

## August 2015 Newsletter

### Church

All services at Duns Tew, unless stated otherwise

02.08.15	6 pm	Evening Prayer
09.08.15	11 am	Lay-led matins
16.08.15	9.30 am	Family Eucharist
23.08.15	11am	Eucharist
30.08.15	11am	Benefice Pet Service Steeple Barton

### Church Fête

The **final figure** for the **fete** held in June was **£4441.71** which is magnificent. The money raised makes a vital contribution to paying our parish share and the upkeep of the church building.

Thank you once again for all your support and generosity.

**Don't miss the photographs at the centre of the newsletter and see other photos under the News section on village website: [www.dunstew.com](http://www.dunstew.com)**

### Progressive supper

Tickets for the Progressive Supper on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September are selling quickly. So do book soon if you would like to take part. Tickets are £25 with profits going towards the upkeep of the Church. More information elsewhere in the Newsletter.

If you would like to buy a ticket, be prepared to host or help with the catering etc, or just want more information about what is involved, please contact either Stephanie Lacey or Carol Rigby:

[stephanielacey@btconnect.com](mailto:stephanielacey@btconnect.com) (347350)

[nonesuchcarol@gmail.com](mailto:nonesuchcarol@gmail.com) (340632)

### Advance notice - Ride or Stride 2015 – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September

This year the Historic Churches Bike Ride will be held on Saturday 12th September. Last year we raised £757, half of which helped towards the upkeep of Duns Tew church, and half went to the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust.

It is fun to take part as a family, with friends and even on your own as most of the churches you visit will have someone waiting to welcome you.

Some people just visit 3 or 4 churches, others (like Chris Drake) go that little bit further!

Sponsorship forms can be obtained from the bookshelf just inside church door. For more information, contact Clare Burgess [clarebugress@gmail.com](mailto:clarebugress@gmail.com) or 347382. My Just Giving page (!) can be found at: [www.justgiving.com/Clare-Burgess6](http://www.justgiving.com/Clare-Burgess6)

**Special request from Polly:** if anyone has a **functioning microwave oven** which they no longer require, please contact Clare ([clarebugress@gmail.com](mailto:clarebugress@gmail.com)). Polly is trying to set someone up in their own flat and this person could benefit from having a microwave. THANK YOU.

### **Charity of the Quarter**

For August/September/October, the PCC will be collecting donations to help the work of Polly who befriends the homeless in Banbury. Her work was recognised in this year's High Sheriff of Oxfordshire Awards.

Polly distributes food and befriends the homeless in the Banbury area every day.

- Polly has been working for over 26 years now in the centre of Banbury, providing food every evening, plus cakes/sandwiches etc for the people to take for the next day.
- Polly helps the friendless and also people recently out of hospital or prison, as well as the homeless – anyone who needs love and guidance as well as food.

Polly is very appreciative of all your donations, whether food or money. She goes into town every day at 2pm to collect surplus sandwiches from Banjos sandwich delivery service. She then has to return home on the bus to finish off the dinners and is out again at 4.30 to St Mary's churchyard to give her group of homeless people the food and drinks she has prepared.

She is planning to take her group of people on the train to Stratford over the next month.

**Reminder:** When leaving donated food in the basket in church, please make sure all food is still within its use-by date.

**THIS IS IMPORTANT, AS POLLY WILL NOT TAKE OUT-OF-DATE FOOD/DRINKS. I just have to throw it away.**

### **Polly always needs:**

Chocolate, chocolate bars, biscuits, teabags, instant coffee, instant chocolate drink.

Thank you!

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