

## Sept 2018 Newsletter

### Church

All services at Duns Tew, unless stated otherwise

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|--------------|----------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 02.09.18     | 6 pm     | Evening Prayer                                     |
| 08.09.18     | 10am-6pm | Historic Churches Bike Ride                        |
| 09.09.18     | 11 am    | Lay-led matins                                     |
| 16.09.18     | 9.30 am  | Eucharist                                          |
| 23.09.18     | 11 am    | Eucharist                                          |
| Wed 26.09.18 | 10.30am  | Holy Communion at Dinghams                         |
| 30.09.18     | 11 am    | <b>Benefice Harvest Festival</b> with School Choir |

### Preserves & Produce for Polly

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 10.30 - 12.30

**This month's Charity Coffee Morning is in aid of the Homeless in Banbury.**

Come to Duns Tew Village Hall for a chance to meet Polly.

**There will be a "bring and buy" of produce, flowers, herbs, chutney, jam etc, so if you are able to donate any of these for sale, please bring them along, or call Clare if you can't get there but would like to donate something.**

We will also be holding a **raffle**, so please let me know if you would like to donate a prize.

**Children:** Why not call in at the church before or after the coffee morning to have a go at the **Treasure Hunt**? We've extended the competition so you can do this! Forms are available on the table by the door, with a box to post back your entry by **1<sup>st</sup> September**. All the answers are inside the building. Winners and prizes will be announced in the October newsletter.

### Progressive supper

We would like to thank Carol Rigby and Steph Lacey for organising this year's Progressive Supper and for ensuring such an enjoyable evening and truly delicious food. We raised just over £1000 towards the upkeep of the church. It's not too late to make a donation for wine, if you haven't already!

A very big thank you also to all who came along, helping to make the evening such a success - and especially to those who hosted, arranged flowers, donated some delicious home made desserts and/or helped to set up the hall and clear up afterwards.

### Curiouser & curiouser:

Have you seen the "heart stone" in Hampton Poyle church? What does the painting in South Newington church depict?? Other nearby churches with fascinating things to spot include Chipping Norton & Broughton.

This year's **Ride or Stride 2018** takes place on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September**. Plan a route to take in a couple of these historic churches, get some sponsors and enjoy a lovely walk or bike ride to find out more!

Half of any money raised goes towards the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust which helps preserve these special buildings, and half to the church of your choice. In 2017 the Trust

made grants totally £217,049 to support restoration and re-ordering projects in Oxfordshire churches.

For more information, and sponsorship forms, please contact Clare Burgess  
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If you would like to sponsor Chris Drake, Clare Burgess, Jos Joslin or Sarah Taylor, please use the JustGiving page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/clare-burgess2018> or contact any of us.

### **Harvest Festival – 30th September 11am**

Please bring your gifts along to the Church by 10am on Saturday 29th September so they can be incorporated into the decorations or bring them to the service on **Sunday 30th September at 11am**. Fresh vegetables/fruit as well as tinned/packet food welcome. Gifts will be donated to the homeless of Banbury (through Polly).

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY –**

#### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Lunch**

The annual Harvest Lunch for pensioners will once again be organised by the PCC (Church Council). We will be sending out invitations early/mid September, so if you are new to the village, or don't receive an invitation, and are 65+, please let us know!

If anyone can donate vegetables or any other food, please contact Kate Parsloe 340581 or [kayparsloe@gmail.com](mailto:kayparsloe@gmail.com)

#### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Service to Welcome our new Rector**

Our new rector, Jane Wright, is being welcomed at a service, led by the Bishop and Archdeacon, on Monday 15th October at 6.30pm in our church. We have to accommodate congregations from our five parishes as well as Jane's family & friends from her church in Suffolk, and so space will be very tight. We have 20 seats allocated for people in Duns Tew, if you would like a ticket for the service please contact Stephanie Lacey ([stephanielacey@btconnect.com](mailto:stephanielacey@btconnect.com)). Priority will be given to regular church goers.

We apologise in advance to villagers for the expected increase in street parking on this evening.

### **Charity of the Quarter**

For August/September/October, the PCC will be collecting donations in church to help Polly.

- As well as providing food, Polly is a friend to the friendless or people on the margins of society; those recently out of hospital or prison, as well as the homeless.

**Toiletries** – if you have any shampoos/soap/other toiletries (half-used is OK), or sanitary products, please leave them in a bag in Polly's basket in the church. The people she helps would be very grateful. **Food** donations also welcome, as usual.

**Cash** should be put in charity plate at the end of a service, or placed in an enveloped marked 'Polly' in the church wall-safe or delivered to me at 5 Hill Farm Lane. Thank you to everyone who supports Polly. Clare Burgess 347382

### **Message from Nynka and Graeme Arthur**

We would like to thank you for your overwhelmingly generous gift when we retired from the Benefice. Your gift enabled us to travel to Japan and Australia to visit our families and friends as well as a long wished for holiday through the centre of Australia. This included a few days in Darwin (twice demolished, firstly in the 1942 Japanese bombing of Darwin Harbour and again by Cyclone Tracey in 1974), and three days on The Ghan, a train journey from Darwin

to Adelaide visiting Katherine Gorge, Ayer's Rock and Coober Pedy opal mines. This was followed by three days in Adelaide and the Adelaide Hills, and then three days on a paddle steamer, 'The Murray Princess', on the Murray River. It was a holiday of a lifetime, a most memorable and unique experience. We had a fabulous time, returning much refreshed, and we often think of you with grateful thanks for your kindness, support and generosity.

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

Whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for Duns Tew PCC. Over 3,000 shops and sites are ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra! It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

- 1) Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmarydunstew/> and join for free.
- 2) Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping. You can install a donation reminder!
- 3) After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to the PCC for no extra cost whatsoever! There are no catches or hidden charges.

**Whether it is 1p donated for a book bought on Amazon or 80p for a pair of shoes every penny adds up. In 2017 Duns Tew Church PCC received £78 from Easyfundraising .**

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