

SIBFORD PARISH NEWS 31st July 2020

CHURCH OPENING Revd. John Tattersall has resumed the weekly Morning Prayer in Sibford Church on Wednesdays at 9 a.m.

After a Risk Assessment was taken by David Gill, Gil Soden and Barbara a decision has been made by P.C.C. that public services be held in church from 1 September.

Please read the attached Risk Assessment.

SERVICES in SEPTEMBER

Wednesdays: 9 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 6th 9.30 am **HOLY COMMUNION** JT

Sunday 13th 9.30 am **LAY LED** Barbara, Mary Nash and others

Sunday 20th 9.30 am **HOLY COMMUNION** DP

Sunday 27th 11.00 am **HARVEST FESTIVAL** JT

Followed by a Picnic in the Churchyard. Bring your own food and mug. Kettles, milk, tea, coffee, sugar available to make your own drinks

ZOOM services will continue to be held by JT but note the new time of 5 pm.

RIDE and STRIDE

There is a provisional date of 12th of September for this event by which funds are raised by us and shared between our Church and Historic Churches. This has been organised at Sibford by Peter Hardman for several years and he has agreed to oversee the event this year. If and when it is confirmed, Peter will be looking for volunteers to welcome visitors.

A.C.P.M. Annual Church Parish Meeting 24th September at 7 pm

The Revd. John Tattersall has agreed to chair this meeting, please make a note of the date and time. This is the moment to elect a Churchwarden, a Treasurer and new members who have said they wish to be elected to the P.C.C.

As members of Holy Trinity, I encourage you to take part in the life of our church by attending. You will not be asked or cajoled into taking on responsibilities; it will not be boring, irrelevant or lengthy and depending on Covid guidelines, we hope to provide Drinks and Nibbles after the meeting.

NEW INCUMBENT

A timetable has been arranged in the search for a new incumbent:

Advertising 3rd July; Closing Date 19th August;
Shortlisting 24th August; Interviews 17th September.

As yet there are no applications but it is expected that these will be received nearer the closing date.

NEW RECTORY 2 Sycamore Close

The lawns continue to be mown on a regular basis as arranged by the Diocese. There will be a need for a team of volunteers to prepare the approach to house, Weeding, sweeping, washing ledges, perhaps we can start in September to make the Rectory look welcoming for possible interviewees.

C.M.S Church Missionary Society

The total collected this year is the £518. Thank you Judy and Peter Abbott for collecting and banking the donations this year and in previous years.

POLLY

Thank you for continuing to support Polly with goods and cash donations. The collection point for tinned goods and clothing remains in Sibford Church porch. Polly has a bank account for her project and is happy for me to give out details.

Account Name: P.E.Preedy: Sort Code: 77-23-03: A/C Number: 17512253

Donations of cash/cheques can be placed in an envelope marked POLLY PREEDY and left with David Gill in Ferris or Norman Nash in Gower.

FUND RAISING

- It is planned to hold a Pop Up Café morning towards the end of September, details being finalised.
- Evey has agreed to continue organising the Church Coffee Mornings and the next is planned for 7th November.
- The Village Hall has been booked for 2 – 4 pm, 21st November to hold a Christmas Crafts workshop. If you have a Craft to share, please let us know.
- Christmas Hamper Raffle
- Outdoor Table Top Sale agreed to be held in the Spring.
- An Auction of Promises planned for June 2021

There are other ideas being discussed and arranged. If you have an idea, suggestion or offer of help, working within the Covid guidelines, please speak with Barbara or David.

Thank you for your encouragement and support.

Barbara Foster, Acting Churchwarden