

*The Link* September 2020



*The Link magazine covers the Borderlink Parishes of  
Blakemere, Bredwardine with Brobury, Clifford, Cusop, Dorstone,  
Hardwicke, Moccas and Preston-on-Wye.*

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#### **PRESTON-ON-WYE BELLRINGERS**

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every 1st Monday of the month Bell ringers practice at Preston on Wye. Pam should be contacted if any new ringers.

#### **HARDWICKE MEET AND EAT**

every 4th Wednesday at 2.30 pm

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#### **PRAYER CHAIN MEETINGS**

Third Tuesday 7.30pm

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#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

**SECOND** Tuesday 11.00 am at **Preston on Wye**

#### **TEA AND CHAT**

Fourth Tuesday 2pm-4pm

Janet Bumford

#### **JULIAN PRAYER GROUP**

Second Tuesday 11.30 – 12.30 pm

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#### **BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

Monday at 7.30 p.m

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**Benefice Prayer :**

**Thank you Lord for loving us**

**Open our minds and give us the strength to do your will  
for the rest of this day.**

**Amen**

Psalm 23 verses 1-3

The Lord is my shepherd. I shall lack nothing

He makes me lie down in green pastures

He leads me beside quiet waters

He restores my soul

## Revd. Luci's letter for September 2020

### Can you make a difference to a local person's life this harvest-time?

I'd like to begin by thanking everyone who has contributed generously to the Hereford Food Bank through our village collection points in recent months. As we head into the autumn, your continued support will make a huge difference to the lives of children and adults in Hereford and surrounding villages.

In August, it was announced that 1 in 3 companies expect to make redundancies by the end of September, a jump of 50% compared to 3 months ago and, with the furlough scheme ending on 31 October, the situation is likely to worsen.

Food banks across the country usually receive a huge boost to their stocks through items donated at Harvest Festivals in churches and schools. This year, we'd like to challenge you to 'fill a trailer with tins'! We hope to have a trailer at each of our outdoor harvest celebrations this year (see full details elsewhere in this magazine) and hope – together - to fill it with tins and other non-perishable food to help Hereford Food Bank continue their amazing work this autumn. If you can't make it to one of the harvest celebrations, just leave your donation at one of the collection points.\*

I'd like to quote from Hereford Food Bank's website to remind us of the incredible work they do:

'An emergency can happen to anyone, anytime, and if you're the unlucky one, it makes no difference who you are. That's just the moment you need to grab any help that's going. We don't judge, we don't gossip. We don't disclose your name and circumstances to anyone else. We don't deliver in marked vehicles, and we use ordinary supermarket bags – in other words, we try to be as discreet as possible.'

Receiving referrals from a whole range of organisations, including local churches, the Hereford Food Bank aims to provide a parcel within 24 hours of a referral which contains food to provide 3 meals a day for 7 days.

Before I was ordained I volunteered regularly at an emergency food centre in Reading. The story of one young man sticks firmly in my mind. One evening he told me how he'd ended up at the centre; just a couple of pieces of bad luck – redundancy, a relationship breakdown, minimal savings. It was a stark reminder that many of us during our lives dance close to the edge of things, but fortunately don't topple off the edge. Through your generosity, we can be part of a safety net to catch people before they fall.

Blessings, Revd Luci

**Hereford Food Bank Collection points can be found:** outside Cusop Village Hall, outside Clifford Hall, in the porch of Hardwicke Church, outside the DFR in Dorstone, in Bredwardine church porch, outside the Village Hall in Moccas, in the disused phone box in the middle of Preston-on-Wye and in Blakemere church porch.



## Harvest Celebrations 2020

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept, 3pm

Cusop Churchyard

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept, 4pm

Moccas Churchyard

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept, 4pm

Hardwicke Churchyard

Short services, suitable for all-ages, to say thank you for the food we have to eat

*Please bring your own chair/rug and picnic tea to enjoy and help to fill a trailer with tins (and other non-perishable food) in support of the Hereford Food Bank*

### **Parish magazine article by The Ven Derek Chedzey the Archdeacon of Hereford and Ludlow**

It is said we are shaped by our culture. If that is true, then one of the strongest leadership motifs is that of the hero leader. In film we have James Bond, Indiana Jones and Princess Leia; in television we have Doctor Who, Buffy and Danger Mouse: we are surrounded by heroes. (I'm a big action film and sci-fi fan)

However so often they are flawed individuals, some like Bond or The Doctor are anti-heroes just staying the right side of the line but edging on many occasions into the ambiguous middle ground, the grey moral no-man's land of society's values. Some like Batgirl or the Green Arrow seem to have turned to the darkness to right the wrongs of society and they are shaped by a deep inner drive and personal angst.

Many of the old heroes like Captain America and Wonder Woman knew which side of the line they stood, firmly in the light righting wrongs with justice, compassion and fairness. We could always tell the good guy or girl because they wore the white hat (The Lone Ranger) while the bad guys always wore black (Darth Vader).

The problem for the Church is that these heroes and anti-heroes always win the day, good always triumphs and the hero wins the applause and adulation. This is extremely seductive for those who seek or feel called to leadership positions, being the saviour raises us to the standard of hero, it places us at the centre of the action. It creates status, position and power but it also creates problems. There is only one saviour in the Christian story and it isn't us.

**Parish magazine article *continued*/**

In Jesus temptation in the wilderness Satan offers him the chance to be a super hero, to be adored and feted but instead Jesus chose a different path. He chose the path of servant and constantly refused to be the hero. Not only did he choose a different path he chastised James and John when they sought power and position and Peter was rebuked for refusing to have his feet washed. Those in religious power consistently found Jesus challenged them for abusing their positions. Jesus' challenge is for the leader to be a servant not a hero, to seek the path of service, generosity, hospitality, compassion and self-giving.

Even in the business world it is now widely recognized that the hero leader or heroic CEO is more hindrance than help.

As Jim Collins, the author of *Good to Great*, says:

*Virtually everything our modern culture believes about the type of leadership required to transform our institutions is wrong. It is also dangerous. There is perhaps no more corrosive trend to the health of our organisations than the rise of the celebrity CEO, the rock-star leader whose deepest ambition is first and foremost self-centric.*

If you feel a call to leadership in the Church then perhaps you need to stop and ask yourself what is your motivation, do you want to serve or be served? A good friend of mine used to ask prospective ordinands how they'd feel if he asked them to sweep up the leaves on his drive or to help him wash the dishes at their first meeting, he understood that leadership began and ended with servant- heartedness.

So heroic leaders need not apply! What is wanted here and now in our church as we emerge from COVID are servant hearted leaders who are ambitious for the Kingdom and not for themselves. They are those who point to Jesus as the one who transforms lives and society, they recognise they are only signposts to a Kingdom that is both here and yet to come.

If you feel you are called to leadership that points to Jesus, then the Church needs you!

Derek



## September Readings

06.09.20 <b>13th Sunday after Trinity</b>  Green	Exekiel 33: 7-11	Ezekiel has a harsh message for his people. If he does not deliver it, he will be held responsible for their fate; but if he delivers it and they do not pay attention, he will have done his job.
	Romans 13: 8-end	We are invited to wake up and get on with doing what God wants of us, which can be summed up in the command to love our neighbour.
	Matthew 18: 15-20	Sometimes love is not enough, and there is need for order and discipline even in the community of faith graced by the presence of Jesus.
13.09.20 <b>14th Sunday after Trinity</b>  Green	Genesis 50: 15-21	After Jacob's death, his sons fear that their brother Joseph will now take revenge on them for their earlier misdeeds. Joseph assures them that he will treat them well and that God used their bad deeds for good ends.
	Romans 14: 1-12	Paul writes to the Christians in Rome urging them to be tolerant with each other over disputed matters such as whether or not to abstain from eating certain foods.
	Matthew 18: 21-35	Peter asks Jesus how often he should forgive a fellow Christian who sins against him. "Seventy-seven times," Jesus replies, and tells a parable to underline his point.
20.09.20 <b>15th Sunday after Trinity</b>  Green	Jonah 3: 10- 4: 11	Jonah was angry that the people of Nineveh had listened to his message and repented of their past wrongdoing. He wanted them punished, not forgiven, but God's generous love is for all who repent
	Phil. 1: 21-end	Christians are called to work together in the service of the generous God who has given them faith and salvation.
	Matthew 20: 1-16	Those who had laboured longest in the vineyard were angry that the latecomers were given the same reward. Like the generous landowner, God chooses to bless equally all who serve their Lord, however long it takes them to sign up.
27.09.20 <b>16th Sunday after Trinity</b>  Green	Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25 –end	If an individual is treated according to what she or he does, then how can people accuse God of unfairness?
	Phil. 2:1-13	Paul appeals to the Philippians to let the mind of Jesus be in them.
	Matthew 21:23 - 32	The son who did the will of his father was regarded as right by the teachers of the Law, but they neither welcomed nor recognised the implications of the parable for themselves.



## Blakemere News

The very strange weather continues, and our sympathies are with our farmers, juggling combining on some sweltering days with avoiding the thunderstorms and torrential rain on others.

Blakemere Church continues to be open twice a week for private prayer, on Wednesdays from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. Much of the inside is roped off, but seats for private prayer are obvious. Our sanitiser is on a board in the porch for use on arrival and departure.

It was exciting to hold our first Service since early March, on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July; Morning Prayer in the Churchyard. It was a fine day, but with blustery winds. A learning point for the Churchwarden was not to put vases of flowers on the outdoor altar on a windy day. Both blew over during the Service...

And it was good to welcome friends from Preston and Moccas to our Trio Service on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, again in the Churchyard, and in warm sunshine. Many thanks to Julia Whittall for lending us the Moccas credit card machine so that a collection could be taken safely (and discreetly, as no-one knows which buttons you press!).

We are all much looking forward to the Blessing of the rebuilt and redecorated Organ at Moccas on 23<sup>rd</sup> August – a wonderful achievement by everyone who has been involved in raising funds for this great project.

Full marks to Heather Gorrige and Carol Chu for the last push towards funding Blakemere's defibrillator, with a Bring and Buy sale at Lower Blakemere Farm.

And let me repeat my thanks of last month to so many people who have been looking out for, shopping for, and supporting, those isolated and most at risk; and for those who have been so generous with much-needed donations for the Hereford Food Bank. A great beacon of hope in uncertain and troubling times.

*Robert Lisvane*





## Bredwardine & Brobury

[www.bredwardine-brobury.org.uk](http://www.bredwardine-brobury.org.uk)

Could anyone have forecast what a year 2020 was going to be? The weather alone has been weird – just last month we had 30+degree temperatures, and then 1 ½” rain in one day, with some spectacular lightning to go with it. The summer has gone by without any of the major events of our village year, although “Bredwardine on Sea” has attracted many more visitors than I can remember seeing for a decade or more! Now the harvest is coming in and autumn beckons. I wonder what other surprises the year holds? There are bound to be some and let’s hope they will be good ones!

Jen Maddison

### CHURCH NEWS

#### Services for September

**Sunday 13th September, at 9:30am, Morning Worship**, which will be held in our churchyard (inside the church if wet). Please bring your own chair or rug and remember to observe social distancing advice at all times. Hand sanitiser will be available for you to use, please bring a face mask in case we worship inside the church if the weather is wet.

**Sunday 27th September, 4:00pm, Harvest Picnic**, we have been invited to join the parish of Hardwicke for a picnic in their churchyard. Further details to be advertised  
Cathy

#### And more -

-Many thanks to all those who have so generously donated **books** to sell at the church. We have now made over £700 , all a great boost to our funds, in the absence of the Fete, etc. Please keep bringing books if you have them as we will keep selling for as long as possible. Of course, as soon as we are allowed to open the church permanently again, they will all move back inside, along with everything else that we usually sell.

-There will be a **Churchyard Workday on Sat. 3rd October from 10am** onwards; there is plenty of room to space out and we do need to do a lot of tidying up. If you could come and help, even for half an hour, we would be so grateful. Jobs include hedge cutting, ivy removal, path edging, drain clearing, weeding, bonfire supervision.....and much more! Please bring your own tools and some refreshment, as unfortunately we cannot provide it this time.

-The new **church kitchen** is at last finished, and we hope to have a Grand Opening in the near future – not to mention many social occasions at which to make it the main attraction !

Charlotte

## **Bredwardine with Brobury**

### **Friends of St. Andrew's 100 Club**

August was the first time since lockdown that the draw took on some semblance of normality with The Red Lion open and the chance to have guest members to draw the winning balls! We were delighted to have Karen Hall and Rob Evans to do this, particularly as it gave us the chance to 'Clap for Karen' and show our appreciation of all their help and support for villagers during the lockdown. They drew the following numbers: 1st Prize (£50) - No. 40 Dave Bowen; Prize (£25) - No. 142 Susan Morgan; 3rd Prize (15) No. 118 Mark Blandford.

**The September Draw will be on Thursday 3rd at 8pm**, in the Red Lion garden, weather permitting, and we look forward to seeing you there. Please follow all the safety procedures and regulations now in place, and continue to observe social distancing!

**Advance Warning** – Covid-19 has changed all our lives, but we have been lucky enough to have Mike, Gordon and the Red Lion here in the village to keep our monthly Draws going. I hope you have enjoyed watching their jolly japes during lockdown! Mike and Gordon have supported the Club during lockdown, and now it is our turn to support the Red Lion. Most of you will know that takeaway curry night at the Lion is on a Tuesday, and this will continue as the regular curry night now that the pub is open again. We have agreed to move our regular monthly Draw Night to the first Tuesday in the month, as from November. I hope the change will not prevent many of you from attending, and that perhaps it will mean other members will be able to come. Draw nights have become quite a feature of our village life, and I hope they will continue to be the happy occasions they have been for so long.

**Jen**

## **VILLAGE HALL NEWS**

from Sarah, Chair of the Village Hall Committee

**Bredwardine and Brobury Village Hall Committee AGM** was held on Tuesday, 25th August at 6pm in the village hall. It was not open to the public due to Covid-19 restrictions. Selection of committee and election of officers will be reported on the village website and in the October Link. If you have any feedback that you would like to give the Committee please contact Sarah.

**Bookings in the VH:** Bookings, which began in August 2020 have worked well. Covid-19 guidelines are in place. The focus remains to provide a safe, clean meeting environment while not interfering with the enjoyment of the classes.

Throughout the month of **September 2020** the following activities are scheduled Jacqueline's Quilting Sessions will take place on Mondays and Tuesdays, from 10am until 4pm; The newly-formed Craft Group, which has been meeting for over a year now, will meet monthly on Thursday; The Art Group meets in the village hall on Friday afternoons from 1-4pm; Hay Writers' AGM is tentatively scheduled to be held on 15th September, from 1-4pm.

The **Monthly Market** will not start up again until later in the year. Date and time to be determined.

### **Village Hall News**

If you would like to book the village hall for any occasion, please call Sarah on 07880 521 551. Rental costs are low due to the fact that when people book the hall they clean and tidy up afterwards.. Due to Covid-19, we have put in place a cleaning checklist to be completed by the person booking the hall after each use. This is in addition to our monthly cleaning schedule.

**Solar PV Panels** reading taken on 13 August 2020. Total Electricity Generated to Date: 36,951 kWh; CO2 Saved: 15,826 kg. The hot sunny summer is making up for lost revenue due to Covid-19. We are lucky.

### **Hereford Times Correspondent**

We are in search of someone who could send our village news to the Hereford Times for publication in the County News section and online. The task requires email access. If you are interested in finding out more details, please contact Sarah. Many thanks Sue Miles for being our Village Correspondent! Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

### **MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

**Friday 25th September 10.00 - 1200**

Depending on the government guidelines, I hope to hold this in the village hall, or socially distancing in the garden or will try a Zoom coffee time.

For more information please contact Jane 568230 or [jane.plaisted@travelcounsellors.com](mailto:jane.plaisted@travelcounsellors.com)

### **BREDWARDINE ART GROUP**

The group has thrived in its virtual existence with members setting a group project each week and sharing the resulting work online via our Facebook group. We resumed meeting weekly in the Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> August and hope to continue there on Fridays 1-4pm. We are being strict with distancing, cleaning and hygiene so please contact us before attending on any Friday so we can ensure not too many people come at once. Some of us are still not attending, preferring to remain at home after shielding for so long, so we may try occasional zoom sessions as well. We hope to resume some workshops and exhibiting work in the autumn all being well covid-wise.

Some examples of our work are now up in the hall and a few examples of recent themes: something with feathers, monochrome work, tutorial results (where members tried new things online) If you are interested in joining in the art group, contact Brenda Taylor on 07855 143048. Or find us on Facebook @Bredwardine Art Group.

### **WYESIDE GROUP PARISH COUNCIL**

The Council does not meet in August. Minutes of all meetings are on the village website.

<b>WHITEHOUSE WEATHER REPORT, BREDWARDINE</b>						
<b>Monthly Values, July 2020</b>						
Avg Temp	Average Daily Temperature		Total Wind Run miles	Max Wind Speed mph	Rain Total mm/ inches	Days with Rain
	Max	Min				
16.0 C 60.8 F	20.6 C 69.0 F	11.9 C 53.4 F	2421	29	39.1 mm 1.54 "	10
<b>Daily Extremes of Temperature, July 2020</b>						
Coldest night	Coldest day	Warmest night	Warmest day			
21 July 5.3 C 41.6 F	7 July 16.3 C 61.3 F	4 July 16.6 C 61.8 F	31 July 31.3 C 88.3 F			
<b>Other Daily Extremes, July 2020</b>						
Windiest day	Calmeast day	Wettest day	Highest UV Index			
6 July 158 miles run	21 July 30 miles run	25 July 8.4 mm 0.33 "	30 July 6.3			

July 2020 was largely unsettled, with 10 rainy days scattered through the month. The rainfall total at Whitehouse was 1.54" which is a little below their July average since 2004 of 2.22". Brobury Farms and Springfield both recorded 1.32" of rain (respective averages of 2.07" and 3.01"). Temperatures stayed rather low for much of the month, only reaching about 20 ° most days at Whitehouse, though the last two days were hotter, peaking at 31.3 ° on July 31st. The average daily temperature at Whitehouse was 16.0 °, somewhat down on the average there since 2004 of 17.1°

Overall in the region, July average temperatures were similar to those for 1961-1990, but a degree down relative to 1981-2010 (Met Office Anomaly Graphs).



## Clifford News

For more news, events & information  
[www.cliffordparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.cliffordparishcouncil.co.uk)

Clifford Church has had 2 services held very successfully in the Churchyard in July and August. We were blessed to have good weather and also hearing the bells rung before the August service. It was wonderful to be able to see and be with our congregation and have Rev Luci taking the service. We will have another service in the Churchyard in September. This year Harvest Thanksgiving services are being held with other churches mostly outside in the churchyards weather permitting, so parishioners can choose one to attend in the benefice as can be seen in the Service Rota on the centre pages.



## Cusop News

[www.cusop.net](http://www.cusop.net)

We have now held three services at Cusop Church during the pandemic and these have been much appreciated by all those who have attended. Meeting together in person (albeit socially-distanced) is very special, even though we had to wear face masks at our last service, the sense of fellowship has returned. The church will continue to remain open for Private Prayer and Reflection every Sunday from 10am to 6pm. **Please check the church noticeboards, the church pages on the village website, and "The Link" magazine for services taking place at Cusop and other churches in the United Benefice.** We have recently joined Clifford and Bredwardine for outdoor services and these were very enjoyable too.

## **Cusop**

Sadly, this year there will be no Harvest Supper at the Village Hall which is always an event much loved by the community. However, in place of this, we will be having a Harvest Festival in our beautiful churchyard which will include “bring your own picnic” on **Sunday 13th September at 3pm** led by Revd Luci. All ages very welcome!

Many of you will have enjoyed the weekly deanery online services during the lockdown. As well as these services, there are numerous other videos to watch or “dip into” if you visit the Abbeydore Deanery You Tube Page. One of my favourites is the “Taize Prayer from Dore Abbey” filmed at the beginning of lockdown. Recently, Cusop Church was the venue for our Sunday online service and this will be available from 16<sup>th</sup> August. John Winter leads the service and Rob Yule very kindly filmed it. A huge thank you to Geoff Holder from the deanery who has done an incredible job! He has downloaded and edited videos which numerous people have sent him and has skilfully combined them to make the “final cut” that can be viewed on You Tube.

## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Michelle Peel and Chris Driver-Williams who were married at Cusop Church on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July when the sun shone brightly on the happy couple. Small is beautiful and it was a very moving and personal ceremony witnessed by Michelle and Chris’ close family and friends. The readings and music were carefully chosen and it was a very special service led by Revd Luci. We wish Michelle and Chris much joy and happiness in their married life.

## **Logs and Wood Chippings for Sale**

Sadly, a large, dying Norway Spruce in the churchyard has had to be chopped down as it had become dangerously close to Greystones, the Old School. If you would like any logs or wood chippings, please contact Celia Cundale, Churchwarden ( 01497-820396). A donation to Cusop Church would be appreciated.

## **Caring for God’s Acre**

Our last Taskforce Day took place on 31<sup>st</sup> July and coincided with Dorothy’s funeral in the afternoon so a hard working team arrived earlier than usual to ensure that the churchyard looked lovely for the funeral. A very big thank you to everyone who weeded, tidied up the graves, swept the path and cleaned the lychgate. Also thank you to those volunteers who were unable to come on the 31<sup>st</sup> but had previously been up to the churchyard in their own time and worked really hard clearing around the pathways and gates and the Bee and Butterfly Garden.

Our next Taskforce Day will be on **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 10am to 3pm. Please bring a scythe if you have one.** We plan to cut the grass in the meadow area and plant some Yellow Rattle seed but, as always, you can choose any job you wish.

### **Cusop Caring for God's Acre**

Government regulations will still need to be followed so all volunteers please bring your own tools and refreshments. Unfortunately, the toilet will still need to be locked so please join us for as long as short as you want. All help is greatly appreciated! We look forward to seeing you!

### **Cusop Church welcomes back Hay Theatre Group!**

A few years ago, Hay Adult Theatre Group held their weekly rehearsals in Cusop Church and we also enjoyed their fabulous performance of Henry V in the church and churchyard. During the lockdown, Hay Youth Theatre has been unable to meet indoors due to government restrictions. The good news is that they are now able to practise in Cusop Churchyard every Saturday. There are two groups - Juniors aged from 7 to 11years and Seniors aged from 12 to 16 years. For more details please contact Janine – Tel. 07733-055430.

### **Face Masks for Sale in aid of Hereford Foodbank**

Penny Winter, who is a very talented seamstress, is now making masks to order. She has made dozens of these and already raised over **£263** for Hereford Food Bank – well done, Penny! She has found a pattern that is made to fit the size of your face. Penny uses high quality batik fabrics and Egyptian cotton sheeting with a double layer of non - woven interlining with a nose wire to ensure a close fit, which also helps to stop glasses fogging up. Penny charges only £5 per mask, if you are interested please email her at [pennywinter88@hotmail.com](mailto:pennywinter88@hotmail.com).

### **Dorothy's Funeral**

Dorothy's funeral took place outside in the churchyard under the two beautiful oak trees where the congregation could be comfortably seated in the shade. It was a glorious summer's day and the perfect setting for a wonderful service, conducted by Revd Luci. John and Paul, Dorothy's sons, had carefully planned the service with Luci which included a recording of Dorothy reciting "The Old Grey Squirrel" (Alfred Noyes) at her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party, John's reading of "The Old Violin" ( Myra Brooks Welch) as well as beautiful music, Psalm 121 and special prayers. Paul gave a very personal tribute (see below) and Mel Walford, an old friend of Dorothy, spoke of Dorothy's love for her family which "knew no bounds, was always available, supportive and wise. She was straight- talking but with a lovely gentle sense of humour and a true generosity that shone out of her like the rising sun." When the service was over, one person said to me, "I want my funeral to be like that." and someone else remarked, "That was the loveliest funeral I've ever attended."

Our thoughts and prayers are with John, Paul and all Dorothy's family and friends at this very sad and difficult time.

Celia Cundale



### **Dorothy Hanson (1929 – 2020)**

Dorothy was born on a hot Whitsun day on 20<sup>th</sup> May 1929, in Chesterfield, Derbyshire. She was the second child of Florence and Joseph Davis. Photographs show her as a happy child doted upon by her parents and her elder brother Derrick.

Sadly her parents separated when she was 9 years old, which had a lasting effect on her, and she never really talked fondly of those times. A happier interlude in her teens was spent at a mixed school in Edinburgh, where she enjoyed the performing arts

When Dorothy met Frank, when he was a parks' attendant in Chesterfield, they spent their courting days in the Derbyshire parks and dales. They were married in 1949 and moved down to the Midlands for work reasons, where they settled around Birmingham. Dorothy worked up until the arrival of her first son, John, in 1959 and Paul in 1963. She then concentrated on bringing up her two sons and perhaps her talent at writing and her love of recital was her vocation that never bore fruit, but such were the times. We lived as a close-knit family and enjoyed a happy life in Moseley, later in Bromsgrove, then in the 70's we moved above the Golden Valley in Herefordshire.

The desire to escape to cleaner, rural air had smitten Frank particularly, but shortly after that, the family moved from a lonely, isolated rural idyll, to the bright lights of Hay on Wye! Dorothy made many friends in the area, becoming actively involved in the Mother's Union and Women's Institute. She was a popular and much admired resident of Hay, and started to travel abroad more as she grew older. Increasing arthritic problems led to her requiring several hip and later knee replacements.

After Frank's death in the late nineties, Dorothy got involved with other meeting groups, the Monday club was one of her loves. As her mobility declined, she was affected by macular degeneration which sadly robbed her of much of her vision in her later years so the Bell Bank Club was an outlet for her love of reciting poetry and writing, and she was a helper and member there for 20 years. Her love of meeting up with friends never lessened, rather it was what she lived for, together with her close relationship with her sons, which never diminished.

The music from her 20's and 30's was also a big part of Dorothy's life, right to the very end. Her life coincided with a golden era, and her 90th birthday last May was the culmination of that life, a celebration which she never forgot. She remained to her death a positive force in life, never complaining, just enjoying what life could bestow upon her, and always enriching the lives of all of those who knew her. Even in her last months, whenever asked how she was she would merely say "Ok, but I'm not quite me". She was a thoughtful, kind and wonderful lady. She will be so hugely missed that it is hard to bear.

***This is an edited version of the eulogy presented by Dorothy's son, Paul, at the funeral. Thank you for sharing these very special memories of Dorothy.***

## CUSOP HISTORY GROUP

For those of you who missed the virtual tour of Hay Castle that Mari Fforde did recently for the Hay Castle Trust, it's really interesting to see how it's getting on. Here is the YouTube link to watch it.

<https://youtu.be/VtJTUj6GLlg> (or search for Virtual Tour Hay Castle 2020).

### This month in Cusop History from [the Cusop Parish Magazine](#) 1906

*"On September 18<sup>th</sup> the Harvest Festival was held, when the Rev. A.J. Bannister, Rural Dean, preached an eloquent sermon to a crowded church., when a record attendance was registered. Our thanks are due to the following, who kindly decorated the church:- Alter, Mrs F. Long Price,; pulpit, Mrs Robert Griffiths; font, Mrs Lilwall; lectern and reading desk, Miss Blake and the Countess Lucille de Manin; windows, the Misses Thomas, Redwing; choir stalls, Miss Gladys Lilwall. Corn was kindly sent by Mr Cockcroft, bread by Mrs Wood and Mr Hitchcox, fruit and flowers from Miss Hawker, Mr Vick, Mrs Lewis and others. The offertory, which was made up by the collection on the following Sunday, with the Churchwardens' approval to £5, was sent to the Church of England's Mission to Seamen."*

### From Cusop Parish Magazine September 1916

*"The sympathy of the entire parish will go out to Mr and Mrs Cartwright of Rothbury on the death of their son, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieut, Eric P. St George Cartwright, who was serving with the machine gun section. Lieut, Cartwright who is on our Church Roll of Honour – the youngest of three brothers, who have all been in action- had been out at the Front since January, and during that time had taken part in much heavy fighting, through which he had come unscathed, only to fall to a sniper's bullet, being killed instantly, just at daybreak on August 13<sup>th</sup> [1916]. It is a matter of deep regret that one so full of promise should be cut off on the very threshold of life; one of the many youthful victims of this war. In a letter written some time ago Eric spoke of death as being but the bridge between the seen and the unseen, the temporal and eternal. That bridge has now been crossed, to meet the Great Captain of his Salvation. May the knowledge of that fact be the comfort of his sorrowing relatives."*

Eric's poem, Alphabet of War is very poignant and was found in his notebook as the last thing that he wrote before his untimely death. You can read the full poem on our Cusop and WW1 page, part of our War and Pieces performance in December 2018.

Here are the last two lines...

*Y is the yawn which is hard to conceal, a sign of the boredom you certainly feel –  
Z is for Zero, - at five minutes past, I've got to go over, so Z is my last.*

Visit our website at <http://cusophistory.wix.com/cusop> to see the latest information, including the research and our photos of historical Cusop. Email us at [cusophistory@gmail.com](mailto:cusophistory@gmail.com) or call Sue on 01497 822523.

**FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**10.00AM TO 3.00PM**

**Please bring your own tools and refreshments**

**Everyone Welcome!**

**All help appreciated!**



### **Cusop, Ty Glyn, rainfall gauge**

July had 16 days during which 42.2 mm (1.66") rainfall was received with 8<sup>th</sup> the wettest day at 7.8 mm (0.31").

Ainsleigh 01497-820332

## **Dorstone News**

[www.dorstone.org.uk](http://www.dorstone.org.uk)



### **Bell Ringers**

Thanks so much for ringing for VJ Day, and for ringing five of Clifford's eight bells for a recent outdoor service there. It was greatly appreciated.

### **Churchwardens' Survey Results**

We received 33 replies out of 180+ distributed. Thanks to everyone who did the deliveries. At least now every household knows that we are still here!! The majority of responders seemed to be keen to keep the church building open for the community, whether they were church goers or not, which is good for our plans to refurbish the inside with lavatories, kitchen, new effective heating and lighting etc. This will mean that we can use the building for a wider range of activities and start up our Concert Programme again which had such great support.

## **Dorstone**

The Lottery Fund is in complete lockdown at the moment, so we have no idea what their requirements will be for grant applications in the future.

Most who replied were keen on the idea of a **Harvest Service** in a barn – so next year we can organise that. Also, the idea of a **late afternoon Music service with tea** once a month was popular, so, when we are allowed to sing, play the organ and other instruments again, that will be sorted out. We would really like to make our church more family-friendly – but with no proper facilities at the moment it is difficult.

**Don't forget** - if you need special support for family reasons, please contact **Luci** to talk things through or to arrange a private visit. Do let the churchwardens know of anyone who is in difficulties or ill at home so we can support you if you need us.

**September Thursdays - Evening Prayer** – 8p.m. – 8.20p.m. in church

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September – 10a.m. Holy Communion Service in church.** Please bring your own morsel of bread. Social distancing rules will be observed and please wear a mask.

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September – FoSF Grand Harvest Food & Drink Auction On-Line.** This has always been a fun way to raise funds, so this year we will do it electronically. We shall still rely on your generosity for donations of food, drink, meals at home, Christmas puddings/cakes and the various creative ideas for ‘promises’ involving food and drink. Watch out for full details nearer the time.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September – 4p.m. – 5p.m. Harvest - Hardwicke and Dorstone Joint Celebration** Outside (see other entry)

## **Date for the Diary**

**St Faith's Annual PCC meeting - Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 p.m. (ZOOM)**

Due to the regulations and guidance in existence in respect of the Coronavirus epidemic, we are unable to hold this meeting in the Church as usual and it will therefore be a virtual meeting and will take place on **Zoom** with the Chairman, Secretary, Churchwardens and members of the PCC taking part.

The first item of this meeting is the **Annual Meeting of Parishioners** which is concerned with the election of Churchwardens on which members on the Church Electoral Roll are entitled to vote. Our present Churchwardens, Penny Platts and Sylvia Corrick are prepared to continue for the next twelve months. Therefore if there are any other nominations for these posts they should be delivered to **Rita Teather at Corner Cottage seven days** before the meeting.

Those wishing to vote on the nominations should notify the Secretary, Toni Birchenough, at Primrose Hill, Dorstone, (abirchenough3@gmail.com) and they will be sent voting papers which should be returned to her by email or delivered to Rita Teather **at least 24 hours** before the meeting.

## **Dorstone APCM Meeting Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 p.m.**

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### **DORSTONE BOWLS CLUB**

Well the news from the Bowls Club can be likened to a roller coaster because it is full of ups and downs.

Members have survived the lockdown and self-isolation and continue to wash hands and use sanitizer. My thoughts wandered to a normal Christmas and beyond to the start of the 2021 bowls season but when will we return to normal with Government intimating a second wave? Does a second wave imply a third or even fourth? I am missing the exercise that bowls brings. I know this because my trousers only just fit around my bulging waist.

The committee started to talk about improvements needed during a meeting held at the Club on Tuesday 4th August. They will start by having a "clear-up" on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September trusting that most of the members will help. A pot of paint has been donated and this (when used) will improve the looks of the garden shed which really needs it.

Talk was made about possibly decorating the inside of the club and a coat of paint on the outside. If that happened what an improvement it would make.

Then the bad news. Around the green there is a ditch (to catch the occasional wayward wood) and it is lined with a plastic shield. This shield has parted company with the wooden staves to which it was attached and one side of the green is bad and needs repairing. The side of the green next to the playing field has, every year, grown magnificent weeds which have been controlled by spraying, pulling out with their roots or being turned over by spade. However, the weeds think they have a right to live there (for which they do not pay rent) and have built five storey flats whilst no one was looking this year and the committee are determined to solve the problem.

At the meeting it was decided to hold back on starting the Whist Drives again because of Covid-19.

## **DORSTONE BOWLS CLUB**

Good news came, unexpectedly, from three local sources that lifted the hearts of the committee members. Dorstone Playing Fields Committee, Dorstone Front Room committee and Dorstone Village Hall committee have given very generous donations each to help keep the Bowls Club afloat. The Club cannot thank them enough. Members from all three are welcome to "try their hand" for free any time. Finally, the AGM has been set for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at the Club starting at 6.30 pm prompt.

Barry Megson 01981 590691



## **Hardwicke News**

[www.hardwickechurch.co.uk](http://www.hardwickechurch.co.uk)

There is very little Hardwicke News to report this month. Some locals have ventured away on holiday others like us have stayed put. Whichever the case I hope you all had a good summer and are prepared for sending the children back to school after such a long break.

Hardwicke Church APCM will be held on Thursday 24th September at 3.00pm in the Churchyard extension. This meeting is open to all those whose names appear on the electoral roll. The meeting will be followed by a PCC meeting for PCC members only. If the weather is inclement, the meeting will be held via zoom either by using a suitable device or by landline. The details for logging onto the meeting may be obtained from Margaret Davies by email [..ronmar@btconnect.com](mailto:..ronmar@btconnect.com) or telephone 01497 831201.

### **Hardwicke and Dorstone Joint Harvest Festival**

Because of current restrictions which make it impossible to hold services in church, Harvest Festival will be different this year. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us in a joint open air service to be held in the churchyard extension at Hardwicke starting at 4.00pm on Sunday 27th September. Please bring a chair or rug to sit on and also something to drink and a bite to eat. Don't forget an umbrella if it is wet. It is expected that the whole celebration will last about an hour. As there are many more people needing the help of Food Banks during the pandemic we shall try to collect as much food as possible for the Hereford Food Bank so start collecting your tins now and bring them along when you come. We would love to see you.

<b>Borderlink Benefice Services</b>			
	<b>6<sup>th</sup> September</b> Trinity 13	<b>13<sup>th</sup> September</b> Trinity 14	
<b>BLAKEMERE</b>	<i>join Trio at Preston</i>		J
<b>BREDWARDINE WITH BROBURY</b>		9.30am Morning Worship outdoors (indoors if wet)	
<b>CLIFFORD</b>	<i>Join Cusop or Hardwicke on 20<sup>th</sup> September</i>	11am Holy Communion** outdoors (indoors if wet)	
<b>CUSOP</b>	11am Morning Worship (in church)	<b>3pm Harvest Picnic tea in churchyard*</b>	
<b>DORSTONE</b>			1 c
<b>HARDWICKE</b>			
<b>MOCCAS</b>	<i>join Trio service at Preston</i>		
<b>PRESTON ON WYE</b>	11am Trio service*		
<b>Midweek</b>	Every Thursday, <b>Dorstone</b> Evening Prayer in church, 8pm		
<b>Notes</b>	<b>NB: the wearing of a face mask if you're attending a service</b> *weather dependent, will not proceed if wet. Please bring along ** bring your own piece of bread, which will be blessed (at a d		



<b>Service Rota – September 2020</b>		
<b>20<sup>th</sup> September</b> Trinity 15	<b>27th September</b> Trinity 16	<b>4<sup>th</sup> October</b> Trinity 17
<i>Join Moccas</i>		11am Trio service
	<i>Join Hardwicke for Harvest Picnic</i>	
	11am Matins (in church)	
9.30am Holy Communion** (in church)	<i>Join Hardwicke for Harvest Picnic</i>	9.30am St Faith's Day Holy Communion** (in church)
	<b>4pm Harvest Picnic tea in Churchyard*</b>	
<b>4pm Harvest Picnic tea in churchyard*</b>		<i>Join Trio service at Blakemere</i>
<i>Join Moccas</i>	11am Morning Worship*	<i>Join Trio service at Blakemere</i>
<p><b>Service in church is now mandatory</b>            Bring your own chair or rug (and tea in the case of the harvest picnics).            (distance) during the service.</p>		

## Hardwicke

Life Drawing classes will resume every Monday from 10am to 4pm in Hardwicke Hall from September. Everyone is welcome. Just turn up on the day or call Denise to find out more on 01497 831 544.

We were very sorry to hear that Egbert Smit has been laid up with a ruptured Achilles' tendon and hope he will be up and about soon.

David Morgan is at last contactable by e-mail. His address is [morganthegreen@gmail.com](mailto:morganthegreen@gmail.com)

And finally, I would like to thank Esther for getting in touch about my plea for advice on planting samphire seed. Unfortunately I missed the boat for taking advantage of the waxing moon to aid germination so I will have to wait until next year to see if it helps!



## MoccasNews

<https://sites.google.com/site/moccasvillage>

Writing this on VJ Day; we must pray that nothing like this ever happens again. Man's inhumanity to man is unbelievable and still the conflicts go on round the world. War is a terrible thing.

Good news is that the organ is up and playing and the case is looking glorious. There will have been a blessing service before you read this to celebrate the enormous amount of hard work and dedication by those who have masterminded this major undertaking. Bad news is that there was no Flower Show this year but our sweet peas would not have won any prizes anyway !

Keep an eye open for details of our Harvest Service which will take a very different form. It is on Sunday 20th September, at 4pm. Read more below.

John and Denise

## **THE HEREFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST “RIDE & STRIDE”**

“Ride and Stride” which usually takes place on the 2nd Saturday in September has been cancelled due to Covid and, sadly, the Trust feels that the day has “run its race” and will no longer be held. I’ve been involved since it began and have welcomed many cyclists to Moccas Church. Our youngsters and their friends cycled around our local churches and they’ve all got children of their own now!

The Chairman of the Trust thanks all those who have participated in “Ride & Stride” in previous years either as participants, organisers and those on the Committee. The HHCT is still a going concern raising money for many local churches in our County and would be glad of donations should anyone feel like sending one.

Barbara Hinksman (Moccas)#

### **Harvest Festival Service (not in October, as usual) at Moccas Church in the Churchyard**

The Harvest celebration service, will be at **4pm on Sunday 20th September**, outside in the Churchyard. A short service, suitable for all ages will take place to say thank you for our food. If you wish, please bring some tinned food as we are collecting for the Hereford Food Bank.

**We will have a “bring your own picnic”** after the service. You may bring your own chair/picnic rug?

Small groups will be able to go inside the church at different times and see the organ - please bring a mask if you wish to go inside (now mandatory inside places of worship). Please come along as it will be lovely to have a Church service again.

## **THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL**

Sadly the “House to House” collections will not be taking place this year because of the Covid restrictions preventing collectors from visiting homes or holding “Poppy” coffee mornings. Denise and I wouldn’t be allowed to count the money boxes either. We are certainly living in strange times and let’s hope that “normality” will have arrived long before the 2021 appeal.

From 24th October, Poppies will be available in most Supermarkets, Post Offices and Banks, so please give generously to the appeal as you have kindly done in previous years.

Barbara Hinksman (Organiser for the Preston-on-Wye group of parishes)

### **Moccas Church Organ Restoration.**

**When you read this - The restoration of Moccas Church R. W. Walker organ, Gilbert Scott Junior case and Bailey's hydraulic engine is now complete, thanks to all our kind donors, including the Heritage Lottery Fund. The restorers have done a superb job, and both sight and sound are breath-taking.**

**Some time ago, Andrew Rawstone told me I should write a poem to celebrate the restoration, and finally a few days ago inspiration suddenly struck, so here it is, with acknowledgements to Thomas Moore (1779-1852), as well as to Lyndon Eatough-Smith and Andrew Rawstone who helped solve the scansion at the beginning of the third verse.**

### **Moccas Music E'er Shall Soar**

The Walker once through Moccas church  
The soul of music shed;  
Then lost its tone on wet west wall,  
As if that soul were fled.  
But now the pride of glorious days  
Resounds along the Wye;  
And hearts can once again bring praise,  
Our music ne'er shall die.

Bailey's engine once beat fast  
To power the Great and Swell;  
Lay forgot in darkened room,  
Its story none might tell.

Young Gilbert Scott's case once shined  
clear,  
Bright stars were all a gleam;  
Then mice and years did fall around,  
Its glow a distant dream.  
But now the Alleluia's here  
And roses feast the eye;  
And senses once again bring praise,  
Our music ne'er shall die.

But now the waters flow again  
With piston like a boar\*;  
And thunder once again brings praise,  
Our music e'er shall soar.

*\* the Mochros boar*  
(Written by Rachel Jenkins)

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## Community Items

### Hay on WI ....Inspiring Women.

Have you taken a look at your local Women's Institute lately? Some may think that the WI is about women wearing pearls, making jam and singing Jerusalem. At Hay on WI, all three of those are a rarity! Yes, at monthly meetings flower arranging presentations do feature and are very popular, but speakers recently also include one of the country's pre-eminent map makers discussing her craft, 'Cavalry of Heroes' on the film industry, and, in 'NASA and Aliens,' an exploration of NASA's search for life on other planets by a former member of the team. We also have a number of special interest groups meeting regularly: Book Club, Craft Club and Gardening Group. A committee co-ordinates events, and a Campaigns Group works on local responses to national WI campaigns. In less challenging times we meet at Cusop Village Hall monthly, share our homes for smaller group meetings and plan regular theatre visits and walks for those interested. In this temporary new age we haven't lost touch: we have held meetings on Zoom but it was good to meet up in person at our walk on the Begwyns on 12th August. We went up to the roundabout and back and learnt a bit about the history during a break for a sit down at the top. We will be making a short stroll and chat a regular event. Would you be interested? We'll let you know where and when.

*While Zoom is a good place to meet  
It's just head and shoulders - no feet*

*What truly good news*

*To have sight of your shoes*

*But be sure they don't reek in the heat! (M Rosser)*

We asked one of our newest members why she had decided to join up. Moving to the area, she was looking out for ways to get to know people, met one of our members for coffee and tried us out as a guest, luckily at our garden party with food, drink and music! She tells us that it is good being part of a friendly, enthusiastic group of women of all ages, coming together and getting our teeth into campaigns on issues important to us; that it is good to be part of an organisation so supportive of each other.

We have an al fresco meeting in the Cheese market planned for September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm when Helen Campbell will ask us "How Fulfilled do you Feel?". Come and be part of it but be sure to book first as visitor numbers will be limited!

For more information on Hay on WI call Sue Hodgetts on 01497 822523, email us on [hayonwi@gmail.com](mailto:hayonwi@gmail.com) or visit our website <http://hayonwi.wixsite.com/haywi> We would love to see you, why not give us a try?

For lots of interesting online talks and short courses (open to non-members too) see the Denman at Home website that you can join for a small fee <https://www.denman.org.uk/whats-on/?search=Online%20Course>

## Hay Youth Theatre

We started Saturday youth theatre Summer school sessions outdoors in the beautiful St Mary's Churchyard in Cusop on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August. This time last year we were having medieval fun with a performance of Maud and the Dragon, medieval swordfighting and a BBQ.

The Juniors meet at 10.30 until 12 (7-12 year olds) and the Seniors from 1-2-30pm (13-16 year olds). If weather permits we hope to carry on into September. Each parent/participant will receive a set of risk assessment and rules and regulations which must be followed to be Covid safe. Even though distancing is in place, it is loads of fun. Open to newcomers too.

Don't forget to vote for our Community project to put on an outdoor production of Midsummer Night's Dream in 2021. We would love your help - by using your Co-op membership card and choosing Hay Theatre as your cause, every time you buy Co-op branded goods helps raise funds for this valuable project. Check our website and Facebook for changes. Top of Form

For details and to book a place, call Janine on 07733 055430 or email [haytheatre@gmail.co.uk](mailto:haytheatre@gmail.co.uk). For more information check our website [www.haytheatre.co.uk](http://www.haytheatre.co.uk)

## Hay Adult Theatre Studies (HATS)

We normally meet on Thursday evenings 7.45 to 9.45 at **Clyro Village Hall** in term time. Sessions are currently postponed but we hope to be part of the Midsummer Night's Dream production planned for next year. For more information check our website [www.haytheatre.co.uk](http://www.haytheatre.co.uk)

## HayDay Cafés

Whilst we can't meet at the HayDay Cafés at Cusop and Clyro, Dementia Matters in Powys have set up Powys wide virtual Meeting Centres on Thursday mornings at 11am for an hour or so via Zoom with chat, activities and singing. See our website <https://haydaycusop.wixsite.com/hayday> Facebook page or call Sue Hodgetts on 01497 822523

## Golden Valley Day Centre

Once again it has been another quiet month for the Day Centre.

We as a committee have decided that a good way to keep connected would be to have a draw at least once a month.

Our first draw was held at the end of July and our first lucky winners were Mr Roy Mankelov and Mrs Linda Chamberlain congratulations to them both.

Maurice Herdman is making good progress and is up walking around the house and garden now I think Heulwyn will be having problems keeping him still.

We have delivered facemasks to all our members. If any one has not received theirs please contact any member of the committee and we will get one to them.

I am sorry that our news isn't much at the moment but if any of our members wants to let me know how it's been for them during this time please get in touch.

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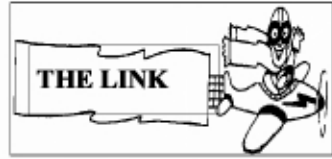
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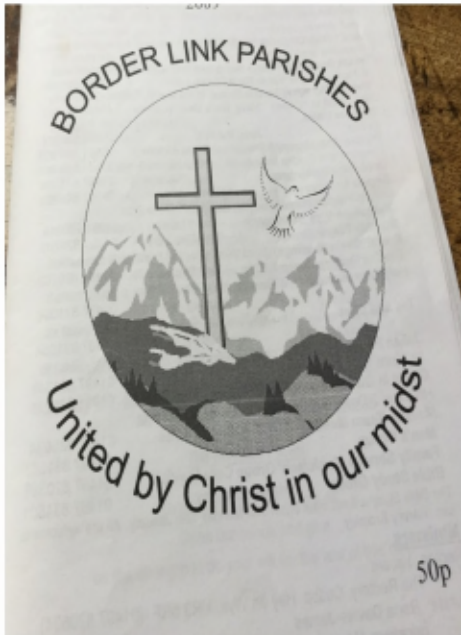
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