



PRESTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER November 2019

NEWS FROM CHURN BENEFICE

Last month we had the joy of welcoming the year 1 and 2 children from Siddington Church of England Primary School into St Peter's Church for Experience Harvest; a very special journey around the church. The journey took the children, in small groups, to five different stations set up to explore creatively and more deeply the themes of harvest as well as reflecting on the values of generosity, humility, joy, peace and patience.

At the 'Harvest of the earth' station children learnt about clay, where it comes from and what it is used for, as well as making a clay pot to give to someone as a gift thus bringing joy to another. At the 'Harvest of the grain' station the children learnt about how bread is made and as they ate some bread, they reflected on how they could help those who did not have enough to eat, for example by giving food to the local Foodbank. That call to be generous and to share what we have with others is an important part of the Christian way of life as we show others the love of God through our practical actions. At the 'Harvest of the flock' station the children learnt about wool and how it is turned into clothes, blankets and carpets. The children each chose a different coloured piece of wool and were invited to weave it into a communal pattern reflecting on how we all have different gifts to share with those around us. The Bible tells us that everyone is precious, of great worth and value and equally loved by God.

At the end we all came back together to think about what the values meant, how they apply to our lives and to share what we were thankful for. Thankfulness is one of the great themes of Harvest as we give thanks and appreciate all that we have. Being thankful helps us to have a more positive outlook on life, and find more joy. We had a lovely time with the children and really enjoyed welcoming them to church for this special journey through Harvest and look forward to the next 'Experience' journey with the children at Easter.

God Bless

Revd Jennifer McKenzie - Vicar of the Churnside Benefice

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E-mail: office@churnsidechurches.org.uk

PRESTON CHURCH KEY

Please call Scilla Chester-Master if you need to know where the key is stored. Tel: 653066.

PRAYERS: The streets and areas in the Churnside Benefice (South Cerney, Cerney Wick, Siddington and Preston) to be prayed for in all our churches during November are Station Road, Sudeley Drive, Swan Close and Swift Link. The prayer board inside the main door of All Hallows Church may be used for personal prayer requests, which will be relayed at Morning Prayer daily.

All services in the benefice can be viewed on the Churnside Benefice website:

www.churnsidechurches.org.uk

HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ALL SAINTS PRESTON

The church looked beautiful for the Harvest Festival service on Sunday, 20th October; taken by the Rev Jennifer. Decorated with Flowers, vegetables and generous gifts for the Food Bank, it was a lovely setting for the enthusiastic congregation's rendering of 'We plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the ground'.

It was full house at the Village Hall afterwards for the most delicious tea. Many thanks to all those who contributed by decorating, organising and baking for a very happy afternoon.

CHURCH DIARY NOVEMBER 2019			
SUNDAY	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Pr
3 rd November 2019	11.15am	Family Service	Sidd
4th Sunday before Advent			
SUNDAY	10/30am	Remembrance Service	Pr
10 th November 2019	6.00pm	Remembrance Service	Sidd
3rd Sunday before Advent			
SUNDAY	11.15am	Holy Communion	Sidd
17 th November 2019			
2nd Sunday before Advent			
SUNDAY	9.30am	Holy Communion	Pr
24 th November 2019	11.15am	Morning Praise	Sidd
Christ the King			

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PIMMS AND HYMNS - IN AID OF ERITHOKA-UGANDA

A Christian based charity to help children with disabilities in SW Uganda. Please join us for a fun evening fundraiser at Kemble Church on Saturday 18th January from 6.30 to 8.30pm. The idea is to drink some Pimms (or non-alcohol if you prefer) have some nibbles and chose your favourite hymns! The most popular of which will be sung by us all. Tickets at £10 are available from Anne Smith (Tel: 01285 658757 Mobile: 07931 398121).

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING

For all information about planning applications please go to Cotswold District Council's website:

<https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/planning/online-planning-register/>

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN - Update 27

Amendments are currently being made to the new Landscape Assessment and it is hoped to begin the formal consultation process with Regulation 14 early in the New Year.

Views sought on Council Tax support changes

Cotswold District Council is calling on residents to give their views on proposed changes to its Council Tax Reduction Scheme.

The Council has launched a consultation which runs until Friday 15 November and is open to all residents in the district, not just those in receipt of support. If agreed, the changes would come into effect on 1 April 2020.

Changes proposed include:

- Introducing a new income banded scheme to take account of different groups from single occupants to couples and families with children.
- Introducing an 'extended period' of up to eight weeks to support the transition of households whose increased income sees them move into higher banding.
- Removal of the two child limit to help larger families have more disposable income
- Introducing an increase to the maximum amount of savings claimants can have, from £6,001 to £10,000.

The survey can be found online at www.cotswold.gov.uk/CTRS, while paper copies can be found at: Trinity Road, Cirencester GL7 1PX

GCC - Consultation on Statement of Community Involvement

The Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) for Gloucestershire is a statutory planning document that sets out the consultation and engagement methods used by the County Council in preparing plans and determining planning applications. It explains who, when and how residents, interest groups, organisations, businesses and other representatives will be involved.

The County Council has carried out a 2nd review of the current adopted SCI for Gloucestershire. This has resulted in the preparation of draft revised SCI document. A consultation on the draft revised SCI document is happening between **9am Monday 7th October and 5pm Friday 6th December 2019.**

https://gloucestershire-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/planning/sci/sci_2nd_review/sci_2nd_review

DOG POO



Research has found that the darker nights bring dark dog owner behaviour, with increased incidents of dog fouling. Under the cover of darkness, dog owners are less likely to pick up their dog mess leading to increases in complaints about the issue.

If you are aware of anyone not picking up after their dog, please contact the Parish Clerk

A417 Missing Link

A consultation into proposals for the A417 Missing Link scheme is now open until Friday 8 November 2019 at 11:59pm.

The consultation is a chance for you to help shape the scheme, and feed into the final proposals that we will submit as part of a Development Consent Order (DCO) planning application to the Planning Inspectorate in spring next year (2020).

<https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a417-missing-link-public-consultation/>

DEFIBRILLATOR - HOW TO USE IT

We have been asked if and how anyone (even those who haven't received training) can use the defibrillator in the telephone kiosk.

The answer is simple - 'YES'.

In an emergency you need to call 999. If it's appropriate the operator will be able to tell you where the nearest defibrillator is located and talk you through how to use it.

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

If you receive the Newsletter by email, please can you ensure that newsletter@prestonpc.org.uk is white listed in your email set up so that it doesn't end up in your Junk folder.

If you are aware of any resident who doesn't receive the Newsletter, please ask them to email: newsletter@prestonpc.org.uk

**The Next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Thursday, 7 November 2019
at 7 pm in the Village Hall**

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL : Caroline Braidwood, 77 Pheasant Way, Cirencester,
Gloucestershire
GL7 1BJ Tel: 01285 380040 / 07870 170823 Email: clerk@prestonpc.org.uk
<http://www.prestonpc.org.uk>

A417/9 MISSING LINK CONSULTATION - NOISE ACTION GROUP UPDATE

Make your Voices Heard!

As you have been told by the Parish Clerk above, the consultation on the A417 Missing Link Air Balloon is now open and comments can be made until **midnight 8th November 2019**.

After the previous consultation in March 2018, Highways England said that the issues arising further down the A417/9 with noise on the concrete section would be dealt with as part of the overall Missing Link project which was great news.

Unfortunately, they now say that noise mitigation will be dealt with separately under the national scheme to treat concrete road surfaces. This is obviously a major blow as with predicted **increased traffic of up to 50%**, the unbearable noise we suffer from now will only get worse. Therefore, it is **more important than ever** that a case is made to Highways England that the noise is unacceptable and must be dealt with.

The Noise Action Group urges you to **respond to the consultation**. It is vital that as many voices are heard as possible. If the thousands of people who have said they are affected by noise issues write in, then we can make a case that this should be dealt with when the Missing Link work is carried out. If you can spread the word to friends and neighbours who are affected we would be very grateful.

The Noise Action Group has prepared some suggested wording as a response which can be found on our website - <http://a419nag.co.uk>

This is a guide line, so please feel free to use and edit as you will. The most important issue is that you **mention the noise on the concrete section!**

Representations and comments can be made online via the feedback questionnaire at: <https://highwaysengland.co.uk/projects/a417-missing-link/>

Via email at : a417missinglink@highwaysengland.co.uk

Or post to: FREEPOST A417 MISSING LINK

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes,

Lisa Spivey A419 NAG member The Old Farm House Preston, Cirencester

Tel: 01285 653405 Email: lisaspivey4@gmail.com

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING - SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER

Donations are still arriving and once the Macmillan Certificate arrives, a copy will appear in the newsletter, to share with all the amazingly supportive villagers. The total so far is £1,500, our best coffee morning so far.

A big THANK YOU to you all for your continued support!

Kelly and Del

VILLAGE HALL

DIARY

ART CLASSES continue as usual throughout term time. Monday 1-3pm and Thursday 10-12 noon. Anyone interested in joining please pop in or contact Cathy at artinpreston@aol.com or call on 655325

YOGA is on Wednesday evenings from 5:30pm. Mark has two classes one for beginners and one for those with more experience. Individual tuition can also be organised. Contact Mark mark@cotswold-Yoga.co.uk or call 07771 644469

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH IS COFFEE, BICCIES AND BOOKS, 10:30-12 noon
Friday 1st November. Please come along and join your neighbours and friends for a friendly coffee morning. Feel free to bring a book to exchange if you wish. £1 donation is requested to cover costs. **SEE POSTER BELOW**

VILLAGE QUIZ NIGHT Friday 22nd November.. 7:30 for 8pm. **SEE POSTER BELOW.**

PRIOR NOTICE. And PLEASE add a note for your diary ...
The **Christmas Drinks Party** will be on Friday 20th December.



QUIZ NIGHT - IN PRESTON VILLAGE HALL

Friday 22nd November.



Doors open 7.30 pm. Quiz starts at 8.

Come and join in the friendly competition run by our famous quiz-master Cathy Lynn.

Make up a team of 4 to 6, or join a team on arrival. Prizes for the winning teams.

Refreshments will be served at half time, including soft drinks,
but bring your own alcoholic drinks.

Cost £5 per person. Numbers are limited so entry will be only by pre-paid ticket available
from **Chris Sutton at 88 Preston. Book early to avoid disappointment.**

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR 2019

Please contact regfreyne@gmail.com if you can spare an hour once or twice a year to help keep our church beautiful. Regine Freyne Tel: 655370

• <u>Church Flower and Cleaning Rota for next two months</u>		
November	Mrs Giles/TBA	3 rd 10 th
	Mrs Anne Smith	17 th 24 th
December	ADVENT -NO FLOWERS	
	Mrs Freyne, Mrs Thornton, Mrs Mingins	1 st 8 th
	Mrs Warren	15 th
	Mrs Freyne, Mrs Thornton, Mrs Mingins	22 nd
	Decorate church (all welcome) 10am	TBA
	CHRISTMAS DAY	25 th
	No service at Preston	29 th

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWS FROM OUR COORDINATOR - JULIE TOMBLIN

Most homes in Gloucestershire need more burglary protection*



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Window
locks



I

Indoor lights
on timer switches



D

Double or deadbolts
fitted to doors



E

Exterior lights
on a sensor

Get 49 times more protection against burglary by installing a 'WIDE' combination of security devices*.

A 'WIDE' combination includes:

- Window locks
- Indoor lights on timer switches
- Double door locks or deadbolts
- External lights on a sensor

Scroll down for more burglary prevention advice or visit our [campaign web page](#).

Get a free timer switch at an event:

As we work towards safer days and nights, your local officers will be available to speak to you about burglary. Over the next week we're visiting Tuffley, The Dukeries, Matson, Winchcombe, Cinderford and Stroud. See all of the planned events across the next two months at our [campaign page by clicking here](#).

As you've already signed up to Your Community Alerts you're eligible to receive a free timer switch at one of our engagement vehicle events. Show this e-mail to an officer at one of these events to receive your free timer switch.

Forensic marking kits:

We'll be selling, at cost price, forensic property marking kits for £12.50 at our [engagement vehicle events](#). The kits can be used on tools, jewellery, laptops and any other household item.

These kits allow you to apply a clear liquid with a unique chemical signature to your property. The liquid is odourless, colourless, visible under a UV light and very difficult to remove. It's similar to DNA which means that if your property is ever stolen it can be linked back to you.

For more information on these kits and to buy them online directly from suppliers for £20+ visit our [campaign page](#).

Burglars look for opportunities:

They want to find empty-looking homes, where they can't be seen by neighbours and where they can get in and out quickly. Take away their opportunities by installing the 'WIDE' combination of security devices and by carrying out the following actions:

Is your back gate your weak spot?



Stop access to your back garden. It is really important. Install strong fences and gates and make sure they are kept locked. Make it difficult for burglars to climb over them by adding trellis and spiky plants. Burglars enjoy the privacy of a back garden as it allows them to spend the time they need to get into your home often by smashing patio doors.

Install CCTV or digital doorbells



Install external CCTV or digital doorbells. Burglars don't want to be seen and these devices can capture evidence we can circulate amongst our officers and the public.

See guidance on installing domestic CCTV at gov.uk by [clicking here](#).

Can your neighbours see your entrances and exits?



Increase the visibility of the entrances and exits of your home. Cut back and remove any plants, bushes and high fencing that block your neighbour's view of your home. Burglars do not want to be seen as they may get caught.

Mark your property with forensic marking liquids



Use forensic marking liquids to increase the likelihood of getting your belongings back. These liquids act like DNA evidence and can be used to link recovered property back to you. Popular brands include SmartWater, SelectaDNA and ImmobiDot. You can purchase these kits at cost price at our [engagement vehicle events](#), [online through our discount links](#) and through your local Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

Check if valuables are on show



Check what valuables can be seen from the outside of your home. If there are items that may look tempting to a burglar remove them from view and make sure they are marked with a registered forensic marking liquid.

Wheelie bins, tools and heavy garden objects



Wheelie bins left out the front offer burglars help to get over your fences. Tools and heavy objects left out help them smash or force their way in. Put them away.

49x more protection compared to no devices being installed.

If you are aware of any suspicious activity in the village, or a scam caller is repeatedly bothering you, please let us know Julie 01285 641111 or newsletter@prestonpc.org.uk.

The police emergency 999 or non-emergency 101

Village coordinators who are available to help you are.....

Michael Dyson, Rex Canton, Alex Beadle, Reg Freyne, Andrew Mckechnie and Dot Warren

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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Please remember to let me have your news for December 2019 by **Monday 25th November**.
Dot Warren - Greystones, Preston; 01285 656105; newsletter@prestonpc.org.uk

SIDDINGTON with PRESTON WI

Thursday 21st November 2019
A Bring and Share Evening of Members' Favourite Recipes



A Social evening to bring along your favourite recipe written down (accompanied by the dish if you wish), whether it be Delia's sticky toffee pudding recipe, a favourite soup, elderflower wine or an old family favourite recipe.

As usual visitors and guests are welcome. There will be tea, biscuits and a raffle.

We will be meeting this month at Elizabeth Way Meeting Room, Siddington at 7.30pm.
Please contact Ann on 01285 641469 for more information.

NEW BUS TIMETABLE FOR BUS WHICH SERVES PRESTON

With apologies for print size and blurred type!

The buses highlighted in blue run only during school holidays.

50 from Cirencester to Ampney Crucis & Preston

MONDAYS TO FRIDAYS except Bank Holiday Mondays

Cirencester Forum	0850	0950	1050	1150	1250	1350	1450
Cirencester Hospital [A419]	0854	0954	1054	1154	1254	1354	1454
Cirencester Tesco	0902	1002	1102	1202	1302	1402	1502
King Hill Mulberry Court	0905	1005	1105	1205	1305	1405	1505
The Beeches Whitelands Road	0909	1009	1109	1209	1309	1409	1509
Ampney Crucis Donkey Field	0916	1016	1116	1216	1316	1416	1516
Preston Village Hall	0924	1024	1124	1224	1324	1424	1524

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Ampney Crucis Donkey Field	0916	1016	1116	1216	1316	1416	1516
Preston Village Hall	0924	1024	1124	1224	1324	1424	1524
Cirencester Tesco	0930	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530
King Hill Mulberry Court	0933	1033	1133	1233	1333	1433	1533
The Beeches Whitelands Road	0937	1037	1137	1237	1337	1437	1537
Cirencester Forum	0945	1045	1145	1245	1345	1445	1545



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An evening with
THOMASINA MIERS OBE

MASTERCHEF WINNER
AND CO-FOUNDER OF THE WAHACA CHAIN OF MEXICAN STREET FOOD RESTAURANTS

**COMING
SOON!**

Saturday 16 November

7.30pm (Bar opens 6.30pm)

The Griffin Theatre, Rendcomb GL7 7HA
in aid of St. Peters Church, Rendcomb

Tickets available from

www.ticketsource/thomasinamiers

Adults £18.00 ~ Students £15.00

Enquiries: annabelpurcell@hotmail.co.uk

PHOTO: CAROLINE RIBBY 2016

Cotswold-Yoga

New term starts
04.09.19

Preston Village Hall
5.30 - 6.45pm
7.00 - 8.15pm

For more details, please
contact Mark:

T: 07771 644469

E: Mark@cotswold-yoga.co.uk

W: www.cotswold-yoga.co.uk

All
Abilities
Welcome



**A relaxed space to be creative,
explore faith and enjoy lunch together.**

Lighthouse is a new venture on the 2nd Monday of every month
at All Hallows Church, South Cerney, starting in July!

Monday 8th July 10.30am

Monday 12th August 10.30am

Monday 9th September 10.30am

Monday 14th October 10.30am

Monday 11th November 10.30am

Monday 9th December 10.30am

Everyone welcome - come along and join us!

No charge (donations welcome to cover costs).

The church is located in Church Lane, off Silver Street, GL7 5TT.

If you would like more information, please contact Rev Jennifer McKenzie.

tel: 860221 or email: vicar@churnsidechurches.org.uk