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# Invitation to meet our new Vicar

The Rev. John Langlands and his wife Frances will be starting their ministry with us in Ansley on 3rd June, when John will be leading Holy Communion at St Laurence's at 6.30 p.m.

There will be four opportunities to meet them informally during June.

The times will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and there will be refreshments and craft activity available at each venue.

Please come to the location which best suits you i.e.

**Saturday 9th – St. Michael's, New Arley**

**Saturday 16th – St. Wilfrid's, Old Arley**

**Saturday 23rd – St. John's, Ansley Common**

**Saturday 30th – Village Church Hall, Ansley**

Do come and meet John and Frances, they will be pleased to see you.

Please Note: A change to May magazine information!

The gathering for refreshments in the Annexe on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 5.00 p.m. has been cancelled.



## June St Laurence's Church Services

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trinity 1	10.30 a.m.	Ordinary Time Screen
		6.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 2	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship
		6.30 p.m.	Evensong
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 3	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
		6.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 4	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
		6.30 p.m.	Evensong

## St John's Church Hall Ansley Common Services

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trinity 1	10.30 a.m.	Family Service
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 2	10.30 a.m.	Family Service
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 3	10.30 a.m.	Family Service
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 4	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion

### Please Note

The general pattern for the morning service at St Laurence's will be changing, starting this month. The first Sunday of the month will be a screen service. The second Sunday will be Morning Worship or a screen service following the seasons of the church's year. Then the third and fourth Sundays will both be Holy Communion. The pattern for evening services remains the same, as shown in the table above.

### From the Registers

#### Baptisms

Calista Liberty Marie Hart celebrated her baptism on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> April, supported by her parents, Adam and Emma, her Godparents, family and friends.

Leighton Kenny Hill celebrated his baptism on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, supported by his parents, Michael and Samantha, his Godparents, family and friends.

We ask God's blessing on Calista and Leighton as they set out on the path of faith, and on their parents and Godparents.

(The editor apologises for spelling Calista's surname incorrectly in last month's magazine.)

#### Funeral

The funeral of Clifford Webb, aged 83, took place at St Laurence's church on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April. His wife, children, grandchildren, many other family members and friends gathered to celebrate his life and to share their memories.

He was known to all as Cliff. He spent time in the forces as an engineer and, when he left, he continued to work in engineering. While travelling to their honeymoon destination, he and his wife missed a connection thus spending their honeymoon night at Waterloo station! They would have celebrated sixty years of marriage this October.

He was a keen angler and spent many hours fishing with his son, Jonathon.

Cliff loved to keep his lawn immaculate and used his vast array of tools to make and mend many items.

Cliff, along with his son's ashes, was buried in Ansley churchyard.

We offer our heartfelt condolences to Cliff's wife, his three daughters and his grandchildren.

#### St John's Bingo

You are warmly invited to a session of Bingo at St John's Hall, Ansley Common, on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00 p.m.

#### Coffee Morning with Bring and Buy

Marie and Dave Cove invite you to 28, Nuthurst Crescent on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June, between 10.00 a.m. and 12 noon for a chat, tea, coffee, cakes and the opportunity to bring,, buy or both! Weather permitting, visitors will be able to sit outside and enjoy their beautiful garden. Money raised will be sent to the charity, Child Line.

#### Bell Ringers

A team of visiting ringers will be at St Laurence's church on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June between 2.15 and 3.00 p.m. You will be welcome to go along and listen to them.

#### A Trip to Southport

Places are still available and open to villagers from Ansley and Ansley Common.

#### Arley Village Day Trip Saturday 7th July

Not only does Southport have a beautiful sandy beach, but also boasts the oldest iron pier in the country, standing for over 150 years. A trip on the Pier Tram to the Pavilion with antique penny slot machines, traditional seaside amusements and rides for the little ones, plus a stop for some fish and chips - means there's no chance the children will get bored! And if you like shopping, the town centre features England's longest shopping street - Lord Street. There's something about a coach trip to the seaside with good friends from your local community. Please join us.

DEPART ST. JOHN'S, ANSLEY COMMON at 07.30 am

DEPART BARN, OLD ARLEY at 7.45 am

DEPART ARLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE at 7.50 am

DEPART Southport at 17.30 pm

ADULT:(16+) £20.00, CHILD (Below 16) £15

To book please contact Denise: 01676 541916

#### From the PCC

The requirements of the General Data Protection Regulation, coming into force on 25<sup>th</sup> May, were discussed at a recent meeting. A data privacy notice has been prepared detailing how your personal data is processed, stored and retained. A copy will be placed in each building, in the folder beside the First Aid box. You will be asked to sign a form if personal data may be included on the church website or in the magazine.

To exercise all relevant rights, queries or complaints please in the first instance contact the PCC Secretary at St Laurence's church. More about the regulation can be found by



searching GDPR May 2018, or by contacting the Information Commissioners Office on 0303 123 1113 or at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire. SK9 5AF.

Work will be starting sometime this summer on repairing the ground gutters at the base of the church walls. The repairs will need to be done with the correct materials and before frosts return. Donations towards this work would be much appreciated.

### Diocesan Centenary

The Diocese of Coventry welcomed the Archbishop of Canterbury early in May as part of the celebrations marking the Centenary of the Diocese. Justin Welby was ordained in Coventry Cathedral in 1992, was a curate in Nuneaton and a rector in Southam. He also served at Coventry Cathedral and became Canon for Reconciliation Ministry, so his visit was to an area he knew well.

During his visit met faith leaders from across the city, met refugees and asylum seekers in Hillfields, discussed end of life matters with members of South Warwickshire NHS Trust, met patients and staff at George Eliot Hospital, visited a working farm in south Warwickshire, visited schools and colleges, meeting children, students and teachers. He spent a day at the Centenary Festival, joining in activities and chatting to people. The announcement that the Cathedral no longer requires visitors to pay an entrance fee was warmly received. Donations can be given instead.

Members of our church attended a service at All Saints Church, Coton, where Archbishop Justin put his prepared script to one side and spoke informally to the people gathered there, asking them all to help in the mission of the church.

Further details about the visit can be found on the Coventry Diocese website and also details of other events planned for this special year.

### WELCOME!

The church wardens and members of the PCC offer the Reverend John Langlands and his wife Frances a very warm welcome to Ansley Parish. He will be the curate in charge of the Benefice of Arley and Ansley and can be referred to as the vicar, or John! (We do have more than one John around!)

He will not be living in the Benefice, but can be contacted by phone on 07588664962 or 02476675236, or by e-mail at [janglands@sky.com](mailto:janglands@sky.com). General information about St Laurence's and St John's can be found at [www.ansleychurch.org](http://www.ansleychurch.org). These details will be on the front cover of the magazine each month.

We ask God to bless John, Frances and all in Ansley Parish, that their walk with us through life's journey may help us all to grow in faith and share mutual support and encouragement. Amen.

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### Prayer Requests

If you would like someone or a particular situation remembered in prayer at our Sunday Services, both at St. Laurence's and at St. John's, please hand the slip below to a member of the church congregation or contact a warden. Phone numbers are on the front cover of this magazine. Please remember that a visit can be arranged to anyone who is sick, but the wardens do need to know, so again please ring.

Please pray for ..... who is .....

When I see the demise of the High Street and also the large department stores, it makes me sad but mostly the outdoor markets. When we were younger we knew all the stallholders in Nuneaton on Saturday market day. There was also such a variety of shops – hardware, haberdashery, cake shops, batch shop and a little old man who pushed an ice cream barrow. There was also a hotel. Shopping was a happy experience as people didn't rush around as they knew exactly what they wanted.

I chuckled to myself when I watched an advert for a 'high-end' car. It had all the features which make me redundant as a 'back street driver.' Now the car itself can be irritating, but there is one difference – the human being can be ignored or quietened but the car will just have to be listened to.

Dave and I got our love of the garden from our parents. Now our eldest son has two allotments, one of our granddaughters and her fiancé have transformed her mother's garden and help us and now our 5 year old great grandson is growing tomatoes. Five generations with a love for the garden and I like to think we set the seeds which can be as small as dry dust but God produces the miracle of our harvest.

Cartoonist Walter Lantz and his wife Grace rented a log cabin in a Californian forest for their honeymoon. Their peace was shattered by an incessant tapping on the roof, which they discovered was a woodpecker. Instead of letting this irritate them they viewed the situation with humour and out of this experience the well loved cartoon character Woody Woodpecker was born. Walter drew the character and later on Grace provided the distinctive voice. How different it would have been if they had allowed themselves to be upset by that tapping.

I have seen a Summer's morning, so I know what beauty is.

I have seen a sunset, so I know what grandeur is.

I have lived in a happy home, so I know what love is,

And because I have experienced all this, I know what wealth is. Anon.

Marie Cove.