

Welcome to the January edition of our Newsletter

Happy New Year to all our readers



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?

THE LEPROSY MISSION - USED STAMPS AND COLLECTABLES



I am trying to help raise much needed funds for the above charity which has its headquarters in Peterborough. They are able to raise cash on used stamps of any country and I have placed a collecting box in Greetham church (please leave a border of no more than 5ml), or if you have a large quantity I will collect. They also accept postcards (posted or unused), coins and bank notes (of any country), medals, cigarette cards and tea cards. Please deliver to me at Horseshoe cottage, 3 New Field Road, Exton or contact me if you need a collection.

Patricia Hagger
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Important News from the National Churches Trust

We have launched a national debate looking at The Future of the UK's Church Buildings. With an increasing number of churches and chapels facing closure, the debate highlights the community, economic, heritage and spiritual benefits of churches.

This is a chance for Dioceses, County Trusts, and churches to say how their local church can be saved for future generations.



The Future of the UK's Church Buildings debate is backed by Michael Palin, Vice President of the National Churches Trust. He said:

"The UK has over 39,000 church buildings. The restrictions of COVID-19, resulting in reduced funding and fewer worshippers, has clouded the future for many of them. Yet churches remain a vital and much-loved part of the UK's history and heritage

and we can't let them fall into neglect and disuse. There is hope. More and more churches are adapting to the modern world and the needs of their communities, providing not just spiritual comforts but a range of valuable services to local people such as foodbanks and youth clubs. If you care as much as I do about the future of these much-loved buildings, do get involved with the National Churches Trust debate about 'The Future of Churches' and help shape their future."

<https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/futureofchurches>

St Nicholas Church & Community Centre

Ideal Christmas gift!

MUGS FOR SALE



Bone China Mugs - £9.00 each

To celebrate the forthcoming re-opening of the church as a Church and Community Centre we have commissioned some bone china mugs.

Each mug has a picture of the church on the front and writing on the back – see picture above

The drawing was done by Tim Seal, who used to live in the village.

All profits go to the Church and Community Centre

The mugs are 8.5 cms high, 7.5 cms diameter, hold 300ml fluid and are dish washer proof

To order your mugs please contact Penny Isaacs
penny@pennyisaacs.com 01780 401 676 / 07879 337 714

Tea Towels with the same picture will be available shortly

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January 2022		Services in North Rutland Churches	
Sunday January 2	9:30 AM 9:30 AM	Morning service Our World service	Cottesmore Greetham
Sunday January 9	9:30 AM 9:00 AM 11:15 AM 11:15 AM	Morning service Breakfast service (service at 9:30 AM) Morning service Holy Communion (BCP)	Cottesmore Greetham Exton Clipsham
Sunday January 16	9:30 AM 9:30 AM	Holy Communion Morning Praise	Cottesmore Greetham
Sunday January 23	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 January 30	10:30 AM	Benefice Holy Communion	Stretton?

	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 – NOT MEETING CURRENTLY
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 7.30 pm. Contact annecadamson@aol.com for details.
Thursday 2 – 4 pm Monthly - every third week	Cottesmore church - Everyone is welcome to enjoy delicious sandwiches, cakes, scones, and good company.
Saturday 10.30 – 13.00 Weekly	Saturday café at Thistleton Church