

# The Herald

*Telling you all you need to know in our  
Benefice*

**December 2018/January 2019**

## *Institution and Induction of the Rev Anthony Oram*

This service will be conducted by the Bishop of Peterborough and the Archdeacon of Oakham at St Nicholas' Church, Cottesmore on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019, at 3.00pm, and includes Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome to attend and all who come are asked to be seated by **2.40 pm**. A light afternoon tea will be served in the church after the service.

Anthony's first service will be a Benefice Holy Communion at St Nicholas', Cottesmore on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 10.30am. It would be wonderful to have as many people as possible from all our parishes to welcome Anthony and his wife, Tessa at both services.

Please note that parking is very restricted, so we would appreciate it if you could car share. Can we also ask that you be aware when parking to leave enough space for emergency vehicles to pass or obtain access. Thank you.

There is a function on at the Village Hall so parking there may be restricted.

## **Anthony and Tessa Oram**

We are looking forward to coming to Rutland to be part of the Cottesmore Benefice with great excitement and hope. For Tessa, who grew up in Stamford, there is an element of coming home; for Anthony who grew up in London, it will be new territory.

We will be leaving East Yorkshire where we have lived for the last 15 years. In that time our two boys, Barney and Peter have grown up and left home. Barney is a sound designer in Wilmslow and Peter is at Derby University.

Anthony trained as a vicar at St John's Nottingham, and has completed his curacy at St Aidans in Hull. Before he became a vicar he worked as a primary school teacher, and also as an IT consultant, as well as a variety of lay ministry jobs. Tessa has worked both in the charity sector, and also for the Diocese of York as Faith in Education worker. She also is a trained teacher.

We enjoy walking in the countryside, going to the theatre and exploring new places. We love to meet new people and are relishing the opportunity to get to know you in Cottesmore Benefice.



**Whatever happened to the humble Advent calendar?** Suddenly they're full of all sorts of naughtiness: port, chocolate, cosmetics, jellybeans and pork crackling.

Why not join the Campaign for Real Advent (or CREAD)\*\* and use the precious days before Christmas to prepare your heart and mind? You can do that when you sign up for this year's inspirational Tearfund Advent calendar.

Just go to the Tearfund website or [news@tearfund.org](mailto:news@tearfund.org) via [mail162.atl271.mcdlv.net](mailto:mail162.atl271.mcdlv.net)

## **Home Holy Communion**



*Do you have, or do you know, somebody who is house bound and would like to receive Holy Communion in their home. If you would like this for them, please contact Colin Johns in person or on telephone No.01572 812221*

### **Two Into Three Goes – Just!**

Dear Friends,

We had set off at 6.30 a.m. and finally arrived in Morombe at 7.45 p.m. It was only 180 miles but the road was non-existent in places. We were shown our room and the single three foot bed for us to share for the next five nights. We could hardly



complain as Hanitra, a delightful young trainee evangelist, had given up her room for us and was now sleeping on a concrete floor with four others. We survived and even slept a little.

We had gone to lead the second of nine conferences around the parishes of our large diocese. The aim of these conferences is to train leaders of disciple-making groups. These groups will use the Rooted in Jesus course. The training is intensive lasting from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. for three days but we are lifted by the enthusiasm of the participants and the joyous Malagasy singing. We were thrilled to have Derek's new assistant, Evangelist Florent, with us for the first time. Since then we have completed a third course and a fourth starts on November 22<sup>nd</sup> in Betioky, another long drive. For these conferences Jane does much of the organizing and Derek the teaching, though Florent will increasingly share the teaching. *Please pray that those who have been trained will start discipleship groups in their local churches.* Between conferences Jane has started teaching English. She is much in demand. It seems that everyone here wants to learn English. With the backing of Bishop Todd, she has chosen to focus on particular groups. The first priority is the Diocesan staff working on the Cathedral

compound – six in all, of widely varying ability – which makes teaching a challenge. They all come to her classes with big smiles and lots of enthusiasm. *Please pray for wisdom and skill for Jane.*

As we approach our first anniversary in Toliara we thank God for his grace and that we have made significant steps forward in our roles. Our prayer is that God will be glorified in who we are and what he calls us to do.

The peace of the Lord,  
Derek and Jane



In the five years since the Rutland Foodbank opened, we have seen a steady increase in the numbers of people needing support. In the first half of 2017 (April – October) 425 people – single persons and families – were fed and during the same period this year the number of people fed is 523. Many of these people are actually working but the minimum wage that they receive does not even cover their rent, council tax, heating and lighting, let alone the basic necessities of food, toiletries and cleaning materials.

*“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was ill and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.”*

Matthew 25: 35

Just before Christmas, Rutland Foodbank give out hampers to individuals and families who will otherwise not enjoy any of the treats and extras that many of us take for granted. Each hamper costs £20 to put together and this year we are aiming to give out 200. Each hamper includes Christmas goodies like crackers, sweets, mince pies and a Christmas pud. If anyone would like to donate towards a Christmas Hamper, please contact me on 07970568305 / [cathydyson@outlook.com](mailto:cathydyson@outlook.com)

Many thanks to all of you who have already donated food and money to Rutland Foodbank. Your generosity really is making a difference to people here in Rutland.

Cathy Dyson

### *Sparklers Toddler Group*



For parents, grandparents and carers of preschool children. We meet during term time on Tuesday Mornings between 9.30am – 11.00am in Cottesmore Church. A warm welcome awaits with crafts, refreshments, lots of varied play/toys and singing. £1 per family.

**For more information please contact**

**Bernie Wallace Tel: 01572 812956**

**or**

**Maureen Hubbert Tel: 01572 813061**



### **Christmas Box Appeal**

I am very pleased to report that I received a total of 66 boxes plus £40 in cash towards transport costs. Thank you so much to everyone who contributed and I am sure that these and all the other boxes will bring great joy to many children.

**Patricia Hagger**

### **Remembrance Sunday at Cottesmore**



and lighting the Beacon



What's on every week

<b>Mon to Fri 08.00</b> <b>Every week</b>	<b><i>Morning Bible Study &amp; Prayer, Greetham Church With a cup of tea</i></b>
<b>Monday 10.30</b> <b>Weeks 2 &amp; 4</b>	<b><i>Prayer Meeting in Cottesmore Church</i></b> <b><i>For more info please contact Di Toy on 812355</i></b>
<b>Monday 14.30</b> <b>Weekly term time</b>	<b><i>Barrow Home Group</i></b> <b><i>Duncan Ball (812428)</i></b> <b><i>cduncanball@gmail.com</i></b>
<b>Monday 14.30</b> <b>Weekly</b>	<b><i>House group meets every week in various homes. Contact Jackie Gauntley 01572 868291</i></b>
<b>Monday 19.00,</b> <b>Weekly</b>	<b><i>Hand Bell ringing Cottesmore Church 7pm</i></b>
<b>Tuesday 08.30</b> <b>Weekly</b>	<b><i>Morning prayer in Cottesmore Church</i></b>
<b>Tues 09.30 - 11.00</b> <b>Term time only</b>	<b><i>Sparklers toddlers group</i></b> <b><i>ALL WELCOME</i></b>
<b>Tuesday 10.00</b> <b>Every week</b>	<b><i>Holy Communion at Gainsboro' Ct</i></b> <b><i>Refreshments served afterwards</i></b>
<b>Tuesday 19.30</b> <b>weeks 1 and 3.</b>	<b><i>Cottesmore house group</i></b> <b><i>Contact Dave Perrin, 01572 813662</i></b>
<b>Wednesday 09.15</b> <b>Every week</b>	<b><i>Morning Prayer in Exton Church</i></b>
<b>Thursday 08.30</b> <b>Weekly</b>	<b><i>Morning prayer in Cottesmore Church</i></b>
<b>Thursday 19.30</b> <b>Weekly term time</b>	<b><i>Bible Fellowship Contact Anne Adamson on 812816 for more info</i></b>
<b>Friday 19.45</b> <b>Weekly</b>	<b><i>An ecumenical house group open to everyone. Contact Cathy 01572 812497 07970568305 <a href="mailto:cathydyson@outlook.com">cathydyson@outlook.com</a></i></b>

**Services in our Benefice for December 2018**

Sunday 2nd	0800	Holy Communion	Greetham
	0930	Morning Service	Cottesmore
	0930	Morning Worship	Greetham
	11.15	Holy Communion	Stretton
	1600	Christingle	Cottesmore
Tues 4th	1000	Holy Communion	Gainsborough Ct
Sunday 9th	0930	Morning Service	Cottesmore
	0930	Morning Worship with 0900 breakfast	Greetham
	1115	BCP Holy Communion	Clipsham
	11.15	Morning Service	Exton
Mon 10th	1900	Ring & Sing	Gainsborough Ct
Tues 11th	1000	Holy Communion	Gainsborough Ct
Fri 14th	1800	Travelling Nativity	Greetham
Sat 15th	1800	Carol Service	Clipsham
Sunday 16th	0930	Holy Communion	Cottesmore
	1500	Carol Service	Exton
	1600	Carol Service	Stretton
	1700	Carol Service	Thistleton
	1800	Carol Service	Greetham
Tues 18th	1000	Holy Communion	Gainsborough Ct
Thurs 20th	1200	Christmas Cafe	Cottesmore
	1930	Carol Service	Cottesmore
Sun 23rd	0930	Morning Service	Cottesmore



	0930	Morning Praise	Greetham
	1115	BCP Morning Prayer	Clipsham
	1115	Holy Communion	Exton
Mon 24th	1600	Crib Service	Cottesmore
	1700	Carol Service	Burley
	2330	Midnight Mass	Cottesmore
	2330	Midnight Mass	Greetham
Tues 25th	0930	Holy Communion by Extension	Thistleton
	1015	Holy Communion by Extension	Stretton
	1030	Morning Service	Cottesmore
	1115	Holy Communion by Extension	Clipsham
	1115	Holy Communion by Extension	Exton
Sunday 30th	1030	Benefice service of Holy Communion	Greetham



Thank you so much, quizzers! At Cottesmore on 17<sup>th</sup> November we were part of more than 500 churches and groups, and more than 22,000 people throughout the country, raising money by taking part in the Tearfund Big Quiz. We raised more than £430.00. The winning team was Yvonne and Bob Harrison, and Cassie and Jonathan Pattison, from Stretton. They were closely followed by a team consisting of Mary Cate and her family, and Beverley Hancock.

## Services in our Benefice for January 2019

Sunday 6th	0800	Holy Communion	Greetham
	0930	Morning Service	Cottesmore
	0930	Morning Worship	Greetham
	1115	Holy Communion	Stretton
Tues 8th	1000	Holy Communion	Gainsborough Ct
Sunday 13th	0930	Morning Service	Cottesmore
	0930	Morning Worship with 0900 breakfast	Greetham
	1115	BCP Holy Communion	Clipsham
	1115	Morning Service	Exton
Tue 15th	1000	Holy Communion	Gainsborough Ct
Thu 17th	1200	Community Café	Cottesmore
Sunday 20th	0930	Holy Communion	Cottesmore
	0930	Morning Praise	Greetham
	1115	Morning Service	Stretton
Tue 22nd	1000	Holy Communion	Gainsborough Ct
Sat 26th	1500	Institution & Induction of Rev Anthony Oram	Cottesmore
Sunday 27th	1030	Benefice Service of Holy Communion	Cottesmore
Tue 29th	1000	Holy Communion	Gainsborough Ct

For general enquiries please telephone: 01572 812202 or e-mail [cottesmorebenefice.office@gmail.com](mailto:cottesmorebenefice.office@gmail.com).

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Stretton: [www.strettonchurch.wix.com/rutland](http://www.strettonchurch.wix.com/rutland)

### **Important - Please Note**

For all information re the Herald and to send any items for inclusion by e-mail, please use the benefice office address -

[cottesmorebenefice.office@gmail.com](mailto:cottesmorebenefice.office@gmail.com). Please leave anything in

writing in the Cottesmore tray at the back of St Nicholas Church. **For the February 2019 edition of the Herald, please may I have items by 14th January, due to the Institution of Rev Oram.**

Thanks.

*The retired clergy, ministry team and Val  
would like to wish you all a joyous Christmas  
and a peaceful New Year*

*Christmas Services at a glance*

**St Nicholas, Cottesmore with Barrow, Burley and Thistleton**

Sunday 2nd	1600	Christingle for families
Thurs 20th	1200	Christmas Church Café
	1930	Carol Service
Mon 24th Christmas Eve	1600	Crib service, children are invited to come dressed as a Nativity character
	2330	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	1030	Morning Service
<b>Burley</b>		
Christmas Eve	1700	Carol Service
<b>Thistleton</b>		
Sunday 16th	1700	Carol Service
Christmas Day	0930	Holy Communion by Extension
<b>Clipsham</b>		
Sat 15th	1800	Carol Service
Christmas Day	1115	Holy Communion by Extension
<b>Exton</b>		
Sunday 16th	1500	Carol Service
Christmas Day	1115	Holy Communion by Extension
<b>Greetham</b>		
Friday 14th	1800	Travelling Nativity; 1800 - Wheatsheaf 1830 Northbrook Close; 1900 Greetham Gdns 1930 The Plough to include carols and refreshments
Sunday 16th	1800	Carol Service
Mon 24th	2330	Midnight Mass
<b>Stretton</b>		
Sunday 16th	1600	Carol Service
Christmas Day	1015	Holy Communion by Extension