NEWSLETTER

FOR

THE MORVILLE GROUP OF PARISHES

VILLAGE HALL











WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

SEPTEMBER 2024

New Priest in Charge

The Rev'd Suzan Williams has been appointed as the Priest-in-Charge of The Bridgnorth & Morville Team and will hopefully take up her role in the autumn. Suzan is currently Rector of the Benefice of Whittington and West Felton with Haughton, and Rural Dean of Oswestry, in the Diocese of Lichfield. She feels a strong call from God to return to the Diocese of Hereford, where her vocation to ordained ministry was nurtured and where she served her curacy, to lead the Bridgnorth & Morville Team.

Organ Recital at Morville Church

Following the major repair work on the Morville Church organ in April, we held an organ recital on August 10th. The performances were organised by Hugh Walker. Many thanks to him, and the other performers – organist Roger Judd (Hereford Diocese Organ Advisor) and violinists Daisy Collier and Hollie French.

The audience heard a varied selection of pieces, including traditional and folk, which displayed the many tones that the organ can produce with its eleven stops. Our thanks to Jane Peeler for taking on the MC role and also to everyone who baked cakes and provided an enjoyable summer afternoon tea at the interval.

We enjoyed a wonderful musical afternoon with very talented musicians and raised £500 towards the cost of keeping the historic George Holdich organ in working order.

Thanks to everyone who supported the event especially Aston Eyre Church for their cakes donation.

Tim Morris

If you live in Monkhopton and are no longer having a newsletter delivered to your door, please remember that you can call in St Peter's Church and collect one.

Morville Parish Council

We are pleased to report that the resurfacing work on the section of St. Gregory's Close that leads to the School car park has now been completed.

The Grade II Listed bridge at Harpswood has also been repaired.

Several parishioners have suggested that Vehicle Activated Signs might help to slow down speeding traffic to the 30 mph speed limit in Morville.

We have received this reply to a letter that we sent to the Shropshire Council Traffic Engineer:

"Thank you for your email regarding the procedure to get a VAS sign (in Morville). Shropshire's policy with regard to the installation of VAS signs has changed and Shropshire have now adopted a new policy which I understand is due to be signed off imminently. This is to ensure consistency across our network and to only install them where there are known evidence-based speeding issues. This VAS guidance is in draft form at the moment and is currently awaiting approval.

In view of the above, Shropshire Council has currently put all requests for externally funded Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS's) on hold until the above VAS guidance receives approval. There has also been a significant increase in VAS requests over the last 6-12 months, and we are currently unable to provide the resource required to support the design and delivery of these schemes. This is due to the current budgetary pressures that Shropshire Council is facing and ongoing staff resource constraints. It is anticipated that this part of the service will be placed on hold whilst the current arrangements are reviewed. In the meantime, Shropshire Council's Traffic Engineering Team are happy to consider/process VAS requests to the 'approval in principle' stage and that will include a review based on location, speed data/ availability and technical criteria. If there is no current traffic/speed data available for the location in question, then this will need to be obtained before any request can be considered further.

Going forward, with all externally funded VAS requests where approval is granted, it is the intention that Shropshire Council Highways will arrange the procurement/installations through our term traffic signals contractor, Swarco Ltd, and all costs will then be recoverable from the local Parish Council, etc. This will also include an agreed fee for future maintenance. I am unsure of the mechanism of this contact and payment at this moment in time.

I know that this is probably not the news you were hoping to hear but its where we are at at this moment in time."

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday September 9th, at 7.00pm, in Morville Village Hall.

BELATED CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Christiana and Alex Macdonald on the birth of their son Nico

OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

the late Mrs Joyce Brick, formerly of Hurst Farm, Morville

Morville Heath Vintage Ploughing Match

Sunday 22nd September
Starting at 10am
at
Corve Barn Farm, Brockton, Much Wenlock TF13 6QX

By kind permission of Chris Brown and Margaret Davies In aid of various local charities

Morville Baby & Toddler Group Needs You!

Could anyone spare a few hours term time only on a Wednesday morning? Morville Baby and Toddler Group needs volunteers to help out at Morville Village Hall. *

We arrive at 8:45 setting up the hall with toys and getting the children's activity ready. Spare hands to help prepare the food for snack time, hold a baby, help with the craft table and help pack away at the end of the session.

If you enjoy singing or reading, the last part of the session will suit you well, leading a small group for a sing song or reading a story to the group.

Volunteering is very rewarding and we make friends along the way as well as having lots of giggles. There's always tea and biscuits on hand.

We need you to help and support us so please come and join our team.

If you are interested or would like more information please contact Tracey on 07772 466084 or Kirsty on 07527 843568.

*We also need to find a Santa Claus for our Christmas Party. Can anyone help, please?

Brown Clee Medical Practice Community Group and Brown Clee Health and Well-being Community Society Ltd (BCH&WBS) 3rd Public Update August 2024

Many of you will be aware that the Brown Clee Medical Practice Community Group have been working on developing a strategy to purchase and run the Brown Clee Medical premises at Ditton Priors and Stottesdon.

As a result of much research and consultation, a new community benefit society has been registered by the name of Brown Clee Health and Well-being Community Society Ltd. This entity will replace the former unincorporated entity, the BCMP Community Group, which will be

formally wound up at a Special Meeting on 24th September 2024 at 1800 hrs in Ditton Priors Pavilion.

The Society will apply for grants from various sources, followed by a Community Share offer allowing members to purchase shares in the Society.

The money raised will enable the community to purchase the premises at Ditton priors and Stottesdon, thereby securing their future for the community. It is Dr. Bassett's express wish that the premises are owned and run by the local community rather than by a commercial, limited company whose prime consideration would be returning a profit to their shareholders.

The Committee has also come to the conclusion that this project provides an additional opportunity to help fund and manage other health related services and activities within the Practice catchment area. Therefore, the Objects of the BCH&WCS Ltd are wholly charitable with the intention to obtain charitable status with HMRC at a suitable point in the future.

There is currently no firm date when the purchase of the properties will happen, although it is unlikely to be before the fourth quarter of 2025. This timescale should allow the Society time to accumulate sufficient grant and share ownership funds to proceed with the purchase.

As with the previous Community Group, Membership of the BCH&WCS Ltd will be open to any patient of the Brown Clee Medical Practice. Membership will be attained through the purchase of shares.

Further information will be communicated in due course.

Meanwhile, anyone wishing to receive a copy of the committee minutes and updates from the new community Group may do so by emailing bchealthandwellbeing@btinternet.com

Archdeacon's Letter

We're three-quarters of the way through our Year of Faith, which seems like a good point to pause and reflect. Building on last year's Year of Prayer, we've been encouraged throughout the year to develop our confidence in our faith, and in the fact that people are actually hungry to hear the stories of our faith and what it means to us.

Of course, by the grace of God we'll carry on growing in faith and confidence as we go into 2025, just as we've carried on growing in prayer in 2024.

But what is faith, really? I reflected on this with Churchwardens at the Visitations in the Ludlow Archdeaconry in the summer. Faith isn't believing six impossible things before breakfast. Faith doesn't require us to remove our brains as we enter church, leaving them in a box ready to collect on our way out of church and back into our everyday lives. Faith isn't a vague nebulous matter – faith has to be in something or someone.

Faith is, according to the writer of the letter to the Hebrews, "being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." There's a paradoxical firmness in that. We can't physically see the outcome of the promises we receive by faith, but we can have an unshakeable conviction that they are true, and that what we now receive by faith we shall one day know by sight.

We can be so certain because we know and trust the one in whom our faith is placed. We know God's character and faithfulness. We know, as the well-loved hymn puts it, "As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be." God has proved it time and again in the pages of Scripture, in the life, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus, and in our own lives.

When we know the one in whom our faith is placed, we know our faith is not in vain. When my children were young, my very adventurous daughter climbed the tree in our back garden. She got stuck. She was only two, and she became scared. She called to me for help, but first on the scene was her older brother, aged four. "Don't worry," he soothed his frightened sister. "I'm here. I'll help get you down." My daughter paused momentarily from her crying and then resumed her loud pleas for help. Not because she didn't trust her brother, but because she knew he didn't have the height or the strength to deliver on his well-meaning promise. Only when I rushed down the garden did she begin to calm down, because she knew I could actually help.

Our faith is not in vain because we know the one in whom we have trusted. We know that he is at work in the seen and in the unseen, and that he is at work building his Church whether we shall ever live to see that time of growth and harvest or not.

So let's keep telling one another and those we meet day-by-day the stories of faith, and of the utter reliability and certainty of the gospel and of the God who makes it all possible. For faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not [yet] see.

AD Fiona

SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

MORVILLE

Sun Sun Sun	1 st 8 th 15 th	11.15am 11.15am 11.15am	Morning Prayer (Lay) Morning prayer (JP) Morning Prayer (Lay)	Refreshments
Sun	22^{nd}	11.15am	Harvest (DP)	Refreshments
Sun	29 th	No Service		
		ASTON EYRE		
Sun	8 th	10.00am	Morning Prayer (JP)	
Sun	22 nd	6.30pm	Harvest (JP)	
			MONKHOPTON	
Sun	1^{st}	10.00am	Holy Communion (JD))
			ACTON ROUND	
Sun	8^{th}	10.00am	Morning Prayer (Lay)	

Morville Readers and Readings for September

		First Reading	Second Reading
Sun	1^{st}	James 1: 17-end	Mark 7: 1–8, 14-15, 21-23
		(Alison Foxall)	(Helen Smith)
Sun	8^{th}	James 2: 1-17	Mark 7: 24-end
		(Louise Shropshire)	(Tim Heatley)
Sun	15^{th}	James 3: 1-12	Mark 8:27 - end
		(Tim Morris)	(Elaine Crisp)
Sun	22 nd	* Joel 2; 21-27	Matthew 6: 25-33
		(Hilary Evans)	(Mike Skinner)

^{*}Readings set for all Harvest Services

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