



# PRESTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER November 2012

## **NEWS FROM ALL SAINTS CHURCH**

### **Letter from the Vicar:**

This year is one in which Remembrance Sunday actually falls on November 11th and so when we meet for the service on Sunday morning we shall keep the silence on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. It is good for our community and our nation that Remembrance Sunday is observed by so many, even though those with direct memories of the last world war are fewer each year. I'm sure that this is partly because of the casualties from our armed forces we continue to hear about in Afghanistan, but I think it is also that we continue to recognise that it is important to remember our history and the human cost of the freedom we enjoy. One of the aspects I always find moving is the thought that behind each of the names we remember there is a unique personality and life story, as well as hopes and dreams of the future, a future sacrificed for us.

The service at Preston Church on November 11th will include the act of remembrance and you are welcome to join us as we meet to remember and to pray for a peaceful world.

Another, more personal, act of remembrance that takes place in November is All Souls Day, the day in the Church calendar when we think about those who have died and pray for all who are bereaved. Our Benefice All Souls Service this year at All Hallows at South Cerney is at 3pm on Saturday, November 3rd. The service is followed by tea and you are very welcome to come and join us.

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## **INVITATION to a SERVICE FOR ALL SOULS**

in All Hallows Church on Saturday 3rd November at 3pm  
***A special time to remember family and friends who have died***  
*Please join us for tea afterwards*

## CHURCH DIARY FOR NOVEMBER 2012

THURSDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	SC
1 <sup>st</sup> November	2.00pm	Under 5's	SC
<b>All Saints Day</b>			
SATURDAY	3.00pm	All Souls Service followed by tea	SC
3 <sup>rd</sup> November			
SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion	Pr
4 <sup>th</sup> November	10.00am	Sung Eucharist	SC
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b>	10.00am	Morning Prayer	CW
<b>before Advent</b>	10.00am	Family Service	Sidd
	4.00pm	Messy Church	SC
	6.00pm	Compline	SC
WEDNESDAY	11.30am	Boxbush Morning Prayer	SC
7 <sup>th</sup> November	3.00pm	Holy Communion	Hunters Care
THURSDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	SC
8 <sup>th</sup> November			
SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion	SC
11 <sup>th</sup> November	10.45am	Remembrance Service	SC
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</b>	10.45am	Holy Communion with Remembrance	Pr
<b>before Advent</b>	6.00pm	Remembrance Service	Sidd
	6.00pm	Evensong	SC
THURSDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	SC
15 <sup>th</sup> November	2.00pm	Under 5's	SC
SATURDAY	10.00am	Coffeepot	UC/SC
17 <sup>th</sup> November			
SUNDAY	10.00am	Family Church	SC
18 <sup>th</sup> November	10.00am	Holy Communion	Sidd
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</b>	6.00pm	Holy Communion	SC
<b>before Advent</b>			

WEDNESDAY	11.00am	Holy Communion	Mulberry Crt
21 <sup>st</sup> November			
THURSDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	SC
22 <sup>nd</sup> November			
SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion	SC
25 <sup>th</sup> November	10.00am	Sung Eucharist	SC
<b>Christ the King</b>	10.00am	Family Service	Pr
	6.00pm	Holy Communion with prayer	
		Ministry	Sidd
	6.00pm	Alternative Service	SC
THURSDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	SC
29 <sup>th</sup> November	2.00pm	Under 5's	SC

**Prayers:** The streets and areas in the Churnside Benefice (South Cerney, Cerney Wick, Siddington and Preston) to be prayed for in all our churches during November are Pound Close, Preston Village, River Way, and Robert Franklin Way.

**Prayer Board:** There is a prayer board inside the main door of All Hallows Church for your personal prayer requests. Anything placed there is prayed for at Morning Prayer each day.

### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 'Get it all wrapped up'**

The Drop off point for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will once again be the South Cerney Village Hall. The days and times are as follows:-

Monday 5th November 12.30pm - 2.30pm; Tuesday 6th November 1pm - 6pm;

Wednesday 7th November 10am - 3.30pm; Thursday 8th November 12.30pm - 7pm

Friday 9th November 11am - 6pm.

If you would like to help in the village hall during that week there is a sign up sheet at the back of All Hallows Church or contact me.

If you would like to know more about Operation Christmas Child please contact me Joan Townsend on 01285860710 or joan\_townsend@hotmail.com

*Leaflets are available from South Cerney Post Office and All Hallows Church or me.*

### **MOBILE LIBRARY**

See the Village Noticeboards for dates and times of the next visits of the Mobile Library.

## **PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH**

5 Volunteers have come forward to support the Community Speed Watch Scheme and this will be progressed over the next few months. If you are interested in helping with this please contact Cllr Rex Canton [rexcantor312@btinternet.com](mailto:rexcantor312@btinternet.com) or tel 654592.

### **A BIG VOTE OF THANKS!**

In the August edition of the Newsletter we thanked John Lynn for his work in refurbishing the noticeboards but omitted to include Howard Spivey. Apologies and THANK YOU!!

### **GLOUCESTERSHIRE HIGHWAYS**

Following the recent meeting with Gloucestershire Highways to discuss concerns about the pedestrian crossing on the A419 at the Toll Bar, the September Parish Council meeting was attended by Police Inspector Brian Clifford. He is aware of the problems and supports the Parish Council to find a solution. More information to follow.

### **WEBSITE [www.prestonpc.org.uk](http://www.prestonpc.org.uk)**

The site is currently being developed and now includes Council Minutes and Village Newsletters from 2011 to date together with Parish Council budgetary and financial reports. We need photographs of Village events and any articles of local interest. If you have anything to contribute or any ideas about content please could you contact Caroline?

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday, 1 November 2012 at 7pm in the Village Hall. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

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Parish Councillors are Chris Sutton (Chairman), Scilla Chester-Master (Vice Chairman), Regine Freyne, Rex Canton and Nick Price, Julie Tomblin, Sue Cameron

## **VILLAGE HALL**

### **Wine Tasting in the Village Hall**


There will be a wine tasting in the Village Hall on Friday 16th November at 7.30 pm. The idea is similar to last year's event, but there will be fewer wines and we will supply them. The idea will be for you to taste as many as you like, try to guess what grape variety is used (only one per wine) and where it comes from. The person with most correct answers will win a very drinkable prize. Entry fee £5 per person. *Do come. It should be fun.*

## **TIMMY'S TRUST**

Just to let everyone know who allowed me to wash your car in April, I shall be donating all the money I raised to Timmy's Trust. Unfortunately for a number of reasons I shall not be scaling Everest next year! Thanks for your support, *Tom Smith*

**SUE BLACK - VILLAGE & COMMUNITY AGENT - 07810 630167**

As you know, my role is to support the older people in the community to access help, information and services. There are so many organisations/services out there to help, but it is often difficult to know who to contact when a problem arises. So if you need any help, please do give me a call and a home visit can be arranged in complete confidence. I also wanted to alert you to a forthcoming event - GRCC's In Touch Project - Housing Information Event. This is to be held at Bingham Hall, King Street, Cirencester, GL7 1JT on **Monday, 26 November - 10.15am - 12.30pm**. The event will take older people, their carers and families on the different options available to keep them independent, from the cost of running a home, debt, benefits, 'bedroom tax', telecare and telehealth, personalisation, power of attorney, domiciliary care, sheltered and extra care sheltered and finally care homes. It really is to show people there are other options when older people begin to get frail and the family worry and automatically think 'care home'.

<b>Siddington with Preston WI</b>	
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>	
<b>The Fun of Felt Making</b> <b>Penny Badger</b>	
<p>Siddington resident Penny Badger is coming to show how felt is made, and demonstrate how to make a variety of items using felt. Penny will also have hand-made felt goods for sale, a good opportunity to buy some special Christmas gifts. The AGM will follow. Visitors will be made very welcome at our meetings which are held on the third Thursday of the month, at 7.30pm in the Community Room, Elizabeth Way, Siddington. For more information on WI activities please contact Marion on 01285 655230 or visit <a href="http://www.siddington.com">www.siddington.com</a> to see what your local WI can offer.</p>	

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE LINK PUBLIC EVENTS**

Gloucestershire Local Involvement Network (LINK) is a network of local people, groups and community organisations working together to help influence, improve or change the way health and social care services are planned and delivered across the county.

For further information please contact

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**MONTHLY NEWS FROM SIDDINGTON**

Preston villagers may be interested to know that there is an equivalent monthly newsletter for Siddington village. This is available on their website - [www.siddington.com](http://www.siddington.com)

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

Team Members are:- Michael Dyson, Rex Canton, Margaret Mortimore, Anne Smith, Dot Warren, Andrew McKechnie and Reg Freyne  
Our Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Officer for the South Cotswold's is Andy Fogden.  
andy.fogden@gloucestershire.police.uk

### **PRESTON to CIRENCESTER BUS SERVICE 854**

**Mondays and Fridays only (excluding Public Holidays)      Service 854**

Leave Preston, opposite the Village Hall and Kingsway	11.45 am
Arrive Cirencester, Market Place, Parish Church	11.55 am
Leave Cirencester Market Place, Parish Church	13.20pm
Arrive Preston - Kingsway and Village Hall	13.25pm

Service operated by PULHAM'S COACHES. Tel: 01451 820369

### **BUS NO 53 TO SWINDON OUTLET**

Stagecoach runs a bus service from Cirencester to Swindon which goes along the A417 and stops at Preston Toll Bar.

**STAGECOACH BUS SERVICE No. 53** - examples of journeys -  
CIRENCESTER - SWINDON - Stopping at Preston Toll Bar approx 45 mins past each hour  
SWINDON - CIRENCESTER - Stopping at Preston Toll Bar. Bar - approx 25-30 mins past hour  
**Please check times at the stop or using the timetable available from the Cantons in the village or the TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE, Cirencester Museum.**  
***Please use this service as much as you can - to prevent it being taken away!***

### **WOMEN'S SECTION ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - AMPNEY & DISTRICT**

It is not necessary to have been a member of the Services to join The Royal British Legion. Meetings are held roughly every other month and some are on a Thursday and some on a Tuesday.

If anyone is interested in learning more about the work of The British Legion, please do get in touch with Janet Gibbs (01285 851227).

### **EDITOR'S COMMENTS**

Please will you send news for December 2012 in handwriting or by e-mail by 13<sup>th</sup> November 2012 to Sue Cameron ([rwcmd@aol.com](mailto:rwcmd@aol.com)) Address: Pine Corner, Preston, Cirencester, GL7 5PR Phone: 01285 659616. **NO FAX NUMBER.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE NEWSLETTER WITH COVER FROM JANUARY TO MID-FEBRUARY.**

## CHURCH FLOWER ROTA

Details of duties for the next three months are given below.

**Note to helpers** - PLEASE NOTE that the Church office now only provides the service schedule 3 months in advance. Could you all please check the service dates in the Church Diary above to confirm if there is a service at Preston.

As always, there are gaps in the rota, so I would appreciate it if anyone could volunteer to fill these dates. Thank you. *Regine Freyne* Tel: 655370 [regfreyne@btinternet.com](mailto:regfreyne@btinternet.com)

<b><u>Church Flower and Cleaning Rota 2012/13</u></b>		
<b>*** = No service</b>		
December	<b>1st SUNDAY ADVENT - NO FLOWERS</b> Mrs Freyne <b>CAROL SERVICE</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> 9 <sup>th</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup> <b>16<sup>th</sup></b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> 25 <sup>th</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup>
January	Mrs Chester Master/Mrs Ash	Whole month
February	Mrs Canton No service <b>LENT - NO FLOWERS</b> Mrs Sharp	3 <sup>rd</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> <b>17<sup>th</sup></b>  24 <sup>th</sup>