

**Editorial**

If you have any articles for inclusion in the next edition, November 2019, please could you let me have them by 22nd October either by email to [alisonjstone26@gmail.com](mailto:alisonjstone26@gmail.com) or deliver a hard copy to Sycamore Cottage, Main Street, Knossington.

Contributions are very welcome from everyone, please think about anything which may be of interest to fellow villagers.

Many thanks  
Alison

**Parish Council.**

For those of you who are not aware your Parish Councillors are Nigel Gates (Chair) George Cook (Vice Chair) Brian Cobb, Jeremy Latham-Smith and Julia Seary.

The Parish Council now has a website and all editions of OTGW are also be posted on the site – [www.knossingtonandcoldovertonpc.org.uk](http://www.knossingtonandcoldovertonpc.org.uk).

The next Parish Council meeting is 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at 7pm in the Village Hall. The meetings are open to everyone and you never know you may learn something.

In addition to a regular slot in OTGW a Parish Council WhatsApp group has been set up to keep parishioners in touch with current issues. If you would like to join the WhatsApp group, please send me your name and mobile number to Julia Seary 07786515882.

If new to you, WhatsApp is an app which you can download onto any smart device and enables chat and group messaging using WiFi.

**Village Hall Notes****Hog Roast.**

The sun shone in Knossington on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> of September. The roast hog was a great attraction and happily, Mr Hewitt had brought a side of pork which catered for more than the 80 people we had originally bargained for, so those who had left their decision to eat till the last minute, were also lucky enough to have a pork sandwich with stuffing and apple sauce just like those who were sensible enough to buy their tickets early. Most who attended, particularly the younger element, were able to enjoy plenty of ice cream, but the ice cream tricycle, in the warm weather, emptied very quickly. Iain Gillie produced music to add to the jolly atmosphere, and no-one needed to go without a drink of some sort because the bar was open throughout. Pat and Ann Coulson kindly ran the raffle, and the first prize, a £50 voucher for eating at the Fox and Hounds, generously provided by Kate, was won by Alison and Brian Cobb. Nobody deserved that prize more than them because they put so much effort into the organisation of the event. Everyone seemed to enjoy the day, which was the main objective, and the village hall fund was increased by the princely sum of £482 – a splendid result. I would like to thank all those who helped to make the party such a success, those who donated prizes for the raffle, and those who came to enjoy the afternoon, contributing to the takings.

### **Next Meeting of the Village Hall Committee.**

At the meeting of the Village Hall Committee, held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of September, it was agreed that the next meetings of the Committee – the AGM and the routine meeting to follow – would be held in the village hall at 7.00pm on Wednesday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of November. Anyone who would like to join the Committee is invited to contact me, or any member of the Committee. Also, if you have any suggestions for any aspect of the running of the hall, please let me know and/or attend the AGM on that date.

Gary West Secretary

### **Thank You**

“A huge thank you to the friends in and around Knossington for all the support, love, and prayers you are sending me since my cancer diagnosis. This is helping me so much along my unexpected journey.

My thanks and love to all.

Denise Bedford”

### **Cold Overton**

Cold Overton will be holding their annual Harvest Supper on

Friday 18 October at 7pm at Gates’ Restaurant - Tickets £15, children £5 from Jane Knight on 01664 454421.

### **Babysitting**

If you are looking for a babysitter - Harvey Seary (15) from The Old School, Knossington, would be delighted to help.

Please call 07786515882. Thank you



**Somerby & District Horticultural Society**

## **Breeding, Growing & Showing Daffodils**

Thursday 17th October at 7,30pm at Somerby Methodist Hall

An evening talk by Mr Gibson who is an experienced and knowledgeable breeder and grower of daffodils. We can look forward to learning how to get the best show from our daffodils and which ones will grow best in different garden sites.

There will also be a range of spring bulbs available to buy on the evening. (Most of the group always like the chance of a little garden shopping to finish off the evening – with a cup of tea and biscuit of course!)

Non members and guests always welcome (£3 entrance)

If you would like to come along or become a member of the society please contact:

Angela Fisher on 01664 454265 or [angelasfisher@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:angelasfisher@tiscali.co.uk)

## **CHURCH NEWS – October**

### **Harvest Thanksgiving**

Driving around from village to village I can't help but notice and be inspired by the fields as they change colour. Fields of green shoots in spring, turning to gold throughout the summer and then, following harvest, ploughed to brown in the Autumn. Yet again I am reminded of the wonders of creation and of those whose hard work maintains our beautiful rural landscape; mindful also that this visual spectacle also puts food on our tables. We have a lot to be thankful for and I am conscious that this feeling of thankfulness is a refreshing change to all that we currently have to be concerned about. The rapid-fire newsfeeds that come to us via our 24/7 media can be quite depressing and we can be left feeling powerless to do anything to change things for the better.

Harvest time is a good opportunity to give thanks the food we do have and consider ways in which we can help those who do not have access to sufficient food. It is a time to share our mutual awe and wonder at the natural world, both plants and animals, and resolve to seek ways to protect these. And it is a time to gather together with friends and neighbours in our communities. Each of the villages in the Whatborough group of parishes are celebrating harvest in their different ways. Details of the harvest services and the harvest suppers are below.

St Peter's Knossington are celebrating this harvest season in a slightly different way. Inspired by the life of St Francis, commemorated annually on 4<sup>th</sup> October, who chose to live life simply and caring for the poor that he might be Christ-like, together with a love of nature because it was another manifestation of the beauty of God. We will have a short service celebrating *All Things Bright and Beautiful, All Creatures Great and Small* where everyone is invited to bring pets, produce and pot plants! We hope to 'decorate' the church with the plants and animals we like to surround ourselves with at home; giving thanks for plants that bring us pleasure, oxygen to breath, and those that provide us with food, and the animals through which we experience extraordinary love and devotion. This will be followed by refreshments for humans and pets and a time for conversation!

Everyone is welcome at this special time of year, a good opportunity to get together as the autumn mists roll in and the dark nights close in.

Rev'd Jayne Lewis

# Church Services for October & November

## Church Services for the Whatborough Parishes

### October 2019

- Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>** 6.00pm Harvest Service – Tilton (followed by Harvest Supper in the village hall)
- Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>** 10.00am *All Things Bright and Beautiful* – Knossington  
Whatborough Group *Service of thanksgiving & recognition of our role in caring for the natural world – pets, pot plants and people welcome!*  
6.00pm Harvest Service – Lowesby
- Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Morning Prayer – Owston (Whatborough Group Reader, Sue Sills)  
11.00am Holy Communion – Tilton (The Rev'd Canon Philip Norwood)
- Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Holy Communion – Cold Overton  
11.00am Holy Communion – Knossington  
6.00pm Owston Harvest Service and Supper

### November 2019

- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>** 9.30am Holy Communion – Owston  
11.00am Holy Communion – Tilton  
6.00pm Evensong – Lowesby (Sue Sills)
- Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>** 10.30am Service of Remembrance - Tilton  
10.55am Service of Remembrance - Knossington  
4.00pm Service of Remembrance - Cold Overton
- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Holy Communion – Owston
- Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Holy Communion – Cold Overton  
11.00am Holy Communion – Knossington