

# St Leonard's Church Ryton-on-Dunsmore: Newsletter for November 2019

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## SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE: NOVEMBER 2019

DATE	Bubbenhall	Baginton	Ryton
<b>Friday</b> <b>November 1:</b> <b>All Saints' Day</b>			<b>7.30 p.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b>
<b>Saturday,</b> <b>November 2</b> <b>All Souls' Day</b>		<b>5.00 p.m: Readings</b> <b>and Prayers in</b> <b>memory of the</b> <b>Departed.</b>	<b>7.30 p.m: Requiem</b> <b>to commemorate</b> <b>the faithful</b> <b>Departed.</b>
<b>November 3:</b> <b>Third Sunday before</b> <b>Advent.</b> <b>For St Leonard's Day</b>	<b>11.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b>	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> <b>Village Service</b>	<b>9.30 a.m:</b> <b>Patronal Festival</b> <b>Parish</b> <b>Communion</b> <i>followed by Brunch</i> <i>in the Church</i> <i>centre.</i>  <b>6.30 p.m:</b> <b>Evensong</b>
<b>November 10:</b> <b>Remembrance</b> <b>Sunday.</b>	<b>10.50 a.m:</b> <b>Service of</b> <b>Remembrance.</b>  <b>NO EVENSONG.</b>	<b>10.15 a.m:</b> <b>Service of</b> <b>Remembrance.</b>	<b>8.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b> <b>NO VILLAGE</b> <b>WORSHIP.</b>  <b>10.10 a.m:</b> <b>Service of</b> <b>Remembrance.</b>
<b>November 17:</b>	<b>11.00 a.m:</b> <b>Mattins.</b>  <b>8.15 p.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion</b> <b>by candlelight.</b>	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b>	<b>9.30 a.m:</b> <b>Parish</b> <b>Communion.</b>  <b>6.30 p.m:</b> <b>Evensong.</b>

<b>Date</b>	<b>Bubbenhall</b>	<b>Baginton</b>	<b>Ryton</b>
<b>November 24:</b> <b>Christ the King</b>	<b>8.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b>	<b>9.30 a.m:</b> <b>Family Service.</b> <b>6.30 p.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b>
<b>December 1</b>  <b>Advent Sunday</b>	<b>11.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> <b>Village Service.</b>	<b>9.30 a.m:</b> <b>Parish Communion.</b> <b>4.00 p.m.</b> <b>Tree of light service.</b> <b>6.30 p.m:</b> <b>Evensong.</b>
<b>December 8:</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</b> <b>in Advent</b>	<b>6.30 p.m:</b> <b>Evensong.</b>	<b>10.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b>	<b>8.00 a.m:</b> <b>Holy Communion.</b> <b>9.30 a.m:</b> <b>Advent workshop and worship</b>
<b>Monday,</b> <b>December 9</b> <b>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>			<b>7.30 p.m: Sung Holy Communion with visiting choir members. Refreshments afterwards.</b>

**At Ryton: EVERY WEDNESDAY except November 13:**

**9.20 a.m: Holy Communion.**

**November 13: 11.30 a.m: Holy Communion.**

**Next PCC Meeting: December 12, in the Church Centre at 7.00 p.m.**

### **Harvest Festival.**

Many thanks to the flower arrangers who made our churches look so beautiful at Harvest-time, and to everyone who gave gifts of flowers and groceries. We were able to take a large quantity of food to the Rugby Food bank. Thank you for your donations.

## **All Saints/All Souls**

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

**All Saints' Day (Friday November 1<sup>st</sup>) will be celebrated at the 7.30 p.m. service of Holy Communion.**

There will be a **Service of Prayers and Readings in Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at Baginton at 5pm,** and the United Benefice **Requiem of All Souls will be at Ryton on Saturday 2 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 the commemorative services, please contact the Rector on 02476 301283.

## **Bible Study Group.**

Karen Storch will be coordinating our new Bible Study Group. She hopes to arrange a time for people interested in joining to meet and discuss times and dates for future meetings; also what format members would like the Study Group to take. If you would like to join - or if you know anyone who would be interested- please get in touch with Karen (07392378690) Rosemary (01788573067) or Fr. David (02476301283)



## **Lunch Club**

This venture is open to all villagers. Meals are served on the second Wednesday of each month and we look forward to welcoming new people. Transport can be provided. A 2 course meal with tea or coffee costs £5, to include a raffle ticket. Please ring Hazel Smith on 02476456711 if you are interested in joining us.

**If you have time to help us at Lunch Club on the second Wednesday of the month please let Hazel know a.s.a.p.**

## **Ladies' Guild**

On Thursday, December 5: 6.30 p.m. for 7.00 p.m: Christmas party in the Village Hall.

**Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November: Patronal Festival.**

**9.30 a.m: Parish Communion, followed by the famous St Leonard's day BRUNCH!  
See below!**

**6.30 p.m: Evensong**

**Please let Frances (02476301283) or Janet (02476 306224) know if you would like to come to Brunch.**

*Stained glass window depicting St Leonard, in St. Leonard's Church, Ryton.*



***St Leonard's Brunch -  
Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
following Parish Communion***

***£5 per adult, £3 children under 12 years***  
*Includes cereals, fruit juice, full English cooked breakfast (veggie option available),  
toast & preserves and tea/coffee*

***To book your place(s) -  
please call or email the Vicarage:  
[024 7630 1283](tel:02476301283) or [dandfwintle@gmail.com](mailto:dandfwintle@gmail.com)***

**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 9.30-11.00 a.m:  
Advent Workshop and Service.**

**We will be preparing for Christmas with a variety of fun things to do in the Church Centre. These will be followed by an all-age service in church. We hope to be able to welcome more families to this friendly service. Come and join us!**

## Remembrance Service.

This year's Remembrance Service on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November will be much as last year, but please note the slightly earlier start time- 10.10 not 10.15 a.m.



.....**The two minutes' silence at 11 am will be held at the War Memorial rather than in church.**

The arrangements are therefore: Church Service - 10.10 am  
Two minutes' silence at War Memorial 11.00am

**N.B. NO VILLAGE WORSHIP SERVICE  
BECAUSE OF EARLIER START TO REMEMBRANCE SERVICE.**

### Flower Rota

<u>Date</u>	<u>Altar</u>	<u>Pulpit</u>
Nov. 3	In memory of John Jackson	
Nov.10	Remembrance Sunday.	Remembrance Sunday.
No flowers in Advent		
Dec. 13/ 14	<b>Christmas decoration of church. Please contact Janet Smith on 02476306224 with offers of donations towards the cost, and/ or help with the decorating.</b>	



## Tree of Light.

From Advent Sunday- December 1<sup>st</sup>- until the Feast of the Epiphany- January 6<sup>th</sup> 2020, there will be a Tree of Light by the Church Porch Door. It will be lit each evening.

There will be a service in church at 4 p.m. on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, at which the names of those remembered with a light will be read out, and the lights will be switched on at the end of the service.

If you would like a light in memory of a loved one, please contact June Backholler Tel. 02476 302353 for a form. We would love to see you for tea/coffee and cake after the service.



St Leonard's Church, Ryton on Dunsmore

Saturday  
November  
30th

10 am - 12 noon  
in the  
Village Hall



**Christmas Coffee Morning**

Come and enjoy  
all your favourite stalls -  
& some new ones!

Home-Made Cakes, Pickles, Toys,  
Books, Games, Bottle Stall, a Raffle & more!!



*We'll be serving coffee,  
tea, bacon rolls & hot-dogs!*



## The Bells of St. Leonard's.



It has been wonderful to hear the St Leonard's ringers, under the able tutelage of John Hammond, ringing our bells for Sunday morning Eucharist services. Thank you all very much for your enthusiasm and perseverance.

**If you are interested in ringing the bells, why not join us? Beginners and experienced ringers welcome.**

**We meet at the church on Monday evenings from 7:30pm. Details from John Hammond on 02476 511130.**

**Email [john.hammond@1910@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:john.hammond@1910@yahoo.co.uk)**

## Church Floodlighting

October 29: 100<sup>th</sup> birthday memories of the late Wendy Gurney  
November 6 St Leonard's Day.  
Birthday memories of John Jackson.

*Would you like to light up the church for a special occasion- for example a wedding anniversary or special birthday, or in memory of a lost loved one? Please contact June Backholler at 2, High St., tel 0247630235. Any donations to church funds would be appreciated.*



## Churchyard Tidy-Up: Congratulations and thank you!

To all the people who have worked so hard and so loyally all year to keep our churchyard a place to be proud of: heartfelt thanks and congratulations!

No more formal tidy-up meetings until Spring. If any other residents could spare an hour or so once a month to help in the team, please contact Mark Jones on 02476 302272 for details of dates and times in 2020!



## **Children's Society Boxes Gill Church writes:**

The Children's Society boxes were opened at a very successful coffee morning held on Saturday 19 October in the church centre.

Thank you so much to everyone who came, or sent their box to be emptied. This year we have raised the amazing sum of £347.92 which will go to assist the work of the society. As we start to see the Christmas advertising which seems to begin earlier every year, it is so heart warming to know that our efforts could well make a big difference to a child who may not be looking forward to the festive season.

I would also like to thank June Backholler and Janet Smith for serving tea, coffee and cake, and to Anne Walters and Richard Mann for assisting with the counting of the money, I am grateful to you all for giving up your time to help me. If anyone still has a box which is full, please contact me on 02476 540219.



## **Ryton on Dunsmore History Group**

**Meetings** Every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the Month at The Village Hall 7.30pm – 9.30 pm.

**Subscriptions** £20 per year or £2.50 per meeting.

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

[www.ryton-on-dunsmore.org](http://www.ryton-on-dunsmore.org)

or phone Steve Garrett 76639228 or Ann 76302695

**Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> : 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 need your gifts of bottles for the bottle stall: to Suzie Bargewell please- or leave the bottles in church to be collected. Suzie will pick up bottles from you if more convenient. She lives at 28 Handley Close CV8 3FG , or give her a call on 02477 989384, mobile 07854314758***





## Church repairs and renovation.

**Churchwarden, John**

**Church, reports:** most of the work is finished, we are waiting for a stone window sill for the chancel to be fitted and a refurbished window panel to be fitted on 4th November, then 2 more window panels in the chancel to be taken away and

refurbished. Lastly, the pew at the back of church to be reinstated, and when the plaster is completely dry, it will be painted to match the rest of church.



*Interior plasterwork renovation.*



**The cost involved in this major renovation project is considerable, amounting to an estimated £20,000- £30,000, though some grant aid may be available. If you feel able to contribute to the cost of maintaining your parish church for future generations, please contact the Rector or Church Wardens. We shall be very grateful for any small or large donations.**

**Monday November 11<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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 £13 in 2014.) 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 at dawn**

## Organ Refurbishment Fund.

Churchwarden John Church reports that the amount raised and donated now totals **£8,893.08.**  
**Many thanks for your generosity.**



## 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.

The Greenway family and Gill

Green and members of the Breakfast Team **hope to welcome you on Saturday, December 7.** Do come along and bring your friends!  
Many thanks to all those who are helping with this popular venture.



**On December 7, a special guest is expected- Father Christmas will be calling in to have breakfast with the children!**

Do come along and bring your friends!  
Many thanks to Gill, and all those who are helping in this popular venture.



## Circles Network

This year our chosen charity was Circles Network in Cawston, Rugby. The Lent Appeal jars raised £210, and the loose collection at our Harvest Festival services raised a further £12. Thank you all for your contributions to a local charity which does so much to help the community.

## Ryton Evergreens 50 + Club

Our meetings are held in the Village Hall on the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 1.45pm to 3.45pm.

New members are welcome. Please contact John Loudon 02476301269

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

We are desperate for volunteer drivers for our fortnightly meetings and occasional shopping trips. Please can you help!

We are a busy club and welcome new members. A biscuit and a cup of tea are always on the menu.

## Children at St Leonard's.

Children of all ages will find a warm welcome at all our 9.30 a.m. Sunday services. We would love to welcome your children to our Sunday School, which takes place on the first and third Sundays of the month in the church centre when the main service in church is more formal, and on the second and fourth Sundays we



have less formal services designed for all ages, with special activities for children. In addition, those aged 8 and above are invited to join our robed choir, or train as altar servers. Contact Mrs Backholler on 02476 302 353 for details of Sunday School, and Mrs. Marsh on 02476 304295 for information about the choir, and Mrs. Rosemary King on 01788 573067 for details of altar server training.

**From the Church Register: No entries in October.**

## Thought for the Month: from our Rector, the Revd. David Wintle.

### Remembrance

November is the month of Remembrance. It is not difficult to look back with sorrow, but sometimes we need a little assistance before we can look forward with hope. Here are two people who can help us to do just that: Most of us have probably heard of Anne Frank and her Diary. Even when exposed to inhuman conditions, she maintained her faith and her hope that good would overcome evil. She wrote this:

*It's really a wonder that I haven't dropped all my ideals, because they seem so absurd and impossible to carry out. Yet I keep them, because in spite of everything I still believe that people are really good at heart. I simply can't build my hopes on a foundation consisting of confusion, misery, and death.*

*I see the world gradually turned into a wilderness. I hear the ever approaching thunder, which will destroy us, too. I can feel the suffering of millions and yet, when I look up into the heavens, I think that it will all come right, that this cruelty too will end and that peace and tranquility will return again.*

*In the meantime, I must uphold my ideals, for perhaps the time will come when I shall be able to carry them out.*

These anonymous words were found on the wall of a cellar in Cologne, Germany, where Jews hid from the Nazis:

*I believe.*

*I believe in the sun,  
even when it is not shining.*

*I believe in love,  
even when feeling it not.*

*I believe in God,  
even when God is silent.*

### **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

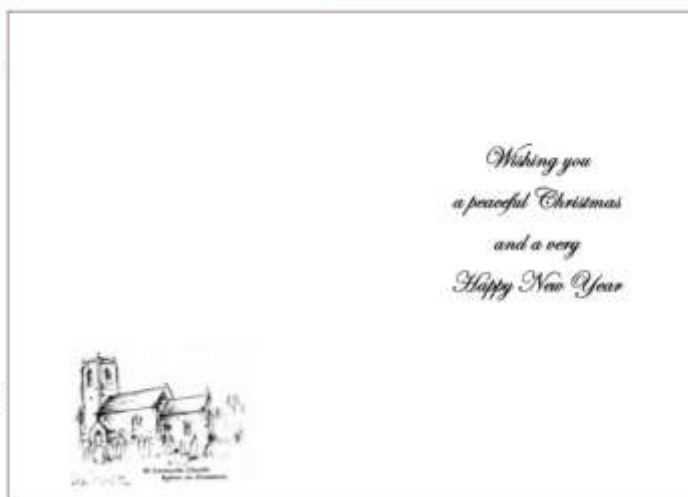


## St. Leonard's Christmas cards.



We have Christmas cards for sale - they are A6 (postcard) size and come with an envelope, sealed in cellophane.

The inside of each contains



Cards are priced at 50p each or 4 (two of each design) for £1.50.

Please contact Frances or Churchwardens to make a purchase!

## Warwickshire County Libraries: Home Delivery service

This is a free service to those who are unable to visit or use their local library or Mobile Library due to ill health or infirmity.

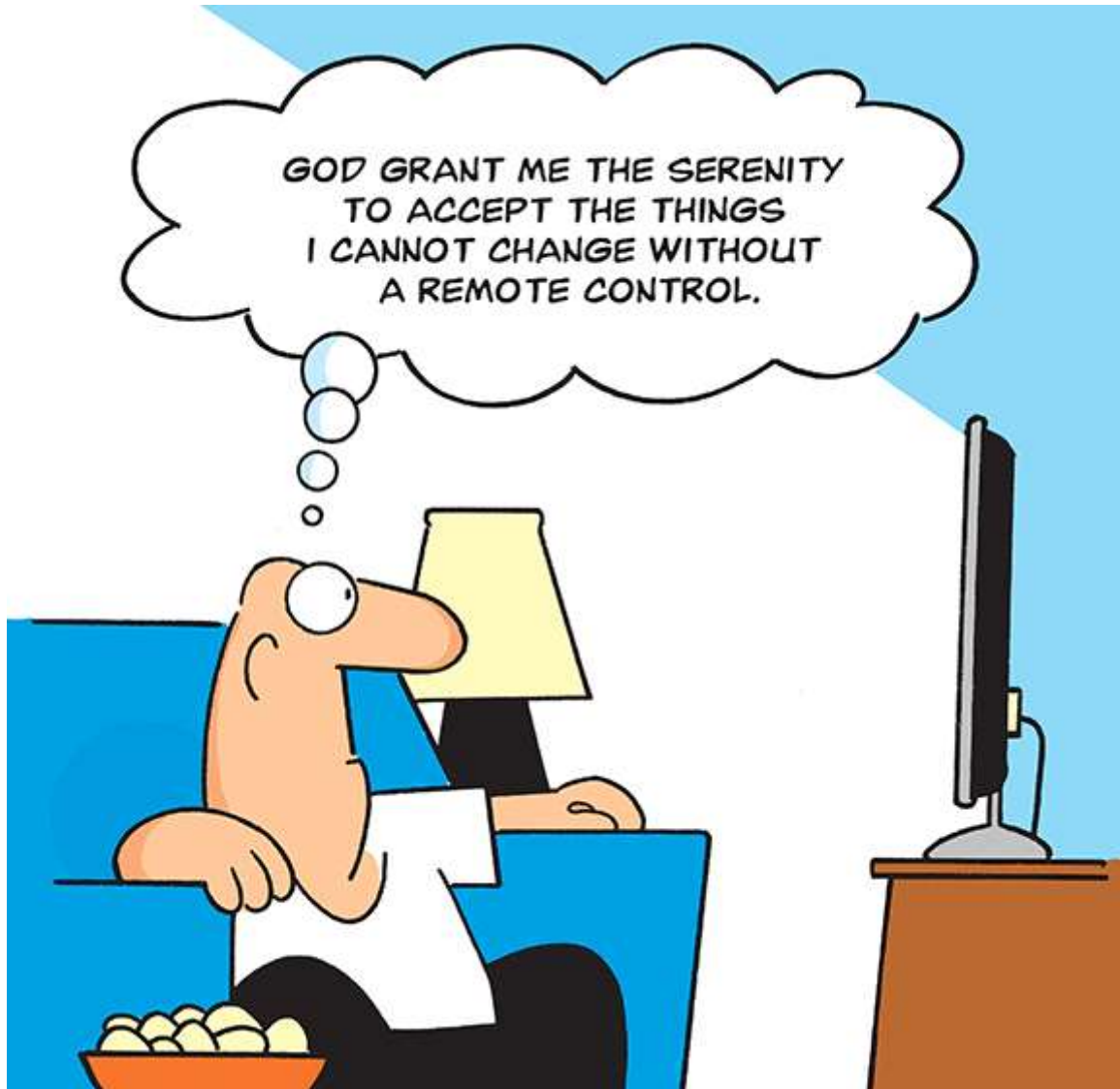
We deliver books to people in their homes once every four weeks, based on their personal preferences.

We offer books in both Large and Small print and also talking books on compact disc.

Anyone who feels that they would be eligible and would benefit from receiving the service can contact us on [01926\) 851031](tel:01926851031)

or by email on [mobilelibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:mobilelibraryservice@warwickshire.gov.uk)

**Tailpiece.... When your toddler (or puppy) has hidden the zapper.**



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