

St Leonard's Church Ryton-on-Dunsmore:

October 2014 Newsletter

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: OCTOBER 2014

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
October 5: 16th Sunday after Trinity: Harvest Festival	11.00 a.m: Harvest Festival Holy Communion.	5.00 p.m: Harvest Festival service <i>followed by</i> Harvest Supper and Entertainment.	9.30 a.m: Harvest Festival Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
October 12: 17th Sunday after Trinity.	6.30 p.m: Choral Evensong with guest choir Musica sacra.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship
October 19: 28th Sunday after Trinity	11.00 a.m: Mattins. 8.15 p.m: Holy Communion by candlelight.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.
October 26 : Last Sunday after Trinity.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 6.30 p.m: Evensong.	10.00 a.m: Holy Communion.	9.30 a.m: Morning Service 6.30 p.m: Holy Communion.
Saturday, November 1st: All Saints' Day		5.00 p.m: Readings and Prayers in commemoration of the Departed.	7.30 p.m: Holy Communion.

DATE	BUBBENHALL	BAGINTON	RYTON
November 2nd : 4th Sunday before Advent/ All Saints' Sunday/ (Ryton: for St. Leonard's Day: Patronal Festival.)	11.00 a.m: All Saints' Sunday Holy Communion.	10.00 a.m: Village Service	PATRONAL FESTIVAL: 9.30 a.m: Parish Communion. <i>followed by</i> St Leonard's Day Brunch. 6.30 p.m: Evensong
Monday, November 3rd: All Souls' Day			7.30 p.m Requiem to commemorate the faithful Departed.
November 9 Remembrance Sunday	10.50 a.m: Remembrance Day Service. NO EVENSONG	10.15 a.m: Remembrance Day Service.	8.00 a.m: Holy Communion. 9.30 a.m: Village Worship. 10.50 a.m: Remembrance Day Service.
EVERY WEDNESDAY			9.20 a.m: Holy Communion

Sunday, October 5: Harvest Festival.



Come and enjoy the flowers and sing your favourite Harvest Hymns by joining the Parish Communion service in Church: Sunday, October 5 at 9.30 a.m. The service includes an opportunity to present your Harvest Gifts. Gifts suitable for donation to local food banks are especially welcome.

Sunday School with a Harvest theme for your children.

Friday, October 3:
7.00 p.m. Harvest Supper in
the Church Centre.

Do come along to our Harvest Supper. It will be a hot meal and a pudding, tea and coffee. No charge for tickets, but suggested minimum donations of £5 to help the Ifakara Bakery Project, which provides bread for needy villagers in Africa.



Mr. Eugene Schellenberg will be coming to speak to us about this charitable organisation. If you would like to enjoy a glass of wine or beer etc. with your meal, please bring your own. Soft drinks, tea and coffee will be provided, but you're welcome to bring beer, wine etc. if you wish. So that we're sure that we can be sure we've catered for you, please let us know if you're coming and also if you have any particular dietary needs'. Reserve your place now by emailing the Rector at david@wintled.fsnet.co.uk Any profits and money raised on the evening in aid of the Ifakara Bread project.

St Leonard's Church Fête and football competition.

There are still some ins and outs to be taken into account but the end result should come out to at least £3,500, probably nearer £3,600. There is no getting round the fact that the total is considerably down on last year but, nevertheless, an amazing result considering the absolutely appalling weather we had to contend with through the first half of the day. Everyone who turned out in whatever capacity to make this event happen - from the people there just after dawn setting up, to the young footballers huddling in the marquees as the rain thundered down, and the TWIRLing women of Ryton who made the evening event happen, all deserve a massive pat on the back and a huge 'Thank you'.

Please note the following revised figures for the profits from several stalls:

Bar:	£936.90	Raffle:	£813.80
Jamesway squares competition:	£112	Children's squares competition:	£110

Confirmation.

There is still time to start on confirmation preparation for adults and young people. If you would like to be included, or know someone who would like to be confirmed, or would simply like more details about what Confirmation entails, please get in touch with the Rector or Rosemary if you have not already done so.

Ladies' Guild.

We are having Cheese and Wine at our meeting in the Village Hall, at 7.45 p.m., on Thursday, October 2nd. Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

Heritage Weekend 2014: September 12, 13 & 14



We would like to thank everyone involved for their hard work and dedication over the Heritage Weekend, especially the flower arrangers, singers, musicians, and caterers. It was a great pleasure to have the opportunity to work together with the History Group and Provost Williams School to make this such a successful community project, which raised in excess of £1,100 for the Church.



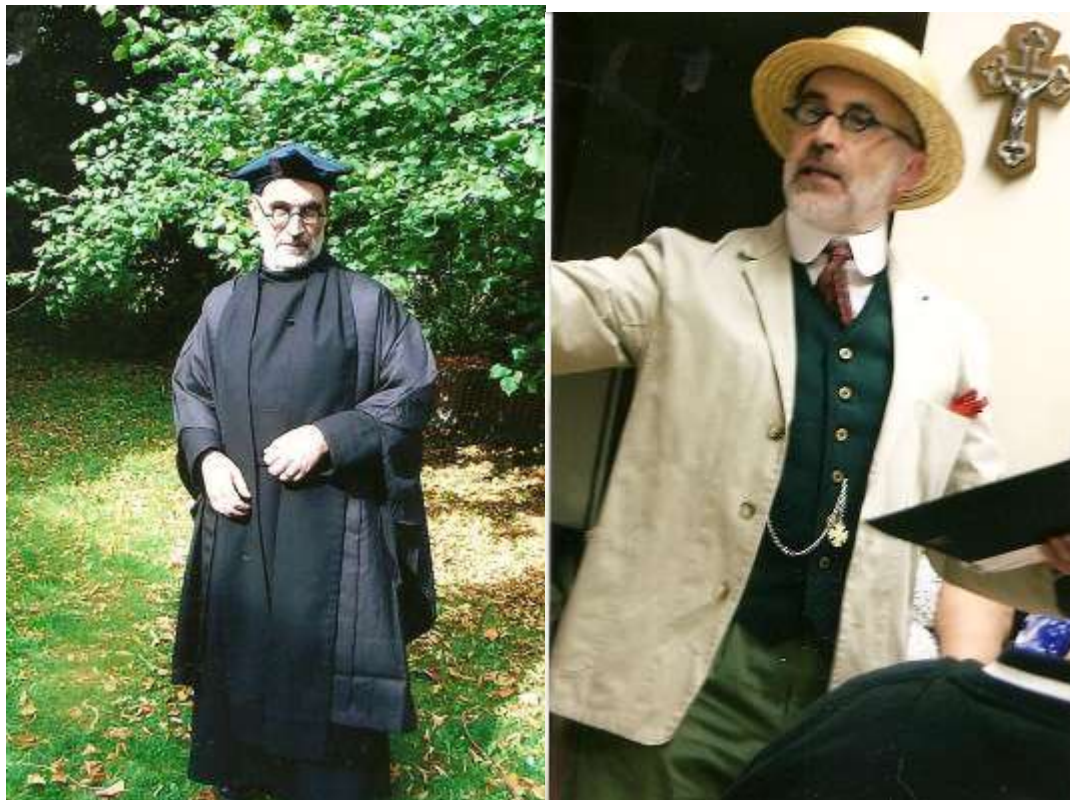
Jo (appropriately dressed) welcomes visitors to the Flower Festival in Church.

We all enjoyed “Packing up our troubles” at the very successful singsong on Saturday night- many thanks to Barbara Marsh, the choir, musicians, caterers and all who worked so hard to make it happen. Not forgetting the audience who joined in with such enthusiasm.



Some of the singers and musicians at “Pack up your troubles”

Heritage Weekend: The Rector 1914 style- work and leisure.



All Saints/All Souls

We will be maintaining our custom of holding two annual commemorations of the departed at All Souls' tide.

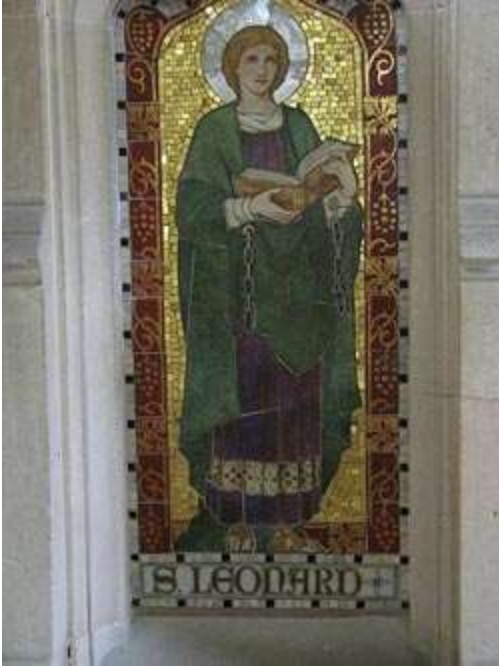
There will be a **Service of Prayers and Readings in Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on Saturday 1st November at Baginton at 5pm**, and the **Requiem of All Souls at Ryton on Monday 3 November at 7.30 p.m.** If you would like to have the names of any friends or relatives who have died (not necessarily in the last year) mentioned at either or both of these services, please contact the Rector on 02476 301283.



Sunday, October 12, 6.30 p.m. at **Bubbenhall: Choral Evensong.**

We welcome guest choir Musica Sacra with their director Dr. Gerad Hyland, to lead us in a service of Choral Evensong at St. Giles' Church, Bubbenhall. Organist: Tim Campain. Wine, Buck's Fizz, cheese scones and other delights after the service. Everyone welcome to the service and refreshments.

Sunday 2nd November: Patronal Festival.



Sunday November 2nd: Parish Communion Service followed by our famous St Leonard's Day Brunch.

This year we are marking the Feast of St Leonard, not only with our Parish Communion Service, but also with the dedication and celebration of the church refurbishment, now completed with a lovely new carpet. A quote from one of our congregation at the Wednesday morning service: "...it makes the whole church feel different, as if the carpet has brought it alive". Of course the church service will be followed by our famous St Leonard's Day Brunch. For further details of events see next month's Newsletter and village notice boards.

Stained glass window depicting St Leonard, from Keevil, Wiltshire.

Church Floodlighting

9th September Birthday memories of Lynne Goodwin

Action Medical Research.

Quiz Evening on Saturday, October 25th in Ryton Village Hall - 7.00 p.m. for 7.30 start. Tickets £5.50 to include light supper.

Contact Sylvia Dixon - 76 301417

Children's Society Boxes

Children's Society boxes are due to be collected in and opened this month.

Please bring them to church, drop at Gill White's in the High St., or I will call round to collect during the month, my contact number is 77983347 . Thanks, Diane.



Next PCC meeting: Monday November 20th 7.00 p.m.
at the Vicarage.

Children at St. Leonard's Church



We love having children in our church, and there is **always provision for them at our 9.30 a.m.** services. All families with babies and children are sure of a warm welcome whenever they can join us. All our Sunday morning services start **at 9.30 a.m.**, and the pattern is:

2nd Sunday in every month: Village Worship.

The most informal of all our services. We start in the Church Centre (warm and welcoming) with workshop activities for children, and coffee, puzzles and chat for grown ups to get to know one another. At about 10.00 we move into church for a short and child-centred service. There is no need to be there on the dot of 9.30- people drift in as soon as they can make it

“ A Sower went forth..” Arrangement made at Village Worship on July 13, and placed in church for all to enjoy.

4th Sunday in every month: Family Service.

An all-age service of readings, songs and activities with everybody young and old in church together. Children always participate in the readings/ drama sketches etc. and several people bring instruments to accompany the songs... (and any other musicians among you and your children would be very welcome to join them)

Tea/coffee and cake after the service in the Church Centre.

1st and 3rd Sundays in every month: Parish Communion with Sunday School.

Tea/coffee and the chance to socialise after every service. Children start the service in church with their parents, and after the first hymn go out for Sunday School activities in the Church Centre, returning to receive a blessing at the time of Communion. Parents are welcome to accompany their little ones to Sunday School and stay with them if they lack confidence at first.

We value children at St Leonard's, and make them and their parents welcome.

From the Church Register:



Baptism: 20th September at St Leonard's Church: Logan Jay Batchelor.

Jesus said: "Let the little children come to me."

The Churchyard: Thank you!

Many thanks to the valiant band of volunteers who have been keeping the churchyard immaculate throughout the growing season.

Sincerest thanks too to Hazel Smith and John Hathaway for sustaining the volunteers with excellent and much appreciated refreshments.



The faithful team of volunteers were most disappointed that not a single new person came to help them to clear the conservation area on Strimming Saturday . Next season we will not be able to keep up our standard unless more help is forthcoming.

More volunteers are always needed and will be sure of a warm welcome: contact Hazel on 02476 456711, or simply turn up at the church on the first and third Saturdays of the month (this month: October 4th and 18th, starting at 10.00 a.m.) - and join the team.

N.B. During the winter months, we shall be meeting on the first Saturday of each month only.

Flower Rota

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Pulpit</u>
September 28	<u>Wedding Anniversaries</u>	
October 5	Harvest Festival	In memory of Dorothy Smith.
October 12		
October 19	In memory of Frederick J. Hill.	In memory of Pat Pooke.
October 26	In Memory of Mary Ann Waugh	
November 2	Mrs. Backholler	In memory of John Jackson
November 9	Remembrance Sunday	



Church decorating project.

The final stage of the decorating project- the laying of a new carpet- has now taken place, and the Church Decorating project is now complete.

Very many thanks to Geoff and Barbara Marsh, who painstakingly and very skilfully levelled the floor of the chancel, which had been far too uneven for a carpet to be successfully laid.

Thank you too, to Mr Colin Craig and his

colleagues for a very skilful professional job in laying the carpet.

And thank you once again to everyone who has contributed to the financing of this project, and to all those of you who continue to show so much interest in our village church.

Come to church soon and see the results of your efforts!

Ryton Evergreen 50+ Club

- 07-10-2014 Harvest Festival at St Leonards Church at 1-30pm.
and afterwards in the Church Hall.
- 14-10-2014 Mini Bus trip to Banbury. Leave from Co-op at 10am.
- 21-10-2014 Table Top Sale and Jewellery Sale.
- 04-11-2014 Mike Smith. Guitarist.
- 18-11-2014 An afternoon of Bingo.

Our meetings are held in the Village Hall on the first and third Tuesdays of every month.

New members are welcome. Please contact our chairman John Loudon 02476301269

We use the village mini bus to our meetings in the Village Hall.

Tuesday November 11th on Knightlow Hill at 6.30 a.m:

Wroth Silver ceremony.

Breakfast afterwards at the Queen's Head, Bretford.

This is said to be Britain's longest running annual ceremony being recorded as 'ongoing' in 1086 and on this site since 1170.

The ceremony takes place at the stone, the base of an old wayside cross, on the mound at the top of Knightlow Hill every 'Martinmas Eve before sun-rising'. That means on 11 November every year just at first light the Wroth Money is collected from the parishes of the Hundred of Knightlow (this includes Ryton and Bubbenhall) by the Agent to the Duke of Buccleuch. In practice that is about 6.45am but it varies with the first light of dawn. Anyone is welcome to attend. Many people will be regular attenders and will be bringing their children.

The actual collection from the 25 parishes only lasts about four and a half minutes so do not be late!

Many people will already have been to the local pub, The Queens Head in Bretford (CV23 0JY Tel. 024 76542671 www.thequeenshead-bretford.co.uk) for the traditional drink of rum and hot milk. The bar usually opens at 6.00 am

All will then return to The Queens Head for a breakfast and speeches. Please note that breakfast tickets need to be pre-booked directly with the Queens Head, (breakfast cost was £11 in 2010. Included in the price is a glass of rum and hot milk with which to toast the health of His Grace and a churchwarden pipe (tobacco supplied). People will be departing by about 8.45am. Further information on : <http://www.wrothsilver.org.uk/>



Wroth Silver ceremony 2012

**Saturday, November 29 10.00 a.m. – lunchtime, in the Village Hall:
Christmas Coffee Morning and Bazaar.**



Come to the Coffee Morning and buy many of the things you will need for Christmas. There will be stalls, competitions, and refreshments including bacon batches and hot dogs. Father Christmas will of course be paying a visit to speak to all the children.



We urgently need your gifts of bottles for the bottle stall: to Betty Page or Thelma Wells please- or leave the bottles in church to be collected.

TWIRLS – Women’s Institute

Meet every third Thursday of the month at Ryton Church Centre. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Further details from Committee members:

Tracey Miller – 45 Church Road Tel: 07899 773373

Sue Roberts-Smith – 10 Cedar Ave Tel: 07966 184282

Clair Henry – 27 Holly Drive Tel: 07974 679891

Tracey Cairns – 10 Poplar Grove Tel: 02476 303304

Sam Sharpe – 12 Church Road Tel: 07854 002931

Ryton History Group.

7.30- 9.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. £2.50 per meeting or £20 annual subscription.

We are now on the council website for you to get more information.

www.ryton-on-dunsmore.org

or phone Steve Garrett 76639228 or Ann 76302695

Thought for the month: From our Rector, the Revd. David Wintle

Harvest Time



There's a website called "Success Thought". It will send you an inspiring thought every day to improve your business.

Actually, there are several of these websites, all with rather similar names, which claim to be able to inspire you to be a more successful business person, or a better teacher, or better at whatever it is you want to be better at. The site I found will send you your Thought in a printer-friendly format, so day by day you can cover the walls of your office with inspirational ideas.

This particular "SuccessThought" caught my eye because it was entitled "Harvest Time", and in October anyone who has anything to do with organising church services inevitably ends up thinking about Harvest Festival:

"Sow a thought and you reap an action; sow an act and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny." - *Ralph Waldo Emerson*

That doesn't seem to me to be about business so much as about how to be a better person. But then Ralph Waldo Emerson, a 19th-Century American writer, wasn't much bothered about business either. When asked about his faith, he said "I am more of a Quaker than anything else. I believe in the 'still, small voice,' and that voice is Christ within us." Emerson wasn't big on organised religion. He believed we have direct access to Jesus, provided we make an effort to listen to that 'still, small voice' inside us. Usually of course we don't.

For Emerson, every little thought goes towards building our character. We build our destiny one thought at a time. Let us consider our actions last week. Much of our behaviour is habit; we behave the same over and over again when we meet similar situations, often without consciously thinking asking ourselves "Why?". Those habits have become the building blocks of our character and our destiny.

It's Harvest Time. Would we like to improve our spiritual harvest? If we do, we need to make a conscious effort to take control of our thought seeds, because we reap what we sow. We need to make the effort to break our habits and listen to that 'still, small voice'.

Come and enjoy breakfast in **BUBBENHALL** Village Hall!



First Saturday in the month, **
from 9.00 – 11.00 a.m.

Full English £5.00, or bacon/sausage etc. batches, tea, coffee- priced per item.

Proceeds in aid of St. Giles' Church.

****SORRY- NO MEETING OCTOBER 4th BECAUSE GILL AND ANGELA ARE UNAVAILABLE****

Angela Greenway and Gill Green were delighted to have so many happy guests at the first three breakfast meetings, and hope to welcome even more of you **on Saturday, November 1st**. Do come along and bring your friends! Many thanks to Angela, Gill, and all those who are helping them in this popular venture.

Tailpiece: Sunday Fishing

There was a new family that had just moved into the village. Their son came to Sunday School but seemed upset.

His teacher asked him if anything was wrong.

The boy replied well, he had been going to go fishing but his dad told him that he needed to go to church instead.

The teacher was very impressed with the boy's parents and asked the boy if his father had explained to him why it was more important to go to church than to go fishing. The boy replied:

"Yes he did. My dad said that he didn't have enough bait for both of us."



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- No charge.
- Email version often contains material which there wasn't room for in the printed version, e.g. pictures, cartoons, jokes...
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- Rosemary's email is rbking007@btinternet.com. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, but aren't yet on the recipients' list, please just get in touch.

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