

Welcome to the February edition of our Newsletter

Rev Anthony Oram writes: Extraordinary Funding Request

This is just for those who consider Cottesmore to be your home church. We are increasingly using the projector and screen in services and other events, the Big Quiz for example. But the current setup for the screen is cumbersome and quite time consuming, and, you might say, does get in the way of the view through to the back of the church. We have sought advice, and a quote, from a professional audio/visual installation company who work mostly in churches who have shown how we could have a permanently installed screen that is deployable with a simple remote control and is completely invisible from the back of church when stowed away. Also, when deployed it would allow ample view through to the front of the church including choir stalls, organ, and a lot of the windows too. As this is an extraordinary installation, I'm asking for specific, extraordinary giving to cover the cost rather than use funds we would otherwise be using for the upkeep of the building and for the usual outreach and events the church hosts. The quote was for around £2,500 – please consider carefully if you could help to fund this installation with an extraordinary gift. Please make sure we know it's specifically for the screen when you give. PS If you want to know what sort of installation, we're thinking about then go to the church in Uppingham, who have exactly the same sort of screen installed as we want, by the same people. You won't be able to see it until it's lowered though...

St Nicholas Church and Community Centre - Mugs for sale Bone China mugs £9.00 each

To celebrate the forthcoming opening of the church and Community centre we have commissioned some Bone China mugs. Each mug has a picture of the church on the front and a description on the back. The drawing was done by Tim Seal, a local artist. All profits go to the church and Community centre. Mugs are 8.5cm high and hold 300ml and are dishwasher proof.

To order your mugs please contact Penny Isaacs 01780 401676/07879 337714.

There are also Tea-towels available with the same design.

Stretton Church services

Although we were sadly unable to host the Benefice Holy Communion on January 30 as we had hoped, we expect that services in Stretton St Nicholas will be resuming in February. Please check Facebook for confirmation or contact the Church Warden, Jonathan Pattinson jonathan@hal5000.co.uk.

Feedback

I apologise that it is currently not possible to include pictures of photographs in this version of the newsletter which is sent out on iKnow church.

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.

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February 2022		Services in North Rutland Churches	
Sunday February 6	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM	Morning service Our World service – Jackie Gauntley will speak on Mary's Meals (feeding the world's poorest children) Morning service	Cottesmore Greetham Stretton
Sunday February 13	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 February 20	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM	Holy Communion Morning Praise Holy Communion	Cottesmore Greetham Stretton
Sunday February 27	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 – 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