



NOTICE BOARD

Glynis Davies, Arthur's grand-daughter, sends her love & best wishes

ST. BOTOLPHS CHURCH

OCTOBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends,

Autumn is well & truly upon us now. The days are shorter and though mostly fine and dry, we are seeing & hearing different birds and other wildlife than in the summer and we are eating different fruits & vegetables. There have been problems buying petrol or diesel – as well as the ongoing problem of covid

Decisions have been made at the October PCC meeting about Covid precautions in church. We shall continue to be socially distanced, sanitise our hands and wear masks while we sing and for most of the time in church. These arrangements will be reviewed at the November meeting. Covid is far from over: my (Nicky's) daughter in London, currently has it, as does a family that I know in Colchester.

Our special Harvest Festival was held on 4th October. Colin produced a very meaningful service of hymns and readings. There was a clear link with the day's Red Bucket collection for Tree Aid, a charity which funds the planting of trees in the Sahel region of Africa, to improve the environment and combat the effects of climate change. The trees also provide food and an income for the people. The collection raised £162.68.

We are also very pleased that Colin has joined the Mission Group.

We continue to pray for Fred & Jane Woods. We have learned from Mike Foster that Maree is recovering well at home after her long-awaited hip operation. We pray for them and also Clive Joyce who should have been taking the service on Sunday 17th, and for Christine Waters: both of these await hospital treatment.

Re. Notice Board, I remember Glynis, she takes after her grandfather: immaculately dressed, pin-smart!

Another item on the agenda at the recent PCC was the future of the Quarterly Magazine. We need one for December for Christmas and a small team is required to help Ann Levy. If you are able to help please talk to David Poppleton. Also, if you can contribute an item pass it to David.

Services to come:

October 17 th	Morning Worship	Home Team
October 24 th	Holy Communion	Michael Fox
October 31 st	All Saints Day	Paul Norrington Joint Service with Castle Methodist at St. Botolphs
November 7 th	Morning Worship	Dean Paul Norrington
November 14 th	Holy Communion	Ven Michael Fox

COLLECT for 21ST Sunday after Trinity

Grant, we beseech Thee, Merciful Lord, to Thy faithful people, pardon & peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins & serve Thee with a quiet mind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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