

The Hexagon

Parishes Newsletter

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Prompted by the Editor's request for more articles from the Hexagon community read Alan Baker's memories of the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II on page 9.

Please note that Bob Hutchings has taken over the advertising in the Hexagon. See p.12 for his contact details.

Rest and Relaxation

Do you like holidays and if so what has been your favourite? Has it been a holiday full of new experiences, full of adventure or one that has been full of new sights or new friends or beautiful beaches and countryside?

Whatever your favourite holiday has been, I wonder if it is your favourite because you came back rested and relaxed and ready to continue with what is normality in your life?

God lay down the pattern of rest, or a break from the normality of life, when he rested on the seventh day of the week showing us a pattern of work and rest to follow. Of course life in all its normality can overtake and occupy our rest times as we try and fit as much as possible into the week or into the year and then burn out and stress raises its ugly head!

I remember reading a sign on a Church notice board which read *'Driving yourself too hard? Come in for a service! We are even open on Sundays.'* Engaging with God can help us to sort out those priorities in life and we can come out of a service seeing things differently as we let God's Holy Spirit work within us.

Jesus told us about this experience when he said "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take

my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Seeking God's priorities through the teaching and person of Jesus Christ and through prayer can give us God's perspective on our life and we find that God doesn't drive us as hard as we drive ourselves! In fact he delights in the relationship we seek to have with him.

The retreat movement is becoming more popular as people seek to find God's perspective on their life and that relationship with God through Christ.

One of the most delightful weeks of rest I have experienced was in the retreat house of Launde Abbey in



Leicestershire which is available for anyone to take advantage of and is situated in beautiful surroundings with a peaceful chapel.

Wherever your search for rest and relaxation takes you this summer, I wish you that peace that can only come from God.

**Reverend Andrew Rhoades
July 2011**

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July and August			
Sat 2nd July	Moira Male Voice Choir	Arnesby Baptist Chapel	7:00pm
Wed 13th July	Husbands Bosworth Primary School Leavers' Service	All Saints, Husbands Bosworth	2:15pm
Thu 14th July	Arnesby Primary School Leavers' Service	St Peter's, Arnesby	9:30am
Sun 17th July Sun 21st Aug	Benefice Family Communion	St Mary's, Bruntingthorpe St Nicholas, Mowsley	11:00am
Sun 17th July & 21st Aug	Open-air service—see below	Knaptoft church ruins	3:00pm



The Knaptoft Mystery!

I have recently been shown a fascinating set of historical documents by Mr Alfred Herbert, one of the loyal Friends of Knaptoft Church ruins, which has outlined the investigation behind a couple of mysteries. One is the nature of the destruction of the Mother Church for the area at Knaptoft, thought to be by fire at the time of the battle of Naseby in 1645 and the other is the Saint associated with the Church. Is it Saint Nicholas, like Mowsley or maybe St Edmund? Who knows! The other fascinating record is that of the numerous Rectors dating back to 1220 AD and the Curates who stepped in for the Rectors dating back to 1510 AD. It looks like we are following a tradition!

The Open Air Services at Knaptoft are special occasions to which many people are drawn. We are particularly grateful to the Dean of Leicester Cathedral who is coming to preach at the Open Air service on 17th July starting at 3pm and to the Fleckney Silver Band who will accompany our hymns. Our speakers up to September will be:

From the Church Registers

Baptism

Matilda Laura Annabel **COOLING**,
Oliver Thomas David **BROWN &**
Bethany Kate Philippa **BROWN**
19th June at St Nicholas, Mowsley

Archie Edward John **BOANSON-
JAMES**
26th June at St Nicholas, Mowsley



"Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father"

17 th Jul	The Very Reverend Vivienne Faull.	Dean of Leicester Cathedral	We are pleased that such an eminent speaker as Viv has agreed to speak at Knaptoft in a very different setting from the Cathedral.
21 st Aug	Revd Canon Mike Harrison	Director of Mission and Ministry	We welcome Mike, a popular speaker, to Knaptoft for the first time.
18 th Sep	Reverend Andrew Rhoades	Your Curate!	This service will be Knaptoft's Harvest Festival.



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Drop into the village hall at Mowsley whether you are on your own, with friends or family for a free breakfast from 9:30am to 11:30am. There will be time to relax, activities, the Sunday papers and 'food for thought' at 10:30am. With compliments of St Nicholas Church. *Further information from Roy Oldham on 0116 2403900 or Reverend Andrew Rhoades on 01858 460150.*



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Tue 5th & 19th July 2nd & 16th Aug	Mobile Library	Old Adult School	11:15-11:45am
Tue 12th July Wed 21st Sep	<i>Dead Cert</i> by Dick Francis Book details tba	Cambridge House, South Close Jasmin Cottage, The Bank	7:30pm
Wed 3rd Aug	Shearsby & Arnesby W.I: "Hearing Dogs for Deaf People", speaker Denise Taylor	Shearsby village hall—bring used stamps for collection	7:30pm

St Peter's Church Restoration Work: Building work will start over the summer on re-mortaring the castellations and general repairs to the roof. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the building fund. We have also received Grants from Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust (who benefit with 50% of the money raised by Sue on her September sponsored Bike Ride) and the Jack Patston Trust.
Brian & Sue Spriggs

Flicks in the Sticks: A new season of films in the Village Hall will start in September. If you would like to sponsor or suggest a film to be shown later in the year, do join us at a film planning meeting at Cambridge House, South Close on Wed 10th August at 7pm for a Bring & Share supper.

Great London Swim: Jenny Lees & Sue Spriggs are swimming a mile in London Docklands on Sat 2nd July, aiming to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Relief.

Historic Churches Cycle Ride: Sat Sept 10th. Last year Arnesby raised the 2nd highest sponsorship money in Leicestershire for the bike ride. Do please sponsor Sue when she comes round **for the final time!!**

Shearsby, Arnesby & Bruntingthorpe Produce Show: Sat 10th Sept in Shearsby village hall. You will receive a leaflet of entry categories for the Show in early August.

Turner Syndrome Support Society Coffee Morning: Thank you to everyone who came to the coffee morning and to those who made donations. We have sent £500 to the TSSS which will help to arrange one of their Family Support days.
Janet Finnigan and Lucy Baker

Welcome to Arnesby ☺: Leah Pedge and her daughter Michaela Reveron have moved to Robert Hall Road.

Loseby Wood, Arnesby Open Afternoon: Bank Holiday Monday 29th Aug 2:30pm-4:30pm. View the progress of the woodland we planted in 2006. Last year most people inspected the allotments as well. Why not bring a picnic if the forecast is good? For more information or if you need a lift contact Monica Dowson 2478296.

A New Baby: Benjamin John Pilling, born 20th June, a brother for Josephine. Congratulations to Tracy & Andy of Robert Hall Rd. ☺

Arnesby C. of E. Primary School: I can't believe how much has been crammed into my first term as Head. Sports have been in abundance – Tag Rugby, skipping with Henry, cricket, multi sports and after an initial hiccup – cycling proficiency. Everyone was very proud of our placing in Small School Sports at Saffron Lane Stadium – we came "2nd" and three children were selected to participate in Area Sports too. We were part of the "Held Together Pilgrimage" at the end of June. We received the carving from Fleckney C of E and then passed the carving to All Saints Lubbenham – a most rewarding experience. We have had artistic opportunities too – painting watercolours with Peter Welton in the beautiful village of Arnesby - the tradition of "felting" with Mrs Lees and learning to tie dye.

I'm looking forward to our new academic year and the opportunities and challenges this will bring. A big WELCOME too, to all our new families whose children start with us in September and every best wish to those children moving on to KS3. Head teacher, *Chris Dorian-Hurst*
School Leavers' Service at St Peter's church: Parents & carers of school children and the St Peter's congregation are invited to attend the service on Thu 14th July at 9:30am and is a chance to celebrate achievement and say farewell to those who will be leaving.

REGULAR EVENTS

Morning Prayer - Tuesdays, 9:45am, in church

Baptist church Coffee Morning— Tuesdays 10.30-12.00

Parent & Toddler Group — village hall Fridays 10.00am -12.00 noon (*contact 0116 2478745*)

Arnesby Church Bells (*contact 0116 2478982*)

PETER WELTON is off to paint in Morillon in the French Alps at the beginning of July. Then at the end of the month he sails for Iceland where he says he is looking forward to his first visit to the "land of the midnight sun". No excuses for not doing any painting then!

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Tue 5th July Tue 2nd Aug	Churchyard Conservation Group: come along any time	St Mary's Churchyard	6:00-6:30pm
Wed 6th, 20th July 3rd, 17th & 31st Aug	Mobile Library	The Plough	11:30-11:45am



“Buggy Service” at St Mary’s church for pre-school children and their carers on Thur 14th July & 11th Aug at 2:30pm: A warm invitation to our informal service with stories, fun activities, singing and a chance to meet over a cup of tea or coffee with

biscuits. We aim to finish at 3:30pm. *More details from Alex Montgomery, Lorna Gillies, or Rev’d Andrew Rhoades.*

pupil at Greenfields Primary School Countesthorpe enlisted sister Hannah(15) and cousin Joe(12) to bake and decorate cakes which were sold to villagers and passing walkers. Taking part in a school project Abbie chose the charity and knew cakes would be a popular way to raise funds.

Liz Ringrose



All Age service on 10th July & 14th August at Bruntingthorpe.

All are welcome to an informal service of celebration for children and adults at 4pm at St Mary’s, Bruntingthorpe. Activities, worship and refreshments.

Bruntingthorpe Fete: Sat 11th June. A splendid total of around £2025 was raised and many thanks to all who participated in so many ways from baking cakes to erecting or taking things down and clearing up. Most of all thanks to Mr & Mrs Wood for allowing the use of their lovely garden.

Barn Dance: Sat 2nd July at Seal’s Farm from 6:30pm. Tickets still available from churchwardens or Alex Montgomery 2478944.

Enterprising Young People in Bruntingthorpe: A home-made cake stall in Bruntingthorpe raised almost £70 for Cancer Research UK on 4th June. Abbie Cramp (11), a

Heritage Group: Bruntingthorpe Airfield opened in Nov 1942 as a training unit for Wellingtons, attached to N.Luffenham. The USAF took it over between 1957-1962 and the runway extended to 3,400 yards(1.9miles). Positioning the airfield between Bruntingthorpe, Peatling Parva, Gilmorton and Walton resulted in closure of lanes, a bridle road and a footpath. A new road was constructed, ‘the Walton New Road’. As this all took place in the war there would not have been objections, unlike today. *Mary Arkell* Maryarkell@tiscali.co.uk

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Sun 3rd July	Historical Society annual garden party: See below	Vine House, High St	6:00pm
Tue 12th & 26th July 9th & 23rd Aug	Mobile Library		3:05-4:00pm
Wed 13th July	All Saints PCC	Comm. Church hall	7:30pm
Wed 20th July & 24th Aug	Methodists coffee morning	25 High Street	10:00-12:00
Thu 28th July	Luncheon Club: £7.50 each. Contact Janice to book or cancel (01858 880668)	Kilworth Springs Golf Club (24 hours notice needed)	12:30pm



Husbands Bosworth School Leavers' Service at All Saints Church: Parents & carers of school children and the All Saints congregation are invited to the service on Wed 13th July at 2:15pm and is a chance to celebrate achievement and say a fond farewell to those who will be leaving.

 Husbands Bosworth Horticultural
 & Craft Show
 Sun 28th August in the village Hall
 For further details check the village
 newsletter - The Bugle

Historical Society Garden Party, Sun 3rd July: Grateful thanks to Isobel Pepperill for hosting this. All members and friends welcome. There will be a small charge to cover refreshments. Further information from Heather O'Connor, 880165.



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An occasional item: Atlas of British Birds
 A four year project to map bird-life across Britain & Ireland is nearing its conclusion. Nationally over 192 million birds of 589 species have been recorded since Nov 2007. Closer to home, over 100 species have been recorded in the 10km OS map square SP69. Much of the circulation area for the Hexagon lies within this area. David Scott, fieldworker for SP69 has undertaken mini-surveys involving counts in summer and winter and other visits to find "missing" species. Local highlights have included: Spotted Flycatchers in both Arnesby & Shearsby; a juvenile Tawny Owl near Arnesby; an immature Marsh Harrier "passing through" the Arnesby area in summer 2010; a good population of Yellow Wagtails on farmland between Arnesby and Foston. Birds that have been doing badly nationally e.g. Cuckoo and Turtle Dove have been virtually non-existent; unless you know otherwise. There are almost certainly more owls in the area than I have come across (mainly early mornings). I have seen fewer Hobbits than expected. There are plenty of Stock Doves and Feral Pigeon but they nest in barns which in the main are not accessible to me. **There are a few gaps in the field-work: any information you can provide and/or access to barns would be appreciated. A full report will be circulated after August.**
 David Scott 0116 2593663 scottpin@dsl.pipex.com

REGULAR EVENTS

Mid-week Holy Communion service—
 Wednesdays at 9.15 am, All Saints Church

All Saints Church Bells (contact 01858 880066)

Hand Bell Ringers - Tuesdays 7.30pm at Orchard Cottage, Honeypot Lane (contact 01858 880668)

Honeypot pre-school group— term-time, All Saints Church and Community Hall (contact 01858 881143)

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Wed 6th & 20th July, 3rd & 17th Aug	Mobile Library	Phone box	12:45-1:10pm
Tue 19th July	Gardening Club: Mowsley Gardens Walk, with refreshments	Meet at village hall	6:30pm
Tue 16th Aug	Day visit to Harlaxton Manor		Leaving at 9:00am
Sun 27th July & 28th Aug	Refresh @ Mowsley: See below	Village hall	9:30-11:30am



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Nicholas Church. Further information from Roy Oldham on 0116 2403900 or Reverend Andrew Rhoades on 01858 460150.

Afternoon Teas: There will be no Thursday afternoon teas during July & August and will resume in September.

Heritage Society: There are no meetings in July & August.

Justices' Cycle Ride

Terry Cane of Arnesby would like to thank all those who sponsored him when he cycled round all the courts of Leicestershire on June 5th, a distance of 76 miles. He successfully completed the distance and so far has raised over £700 for the Children's Cancer Ward at Leicester Royal Infirmary.

Terry Cane

Hexagon Memories: Prompted by TV coverage of William & Kate's wedding:

June 2nd 1953—Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II: I was 14 years old and after getting home from school, changed and went to London by train, visited an aunt in the East End and arrived at Westminster at about 10pm. I walked along the procession route and quickly realised all the best locations were packed. I finished up in Oxford St and settled down for the night. I remember we had some rain but I was thrilled when a newspaper vendor passed by calling out that Everest had been conquered and then at dawn a lone piper passed by. I still had to wait until 3pm for the procession to arrive and it took about an hour for it to pass by with the State coach at the rear. What a memory; there were probably over 2000 military personnel along with kings, queens, heads of state, etc. Perhaps I should go down to attend the Queen's 60th anniversary.

Alan Baker

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Tue 5th & 19th July, 2nd & 16th Aug	Mobile Library	Post Box	10:45-11:05am

Auction of Promises: Sat 11th June. Once again a great success, raising well over £4000 for church funds. Many thanks to all who donated promises and those who came and generously bid for the Promises. *David Durran.*

Live on the Green 2011: By popular demand - return of the glam rock band "The Platforms". Come and picnic and dance the evening away on Sat 6th Aug. Tickets £12.50 from The Chandlers Arms, CAMRA's Country Pub of the Year.

Richard Kew

Theddingworth, All Saints Church

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Date	Event	Place	Time
Sun 3rd July	Family communion	All Saints	11:00am
Tue 5th, 19th July 2nd & 16th Aug	Mobile Library	Station Road	12:45-1:00pm
Wed 13th July	W.I. Outing to see "Pride & Prejudice": See below	Rutland Open Air Theatre at Tolethorpe Hall. Satnav postcode PE9 4BH	7:45pm

W.I. Outing to Tolethorpe Hall: Grounds open at 5pm if you would like to take a picnic. It will take an hour to get there, so allow plenty of time. The auditorium is covered but recommend taking a rug.

Pauline Rainey



Village Fete: Sat 9th July 12-4pm at Southview, Bosworth Rd. Lots of activities and games for children & adults. Proceeds to village hall funds and other village organisations.

For details contact Celia Rudge 01858 881184 or Sylvia Grady 01858 881122

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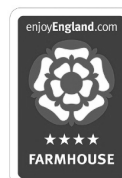
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Date	Type of service	Church	Village	Time
Sun. 7th	Holy Communion (BCP)	St. Nicholas	Mowsley	8:00am
Trinity 7	Family Communion	All Saints	Hus. Bosworth	9:30am
	Family worship	St. Mary M'lene	Shearsby	9:30am
	Family Communion	All Saints	Theddingworth	11:00am
	Family worship	St. Mary's	Bruntingthorpe	11:00am
	Holy Communion	St. Peter's	Arnesby	6:00pm
Sun. 14th	Family Communion	St. Mary M'lene	Shearsby	9:30am
	Family worship	St. Peter's	Arnesby	9:30am
Trinity 8	All-age worship	All Saints	Hus. Bosworth	11:00am
	Teatime all-age worship	St. Mary's	Bruntingthorpe	4:00pm
	Evening worship	St. Nicholas	Mowsley	6:00pm
Sun. 21st	Benefice Family Communion	St. Nicholas	Mowsley	11:00am
	Open-air service	Church ruins	Knaptoft	3:00pm
Sun. 28th	Holy Communion (quiet)	All Saints	Hus. Bosworth	8:00am
	Family Communion	St Mary's	Bruntingthorpe	9:30am
	Morning worship (quiet)	St. Mary M'lene	Shearsby	9:30am
	Refresh @ Mowsley	Village hall	Mowsley	9:30am-11:30am
	Family Communion	St. Peter's	Arnesby	11:00am
4th Sept.	Services as on Sunday 7th August			

OTHER DENOMINATIONS**Arnesby Baptist Chapel**

Pastor Johnny Hutton, The Manse
0116 2478392

Church Services—July & Aug 2011

Services at 10:45am and 6:00pm every Sunday. For full details of services see notice board in the Chapel.

Sunday School and Bible Classes every Sunday morning during 10.45 am service.

Fun Club : Fridays, 6:30pm-7:30pm (5-11 years)

Youth Club: Fridays, 7:45pm-9:00pm (12+)

Coffee morning: Tuesdays, 10:30-12.00

Coffee mornings will finish for the holidays on Tue 12th July

NEW! A.B.C. Toddler Group at the Chapel, 10:30-12noon

(at the same time as the coffee morning)

Moira Male Voice Choir: Sat 2nd July at 7:00pm.

**Husbands Bosworth Methodist Church**

Minister: Rev'd Brian Kennard
01858 462889
Service: 6.30 pm every Sunday

Husbands Bosworth St Mary's Roman Catholic Church

Father Owen O'Neill 01858 462359
Service: 8.30am every Sunday

Theddingworth Congregational Church

Contact: Liz Horton 01858 881250
Service: 6.00-7.00pm every Sunday joining with All Saints at their Family Service on first Sunday of the month.

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Image of sun and clouds with text: We pray for all pupils and students moving on to new places, for the assurance that God remains with them everywhere. Pray that teachers will be refreshed during the holidays and that parents may enjoy time with their children. Image of children playing.

Table with columns: Date, Type of service, Church, Village, Time. Rows include Sun. 3rd, Sun. 10th, Wed. 13th, Sun. 17th, Sun. 24th, Sun. 31st with various service details.

Mid-week services section with images of hands, bread/wine, and a baby in a buggy. Text: A short service of prayer and reflection is held at: St. Peter's, Arnesby on Tuesdays at 9:45am St. Nicholas, Mowsley on Thursdays at 9:45am. Buggy service for parents/carers and pre-school children at St. Mary's, Bruntingthorpe, on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 2:30pm.