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Happy Christmas and Prosperous 2019

To all parishioners of The Leigh, Evington, Coombe Hill and all other readers in the wider community



St Catherine's Church Services:

- 2 December Advent Sunday Worship Together at Sandhurst 10am
- 9 December Mission Weekend Benefice Holy Community at Boddington 9.30am
- 9 December Mission Weekend Service Longford Village Hall 11am
- 16 December Holy Communion 8.30am
- 23 December no service at St Catherine's
- 24 December Christmas Eve Carols 6pm
- 24 December Midnight Mass at Down Hatherley 11.15pm
- 25 December no service at St Catherine's
- 30 December Benefice Service at St Catherine's 10am



Quiz 17 November



Thanks to Harriet and Jess for scoring. A donation of £45 has gone to the Church towards the heating and lights used that evening. Well done everyone!

Thank you to all the teams that participated – the winners being: 'No Prospects' (left) with 109.5 points Close at their heels were:

Quizmas Special (only 1 point behind) Without A Nerd Hells Bells Fool Hardy & N71 – (pictured with their spoons)



THE LEIGH CHRISTMAS POST BOX

On Sunday 16 December between 2 & 4 pm (thanks Paul and Jane) Denes Hollow will become "Santa's Sorting Office", where village children - and a few helping adults - will sort Christmas cards and then deliver within The Leigh/Evington. All children from The Leigh and Coombe Hill are most welcome.

For all of those interested, please post your cards into the Christmas post box situated outside Little Holborn Church Lane from 8 December. All cards MUST display a surname to help the little elves - no need for addresses. The last posting day will be Sunday 16 December at noon.



With regard to households with dogs running loose and preventing delivery to your post box, post may be left on your gate etc.

Suggested donations from £3 would be gratefully received, this year we have chosen Kidney Research UK and Sue Ryder Home (Leckhampton). Please place your donation in a sealed envelope in the post box.

Any enquiries/details of participating elves to Jo 680257 or Jane 680691.

ARMISTICE DAY RINGING AT 3 TOWERS

The Leigh Ringers along with other towers throughout the nation commemorated the end of the Great War by ringing the bells at St Catherine's at 12.30pm on 11 November. This was followed by a hearty lunch at the Queens Head, before returning to St Catherine's to begin a trio of tower rings which also included Prior's Norton and Sandhurst.

Many thanks to all those who took part which created some of the best striking the band has produced.

Grahame T





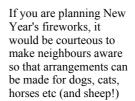
ANNUAL VILLAGE DOG WALK

If you fancy a bit of exercise this Christmas – join us for a walk from The Leigh to The Gloucester Old Spot. We are meeting in the lay-by, opposite Church Lane, at 12.30pm on Sunday 30 December.

The walk will take us across fields so welly boots recommended! Non dog owners welcome.

See you there, Dawn and Rog (The Church Hall)

Polite Reminder





Thank you from all pet and livestock owners.



Mobile Library

Coombe Hill 3.10pm – 4.10pm

Friday 7 December Friday 4 January Friday 1 February Friday 1 March Friday 29 March



Parish Council Meeting dates:
Wed 12 Dec (Prov Planning)
Wed 9 January (Prov Planning)
Wed 20 February (Full)
Wed 13 March (Prov Planning)
Wed 10 April (Prov Planning)
Wed 8 June (Annual Meeting)
St Catherine's Church,
The Leigh 7.30pm

As from the first week in December the petrol garage at Coombe Hill will become a Morrisons

To allow the changes to happen smoothly the garage will be closed for approximately one week from 25th November.

The car wash service will no longer remain.

Vivienne T

NORTON WI

Thursday 13 December 7.30pm Norton Village Hall



HILARIOUS HATS

Speaker: Alexandra Stanbrook

For further info contact: Margaret Edwards 01452 731218

St Catherine's Church Loose Change Boxes



This half yearly collection of these boxes has amounted to £176 36

Once again very many thanks for your contributions, it all helps to pay the Church expenses.

Janine B



THE LEIGH WAR MEMORIAL

St Catherine's Church were presented with a folder entitled 'The Leigh War Memorial' which was researched and compiled, for the village, by the Norton & Leigh History Society in 2014.

The pages record the lives and photographs of the 7 villagers who died in WW I. It also documents those who served in WW II.

The folder has been available in St Catherine's for people to read and borrow. It is no longer there and we think the last person to borrow it has forgotten they have it. We would love it to be returned to the Memorial Shelf for others to read and appreciate the sacrifices made in WWI for us all.

Sue R and Ken P

STICKY COCKTAIL SAUSAGES

- Uncooked cocktail sausages
- 1 jar mango chutney

Empty jar onto sausages mix well together. Cook in oven for 30/34 mins on 180. Stir halfway through.

You are left with very sticky tin but flavour worth the pain. Sefton



Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Newsletter in 2018. Also thanks to Anita for proof-reading each month and to the deliverers who go out in all weathers.



Thank you to everyone in the village who have welcomed Emme, so kindly and generously, into the village.

Hannah & James R



Homemade Christmas Puddings will be available for sale at Coombe Hill Farm Shop as part of the Creative Christmas charity fundraising from 1 December.



Are you aware of the Hermes Parcelshop drop-off at the Coombe Hill petrol station?

Christmas Wreath making in The Leigh

There are still a couple of places available for Saturday 8 December St Catherine's Church 11am – 2pm £15

Please contact Ann-Marie asap (Ann-marie@festivallaw.co.uk)



DRYING HERBS



culinary tips next month. Anne





Machinery was taken from a garage in The Leigh on Saturday 24 November.

A grey Ford transit (containing driver and 2 passengers - part registration taken) was spotted cruising the village on Saturday 17 November @ 2pm, the same transit was caught on CCTV at 12.10am on 24 November.

Coincidence? Please be vigilant!!!

