

St Michaels Church, Wincle

The church continues to be open every Wednesday between 10am and 2pm for private prayer. We are still collecting Foodbank items and will continue to do so into 2021. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this collection.



I would like to thank everybody who has bought my jams, marmalade and chutney. It has enabled me to give a donation of £500 to the church, far beyond any amount I had hoped to raise. Special thanks must also go to The Ship and Torgate Farm for selling my produce.

Suzanne Henshall



WINCLE NEWS

Birthday wishes to Suzanne Henshall who celebrated her 70th on December 3rd

Wincle & District WI

Our November meeting was a little different this time, as we had an actual guest Speaker via Zoom. We welcomed John Wilson from the Liverpool Seafarers Centre.

He gave a very interesting talk about the centre, which gives a front-line service offering support to 50,000 seafarers passing through the Port of Liverpool each year. LSC's mission remains firmly focused on providing 'a lifeline' to seafarers, offering a safe and secure place to rest and also receive practical and emotional support." ***Our mission is to promote the spiritual, moral and physical welfare of persons who are, or have been, seafarers and their families***" Liverpool's seafarer outreach work dates back to the 19th century through the Anglican Mersey Mission to Seafarers which was founded in 1856. Liverpool Seafarers Centre (LSC) as it is known today is the result of a successful partnership between the Anglican Mersey Mission to Seafarers and the Catholic Apostleship of the Sea. The merger followed in the footsteps of Bishops Worlock and Sheppard and their work for greater unity. The shipping companies have agreed to a voluntary levy from all of them operating in the Port of Liverpool and Manchester Ship Canal to help fund welfare support for all their crew members. John was totally dedicated to his role at organising the centre and staff, and we all recognised it was a vocation for him, and how much he loved helping so many foreign crew members who were a long way from home and out of touch with their families for months on end. We gave a donation towards the Centre, with John confirming it would go towards Christmas presents they provide for crew members each year.

Following this talk, we returned to our business items, although this was not our official AGM that would normally take place in November. In the absence of our normal activities, the committee felt we should give our ladies a small gift to remind them all that we were thinking of them. Every member received a bag containing a jar of homemade jam, a bag with 3 hyacinth bulbs, a quiz and a handwritten card from myself. These were much appreciated by everyone and we received many personal thanks from our ladies.

There are 5 new resolutions for us to vote on, and the one with the most votes will be debated next year at the NFWI AGM in London. Quite an interesting selection to choose from!

- A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer
- Stop women dying prematurely from coronary heart disease (CHD)
- Racism and discrimination
- Now's the time to act! Protect your nature space to create wildlife-friendly communities.
- Stop the destruction of peat bogs to tackle climate change.

Our final meeting this year is on December 1st when our guest Zoom speaker will be Paul Unwin giving a talk on Crime Awareness – unfortunately, a topic very necessary at this time of the year. We are hoping that 2021 will allow us to meet, and we have plans already in place to offer a safe environment for us all to meet in person, if we are allowed.

The Committee would like to wish all our members and families a very safe and Happy Christmas, and we especially wish everyone a healthy New Year!

Suzanne Henshall



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