

October 2016 Newsletter

Church

All services at Duns Tew, unless stated otherwise

02.10.16	6 pm	Evening Prayer
09.10.16	11 am	Lay-led matins
16.10.16	9.30pm	Eucharist
22.10.16	7.30pm	Moonrakers concert in Church
23.10.16	11 am	Eucharist
30.10.16	11 am	Benefice Service at Over Worton

Ride & Stride 2016

Thank you to everyone who took part in the annual Churches Bike Ride on 10th September. The weather was extremely wet, and one of our number had a painful back and another a fractured forearm, so it was definitely an achievement!

Once again, Chris Drake showed us how it should be done, visiting 35 churches in Banbury and Hook Norton during the day. Well done, Chris.

The total amount raised will be given in November's newsletter.

It's not too late to sponsor our riders/striders: **Chris Drake, Jos Joslin, Clare Burgess, Sarah Taylor. *If you have already sponsored somebody, THANK YOU.***

Thank you, too, to all the volunteers who manned the church that Saturday.

If you were riding in aid of Duns Tew church, please could you let me have your sponsorship money by 18th October latest (5 Hill Farm Lane). Thank you.

Clare Burgess 347382 or clarebugress@gmail.com

Harvest Lunch – Saturday 15th October

The invitations to the Duns Tew Harvest Lunch have now been delivered. So if you are new to the village, or don't receive an invitation, and you or your partner are 65+, please let us know. If you have received an invitation, please reply as soon as possible, and by 8th October, latest, as there is a limit to how many we can seat in the Village Hall.

Sarah Taylor 340827 sarah@taylor171a.fsnet.co.uk or Clare Burgess 347382 or clarebugress@gmail.com

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who decorated the Church so beautifully for Harvest Festival. Polly came to our Harvest Festival service on Sunday 18th September and was extremely grateful for the harvest gifts. She now helps 12 vulnerable people who she meets daily to give them food and a friendly chat. She is careful not to judge them, whatever their history, and gives support where she can. Some people come to her because they live alone and don't see many people. They have come to rely on her and she counts them as her friends.

MOONRAKERS

Harp Guitar Irish Bouzouki Fiddle Vocals Bodhran Whistles

Oxford's much-toured band Moonrakers (Celtic harp, fiddle, stringed instruments, whistles, female/male vocals) give a full concert of songs and tunes from the English, Irish and Scottish tradition as well as their own compositions. Now with four albums of "exquisite music" (BBC) and with "truly wonderful" (Wycombe Festival) performances, Moonrakers present an informal evening of musical excellence and humour.

**St Mary Magdalene Church, Duns Tew
OX25 6JS
Sat 22nd Oct, 7.30pm**

Tickets: £10, from Carol Rigby 01869 340632
Email: nonesuchcarol@gmail.com

To see more of the band go to www.moonrakers.net

Advance Notice

06.11.16 - Evening Prayer – time of service will move to 5 pm for the winter months
02.11.16 (Wednesday) – 3 pm – All Souls Service at Westcote Barton Church
13.11.16 – Remembrance Day Service – 10.50 am – Duns Tew

Charity of the Quarter & Coffee Morning in aid of Polly's Homeless

For August/September/October, the PCC will be collecting donations to help the work of Polly who befriends the homeless in Banbury.

A massive thank you to all the donors, helpers and customers at the **Charity Coffee Morning** on Saturday 3rd Sept. Our efforts have raised £543.00 for Polly from the sale of produce and generous donations which is fantastic. Polly is going to put some of it aside to buy food and other necessities for Christmas. Any cakes donated were either sold on the day, or were given directly to Polly for her 'lads and lasses'. I would particularly like to thank Claire Knight, Carol Rigby, Jos Joslin, Maria Coonick, Joan Fawcus and Steph Lacey for their help selling and serving, and the Barford WI for supplying 6 cakes. **September marked the 28th anniversary** of Polly's mission to help the most vulnerable people in our society. Polly sent a "Thank you" card signed by her lads and lasses. This is now on the Charity Noticeboard at the back of the church.

£71.75 was made from the sale of coffee and cake for the Village Hall funds.

Polly is very appreciative of all your donations.

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

Polly always needs:

Chocolate, chocolate bars, biscuits, teabags, instant coffee, instant chocolate drink. Also, if you have any clothing/shoes (men's and women's) which you could donate, please contact Clare: 347382 or clarebugress@gmail.com. We have enough bedding and linen for time being.

Thank you!