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At the end of August St Bartholomew's Elvaston celebrated their Patronal Festival with Revd Robert Atkins from St Philip's Chaddesden (*seen on the right*). Over 20 attended and enjoyed the cheese and wine after the service.

October 2022

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Prayer Diary

For your prayers in October

Aston The residents of Park View, Lodge Estate and Rectory Gardens. The work of the Alms-houses and Welfare Trusts.

Barrow The residents of Fir Tree drive. All who use and manage the Village Hall.

Elvaston All who use and manage Elvaston Village Hall.

Shardlow The residents of Cavendish Court. The Evergreen Club.

Swarkestone The Swarkestone Cricket Club.

Twyford The residents of Stenson.

Weston The pupils, staff and governors of Weston CofE Primary School.

The Community All groups for our elderly residents.

The Diocese The Archdeacon of Derby and the Acting Archdeacon of Chesterfield

World Church The Provinces of West Africa, the West Indies, Sri Lanka and Cuba.

Tony writes

Dear friends,

Don't say it too loudly, but some supermarkets, as well as having Halloween stuff in stock, have already started to have Christmas goods on display! It's a sad sign of our times, for we live in a world where shops and businesses take great delight in persuading us that we really need something, even if we haven't actually realised it yet. It's a culture of "never having enough."



Harvest Festival easily gets pushed out in the world beyond church and school. However, the tradition of recognizing some kind of harvest festival pre-dates the Christian Way by thousands of years. As soon as people started planting and growing things, they realised the success of their harvest was largely dependent on the weather as well as their own skill, so they began offering part of the harvest to the gods or in more monotheistic times to God. We see this in Deuteronomy 26, where, having given thanks to the Lord, each person in Israel is encouraged to bring before God the first fruit of the ground, which God has given.

In the sixth chapter of the Gospel according to St. John, Jesus, having just fed the multitudes, sent his disciples to the other side of the lake while he prayed. In the middle of the night, Jesus met the boat by walking across the lake, much to the disciples amazement. The crowd of people, having run around the lakeshore to find where Jesus and his disciples had gone, now ask him essentially "how on earth did you get here?" Jesus, always quick to avoid answering a question in a straightforward way, replies by wondering aloud about the crowds motivation. Did they come seeking him out because he had fed them? Was it because of the miracles? No, Jesus suggests, those things, while powerful and indicative of the work which God was doing in the world through Jesus, wouldn't sustain them for ever. What the crowd really came to find was "food that endures for eternal life."

This implies that they spent most of their time chasing after food which doesn't sustain, which seems to be a good metaphor for the superficial searching for entertainment and fulfilment which characterises much of our modern life. We are constantly fed the lie that we don't have enough and that more will make us happy. We only have to get wind, as in the pandemic, that there might be a shortage of something and we rush, to buy, buy more, more, more, more. We are, if we are honest, addicted to food that perishes, and the system is quite happy to keep us buying more, paying VAT, interest, and late fees, until the weight of debt crushes many people. Furthermore this narrative of buying more and disposing of more is proving to be unsustainable and doing untold harm to the planet as well as to our own mental well-being.

"Work for the food that endures to eternal life," says Jesus to them and to us. This Harvest, let's reject the narrative of "not enough." Let's take the time to stop feeding the addiction to accumulate for ourselves food that perishes, and give thanks to God for the abundance that we already have. Feasting on food that endures to eternal life will make us grateful and do good for our souls.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony". The signature is stylized with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Benefice News

If you would like to receive a copy of the magazine by email rather than in a hard copy please contact me on the email address below and I will send you one. (There is no charge for this, but a donation to your local church would be appreciated)

Please inform me of any detail changes for contacts that are listed on pages 16 and 17
All material for the **November 2022** edition of the magazine to be sent to Joe Nutman at jnutman@btinternet.com by **October 20** please.

The Passing of Her Late Majesty The Queen. May I say a big thank you to everyone in all the churches for rallying around at such short notice, arranging books of condolence and for the church buildings to be open during the period of mourning. It was really important that we provided space for our local communities to pay their respects to Her Majesty.

United Benefice Service Please note that this year we shall not be having the usual United Benefice Service at All Saints' Tide. Instead we shall have a Benefice Service when the Bishop of Derby comes to visit us on the 4th December.

Facebook Groups. Facebook Groups. Growing numbers of people are now joining our Public Groups on Facebook for All Saints' (142 members) and for the Trent and Derwent Benefice (66 members). Swarkestone, Barrow and the Friends of St.Mary's, Weston also have their own Facebook pages. They are a very convenient way of keeping in touch. If you are not on Facebook or are unfamiliar with or are not used to social media, do contact Tony for advice, if you would like to be able to access the church Facebook groups.

On Line Services We are continuing to record services in advance and post them on-line on both the Aston and the Benefice websites. You just need to go to the page entitled "Online worship and prayer." They are also be made available via the Facebook groups and, if you let me know you would like to receive it, a link can be sent to your email address too.

BENEFICE 200 CLUB

Our twelfth year has just begun in September with a total membership from all the churches involved of 190. At the first draw on 7th September the winning numbers were:

1st -122 (Aston), 2nd -8 (Aston), 3rd -79 (Weston)

All the churches are extremely grateful for your support. Money received by each church last year through your membership is as follows:

Aston- £4500, Weston - £1196, Twyford -£819, Swarkestone- £351, Elvaston- £234, Shardlow - £39.

The more members a parish has the greater the return for the church!

Thank you!

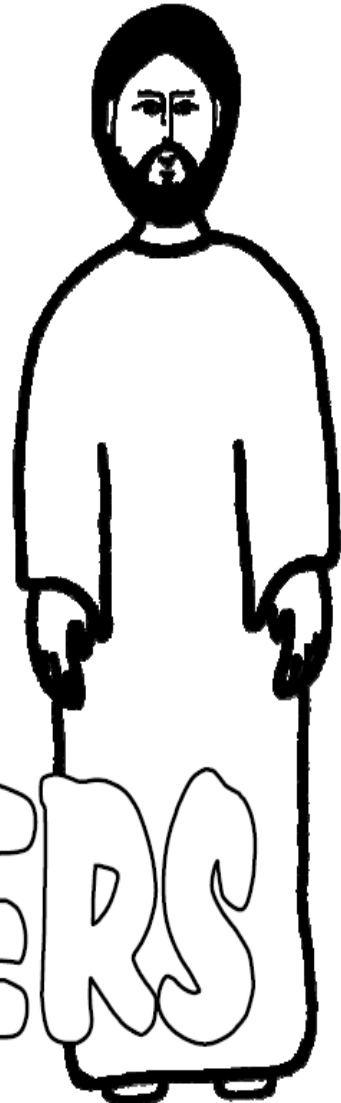
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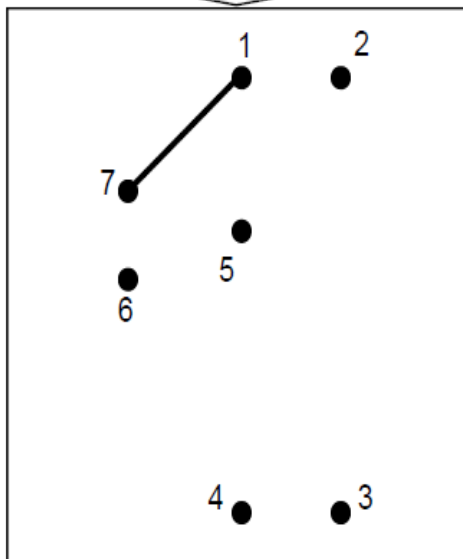
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LEPERS



Join the numbers to find out how many went back to him to say "THANK YOU".



My prayer of thanks

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for _____



What a special occasion it was on the eve of the Late Queen's funeral to have a Service of Thanksgiving at All Saints"! It was encouraging to see people of all ages coming together to remember Her Majesty. Special thanks go to Willie Tucker, parishioner and retired Lord Lieutenant for sharing his reminiscences of the Queen in such a heartfelt way. Thank you too to Bill Fereday for arranging the Book of Condolence, which will be archived locally.

Our Harvest Festival will be coming up on the 2nd October and on Saturday 1st October the Nurture Group are organising a Craft and Café afternoon for all the family along the lines of what we have been doing at Easter time.

The Wednesday Hub group meetings in October will be as follows :

5th October at 10.00 am: Open Café – Social.

12th October at 10.30 am: Open Book – Bible Exploration

19th October at 10.00 am: Open Café – Social

26th October at 10.30 am: Open Discussion

Aston Community Choir meets on Monday evenings at 7.00 pm in the Heritage Centre.

The Bellringers meet on Monday evenings at 8.00 pm.

Also coming up....

Saturday 1st October – 2.00 – 4.00 pm Harvest Crafts and Café for all the family.

Sunday 2nd October – 10.30 am Harvest Festival Service.

Wednesday 5th October – 7.30 pm CAMEO meeting in the Heritage Centre.

Thursday 27th October – 2.30 pm MU Meeting.

Sunday 30th October – 10.30 am All Saints' Tide Patronal Festival Eucharist.

Sunday 27th November – visit of the Bishop of Derby.

CAMEO

Everyone had a good summer and returned to Cameo on September 7. Our speaker was Margaret Goodman. She demonstrated on her spinning wheel how to spin different yarn ready to knit. It was a very enjoyable evening.

Our next session is all about the Woodland Trust. Come and join in the fun next Wednesday 5th October at the Heritage Centre Aston-on-Trent at 7.30 pm. £3 which includes raffle ticket, biscuits and refreshments. Contact Marion Glover Leader 01332 792405 for any details.



Aston on Trent Women's Institute

Friday 9th September, we began our holiday to Liverpool with a minute silence as a mark of respect to the sad passing of Her Majesty the Queen. Our spirits were lifted as we were gifted pink bags for organ donation week, (now postponed), they contained goodies including a very useful hand sanitiser. The weekend was a mix of fun, education and quiet reflection in the Metropolitan Cathedral of Christ the King, fondly known as "Paddy's Wigwam", inside a photo of Her Majesty, a book of condolence and the light that shone through beautiful stained-glass windows, It was a truly magical mystery tour. Dates for your diary:- Games evening 27th September in The White Hart; Friday 30th September we will be helping at the Macmillan coffee morning at Richmond Village 10am-12 noon; our Birthday Party on 15th October, 3PM at Richmond Village; Tuesday 1st November is our fund raising coffee morning in the Heritage Centre 10am-12 noon; a trip to the Greyhound racing on Thursday 17th November; and 11th February 2023 a Soup & Pud lunch.

Please don't forget our easyfundraising link where you can shop with all the major retailers and they in turn make a donation to us.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/aston-on-trent>

We meet at the Memorial Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM. New members and guests are always welcome and it's free for your first 3 meetings.

Aston and Weston Mother's Union

We have joined the world in mourning the death of Queen Elizabeth II. She served this country with grace, dignity and unwavering commitment. She was a passionate supporter and Patron of Mothers' Union for 70 years and she was an inspiration to us all.

Our world-wide president, Sheran Harper, said that the Queen has seen the world change dramatically but has accepted change and transformation through the years and her strong faith has helped her to weather many storms. We give thanks for her guidance and support to MU over the decades. Hers was a life born to serve God and all humanity and her legacy will live on in so many ways and in the hearts of all Mothers' Union members for generations to come.

The Queen only ever wrote one foreword and the book was called "The Servant Queen and the King she Serves". She was a queen but she always knew she had a Sovereign who called her to a life of service. In one of the Queen's Christmas Day speeches she said "Billions of people follow Christ's teaching and find in him the guiding light for their lives. I am one of them"

In Aston, we have our next meeting on Thursday 27th October. It's an unusual subject with a good speaker we have welcomed before.

Alison Orchard calls her talk "All About Eggcups"so we look forward to being entertained. All are welcome, in the Heritage Centre at 2.30pm.

"Books in the Belfry" – the All Saints' Community Library is open for everyone in Aston to use free of charge. We are grateful for gifts of books, but we would prefer not to receive non-fiction books .

Keep up with news by joining the All Saints', Aston on Trent public group on Facebook.

Or visit our website: www.astonontrentchurch.org

Barrow

Our grateful thanks for the life and service of our late Queen Elizabeth II, and our condolences to her family. Many of us will have personal memories of the Queen, or remember special occasions in which she was involved; leading the nation, representing the Commonwealth, or attending local events. And who can forget her encounters with both James Bond and Paddington Bear? God Save the King.



Tudor Banquet

At the beginning of September St Wilfrid's was again transformed, this time into a Tudor banqueting hall with candles, Tudor music, dancing and Tudor food.

The evening was a great success with many people remarking that it was an evening they would remember for the rest of their lives. It was certainly a night to remember! Thank you to everyone who made it such a special event.



Big Dig

Thanks to Colleen and John for allowing us to take over their field in our Search for Vikings – the Big Dig.

We were lucky to have beautiful weather, two teams of very experienced and knowledgeable experts, and a host of participants with metal detectors, trowels, spades and dowsing rods.

A surprising number of different metal objects were found, ranging from coins and (many) horseshoes, through to a candle snuffer, knife and badges.



Thursday Night Film nights

Over the summer months we have enjoyed a series of films covering many different themes from "Mamma Mia!" to "Random Harvest" and "Saving Private Ryan".

Because of the period of mourning for the Queen, the film schedule now extends into October, and there will also be a showing of "Top Gun: Maverick" on 10th November. Please see the list on the noticeboards or on Facebook. Tickets are £5 each for a raffle prize, and you are invited to bring your own refreshments, drinks, popcorn etc!

Harvest services

Our usual **Harvest services** will take place again this year; the Sale and Davys service will be on Friday afternoon, 14th October, and the St Wilfrid's service at 10.30am on Sunday 16th October.

As usual, the produce and items donated will be given to the Padley Centre to support their work. Anything you would like to donate will be collected by the Padley Centre in the following week.

St Wilfrid's - Events next year

Many people have already started to ask what events and workshops are being planned for 2023. We will be sitting down with Llynda, our Heritage Activity Delivery Manager, in the next few weeks with the intention of setting out a programme of special events for next year. Following this, a leaflet will be produced that will give all the information for the year, along with dates and times. This will also be advertised on our website and Facebook. The very popular Tea and Chat will continue every fortnight for the foreseeable future, and we will, of course, have our regular church services.

Some of our 'new' regular events, such as the Thursday Night Film Night will recommence in early summer 2023, and will include items such as the latest "Downton Abbey" film, "Hidden Figures" and any others that may be requested. If you have a favourite, just let us know.

Readings

October 9th	2 Kings 5. 1-3, 7-15c Luke 17. 11-19	Evadne Robbins
October 23rd	Jerem. 14. 7-10, 19-22 Luke 18. 9-14	Patrick Williams Vicky Orpe



Prayers:

We remember all who are sick or troubled at this time, especially we pray for Iris Campbell, Ray Thompson, Terry Marshall, Jack Smith and Quentin Robbins.

Services for October:

Sunday 9th October	10.30 Holy Communion with Paul
Wednesday 12th October	09.30 Holy Communion with Tony
Sunday 23rd October	10.30 Morning Prayer with Bruce

Patronal Festival

Our Patronal Festival at the end of August was a very enjoyable occasion, and we welcomed many visitors into the church over the course of the long weekend. Our Patronal Evensong followed by cheese and wine was well attended, and it was lovely to see some new faces, and to welcome back some more familiar ones. We are grateful to Fr Bob Atkins for taking the service and reminding us that, although Bartholomew was one of the lesser known Apostles (and Bartholomew may not even be his name!), he nevertheless did much good work, travelling extensively to India and Armenia to spread the gospel. The PCC would like to express its thanks to everyone who helped in any way, baking cakes, arranging the beautiful flower and window displays, helping on the stalls, serving refreshments and washing up and showing visitors around our church. Your help was very much appreciated.

Paws for Prayer

Our annual Paws for Prayer service will be held on October 2nd at 3pm and led by Tony. It is held to commemorate St Francis of Assisi, and to give thanks for 'all creatures great and small'. All dogs and their well behaved owners welcome.

Isabel Herod

Sadly St Bartholomew's PCC has to report the death of Isabel Herod, one of its long serving members and it sends its deepest sympathies to her daughter Christabel and all her family. Isabel was born at Seaton on 11th September 1927, went to school there and later to one in Carlisle. She trained as a nurse at Blackburn Royal Infirmary before moving to Great Ormand Street to nurse children. She then moved to Edinburgh to study midwifery and stayed for some time working on the Royal Mile where she met the Queen. Her next move was to join the Colonial Nursing Service and trained nurses throughout Nigeria where she supervised the building of a Nursing School in Kaduna. Whilst in Nigeria she met her husband Geoff, an engineer whom she married in 1964 and they settled in Ambaston where Christabel was born in 1969.

Isabel joined the newly formed Elvaston Women's Institute and the local church of St Bartholomew. She liked gardening, crosswords, baking and making jams and pickles. Some years ago she and Evadne made over 300 pots of jams and chutneys. She played a great part in the life of the church as besides being a member of the PCC she was a Churchwarden for twenty years and a member of the Melbourne Deanery Synod. Locally she was a trustee of the Elvaston United Charities and its chairman for some years. She also liked singing and was a member of a Derby Mixed Choir which often came to sing for weddings in Elvaston. She also sang music hall songs at local events which caused great hilarity when members of the audience were accosted by her wand or cheeky suggestions.

She has been unwell for the last few years and due to the Covid period has been sadly missed by her friends and neighbours and especially by those of us from St Bartholomews. May she rest in peace; she was truly a "good and faithful servant".

Shardlow



PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers, Molly and Jim Keogh, Mavis Foster, Quentin Robinson, Campbell and all who are unwell at this time.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Isobel Herod who recently passed away. Isobel always supported St. James' Church over many years, and we have wonderful memories of her songs and poems at The Harvest and Shrove-tide Suppers.

OCTOBER SERVICES

Sunday 2nd 10-30am Morning Prayer with Bruce
Sunday 16th 10-30am Holy Communion with Paul
Wednesday 26th 09-30am Holy Communion with Tony

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Many thanks to Paul for the lovely Harvest Festival Service. Thanks also to everyone who donated flowers and produce. A special thank you to Evadne for bringing the wonderful displays depicting the verses of 'All things bright and beautiful'.

COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 29th October from 10-00am to 11-30am. Everyone very welcome.

BOAT FESTIVAL

Due to the death of Her Majesty the Queen, it was decided that activities at St. James' would be scaled down over the week-end of The Boat Festival. The bells were rung on Friday 9th September at 12noon in commemoration of Queen Elizabeth. On Saturday and Sunday tea and biscuits were available for visitors and many people visited the church to look round and sign the book of condolence. It was interesting to hear of former residents of Shardlow, and to discuss various aspects of St. James' Church, including the high pulpit and the removal of the low pulpit to the north side of the church. The bells were rung on the Sunday and were followed by tours of the ringing chamber. These were very popular. Donations received over the week-end amounted to £119-00.

The display of art work by the school children and presentation of prizes was postponed but it is hoped that this will take place in church in a few weeks time.

CHURCHYARD

The PCC wish to thank Hansons Aggregates Ltd. for providing their community gardeners to tidy the churchyard for us. They worked very hard and did a wonderful job.

ORGAN

The refurbishment of the pipe organ is starting on September 21st. We are all looking forward to it being used again.

From the Registers

Aston

Baptism:

18th September – Ella Louisa Axon

Wedding:

30th September – Steven Oliver & Lisa Bridges

Funerals:

15th September – Roger Twiggs (79 yrs)

19th September (at Trent Valley Crem) - David Goss (80 yrs)



Swarkestone



Next service -

[Harvest Festival - Sunday 9th October 10:30 am](#)

Minister: - Tony

Readers: -Dominic Clarke & June Thompson

Church Cleaning: -Ted Lawrence and helpers

Welcomers/Sidespersons: - Emma & Dominic Clarke

Please remember in your prayers – Barbara Foster, Jill Malpass, James Longson, and Ann Edwards.

We are all deeply saddened by the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and offer our heartfelt condolences to the new King Charles III and the Royal Family. At our service on Sunday 11th September we welcomed many local people who joined us to thank God for our memories of Her Late Majesty and for her life of faith and dedication to duty. It was good to join together to pay our respects and to reflect on the impact she had on all of our lives.



We were delighted to welcome so many people to our recent Tea and Cakes by the River event. It was a beautiful summer's afternoon and a very pleasant time was had by all. Many thanks to Pauline Sims and her family for hosting the event once more. Thanks also to all those who contributed in any way by baking, setting up, serving tea and washing up etc, and for the donation of so many raffle prizes. The grand sum of £366 was raised for church funds. Thank you all for your kind generosity.

The service on Sunday 9th October will be our Harvest Festival. Last year we were able to make a very welcome donation to a local food bank and we hope to do this again this year. Any donations of tinned or packet food, toiletries etc will be gratefully accepted. Please bring along to Church on Sunday 9th October, or on Friday 7th October at 10.00 am when the Church will be decorated for Harvest, do stay and help if you have time. Any donations of flowers or produce for decoration purposes are always welcome.



BREAKING NEWS!!!

We have just booked Melbourne Town Band for our annual Carol Service on Wednesday 7th December - put the date in your diaries!



If you want to keep up with our news more regularly, please look for and like our Facebook page – you'll find photos and snippets about happenings at St James' and Swarkestone are added most weeks. <https://www.facebook.com/StJamesChurchSwarkestone>

Twyford



Services: Please see the back of the magazine

Flowers: Mrs Caroline Woodward

As many of you may know we have a fine, rather beautiful stained glass window in the East end of the Church (*see below*). It was fitted in 1911 and was the gift of Sir William Towle. The artist was James Dudley Forsyth (1874 – 1926). He was a well known artist in stained glass with work in Westminster Abbey, the Baltic Exchange and many London and provincial churches. I have included an article, recently discovered, written by the late Leslie Cox which details the life of Sir William Towle and his meteoric rise from a blacksmith's son to a Knight of the Realm.

Sir William Towle

1849—1933

William Towle was born at Smithy Farm, Twyford in 1849, son of Henry Towle, the last of a long line of Blacksmith Farmers in Twyford.

William was eventually to choose a different career, far removed from his early Trentside home.

He attended local village schools, first Twyford and then Findern. He left home to lodge in Derby to work long hours as a humble pageboy at The Midland Hotel.

Just prior to William taking the job, the then owner, Thomas Jackson was in financial difficulties. The directors of the Midland Railway Company, realising the need for good hotels to enhance the railway's rising prosperity, bought the building in 1862, to start what was to become a thriving enterprise.

At 22, through long hours of hard work and enterprise, William became hotel manager. He took control of Derby Station refreshment rooms, and soon became head of the Midland Hotel and Catering Service.

He introduced train meals in the form of hamper, made up at his Derby hotel headquarters and delivered to other mainline stations daily. The empties returned to Derby to begin the cycle again next day.

A notice announced.

"On and after March 1, 1875 Luncheon Baskets, will be provided at the Derby Station at the following charges:-

No. 1 (For first class passengers). Containing - half a chicken with ham or tongue, salad, bread, cheese, butter, etc. and half a bottle of claret or burgundy 3s 0d.

No. 2 (second class passengers) Containing veal and ham pie with salad, bread, cheese, butter, etc. and a bottle of stout -2s 0d."

Third class passengers, it seems, were not catered for.

A footnote concluded this revolutionary idea: "The baskets will be fitted with the necessary appointments which it is earnestly requested may be replaced in their proper position, and the baskets handed to



one of the Company's Servants that they may be returned to Derby," boldly signed William Towle, Midland Hotel, Derby.

Helped greatly by his wife Elizabeth, who in these early days supervised the catering staff of the Midland Hotel, he improved the image of the railway's refreshment rooms. He made sure that tea and coffee was cheaper than intoxicating drinks.

In 1884 he re-organised the management of the Midland Grand Hotel at St Pancras and took charge of the Queen's in Leeds.

He made frequent trips to Paris where he was responsible for building the Railway Hotel. Such was his position in national railways that he was given his own private carriage as a travelling office.

When he retired in 1914 the then chairman of the Midland Railway Company said of him, "We regret to lose Mr Towles' services which have been of the very greatest value to the Midland Railway Company and has placed this company in the premier position among railways in the excellence of its hotels, dining cars and refreshment rooms."

After his retirement William Towle was knighted for his services, and lived in the London area.

During his time at Derby he supported the Railway Church of St Andrews and sang for many years in its choir with a reputation for a fine bass voice.

In retirement, he made frequent visits to Twyford and provided a stained glass window in the east wall of the church in memory of his wife.



St Mary the Virgin.

Weston on Trent

Derbyshire Day



With the church bells ringing to welcome everyone the festival got off to an excellent start! The Aston Ukelele Band soon had the crowd tapping their feet as they consumed the refreshments available in church. The Weston Copse was officially opened by Tony: readers may recall that until recently this was a 'no go' area due to impenetrable ivy covering the ground and strangling many of the trees there. After a lot of work a trail has been cleared through it, opening up beautiful views across the valley. A small activity area is included towards the end.

With the usual British stoicism for queuing, many climbed the tower to enjoy the wide ranging views from the top. The scouts ran a coconut shy that kept many entertained while a number of stall holders tempted visitors to part with their cash. A May pole was installed for the day and some, under instruction from Daryl, with music from Brain Dawson took to dancing around it!

More serious music was played on the church organ by Kathy Razzell. The food stall Punjabi Kitchen was greeted with great delight and at the end of the afternoon the folk group 'Calling Time' drew the afternoon to a close. Many thanks to all who helped in any way but particularly to the organizing committee, members of the Ukrainian community and the Scouts for their loan of tents and tables and the labour to erect and then later remove them, the village hall for their tables, Davlyn Construction for organizing the Portaloos, everyone who manned the stalls and all who managed to attend. We also are not forgetting the folks who tidied up afterwards! A reporter from the 'Village Voice' newspaper turned up so we may expect a piece in a future edition. It was fantastic to see the community coming together for a great day. It raised some £1200 for the church too! *See the pictures on the following page*



Clockwise from top left.
Queuing to climb the tower,
Aston Ukelele Band, folk group
'Calling Time', stallholders in
the churchyard,
Refreshments available in
church.

October Facts.

In October 1974 the very first McDonald's in the UK opened its doors in London, and is still operating today!

The Twyford church in Hampshire, UK has a tradition of ringing its bells every year on October 7th. The origin of this tradition goes back to the 18th Century when a local resident called William David became lost in heavy fog while riding home at night. Much to his luck, he heard the church bells toll and from this, he managed to find his way home. As a form of thanks, he left some money to the church when he died so that the church could continue to ring their bells on October 7th every year, just in case there were any other lost travelers.

The first full moon after the Harvest Moon quite often falls in October and even has its own name. Known as the Hunter's Moon, it's one of the only two full moons (along with the Harvest Moon) that aren't connected to a specific month. Depending on the year the Hunter's Moon either falls in October or November.

October has just one birthstone, but with this dazzling stone who needs another? October's birthstone is the Opal, which was valued by the Ancient Romans as the most priceless of all. The opal comes in a myriad of striking colors that often seem to swirl together and is a symbol of both faithfulness, purity, and hope.

Looking forward to Sunday 13th November 2022 a service of remembrance will take place at 3pm with Father Paul Hygate

Would you like something to be included on the Weston page?

Please contact me by emailing stmarysweston@gmail.com or 01332704230, by the 15th of the month for inclusion in the following month.

And Finally

This morning on the A52, I looked over to my left and there was a woman in a brand new Ford doing 70mph with her face up next to her rear view mirror putting on her eyeliner.



I looked away for a couple seconds to continue shaving and when I looked back, she was halfway over in my lane, still working on that makeup.

As a man, I don't scare easily. (!!!!) But she scared me so much; I had to put on my seat belt and I dropped my electric shaver, which knocked the piece of toast out of my other hand.

In all the confusion of trying to straighten out the car using my knees against the steering wheel, it knocked my mobile away from my ear which fell into my coffee which was between my legs, splashed, and burned big Jim and the twins.

This ruined the phone, soaked my trousers, and disconnected an important call.

Women drivers! *(Its all about self perception isn't it? Ed)*




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	<i>Readings</i>	Aston	Barrow	Elvaston	Shardlow	Swarkestone	Twyford	Weston
2 nd October Trinity 16	Habak. 1.1-4, 2. 1-4 Luke 17. 5-10	10.30 Harvest FC Tony	9.00 HC Paul	3.00 Paws 4 Prayer Tony	10.30 MP Bruce		10.30 Harvest HC Paul 9.30 HC Tony	
Wed. 5 th October		9.30 HC Tony 6.45 Evensong						
9 th October Trinity 17	2 Kings 5. 1-3, 7-15c Luke 17. 11-19	10.30 FW Bruce 3.00 Richmond V. Tony 6.45 Compline	10.30 MP The Barrow Team	10.30 HC Paul		10.30 HC Tony		
Wed. 12 th October				9.30 HC Tony				
16 th October Trinity 18	Gen. 32. 22-31 Luke 18. 1-8	10.30 FC Tony 12.00 Baptism Tony 9.30 HC Paul 6.45 Compline	10.30 Harvest MP Bruce		10.30 HC Paul		3.00 ES Tony	
Wed. 19 th October								
23 rd October Trinity 19	Jerem. 14. 7- 10, 19-22 Luke 18. 9-14	10.30 FW Tony 6.45 Compline		10.30 MP Bruce				
Wed. 26 th October					9.30 HC Tony			
30 th October All Saints' Tide	Dan. 7. 1-3, 15 -18; Luke 6. 20-31	10.30 Patronal HC Tony					10.30 HC Paul	
Wed. 2 nd Nov. All Souls'		7.30 HC & Commemoration of the Departed. Tony						

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