## **September Letter**

Autumn is approaching...again...so soon! It is my favourite time of the year - the leaves turn beautiful colours, and although they all die and fall off, this results in a brightness, especially when walking through Hartshill Hayes. The colours of Autumn remind us of the eternal beauty of God's creation, and that we are caretakers of this awesome planet which he made for us. The world remains His - Psalm 24:1 "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world and all who live in it;" - but are we doing a good job in looking after it for Him, and for future generations? No-one could fail to have heard about the pollution crisis, the tonnes of plastic in the oceans, and climate change resulting from our materialistic lives. Time is running out for our planet, and we are fast approaching the point of no return, where we will not be able to save it - there is no "Planet B"! Imagine what God is thinking when he sees this - Ezekiel 34:18 "Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture? Must you also trample the rest of your pasture with your feet? Is it not enough for you to drink clear water? Must you also muddy the rest with your feet?" We are defiling the land created to support us, which God created with love so that we would have food to eat, water to drink, and could make a living from the land.

It is time we took responsibility for our actions, and made an effort to play our part in protecting the planet. What small thing(s) could we do to help? Reduce our buying, reuse our old things, and recycle wherever possible. Check out the Diocesan Environment Group on the Coventry Diocese website to see how we as a church can play our part, and I am more than happy to talk to anyone about ways to reduce, reuse and recycle in the home.

In our communion services, we say "...everything in heaven and on earth is yours..." - let's not forget that we are merely custodians, and that when God created the earth, he "... saw all that he had made, and it was very good." (Genesis 1:31). It still is **very good**, but it needs our help to keep it that way.

Carol Miles

## **Church Flowers in September**



1st Holy Trinity Church Family8th For Mr J Barker15th For Florence Thornton22nd HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you for your generous donations towards the flowers.

If you would like to sponsor the altar flowers, perhaps to celebrate an event or remember a loved one, please see Jan in church or telephone her on 02476 395467

Also, if anyone would like to help with arranging the flowers, Jan would be delighted to hear from you!

#### Special Service on Sunday September 1st 2019

Bishop John will preside at our Holy Communion service at 10am on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September to celebrate the tenth anniversary of Heather's installation as Priest in Charge of Holy Trinity and St Peter's. It will be a special thanksgiving service for the ministry of Heather and all are welcome. The service will be followed by a bring and share lunch.

#### **Service Dates**

Date/Time & Service	Season / Theme	Readings to reflect on
$1^{st}$ September – $10.00$ am	Proper 17	Road to Emmaus
Holy Communion	plus	Luke 24 v13-35
With Bishop John	** bring and	
_	share after the	
	service**	
8 <sup>th</sup> September – 9am	Proper 18	Philemon v 3 to 21
Holy Communion		
<u>15<sup>th</sup> Sep -10am</u>	Proper 19	Luke 15 v1 to 10
Holy Communion		
22 <sup>nd</sup> September - 10.00am	Proper 20	Psalm 100
ALL AGE	_	
29 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>10.30 service</b> at	NO SERVICE
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday – joint service at	Galley Common	AT Hartshill
St Peter's	-	this sunday

What Else Is On In September			
Thursday 5th	7pm Singing Group		
Wednesday 18th	3.30pm Messy Church in the Community Centre and 7.30pm Mothers' Union in the library		
Thursday 26th	Mothers' Union Deanery Festival Service at 2pm		

Children's groups take place on 1st and 3rd Sundays during Holy Communion Trinity Tots takes place in the Community Centre every Monday during term time at 1pm

Prayer group takes place in Church every Tuesday at 9.15am

Fellowship Groups takes place every Tuesday during term time at Nick and Carol's at 7.30pm and every Monday at 7.30pm at Sylv's

Over 50s group takes place in the Community Centre every Wednesday at 1pm

- 3pm



A huge thank you to all who came along to our songs of praise service this summer. It was a great service as we heard about people's favourite hymns and why they were special to them.

We also enjoyed a talk from the Chinthowa Development Trust – a locally based charity which serves primarily orphans in the area of Chithowa, Malawi. Unlike many big charities, this one uses every penny raised to benefit the people directly as all the work by the team is done voluntarily with 0% administrative costs. We heard of one man apologetically saying – 'sorry, I only have £1 to give you' – the response – it's not 'only £1 – but for the charity – that will feed 25 people and we thank you for every penny given.' Just like the miracle of Jesus feeding the 5,000 – who took a few fish and loaves of bread given generously to feed the many – this charity takes everything given to help feed, educate and give clean water to the most vulnerable in an area that needs support.

It was an honour to give the collection taken during our service to further this work and to hear how it is used. Working, giving, worshiping and serving together is always such a blessing....

...for... "How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity...for there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore." (Psalm 133)

Heather



# All ages of children are welcome

Come along for fun, crafts, food and a little mess!!!

\*\*\* At Hartshill Community Centre \*\*\*
(next to Holy Trinity Church, Church Road)

This year we are looking at Old Testament Characters The next few sessions at our usual time of Wednesday afternoons 3.30 – 5.30pm are:

> Sep 18<sup>th</sup> – Harvest (Cain & Abel) Oct 16<sup>th</sup> - Noah Nov 20<sup>th</sup> - Moses

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost? Free – but donations are welcomed.

### **Praying for our Parish**

1Thessalonians 5 v 16 – 18

Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

A space has been left each day for you to add your own thoughts. Please write it down so that you can go back to it and pray for it again.

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	We pray for Bishop John's visit to Galley Common. We
1	pray it goes well and
	We pray for the Deanery standing committee that
2	their meeting will be successful and deal with
3	We pray for the Schools which go back today and for
3	children like
4	We pray for the over 50's that God would be present
	in their fellowship and
5	We pray for Scouts to inspire them to grow in
	confidence and
	We pray for the emergency services that as they help
6	other they will remain safe and
	We pray for Children in care that they will find a place
7	where they belong and
	We pray for Heather as she does both services on a
8	second Sunday. Give her strength the words to say and

9	We pray for Trinity tots first session back, that parents and children would feel welcome and
10	We pray for the prayer group as they bring the prayers of the community to God. Pray for
11	We pray for the government that they accept Gods guidance and
12	We pray for Girls Brigade that the girls will grow in confidence, relationship with Christ and
13	We pray for Countries in conflict that a solution will be found and
14	We pray for family relationships that they will be based on love, understanding and
15	We pray for Church that in our congregation and the wide church we would be united and
16	We pray for the sick that the medical staff will know how to respond to them and we pray for those we know who are sick
17	We pray for Girl Guiding that you will give them leaders, recourses and they need.

18	We pray for Messy church that parents and children will have fun, learn about you and
19	We pray for those struggling with Mental health that they will find the help and support they need as well as
20	We pray for the persecuted Christians that they will stand strong on Gods Word in countries like  .
21	We pray for the Parish council that they will serve the people of Hartshill and
22	We pray for the Harvest service that we will remember all God has provided for us and done for us
23	We pray for university students that they will settle into their new accommodation and courses, students like
24	We pray for Boys Brigade that they will raise up Godly men and
25	We pray for teenagers and young people that they will find their purpose in life and
26	We pray for the environment that we will do our share in protecting it by
27	We pray for foodbank that they will be able to provide for families in need and

28	We pray for the countries in the news today that people would seek your guidance in the difficult situations they face
29	We pray for Church leaders known to us likethat they will seek Gods guidance and
30	We pray for the fellowship groups that they will be open to what God has to say to them and pray for those who lead them like

1 Thessalonions 5 v 23 -25

I pray that God, who gives peace, will make you completely holy. And may your spirit, soul, and body be kept healthy and faultless until our Lord Jesus Christ returns.

The one who chose you can be trusted, and he will do this.

Friends, please pray for us.



Thanks to everyone who responded to the appeal – we were able to take a good number of items to the food bank. Please can we continue our efforts to support this important cause by getting in the habit of regularly bringing something to church each week. All gifts should be put by the table at the back of the church.

The food bank is particularly in need of fruit juice, coffee and tinned meatballs. Wendy and Jan will be taking any donations to the foodbank warehouse on 9th September.

For more information about Nuneaton Foodbank, see <a href="https://nuneaton.foodbank.org.uk/">https://nuneaton.foodbank.org.uk/</a>







### **CHURCH MISSION SOCIETY (CMS)**

This mission began over 200 years ago and is still going strong today. A group of Christians including William Wilberforce, John Venn,(a former saintly rector of Clapham) and John Newton worked together to abolish the slave trade and fought for the rights of oppressed people at home and world evangelism, crossing dangerous seas to share Jesus with the world. John Venn asked the question "What can we ourselves do to spread the gospel?" and this led to the foundation of CMS on 12th April, 1799, in Aldersgate Street in the City of London, which followed The Great Awakening, a revival in Western Europe. How we could do with a Revival now!

When John Venn asked that question, they came up with some basic principles for mission, which still have a lot of wisdom for today, which are:

Follow God's lead

Put prayer first, money second

Success depends on the quality of the people answering the call of God

Begin humbly and on a small scale

Rely on the Spirit of God

Since that time, thousands of men and women have followed in their footsteps all across the globe. The overseas mission work began in Sierra Leone in 1804 and spread rapidly across nations and continents and they now have people working in 40 countries, bringing the love of Jesus to people, whilst also doing the practical work of educating the poor of the world, providing small business opportunities, helping the millions of street

children, providing health care, safe houses for abused children to name but a few.

Whilst people today are still being called to serve God overseas, CMS recognizes that we are ALL called to be witnesses to the Good News of Jesus wherever we are and they can provide training and resources to help people speak to friends and neighbours in their own communities. There are also local CMS community groups throughout the UK where like minded mission inspired people can meet together in fellowship, prayer, social and fundraising groups, our nearest being in Hinckley.

Their vision is to see all God's people engaged in God's mission, bringing challenge, change, hope and freedom to the world. England is a great mission field in itself.

CMS have six focus areas.

- 1) Making disciples: by God's Grace they want to see communities of people developing radical and authentic Christ-like lifestyles within local neighbourhoods.
- 2) Encouraging leaders: walking with local leaders worldwide and investing in their mission calls.
- 3) People at risk: working alongside people made vulnerable by unjust systems of circumstance, to bring hope and a positive future.
- 4) Lasting economic change: being about dignity not dependency, encouraging businesses and generating income for generations to come.
- 5) Peace and reconciliation: motivating people in conflict to be reconciled and find peaceful ways forward.
- 6) Creation care: "For God so loved the world" the planet and the people and wanting to join Him in the renewal of both.

There are opportunities to join CMS in short, long term and gap year placements in many areas, including local churches.

The Patron of CMS is the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Contact details are: Church Mission Society, Watlington Road, Oxford, OX4 6BZ. Tel: 01865 787400. Or go online at churchmissionsociety.org to read stories of missionaries in many countries.

Lynda Kelly

## Sharon's Recipe - Lemon and Garlic Chicken (Serves 4)

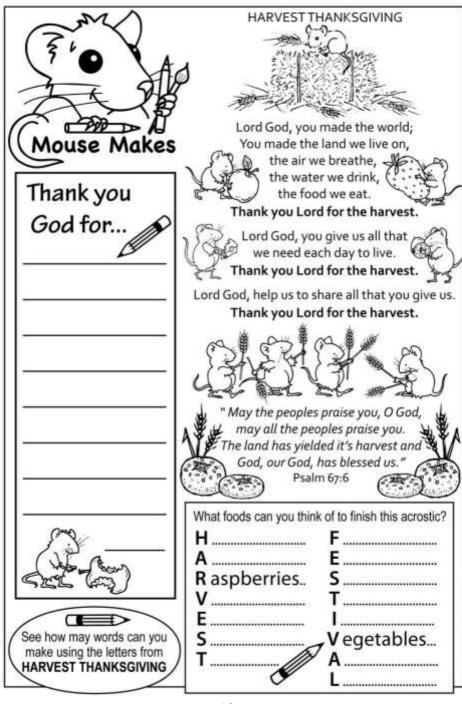
#### **Ingredients**

- 1 Butternut Squash, in rough cubes
- 1 1lb/454g new potatoes, halved
- 11b/454g carrots, in rough cubes
- 2 red onions, quartered
- 2 courgettes, in rough cubes
- 2-3 tbsp olive oil
- Salt and freshly mill black pepper
- 2-3 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 8 chicken thighs
- 3 garlic cloves, crushed
- Zest and juice of a lemon

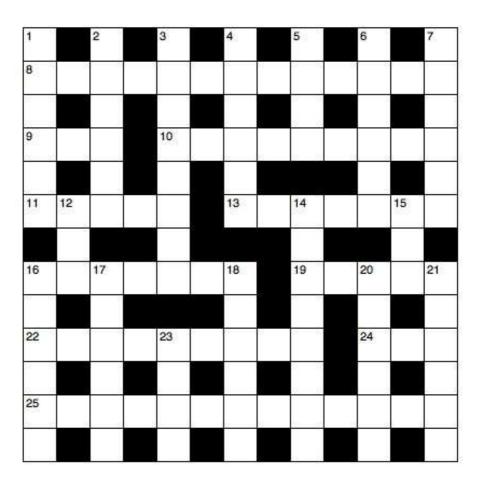
Large handful of flat leaf parsley, finely chopped or 2 tsp dried parsley

#### Method

- 1. Preheat oven to 220°C, 425°F, Gas Mark 7
- 2. Place the squash, potatoes, carrots, red onion and courgettes into 1 or 2 roasting tins
- 3. Pour over oil and mix to coat vegtables
- 4. Drizzle over the balsamic vinegar
- 5. Season the chicken and place nestled in the vegetables
- 6. Roast for 40 minutes, turning everything half way through to prevent sticking/burning
- 7. Mix together the garlic, lemon zest, lemon juice and parsley and sprinkle over the roasting chicken and vegetables and stir to coat everything in the garlic and lemon mixture
- 8. Roast for a further 10 minutes
- 9. Serve immediately



#### Crossword



#### **Across**

- 8 Where the ark of the covenant was kept for 20 years (1 Samuel 7:1) (7,6)
- 9 One of the parts of the body on which blood and oil were put in the ritual cleansing from infectious skin diseases (Leviticus 14:14–17) (3)
- 10 Uncomfortable (3,2,4) 11 'Yet I have loved Jacob, but Esau I have —' (Malachi 1:3) (5)

- Where Paul said farewell to the elders of the church in Ephesus (Acts 20:17) (7)
- 16 'Jesus bent down and to write on the ground with his finger' (John 8:6) (7)
- 19 Prophet from Moresheth (Jeremiah 26:18) (5)
- Comes between Exodus and Numbers (9)
- 24 and 2 Down 'Then Elkanah went home to Ramah, but the boy ministered before the Lord under the '(1 Samuel 2:11) (3,6)
- There was no room for them in the inn (Luke 2:7) (4,3,6)

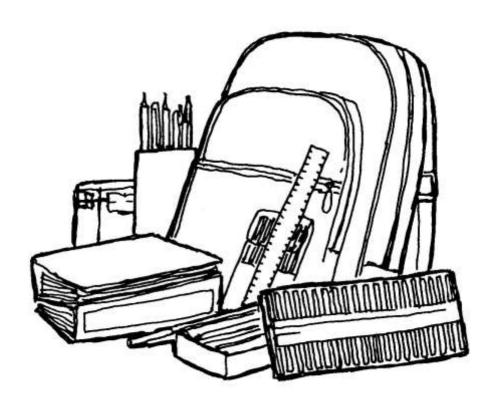
#### Down

- 1 Rough drawing (2 Kings 16:10) (6)
- 2 See 24 Across
- 3 Underground literature (including Christian books) circulated in the Soviet Union (8)
- 4 Lo, mash (anag.) (6)
- 5 The Bible's shortest verse: 'Jesus ' (John 11:35) (4)
- 6 'Can a mother forget the baby at her and have no compassion on the child she has borne?' (Isaiah 49:15) (6)
- 7 Can be seen in a dying fire (Psalm 102:3) (6)
- 12 'Send me, therefore, a man... experienced in the of engraving, to work in Judah and Jerusalem' (2 Chronicles 2:7) (3)
- 14 Second city of Cyprus (8)
- 15 United Nations Association (1,1,1)
- One of the women who first heard that Jesus had risen from the dead (Mark 16:1) (6)
- 17 Braved (anag.) (6)

- of Evangelism, outreach initiative in the 1990s (6)
- 20 'Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes and in their own sight' (Isaiah 5:21) (6)
- 'Neither nor depth... will be able to separate us from the love of God' (Romans 8:39) (6)
- What Jesus shed in 5 Down (4)

The solution is on page 18

#### To Colour - Back to School





#### **Eco tips for September**

As the autumn nip creeps into the air and the evenings begin to shorten, it's a good time to get ready for winter. This month we're looking at getting ready for colder days and helping keep our energy consumption low.

This week's eco tip: Stop your heating bill going through the roof! Loft insulation acts as a blanket to prevent heat escaping. The recommended thickness is 25 to 27cm, so if yours is less than that you could expect to see savings whether you do the work yourself or professionally. Environmentally friendly options include thermafleece (sheeps wool) and Excel Warmel 100 (recycled paper) - both are safe and easy to install. Government grants are available, although not necessarily with these options.

**This week's eco tip:** Thinking of replacing flooring? Cork is an ecofriendly option, and doesn't harbour dust or toxic fumes. It is warm and soft underfoot, and by buying it we are helping to support the Iberian cork forest under threat because of the increased use of plastic bottle corks.

This week's eco tip: Make sure your hot-water tank is dressed correctly. A British Standard lagging jacket costs around £15 and the insulation for the pipe leading to the hot-water tank from the boiler is around £3 a metre. Keep your hot water cozy and save at the same time!

This week's eco tip: Is your home too cozy? Most household thermostats have a default setting of 21°C but the World Health Organization's standard for warmth says 18C is suitable for healthy people who are active and appropriately dressed. For those with respiratory problems or allergies, they recommend a minimum of 16C; and for the sick, disabled, very old or very young, a minimum of 20C. Many thermostats have the option to vary the temperature at different times of the day, and you could use this to reflect your lifestyle, including the suggested comfortable night time temperature of about 14 or 15C. Smart radiator valves help if you are heating seldomused rooms.

## Heritage Open Day at St Peter's, Galley Common

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2019
10.00am to 4.00pm
Audio visual and heritage displays including excerpts from the popular 'Mining Memories' and also a 'During the Wars' exhibition.
Soup and a roll available from 11am

'WW2 Afternoon Tea Dance with themed entertainment at 2pm. Refreshments available.

#### Solution to crossword on page 14

ACROSS: 8, Kiriath Jearim. 9, Toe. 10, Ill at ease. 11, Hated. 13, Miletus. 16, Started. 19, Micah. 22, Leviticus. 24, Eli. 25, Mary and Joseph.

DOWN: 1, Sketch. 2, Priest. 3, Samizdat. 4, Shalom. 5, Wept. 6, Breast. 7, Embers. 12, Art. 14, Limassol. 15, UNA. 16, Salome. 17, Adverb. 18, Decade. 20, Clever. 21, Height. 23, Tear.

Thank you to everybody who has contributed to this magazine.

If anybody has anything they would like to share with readers of the magazine, please either write it down and give it to me or email it to me at <a href="mu@susanmfoster.co.uk">mu@susanmfoster.co.uk</a>. Please send text in either email form or as a word attachment and send photos as jpg attachments.

The deadline for articles for the October magazine is 23<sup>rd</sup> September

#### Who's Who?

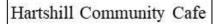
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	Mrs Sally Young	02476 397276
PCC Secretary	Mrs Carol Miles	02476 394339
Treasurer	Mrs Wendy Albrighton	02476 397183
Planned Giving	Mrs Wendy Albrighton	02476 397183
Mothers' Union	Mrs Susan Foster	02476 319943
Verger	Mr David Hodson	07773 992270
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Flowers	Mrs Jan Blamire-Brown	02476 395467
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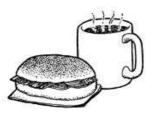
Church website: <a href="http://www.holytrinityhartshill.co.uk/">http://www.holytrinityhartshill.co.uk/</a>

Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/holytrinityhartshill/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/holytrinityhartshill/</a>

Hartshill Mothers' Union website: <a href="http://hartshillmu.uk/">http://hartshillmu.uk/</a>

Prayer Requests prayers.holytrinity@gmail.com





Open Every Tuesday 11:00 – 2:00 In the Community Centre

Enjoy home made food and good company



## **Hartshill Community Library**

## Your Warwickshire Library card works here!



Tuesday 10am to 2pm Wednesday 2pm to 4pm Thursday 2pm to 4pm Friday 10am to Midday Saturday 10am to Midday

The following sessions are also held in the library: Family History Group Mondays 1.30pm to 3.30pm Needles and Natter Fridays 10am to 12pm Book Club first Tuesday of the month 10.30am

If you feel able to join our band of volunteers, pop in any time.