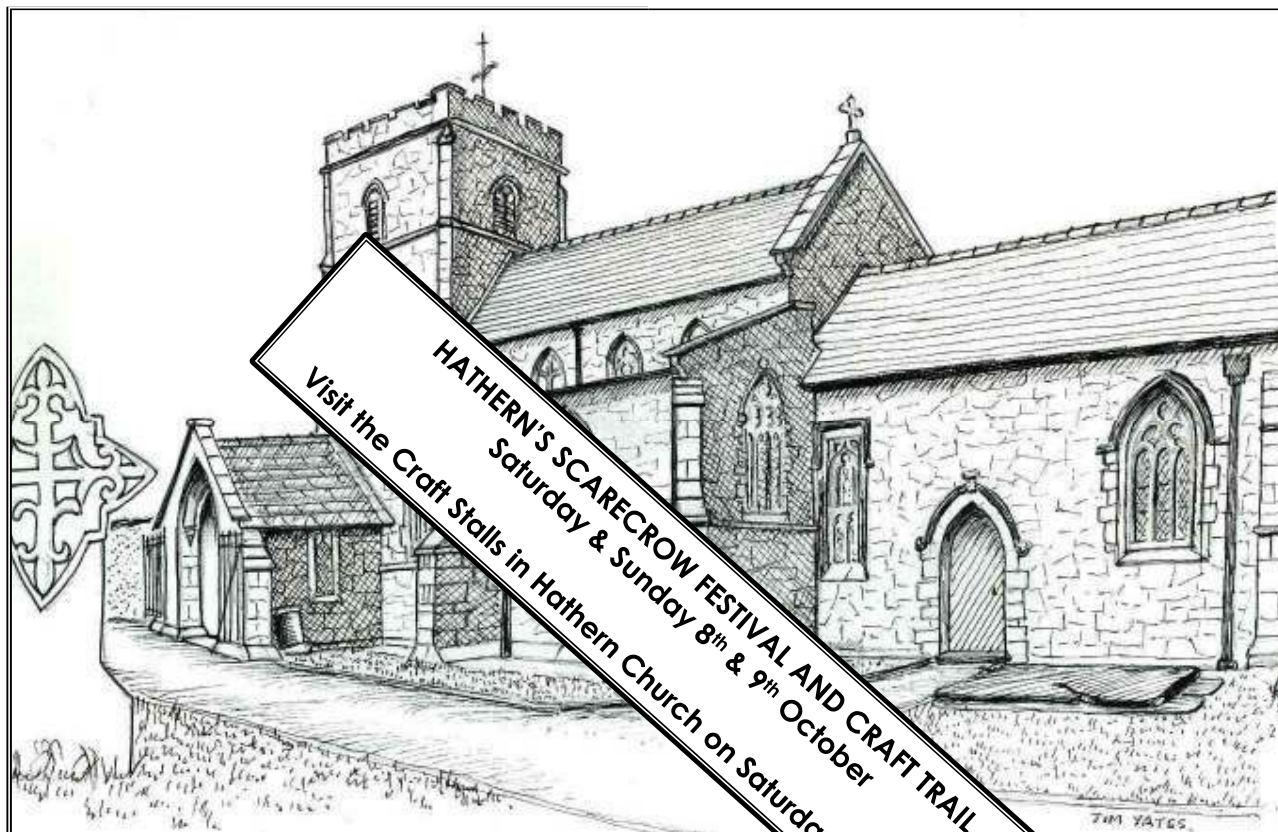


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HATHERN'S SCARECROW FESTIVAL AND CRAFT TRAIL
 Visit the Craft Stalls in Hathern Church on Saturday 8th & Sunday 9th October

Hathern Church is a member of the Kegworth & Hathern Team Ministry Group and Church Members work together throughout the united Benefice. Enquiries regarding Marriages and Baptisms should be directed to the Team Vicar.

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LETTER FROM THE TEAM

ONE EVENING, WHILST ROUND AT A FRIEND'S HOUSE, she hurriedly arrived in the lounge and all but screamed – "I need it tomorrow and it's not printing" as she waved a laptop around in white knuckled hands.

I could hardly shrug and let her get on with it. Five minutes later as she brought me a cup of tea she remarked "Well you seem very calm so that's helping me not to freak out!" I wondered what I just witnessed if it was not a 'freak out' but I continued uninstalling and reinstalling the drivers. She commented that I seem to know what I was doing, which of course I did not.

Printers are the Goblins of the computer world. Easily offended and spiteful in response. Knowing what is wrong is near impossible. A little gentle coaxing and all was forgiven, and the printer sat in the corner chugging through paper with barely a complaint. One thing I have learned with regards to all things IT is that not knowing is the norm. As is calmly searching for solution which could be somewhere completely unrelated. Throwing equipment at the wall never helps.

What is really going wrong? Where is the real problem? These are 2 questions that I use every day. Have you noticed how frequently people approached Jesus with a problem, a question or a situation and demanded an answer? So often, I notice, he gets to the heart of the problem which had nothing to do with what was the presenting issue.

For example, the woman who was caught in adultery. The real problem was the sin of the men who were judging her. A rich man asked Jesus about which sort of actions he had to do to get to heaven and Jesus pointed out the real problem was his wealth and his attachment to it.

Often, we judge ourselves harshly which is why it's good to get another perspective. Perhaps through friendship, fellowship or prayer. To see things in a new light and maybe find solutions where we least expected them.

Simon Stevens

PS. Take a step back, make yourself a cup of tea or coffee. Try typing your problem into a search engine. Somebody will have had this problem before. If you get a complicated error code you can search for that as well. If you try switching it off and on again remember to save everything first. In fact, save everything regularly.... you're welcome!

Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity

SUNDAY SERVICES IN HATHERN CHURCH (IN BOLD) + OTHER BENEFICE SUNDAY SERVICES (STREAMED ON FACEBOOK)

Sunday 1st	10:30am Harvest Festival here 6:15pm Evensong @ Kegworth
Sunday 8 th	10:30am Benefice service with Holy Communion @ Belton
Sunday 15th	10:30am Benefice service with Holy Communion here 5:30pm Evening Prayer @ Belton
Sunday 22nd	10:30am Benefice Service with Holy Communion @ Diseworth 6:15pm Holy Communion with prayers for peace here
Sunday 29th	10:30am Benefice Service with Holy Communion @ Belton 6:00pm All Souls Service @ Kegworth

OTHER SERVICES IN HATHERN CHURCH

- ★ HATHERN CHURCH IS OPEN EVERY DAY, 10:00am to 4:00pm, FOR QUIET AND FOR PRIVATE PRAYER
- ★ SAID HOLY COMMUNION EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY, 9:30am to 10:00am (11th & 25th October)
- ★ BENEFICE PRAISE SERVICE + REFRESHMENTS, EVERY 4th WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH (25th October)

... AND ONLINE IN THE BENEFICE

- ★ MORNING PRAYER (EVERY DAY EXCEPT SUNDAYS) AT 8:30am IS STREAMED ON FACEBOOK
- ★ ZOOM MEETINGS ARE HELD EVERY THURSDAY EVENING AT 8:30pm FOR EVENING PRAYER

(Please contact Revd Louise Corke for easy joining instructions)

REGISTERS

Holy Matrimony 19th August
Christian Funeral 30th August
15th September

Darren Adger & Michelle Thompson
Margaret Alison Swift, aged 78, d 29th July
Vera Griffiths Jobling, aged 93, d 1st August

HATHERN LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY will be showing their big-screen presentation "THIS IS HATHERN" in Hathern Church. This includes pictures of the village from more than 100 years ago, comparing them with more recent photos, showing how Hathern has developed over that period. After the show, members of the History Society will be there to chat to people about the show and the History Society's activities.

HATHERN PARISH CHURCH
7.00pm SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER
ADMISSION £3.00 INCLUDES REFRESHMENTS.

Piers and Christian were prawns. Piers said "I'm fed up with being a prawn, I want to be exciting - I wish I were a shark!"

There was a flash and the mysterious Cod waved her fin. Piers became a fierce shark. Soon he got very sad, though, because no one would go near him, even Christian was frightened by him.

"Oh, I wish I were a prawn like before" he cried. There was a flash and the Cod waved her fin again: Piers turned back into a prawn. He dashed to Christian's house "Come out and play!"

"No" said Christian "I'm scared of you!" But Piers said "It's OK! I've seen Cod, and I'm a prawn again, Christian!"

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HARVEST FESTIVALS are often celebrated in Churches on the first Sunday of October, which is also usually the closest Sunday to the Autumn Equinox that marks the start of Autumn. It is the time when we thank God for the, hopefully, plentiful supply of food.

The festival, as we know it today, is attributed to Rev Robert Hawker who, in 1843, invited parishioners to a special thanksgiving service in Morwenstow, Cornwall. But these celebrations date from about 3,500 years ago in Old Testament days when God gave Moses instructions for seven annual feasts (Leviticus 23) which included three harvests per year!



WEATHER REPORT FOR HATHERN

AUGUST

Rainfall : 46.6mm (1.8")
Max temp : 28.6°C, Min temp : 7.5°C

JULY

Rainfall : 73.7mm (2.9")
Max temp : 28.9°C, Min temp : 10.0°C

2023 so far

Rainfall : 432.4mm (17.0")
Max temp : 30.0°C, Min temp : -5.2°C

2022

Rainfall : 559.3mm (22.0")
Max temp : 39.4°C, Min temp : -8.2°C

HOCC 200 CLUB

September 2023 Draw

£20 - Nr 29 - A Leeson

£5 - Nr 128 - H Swift

MAGAZINE ITEMS FOR NOVEMBER TO JOHN WORSFOLD BY FRIDAY 12th OCTOBER

You can send details as an attachment by email to
JHW.Hathern@gmail.com

My wife texted me to say she was in casualty.
I've looked on BBC iPlayer but haven't seen her
yet. And I'm still waiting for my dinner.

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HATHERN YOUTH CLUB Presents Hathern's 3rd SCARECROW FESTIVAL & CRAFT TRAIL

OVER 50 SCARECROWS
AND LOADS OF CRAFT
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(ALL IN WALKING DISTANCE)

£3.00 per map

Collect your maps from our stall on Cross Street

**To register a scarecrow or
For more information email
yescarecrowfestival@gmail.com**



Saturday & Sunday 8th & 9th October

Doctor : "I'm afraid your DNA is reversed!"

Me : "... and?"

I told my wife she was plucking her eyebrows too high. She seemed surprised.

OUR 19th CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Make a date in your diary, don't miss it

- 10:00am-8:00pm Friday 8th December
 - 10:00am-8:00pm Saturday 9th December
 - 10:00am-5:30pm Sunday 10th December
 - 7:30 Sunday 10th December
- Join us for "Songs of Xmas Praise", a mince pie and a glass of sherry

WHY NOT DO A TREE? IT'S GREAT FUN!

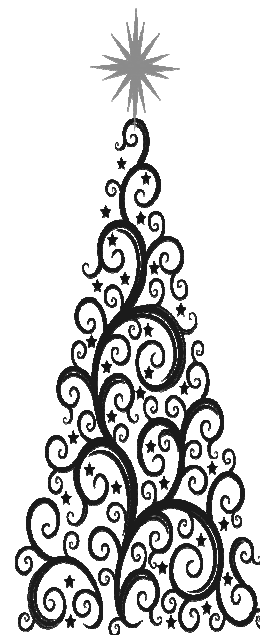
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PRICES HELD TO £3, accompanied school-aged children free
All proceeds go towards Hathern Church Fabric Account



HELPERS NEEDED FOR THE FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Fancy spending a few enjoyable hours as a helper at the Festival this year? You'll meet lots of happy people and excited children, it's a lovely way to enjoy socialising with your fellow villagers. We're looking for folk to do one or more 2 hour stints from Friday to Sunday on:

- The door
- The raffle table
- The kitchen, serving teas, and
- The tombola

If this is for you, please pop your name on the rota inside church, or contact Rosemary directly, 842585.

TOMBOLA PRIZES WANTED, TOO

Have you got anything that you'd like to donate to our Tombola? We need prizes galore, you can let Rosemary know and we'll collect, otherwise drop them off at 33 Green Hill. Thank you

A couple were round at their friends' house for a meal. Both couples had been friends since childhood and senility was creeping in. After dinner, the women went into the kitchen to wash up.

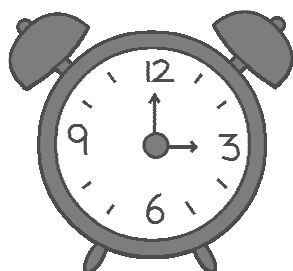
The host turned to his friend and said "We found a lovely little café last week! You two would love it!"

"We would? What's it called?"

"I can't remember" said the host "Let me think – you'll have to help me out - what's that bush called that's got nice flowers but has prickly thorns on the stem?"

"Rose?"

"Yeah, that's it!" he said and, turning his head, he shouts to his wife "Rose, what was that café called?"



AN EXTRA HOUR IN BED

Remember winter time begins on the last
Sunday of the month (29th October)
Put your clocks back by an hour and
have a lie-in!!

THE HARVEST SUPERMOON

HARVEST MOON IS THE NAME GIVEN TO THE FULL MOON that appears closest in date to the first day of autumn. In the northern hemisphere it is also known as the Autumn Equinox when day and night are the same length of time. Last year, for example, the Harvest Moon occurred on 10th September 2022 and this year it was on 29th September.

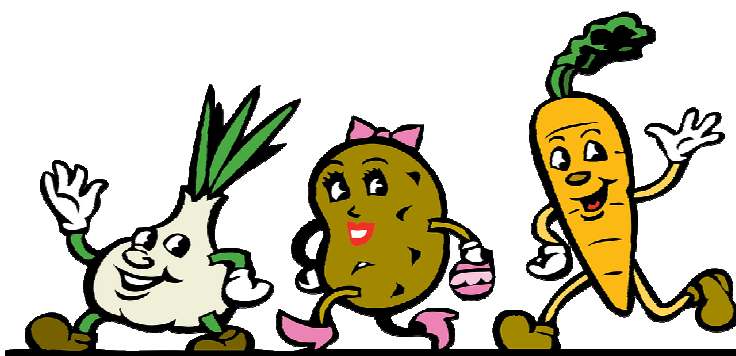
The Harvest Moon is one of four 'supermoons' during 2023. The name 'supermoon' became popular in March 2011 when the Moon's orbit brought it unusually close to the Earth, the distance being 221,565 miles. This was only 271 miles greater than the closest it can ever come to the Earth and was a very rare occurrence. The next time this will happen will be on 6 December 2052. All supermoons are full moons that come their closest to the Earth during the year.

The supermoons are caused by the elliptical shape of the Moon's orbit around the Earth and the positions of the Sun, Earth and Moon which causes the appearance of the Moon to change its size, hence we see full, new and various sizes in between. When the Moon is full it is exactly on the opposite side of the Earth from the Sun and so reflects more sunlight than at other times.

HATHERN'S HARVEST FESTIVAL

ON SUNDAY 1st OCTOBER we hold our own Annual Celebration of the Harvest. Our Harvest Festival Service is at 10:30am with coffee and biscuits afterwards.

**All your produce is given to
John Storer House Food Bank
for those in need.**



The only thing that the Flat Earth Society fears is sphere itself.

HATHERN CHURCH & THE CARPENTER'S ARMS

THE CARPENTER'S ARMS is a Leicestershire-based charity that supports men ages 18+ who are challenged by homelessness because of issues with drugs, alcohol or other forms of addiction. Its residential programme includes support sessions, group work, employability support and leisure activities,

The charity was founded by Bryan and Judith Spence in 2008. They had a vision to see broken lives made new through Christ.

Their team of 56 staff, 4 trustees and 8 volunteers work hard to create an environment that best facilitates recovery and offers hope, health, a second chance, better relationships and a path to God.

PHASE 1 offers support for reducing or detoxing from addictive substances and settling into a routine. This can take anything from 2 weeks to 3 months, depending on the progress of the individual, in their 2 Loughborough centres.

PHASE 2 is at Six Hills, the previous hotel there, and is focused on challenging old ways of thinking whilst offering guidance and support.

PHASE 3 is optional where residents move into one of the charity's staffed houses and apply elements taught on the programme, whilst being encouraged to live independently.

The charity has, since 2019, become involved with the Armed Forces Covenant and Veterans.

Hathern Church Members support The Carpenter's Arms through weekly gifts of food and monetary donations. If you would like to help this wonderful charity and its residents, we would love it.

Gifts of food can be left in church, in a box provided on the first pew.

Donations can be left in church in an envelope marked "Carpenter's Arms", put your envelope in the locked donations box on the back of the main door. Alternatively, give it directly to the Worsfolds.

