

and have fun with the family!

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#### **ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE CHURCH CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 2018** AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in-the-HEDGES - STEANE

Sunday:	AYNHO – 11.0am Holy Communion (Sidespersons: Mr.Bellamy. Mrs.White)			
September 2 <sup>nd</sup>				
1	Evenley Taize 6.0pm. Farthinghoe 9.30am HC			
	Hinton in the Hedges 11.0am MW			

Sunday	AYNHO – 11.0am Matins					
September 9 <sup>th</sup>	(Sidespersons – Mr.Sutton Mrs.Pusey)					
-	Croughton 9.30am HC Evenley 11.0am H	HC				
	Farthinghoe 10.0am FW					
Steane – 6.0pm Evensong with Revd.Peter & More						

**Sunday:** September 16<sup>th</sup>

## **Benefice Communion at Evenley 10.0am**

Sunday: September 23rd

# AYNHO - 11.0am Holy Communion

(Sidespersons: Mrs.Bellamy. Mrs.Chong) Croughton 9.30am Farthinghoe 6.0pm E/S

Evenley 9.30am HARVEST Hinton 11.00am HC



**Sunday:** September 30<sup>th</sup>

## **Benefice Communion at Farthinghoe 10.0am**

Choir Practice Morning Bible Study	•	10 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	in Church Lower Aynho Grounds			
Church Cleaning	Thursday	-	9.45am				
Prayer Group	Thursday		2.30pm	·			
Home Communion	Monday	24 <sup>th</sup>		16, The Butts			
P.C.C.	Tuesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	in Church			
Bell Ringing Tuesdays 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>							
Weddings: Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> & Saturday 22nd ***********************************							
Information about the life of our church - baptisms or wedding enquiries from:							
Revd.Simon Dommett Tel:01869.810903 Email@the.revd.simon@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.							
<b>Church Warden:</b> Graham Gibbs 01869 819727							
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Items for October - by or before 22 <sup>nd</sup> September please to:							
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# Harvest-Thanks giving

Our Harvest services will begin with a quote from scripture "As long as the earth endures, seed-time and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, will never cease." Genesis 9.22

This promise comes just after the explanation of creation and God's promise not to wipe human kind from the face of the earth. It sets the scene for our harvest thanksgiving, giving thanks for the gift God gives of the harvest, and those who help to produce it for us.

It also reminds us that everything we have comes from God. The farmer plants the seed and also harvests the grain, but they cannot make a seed grow, that is God's gift of life. Harvest is about giving thanks for God's gifts. For generations, even back to biblical times, people have brought harvest gifts to show their thankfulness.

Yet this year the harvest has not been easy for many. The long hot summer helps some crops but not others. The wild fires have destroyed other crops and livelihoods, flash floods and broken dams have left others washed out. The micro plastics in our oceans are being digested by the fish we eat. All is not rosy and yet all is not lost either.

The change in our climate is becoming harder to deny and many would say that we are coming to a tipping point. If things get only a little bit warmer, then the climate will run away on a warmer course and there will be nothing we can do about it.

So maybe now is the time to decide to make a difference. The Church of England has a strategy to reduce its energy footprint and its effect on our planets ecology, so what are we doing as individuals and as community? There is much good advice about the subject if we want to read and act on it. Yet those who are being most hurt by these changes are those who can least afford the suffering. Many third world producers struggle to survive let along make a profit or plan for the future. And if the weather changes were not enough to cope with, then Brexit rears its head. As we prepare to leave the EU then so we prepare to leave the fair trade deals with many countries that have taken years of hard work to put in place. As our negotiators argue for the best deal for the UK as is their directive, I would want them also to negotiate for fair trade deals with our third world producers as well. Just look at our food cupboards and see how much is home grown and how much we import.

The world is created for everybody and there is enough for everybody, and I would argue it is everybody's responsibility to care for this creation, this planet we live on. May we take the opportunity that harvest gives us to focus our thoughts on the world and the food it produces and those who produce it for us to eat. May we look back with thanks and also look forward with hope and determination to do our part as stewards of creation to help ensure the seed time and harvest for future generations and peoples. God Bless you all Simon

## Have a good meal and help save All Saints Church Croughton's, Medieval Wall Paintings

## What does the future hold for Routz?

Heather has been running the benefice youth group for teenagers called ROUTZ for the past few years. We would love it to continue after we have left. If you would also like to see it continue please come and talk to Heather ASAP on 01869 810903.

# Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September - Historic Churches - RIDE & STRIDE

- either cycling, walking, riding or even in the car, through the wonderful Northamptonshire countryside or include other neighbouring counties, visiting as many churches as you like.

This annual event will soon be upon us as across the country a great many Churches will be visited by hundreds of cyclists and walkers raising money, through sponsorships, for the "Historic Churches Trust" which exists to help with Church Restoration and Repair projects by making Grants available. Over the years, all of our churches have benefitted from this organisation. And as always with historic buildings there is always ongoing work required. Last year "The Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust" raised £34,423 through "Ride & Stride" plus £5490 in Gift Aid.

#### How much will you help us to raise this year?

We are looking for keen walkers & cycle riders who like to spend a day out or those who would like to welcome visitors to our church. You can be sponsored for church sitting as well as visiting. The Ride and Stride is open to anybody on any transport. Half the money goes to your nominated church and half to 'Historic churches' who then help churches in need.

## We are inviting everybody to join in.

Why not join a group of walkers, where each "Walker" can nominate their own church to benefit. A circular route is planned which will take in Helmdon, Greatworth, Marston St. Lawrence, Thorpe Mandeville, Culworth, and Sulgrave, returning to Helmdon, and with a stop for lunch at The Red Lion in Culworth. The distance is about 12 miles across some lovely countryside, so should be a good day out. Come along, enjoy our magnificent countryside, good company and a jolly good lunch. If you would like to join in you can contact me at charles.field@live.com or telephone 01280 709966 and I will provide the sponsorship forms and discuss any issues you wish to raise.

You can also go on your own route, longer or shorter, with your own group of supporters.

Local Contact Numbers

HINTON Charles Field 01280 709966. Or charles.field@live.com

AYNHO Pat Stubbs (01869) 810695

EVENLEY Jane Gibbs (01280) 840018

### IT support needed

Could you be the person we are looking for to provide IT and software support at the Benefice Office? Currently this has been provided by the Rector but that will cease in October. Could you be called upon to help with any issues.? Please contact the Rector on 01869 810903 if you could help. Familiarity with Word, Excel and Emails and windows PC would be needed.

### My grateful thanks to:-

Hugh, Terry, Carrie, Bill, William, Mayleng, Joyce, the church wardens and all who helped to ensure a smooth running of our churches during my sabbatical.

Rev Simon Dommett

### **SOULDERN MARKET** – Saturday September 15<sup>th</sup> 9.30 – 12.30

with Fruit/Veg., Cakes, Plants, Crafts/Cards. Coffee/Tea & Breakfast Rolls.

Donations to Katharine House Hospice & Souldern Church.

### All for your entertainment.....



A.R.M.S

next meet in October.

Contact: Bob Mann 810264

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Cartwright Hotel. Contact: Paul Brewerton Tel: 01295 276949 paul.brewerton@btinternet.com

### WRITER'S GROUP – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September 10.0am-12.30 in Village Hall

We move from last month's "Enchanted Island" to this month with "Dinner Parties" or "The moon I was born under"

Contact: Keith McClellan 810346

### AYNHO GARDENING CLUB – Wednesday 19th September 7.30pm in the Hall.



At our next meeting we will have a talk by Peter Richardson of the Preston Bissett Nurseries who will be telling us about

#### 'Planting Combinations with Grasses'

Those of us who went to Pettifers saw some lovely examples of grasses planted amongst the borders so we hope this may inspire you to try something a bit different in your gardens. So please come along – it should be an interesting evening.

Thank you to everyone who joined in and entered items in the Flower and Vegetable

Show last month. The Village Hall was filled with excellent flowers and produce despite the long hot period of weather, after which we thought there would be few entries in the show. A huge thank you to all those who helped make the show run smoothly.

#### Contact: Annabel Bellamy 810847

### AYNHO W.I - Meet Monday September 17<sup>th</sup> Group Meeting 7.30pm in the Village Hall.



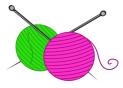
Do hope you all had a good July/August and enjoyed (or not) the heatwave. Happy to remember our July golf and boules evening was actually played on green grass, soon to look like straw, and later watching it green again.

Our next meeting will include members from local W.Is and will be held on **Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>** (not the usual Wednesday). It is the exciting story of "Morris Dancing" accompanied by some very comprehensive slides. See you all then.

Must add a little note to say several of our Members were prize winners (well done!) at our much appreciated and enjoyable local Flower Show – more next year?!

#### Contact: Mrs.B.Watkins 811152

## KNIT & STITCH (over a cuppa)-



Tuesdays 11<sup>th</sup> & 25th September

2-4.0pm at 2,Portway Gardens.

Contact: G. Wormald 810880

# AYNHO HISTORY SOCIETY - Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm



#### ednesday 26<sup>™</sup> September 7.30pm in the Hall

Elizabeth Cartwright-Hignett and Marianne will give an illustrated talk on their garden at Iford Manor, Nr. Bradford-on-Avon, designed by Harold Peto in the early 1900s.

#### Entry £2.00

Any queries to Peter Cole 01869 811261

If not available please leave message on answer phone and he will get back to you.





**AYNHO HEALTH WALKS** from the Pavilion every Thursday at 10.0am 3 different length walks – long, medium and track, all with qualified leaders and lovely refreshments to enjoy afterwards. Get fit and enjoy our lovely countryside.

Contact: Keith McClellan 810346 or Kathy White 810415

### 2 Pilates Classes starting in the Village Hall as from September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Bumps & Babies 10.30 running 4 weeks - cost £42.50

Mixed Ability 11.30 " 8 weeks - cost £64.00

Both classes are run by Pop-Up Pilates and the sessions are led by a qualified physiotherapist.

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# FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL......

#### **Pavilion and Recreation Ground**

Aynho Active held a meeting of users of the recreation area in August and the overwhelming takeaway was that new events can't occur without enthusiastic members of the village to help create and champion them. The Parish Council is eager to support willing villagers in their endeavours and will be distributing a miniquestionnaire to residents of the parish. The purpose of this questionnaire is to get to know the needs and wishes of the community, how the facility can be used best and ideas on new sports equipment or events that could be held. The results will be published and hopefully inspire new people to get involved as well as our greatly valued familiar faces.

### **Five Villages Community Bus Initiative**

The Parish Councils of Aynho, Charlton, Croughton, Evenley and Kings Sutton are working together to explore whether a Community based bus service is viable and, if so, how it might be created, developed and managed. Whilst it's not within the remit nor affordability of parish councils to develop such a resource, the five Parish Councils are acting on behalf of residents exploring whether such a resource is viable and identify any interested parties to create, fund, run and manage the resource.

## **BUT- ONLY IF VOLUNTEERS COME FORWARD**

'Our Bus Barton' is a model of a service that might be able to be achieved, however they recognised early in the process that any community initiative needs volunteers to run it and a viable business plan that meets running costs from revenue. Luckily, 'Our Bus Barton' recruited volunteers as drivers, administrators and timetable schedulers etc, and were able to find someone to lend them the initial 'seed' monies to buy a bus. So, if this idea is to progress we need to hear from anyone interested in volunteering – whether to create and manage the service or help in its running, such as driving, etc. Please email the <u>clerk@aynho.org</u>

# **Planning Applications:**

S/2018/1684/MAF Nellbridge Farm, Aynho Road, Kings Sutton, OX17 3NY New fishing lake

S/2018/1652/COND College Farm, Station Road, Aynho, OX17 3FZ

Condition 3 Application for approval of details submitted pursuant to Condition 3 of planning permission S/2017/0738/LBC

Applications can be searched on South Northants planning register <u>http://snc.planning-register.co.uk/</u> close neighbours will be consulted direct from SNC planning department or look out for the 'Site Notice' displayed on the street. For efficiency reasons SNC no longer provide paper plans to Aynho Parish Council.

The next scheduled council meeting is to be held at the Village Hall on Monday 3rd September 2018 at 7:30pm. **Contact details** 

Chris Wilson is the Parish Clerk and can be contacted on email <u>clerk@aynho.org</u> or phone on 07887548774 or you can find us on the website <u>www.aynho.org</u>, Facebook and Twitter.