

## **St Michaels Church, Wincle**

November 1 <sup>st</sup>	No service
November 8 <sup>th</sup>	Services Cancelled due to National Lockdown.
November 15 <sup>th</sup>	Services Cancelled due to National Lockdown.
November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Services Cancelled due to National Lockdown.
November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Services Cancelled due to National Lockdown.

### **October Rota**

**Church cleaning** Chris Woodcock

#### **Flowers**

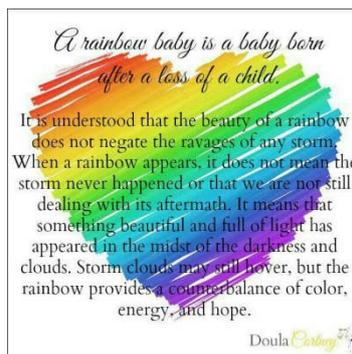
**November 8<sup>th</sup>** Elsa Goodwin

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>** Sue Brocklehurst

The church continues to be open every Wednesday between 10am and 2pm for private prayer. We have taken our 1<sup>st</sup> delivery of goods to the Silklife Foodbank, so many thanks to all those who have donated items. We will continue collecting food and non-food items throughout the next few months and would appreciate any further support you can offer.

## **WINCLE NEWS –NOVEMBER**

Suzanne and John Henshall are delighted to announce the safe arrival of their new grandson - Sebastian Jack Leeder. He is the much anticipated baby of Victoria and Matt, born at Leighton Hospital on October 9th, and both are doing extremely well. Many thanks for all the lovely messages received for their daughter's 'Rainbow' baby, Suzanne and John



## FINALLY RETIRING! 1969 TO 2020 IN A NURSE'S UNIFORM

Sue started her nurse training at Manchester Royal Infirmary in 1969 and qualified in 1972. She then completed her midwifery training in 1974 in Surrey. Once back in the North, she returned to General Nursing and was again back at MRI in the Private Patient Hospital in 1975 – That is how we actually met, through a mutual friend, and in 1977 we were married. Sue continued to work, as well as having 4 stepchildren to look after, until she became pregnant in 1978.

Following a break of a few years to have our 2 daughters, Sarah and Victoria, she was soon back in uniform. Initially at St Ann's Hospice, then the Alexandra Hospital in Cheadle, before joining The Regency Hospital, Macclesfield in 1991. Living in Prestbury at the time, this was the perfect location to be a part-time staff nurse as well as a busy mum. Her role changed significantly when she went full time as a Junior Sister, and she continued to move 'up the ranks' until she became Clinical Nurse Manager in 1998. Her love of nursing, and actively looking after her patients continued until 2010 when she decided that it was time to go part time and spend a bit more time at home, and enjoy living in the Peak District. No more 'on-call' and working weekends meant a much better work/life balance, whilst still enjoying working at the Regency in a new role as Clinical Governance Sister.

The big decision came along during the lockdown in March. Whilst working from home over 2 days a week, Sue recognised that this way of working was enabling her to safely shield me, but it was not ideal long term. Then we had the news that our youngest daughter, Victoria, who lives in Congleton was expecting a baby in October. That sealed it! A 'hands on' grandma was on the horizon, too good an opportunity to miss out on and so Sue finished her final shift at The Regency, on September 30<sup>th</sup>, just over a week before our grandson arrived. 29 years at the Regency had gone in a flash with lots of lovely memories and with some very good friends. I know a few tears were shed on her last day, and they gave her a brilliant send off – despite having to have 'safe distance' measures and masks in place! Now, it's time for a bit of cycling on her new electric bike, gardening, jam making and hopefully time for us to explore a bit more of the UK, once it is safe to do so. Happy retirement Sue!

John Henshall



## WINCLE & DISTRICT WI REPORT

As I write this brief report, we are all facing even more restrictions for the foreseeable future, and our September WI meeting (when we actually met up in person) seems a lifetime away! Just the actual pleasure of seeing our friends in person, as well as a few dance moves, will need to be remembered for many weeks or even months to come.

The Committee have been looking at various options to try and offer our ladies a little something to look forward to during the coming weeks. Despite being restricted with what is allowed, we hope to offer two Zoom meetings with a speaker during November and December. A Zoom meeting does not appeal to all of us, which is understandable, but if we can reach well over half of our members, I feel it is worth pursuing.

Our Cheshire Federation is working hard to offer a variety of Zoom speakers to WI members over the next few weeks, covering a range of topics. Examples of these speakers are 1) Dr Featherstone - teacher and historical novelist, who has appeared on 'Who Do You Think You Are, and a House Through our Time. 2) Jen Gale – a campaigner for being 'sustainable-ish'. "We all have the power to make a difference, through being informed about the impact of our daily choices ". 3) Sarah Drew Jones, a journalist and editor of WI Life. Details and dates have been sent to all our ladies.

The NFWI have offered the opportunity to have a 'taster membership' for 6 months for £10.75, running from October to March 2021, to give local ladies the chance to join a WI – unfortunately it is not an ideal time to encourage new members, when we are now unable to meet them !!

Finally, we have access to a small orchard in Danebridge, donated to the Wincle WI a few years ago and each year we check out if there are any fruit to be harvested. Angie Page and Shirley Goodwin visited it this week and gathered our crop- rather limited this year!



Finally, we wish all our ladies a safe and supported time, during this 2nd wave of Covid.

Suzanne Henshall



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