinking about re-starting our Benefice toddler group (Sparklers) which happens in Cottesmore. We need to add to the team some people who would be willing to help for two hours a week on a weekday morning. There are various roles in addition to welcoming the children and their carers such as setting up, packing away, and providing refreshments.

Are you interested in helping to welcome young families into the churches? For more details, contact Rev Anthony Oram by email: revanthonyoram@gmail.com.

What's coming up soon!

EXPLORE, with Bishop John

Saturday 27th November

9.30am to 3.30pm

All Saints School, Kingsthorpe NN2 7AJ

(or Zoom if necessary)

Hosted by Revd Canon Steve Benoy

Our annual Diocesan Vocations Day, this relaxed day allows you to take time to reflect with others on what your own calling to serve in the Church might be.

Might God be nudging you towards:

Lay Ministry, Ordination, Preaching, Pioneering & New Initiatives, Evangelism, Churchwarden, Ministry with Children or Young People, Worship Leading, Pastoral Care, Chaplaincy, Church Army, Religious Life, Ministry Online

Please contact: Lesley-Anne Marriott Lesley-Anne.Marriott@peterborough-diocese.org.uk
If you are interested.

Cottesmore

Monthly afternoon tea at Cottesmore church

Don't forget our monthly Afternoon Teas at St Nicholas church, Cottesmore on the third Thursday each month. The next one is on 21st October, 2pm to 4pm. Everyone is welcome to enjoy delicious sandwiches, cakes, scones, and good company. Pam

The Big Quiz 2021

This year Cottesmore Church will again be taking part in the nationwide Big Quiz to raise money for Tearfund: see www.tearfund.org.

Tearfund is a Christian charity which supports people living in poverty overseas. We plan to hold the quiz on our church building on Saturday 20th November at 7.30 pm.

Last year we raised more than £800 and had a lot of fun as we did so. Come as a pair, come on your own – we'll arrange some teams on the night – come as a team of 4-6, but save the date now! More details next month.



Come and join us at our
Harvest Celebration
at
Cottesmore Church

Sunday 3rd October
11.00 am

Followed by a bring-and-share meal together in church

We are also collecting food for the Rutland Food Bank.

Here's this year's wish list:

HARVEST 2021		Not Needed at the Moment
	UHT Milk (Blue & Green) Tinned potatoes & carrots Tinned meat pies Tinned fruit Noodles Crackers, cheese biscuits & crispbreads Cereal bars Longlife sponge puddings & custard Porridge	 We are well stocked at present with the following: Jam/Marmalade Baked beans Dry pasta Rice Soup Cereal Tinned fish Tea & Coffee Loo rolls
		Please note we cannot accept alcohol, fresh, homemade or out of date foods
 Thank you for supporting the Rutland Foodbank Registered Charity in England & Wales Number 1158460 07582 783363 or email us info@rutland.foodbank.org.uk 36 Melton Road, Oakham, LE15 6AY (next to Domino Pizza) We are open to receive donations Mon-Fri 10.00 – 12.00		

Other News

Ride and Stride 2021

Bob Harrison writes:

Can I say a sincere “thank-you” to everyone who supported me this year for the Rutland Ride and Stride? I did visit 25 Churches and covered some 45 plus miles on my 1953 Sun Wasp Bicycle on the day. Because of your extreme generosity, and I mean generosity, I was able to raise £250-00 for the Rutland Churches Fund; which when Gift Aided should amount to £312-50. Of this 50% is to be paid to St Nicholas’s Church at Stretton.

Operation Christmas Child - Shoebox Appeal

Patricia Hagger writes:

Yes, it's that time again! Please support this year's campaign by packing a shoebox with gifts that will bring joy to children who may never have received a gift before. The boxes go to various countries and are given to children who may be disadvantaged, in orphanages, hospitals, living in poverty or in some cases terminally ill. Do please pick up a leaflet which explains what to do and gives ideas of suitable gifts and also lists those that cannot be included (the rules have changed again). There are also details online and patterns for making hats, cuddly toys and other craft items. Leaflets will be available in Cottessmore, Exton and Greetham churches or telephone me on 01572 813118.

National collection week is from 15-22 November, but I will need boxes by Sunday 14 November as I then have to deliver them elsewhere the following week. Boxes may be left in the churches already named, delivered to me at Horseshoe Cottage, 3 New Field Road, Exton, or telephone me if collection is needed.

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North Rutland Churches Facebook page

October/November 2021		Services in North Rutland Churches	
Sunday October 3	11:00 AM 9:30 AM	Harvest service Our World Service	Cottesmore Greetham
Sunday October 10	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM 11:15 AM 16:30 PM	Morning service Breakfast (from 9 AM) and Harvest service Harvest service Holy Communion (BCP) Harvest Service	Cottesmore Greetham Exton Clipsham Thistleton
Sunday October 17	9:30 AM 9:30 AM	Holy Communion Morning Praise	Cottesmore Greetham
Sunday October 24	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM 11:15 AM	Morning service Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning service	Cottesmore Greetham Exton Clipsham
Sunday October 31	10:30 AM	Benefice service	Stretton?
Tuesday November 2	18:00 PM	All Souls Benefice Service	
Sunday November 7	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM	Morning Service Our World Service Morning Service	Cottesmore Greetham Stretton?
Sunday November 14 Remembrance	10:45 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM 10:45 AM 10:55 AM	Remembrance Remembrance (not breakfast) Remembrance Remembrance Holy Communion (BCP)	Cottesmore Greetham Exton Stretton Clipsham
Sunday November 21	9:30 AM 9:30 AM ?	Holy Communion Morning Praise	Cottesmore Greetham Stretton
Sunday November 28	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM 11:15 AM	Morning Service Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning Service	Cottesmore Greetham Exton Clipsham

	What's on regularly in the North Rutland Churches
Monday 10.30 Weeks 2 & 4	Prayer Meeting (Cottesmore) currently meeting on Zoom For more information, please contact Di Toy on 01572 812355
Monday 14.30 Weekly term time	Monday Home Group meeting at The Willows, Barrow Contact Duncan & Jane Ball, 01572 812428, or email cduncanball@gmail.com
Monday 14.30 Weekly	House group meets every week on Zoom. Contact Jackie Gauntley 01572 868291 or jackiegauntley@hotmail.co.uk
Monday 19.00 Weekly	Hand Bell ringing Cottesmore Church 7pm Contact Pat Hoyles, 01572 813034
Tuesday 08.30 Weekly	Morning prayer in Cottesmore Church – not meeting at present
Tues 09.30 - 11.00 Term time only	Sparklers toddlers group – Cottesmore – restarting soon? ALL WELCOME
Tuesday 19.30 Weekly	House group meeting on Zoom Contact Steve or Julie Bertuzzi email Steve.bertuzzi@medasun.com or julie.bertuzzi@medasun.com
Thursday 08.30 Weekly	Morning prayer in Cottesmore Church – not meeting at present
Thursday 09.15 Weekly	Morning Prayer (Exton) meeting on Zoom - contact Bernie.wallace@btinternet.com
Thursday 19.30 Weekly term time	Thursday evening home group resumes in September, 7.30 pm. Contact annecadamson@aol.com for details.
Saturday 10.30 – 13.00 Weekly	Saturday café at Thistleton Church