

HODNET *Parish News*

November 2023



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EDITORIAL

Autumn has come with biblical proportions necessitating alternative dog walking routes. An especial thank you to the gents who cleared the undergrowth along the railway line although I am not sure the dog comes back any cleaner!

In next month's issue, we look forward to including a photo from the past and, as we enjoyed seeing it so much, wonder if you have anything of a similar nature of Hodnet parish from years gone by which you would like to see published.

To contribute an article, please contact us at editorhodnetparish@gmail.com with any offerings! **Our cut off date for December's issue is Friday 17th November 2023.**



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 1st **December** - An Evening of Song - Wollerton Bowling Club
- 1st - Wreath Making Workshop - 2pm - Hawkstone Hall Hotel
- 1st - Christmas Party Night - 7pm - Hawkstone Hall Hotel
- 2nd - Wreath Workshop - 12-2pm & 3-5pm - Wollerton Village Room
- 2nd - Boogie Bingo - Marchamley Community Club
- 3rd - Christmas Carols at Hawkstone Hall Hotel
- 10th - Mulled Wine & Mince Pies - 2-4pm - Wollerton Village Room
- 10th - Christmas Carols at Hawkstone Hall Hotel
- 13th - Christmas Fair - 6.30pm - St Luke's followed by Carols around the Christmas Tree
- 14th - Christmas Party Night - 7pm - Hawkstone Hall Hotel
- 15th - Christmas Bauble Swap Party - Wollerton Village Room
- 16th - Christmas Film Night - Marchamley Community Club
- 17th - Christmas Carols at Hawkstone Hall Hotel
- 17th - Christmas Carols - 5pm - at The Bear, Hodnet
- 21st - Christmas Party Night - 7pm - Hawkstone Hall Hotel
- 23rd - St Luke's Church - Traditional Nine Lessons and Carols
- 24th - Carol Service - 5pm - Chapel of the Epiphany
- 24th - Christmas Eve Ball - Hawkstone Hall Hotel

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CHURCH SERVICES

ST LUKE'S CHURCH, HODNET



November

Sunday 5 th	11.00am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 12 th	10.50am	Remembrance Service
		Gather at the War Memorial
Sunday 19 th	11.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday 26 th	11.00am	Morning Prayer

December

Sunday 3 rd	11.00am	Morning Prayer
		First Day of Advent

CHAPEL OF THE EPIPHANY, PELOW

November

Sunday 12 th	6.30pm	Remembrance Service
Sunday 26 th	11.00am	Holy Communion

FROM THE REGISTERS



Baptism

We welcome into Christ's church Toby John son of Matthew and Zoe Crooke

Funerals

Entered into eternal rest

Beatrice Hodgkiss

Alan Barber

Don Rogers



COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN ST LUKE'S

Hodnet Crafters

at St Luke's Church

Every Wednesday

10-12 noon



Coffee and CRAFTS

GOOD FRIENDS, GREAT CRAFTS AND LOTS OF COFFEE

An opportunity to bring your craft project to church and enjoy the company, conversation and refreshments.

Church Choir

We are always looking for new members - if you are interested come along and speak to us after a Sunday Service.



JOIN THE CHOIR



Bellringing Practice

Weekly Fridays

7.00pm - 8.00pm.

If you are interested contact Bell Tower Captain John Powell on 01630 685325.

SAINTS' AND SIGNIFICANT DAYS

5 th November	Zechariah and Elizabeth
12 th November	Joseph of Polotsk
19 th November	Barlaam
26 th November	Peter of Alexandria

FLOWER ROTA - ST LUKE'S CHURCH

5 th November	Sarah Riley	
19 th November	Sue Lea	

PRAYER

Dear Lord, Strengthen us, especially in dark and troubled days. Help us when danger threatens and when evil tries to make headway among us. Deliver us from all evil, for yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen

CHURCH HUMOUR



The vicar got a little carried away with the church's new state-of-the-art PA system

CHURCH CONTACTS

Hodnet Churchwardens:

Janice Parker - 01630 685531

Tim Preston - 01630 685315

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WILDLIFE COMES CLOSE TO HOME

Relating my close encounter with a vole in the last issue, it was one of those coincidences that a few days later the national media revealed that a report, led by the RSPB and backed by more than 60 research and conservation groups, and updated from their 2019 report, discovered that our UK voles are in serious decline.

We have 3 native species of vole in the UK: the water vole, bank vole, and field vole. The water vole is semi-aquatic and is sometimes referred to as a 'water rat', but doesn't actually look much like a rat at all, primarily due to its size and more rounded nose.

The children's 1908 classic novel, 'Wind in the Willows' by Kenneth Grahame, featured the adventures of anthropomorphised creatures Mr. Toad, Mole, Badger and Ratty.

The latter was a water vole, not, in fact, a rat, so either Mr. Grahame didn't appreciate the difference or perhaps he didn't like the idea of calling a character 'Voley'.

Water voles, as you can guess, live alongside rivers, streams, lakes, ponds and areas of wetland, where they eat mainly grass and the plants alongside the water. Their fur is dark brown to almost black with a body length of approximately 12-23cm, (5-9") plus a tail length of 12cm.

The Wildlife Trusts have a national database and mapping project, recording sightings of water voles, which makes interesting viewing.

<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/national-water-vole-database-mapping-project>

The bank vole and field vole are similar to look at, or rather catch glimpses of, as, being a prey species for such predators as owls, kestrels, weasels and cats, they don't stay still for long.

The bank vole is the smallest of our voles, being between 8-12cm (3-5") and has a richer reddish chestnut brown fur (with a white tummy and longer tail) than the other two species of vole. Living in gardens, hedgerows, parks and woodland, bank voles feed on nuts, fruit and small insects. They will also visit bird tables!



Our third vole, the field vole, is also known as the short-tailed vole, and has a body length of 8-13cm (3-just over 5").

They live in open areas of long grass, woodland and gardens too, although they're not good climbers so are unlikely to scale bird tables. Their fur is grey-brown on top with a pale grey tummy and is generally shaggier than the bank vole's fur.

The same report on the country's voles also alerted us to the fact that nearly half of our UK bird species are at risk of extinction, as are our native amphibians and reptiles.

Our wildlife is precious and whilst it would be easy to dismiss such reports as 'doom-mongering' we know from our own sightings that our wildlife really is declining.

Changing habitat and human activity account for a lot of it, so everything we can do to help all our creatures has to help. With winter approaching, I'm aiming to keep the bird feeders topped up, whether any voles climb the bird tables or not!

Whilst we personally hope a variety of birds will visit our garden, we don't aim to attract wood pigeons but they do visit. So too did a sparrowhawk the other day – it's not often you see a sparrowhawk about 4'/1.2 metres away on the ground, on your patio with a wood pigeon it's just killed! This female was certainly bringing nature close to home. What will you see this month?

'Wildlife Watcher'

PUZZLE PAGE

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LYON HALL, HODNET - REGULAR EVENTS

Quiz Night - Friday 17th November - 7pm for 7.30pm start teams of 4 - £5 per person - to book please contact Glenys Comerford on 01630 685661. Bring your own drinks.

Yoga Class - every Monday 6.15pm - 7.15pm and 7.30pm - 8.30pm. Please contact Harriet Devaney on 07908 717337.

Qigong - 10am - 11am on Tuesdays. Contact Sue on sue@suepics.co.uk.

Ring craft dog training - 1pm - 3pm on Thursdays. Contact Anne Mann on 01630 653570 for more information.

Women's Institute - 7.30pm on second Thursday of the month. Contact details: hodnetwi@gmail.com or 07772 729764.

To book the Lyon Hall contact Francis Bennett on 01630 685213.

NOVEMBER FESTIVALS

Festivals at the end of the year have their roots in pre-Christianity. For the pagan Celts, the New Year began on 1st November which was seen as the beginning of winter. On their New Year's Eve, 31st October, called All Hallows Eve (from which comes Hallowe'en), beasts that would not survive the winter were slaughtered and great bonfires were lit. Burning straw was also carried out in the fields to fertilise them for the following year. The tradition of lighting bonfires on 31st October was carried on until the time of the Gunpowder Plot in the 17th century, when it was moved to Guy Fawkes Night on 5th November.

All Saints' Day - 1st November - commemorates the Christian belief that there is life after death. It is when Christians celebrate that all people who follow Jesus Christ and his teachings will be reunited in heaven after they die. All the saints, both known and unknown, are remembered. Nowadays, churches hold All Saints' Day services in which worshippers light candles to commemorate all the saints and martyrs who once inspired people to follow their example.

All Souls' Day - 2nd November – which is also known as The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, commemorates the souls of those who have already died. In most European countries these days are used for visiting the graves of departed family and laying flowers. Many All Souls' Day traditions are associated with popular notions about purgatory. Bell tolling is meant to comfort those being cleansed. Lighting candles serves to kindle a light for the poor souls languishing in the darkness. Soul cakes (made of eggs, butter, sugar, milk, raisins and spices) are given to children coming to sing or pray for the dead (which probably gave rise to the Hallowe'en custom of trick-or-treating). Back in the early Christian times, poor people would visit the houses of the wealthier families and receive soul cakes in exchange for a promise to pray for the souls of the homeowners' dead relatives.

FUNDRAISING THANKS



Leading up to our harvest services in St Luke's, Hodnet and The Chapel of the Epiphany, Peplow many donations were left which have now been delivered to Market Drayton Food Bank where they were very gratefully received.



Thank you to everyone who supported the parish Macmillan Cancer Coffee Mornings held in September. Wollerton Bowls & Social Club raised £435, The Bear Inn raised approximately £600 and Marchamley Community Club raised £400, so a magnificent £1435 was sent off to Macmillan to support their work of providing cancer nurses and other services.



FILL A SOCK APPEAL

Once again the Church Christmas Appeal is in support of the Shrewsbury and Telford Street Pastors initiative to supply a filled sock to the homeless in Shrewsbury and Telford. Fill a sock with the other sock from the pair, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, roll on deodorant, sweets, chocolate and pants (people are desperate for pants - all sizes not just large or extra large).

They also need items like gloves, handwipes and extra socks but no money or items with alcohol can be accepted. The majority of the recipients of these socks will be male. Your filled sock can be dropped off in St Luke's on Wednesday or Saturday mornings 10am - 12 noon or at any church service. The cut off will be Sunday 10th December 2023.



ST LUKE'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



St Luke's Church is holding a Christmas Raffle to raise money for the upkeep of the church. The draw will take place after the Carol Service on Saturday 23rd December. First prize - £100, second prize - £50, plus many more prizes. If anyone would like to donate a prize, it would be gratefully received. Please support us by buying a ticket. Tickets can be purchased from the church wardens Janice and Tim.

HODNET FOOTPATH GROUP

Our next planned walk will be on Tuesday 7th November. We will be walking outside the parish, following a circular route starting at Lee Brockhurst. A Roman road went from Viroconium (Wroxeter) to Mediolanum (Whitchurch) passing through what is now Lee Brockhurst. Remains of this route are used on this circular walk, taking in sandstone features and some fine views on the way. It's an easy 5 mile walk along country lanes, woodland tracks and meadow paths and should take about 3 hours.

Meet at the Lyon Hall car park at 9.30am where we will car share and drive to Lee Brockhurst for a 10am start. You can make your own way there if you prefer. There is parking in front of the war memorial after turning off the A49, postcode SY4 5QG. Everyone is welcome and this is a dog friendly route. We will have to make short 100m verge walks along the A49.

Any queries please contact Rob Kinsey on 07880 317934.

By popular demand we will be repeating the Christmas Walk to Hawkstone Hall for seasonal refreshments in December, date yet to be confirmed.

HODNET PARISH COUNCIL

Hodnet Parish Council has vacancies for two new councillors. If you would like to get involved or find out more please contact the parish clerk on 07946 112161 or clerk@hodnet.org.uk. The Parish Council meets in the Lyon Hall once every six weeks. The next meeting is on Thursday 23rd November 2023 at 7.30pm.

HODNET SOCIAL CLUB

Prize Bingo - now moved to 8pm on first Wednesday of the month. See their Facebook page or contact Angela Heath on 07815 126101.



Opening Times: Monday - Thursday 7.00pm - 11.00pm

Friday 6.00pm - midnight

Saturday 5.00pm - 11.00pm

Sunday 2.00pm - 7.00pm

HODNET WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our usual Hodnet WI meeting in October was a week late as we went to Longden on Tern for our annual Tern Group Meeting, the speaker there was the Bee Lady and so 12 members went to represent Hodnet WI.

So let's look towards this month's meeting which is on Thursday 9th November. We are having a craft evening creating 'Kissing Balls' ready for Christmas.

As always a warm welcome is guaranteed for anyone who wants to pop along and see what Hodnet WI is all about.

Please call either Jeanette on 07958 393721 or Jane on 077720729764 for more details.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

HODNET AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

Hodnet and District Garden Club has had a good year. We started our first meeting of 2023 in March and have enjoyed talks on gardening in the shade, gardening in historic places, autumn colour plus an evening visit to Hodnet Hall Gardens. We finished off our year in October with a talk about carnivorous plants. We've had in excess of twenty members at each meeting, so all in all a successful year.



We will now take our winter break and reconvene with our first meeting of 2024 on Tuesday 19th March. All are welcome and if you would like any more details about coming along as a visitor or joining our club please contact Dave Smither on 01630 685966.

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Sunday 17th December 5pm - Christmas Carols around the tree (the pub is open from 3pm to 9pm).

19th - 23rd December - usual hours

24th December - bar open only from 12 noon to 10pm

25th and 26th December - closed

27th - 30th December - usual hours

31st December - lunch served 12 - 2pm and NYE tasting menu from 7.30pm.

Closed 1st January - 9th January 2024.

Christmas Menu served from Tuesday 28th November to lunch on 31st December.

We are closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

Please contact us for bookings on 01630 685214 or email

contact@thebearinnhodnet.com. See our website for our full Christmas Menus.

HODNET MEDICAL CENTRE - FLU VACCINATIONS

Book your flu vaccination now at Hodnet Medical Centre. Don't delay, we are using up stock levels fast. The sooner you have your vaccination the sooner you are protected.

Eligible groups for the 2023 to 2024 season:

- aged 2 and 3 years on 31 August 2023
- eligible school aged children (Reception to Year 11) (To be vaccinated at school)
- those aged 6 months to under 65 years in clinical risk groups
- pregnant women
- all those aged 65 years and over
- those in long-stay residential care homes
- carers, those in receipt of carer's allowance or main carer of an older or disabled person
- household contacts of immunocompromised individuals
- frontline health and social care staff

See the Green Book Influenza chapter 19 for full details on eligible groups.

Please note patients aged 50-64 without a clinical risk factor have NOT been included this year.

We will not be offering covid booster vaccinations at the surgery.

Did you know GP practices have to buy your flu vaccine nearly a year in advance? Please try to support your practice by having your vaccine with them because they've already bought it for you.

HODNET PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUP



Wow... the term is galloping along and we are already thinking about Christmas.

We have welcomed the new September starters at Preschool and they have settled in well. The children have been thinking about our topic of 'all about me' and have made some beautiful self-portraits for the gallery wall.

We have also enjoyed the huge number of conkers that have fallen from the trees in the garden, we have never seen so many. They have been counted, sorted by size, weighed, painted with and even used to make patterns too. We harvested our pumpkins and one of our lovely mums sent in some amazing ugly squash.

Last month, we had a visit from the fire engine and even the pouring rain didn't dampen the excitement.

We still have some sessions available at Playgroup so please give us a phone on 01630 685812 or

hodnetpreschoolplaygroup@gmail.com and pop and have a look around. We are already having enquiries about September 2024.

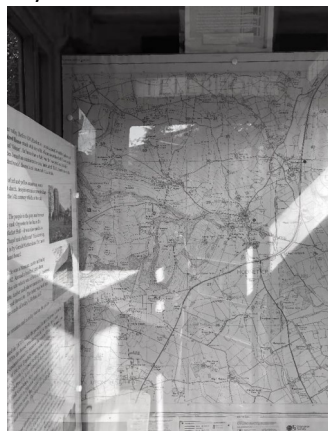
HODNET PHONE BOX UPDATE

After a long journey, the red telephone box by the bus shelter near the corner of Drayton Road with the road towards Marchamley has finally been turned into a historical Information Point.

Inside it has a map of the area, pictures and information on places of interest, an extract from Gerald Mothershaw's book "Hodnet in Wartime" and old photos of Hodnet. PLEASE DO HAVE A LOOK!!

There is also a mention of current businesses, and it would be wonderful if community groups used the space to display flyers advertising the wide range of activities on offer in our Parish.

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this possible with ideas, photos and encouragement. If you have any suggestions as to how it could be improved, please contact me at sallyanngallivan@gmail.com.





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Wreath Workshops by Dorne at Papermill Park Ventures, Moston, SY4 4LU on 30th November, 1st, 6th, 7th, 8th December various times.

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Informal Wreath Workshop 28th November at the Lyon Hall, Hodnet 7 - 9pm. Book with Dorne on 07944 972999.



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COOKERY - LAMB CURRY WITH BUTTERNUT SQUASH

Using minced lamb makes this curry recipe quick to make. You will need to brown the mince and cook the butternut squash until it begins to caramelise. Choose any curry paste you like (increase the quantity if you want it spicy!) and serve with rice or naan bread.

Serves 4 Prep time: 15 minutes

Cook time: 35 minutes

Ingredients:

500g lamb mince
 500g butternut squash (prepared weight),
 peeled, deseeded and cut into 1.5cm cubes
 2 tbsp curry paste (we used tikka masala)
 400ml coconut milk
 150g spinach
 1 tbsp olive oil



Method:

Step 1 Heat the olive oil in a large deep frying pan over a medium heat. Fry the lamb (in batches) until well browned. Use a slotted spoon to lift into a bowl and discard excess fat, if needed. Return the pan to a medium heat and add the butternut squash. Fry for about 8-10 minutes until beginning to caramelise.

Step 2 Return lamb to the pan with the curry paste and fry for 1 minute, stirring. Add 300ml of just boiled water. Bring to a simmer and bubble for 15 minutes until squash is tender.

Step 3 Add coconut milk and bubble for a few minutes. Fold through the spinach to wilt and season well to taste. Serve.

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MARCHAMLEY BOOK CLUB

Marchamley Book Club will next meet on Thursday 9th November at 7.30pm in Marchamley Community Club. The book for discussion is:



A Terrible Kindness by Jo Browning Wroe

A highly-acclaimed debut novel. *When we go through something impossible, someone or something will help us, if we let them.....*

Do come and join us for the book discussion or just a general chat and a drink. There is usually a small group of about seven or eight of us, from Marchamley and close villages. Any new book lovers will be warmly welcomed. We look forward to seeing you!

MARCHAMLEY COMMUNITY CLUB

We are open every Friday night from 7pm - 11pm. Please come and see what we've done to improve the club and have a drink.

Friday 3rd November - being the first Friday, is 'Feast' night when we have free nibbles and snacks.

Saturday 18th November - Film night! - We are showing 'Top Gun: Maverick' on our big screen. Doors open 7pm, film starts promptly at 7.30pm. £5 on the door.

December dates for your diary:

Saturday 2nd December - Boogie Bingo for all the family

Saturday 16th December - Christmas Film Night - showing the 1984 classic A Christmas Carol which was filmed in Shrewsbury.

See our Facebook page: What's on At Marchamley Community Club.

PEPLOW DEFIBRILLATOR NEWS

Firstly, thank you to all those who have already donated. Thank you too to those who have supported with advice and guidance.

As far as finding a suitable location we have had a few false starts but are now hoping to site the Defibrillator at the Chapel of the Epiphany. This is an easily identifiable location for both residents and visitors to the area. It will also reduce the cost of the installation. We have contacted the Parochial Church Council and the Archdeacon for Salop to discuss this option.

Once the details have been agreed, we can apply for permission to go ahead with the work. If you would like any more information please contact:

alisonlancashire@googlemail.com. If you would like to donate please use the following link: <https://www.aeddonate.org.uk/projects/23-544/>

Don't click on the green donate button on the top right of the page but scroll down to find the Peplow Village Defibrillator fundraiser.

WOLLERTON EVENTS**UPCOMING
EVENTS****QUIZ "N" CHIPS
10TH Nov, 7PM**

**QUIZ AND FISH AND CHIPS
OR JUST COME FOR A QUIET
DRINK AND A CHAT**

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE
18TH Nov, 10 - 4**

**COME AND GET YOUR CHRISTMAS
GIFTS – VIP OPENING AT 10 AM AND
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HIS CHIEF ELF + REFRESHMENTS**

**"LITTLE VOICES"
1ST DEC, 7PM**

**A FUN EVENING OF SEASONAL SONGS
AND OTHER GENRES— TICKETS £5
FROM THE CLUB OR PHONE CAROL ON
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**WOLLERTON BOWLS AND SOCIAL CLUB,
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WOLLERTON VILLAGE ROOM NEWS

Thank you to everyone who supported our most enjoyable October Quiz Night which raised a most welcome £108 for the continued upkeep of the Village Room. Congratulations to the winning team "Fell at the First".



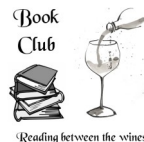
The Village Band will next practise on **Saturday 4th November 10am - 11.15am**. Still seeking more players. Aged 16+. Any instruments welcome. If you can play a scale, come along! For further information give Paul a call on 01630 638793.

Saturday 4th November - Christmas Card & Tag Making Workshop - 12-2pm and 3-5pm. £10 to include all materials. Please book by email below.



Our next **Wollerton Wander** will take place on **Wednesday 8th November** at **10.30am** followed by a cuppa and a chat in the Village Room. Please come along and support the group - no booking required. £1 per person.

Our regular **Book Club** meetings are on the **second Tuesday** of the month starting at 7pm in the Village Room. We look forward to discussing *Lonely Londoners* by *Samuel Selvon* on **Tuesday 14th November** and collecting our next book *Bees* by *Laline Paull*.



Craft & Sewing Evenings - Our next session will be on **Monday 27th November 6.30 - 8.30pm**. Come and craft in our friendly social environment - £1. Alternatively join our **Felt Christmas Decoration workshop** (registration required by email) - £5 all materials provided.

To join our mailing list or book any event pop an email to: wollertonvr@gmail.com

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WOLLERTON TENNIS CLUB



Club night is Tuesday from 6pm. All abilities welcome to come and join us for a friendly game of tennis. New members are always welcome and can join at any time - adult £35, family £50. Courts can be used for private games.

Please telephone:

Gill on 07814 409268 or Linda on 01630 685432.



KIDS' CORNER

The
Tale of the
**TWO
BUILDERS**



JESUS OFTEN TOLD
STORIES WITH
HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONE WAS ABOUT TWO MEN WHO
BUILT THEIR OWN HOUSES



THE FIRST BUILDER SEARCHED HIGH
AND LOW FOR A GOOD SOLID ROCK ON
WHICH TO BUILD HIS HIS HOME.

AT LONG, LONG LAST HE
FOUND THE IDEAL SPOT.



SO HE BEGAN TO BUILD.



THE OTHER BUILDER
DIDN'T CARE WHERE HE
BUILT HIS HOUSE

HE THOUGHT SOME NICE FLAT SAND
WOULD BE AN EASY PLACE TO BUILD.



BUT ONE DAY THE
STORM CAME....



...AND THE WIND BLEW....AND
THE RAIN FELL....



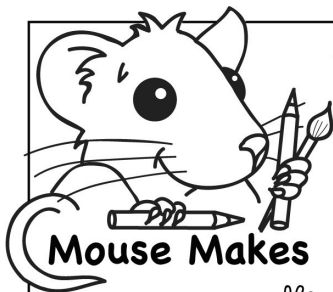
...AND THE HOUSE ON
THE SAND COLLAPSED!

BUT THE HOUSE ON THE
ROCK STOOD FIRM.



JESUS EXPLAINED -
IT'S IMPORTANT OUR LIVES HAVE
A FIRM FOUNDATION!

MOUSE MAKES



Mouse Makes

"Do not be anxious about anything,
but in every situation, by
_____ and _____,
with thanksgiving, present your
_____ to God."
Philippians 4:6-7 NIV

"The _____
is _____
to all who
on him in _____."
Psalm 145:18

"For where two or three
in my name, there
I am with them."
Matthew 18:20

SAY SORRY
PRAY FOR OTHERS
PRAY FOR YOURSELF
THANK GOD
FOR MY FAMILY
PRAY FOR FRIENDS
PRAY FOR THE NEEDY
PRAY FOR THE SICK
PRAISE GOD
PRAY FOR THE CHURCH

NIV
Look up the Bible verses,
fill in the blanks then
find them in the word search

Find these words too:
APPROACH
MEDITATE
HEAR • LISTEN
BLESS • PRAISE
FORGIVE • NAME
CRY OUT • AMEN

" _____
aways, _____
continually, _____
in all circumstances."
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Therefore,
your sins to one another and
_____ for one another,
that you may be healed."
James 5:16

" _____
yourselves
to prayer, being
watchful and
thankful."
Colossians 4:2

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Died in the services

Little Alex was staring up at the large brass plaque that hung on the side wall of the church. The plaque was covered with names, and it seemed to fascinate the seven-year-old. "All those names," he said to the minister. "Who are they?"

"Well, they were people who used to go to this church," explained the minister. "This is a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the services."

Soberly, they stood together, staring at the large plaque. Little Alex's voice was barely audible when he asked, "Which service, the 9 o'clock, or the 11 o'clock?"

Someone out there must be very good at Scrabble!

Presbyterian – Best in prayer

Astronomer – Moon starrer

The eyes – They see

The Morse Code – Here come dots

Dormitory – Dirty room

Slot machines – Cash lost in me

Animosity – Is no amity

Election results – Lies; let's recount

Snooze alarms – Alas! No more Z's

A decimal point – I'm a dot in place

The earthquakes – That queer shake

Eleven plus two – Twelve plus one

Did Noah fish?

A Sunday school teacher asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?"

"No," replied Johnny. "How could he, with just two worms?"

Thine

A Yorkshireman wanted an inscription on his wife's grave to read: 'She was Thine'. The engraver mistakenly put 'She was Thin'. The man wrote to explain that they had left off the 'e'. The next attempt read: 'E', She was Thin.'

St Matthew

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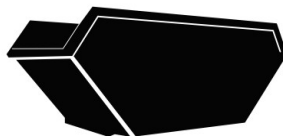
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3	Bellringing Practice 7 - 8pm - St Luke's Church	
4	Village Band - 10am - 11.15am - Wollerton Village Room Christmas Card Workshop - 12 - 2pm & 3 - 5pm - Wollerton Village Room	
5	Morning Prayer - 11.00am - St Luke's Church	
6		
7	Hodnet Footpath Group - 9.30am - Lyon Hall car park	
8	Wollerton Wander - 10.30am - Wollerton Village Room Choir Practice 7 - 8pm - St Luke's Church	Craft Group 10am - 12 noon - St Luke's Church
9	Hodnet WI - 7.30pm - Christmas Kissing Balls - Lyon Hall Marchamley Book Club - 7.30pm - Marchamley Community Club	
10	Bellringing Practice 7 - 8pm - St Luke's Church Hodnet Bonfire & Fireworks Night - 6.30pm - Hodnet Primary School	Quiz 'n' Chips - 7pm - Wollerton Bowls & Social Club
11		
12	Remembrance Service - 10:50am at the War Memorial - St Luke's Church Evensong - 6.30pm - Chapel of the Epiphany, Peplow	
13		
14	Wollerton Village Room Book Club - 7pm	
15	Craft Group 10am - 12 noon - St Luke's Church Mobile Library - 45 Wood Lane 11.10 - 11.40am Bus Stop; Marchamley Bus Stop 11.50 - 12.05pm	Choir Practice 7 - 8pm - St Luke's Church
16	Mobile Library - Castle Hill Layby 10.30 - 10.45am.	
17	Bellringing Practice 7 - 8pm - St Luke's Church Magazine final submission date	Quiz Night - 7 for 7.30pm - Lyon Hall
18	Christmas Fayre - 10am - 4pm - Wollerton Bowls & Social Club Film Night - 7pm for a prompt 7.30pm start - Marchamley Community Club	
19	Holy Communion - 11am - St Luke's Church, Hodnet	
20		
21		
22	Craft Group 10am - 12 noon - St Luke's Church	Choir Practice 7 - 8pm - St Luke's Church
23	Hodnet Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm - Lyon Hall	
24	Bellringing Practice 7 - 8pm - St Luke's Church	
25	Christmas Fayre - 10am - 2pm - Lyon Hall	
26	Morning Prayer - 11am - St Luke's Church, Hodnet Christmas carols at Hawkstone Hall Hotel	Holy Communion - 11am - The Chapel of the Epiphany, Peplow
27	Felt Christmas decoration workshop - 6.30 - 8.30pm - Wollerton Village Room	
28	Wreath Making Workshop - 7pm - Hawkstone Hall Hotel Informal Wreath Making Workshop - 7-9pm - Lyon Hall	
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