

Brackenfield Heritage Café

Brackenfield Community Hall
DE55 6AQ

Admission on the door £4 (a slightly increased price) includes tea/coffee and cake. All welcome!



A date for your diary:

Thursday 10th September 2026 'This Ringing Isle: Britain's Church Bells' Jim Heading

8 October 2026

'My Derbyshire Life' Ashley Franklin

12 November 2026

'Breeding a Thoroughbred Winner' Sally Barker

10 December 2026

'Derbyshire at Sea' Liz Keeley

Eco Church Shoebox collection



Eco church is not just about the environment and climate, it is also about caring and sharing. This month's news item is our shoebox donations for Link to Hope

Priority Items

Toothbrushes & Toothpaste, Candles & Holders

Small Games – Draughts/Playing Cards

Sweets/Chocolates – Packets

Soap & Flannels

Other items

DIY tools, tape measures, lightweight head scarves, jewellery

Toiletries – Shampoo, new make up, moisturiser, hairbrushes

Reading Glasses, Wooden Cutlery, Sensory Items, Hot Water Bottles, Work Gloves, Socks & Tights (New), Wind Up Radio/Torch, Scissors, Nail Clippers etc

There will be a shoebox filling event in the Bassett Rooms on Friday 18th September from 3:30-5pm and items can be donated to Ashover Church or the Bassett Rooms during September.

For more information about Eco Church,
<https://ecochurch.arochoa.org.uk/>

Uppertown Social Centre



For tickets and more information contact :
07966154798 www.uppertown.org

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/uppertown-social-centre>



amber news

For the amber churches of
Ashover, Brackenfield, Handley and Wessington
Loving God, serving people, welcoming all

September 2026

Church Services in September

Sunday 6th September

9:15 am Brackenfield Church Holy Communion
10.45 am Ashover Church Informal Communion

Sunday 13th September

9:15 am Wessington Church Holy Communion
10.45 am Ashover Church Morning Worship
10.45 am Handley Church Holy Communion
6.00 pm Bassett Rooms Sunday@6

Sunday 20th September

9:15 am Brackenfield Church Holy Communion
10.45 am Ashover Church All Age Service and shoe boxes

Sunday 27th September

9:15 am Wessington Church **Harvest Festival**
10.45 am Ashover Church Holy Communion
10.45 am Handley Church **Harvest Festival**

Sunday 4th October

10.45 am Ashover Church Informal Holy Communion
3.00 pm Brackenfield Church **Harvest Festival**

Sunday 11th October

9:15 am Wessington Church Morning Worship
10.45 am Ashover Church **Harvest Festival**
10.45 am Handley Church Morning Worship
6.00 pm Bassett Rooms Sunday@6

Allsorts children's group meets on Sundays from 10 am to 12 noon in the Bassett Rooms, Ashover apart from All age and Informal Communion Services, when activities are available in Church.

Ashover Celebration Choir



Ashover Celebration Choir meet on Mondays during term time from 7:30-9pm in the Bassett Rooms. New members are very welcome to join us. We sing for Celebration Services, and are also available for weddings by prior arrangement.

We are returning to practice for services for Easter and Christmas on Monday 7th September. Tenors and Basses are in short supply, so we would really welcome some more men!

If you would like to join us, please contact Anna (07788455959) or Sarah (07774540003)

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You can view this **amber news** on the **amber churches** website and there are free printed copies in churches and local shops. If you would like a copy delivered, please let us know and we will try to oblige. Send news for the October issue to ashoverallsaints@gmail.com. by Sunday 20th September

The Rector Writes ... Give thanks and celebrate



Dear Friends,

In September and October, on different dates in our different churches, we will be celebrating Harvest Festival. As we do every year, we remember all the wonderful gifts God has given us, and we respond with praise, thanks and action—sharing what we have been given with those in greater need.

We thank God for our farmers, for their dedication and long hours they work so that we can eat. We thank God for so many others involved – the shop workers, delivery drivers and so many more. And of course we give thanks for those who cook for us. We give thanks for the extraordinary variety and quality of the food we enjoy – perhaps take a moment to remember and imagine your favourite meal or snack.

And as we pause I hope we give thanks for so many other good things we enjoy – our NHS and the dedicated staff, our schools, our freedoms and all who love us and care for us.

All good gifts around us

Are sent from heaven above,

Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord

For all his love

I hope that as we give thanks, it will help us to enjoy and celebrate the good things in life, and that it will also help us to respond to those who are less fortunate. So in all our services we will give the opportunity to respond, supporting the food bank in Clay Cross, and other charities. Like the Good Samaritan, may we act, may we care for those in need, and as we do so may we break down the walls and prejudices and bring healing.

May we take time to pause, reflect, give thanks, celebrate and then respond,

With our love and prayers,

Peter

From the Registers

Baptisms:

Freddie and Ruby Hall 18th July Ashover
Poppy and Maisie Norman 1 August Ashover

Funerals:

Tony Judge 28th July Ashover
John Bown 11th August St John's Walton
Hadley Wilson 13th August Ashover
Bob Scheff 25th August, Ashover

Weddings:

Claire Seedhouse and Daniel Hall 18th July Ashover
Katie Marriott and James Norman 1 August Ashover
Anja Brailsford and Johnathan Hopkinson 28th August Ashover

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9:15 am Wessington Church
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3.00 pm Brackenfield Church

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10.45 am Ashover Church



Ashover Coffee Shop

The Coffee Shop is open 10-12 in the Bassett Rooms on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month.
Books and DVDs are available to swap.



Ashover Parish Hall Events Centre,

Milken Lane, Ashover, Chesterfield, S45 0BA
Ashoverparishhall.com

Email: info@ashoverparishhall.com

Phone 01246 590 005

Alternative Coffee Shop

At Ashover Parish Hall

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month 10 – 12

Refreshments and Cakes, WIFI & Dog Friendly

Every Tuesday – 11.30am – 12.30pm – New Solo Dance Class. Just turn up or contact Jenny

at jenny.sheeran@msn.com

Saturday 5th September Ashover Produce Club Annual Show **2-5pm**



Everyone is invited to

*Autumn
Chatterbox*

Bassett Rooms, Ashover
Tuesday 29th September,
10 am – 12 noon

*Come and share your memories
of holidays past*

Tea, coffee, etc provided

Food Bank Sundays at Ashover Church



Foodbank Sunday on 1st Sunday in the month. There will be a food and toiletries box placed at the back of church on the appointed Sundays with signage suggesting suitable items.
There is also a box in the Bassett rooms

Items can also be donated at any of our Harvest Services.

For suggestions of the items most needed please look at the Clay Cross Foodbank website:
<https://claycross.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Wessington Pop Up Shop

The Pop Up Shop will be open from 10am-12 pm on the last Saturday each month apart from May and December

For more information: facebook.com/Wessingtonpopup

Board Games

Come to the Bassett Rooms on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays every month and enjoy playing Board Games together over a cup of coffee. Everybody welcome.

2nd and 16th September

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