

St Leonard's Church Ryton-on-Dunsmore: October 2015 Newsletter

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: OCTOBER 2015

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
October 4: 16th Sunday after Trinity: Harvest Festival	11.00 a.m: Harvest Festival Holy Communion.	5.00 p.m: Harvest Festival service <i>followed by</i> Harvest Supper <i>and Entertainment.</i>	9.30 a.m: Harvest Festival Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
October 11: 17th Sunday after Trinity.	 6.30 p.m: Evensong	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship
October 18: St Luke, Apostle.	11.00 a.m: Mattins. 8.15 p.m: Holy Communion by candlelight.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
October 25 : Last Sunday after Trinity.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Family Service 6.30 p.m: Holy Communion.
Saturday, October 31			5.00 p.m: Service of Prayers and Readings to commemorate the Departed.
November 1st: All Saints' Day	11.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.

DATE	BUBBENHALL	BAGINTON	RYTON
Monday, November 2nd: All Souls' Day			7.30 p.m Requiem to commemorate the Departed.
Friday, November 6 th : St Leonard's Day			6.30 p.m: Holy Communion, followed by Supper.
November 8 Remembrance Sunday	10.50 a.m: Remembrance Day Service. NO EVENSONG	10.15 a.m: Remembrance Day Service.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 10.15 a.m: Remembrance Day Service.
At Ryton: EVERY WEDNESDAY except October 14: 9.20 a.m: Holy Communion. October 14: 11.30 a.m: Holy Communion.			

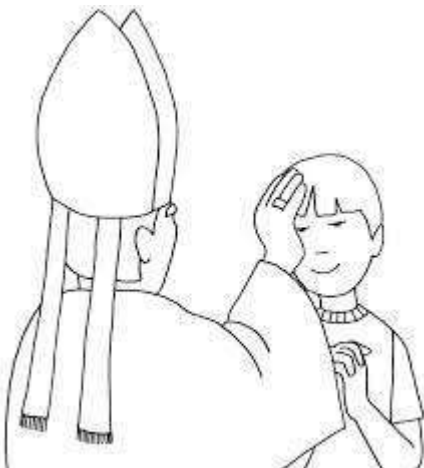
Thank you from Hazel Smith.

Thank you to everyone for your love and support during John's illness and following his death- for the many cards and messages, for the beautiful flowers in church, the excellent catering, the generous donations and the help given before and during the services, and most of all for joining us on the day. God bless you all. Hazel

Help needed for Flower Festival!

Please contact Janet Smith or Frances Wintle with your offers of help for the Flower Festival. We need cakes etc. to sell, more volunteers for serving the refreshments and for stewarding the church over the 3 days of the Festival. Thank you.

Confirmation.



There is still time to start on confirmation preparation for adults and young people. If you would like to be included, or know someone who would like to be confirmed, or would simply like more details about what Confirmation entails, please get in touch with the Rector or Rosemary if you have not already done so.

St Leonard's Church, Ryton on Dunsmore

Flower Festival

*The lives of women of the Bible depicted in
flowers*



2, 3 & 4 October

**Friday 11 am - 5 pm Saturday 10 am - 5 pm (wedding from 11.30 am -
12.30 pm)**

Sunday following Harvest Festival at 9.30 am - 11 am - 4.30 pm
Refreshments available from 11 am each day in the Church centre
throughout the weekend: Coffee Tea Cakes Lunches

Further details: 02476 301283 or 07765303173

Friday, October 3:
7.00 p.m. Harvest Supper in
the Church Centre.

Do come along to our Harvest Supper. It will be a hot meal and a pudding, tea and coffee. No charge for tickets, but suggested minimum donations of £5 for church funds.

If you would like to enjoy a glass of wine or beer etc. with your meal, please bring your own. Soft drinks, tea and coffee will be provided. Reserve your place now by emailing the Rector at david@wintled.fsnet.co.uk



Sunday, October 4: Harvest/ Flower Festival Services at St. Leonard's Church

9.30 a.m: Parish Communion with Sunday School.

Come and enjoy the flowers and sing your favourite Harvest Hymns by joining the Parish Communion service in Church: Sunday, October 4 at 9.30 a.m. The service includes an opportunity to present your Harvest Gifts. Non-perishable Gifts (tins and packets) suitable for donation to Rugby food bank and charities for the homeless are especially welcome.

Sunday School with a Harvest theme for your children.

6.30 p.m: Harvest Evensong

N.B: St Leonard's Church will be open to receive regular donations for food banks on the morning of the first Saturday of each month.

All Saints/All Souls

We will be maintaining our custom of holding two annual commemorations of the departed at All Souls' tide.

There will be a **Service of Prayers and Readings in Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on Saturday 31st October at Baginton at 5pm**, and the **Requiem of All Souls at Ryton on Monday 2 November at 7.30 p.m.**

If you would like to have the names of any friends or relatives who have died (not necessarily in the last year) mentioned at either or both of these services, please contact the Rector on 02476 301283.

Friday, November 6th : Patronal Festival.

Friday November 6th : Parish Communion Service at 6.30 p.m. followed by supper.

Stained glass window depicting St Leonard, from Keevil, Wiltshire.



June 27: St Leonard's Church Fête and football competition.

Very many thanks to the Fête Committee, stallholders, and all who contributed in so many ways to the Church Fête and Conga event; also to those who showed their support and appreciation by visiting on the day.

The final sum raised, after deduction of expenses, was an amazing **£6065.18, Well done, and thank you.**

The success of the Fête was enabled by generous donations from local businesses and organisations, to whom, very many thanks.

The Bells of St. Leonard's...

Many of us have been saddened that we no longer hear the bells before services at St. Leonard's, and we now hope to get together a team of bellringers again. We have an excellent ring of 8 bells and have found an experienced local bellringer who has volunteered to provide instruction.

So all we need are enthusiastic volunteers to bring our bell-tower to life again. Experienced and less experienced ringers are welcome, as well as keen beginners young and old. It's not rocket science: the main things you need are enthusiasm, willingness to learn and commitment to being part of a team.

Please volunteer by getting in touch with Churchwarden Mrs. Janet Smith on 02476 306224



**Remembrance Service –
New Arrangements.**
This year's Remembrance
Service on
Sunday 8th November
will be different from previous
years.
.....**The two minutes'
silence at I I am
will be held at the War
Memorial
rather than in church.**

The arrangements are therefore:

Church Service - 10.15am
Two minutes' silence at War Memorial 11.00am

**N.B. NO VILLAGE WORSHIP SERVICE
BECAUSE OF EARLIER START TO REMEMBRANCE SERVICE.**

Children's Society Boxes

Children's Society boxes are due to be collected in and opened this month. Please bring them to church, drop at Gill White's in the High St., or I will call round to collect during the month, my contact number is 77983347 . Thanks, Diane.

Next PCC meeting: Monday November 20th 7.00 p.m.
at the Vicarage.



Action Medical Research.
Come to our Halloween Party at Ryton
Village Hall on October 31st at 7.30pm.
Tickets £8-50 which includes hot food and
delicious puddings.
Bring your own drinks and glasses.
Contact Sylvia Dixon 76301417.
Our Quiz on September 5th raised over
£580; thank you so much for your support.

Children at St. Leonard's Church



We love having children in our church, and there is **always provision for them at our 9.30 a.m.** services. All families with babies and children are sure of a warm welcome whenever they can join us. All our Sunday morning services start **at 9.30 a.m.**, and the pattern is:

2nd Sunday in every month: Village Worship.

The most informal of all our services. We start in the Church Centre (warm and welcoming) with workshop activities for children, and coffee, puzzles and chat for grown ups to get to know one another. At about 10.00 we move into church for a short and child-centred service. There is no need to be there on the dot of 9.30- people drift in as soon as they can make it

“ A Sower went forth..” Arrangement made at Village Worship on July 13, and placed in church for all to enjoy.

4th Sunday in every month: Family Service.

An all-age service of readings, songs and activities with everybody young and old in church together. Children always participate in the readings/ drama sketches etc. and several people bring instruments to accompany the songs... (and any other musicians among you and your children would be very welcome to join them)

Tea/coffee and cake after the service in the Church Centre.

1st and 3rd Sundays in every month: Parish Communion with Sunday School.

Tea/coffee and the chance to socialise after every service. Children start the service in church with their parents, and after the first hymn go out for Sunday School activities in the Church Centre, returning to receive a blessing at the time of Communion. Parents are welcome to accompany their little ones to Sunday School and stay with them if they lack confidence at first.

We value children at St Leonard's, and make them and their parents welcome.

Lunch Club

This venture is open to all villagers. Meals are served on the second Wednesday of each month and we look forward to welcoming new people. Transport can be provided. A 2 course meal with tea or coffee costs £5, to include a raffle ticket. Please ring Hazel Smith on 02476456711 if you are interested in joining us.



From the Church Register:

Baptism: 20th September at St Leonard's Church:
Lexi Nicole Baaba Young
Lewis Alexander Paakow Young.

Jesus said: "Let the little children come to me."

Funeral: **17th September** at Canley and at St Leonard's Church: John William Hathaway.
24th September at Ryton: The Burial of Esther Kinsella.

May they rest in peace.



Thank you!

Jim and Pat Parke would like to thank you all for the cards and good wishes on the occasion of our Golden Wedding Anniversary. Thank you.

Church Floodlighting

9th September Birthday memories of Lynne Goodwin
6th October Special Birthday of Sylvia Dixon
22nd October Diamond Wedding Anniversary of Myrtle and Frank Tunney

Ladies' Guild.

Mr. Norman Clarke will show us how to make Christmas wreaths, table decorations, etc., at our meeting in the Village Hall, at 7.45 p.m., on Thursday, October 1st

Ryton Evergreen 50+ Club

06-10-2015 Harvest Festival at St Leonard's Church and Church Hall.
20-10-2015 Paul the Minstrel.
03-11-2015 Table Top Sale.
17-11-2015 Ladies' Co-op Choir.

Our meetings are held in the Village Hall on the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 1.45pm to 3.45pm.

New members are welcome. Please contact John Loudon 02476301269

We use the village mini bus to our meetings in the Village Hall.

At the moment we are desperate for drivers to take us on short distant day out trips.

If anyone is interested in helping us it would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact our Chairman on 02476301269.

Wednesday November 11th on Knightlow Hill at 6.30 a.m:

Wroth Silver ceremony.

Breakfast afterwards at the Queen's Head, Bretford.

This is said to be Britain's longest running annual ceremony being recorded as 'ongoing' in 1086 and on this site since 1170.

The ceremony takes place at the stone, the base of an old wayside cross, on the mound at the top of Knightlow Hill every 'Martinmas Eve before sun-rising'. That means on 11 November every year just at first light the Wroth Money is collected from the parishes of the Hundred of Knightlow (this includes Ryton and Bubbenhall) by the Agent to the Duke of Buccleuch. In practice that is about 6.45am but it varies with the first light of dawn. Anyone is welcome to attend. Many people will be regular attenders and will be bringing their children.

The actual collection from the 25 parishes only lasts about four and a half minutes so do not be late!

Many people will already have been to the local pub, The Queens Head in Bretford (CV23 0JY Tel. 024 76542671 www.thequeenshead-bretford.co.uk) for the traditional drink of rum and hot milk. The bar usually opens at 6.00 am

All will then return to The Queens Head for a breakfast and speeches. Please note that breakfast tickets need to be pre-booked directly with the Queens Head, (breakfast cost was £13 in 2014. Included in the price is a glass of rum and hot milk with which to toast the health of His Grace and a churchwarden pipe (tobacco supplied). People will be departing by about 8.45am. Further information on : <http://www.wrothsilver.org.uk/>



Wroth Silver ceremony 2012

Flower Rota

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Pulpit</u>
September 27	<u>Wedding Anniversaries</u>	
October 4	Harvest Festival	In memory of Dorothy Smith.
October 11		
October 18	In memory of Frederick J. Hill.	In memory of Pat Pooke.
October 25	In Memory of Mary Ann Waugh	
November 1		In memory of John Jackson
November 8	Remembrance Sunday	



*The Flower arrangers
celebrated a job well
done.*

Ryton History Group.

7.30- 9.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. £2.50 per meeting or £20 annual subscription.

We are now on the council website for you to get more information.

www.ryton-on-dunsmore.org

or phone Steve Garrett 76639228 or Ann 76302695

Thought for the month: From our Rector, the Revd. David Wintle

“Failure is not an option” is a quote that you often hear bandied about, especially in business. It was coined comparatively recently: in the film Apollo 13 it is put in the mouth of Gene Crantz, the NASA Flight Director, as he tries to bring the stricken spaceship home. In fact, he didn’t say it at the time, and it was written by the scriptwriter of the film. Now Gene Crantz says it all the time: he is retired from his demanding job at NASA, and has a nice little earner giving motivational speeches in which the quote is used quite a lot.

In real life, though, failure is an option. In fact, it is inevitable. You might not want to fail your parents, your teachers, your friends, your husband, your wife, your children, your work colleagues, yourself – but sooner or later you will. And all the people you look up to or care about will have failed too, some of them in spectacular ways. Failure plays a big part in the process of becoming a well-rounded, wise, compassionate person. People who learn from their personal failures and go on to help and inspire and encourage others are the sort of people I admire.

There is another saying: “To err is human, to forgive divine”. Failure can humble us. It may be good for us now and then to realise that we are just one ordinary person among the 7 billion or so who inhabit our planet, every one of whom will inevitably make a mess of something or other. And yet, the Bible tells us that each one of us matters to the God who made us. Like a loving Father, God knows all about our failures and yet he still loves us and if we are honest with him about what has gone wrong and ask him for forgiveness, he will forgive us.

Pride often stops us from being honest with ourselves and honest with God, but failure can often bring us to our knees, and time on our knees (whether you take that literally or figuratively) can bring us closer to God.

“Failure is not an option” is just a piece of Hollywood hokum.



Suspension of Youth Club

by Stuart Wells • September 12, 2015

Message to Parents/Carers from the Youth Club Management Committee

Suspension of Youth Club

Shortly before the Summer break we sent out two major appeals for extra Volunteers for Youth Club. These appeals made it clear that without considerable extra support the Club would not be able to continue. We are grateful to those who responded but sadly the overall response to these appeals has been very disappointing and as a result we do not now have enough Volunteers to keep the Club going.

We are therefore announcing that Youth Club is now suspended and will not re-open in September.

We very much regret this decision and it is not one that we have taken lightly. The current Youth Club has been running for seven years and is widely recognised as having had a very positive impact on the Village. In that time we have been supported by over 50 Volunteers, had over 200 registered Members and provided 6000 Member evenings. The Club also won Warwickshire Youth Club of the Year award in 2011.



We very much hope that a new group of enthusiasts will feel inspired and come forward to take Youth Club forward. Funding is not the issue – we have a healthy bank balance and grants are available. The current Management Committee would be happy to help with advice on what's required to run the Club and [WAYC](#) (Warwickshire Association of Youth Clubs) to whom we are affiliated would also provide plenty of support.

It would be great for the village if Youth Club could continue.

Youth Club Management Committee

Dave Sage, Tracey Cairns Julie Humphries, Sam Sharpe
Geoff and Ba Marsh

**Saturday, November 28 10.00 a.m. – lunchtime, in the Village Hall:
Christmas Coffee Morning and Bazaar.**



Come to the Coffee Morning and buy many of the things you will need for Christmas. There will be stalls, competitions, and refreshments including bacon batches and hot dogs. Father Christmas will of course be paying a visit to speak to all the children.

We need your gifts of bottles for the bottle stall: to Betty Page or Frances Wintle please- or leave the bottles in church to be collected.

TWIRLS – Women’s Institute

Meet every third Thursday of the month at Ryton Church Centre. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Further details from Committee members:

Tracey Miller – 45 Church Road Tel: 07899 773373

Sue Roberts-Smith – 10 Cedar Ave Tel: 07966 184282

Clair Henry – 27 Holly Drive Tel: 07974 679891

Tracey Cairns – 10 Poplar Grove Tel: 02476 303304

Sam Sharpe – 12 Church Road Tel: 07854 002931

Come and enjoy breakfast in **BUBBENHALL Village Hall!**



First Saturday in the month***, from 9.00 – 11.00 a.m.

Full English £5.00, or bacon/sausage etc. batches, tea, coffee- priced per item.

Proceeds in aid of St. Giles’ Church.

*** No meeting October 3rd, as Village Hall not available.

Angela Greenway and Gill Green hope to welcome even more of you **on Saturday, November 7th**. Do come along and bring your friends! Many thanks to Angela, Gill, and all those who are helping them in this popular venture.

Tailpiece: Electoral Reform?

So it seems that these four vicars had a series of theological arguments, and three were always in accord against the fourth. One day, the odd priest out, after the usual "3 to 1, majority rules" statement that signified that he had lost again, decided to appeal to a higher authority.

"Oh, Lord!" he cried. "I know in my heart that I am right and they are wrong! Please give me a sign to prove it to them!"

It was a beautiful, sunny day. As soon as the priest finished his prayer, a storm cloud moved across the sky above the four.

It rumbled once and dissolved. "A sign from God! See, I'm right, I knew it!"
But the other three disagreed, pointing out that storm clouds do form on hot days.

So the priest prayed again: "Oh, God, I need a bigger sign to show that I am right and they are wrong. So please, Lord, a bigger sign!"

This time four storm clouds appeared, rushed toward each other to form one big cloud, and a bolt of lightning slammed into a tree on a nearby hill.



"I told you I was right!" cried the priest, but his friends insisted that nothing had happened that could not be explained by natural causes.

The priest was getting ready to ask for a **very big** sign, but just as he said:

"Oh God...," the sky turned pitch black, the earth shook, and a deep, booming voice intoned, "HE'S RIGHT!"

The priest put his hands on his hips, turned to the other three, and said, "Well?!"

"So," shrugged one of the others, "now it's 3 to 2."

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**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER BY
OCTOBER 20th PLEASE!**

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