



**St. Anne's Church, West Heath**  
**Church Wardens' Update October**  
**2023**

This is our seventh update.

The arrangements for Sunday services in October are:

1st October: 11 am Holy Communion led by Bishop Maurice Sinclair, an Honorary Assistant Bishop within the diocese.

8th October: 10 am Holy Communion led by Revd. Jayne Crooks

15th October: 10 am Healing Service led by Janet supported by Ian, Joan and Eileen

22nd October: 10 am Holy Communion led by Archdeacon Jenny Tomlinson

29th October: 10am Morning Worship led by Reader Fay Fearon

- Georgina and Janet would like to thank Chrissie Price and J.A.M. Club for organising the Harvest Festival Service. All the feedback was extremely positive. Please see the photographs overleaf. We have also included a copy of the Harvest poem written by Chris, Dorothea and Ada Clapham.
- We are still in the process of re-organising the kitchen and will be putting labels on all the cupboard doors, drawers and shelves so that everyone can see where things are stored.
- Georgina and Janet having been given a date for the Archdeacon's Visitation. They will meet with the Area Dean, Phelim O'Hare, on Monday 16th October.
- The Church Profile has been written. This is a document which will be needed in the appointment process of the new vicar. It was discussed and approved at the PCC meeting on Thursday 28th September. The document will now be shared with the PCC of St. Laurence Church, Northfield.
- The Leaders Team (people involved with the organisation of church services) met on Friday 22nd September to discuss our plans for worship in October and to review the services held during September. They also made a list of special services for 2024 and agreed the dates. This means that Georgina can start booking vicars to lead services up to the end of April 2024.
- The Pastoral Team led by Janet met on Friday 15th September. The team (Janet, Joan, Elaine, Chris and Chrissie) organise services in three local care homes as well as visits and phone calls to members of the congregation who are unwell or who need support. Where necessary they can also organise a visit from a minister. If you know of anyone in the congregation who needs support please speak to Janet or one of the team.
- Order of service books for all Sunday and Thursday services have been updated and printed.
- There is currently no central heating in the George Goodger Hall due to a leak in the pipe work under the floor boards. The PCC are currently investigating other means of heating the hall as gas boilers will be phased out over the next few years.
- On Friday 29th September Westside Forestry visited the and are going to send the PCC a quote for pruning all the trees and shrubs.
- Following many issues with inappropriate resources for the live streaming the PCC have agreed to buy a camcorder so that live streaming can resume in the near future. Following approval from the PCC the camera which was used will now be sold.
- Georgina is starting to redesign the website. We will keep you updated.
- We hope that the combination of weekly notice sheets, PCC minutes and Warden Updates are keeping everyone well informed about what is happening at St. Anne's.

- If you have any questions, ideas or concerns about the interregnum please speak to Georgina or Janet.

Thank you for your ongoing support,  
Georgina Arnold and Janet Bradley  
29th September 2023

### Every year the harvest grows

Every year the harvest grows  
And gives us food to eat.  
There's fruit and veg and much, much more  
For meals that are a treat.  
We love our bread and butter,  
To get energy while we play.  
The farmers give us wheat for bread,  
And cows give us milk each day.  
The flowers grow to help the bees,  
Make sweet and yummy honey,  
And tomatoes turn a lovely red  
When the weather's warm and sunny.  
We've grown potatoes and green beans,  
Blackberries, blueberries too,  
To make a nice fruit salad  
Especially for you.

Written by  
Chris, Dorothea and Ada Clapham



Photographs taken during the service which ended with everyone going into the church hall to try their hand at some Harvest craft activities. After the blessing everyone enjoyed having a chat over refreshments.

