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JUNE 2022

Jubilee Tea Party on Morville Hall Lawn

4th June 2.30 – 4 pm (or thereabouts)

Please come and join in the tea party for the Platinum Jubilee weekend. Tea, coffee and squash will be provided. Anyone who comes is invited to bring a plate of tea party food to share. Do come in festive dress, prepared to have a great time. If it is raining (very much) we will move into the church, but otherwise we hope to be on the lawn in front of the hall. We hope to make it a happy and memorable occasion.

A COFFEE MORNING WITH A DIFFERENCE

Saturday 18th June 10-12pm – ASTON EYRE CHURCH

Dafydd Jenkins, one of our churchwardens, will be giving talks and tours of Aston Eyre Hall

Aston Eyre Hall is a Grade 2* building, commenced in 1333 but the owner died during the Black Death in 1348 and it is suggested that the main Hall was not added for possibly another 100 years. The whole site, including Aston Eyre Hall Farm, was fortified and it is believed that the Church would have been within such fortifications.

If the weather is fine, refreshments will be available at Aston Eyre Hall but if it rains, refreshments will be at the Church

In aid of church funds – All welcome

Please can anyone help?

My husband David and I are hosting a family of three adult refugees from Ukraine. They are delighted to be here and are keen to explore and remain active. I wonder if anyone has a second hand adult bike they no longer use?

They and we would be most grateful!

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Thoughts from The Vicar

Earlier in May we enjoyed the Four Churches Fete on Bank Holiday Monday. Thanks to all in our local communities, and others, who supported the Fete and helped raise around £2,300 which has been split between the four churches of Acton Round, Aston Eyre, Monkhopton and Morville. It was a lovely afternoon, and many people worked well together to create fun and games for all who came.

We start this month with the celebration of the Platinum Jubilee which is an extraordinary occasion. The Queen holds for our nation and for the Commonwealth many memories. It may be a generalisation to say that in a household it is often the mother that manages the memories – birthdays, bits of holiday, organising get togethers. Certainly it was my mother that remembered these occasions, and created them with special meals. I am delighted to be able to celebrate this historic occasion because it brings to my mind pictures from the newspapers of similar gatherings which unite the nation. Even those who are not fans of the monarchy are somehow drawn in to the national pride and remembrance, and the story telling which such a time brings out of all of us one way or another.

The stories which we live by direct our thoughts and patterns of behaviour in many unnoticed and habitual ways, and so it might be wise from time to time to ask ourselves about the truth of the narratives we inhabit, and maybe to step back and laugh at ourselves a bit with a view to changing the way we think.

The story inhabited by followers of Jesus is one of love and hope, generosity and joy, where strangers become part of the family, and there is enough to eat for all who turn up, and a place in the community for anyone who comes in. This is a very different story from that inhabited by those whose resources are limited, and whose experience of life is of rejection, or tolerance rather than love. Whatever you feel about the celebration of the Jubilee maybe you could use this month to reconsider the stories of your life, the history and the way you think about it.

God bless you with his peace and joy.

Sarah

Morville Village Hall AGM

The village hall has recovered well and is nearly back to pre-pandemic bookings. Many activities take place including drumming, yoga, WI, sewing and ladies choir. The new improvements are well appreciated by the hirers. A small increase in fees will take place from September to cover rising costs.

Equipment is available to hire from the village hall for your own private functions including chairs, tables, crockery and cutlery.

Email morvillevillagehall@gmail.com for details.

The committee will carry on as last year with Chris Caine as chairman. Visit the website for information on bookings and activities and follow us on Facebook.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 19th October. Anyone is welcome to come and join the committee. Your input is very welcome.

THANK YOU TO:

Angela and Geoff Jones for their kind donation to newsletter funds

all who helped in any way to make the Four Churches Fete a success

David Gibson for organising, and others on the Parish Council for supporting, the Platinum Jubilee picnic

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Louise Manders and Daniel Shropshire on their May wedding in Morville Church

Annabel Brentnall and Wilfred Aylet on their forthcoming marriage in Morville Church

OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

the late Mrs Ann Elkes of Morville

Morville WI

Our meeting started down at Morville Church in beautiful sunshine to plant a tree for our 95th birthday which was delayed because of COVID. Farlow farm nurseries kindly donated a crab apple tree which seems appropriate for any jam making members to experiment. We sang Jerusalem and remembered past members who have contributed to Morville WI.

We then made our way to the village hall where our speaker was Brian Millington from the Green Shop in low town who told us about the eco friendly and sustainable products they sell. Most of their products are from local resources and the shop is manned by volunteers. Some had brought bottles to refill with washing up liquid and we were able to buy items such as soap, flour and honey. The Green Shop is definitely worth a visit and they are very happy for anyone to look around.

As always we finished with another delicious supper.

Please come along to a meeting for just £3 as a visitor to see if you would like to join. Our June meeting is an outing to Wrekin Spirit Gin Distillery. In July our speaker is Charlotte Hollins from Fordhall Farm.

Any enquiries contact morvillewomensinstitute@gmail.com and follow on Facebook.

From Jonathan Davey, Parish Councillor for Aston Eyre

I am happy for people to contact me by landline 01746-714144

Mobile 07980 285170 or email jonathan@creativefilms.co.uk A particular interest of mine is getting decent broadband into Aston Eyre

Morville School News

It may have been a short half term of only five weeks, but Morville School have certainly jam packed as much as we could into this time.

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 children and their determination and focus in their recent KS2 SAT's. Staff kept the children motivated with a special breakfast in school each morning and a treat to keep them going after each paper. Our Year 2 pupils have also been working so hard in their KS1 SAT's this half term and they have really impressed us with their attitude and concentration with each paper.

This week each class will be having an open session where parents/ carers can join their children in school for an activity and to look at all the children's hard work. For some parents/ carers this will be the first time into their child's class in the last two years, so we are excited to be able to open our doors to them.

On Friday we will be holding our very own Royal Afternoon Tea in celebration of the Queens jubilee. There will be food, quizzes and even a presentation of memorabilia for each child by Mrs Tricia Pearce.

Staff are also rolling up their sleeves this week as the Year 6 children will be judging a Morville Royal Bake Off each making a Royal Pudding for the afternoon tea.

Look out for the decorations going up this week. Miss Docherty

Open day Pam's Pools, Bridgnorth, WV16 6TY

We are very pleased to invite you to the ever-popular Pam's Pools Open Day from 10am until 2.00pm on Sun 26th June 2022.

The one we held on 22nd May went extremely well and raised over £1,100

- * See the reserve's wetlands and wildflowers, on foot or riding behind a vintage tractor
- * Plant sales
- * Advice on fruit and veg gardening, bee-keeping
- * Beautiful cottage garden
- * Stalls
- * Refreshments, including the delicious Apostle coffee and homemade cakes, will be served at the Ecocabin.
- * Ice-cream
- * Music

Entry by ticket in advance or cash on the day. Adults £3, children under 10 free.

Profits will go to the Bridgnorth Branch of Shropshire Wildlife Trust.

Book your tickets by clicking on the link

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/bridgnorth/pams-pools>

If the event has to be cancelled because of Covid or for any other reason, your money will be refunded.

For any queries, email Pam on pamela.yuille@doctors.org.uk or phone 07793939291 - no texts.

Morville Parish Council

The Parish Council Annual General Meeting had to be deferred from 9th May to the 23rd due to our locum clerk having other commitments. The main business was the unanimous re-election of Steve McDermott as our Chairman. It was immediately followed by a Parish Council Meeting, at which Caroline Bullock was co-opted to the Council to represent Upton Cressett.

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on the 16th May, and included reports from Steve and Chris Maclean, our locum clerk, who explained that the Council's financial position seems better than when we submitted the precept in January. The bill from Shropshire Council for election expenses is less than we were warned that it might be. A licence agreement, between Morville PC and Morville School, has been discovered – it clarifies the situation regarding responsibility for grass cutting and maintenance of the playing field, and the school has now taken over this commitment, which had cost the previous council many thousands of pounds over the last few years. We will now have enough money for a reserve fund, as well as for current and future projects.

There are two defibrillators in Morville Parish, each installed in a redundant public phone box. We have recently provided the defibrillator in the phone box in Monkhopton with new batteries and pads. The phone box there is in a very shabby state, and Cllrs David Gibson and Lesley Moxon-Jones have agreed to take responsibility for arranging its refurbishment, and re-painting it in the correct shade of red. The defibrillator in Morville is maintained by the Village Hall Committee, but the phone box itself is the property of the Parish Council, and will also eventually need some maintenance.

The Rev'd Sarah Cawdell took the opportunity of thanking Steve and Chris for all their hard work, and what they have achieved since the start of this year.

PC Andy Boardman from our Local Policing Neighbourhood Team [SNT] was present, and we discussed local crime and what the SNT, the Council and the local community can do to fight it - theft from farms and outbuildings, and traffic offences, particularly speeding down the Corvedale. It was agreed that the SNT would start attending PC meetings when such issues are on the agenda.

The meeting then became more informal and at the end we served tea, coffee and some delicious cakes which had been provided by the President of the WI, Katie Briggs-Thomas.

In addition to this newsletter, we want to communicate with parishioners via the PC website <https://morville-pc.gov.uk/> and there is also a Morville Parish Council Facebook page, which can be reached under 'links' on the website. We apologise for any problems parishioners may have experienced in contacting the locum parish clerk on clerk@morville-pc.gov.uk . Until this has been resolved you can phone our Chairman Steve McDermott on 07890525693 or Cllr Pam Yuille on 07793939291.

Hello Everyone,

As I write this we are preparing to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Whatever your view about having a hereditary monarch from a historical point of view most of us alive today will not see such a long serving monarch again in our lifetime. Queen Elizabeth the Second came to the throne 70 years ago she has already reigned longer than Queen Victoria who reigned for 63 years and 7 months and King George III who reigned for 59 years and 96 days. This is a significant historical event and it should be marked with appropriate national celebration. Some of you reading this may have met the Queen and have very clear memories of that moment and the impact it made. The jubilee coincides with Pentecost and the 'Thy Kingdom Come' global wave of prayer organised by the church and it strikes me this is entirely appropriate given that the Queen has such a strong personal faith. As she herself has said on many occasions, it is her personal faith that guides her actions and her life.

"To many of us our beliefs are of fundamental importance. For me the teachings of Christ and my own personal accountability before God provide a framework in which I try to lead my life. I, like so many of you, have drawn great comfort in difficult times from Christ's words and example." (Christmas message, 2000)

Whilst it is easy to complain or write off royalty as an historic anachronism we are fortunate to have a Queen who has publically stated her belief in Jesus and takes seriously her role as head of the Church of England. She recognises as so many of us have that there is a better way to live our lives and that trust in Jesus is at the heart of that life. It does not matter who we are or what our circumstances God does not judge by our race, gender, age or any other things we use as humans to divide and discriminate; he judges the heart. When Samuel was called to anoint a new King over Israel, he had to learn the same lesson, that God did not choose the obvious candidates.

"When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed stands here before the Lord. "But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

1 Samuel 16:6-7

The challenge for us is to ask ourselves what guides our lives and shapes who we are? Do we simply live for ourselves or do we recognise that there is a better way of living that God has provided for us through the death and resurrection of his Son Jesus Christ. The offer to live God's way is constantly available to us but we must choose it. As the writer of the book of Revelation says Jesus stands at the door of our lives and longs for us to let him in.

"Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me."

Revelation 3:20

Whatever our view of the Queen as an earthly monarch, as Christians we believe in a King and a Kingdom which is everlasting and without end. Our service and allegiance is not to the United Kingdom but to God's Kingdom, something our Queen understands and acknowledges. We can and should celebrate the Queen's 70 years of service to our nation shaped by her faith, calling and determination to serve God. We should also remember as Paul taught Timothy, to pray for her and our nation's leaders but remember too that the faith she so often speaks about is available to all of us too.

"I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings, queens and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus."

1 Timothy 2:1-5

The Ven Derek Chedzey
Dean of Hereford

Morville Churchyard

Those of you who attend Morville churchyard will have noticed that the vicar, PCC and churchwardens are beginning to bring into force the diocesan regulations which have been overlooked for some time. These state that only floral decorations are appropriate in churchyards. Other ornaments have been, or will be removed and put safely in the corner of the churchyard by the church porch. We deeply regret the distress which this will doubtless engender. It is a matter of bringing the church into line with national regulations determined for churchyards all over the land. There is a difference in regulations between a civic cemetery and churchyards, in part because of the historic position of the church in a parish, and the cost of upkeep of churchyards which is borne, in the main, by those who attend church regularly. If you would like to talk about this with someone please contact Sarah Cawdell in the first instance. Thanks.

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MORVILLE

Sun	5 th	11.15am	Morning Prayer for Pentecost
Sun	12 th	11.15am	Holy Communion (Traditional)
Sun	19 th	11.15am	Morning Prayer*
Sun	26 th	11.15am	Holy Communion (Modern)

ASTON EYRE

Sun	12 th	10.00am	Morning Prayer
Sun	26 th	10.00am	Holy Communion

MONKHOPTON

Sun	5 th	10.00am	Morning Prayer to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee
Sun	19 th	4.00pm	Teatime Church (with tea and cakes)
Jul	3 rd	10.00am	Holy Communion

ACTON ROUND

Sun	12 th	10.00am	Holy Communion
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Morville Readers and Readings for June

		<i>First Reading</i>	<i>Second Reading</i>
Sun	5 th	Romans 8:14-17 (Helen Smith)	John 14:8-17 (Tim Morris)
Sun	12 th	Romans 5:1-5	John 16:12-15 (Tim Heatley)
Sun	19 th	Galatians 3:23-29	Luke 8:26-39
Sun	26 th	Galatians 5:1, 13-25 (Jan Austin)	Luke 9:51-62 (Lynne Perkins)
Jul	3 rd	Ephesians 2:19-22	John 20:24-29

(June 5th Pentecost June 12th Trinity Sunday July 3rd Feast of St Thomas)

*Please note that we have decided to stop offering Evensong in St Gregory's on a third Sunday and will instead have Morning Prayer at the usual time of 11.15am.

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