

# Wellsprings Benefice Newsletter

## All Souls Services this Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November

We are holding two special services of remembrance and thanksgiving for All Souls' Day. At these services we will particularly remember all those who have died in the past year, but the service is open to anyone who has suffered a bereavement and would like to attend. If you have experienced the loss of a loved one, either recently or some time ago, we invite you to join us at one of these special services. There will be the opportunity to remember and to light a candle. It is a short, gentle service, which many who have suffered bereavement find very moving.

There will be two services in our benefice on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November:

- Christ Church, Worton at 3pm
- Holy Cross, Seend at 3pm

Please extend this invitation to any members of your family or friends who might like to attend. There is no need to reserve a space; just come along.

## Services

### **This Sunday (5<sup>th</sup> November)**

<b>8am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b>	<b>Potterne</b>
<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>Worton</b>
<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Matins</b>	<b>Poulshot</b>
<b>11am</b>	<b>Morning Praise</b>	<b>Bulkington</b>
<b>11am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>Seend</b>
<b>3pm</b>	<b>All Souls</b>	<b>Worton</b>
<b>3pm</b>	<b>All Souls</b>	<b>Seend</b>

### **Next Sunday (12<sup>th</sup> November)**

<b>10:50am</b>	<b>Remembrance Sunday Service</b>	<b>Bulkington</b>
<b>10:50am</b>	<b>Remembrance Sunday Service</b>	<b>Potterne</b>
<b>10:50am</b>	<b>Remembrance Sunday Service</b>	<b>Poulshot</b>
<b>10:50am</b>	<b>Remembrance Sunday Service</b>	<b>Seend</b>
<b>10:50am</b>	<b>Remembrance Sunday Service</b>	<b>Worton</b>

## **Other happenings...**

### **Quest – an update from Rev Adrian**

**Last week:** We ended up with all sorts of views (very Quest!) on the what, the whooooo and the why of ghosts. One interesting idea was, perhaps we appear like ghosts in the ghost world... now there's something to mull over! Thanks to Paul for a great session.

**This week:** We are looking at chaos. Twaha si oachs? What can chaos theory teach us? Is chaos always a bad thing? and... How can we best deal with chaos in our lives?

You'll find us, as usual, in the Quaker Meeting House, Devizes (SN10 2AE). Coffee available from 5:15pm, session starts at 5:30pm and lasts about an hour or so.

**New Logo:** Hope you like the new logo (thanks Sarah). We tried to pick something that says more about what we are at Quest. The tree represents the tree of life and the tree of knowledge. The dove represents both a Christian and universal symbol of peace and the fire represents our passion, our spirit and our light.

### Upcoming Events in Potterne

Just a polite reminder about the two church fund-raising/community events in the run up to Christmas. Thanks to those who have offered their help already, but we could do with a few more pairs of hands ahead of the history evening (making desserts) and on the evening itself. Also, we're looking for volunteers to help man the raffle stall at the Christmas market. Please have a chat with Jackie, Fi or Sheila.

**POTTERNE HISTORY EVENING Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm for 7.30pm at Potterne Village Hall** where we will present George Day's film "Potterne Celebrates" and Geoff Palmer will tell us all about "The Infamous Case of Mavis Wheeler and How She Made National Front Page News". There will be a Bangers & Mash Supper, Bar & Raffle. Tickets: £10. To book tickets and reserve a table, please contact Jackie Sawyer 07810 132036 or email: [jackiesawyer50@gmail.com](mailto:jackiesawyer50@gmail.com)

**CHRISTMAS MARKET** will take place on **Saturday 2nd December , 11am – 3pm at Potterne Village Hall**. St. Mary's will have a gifts stall and raffle. If you have any new items for the gift stall, raffle prizes or items for the Christmas Hampers (for which we have a wonderful reputation), please bring to church on one of the preceding Sundays, or deliver to Ruth Thorman at 3 Tollbar Close or call Jackie if items need collection. All contributions gratefully received!

Thank you everyone.

Fi Walker and Jackie Sawyer

### Auction of Promises for Wiltshire Youth for Christ

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 7:30pm at John of Gaunt School, Trowbridge.**

Please join us for the opportunity to bid on some fantastic items and experiences. There will also be the chance to hear about the impact of our work, while enjoying a glass of wine and snacks. A flyer is attached with more information.

### Bulkington PCC Christmas Coffee Morning

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 10:30am to 12pm at Bulkington Village Hall**

### Tuesday Group

The Tuesday Group meets each week for two hours from 10am at 29 Blounts Court, Potterne. If you would be interested in joining them please contact Rosemary Burton on 723289.

**And finally a contribution from Rev Maureen which might make you think of some people you know...**

**A Last Beatitude by Malcolm Guite**

And blessed are the ones we overlook;  
The faithful servers on the coffee rota,  
The ones who hold no candle, bell or book  
But keep the books and tally up the quota,  
The gentle souls who come to 'do the flowers',  
The quiet ones who organise the fete,  
Church sitters who give up their weekday hours,  
Doorkeepers who may open heaven's gate.  
God knows the depths that often go unspoken  
Amongst the shy, the quiet, and the kind,  
Or the slow healing of a heart long broken  
Placing each flower so for a year's mind.  
Invisible on earth, without a voice,  
In heaven their angels glory and rejoice.

**Best wishes and every blessing from all of the Ministry team**