

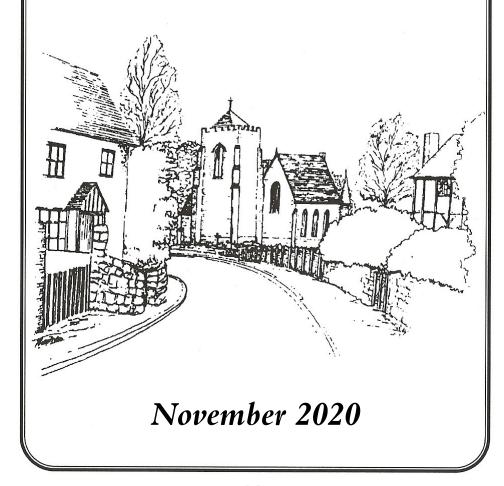
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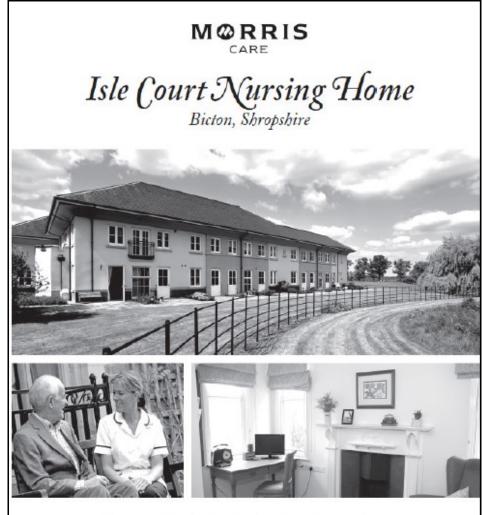


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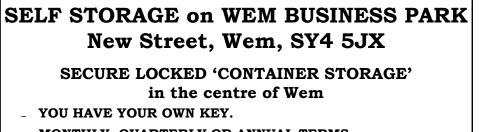
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November, a month for remembering

As the days shorten in November and darkness can seem to be a greater feature than sunshine over our British countryside, we think back and remember. We remember Guy Fawkes and his attempt to destroy Parliament, in the fun of bonfires and fireworks, and we also remember those we loved who have died, at the Commemoration of the Departed Church Services.

At special Acts of Remembrance around the country we remember those who have fallen in war zones, renewing our determination to bring an end to death, maiming and mental health problems caused by war. We also remember those we love and care for as we prepare for Christmas; who will we send a card to or prepare a present for? – already 131 shoe boxes lovingly packed with gifts for the very poor in Eastern Europe have been delivered to the Teams4u Wrexham warehouse, a magnificent result of many people working together to help those less fortunate.

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So, we remember the living as well, the physically close and those far away, even those we have never met. We treasure our memories of people, both the living and those who are no longer with us. For the past, and for the future, we must ensure not to take our family and friends for granted, but to treasure them, to remember them.



As we 'gear up' in Church to begin the season of Advent, let us also remember Jesus in the same way. Take a moment in this darker month to remember that in December we will celebrate Jesus being the light that came into the world to bring us love, forgiveness and direct access to God the Father through the work of the Holy Spirit...

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...Let's not take all that, or Jesus Himself, for granted, and gratefully include our Lord in our remembrance this month. In Him we do have so much to treasure.

A prayer for Remembrance

Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you for all those I have loved and see no longer,

and for the part they played in my life,

Thank you for all those I love and care for who are still a part of my life. Thank you for your love and care for all of us.

Please help us all in the busyness of our lives and in the dusk of wintertime,

to remember with gratitude both you and our loved ones. Please bless everyone as we treasure our memories this month. Amen.

The Revd Adam Clayton Rector of Myddle

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Meetings will now be held virtually on Zoom until further notice, so feel free to join. All ladies welcome! The next is the AGM and a talk on flower arrangement



will be held by Linda Savage. Afterwards. This will be held on:

12th November at 7.30pm •

The last meeting was held with thirteen attendees (including Danielle from The Messenger!) and guest speaker Murray Jacobs gave a virtual tour of Cambridge with fun facts and history.

If you would like more information, or to be sent the link to join, you can all Jenny Walsh on 07714 108507, or email editorthemessenger@gmail.com

<u>VE Day in Myddle</u>

As Remembrance Sunday draws near, Messenger readers may be interested in some local reminisces of Victory in Europe Day in Myddle that were collected back in May and published online.

The chain of events leading to peace in Europe began on 4th May at Lüneburg Heath near Hamburg when Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery accepted the unconditional surrender of German forces in the Netherlands, northwest Germany and Denmark. Not far from this dramatic event Ernest Griffiths from this parish was serving with the Royal Army Service Corps. He later recalled that there was great relief after the surrender and it was nice not to have to have his rifle, steel helmet and gas mask constantly ready for use.

However, the workload for his company increased as they now needed to transport more food because the army was feeding thousands of Latvians and Estonians who had been brought to Germany as forced labour to assist the German war effort. The end of hostilities in Europe was announced on BBC radio on the evening of 7th May.

Later that evening scheduled programming was interrupted with the news that 8th May 1945 would be a national holiday. Events were organised to mark the occasion, including parades, thanksgiving services and street parties. There was certainly cause for celebration.

Wartime restrictions began to be lifted although food rationing did not finally end until 1954. There would have been celebrations in Shrewsbury but it is not known whether anyone from Myddle managed to join in. At that time the Birmingham & Midland Motor Omnibus Co Ltd were responsible for the bus service between Myddle and Shrewsbury but they provided a service only on market days, Wednesdays and Saturdays. So for anyone living in the parish reaching the celebrations in Shrewsbury on Tuesday 8th May 1945 would not have been straight forward.

A former resident of the parish who was 12 years old and living at Broughton Farm in 1945 remembers the announcement on the wireless (as the radio was called in those days) and the smiles on the faces of her family coupled with a sense of relief. She recalls writing in her diary in large letters across the page THE WAR HAS ENDED YIPPEE! On the farm there was not much opportunity for celebration as the cows needed to be milked and the animals fed.

St Peter's Myddle Church Donations

The Parochial Church Council is most grateful for the following donations received since the last issue of the Messenger was published The Covid pandemic has had a dramatic effect on church funds. In a normal year we are able to raise about $\pounds7,000$ from church collections and fund raising events. So far this year we have managed to raise a little over $\pounds3,000$. If you would like to help us reduce this shortfall donations can be made at:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stpeterschurchmyddle or by BACS transfer to: Account Name: Parochial Church Council of Myddle Sort code: 20-77-85 Account Number: 00692832 or by cheque payable to Myddle PCC

£25.00	Gift Aided
£50.00	Gift Aided
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	£50.00

'Saturday Special' - Wem Methodist Church

"You may know that we haven't been able to meet during the Covid-19 pandemic. We have missed meeting together for worship, singing, music, coffee and cake. We had begun to feel like a family offering friendship and support to each other. Since March we have been trying to keep in touch by sending out prayer booklets, little parcels with tea and biscuits and one with a chocolate heart each with an encouraging message. Please watch this space to see when we feel it is safe to meet again, and until then we send good wishes to all who have enjoyed our time together."

- Susan Dutton, Saturday Special Team.

St Peter's Myddle Church

Church Flowers 7th November: Mrs Pattie McLoughlin 14th/21st November: Mrs Tricia Lee-Howarth 28th November: First Sunday of Advent - No Flowers

St Peter's Walkers

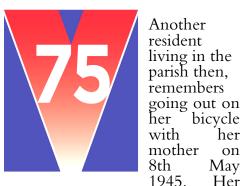
Meeting Sunday 15th November Myddle Village Hall Car Park at 2.30pm Get those walking boots out! See you there.

Harvest Thanksgiving Flowers



Churchyard Tidy

Thank you to all our helpers at our last tidy. It is true... many hands do make light work .We are meeting again on the 7th November, 10am-12.00noon to give a final spruce up, before our act of Remembrance on Sunday 8th November. Same drill.. bring your tools and a drink.... there may be a chocolate biscuit! (wrapped). See you there. All social distancing rules will be observed.



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out celebrating but they saw no one. There is evidence of some celebrations in the parish as another resident remembers a barrel of beer being put up on the mounting block at the Red Lion.

In times past the mounting block would have been used by patrons of Red Lion to mount their horses at the end of an evening's entertainment, but in 1945 it played a central role in the entertainment itself!

VE Day was not the end of the war; Japan did not surrender until 2nd September. But Prime Minister Winston Churchill told the nation that they may allow themselves a brief period of rejoicing before the toils ahead.

Of course the main reason for celebration in many families was that loved ones away from home serving in the armed forces or engaged upon other work to help the war effort might soon return home.

The celebrations were also tinged with sadness remembering those who would not be returning home. Two men remembered on the parish war memorial, John Llovd who died while serving with the British Expeditionary Force in France in 1940 and Cholmondelev Grenville who was killed in the battle for Monte Camino in Italy in 1943, were among those who did not return home. The Kohima Epitaph probably best sums up why those that did not return should be remembered later this month.

When you go home, Tell them of us and say, For your tomorrow, We gave our today.

By Greg Miller

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4th, but because of the on-going restrictions it will be an online meeting using Zoom. If you wish to raise any issues for Members to consider, please let the Clerk have the details by November 1st. It is possible for you to join the meeting to speak to Members before the official meeting begins and to do that you should contact the Chairman or the Clerk on the day of the meeting and you will be provided with the necessary code.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Because of the revised Covid-19 regulations governing attendance at meetings, which will be in force for the next six months, it will be impossible to hold this year's Annual Parish Meeting. Members extend their apologies for this, but hopefully the situation will have improved in time to hold next year's meeting on the planned date in May. Again if you have any urgent issues that need to be addressed

please contact one of the Council Members, or the Clerk and arrangements will be made to consider them at a Council meeting.

EXTERNAL AUDIT

We are pleased to report that that the External Auditor appointed by the Government has not raised any concerns about the management of the Council or its accounts. Full details are can be obtained from the Clerk.

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St Peter's, Myddle

NOVEMBER SERVICES

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<u>1st November:</u> 11.00am Holy Communion Reader: Linda Savage Sidesperson: Linda Savage 3.00pm ALL SOULS

8th November: REMEMBRANCE 11.00am Act of Worship Reader: Greg Miller Sidespe

Sidesperson Chris Williams

15th November:11.00am Holy CommunionReader:Chris WilliamsSidesperson:Margaret Burden

<u>22nd November:</u> NO SERVICE at Myddle

29th November:ADVENT SUNDAY11.00am Holy CommunionReader:Bob MillingtonSidesperson:Margaret Morris

Remembering Gwen Frost

Gwen, formerly of Oakfields, Myddle, passed away at her home in Kent on October 3rd at the age of 96. Born at Hayes Farm, Merrington, she moved to the bungalow in Myddle with her husband, Reg, where she ran a very popular Bed & Breakfast business until well into her 80s. They had three daughters – Wendy, Gill and Jenny – and a son, Tim. As a long standing member of Myddle Friendship Club, she loved meeting together with friends and going on the trips which were organised.

When Myddle Music Season concerts were held at St Peter's Church, some of the performers, including members of Welsh and English National Opera were delighted to be able to stay in the village overnight and much appreciated her breakfasts the following morning. Gwen thoroughly enjoyed their company. as it gave her an opportunity to talk about her grandson, Matthew Kellett. Also an opera singer, he came to sing with some of his music college friends in our church. He is now a member of Charles Court Opera including one of the cast of The Nativity Panto at King's Head Theatre, London.

Myddle and Broughton, Loppington and Newtown

NOVEMBER SERVICES

<u>Sunday 1st - All Saints</u>

08.30 am - Holy Communion,
Broughton.
09.45 am - Holy Communion, Burlton.
10.00 am - All Age Worship,
Newtown.
10.30 am - Family Service, Loppington.
11.00 am - Holy Communion, Myddle.

Readings: Revelation 7: 9–17 1 John 3: 1–3 Matthew 5: 1–12

<u>Commemoration of the Faithful</u> <u>Departed</u>

03.00 pm - Newtown 03.00 pm - Loppington 03.00 pm - Myddle

Sunday 8th - Remembrance Sunday

09.45 am - Holy Communion,
Loppington.
11.00 am - Parish Worship, Myddle.
11.15 am - Harvest Thanksgiving
Communion, Newtown.
03.00 pm - Evensong, Broughton.

Readings: TBA

Sunday 15th - 2nd Sunday before Advent

08.30 am - Holy Communion,
Broughton.
09.45 am - Holy Communion, Burlton.
10.30 am - Matins, Loppington.
11.00 am - Holy Communion, Myddle

Readings: Zephaniah 1:7,12-18 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 Matthew 25: 14-30

Sunday 22nd - Christ the King

08.30 am - Matins, Broughton. 09.45 am - Harvest Communion, Loppington 11.15 am - Holy Communion, Myddle

Readings: Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1: 15-23 Matthew 25: 31-46

Sunday 29th - Advent 1

09.45 am - Holy Communion, Loppington 11.00 am - Holy Communion, Myddle

Readings: Isaiah 64: 1-9 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 Mark 13: 24-37

DECEMBER SERVICES

<u>Sunday 6th</u> - <u>Advent 2</u>

08.00 am - Holy Communion, Broughton 09.45 am - Holy Communion, Burlton 10.00 am - All Age Worship, Newtown 10.30 am - Family Service, Loppington 11.00 am - Holy Communion, Myddle

Readings: Isaiah 40: 1-11 2 Peter 3: 8-15a Mark 1:1-8

NEWTON NEWS

Firstly, I most importantly, on behalf of all of the residents of Myddle and it's community, can I say a big thank you to Mrs Elizabeth Hodge who has worked so hard in keeping the church messenger alive for 40 years. It's a wonderful achievement and we are all so grateful in ensuring we all know what is going on. We wish her a long, happy retirement. Now we welcome Danielle Brereton into the hot seat and do hope she will enjoy living in this lovely part of North Shropshire.

Up until now, there has never been a focus on Newton on the Hill. Indeed, during lockdown in spring, there were quite a number of local walkers who had never been to Newton, so it was a pleasure to see them and to enjoy our environment. During lockdown, we were all conscious of supporting each other and kept in touch. The Thursday 8pm, saw us all out clapping and making whatever noise we could for the NHS. We celebrated VE Day and anybody who had a Birthday, in the middle of the road – social distancing! It was just an excuse to get together.

Most notably, we have two new additions to our flock here; to Neil and Cajsa, a little boy called Bo and to Ross and Rozanne, a son called Berwyn. We all wish them well and a happy life at Newton. They live next door to each other, so they will grow up together and surely the future here is in good hands.

Stay Cheerful!

Richard Wycherley

Neighbourhood Watch

You can join the scheme by typing in 'ourwatch' into your browser and entering your postcode. From here select the Harmer Hill option, choose join and enter your details.

You can also message via the Facebook Page for Harmer Hill NW if you are a member.



Karyn is looking at the possibility of starting one for Myddle too, so if anyone would like to assist with this or be involved, please email:

karynrow@gmail.com

Harmer Hill Village Hall

Pattie's Macmillan Coffee Afternoon Bakeaway

A very different Macmillan Coffee Afternoon was held this year, with all the Covid rules in place. However, although it was so cold with a bitter wind, family, neighbours, friends and friends of friends came and supported me. Instead of the usual coffee, cake and catch-up, everyone adhered to the allotted times and happily picked up their cakes and took them home. Thank you all so much, for your kindness, generosity, fabulous raffle prizes, donations and for making it an amazing day.

 A special thank you also to my amazing team of Ellie Griffiths, Peter Edwards, and Sara Mcloughlin, could not do this without your help!!
 In all Macmillan Cancer Support received £902 from us, a fabulous, fabulous amount, so again many thanks!!

Hopefully see you all next year. Keep safe. Pattie.x

Harmer Hill Village Hall

Monthly Tote Winners

Harmer Hill Village Hall runs a Tote, with a draw made each month. The October draw winners are:

1st -	No 40	£25	Angela Walker, Shotton
2nd -	No 94	£20	June Kay, Lower Road
3rd -	No 250	£15	Gill Jones, Harmer Hill

If you are interested in the tote you can contact: Veronica Jones (Harmer HillVillage Hall Tote contact - Tel 01939 291215

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