

Sept 2015 Newsletter

Church

All services at Duns Tew, unless stated otherwise

06.09.15	6 pm	Evening Prayer
12.09.15	10am-6pm	Historic Churches Bike Ride
13.09.15	11 am	Lay-led matins
19.09.15	7pm	Progressive Supper
20.09.15	9.30 am	Harvest Festival Eucharist – with visit from Polly
27.09.15	11 am	Eucharist

Progressive supper

Tickets for the Progressive Supper on Saturday 19th 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 (347350)

nonesuchcarol@gmail.com (340632)

Ride or Stride 2015

Have you got your sponsorship form for the Historic Churches Bike Ride to be held on Saturday 12th September? Available from Church: see shelf on left of door as you walk in.

Other people in the village who are looking for sponsorship.....: Chris Drake, Clare Burgess, Kay Parsloe and Kim Phipps and daughters (and there may be others I don't know about).

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.

ALSO if you are able to spare an hour to sit in the church and sign cyclists in – please contact Clare (347382).

For more information, contact Clare Burgess clarebugress@gmail.com or 347382.

My Just Giving page can be found at: www.justgiving.com/Clare-Burgess6

Thank you for your support.

Harvest Festival – 20th September 9.30pm

Please bring your gifts along to the Church by **10am on Saturday 19th September** (*please note: there is a wedding scheduled in the early afternoon*) so they can be incorporated into the decorations or bring them to the service on **Sunday 20th September at 9.30am**. Fresh and tinned/packet food welcome. Gifts will be donated to the homeless of Banbury (through Polly). **Polly will be at the service on 20th September and will be available at the end to talk about her work.**

RAISE MONEY FOR OUR CHURCH WHEN YOU SHOP ON LINE OR MAKE AN ONLINE SEARCH

Did you know that you can contribute to the upkeep of our beautiful church when you shop on line or make a search without any extra cost to yourself?

ONLINE SHOPPING

All you have to do is access the site you require via www.easyfindraising.org.uk and nominate St Mary Magdalene Duns Tew PCC as the recipient of the donation. Every time you make a purchase a donation will be made to the church by the retailer concerned. Over 600 of the UK's leading retailers and catalogues subscribe to this site including Amazon, eBay, Argos, Curry's, HMV, M&S, John Lewis, Next, Tesco, Sainsburys and Waitrose to name but a few.

ONLINE SEARCH

By using easysearch instead of Google or any other search engine, you can make a real difference. easysearch is completely FREE and by making just 10 searches a day, you could raise around £20 a year for to your chosen cause.

As well as raising funds, easysearch also gives you the best search results available on web. Today, the Internet is so big that different search engines will often deliver different results for the same search. So, by combining the strengths of several search engines together - Yahoo!, MIVA, and many more - you get the very best results in terms of accuracy and relevance, which means you'll find what you're looking for quickly and easily every time - all in one 'easy' search!

All you have to do is access the site via www.easysearch.org.uk, enter St Mary Magdalene Duns Tew PCC as your chosen charity and make you search. You can make this your home page. You can also access easy fundraising from this page.

**In the current economic climate our church needs funds more than ever so please remember us when you shop online.
If you require any further information please contact Hilary Skaar 01869340269**

Charity of the Quarter

Special request from Polly: if anyone has a **functioning microwave oven** which they no longer require, please contact Clare (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's latest Thank You card says: "Thank you, Clare, for calling on me with donations. You and your friends are so kind. I still can't fathom out why God chose me to love and help the poor, but he embeds them all in my heart."
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!

Clare Burgess 347382