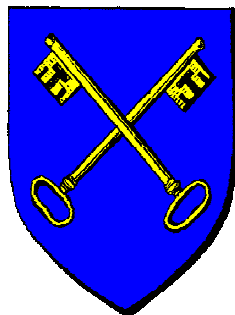


St Peter's Church, Raunds

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Harvest and Halloween are now over and we are preparing for Christmas events and services. Firstly, though, we will be commemorating 100 years since the end of World War 1. On November 11th there will be a Remembrance Service in church at 10.45 and the Town Remembrance service at 3pm at the War Memorial. Forms for pew end poppy displays are available from Stephen.

Our first Christmas Fayre is being held in church from 2 - 4pm on Saturday 24th November. Please do come along and support the church. The Town Lights Switch on is on the following day and I heard that Santa will be at the Community Centre. On the same day there is a Deanery Choral Evensong at 6pm at Finedon Church. This is for everyone and, if you wish to join the choir there is a rehearsal beforehand at 5pm.

On December 2nd the Christingle Service will be held at St Peter's Church at 3pm. Any donations towards making the Christingles will be much appreciated (see Judy).

Don't forget to use St. Peter's post for your Christmas cards. This is available until December 9th.

The content of this newsletter depends on the information we are given and, unfortunately, the only contributor usually is Ginny with her excellent Children's report. Please send us any items, however short. The next newsletter will be at the beginning of December and this will also cover January. If you have any contributions please send to Judy (cawabs@aol.com) or Sue (sueclements@btopenworld.com).

RAUNDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

HIGH STREET, RAUNDS

COMPUTER DROP IN

EVERY THURSDAY AFTERNOON FROM 2:00pm TO 4:00pm

Has your LAPTOP stopped giving you WINDOWS to the world?

Do you need a pill before tackling your TABLET?

Is your PHONE just too darned SMART?

**THEN BRING 'EM ALONG AND WE'LL DO OUR BEST
TO GET THINGS SORTED**

Need help in deciding what to buy?

Want to surf the net without getting soaking wet?

How about “freshly clicking” your supermarket order?

Would you like to process your words into fantastic documents?

Are spreadsheets something to do with making the bed?

WHY NOT DROP IN FOR A CHAT WITH US

Maybe you would just like to sit quietly and surf the net.

Whatever your needs we will be happy to see you.

The cost for each session is £3

For more information:-

Email us at raundscentre@gmail.com Or ring 01933 622278



Dates for your diary:-

St Peter's Church Services November		
4th November	Patronal—All Hallows, Hargrave Benefice—Holy Communion 10:00 a.m.	
11th November	Remembrance Service 10:45 a.m.	Evening Prayer 6 p.m.
18th November	Holy Communion 10.45 a.m.	Evening Prayer 6 p.m.
25th November	All Age Service 10.45 a.m.	Evening Prayer 6 p.m.

December services		
2nd December Advent Sunday	Holy Communion 10:45 a.m. Christingle 3 p.m.	Evening Prayer 6 p.m.
9th December Advent 2	Nine Lessons & Carols 10.45 a.m.	
16th December Advent 3	Holy Communion 10.45 a.m.	
23rd December Advent 4	All Age Service 10.45 a.m.	
Christmas Eve	Carols by Candlelight 6 p.m.	
Christmas Day	Holy Communion 10 am.	
30th December First Sunday of Christmas	Benefice Service of Holy Communion St Mary's Ringstead 10 a.m.	

Church Cleaning

Now the restoration is complete we need to resume Church cleaning. This will take place on the last Saturday of the month at 10 o'clock, unless otherwise notified.

Please come and join us.

Many hands make light work.

Ginny Pledger – Child & Family Worker

October has been quite a busy month with lots of exciting new projects starting in the Benefice. Please see below for the events for October:

Little Fishes Sunday School, Raunds – a Sunday School has been set up for the Holy Communion services in Raunds. The first Sunday School was very busy as we had a baptism so the children made a baptingle (think similar to a Christingle, but baptism related). These were very well received. If anyone has any birthday candles, like the one pictured or cocktail sticks laying around in their drawers that they would like to donate, they would be gratefully received. Thank you.

Golden Ticket, Raunds – This was the launch of the very first Golden Ticket for Raunds and it was fabulous to see so many year 6 leavers attending. We all had a great night and the response from the young people was amazing. They are keen for a Raunds Youth Group, which is very exciting and they can't wait for the next Golden Ticket event.

Self-Harm Course – Rev. Jon and I have been attending a Self-Harm course throughout October. We felt that sadly this is an increasing problem with young people and if the church can help in any small way then we should. The skills that we have learnt from the course should enable us to go into schools and offer a 6-week support course to young people at risk. These skills can also be transferable to our youth groups as well.

Rainbows/Brownies visit, Raunds – I popped over to visit the Rainbows and Brownies. The Rainbows were doing their 'Greatest Showman' routine and the Brownies were doing 'Around the World in 80 minutes'. Thank you Nicole and Andrea for making me so welcome. I had lots of fun, helping to teach a Rainbow to juggle! and I got to judge the fancy dress competition plus to top the evening off I was made an Honorary Owl. We look forward to welcoming the Rainbows and Brownies at our All Age Service at the end of October and they have promised to put on a play for our November All Age Service. I can't wait to see what they have planned as they are a very talented group of young people.

Ginny Pledger – continued

Park Infants Harvest Festival Assembly, Raunds – It was lovely to be invited into Park Infants to take their Harvest Assembly. We looked at how lucky we are in this country to have access to food and fresh, clean water. The young people had generously donated lots of food for the Raunds Food bank, so a massive thank you to Park Infants for organising it all.

St Peter's Academy, Harvest Festival, Raunds – The young people of St Peter's Academy joined us in St Peter's church for their Harvest festival. It was lovely to be joined by friends and family of St Peter's Academy too. Rev. Jon talked about harvest and how important it is to look after one another. The young people were invited to place their donations of food for the Raunds food bank in the church whilst Rev. Jon blessed the food. He then talked about how in some countries children have to walk for hours just to get dirty, contaminated water. The young people then read out their prayers. A big thank you again to everyone who has donated food and toiletries to the Raunds Food bank, it is very gratefully received.

That about finishes everything for October, we are hosting a Light Party in St Peter's Church on the 31st October starting at 4:30pm but I will fill you all in on that next month. In the meantime, please can I ask you all to pray for the many groups and new initiatives that take place or will be starting across our Benefice. Help us to take God out into our communities. Until next month, take care and God bless.

Ginny Pledger

Friday Club

On October 19th five of us met at Shirley's home for a Beetle Drive. It was an informal meeting which went very well and was enjoyed by all. We played six games with a break halfway through for refreshments. The overall winner was Shirley, and she received a box of Maltesers. The booby prize went to Sylvia: a packet of Polos! A good time was had by everyone, which was the object of the exercise! Thanks to Shirley for hosting the evening.

Knitters of Raunds

Thank you so much to those who have already started working away on these projects.

Knitted 'Mary's' – after the success of the knitted angels last year in which we distributed over 1,000 angels across the Benefice, we have decided to knit Mary this year. Big thank you to Sue Harris for adapting the angel pattern. Knitting patterns have now gone out to each church in the Benefice so if you would like to get involved please feel free to take a pattern and pass it along to any friends or relatives that you know who knit. Let's see if we can beat last year's total! (please pick one up from any of our churches and return completed Marys to Ginny)



Tea With Friends

Please note that from September Tea With Friends will be on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month.

This month's dates are:-

November 14th.
November 28th..

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Raunds Community Cafe and Food Bank

Thank you to the churches and schools that have donated their harvest produce to the Foodbank. It is much appreciated.

On November 8th we are holding a sale of "unwanted gifts" at the Cafe. If you have something you don't want, or would like to start your Christmas shopping come along to the Cafe. Items will be sold by donation, to raise funds for the Foodbank. (If you have something to give and can't get there, leave in church or contact Judy (07840666385).

Mothers Union

In October Members enjoyed a craft session at Stanwick Lakes, together with children from Acorn nursery from Stanwick. Refreshments were provided. The afternoon proved successful and will hopefully be repeated.

Our November meeting on the 20th will be at the Community Centre and Keith Gubbins is giving one of his popular floral demonstrations (posies I believe). Visitors are most welcome and further details from Judy.

The Deanery Carol Service will take place on Tuesday 11th December at 2pm at Finedon church. Lifts will be available (contact Judy).

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