



# Parish of All Souls North Warwickshire

Austrey, Newton Regis,  
Seckington,  
Shuttington with Alvecote  
& Warton

## October 2025 Church News

Last month saw the return of our regular outreach activities, Y139 and Lighthouse as well as the start of a season of new activities with Shiloh and the Bible course. Both got off to a good start. I was, though, challenged. Challenged by people saying to me, ooh I didn't know about that! If I am honest with you, and it probably showed at the time, I was a bit annoyed. I reflected how we communicate with each other. We share things here in church news, we put things on Facebook, we make announcements in church, yet it seems it is the face to face, one to one invitation that makes a difference. That's no surprise.

This month there is so much going on across the parish that I have had to split the dates for your diary across two pages! These things, which people put lots of work into organising are only successful if we all play our part in being not just attentive to what is going on for our own purposes, but also by reaching out and encouraging one another, inviting others on the fringes, our friends and neighbours. It's all about relationships.

Communication is at the heart of building relationships, understanding one another, and fostering community. As Christians, we are called to communicate not just with words but with love, grace, and truth. Effective communication is not merely about speaking well but about listening well, showing empathy, and conveying kindness in all our interactions.

Good communication helps strengthen the bonds within our church family. It encourages collaboration, resolves misunderstandings, and promotes unity in Christ. Whether it's a conversation with a fellow believer or sharing the Gospel with someone new, our words have the power to uplift or discourage, to heal or hurt. As Proverbs 16:24 reminds us, "Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones."

We should strive to communicate with clarity, honesty, and a spirit of humility. This means taking time to listen, and speaking the truth in love. When we communicate well, we mirror the love of Christ and demonstrate His care for others.

We should never be ashamed to speak about our faith. As Paul boldly declares in Romans 1:16, "I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes." Let us commit to cultivating better communication—building relationships grounded in understanding, compassion, and faith. Through thoughtful communication, we can draw closer to one another and to God.

Blessings

**Revd Joanne**

## SERVICES & READINGS:

<b>Oct 05 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>2 Timothy 1 : 1 – 14</b>	<b>Luke 17 : 5 – 10</b>
8.30 am AUSTREY	Holy Communion	
10.30 am NEWTON REGIS	Family Worship	
6.00 pm WARTON	Evening Prayer	
<b>Oct 12 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>2 Timothy 2 : 8 – 15</b>	<b>Luke 17 : 11 – 19</b>
8.30 am NEWTON REGIS	Holy Communion	
10.30 am WARTON	Family Worship	
6.00 pm SECKINGTON	Harvest Thanksgiving ( <b>Philippians 4:4-9, John 6:25-35</b> )	
<b>Oct 19 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>Philippians 4 : 4 – 9</b>	<b>John 6 : 25 – 35</b>
10.30 am AUSTREY	Family Harvest Thanksgiving	
6.00 pm NEWTON REGIS	Harvest Thanksgiving	
<b>Oct 26 Last Sunday after Trinity</b>	<b>2 Timothy 4 : 6 – 8, 16 – 18</b>	<b>Luke 18 : 9 – 14</b>
8.30 am WARTON	Holy Communion (BCP)	
10.30 am SECKINGTON	Family Worship	
6.00 pm SHUTTINGTON	Evening Prayer	
<b>Nov 02 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Advent</b>	<b>2 Thessalonians 1 : 1 – 12</b>	<b>Luke 19 : 1 – 10</b>
8.30 am AUSTREY	Holy Communion	
10.30 am NEWTON REGIS	Family Worship	
<b>4.00 pm</b> AUSTREY	Service of Memories	

For up to date information on services please check out [A Church Near You](#) (online) or your local church noticeboard. Baptisms, weddings and funerals can all be accommodated and enquiries should be made to the Rector Revd Joanne Dyer:  
email: rector\_all\_souls@btinternet.com or tel: 07596 933488

## FUTURE DATES:

<b>Thurs 02 October</b>	2 – 4.00 pm	Coffee & Chat at Warton Parish Room
<b>Tues 07 October</b>	7.30 pm	<b>Bible Course</b> at the Vicarage (& following Tuesdays)
<b>Thurs 09 October</b>	7.30 pm	<b>Shiloh</b> – an hour of prayer and reflection at Warton Church
<b>Sun 12 October</b>	6.00 pm	<b>Harvest Thanksgiving</b> at Seckington
<b>Mon 13 October</b>	7.30 pm	Meeting of All Souls PCC
<b>Thurs 16 October</b>	2 – 4.00 pm	Coffee & Chat at Warton Parish Room
<b>Fri 17 October</b>	7 for 7.30 pm	<b>Fashion Show + Clothes Sale</b> at Newton Regis Village Hall in aid of All Souls
<b>Sat 18 October</b>	10.30 - 12.30 pm	Walk-in Coffee Morning at Austrey Church

Prayers for the world: we pray for peace to be restored in all areas of conflict in our world, especially in Ukraine and Gaza. We pray for the immediate delivery of humanitarian aid to end the deplorable suffering of the people of Gaza. We pray for urgent action by the world's nations to reduce the effects of global warming. We ask God's blessing on all who suffer in any way, whether because of war, political oppression, poverty or as a result of climate change. We ask your blessing also on all aid agencies working to help the vulnerable, the needy and the underprivileged, in particular our own Mission Partners.

Prayers for the nation: we pray for King Charles and all members of the Royal family as they seek to serve the nation. We pray for a restoration of trust in our government and its leaders, as they seek to deal with the challenges of immigration and economic growth. We pray for those working in all branches of the NHS in the face of continued pressure on its services.

Prayers for the Church: we pray for the Church and its leaders at both national and local level. We pray for the Deanery Synod meeting on 22 October, for a sense of unity and fellowship to grow among its members. We pray for Joanne and Barry in their ministry here in All Souls and for all who give of their time and energy to serve Christ in our communities.

Prayers our Community: we pray God's blessing on all who live and work in our parish. At this harvest season we give thanks for our farming community and all involved in the production and distribution of our food. We ask your love and care to surround all the staff & children in our 3 village schools as the new term progresses.

Prayers for the sick: we ask for your loving and healing presence to be with all who are ill or undergoing treatment at this time, those dependent on others for their daily care. We pray especially for those experiencing mental health issues, asking that they will receive whatever help and support they need but above all that they would know reassurance and peace.

Prayers for the bereaved: we pray for all those bereaved in recent weeks, especially any known to us. Bring comfort to them in their grief, give them strength to adjust to life without their loved ones; may they be aware of God's love and care in times of darkness.

*"The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace." (Psalm 29 : 11)*

<b>Sun 19 October</b>	10.30 am	<b>Family Harvest Thanksgiving</b> at Austrey
	6.00 pm	<b>Harvest Thanksgiving</b> at Newton Regis
<b>Wed 22 October</b>	7.30 pm	Coleshill & Polesworth Deanery Synod Meeting
<b>Thurs 23 October</b>	9.15 am	Newton Regis School Harvest Service
	2.15 pm	Austrey School Harvest Service
<b>Sat 25 October</b>	2. 00 pm	<b>Wedding</b> of Wayne MILLS & Sophie CLARE at Newton Regis
<b>Fri 31 October</b>	6.00 pm	<b>"Treats No Tricks"</b> at Austrey Church followed by <b>Youth 139 'late night'</b>
<b>Sun 02 November</b>	<b>4.00 pm</b>	Service of Memories at Austrey

**MISSION PARTNER FOR SEPTEMBER : : BIRMINGHAM CITY MISSION** At this time of year some of the harvest gifts from All Souls are donated to BCM and so we are asking for any non-perishable food or toiletry items to be brought to any of the church services on 12 & 19 October. Should you wish to make a gift of money, please put in an envelope, clearly marked, in the offertory box or plate or contact the Treasurer Trish Richardson 01827 66282 or [trish-rich18@gmail.com](mailto:trish-rich18@gmail.com)

**HARVEST THANKSGIVING:** The first of this year's services of Harvest Thanksgiving takes place on **Sunday 12 October at 6 pm (Seckington)**. It will include thanksgiving for the successful installation of the new heating system and Bishop Michael and Archdeacon Phelim will be in attendance. **Please make every effort to support this special service.**

Harvest Thanksgiving continues on **Sunday 19 October at 10.30 am (Austrey) & 6 pm (Newton Regis)**. Donations of non-perishable food items will be appreciated, for distribution through local food banks.

**CHURCH FUNDRAISING:** A welcome £980 was raised for **Seckington** when Lesley Smith again captivated her audience as Anne Boleyn. Fundraising continues in earnest to repair the roof at St Nicholas **Austrey**. Please support the regular Walk-in Coffee Morning on the third Saturday of the month from 10.30 – 12.30 pm in Austrey Church. Another **Big Breakfast** is planned for **15 November** and that same evening Austrey Village Hall are holding a **Country Music & Line Dancing Evening** with supper & bar in aid of St Nicholas. **Newton Regis** hold their annual Christmas Bingo on **21 November**. **Shuttingon** are seeking to raise funds towards replastering & redecoration and **Warton's roof** is also in need of serious repair. **Please contact the church-wardens or the vicar with offers of help or ideas for fundraising.**

**"TREATS NO TRICKS":** All Souls will be hosting its annual alternative Hallowe'en celebration on **Friday 31 October** in and around Austrey Church, starting at 6.00 pm. There will be lots of treats and fun for youngsters but nothing scary! To be followed by **Youth 139 'late night'** in Austrey Church.

**SERVICE OF MEMORIES:** Our annual Service of Memories will be held on **Sunday 2 November at 4 pm at St Nicholas Church, Austrey**. Invitations are being sent to the families of those for whom funerals have been conducted in the past 12 months. If you would like a loved one remembered by name, please contact the Rector.

**TOY APPEAL:** As in previous years we will be supporting **Birmingham City Mission's Toy Appeal**. Gifts of new unwrapped toys, games and books should be brought to church services by **early November**.

**LOOKING AHEAD:** **Book the date!** On **Saturday 29 November** All Souls is hosting another **Christmas Market** in Newton Regis Village Hall. As well as stalls run by the churches, there will be tables for hire at a cost of £10. To secure a table please contact Anne Bufton-McCoy on 07738 008900 or email [anne@seckington.org.uk](mailto:anne@seckington.org.uk).

***"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."*** (Colossians 4 : 2)