

The Parish Magazine
Ashford in the Water and Sheldon
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September 2010

Dear Friends,

September is a time for new beginnings. Most of us think in terms of calendar years, running from January to December. Some of us have to work to tax years, which begin in early April. For the clergy, the church's year begins on Advent Sunday, at the end of November or the beginning of December.

But for a significant number of us, the rhythm of life is marked by the school year, which starts at the beginning of September. For lots of us, perhaps especially our children and grandchildren, this month is the beginning of a whole new adventure. For many, this simply means moving up to a new class, with new teachers but the same friends around us. For others, it means the much bigger challenge of a new school, with strange new uniforms, new timetables, buses, homework, and whole new surroundings with which to become familiar.

In short, it can be a time of excitement and terror in equal measure.

Above all, of course, the start of a new school year holds out the promise – and the threat – of new things that must be learned. New subjects, new ideas, new challenges, and new possibilities. And perhaps this serves as a reminder for the rest of us, those who have left school behind and gone out into the wide world beyond. Whether it's new skills, or new experiences, or simply being open to new ways of looking at things, we need to keep on growing and learning.

But it's not just about acquiring knowledge for the sake of it. St Augustine once said, "I desire to know God and the human soul – nothing else". Knowledge is all very well, but what really matters is wisdom. For the Church Fathers, the point was to move beyond knowledge of earthly things to knowledge of heavenly things – and then to beyond even that mere knowledge to wisdom, participation in God himself. For true wisdom is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. Wisdom comes from God and leads us back into God. For Jesus Christ is himself the wisdom and power of God – "this foolishness of God is wiser than any human wisdom, and this weakness of God is greater than any human strength".

Maybe this helps put all the homework and exams in perspective!
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Services at Ashford

Sunday: 9.45am

- 05 Sept. – 14th Sunday after Trinity:
All-Age Worship.
12 Sept. – 15th Sunday after Trinity:
Sung Eucharist.
19 Sept. – 16th Sunday after Trinity:
Sung Eucharist.
26 Sept. – 17th Sunday after Trinity:
Sung Eucharist.

Thursdays: 10.30am

Holy Communion
2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 Sept:

Ashford Weddings

- 27 Aug: Matthew Baker & Kerry Hines.
4 Sept: Ian Charlesworth & Linda Dean.
10 Sept: John Maybury & Catriona
Loughran.
12 Sept: Jamie Wilson & Beverley
Summers.

Ashford Baptisms

- 05 Sept: Ava Mae Tarplett Moseley.
Lily Isabella Goodwin.

Services at Sheldon

- 12 Sept. – 9.00am: Holy Communion.
26 Sept. – 6.00pm: Patronal Festival.

Sheldon Wedding

- 25 Sept: Brian Davidson & Heather
Swindell.

The Methodist Chapel

Great Longstone

Sunday Services at 10.30am
Minister – The Rev. David Briggs.

The Roman Catholic Church

- 6.15pm Saturday Mass at Bakewell
9.00am 1st Mass at Bakewell
10.30am Mass at Hassop

Confirmation Service

If you are interested in being Confirmed, or would like to know more about what this means, please have a word with Revd. Tony or John Paul. A service has been arranged for November 7th. The preparation for adults will be shared with the Vicar of Eyam.

Ashford Church Notes

The outing of the choir of Holy Trinity to St George's Church, New Mills on Sunday, 18th July was a very enjoyable experience. An afternoon rehearsal was followed by a chance to chat with the members of the other choirs over a cup of tea and biscuits. The Evensong service was primarily to induct the vicar of St. George's, the Rev. John Baines, as Rural Dean for the Glossop area. The induction was performed by Rev. Christine Wilson, Archdeacon of Chesterfield. Our group of nine adults greatly enjoyed being part of a larger choir and appreciated the welcome and friendliness of the people of New Mills. After the rehearsal the resident choir master informed us that he hoped to make this service an annual event. I am sure our choir will be happy to attend again next year if this is so.

At a meeting on 21st July, the PCC Standing Committee was informed that the net takings for the Flower Festival amounted to £2291. Half of this amount would be given to our chosen charity, the Sally Koroma Orphanage in Sierra Leone and the other half to our church funds.

On Wednesday, 28th July a joint meeting of all the churches in our benefice was held in Bakewell Church.

A goodly number of the Ashford PCC attended. The Diocesan Mission Advisor, Rev. Lakshmi Jeffreys, presided over the meeting which was primarily a discussion on the Mission Action Plan (MAP). The meeting was asked to talk about their opinions on spirituality, developing and talking about our faith, what we saw as our purpose under God and developing a way forward for our faith and the future of the Church. Questionnaires about these and other matters have been issued to the church congregation and all inhabitants of Ashford village and we do hope that everyone will fill in the questionnaires and return them to the church or to the village shop, so that the PCC can discuss the results and investigate the way forward for our church and our community.

On Sunday, 19th September, the children of Ashford Church will be holding their annual garden party at Cressbrook Hall, by kind permission of Mrs. Bobbie Hull-Bailey. This event is to raise further funds for the Sally Koroma Orphanage and the children put in a great deal of effort to make the event a success, so we hope that many of you will be able to support their efforts. We look forward to seeing you there.

Magazine Contributions

Please send any articles for the October edition to Linda Foster by 16th Sept. **Tel: 01298 871647**
email:

lindafoster07@btinternet.com

The editorial committee reserves the right to shorten, omit or reformat articles submitted dependent on space available.

Waste Collection

Next date is:

18th September

Police Notes

Bakewell Police Station

Tel: 0345 123 33 33 (722/2029)

If you would like to meet your Safer Neighbourhood Policing team, The next Tideswell & Area Villages Community Forum will be held at 7pm on Monday 20 September 2010 at The Tideswell Police Office which is situated on the second gfloor of The Tideswell Co op. Persons who may have concerns in climbing two flights of stairs should contact me, Pc Kevin Lowe, in advance.

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Sheldon Jottings

John Herbert writes

Sheldon Day was one of the best ever! Brilliant weather, very large crowds, records being broken for attendance numbers; more dogs in the show than ever before; twice as many runners in the Thursday evening fell Race; a most successful day for everyone. The cream teas sold like, um, cream cakes; all the stalls did roaring trade, and the fun was enjoyed by everyone. Our profit was £3117.54 which works out at over one thousand pounds an hour. Not many villages could clock up that kind of sum. Andrew Joly and the team did a magnificent job. The senior fell race on the Thursday night, organised by Philip Gregory made £563. Absolutely brilliant! We discussed Sheldon Day and the distribution of money, as we do every year at the August Parish Meeting. That discussion is ongoing. More on that next month Margaret and I weren't here for Sheldon Day; we were with our daughter Liz and Dan for the birth of their second daughter, Sophie who arrived on the evening of Sheldon Day.! Elizabeth and Sophie are both doing very well. Thanks to everyone for their best wishes.

Very sad news about the death of one of Sheldon's real gentlemen, Peter Bott. He died at midnight on July 28th in hospital where he'd been for about a week or so beforehand. The funeral was held at All Saints Church Youlgreave on Tuesday afternoon August 3rd. We were all very sad at this news and we all send condolences to the family, especially to sister and brother-in-law Rosemary, and Sam and their family and also to Harold who was also related. He will be much missed by the whole village. May he rest in Peace

We look forward to celebrating the wedding at Sheldon Church of Rosemary and Sam's daughter Heather and Brian on September 25th. We wish them and their families all the very best, and I will report on the joyous day next month. They will be living in Derby, where Brian has lived since he was about three. He is Scots by birth and while writing these Jottings I heard he and Heather were in Glasgow celebrating the one hundredth birthday of his grandmother.

Ethel, who was with us on Sheldon Day from her Scottish home, and helped with the cream teas, announced to us all that she had bought a bungalow in Taddington and would be here to help next year as well. What goes round comes round!

John Tanner is hoping to start tutoring physics and maths in Sept. Knowing John as I do, I reckon he'll be an excellent teacher. The coaching/tutoring will be in Physics/Mathematics (up to A-Level and University) and Chemistry/Astronomy/Physics/Mathematics up to GCSE; He also brings five years experience as an Open University tutor, and he's CRB checked. Spread the word. Had some good news from Central Networks during the month about Church Lane. They have now given us a generous sum of money to help us restore the lane as it should be done. The amount should just about do it.

Next vicar's coffee morning is Tuesday 7th September in the pub.

Next skip: Saturday morning (0745-0900) September 18th.

Ashford Women's Institute

The next meeting will take place at the War Memorial Institute on 2nd September at 7.15pm. The speaker will be Mr Julian Brandon who will talk about 'Scented Plants and Flowers'.

The competition will be 'a Rose'.

Craft and Chatter

The Craft & Chatter group is having Monica (a New Zealander) - on 1st September, from 2pm to 5pm,- to show us how to recycle old clothes, curtains, etc., into bags, rugs, and artistic flowers - open to anyone who is not a regular but interested.

There will be a charge of £8 for the session. Please ring Caryl on 812559 for further details.

'Cinderella' Auditions

The Shoestring Players, Bakewell's community pantomime company, will be holding auditions at the end of September for the forthcoming production of 'Cinderella'.

Auditions will be on Thursday 30th September and Friday 1st October at 7.00pm for children of primary school age, and 7.30pm for adults and young adults of secondary school age.

All auditions will be held in the Newark of All Saints Parish Church.

Children aged 5-7 will only take part in Act 1 of the pantomime to cut rehearsal and performance times for them.

Performances will be Thursday, Friday and Saturday (x2), 20th-22nd January

Anyone wishing to join the company in a design/scenery/costume capacity, to take part in the performance, or

anyone wanting further information, please contact

Pat Bryant on 01629 815225 or email patricia.bryant3@btinternet.com

Wales Comes to Bakewell Rhos Orpheus Male Voice Choir

This prestigious and internationally renowned choir will be singing in All

Saints Church, Bakewell on

Saturday 9th October at 7.00pm

Lady Manners School Brass Ensemble

and Lady Manners Girls Chorale

will also take part in the concert at the choir's request.

Tickets £10 (or £5 for school age pupils) to include refreshments from

'The Bakewell Bookshop'



Shopping Fair 'Presents & More' 6th & 7th October

The Maynard, Grindleford.

Wed 6th: Champagne and Shopping Charity Evening 4 – 8pm

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Contact: 01629 583897

Thurs. 7th: All Day Shopping Fair 10am-4pm

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Light refreshments available all day.

Contact: 01629 583897



VOLUNTEER CLUB AND AGM

Could you help by becoming a Helen's Trust Volunteer and join our team of enthusiastic volunteers to help fundraise and make events happen?

Our new **Volunteer Club**, kindly sponsored by the The Maynard, Grindleford, will meet at The Maynard every first Monday in the month at 6.30pm, starting on 4 October 2010. Come and get involved in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Refreshments will be provided.

You can find out about all the exciting news at Helen's Trust at our **AGM** on 16 September 2010, 7pm, Calver Village Hall. All welcome. Light refreshments will be provided.

Helen's Trust is a charity that gives people with incurable illnesses in the Derbyshire Dales and North East Sheffield the choice to remain in their own home.

Through fundraising and donations, the Trust has helped over 300 people achieve this aim.

Contact Lou Downs for further information:

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Cressbrook Garden Party

Sunday, 19th September is the day to mark in your diary for the annual Garden Party and Band Concert at Cressbrook Hall. From 2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. you are invited to enjoy a quintessential English Summer event and support deserving Charities.

Last year Cressbrook Silver Band gave a concert and the children of Holy Trinity Sunday School organised stalls and competitions the proceeds of which, £422.00, were divided between the Sally Koroma Orphanage in Sierra Leone and the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association.

This year 50% of the proceeds will again benefit the Sally Kororma Orphanage and the Sunday School children will decide the other beneficiaries.

This is an opportunity to encourage our young people to support deserving causes.



Our focus this month is on Ground Coffee; Traidcraft's own Medium and Dark Roast; Cafedirect Kilimanjaro from Tanzania and organically grown Machu Pichu from Peru

Coffee Morning: in the Newark
All Saints' Church Bakewell.

Saturday September 25th
10.30a.m. – 12noon

Items from the new catalogue will be available and orders can be placed for Christmas.

Peter Bird (01629 813087)