

# "Summer 2016"

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**ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE**

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER 2016**

**AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in-the-HEDGES with STEANE**

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**Sunday:** **AYNHO - 11.0am Holy Communion**  
**October 2<sup>nd</sup>** (Sidespersons: Mr.Cheney. Mrs.Pusey)  
Croughton **Taize 6.0** Evenley 11.0 Baptism  
Farthinghoe 9.30 HC Hinton 11.0 Harvest Family Worship

**Sunday:** **AYNHO - 11.0am Holy Communion**  
**October 9<sup>th</sup>** (Sidespersons: Mr.Leigh Mr.Sutton)  
Croughton 9.30 Evenley 11.0 HC  
Farthinghoe 10.0 FW Hinton 6.0.ES

**Sunday:** **Benefice at Farthinghoe 10.0am with Preacher**  
**October 16<sup>th</sup>** **Venerable Richard Ormston Archdeacon of**  
**N'hampton then Pizza Praise at 4.0pm.**

**Sunday** **AYNHO - 11.0am Family Communion**  
**October 23<sup>rd</sup>** (Sidespersons: Miss Short. Mrs Chong. Mr.Sutton)  
**Bible Sunday** Croughton 9.30am Evenley 9.30am Family Worship  
Farthinghoe 4.0pm Songs of Praise Hinton 11.0am CW



**Sunday** **Benefice at Evenley 10.0am**  
**October 30<sup>th</sup>** (note British Summer Time ends)  
Croughton "ALL SOULS" 6.0pm (see note)

<b>Home Communion</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> Sept. Oct. to be announced	11.0am	15 The Square
<b>Bible Study Group</b>	Monday	10 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am Lower Aynho Grounds
<b>Prayer Group</b>	Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm 15, The Square
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am .....onwards
<b>Choir Practice</b>	<b>Thursdays</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup>	3.0pm in Church
<b>Bell Ringing –</b>	Tuesdays	at 7.30pm.	
	Evenley 1 <sup>st</sup> Kings Sutton 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	Aynho 3 <sup>rd</sup> &	Croughton 5 <sup>th</sup> .

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**Information** about the life of our church - baptisms or wedding enquiries from:  
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**Assistant Curate: Revd Shemil Mathew 07401 587151** [revshemil@gmail.com](mailto:revshemil@gmail.com)  
Sign up for our weekly service news and updates with "Pews News" on the subject line  
or just write in the message and be put on our weekly mailings.

**Church Warden: Graham Gibbs 01869 819727**

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**Items for November 2016 by or before Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October to:**  
**Sybil at 32, Roundtown Tel:810692 Email: [syban@btinternet.com](mailto:syban@btinternet.com) Vol.607**

## ***Rectors Ramblings for October***

The year has a natural ebb and flow to it, not only the seasons but also our activities. With Spring Cleaning and summer holidays past. Then in the September we start the season on thanksgiving with harvest festivals and harvest suppers. This flows gently into month of October and the season of thanks giving continues but with a different emphasis. We move from giving thanks for the world in which we live to giving thanks for the people we have shared the world with. The two major Christian festivals for this are 'All Saints' and 'All Souls'. At All Saints we give thanks for those whose Christian lives have inspired us and others. Recently mother Theresa was beatified and made a Saint in the Catholic church for her work. She is a shining example of a life lived for others, yet there are many many unsung saints who do not reach earthly recognition, but will be seen by our heavenly Father and by those around them.

The church too recognises that every person is important and loved by God and so remembers the souls of those departed this life, but not forgotten at the service of 'All Souls'. Everyone is invited to come and remember and give thanks at this service or if you cannot come to have the person or persons remembered by name for you. If you need help or transport please let me know and we will do our best to help. In the service there is an opportunity to light a candle for those we give thanks for and to receive a gift of a small holding cross made from Olive wood to take with you. The service moves around the villages of the benefice and this year will be at All Saints church, Croughton on 30<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm.

If you would like your loved one remembered by name please give their name to rev Shemil or myself or write it in the lists in church.

In October we are starting a series of informal gatherings called Cupper and Chat, they meet in peoples' houses around our five villages of Aynho, Croughton, Evenley Farthinghoe and Hinton-in-the-hedges. The Gathering lasts about 1 hour depending on how long people want to stay and talk or the tea and coffee lasts. This time we will be exploring the sayings of Jesus known as 'the beatitudes' such as "Blessed are the pure in Heart for they shall see God". The sayings are called the Beatitudes because they all start with the word blessed, the Latin for which is 'Beatus'. We see the root of this word used in the Beatification of Mother Theresa before her canonisation (formal recognition of her sainthood) which took place on 4<sup>th</sup> September. In the bible all Christians are referred to as saints because we are all loved and blessed by God. Sign up sheets for Cuppa and Chat in Church or let rev Shemil or rev Simon know.

If singing is your thing, rather than talking, then come and join the Choir at Aynho or the BFC Benefice Festival Chorus. Both are looking for new members, young or old, good singers or not so. Aynho Choir sings each Sunday at Aynho. The BFC Chorus rehearses for two or three occasions each year and so just comes together for about 10 weeks before the service. This year we will be singing for the start of Advent at the end of November so will gather for two months on Thursday evenings 7:30-8:30ish. Come along and join us. For more information please contact

Simon Dommett.

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### ***THE CHILDRENS SOCIETY CHRISTMAS CARDS:***

will be available from November –

all reasonably priced - mostly with religious content -  
£3.00 to £4.00 for 10 cards

from Sybil –

32, Roundtown or in Church on Sundays.

***"An interesting read this month. Thank you"***



The Editor is  
pleased to see  
our readers are  
getting younger!

## **ALL FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT**



**ARMS (Aynho Recorded Music Society) October 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Village Hall.** We enter our Winter Period with lots of exciting music to listen to – do come and join us.

**Contact: Bob Mann 810264**



### **PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY October 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Cartwright Hotel**

At the September meeting, member Andreas Klatt ARPS gave a presentation on two of his recent travels: to Sri Lanka in 2015 and, earlier this year, to India. The Society's next Club Night is on 5 October, when professional photographers Peter and Margaret Preece will give a presentation on 'Wildlife and nature photographs.' Two Workshops are also planned, both of which will be led by member Simon Lutter. The first is on 19 October, when the subject is 'Correct exposure,' the second on 16 November discusses 'Camera controls, light sensitivity and white balance.' All meetings start at 7.30pm, and are held in the Cartwright Hotel, Aynho. Everyone is most welcome to attend, just come along and meet us all.

**Contact: John Branton [www.addphoto.co.uk](http://www.addphoto.co.uk)**



### **KNIT & STITCH & a CUPPA! 2.0 – 4.0pm. October 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**

Do come and join us 2, Portway Gardens.

**Contact: Glenwys Wormald Tel:810880**



### **AYNHO GARDENING CLUB**

We are off to **RHS Wisley** on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October.**

There is always so much to see there; impressive mixed borders, rock and woodland gardens and the magnificent glasshouses. The cost of the trip is £15. The coach will leave from the bus stop at 9.30pm and we should be back in Aynho before 5.30pm. If you haven't already booked your place on the trip and would like to do so, please contact Jean Skuce on 810034.

We had a successful **Flower and Vegetable Show** back in August and I would like to thank all who took part and to extend my thanks to Carol McClellan for organising it and to the Committee who worked tirelessly both on Friday and on the day.

Thank you!

### **CALLING ALL POTENTIAL JUDGES**

It is increasingly difficult to get Judges for the Show and in preparation for when our Flower and Vegetable Judge decides to call it a day, he is offering to train someone to carry out this special task. There is no need for any prior qualifications except that he/she has been, or still is, an exhibitor. This person will shadow our present judge for at least two seasons before taking over the judging, so gaining the required knowledge to do the job to a high standard.

If you know anyone who would be interested in becoming a flower and vegetable judge please let me know.

**Contact: Annabel Bellamy 810847**



**W.I.**

**October 19th 7.30pm Village Hall**

"Annual Meeting with Ploughman's Supper served by the Committee

**A warm welcome to new members.**

**Contact: Barbara Watkins 811152**



**WRITER'S GROUP - Saturday October 8th 10.0am – 12.30 Village Hall**

We had some amazing poems and stories at our September meeting ranging from Sci Fi to personal history. At this next meeting we will be relating our very first memories or coping with "The Last Straw".

**Reminder** that in November we publish our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book .

**Contact: Keith McClellan 810346 or via Community Page**



**HEALTH CLUB WALKS with refreshments after in the Sports Fields Pavillion.**

Aynho Health walks start from the Pavilion each Thursday at 10.00 am.  
Do come and join the crowd.



**Contact: Keith McClellan 01869 810346 or Kathy White 01869 810418**



**AYNHO HISTORY SOCIETY**

**26<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm in the Village Hall**

The epic search for the North West Passage

This lecture is also recommended for geographers, travellers and sailors.  
Speaker Mr Keith Ramsay

Annual Membership £20 or pay as you go £3.00 per event.

Student concession £1.

**Contact: Rupert Clark 07808 763261 [rupert.ds.clark@gmail.com](mailto:rupert.ds.clark@gmail.com) or Peter Cole 01869 811261**



**WINTER LUNCH CLUB**

Winter Lunch Club will return to the back room of the Village Hall on most

**Thursdays until the end of March 2017.**

**Dates for October 2016: 6, 13, 20 and 27 October Time: 12.15pm-1.30pm**

No 'membership' required, anyone can come (young or old) and hopefully enjoy a simple home-cooked lunch in a warm, friendly place at very reasonable prices.

After costs all profit will be shared between Macmillan Cancer Support,

St Michael's Church, the Village Hall and towards maintaining the Defibrillator

Further dates will be posted on Village Hall notice boards, the Newsletter and the village website.

**Amanda – tel: 01869 810341**



**A Reminder – McMillian Coffee/Cake Morning – Village Hall – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September. 10.30am to extended time of 12.30. Do come and support this very worthy cause.**



## BIODIVERSITY GROUP

### Arthropod of the Month: The Millipede

A total of 62 species of millipede have been found living in Britain although some of these are only found in hothouses having been introduced with imported plants and soil. They have segmented bodies with 2 pairs of legs to each segment, short heads and range in size from 2 – 6cm. Their eyesight is poor so they sense their way by continually tapping the ground with their antennae. They have a hard exoskeleton and when threatened roll up into a ball protecting their vulnerable underside. Some are also able to release substances that taste or smell foul as a defence. They are secretive animals living in soil and leaf mould and beneath stones, logs and bark. Their bodies are similar to bulldozers, and with their many short legs they are powerful burrowers. Females lay their eggs in the soil and in some species she or sometimes the male will guard the eggs until they hatch. At first the young have no legs but after the first moult they have 6 segments and 3 pairs of legs. Over the next 1 – 2 years they continue to moult gaining extra segments each time until they are fully grown. Millipedes feed at night or after rain mostly eating dead and decaying plant matter. They can live for up to 7 years.



### Did You Know?

- Millipede comes from the Latin ‘milli’ meaning thousand and ‘ped’ meaning foot.
- Fossil evidence dated 428 million years ago suggests that the millipede is the oldest known land creature.
- Most millipedes have between 80 and 400 legs with 750 being the most in some rare species.
- They are very clean creatures and spend a lot of time cleaning and polishing various parts of their bodies. They have a special brush-like group of hairs on the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> pair of legs which are used to clean their antennae

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### YOUR PARISH COUNCIL requests:

#### Help keep Aynho tidy

Just a quick reminder that if everyone keeps the area around their house free of litter and leaves we can all help keep Aynho tidy. Thanks to all who contribute to keeping Aynho looking so smart. Don't forget lots of issues can be resolved by reporting them to Street Doctor online.

#### Dog Fouling

Keep an eye out for the new dog fouling signs around the village! We hope they will act as a deterrent to those who do not clean up after their dogs. Don't forget free dog poo bags can be collected from “Halcyon”, Portway.

#### Bins

Please help keep the village tidy by bringing in your bins in a timely fashion. We all have so many nowadays and bringing them in helps ensure Aynho stays the picturesque village we all love.

#### Contact details

Sadie Patamia is the Parish Clerk and can be contacted on Mondays and Thursdays from 3pm – 6pm on 07887548774 or [Sadie.patamia@aynho.org](mailto:Sadie.patamia@aynho.org) The postal address is 25 Brackley Road, Croughton, NN13 5PP, or you can find us on Facebook and Twitter

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### YOUR POST OFFICE ..... provides many amenities:

Stamps – Postal Orders – Mobile phone top-ups - Parcel Post – Bill payments –Cash withdrawals – State pensions- Travel insurance—pre-ordered foreign currency etc. etc, and a new addition

#### **Purchase of DVLA tax for vehicles.**

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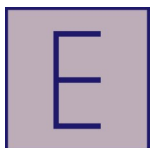
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**Aynho Sports & Recreation Association**  
**Public Meeting**  
**Wednesday 5th October 2016**  
**In the Pavilion at 7pm – 8.30pm**

(Refreshments and nibbles supplied in case it's a while until dinner)

Village input is needed for the continuation in

running the sports field and pavilion and we would like to invite all villagers to be part of the discussion. We have to make some decisions about how the facilities are run in the future and this will inevitably impact on the current users, be they runners, walkers, cyclists, footballers, tennis players or others. We will also discuss fundraising for the possible replacement of the zip wire.

This is an opportunity for people new to the village, families with young children, younger adults and those people with some time on their hands to contribute to their community.

We hope to see you there. However, if you cannot make it and want more information

please call Kay on 0330 113 6008

May I also add a reminder for someone to volunteer to organise next year's 'Maytime in the Square'. It would be such a pity to lose this old village custom.

Please get in touch with me if you can offer any help. KAY