

Welcome to the November edition of our Newsletter

Remember – Clocks go back on October 30!

Benefice Communion at Thistleton on October 30 at 10:30 am

This will be held at Thistleton on October 30 at 10:30 AM. All Welcome!

December 6 at 6 pm There will be the Patronal service at Thistleton.

December 17 (Saturday) at 6 pm – Carol Service at Thistleton

December 25 (Sunday) at 9:15 am – Christmas communion at Thistleton

What's on – in Greetham

- **November 2 (Wednesday)** at 6.00 pm - There will be a Benefice All Souls service at Greetham. A service to remember those who have loved but see no more. All welcome
- **November 6 (Sunday) at 9:30 am** - John Ellis will be our speaker at the next Our World service. He was senior RAF chaplain and will be talking about chaplaincy in the Armed Forces.
- **November 13 (Sunday) at 9.30 am**- Greetham's Remembrance Sunday service and is NOT a breakfast service. The 2-minute silence is included.
- **December 18 (Sunday) at 6.30 pm** - Greetham's carol service.
- **December 22 (Thursday) at 2 pm**- Christingle on Thursday December 22.
- **December 22 (Thursday) at 6 pm** - The Blue Christmas service for those for whom Christmas may be a time of sadness.
- **Christmas Eve December 24 (Saturday) at 11.30 PM** – Holy Communion
- **New Year's Day January 1 (Sunday) at 10.30 am** – Benefice Communion.

What's on in Exton

- **November 1 (Tuesday) at 7 pm** – All Souls service
- **November 11 (Friday) at 10.50am** - An act of remembrance at the Village War memorial.
- **November 13 (Sunday) at 11.15am** - Remembrance Day service
- **November 27 (Sunday) at 11.15am** - Holy Communion

- **Saturday November 19 2-4.30pm** - Christmas Bazaar in the Village Hall
Refreshments, tombola, cards, decorations, gifts etc. Tables can be rented for £10 to anyone who has their own craft gifts to sell. Contact Sally at sallyrm24@gmail.com or on 01572 811411
- **December 18 (Sunday) at 3 pm** – Carol Service
- **Christmas Day December 25 (Sunday)** – service at 10:30 am

What's on - in Cottesmore

The Big Quiz 2022

Cottesmore Church will again be taking part in the nationwide Tearfund Big Quiz. Tearfund is a Christian charity, which supports people living in poverty overseas: see www.tearfund.org. The quiz will be in the church on **Saturday November 19 at 7.30 pm.**

All are welcome. Last year we raised more than £1,000 and had a lot of fun as we did so. Come on your own, come as a team, come as a pair - we make up some teams on the night. More details next month but save the date now!

- **Sunday November 6 at 9.30 am** - All-age Service
- **Sunday November 13 at 10.15 am** - Remembrance at Rogues Lane Cemetery
- **Sunday November 13 at 10.45 am** - Remembrance Service in the Church
- **Sunday November 20 at 9.30 am** - Holy Communion
- **Sunday November 27 at 9.30 am** - Morning Service

- **December 4 (Sunday) at 9:30 am** - All-age Service
- **December 11 (Sunday) at 9.30am** - Morning Service
- **December 18 (Sunday) at 9.30am** - Holy Communion
- **December 19 (Monday) at 7.30pm** - Carol Service
- **December 22 (Thursday) at 4.00pm** - Family/Children's Service
- **December 24 (Saturday) at 9.00pm** - Christmas Eve Holy Communion
- **December 25 (Sunday) at 10.30am** - Christmas Day Service

What's on in Stretton

- **Sunday November 6 at 11.15 am** – Morning service
- **Sunday November 13 at 10.45 am** – Remembrance service
- **Sunday November 29 at 11.15 am** – Holy Communion
- **Sunday December 4 at 11.15 am** – Morning service
- **Sunday December 18 at 4 pm** – Carol Service
- **Sunday Christmas day December 25 at 10.30 am** – Christmas Communion

Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child

Yes, it's that time again to start packing shoeboxes for distribution to children in less fortunate situations. This year Samaritan's Purse plan to send two thirds of the boxes received in the UK to Ukraine and neighbouring countries that are hosting Ukrainian families. Completed boxes need to be with me by Sunday November 13 at the latest. Full instructions as to how to prepare and pack a box are included in a leaflet. These will be available in Cottesmore, Exton and Greetham churches or direct from me. Completed boxes may be left in any of the churches already mentioned or delivered to me. If you need a box/boxes collected please contact me.

Patricia Hagger, 01572 813118, Horseshoe Cottage, 3 New Field Road, Exton, LE15 8AU

SPARKLERS! toddler group has re-opened

Sparklers has started up again after the summer break. It is happening Tuesday mornings in term time between 9.30 and 11 in Cottesmore Church. Do spread the word amongst your friends and communities, plus if you'd like to be involved in helping out then do talk to Bernie, Mo or anyone else you know is involved.

Church in the Woods

Church in the Woods is an event for families with primary school age children every month locally in the woods. There are games, bonfire and BBQ, bible story, craft activities and we also make sandwiches which are delivered to a homeless shelter in Corby. If you would like to come along as a family or volunteer to help, please contact Rev Anthony Oram revanthonyoram@gmail.com.

And there's **Campfire Christmas - December 23 at 4pm** ...at the woods - carols, Christmas story, hot chocolate, toasting marshmallows around the fire.

Spare time? – office/IT skills?

Julie Leefe has a really busy time approaching and will be looking to hand over her responsibilities in the New Year for:

- This newsletter
- Cottesmore benefice Facebook page
- Launching a new web site
- And Church database.

So, if you would be interested in finding out more about one or more of these opportunities for volunteering please speak to Julie, julieleefe@live.co.uk or Anthony, revanthonyoram@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?

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.

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North Rutland Churches Facebook page

November - December 2022		Services in North Rutland Churches	
Sunday October 30 CLOCKS GO BACK	10:30 am	Benefice Communion	Thistleton
Tuesday November 1	19:00 pm	All Souls	Exton
Wednesday November 2	18:00 pm	Benefice All Souls service	Greetham
Sunday November 6	9:30 AM 9:30 AM	All age service Our World Service - John Ellis will be our speaker at the next Our World service. He was senior RAF chaplain and will be talking about chaplaincy in the Armed Forces.	Cottesmore Greetham
NOTE EARLIER TIME	11:15 AM 14:00 PM	Morning Service Church in the Woods	Stretton Woods
Friday November 11	10.45 am	Act of remembrance by the memorial	Exton
Sunday November 13 NOTE NOT BREAKFAST	10.45 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM 11:15 AM 10:45 AM	Remembrance service Remembrance service Remembrance Remembrance Remembrance	Cottesmore Greetham Exton Clipsham Stretton
Sunday November 20	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM	Holy Communion Morning Praise Holy Communion	Cottesmore Greetham Stretton
Sunday November 27	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM 11.15 AM	Morning Service Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning prayer (BCP)	Cottesmore Greetham Exton Clipsham
December services			
Sunday December 4	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM 15:00 PM	All age service Our World Service Morning Service Church in the Woods	Cottesmore Greetham Stretton Woods
Tuesday December 6	18:00 pm	Patronal service	Thistleton
Sunday December 11	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:15 AM	Morning service Breakfast service (Breakfast 9:00 am) Holy Communion (BCP)	Cottesmore Greetham Exton
Saturday December 17	18:00 PM	Carol Service	Thistleton
Sunday December 18	9:30 AM 15:00 PM 15:00 PM 16:00 PM 18:30 PM	Holy Communion Carol Service Carol Service Carol Service Carol Service	Cottesmore Clipsham Exton Stretton Greetham

Monday December 19	19:30 PM	Carol Service	Cottesmore
Thursday December 22	14:00 PM 16:00 PM 18:00 PM	Christingle Christingle Blue Christmas	Greetham Cottesmore Greetham
Friday December 23	15:00 PM	Campfire Christmas	Stretton woods
Saturday December 24	17:00 PM 21:00 PM 23:30 PM	Carol service Christmas communion Christmas communion	Burley Cottesmore Greetham
Sunday December 25	09:15 AM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM 10:30 AM	Christmas communion Christmas morning service Christmas communion Christmas communion Christmas communion	Thistleton Cottesmore Exton Clipsham Stretton
Sunday January 1 New Year's day	10:30 AM	Benefice service	Greetham

	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 Anne Adamson on annecadamson@aol.com
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
Tuesday 19.30 Weekly	House group meeting now in person 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	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