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MAY 2025

**The Morville Annual Community Event
Monday the 19th of May 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Morville Village Hall**

The Morville Parish Council would like to invite members of the community, to drop into The Morville Annual Community Event. Discover Morville's village hall & enjoy the free refreshments on offer in a welcoming & friendly environment.

Please share the information with your friends & neighbours about this event, we'd love it to be a great success & benefit as many members of the parish as possible. This will be an opportunity for local people to meet whilst also accessing local service providers. Mostly informal, people can freely move around and talk with each & every one, whilst small stands will guide them to the services on offer, opening the opportunity to network, discuss any concerns & make suggestions.

Attending Exhibits: Local PCSO, Fire & Rescue, Morville Village Hall, The Acton At Morville, Morville PCC, National Trust & Pam Yuille, Morville Church Building Trust, WI, Shropshire Climate Action, Morville Parish Council, Brown Cleve Health & Well-Being Society LTD, Bridgnorth Food Bank. The newly elected Brown Cleve Councillor as of the 1st of May will be invited to attend.

6:30pm Event Open

7:00pm: Chairman's report from the Morville Parish Council.

7:10pm The presentation of our new Morville Community Award

8:30pm Event Close

To help this event run smoothly we are looking for volunteers:

- People to help serve refreshments.
- People to direct parking cars.
- Do you love baking? We would appreciate donations of cake to share at this event.
- Do you have a business within or that serves the parish? We would like to help promote as many local businesses as possible at this event.

If you would like to volunteer, donate, or have any questions, please contact Katie: 07799893300 / cllr.katiebriggsthoras@morville-pc.gov.uk

Parking is limited at the village hall, please walk or car share where possible or overflow car parking will be available on Morville Church Meadow, just a short walk from the village hall.

Morville Parish Council

Little to report as there has not been a parish council meeting since the April Newsletter. After litter-picking volunteers collected 23 bags of rubbish along the verges of the A458 between Morville & Muckley Cross, contractors carried out the first “Cut & Collect” of our Restore Shropshire Verges Project on 28th March with Mel & Phil Rowley kindly allowing them to dump the cutting on their muck-pile.

The following Sunday, Cllr Pam Yuille called on residents along that stretch of the A458 to find out if they had any concerns about the visual splays from their properties onto the road. Everyone she spoke to was pleased with what had been achieved and said they had been in the habit of cutting their own visual splays as needed and were happy to continue to do so. Volunteers for a further litter pick will be needed before the second “Cut & Collect” at the end of July/beginning of August. Anyone willing to help please contact Pam on pamela.yuille@doctors.org.uk or 07793939291.

The events subcommittee are busy organising The Morville Annual Community Event. We look forward to welcoming you on Monday the 19th of May, at Morville Village Hall, 6:30pm until 8:30pm.

The Annual Morville Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7pm on Monday 12th May and will be followed by the usual Ordinary Parish Council Meeting.

St Peter’s Church Monkthopton

There will be a working party at St Peter’s Church, Monkthopton

On Saturday, May 17th

From 10am to 12 noon

OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

the late Mr Steve McDermott

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mr and Mrs Harrison of Monkthopton on the sad loss of their son

V E Day 8th May

The second World War generation changed the course of history.....
These men and women defended the freedoms we enjoy today.
We remember their service and sacrifice (Royal British Legion)

Open Days at Pam's Pools, Bridgnorth, WV16 6TY

We are very pleased to invite you to the Pam's Pools Open Days from 10am until 2.00pm on Sunday 11th May and Sunday 22nd June.

See the reserve's wetlands and wildflowers, on foot or riding behind a vintage tractor.

Plant sales and stalls, children's activities, disabled access, dogs on leads welcome. Beautiful cottage garden with advice on fruit and veg gardening and bee-keeping. Music.

Light lunches, hot & cold drinks, homemade cakes and ice-cream.

Entry by ticket with profits going to Shropshire Wildlife Trust, ring-fenced for Pam's Pools.

Book your tickets in advance for £5 by clicking on the TicketSource link <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/shropshire-wildlife-trust-pams-pools/e-kzvgya> or pay £6 cash or card on the day. Children under 10 free.

Volunteers for a two-hour car-park or refreshment shift are still needed for the June Open Day and get in free so please contact Pam if you are able to help.

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

Morville School News

Hello from the Morville school family.

The sun is shining down on us today as I write this update whilst I listen to the excited voices of the children in Chestnut Tree Class preparing to leave for their class trip. I think the staff are as excited as the children. The class is off to Tamworth Castle where they will meet a Saxon soldier and will learn about the Saxon hierarchy. They will investigate the different clothes, armour and weapons of trained soldiers compared to peasants. They will then be given a round shield to be taught Saxon defensive tactics such as the impenetrable shield wall. I cannot wait to hear all about it once they are back.

Chestnut Tree Class have been having lots of cultural capital experiences lately including a trip to watch a theatre production of Matilda at Bridgnorth Endowed Secondary School. The children were amazed at the quality performances from children only a few years older than them at the school. It has inspired quite a few of the children and they are already talking about what performances they might like to take part in once they get to secondary school.

Birch Tree Class have been getting their taste buds tingling this week as they have a design technology week exploring Greek food. The children have been learning to explore and evaluate the ingredients that are traditionally included in a Greek salad. They will be moving on to design their own appealing Greek salad for themselves and other users based on design criteria. Finally, they will select and use a range of tools and equipment to prepare, make and eat a traditional Greek salad. I am looking forward to reading their evaluations after, to see what they thought of their sensational salads.

Oak Tree Class have been developing their skills in art this half term by focussing on sculptures. The children have used simple three-dimensional shapes and structures using paper and card. They used folding, rolling and scrunching to create different effects. The children worked collaboratively to plan and create a tree sculpture in the style of the 'Tree of Life' and they have all enjoyed exploring the work of different artists and the sculptures they have created. Many of the children have gone on to use other construction equipment to create further sculptures in class.

This half term a number of pupils came to tell me along with other staff about a wonderful act of spirituality where they have been accessing nature to create their own prayer tree. The children talked about how they had worked together to make the tree before sprinkling daisy and dandelion petals as they shared their prayers. I have now bought a miniature willow tree that is in a pot outside on the playground accessible to all so they can continue this practice even after the grass is cut each fortnight.

Looking forward to sharing our next update – Miss Docherty

PINE MARTEN & DORMICE PROJECT

Morville Parish Council have been able to obtain a grant from the Shropshire Hills National Landscape conservation fund, for us to survey and monitor for the presence of pine martens and dormice in local woodland.

This has been possible because a small part of our parish in and around Weston lies within the boundary of the Shropshire Hills Landscape Trust (previously known as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty).

We have the good fortune to have 2 locally based mammal specialists to lead on the project: Stuart Edmunds, chair of the Shropshire Mammal Group, and licensed dormouse handler Lucy Grove.

The grant will cover the cost of Lucy's and Stuart's time and expertise as well as the purchase of trail cameras, den boxes, dormice tunnels and boxes.

However, we will also need some willing volunteers to help check camera traps and dormouse monitoring equipment!

If you want to find out more about how to be part of this exciting project, please come along to:

INTRODUCTORY SESSION TO PINE MARTEN & DORMICE PROJECT AT WESTON HOUSE ON SUNDAY 11th MAY FROM 10am - 4 pm

During the morning we'll learn about the importance of these rare mammals in the Shropshire landscape, followed by a walk around the woodland patch in the afternoon.

Please get in touch with Lesley either by text to 07932 163402 or email lesleyvandyke@gmail.com so that we know how many to cater for.

Tea, coffee and cake provided, but please bring your own sandwiches for lunch. Weston House postcode is **TF13 6QT**. It's easy to get to with a big farmyard to park in.

If you want to learn more about Shropshire Pine Marten Project, read the latest report on the [Shropshire Hills National Landscape website here](#).

Letter from the Archdeacon of Ludlow

Dear friends

I seem to live in overlaps and borderlands. What do I mean? Well, our diocese is one that occupies space between Wales and England, criss-crossing the border. We exist in (largely) two counties – Shropshire and Herefordshire (not overlooking our parishes in Monmouthshire, Powys, Worcestershire, and Telford & Wrekin). I live and serve in Shropshire, a county that straddles two dioceses: Hereford in the south and Lichfield in the north.

The Ludlow Archdeaconry is in the overlap, the centre of the Venn diagram.

Then there's my role as Archdeacon. My colleague, Archdeacon Derek, and I minister in the overlap. We represent parishes to those working in the Bishop's Office and the Diocesan Office and vice versa. We provide a link between multiple overlapping groups and individuals.

As Christians we all live in the overlap. We are already saved by grace, we are being saved and sustained by grace, and one day we shall be fully saved by grace when Christ returns. God's kingdom of justice and joy has already begun with Christ's first coming, his death, resurrection, and ascension, and one day it will fully begin at his return. We are citizens of the nation in which we live, and we are citizens of heaven.

We live in the Now and the Not Yet, the time between.

This month marks 80 years since VE Day, Victory in Europe Day, when the evil of Nazism was defeated in Europe. My late mother would tell me stories of how she and her friends, children at the beginning of the war and teenagers at its end, celebrated with overwhelming relief. We remember with thankfulness the courage and sacrifice of all those who served at home and abroad to win the fight for freedom against Nazi tyranny.

But that wasn't the end of the war. In Burma, Singapore, and other places, the war raged on as fiercely and cruelly as ever. VJ Day, in August 1945, finally brought hostilities to an end. The troops still fighting between May and August, and their families, often felt overlooked in the celebrations of VE Day. They were existing in the overlap.

This season of the Church's year is the time in between. We are between Easter Day and Pentecost. We have celebrated the joy of the resurrection, and we await the celebration of the coming of the Holy Spirit in power to set the Church alight in love and witness.

I wonder how that idea of living in the overlap, grounded in the past and moving to the future, knowing that we and all our times are held in the hands of our unchanging and faithful God, could help us as we continue on our pilgrimage?

The Ven Dr Fiona Gibson

SERVICES FOR MAY

MORVILLE

Sun	4 th		NO SERVICE
Sun	11 th	11.15am	Morning Prayer (JP) with refreshments
Sun	18 th	11.15am	Morning Prayer (Lay)
Sun	25 th	11.15am	Holy Communion (SW) with refreshments

ASTON EYRE

Sun	11 th	10.00am	Morning Prayer (JP)
Sun	25 th	10.00am	Holy Communion (SW)

MONKHOPTON

Sun	4 th	10.00am	Holy Communion (+Richard)
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ACTON ROUND

Sun	11 th	10.00am	Morning Prayer (Lay)
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Morville Readers and Readings for May

	First Reading	Second Reading
Sun	4 th	NO SERVICE
Sun	11 th	
	Acts 9: 36-end (Louise Shropshire)	John 10::22-30 (Tim Heatley)
Sun	18 th	
	Acts 11: 1-18 (Tim Morris)	John 13: 3 1-35 (Elaine Crisp)
Sun	25 th	
	Acts 16:9-15. (Hilary Evans)	John 14:2339 (Mike Skinner)

Readings for Sunday, 1st June

Acts 16: 6-34	John 17: 20-end
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