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May 2021

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Dear Readers,

Apologies for the error in the previous edition of The Messenger where some pages were missing. We hope to not encounter any issues like this moving forward!

I hope everyone is enjoying the new layout and look forward to more content coming through now that some of the restrictions are being lifted.

Personally, I am looking forward to meeting more of you in person soon and enjoying some of the exciting events that are planned in the coming months.

Take care & stay safe,

Danielle, Editor

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Please do not wait... INITIATE!

We are all God's children and part of His family. This last year has been difficult for everyone, so when allowed to, let yourself share God's love with your brothers and sisters by giving them hugs. Show them that God loves them, whoever they are, by hugging them.

Joy Slim

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If the current instructions concerning public gathering remain in place it is hoped that services will begin again on the first Sunday in July.



Harmer Hill Presbyterian Church

A message from the Elders.

As I write this the lockdown restrictions are slowly easing, and now we can meet up in groups of six outside. As I look back over the last year and think about what I have missed the most, I realise it is the hugs of people we love, family and friends. On numerous news reports over the last year most people interviewed stated they missed not being allowed to hug family and friends. This has made me realise how important simple things like hugs are.

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Family Service, Loppington

Holy Communion, Myddle

Sunday 9th

9.45 am

11.00 am

11.15 am

3.00 pm

Easter 6 Rogation Sunday

Holy Communion, Loppington

Parish Worship, Myddle

Holy Communion, Newtown

Rogation Sunday Service Broughton Churchyard

Sunday 16th

8.30 am

9.45 am

10.30 am

11.00 am

Easter 7

Holy Communion, Myddle

Holy Communion, Burlton

Matins, Loppington

Holy Communion, Broughton

Sunday 23rd

9.45 am

11.15 am

3.00 pm

Pentecost

Holy Communion, Loppington

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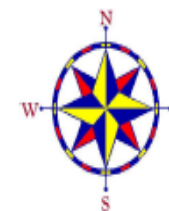
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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS – APRIL 2021

At the next Council meeting, which is being held on Thursday, May 13th there will be a welcome for four new Members who are replacing Russell Purslow; John Heath, Liz Hodge, Roger Jones, Ray Tiernan and Lawrence Foulsham, who have all decided not to seek re-election. These Members have all given dedicated and committed service to the Council and the Community, several of them for over forty years but now feel it is time to hand over to new people. Most of them will be known to you and on behalf of all the Community we extend sincere thanks and wish them future good health and happiness.

The new Members joining the Council are Alexander Harris, Helen Morgan, Karyn Row and Celia Whittingham but because the Council is losing six Members and only gaining four means that there are still two vacancies and an attempt will be made to co-opt additional residents to fill those seats. So if you were too late with your application; failed to see the advertisement or were not sure what to do, now is your chance. Just get in touch with the Parish Clerk who will tell you what is involved and how to apply and all the applications will be considered at the May meeting.

The May meeting will be the Council's Annual General Meeting with the election of officers and representatives and we are hopeful of holding it in Myddle Village Hall under the strict regulations issued by the Government which means that if Members of the public want to attend they will have to contact the Clerk beforehand so that arrangements can be made. By the time we hold the June meeting we expect that if the road map progresses as outlined by the Government meetings will be held as normal.

Just to remind you that if you have any issues or comments please make contact with the Clerk who will be more than happy to help. You can telephone 01743 236810 or email

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This year during the month of May we celebrate Ascension Day when the risen Jesus ascended to heaven, and the Feast of Pentecost (or Whitsunday) when the disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit. There is also Rogation Sunday when we think of our countryside, farmers and all who work the land, and pray for a good harvest.

We are having a **Rogation Sunday service** at **3.00pm** on **9th May** in the churchyard at St. Mary's Broughton and **everyone** is **welcome**.

Ascension Day is on Thursday 13th May. It used to be a more well-known celebration with schools shutting and everyone attending church on a weekday, and I think it is still well worth remembering because without it, if Jesus had not ascended back to heaven, we would not have Pentecost.



This year we celebrate Pentecost on 23rd May. The first Pentecost was the moment in the life of the early, fledgling church when God breathed in his Holy Spirit, as promised by Jesus. The book of Genesis in the Bible tells us that it was God's Spirit that gave life to the dust of the ground, causing an astonishing transformation, and each Spring, as sap begins to flow, we see the dull post-winter countryside being transformed as life bursts out everywhere.

So too with the church. Without God's Spirit we are little more than a precarious human institution. Without this re-vitalising Spirit of God, the church would have died out centuries ago. Pentecost celebrates the transforming power of the Holy Spirit in the life of the church and in the lives of individual Christians.

Adam Clayton, Rector of Myddle

St Peter's Church 100+ Club 2021

Easter Draw winners were -

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3rd - £15. Mike Sommers

This was the second of four draws for the year - the next will be during Harvest celebrations and the last at Christmas. As there are 120 members for 2021 there will also be 2 bonus prizes of £35 each at the final draw this year.

Julia Clarke
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MYDDLE, BROUGHTON AND HARMER HILL PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING DATES 2021

All Parish Council meetings commence at 7.30pm.

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JUNE 30TH	HARMER HILL VILLAGE HALL
SEPTEMBER 1ST	MYDDLE VILLAGE HALL
NOVEMBER 3RD	HARMER HILL VILLAGE HALL

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Local Business stays afloat during Pandemic

Shropshire Floats has managed to re-open for the fourth time since launching as the county's first floatation centre in December 2019.

The business is run by Kevin and Suzie Guerin who live near Ironbridge. The floatation therapy they offer allows customers to float in lightproof, sound-insulated pods that contain a pool of body temperature water enriched with Epsom salts, which neutralise the effects of gravity.



Studies have shown that one hour of floating can have the same restorative effects as four hours of deep sleep. The salts contain magnesium which regulates over 325 enzymes and reduces inflammation and muscle tension, and sulphates which enhance the absorption of nutrients and flush toxins. Floatation centres have taken off worldwide in recent years. Famous floatation fans include Novak Djokovic, Robert Downey Jr and Emma Watson.

Joint owner, Suzie Guerin, said, "Absolutely everyone has felt the effects of the last three lockdowns – mentally and physically. It has never been more important to look after your mental health and prioritise making time for yourself. We know many of our customers are anxious about stepping back out into the world following lockdown, so we would encourage them to come out for a float as a gentle and safe way to ease back into things."

Shropshire Floats hope that more locals will support their small business in 2021, whilst they in turn support fellow local business. They recommend customers time their sessions so they can enjoy a meal and drinks at The Red Lion afterwards – a pub that is also based in Myddle. They also stock products from the Elegance Natural Skincare company who are based in Whitchurch.

In addition to the state-of-the-art floatation pods, the business now offers use of a sunroom which features sunlight simulators, which replicate natural sunlight to boost vitamin D levels. The couple have also installed a ceiling hoist system over one of the pods to allow guests with limited mobility to get in and out, who would otherwise be unable to use their floatation pods.

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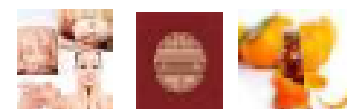
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