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## High Sheriff visits Appleton Community Shop

## ***Foreword from the St Laurence PCC***

### **Lockdown reflections**

Apparently one of the Chinese words for “crisis” is comprised of two symbols, one meaning; “danger”, and the other; “opportunity”. Few could argue with the first of these as danger is more obviously visible than at any time in modern peacetime memory, with Covid-19 impacting our financial security, our mental and physical health and even our very lives. Even as lockdown eases and shoots of recovery show our teenagers still face anxiety over exam results and their futures, whilst holiday-makers grapple with travel restrictions and unexpected quarantine. Perhaps inevitably, this crisis has hit the most vulnerable in our county (and our parish) disproportionately hard.

It's odd therefore to think of a crisis as an opportunity. But in the midst of all the gloom there have been huge (if more quiet) gains. Society has, by most measures, become more compassionate and caring. The Black Lives Matter movement testifies that care for our fellow man and woman resonates deeply with so many of us, recognising that all of us are of equal (and immeasurable) value.

And the same is true in the Church. In April one online Christian bookstore reported a 55% rise in sales of physical bibles, and Dr Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, refers to a “historic spiritual movement” triggered by the pandemic. This is unsurprising, as times of existential crisis expose where we turn to for our security. But those who have purchased bibles won't find it full of easy answers to their Covid questions or, for that matter, always comfortable reading. The bible holds up a mirror to us, showing the very best and worst of human behaviours (often within the same individuals) and a people at odds with the world around them. In that regard it can feel very contemporary. At the same time though it also shows us a God who is consistently loving from start to finish, committed to bringing those people into a perfect relationship with him and with his creation. That God ultimately reveals himself to us in love in the person of Jesus Christ, who is the same “yesterday, today and forever”. It is our prayer that many would take the opportunity to find comfort in him, even in the face of real danger.

Alexander Marcham, St Laurence congregation member.

# St Laurence September Update

Rev'd Phil will be officially licensed on Monday 7th September via a zoom service.

St Laurence Church will remain open for private prayer on Wednesdays and Sundays. Please note that all visitors are now required to wear face masks in accordance with the latest government guidelines.

We hope to host an outdoor welcome service for Rev'd Phil and Isabel Parker on Sunday 13th September. Further details will be available from the church website or the church noticeboard nearer the time.

All enquiries should continue to be directed to Roger Mitty, Churchwarden, on 01865 863794.

From 8th September, these can be directed to the Rectory on 01865 655867 and by email to [rector@stlaurencechurchappleton.org](mailto:rector@stlaurencechurchappleton.org)

# St Laurence Inside Out Save the dates and watch this space

Whilst we cannot predict what Government guidelines might be in place as we head towards Autumn and Christmas, you can be sure that St Laurence events will be happening in some form inside or outside. Here are some key dates for your diaries.

## Harvest Weekend

Outdoor Harvest lunch at South Lawn  
Saturday 3rd October

Bring your own picnic. Numbers restricted to Government guidelines.

## Remembrance Day

Sunday 8th November

## Christmas Quiz

Look out for it in November's Advertiser

## Bizarre Bazaar

Late November with zoom finale  
Saturday 28th November

## Advent Calendar

Advent windows throughout the village in December

Look out for news as we think outside the box.

# 'Ride and Stride – Saturday 12th September.

St Laurence will be open to all visitors participating in Historic Churches Trust 'Ride and Stride' event. All current government guidelines will be adhered to and more information about how to participate is available on their website <https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>

## Invitation

You are invited to the Institution and Licensing by the Bishop of Dorchester The Right Reverend Colin Fletcher of The Reverend Philip Parker as Rector and Chaplain of Cothill School on Tuesday 7th September 2020 7.30 pm at St Laurence Church Appleton This meeting will be held via Zoom. If you would like to join the meeting please email the PCC Secretary [pccsecretary@stlaurencechurchappleton.org](mailto:pccsecretary@stlaurencechurchappleton.org) Please join the meeting from 7:15pm onwards to enable a prompt start at 7.30

## Revision of the Electoral Roll from 16<sup>th</sup> September

The existing Electoral Roll will be available to view in the Church Porch in preparation for the annual revision of the Electoral Roll from 1<sup>st</sup> September. If you are not already on the Electoral Roll and would like to join, forms are available in the Church Porch. You have 14 days until 1<sup>st</sup> October to complete the form and place in the box. You are eligible to join the Electoral Roll if you have been baptised, are 16 years +, and are resident in the parish or have regularly attended St Laurence for 6 months if living outside the parish. Joining the Electoral Roll entitles you to vote on church matters. Please contact the Electoral Roll Officer for further information or please email [alisonjeffreys@appletonmanor.co.uk](mailto:alisonjeffreys@appletonmanor.co.uk)

## ST LAURENCE Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

### Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2020

Our APCM will be held on **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 10.30 am**. It is a legal requirement to present the Annual Report and hold a vote for the election of Lay members to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and Deanery Synod. The 2019 Annual Report will be available to download from the website from **1<sup>st</sup> October 2020** [www.stlaurenceappleton.org](http://www.stlaurenceappleton.org) or email the PCC Secretary, Carol Dodimead [pccsecretary@stlaurencechurch.org](mailto:pccsecretary@stlaurencechurch.org) for a copy. Present government regulations determine that the meeting will be held via Zoom. Please contact the PCC Secretary [pccsecretary@stlaurencechurch.org](mailto:pccsecretary@stlaurencechurch.org) for a link to join the meeting. All those already on the Electoral Roll will be sent the link automatically nearer the time, and all those who have not the appropriate technology to do this will be contacted by a member of the Church family who will help them join the meeting virtually. All are welcome.

## John Revell RIP

Jennie, Mark and Jonathan thank everyone for their loving support and kindness during John's illness.

Thank you all for the cards, messages and flowers we received.

Special thanks to Graham Rose and the cricketers who formed a guard of honour at the church.

## Grant available for local school leavers

If you previously attended Appleton Primary School and live in the parish of Appleton with Eaton and are leaving Secondary Education this summer, you may be eligible for a grant of £100 towards University books or tools for an Apprenticeship.

To make an application, please send an email with details of your proposed course or training to Mr David Dymock, Clerk of the Appleton Trust: [dymockdj@gmail.com](mailto:dymockdj@gmail.com)

## Appleton 250 Club

Covid 19 lockdown has prevented our collectors from making the annual visits during May/June for £5 subscriptions and issuing membership cards. The monies we collect supports the Village Hall, Appleton Sportsfield and other local charitable organisations, after we have paid out our quarterly prizes. Until we find a way of collecting from 250 members, we shall be unable to carry out donations in the future. Any ideas?

*Sue Johnson (Treasurer)*

0330 113 7868

[susan.j.johnson66@gmail.com](mailto:susan.j.johnson66@gmail.com)

## **Appleton Village Pre-School – update**

It was with enormous sadness that we as trustees voted to permanently close Appleton Village Pre-School at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 6th August. The pre-school will be formally dissolved on 1st September.

As parents of 15 pre-school alumni ourselves, we know the important place pre-school has held – and holds – here in our community and beyond. Since its launch in 1968, so many children (many now adults) have had a good start to their early years education through our pre-school, and so many of our community have contributed to its long success. Our thoughts go to the staff team at the time of closure, not least Tracey Agutter and Jane Gibbs, for their many years' service.

If you, reading this, ever helped run our pre-school (either in its founding, as a staff member or committee member), or supported us in our fundraising (through organising or attending events, or donating time or money) or as a volunteer, we would like to express our deep gratitude to you. What a difference you made to countless children's lives.

The Trustees of Appleton Village Pre-School

## **Update on the Comet Minibus Services**

The number 63 bus is starting again on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September and will run every weekday. (See the Parish Council News for details.) As a result of this, the Monday Comet minibus to Oxford will end with the last service running on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

The Monday minibus to Abingdon will continue to run as normal, departing from the village at 10.10 am.

### **Covid restrictions**

The number of passengers is restricted to 6 at this time and if you want to use the service, please phone Mary Carey on 07812 354496 or Betty Griffiths on 01865 863255. Note that you must wear a mask on the minibus.

To help fund the minibus cost, we ask that you donate £2.50 towards the cost of your return journey.

## **Appleton WI**

Despite the dreaded virus Appleton WI is still bright eyed and bushy tailed. I'm writing this on the day before we get together for an open air meeting in the cricket club. The weather forecasters have promised a sunny day and we are looking forward to our first get together since February.

Should the village hall be open in September we shall have our usual fund raising meeting. We will keep you informed.

Keep well and keep cheerful.

Elaine Flint

01865 861838

**Appleton website is now**

[www.Appleton-eaton.org](http://www.Appleton-eaton.org)

[appletonandeaton@gmail.com](mailto:appletonandeaton@gmail.com)

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## Opening hours:

### Shop

Monday–Friday: 7am–6pm

Saturday : 8am–1pm

Sunday: 8am–12noon

### Post Office

Monday & Thursday

9am–1pm



## Oxfordshire High Sheriff visits Appleton Community Shop

Staff and volunteers were delighted to welcome a suitably masked High Sheriff of Oxfordshire, Amanda Ponsonby, on an August visit to the village shop. In full regalia Amanda enjoyed being shown our extensive range of local products in stock and chose some to take home with her!

Amanda was told how the Shop has been a lifeline for the community during lockdown with well stocked shelves and heard how the buddying system was put in place, to deliver goods to those who were self -isolating. Turnover was up by 30 per cent in April, May, June and July but is now returning to more normal levels.

The High Sheriff had entertained Oxfordshire Community Shop workers to a socially distanced event in her garden and is currently visiting as many Oxfordshire shops as she safely can. Amanda is keen to support rural enterprise, particularly in the village communities of Oxfordshire and was impressed by the achievements she saw for herself during her visit, as well as the large number of volunteers who help keep the shop running so well.

**Are you an early riser? At certain times of year (like now!) the Shop struggles to find enough volunteers to do the early sessions.**

Two volunteers start at 6.30am on weekdays (actually one usually starts a bit earlier) to open up, sort out the paper rounds, bring in the milk, bread and sandwiches and bake the pastries and pasties in addition to serving the early bird customers.

## MONTHLY TURNOVER

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
May	22,428	24,532	30,553
June	24,483	24,276	28,172
July	27,343	28,976	28,988
Aug	23,774	25,199	
Sept	21,849	23,131	
Oct	22,625	23,504	
Nov	22,583	22,107	
Dec	23,486	24,524	
Jan	20,000	20,700	
Feb	19,782	19,962	
Mar	22,305	27,669	
April	21,570	28,522	

Take a look at the Community Shop home page on the village website at:

[www.appleton-eaton.org](http://www.appleton-eaton.org)

And Follow us on Facebook



[www.facebook.com/appletoncommunityshop](https://www.facebook.com/appletoncommunityshop)

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## Appleton Village Hall

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Juliet Carter

[appletonvillagehallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:appletonvillagehallbookings@gmail.com)

There is a stalwart core of hardy volunteers who undertake these roles but even they take holidays, look after grandchildren and are even sometimes unwell and it would be REALLY HELPFUL to have a larger pool of reserves. To become a reserve it would be sensible to be 'regular' for about a month to get used to the shop's routines and idiosyncrasies. After that you could either stay on as a regular or join the much needed reserve bank. Perhaps you can only do holidays or term time, you may travel a lot and are not always around or perhaps you don't know long in advance when you might be free. Flexibility is no problem. PLEASE All you need to do is mention that you would be on for helping to Juliet Carter, Laura Olver or any of the shop staff or volunteers and hey presto.....) If you would like to know more about volunteering generally in the shop, please contact the shop (863191) or email: [appletonshop@gmail.com](mailto:appletonshop@gmail.com)

## **Appleton Voluntary Transport Service**

The Appleton Voluntary Transport Service can now offer a very limited service. It remains the case that our drivers are either over 70, and have to be aware of their consequent vulnerability, or are in employment, but if anyone is unable to get to a medical appointment in any other way we will try to fix up a driver.

Please phone the AVTS phone on 07503 447884, and not the home numbers of drivers. Leave a message if your call is not answered, and we will get back to you. We need to have at least 48 hours' notice of any appointment.

For Oxford hospital appointments, the 63 bus service resumes on 1st September, and there is an excellent bus service from central Oxford to both the Churchill and the John Radcliffe. We hope that patients will use public transport where at all possible.

Please be aware that it may not be possible to arrange transport for patients who are not personally known to drivers.

**WE DESPERATELY NEED MORE DRIVERS FOR THIS SERVICE. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO DRIVE PATIENTS, EVEN FOR A LIMITED PERIOD EACH WEEK, PLEASE CALL THE AVTS NUMBER ABOVE.**

**Year 8 and above?**

**Boring Thursday evenings?**

**For a little longer.....**

**OX13+ Appleton Youth Club is usually back in September, but with uncertainty over Covid and the continuing need for social distancing, club nights will not be starting for a while.**

**Watch this space – we'll be back as soon as possible.**

## Gardening Club



Just to confirm that we have had to cancel the Village Show on 6th September because of the restrictions due to Covid 19.

Our winter lecture series is due to start on 14<sup>th</sup> October and we are currently investigating the possibility of holding some of the lectures by Zoom. We will be able to confirm our progress in the October edition of the Advertiser.

The October lecture is due to be given by Jonathan Ford on Four Local Gardens – some thoughts on design. Jonathan is a landscape garden designer and will discuss the challenges he faced in 2 small gardens and 2 larger rural spaces.

*Hon. Secretary  
Janet Hutton  
01865 865269*

## Coronavirus Appleton Besselsleigh Eaton Support

Just in case you are in doubt, we are pleased to remind everyone as we approach Autumn that, should you need help, the buddy system is still in place and the list of coordinators previously circulated is still current.

Alison

## Appleton Brownies

Appleton Brownies are looking for a new leader to work alongside the current team. If anyone has a free hour and a half on a Monday evening during term-time and would like to have plenty of fun, as well as helping to keep a thriving Brownie group going - please contact Hannah at [hannahtealwright@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hannahtealwright@yahoo.co.uk).

## Appleton with Eaton Tennis Club



### Covid-19

We have completed several safety and risk assessments in line with government and the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA), so we are confident that we are protecting all our members as much as is possible. We are delighted that the courts are being used so well for club and individual play.

Covid regulations mean that we cannot offer Pay and Play access to the courts but we welcome anyone who would like to join us to contact us to arrange a time to come along and join a session.

You can read the latest updates from LTA on their website: <https://www.lta.org.uk/coronavirus>

### Club Sessions

Our club sessions have restarted - have a look at the website for all the times and how to book (booking is essential).

### Annual Tournament

Tournament matches are well underway but we have taken the decision that there will be no spectators on Finals Day in September but we will still be awarding trophies!

### Junior Coaching

Will start on 11<sup>th</sup> September for the autumn term so if you are interested in enrolling your junior, please contact the Club for more details.

### *For more information and to contact the club:*

Email: [appletonwitheatontennis-club@gmail.com](mailto:appletonwitheatontennis-club@gmail.com)

Website: [www.appleton-eaton.org/tennis](http://www.appleton-eaton.org/tennis) or <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/>

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# **News from the Appleton with Eaton Parish Council**

## **63 Bus Service is Back!!**

The Parish Council is pleased to report that we have recently been contacted by OCC regarding the restoration of the 63 bus service from 1st September. Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) has awarded a contract to Pulhams Coaches for the provision of service 63 between Southmoor and Oxford via Hinton Waldrist, to commence on Tuesday 1 September 2020.

This service is funded by the Government's Supported Bus Services Fund (SBSF). This funding has only been guaranteed for one year, and its continuation beyond next summer will depend on future funds becoming available, as well as on passenger numbers.

The timetable is a slightly reduced schedule than previously intended because journeys at school times have had to be removed from the public timetable for social distancing reasons. OCC hopes to be able to reinstate these journeys to the public at a later date.

## **New Website**

As you may recall from earlier articles, the council is working on a new website. The council has taken on this project to comply with current accessibility regulations and will also look to make information easily accessible.

In addition, it would be wonderful to have some new photography for the site and the council is calling for any keen photographers to get in touch if they would like to lend an eye! If you are interested, please contact the clerk.

## **Englands Lane Footpath**

The council has received a Notice of Determination stating that Oxfordshire County Council has determined to add a public footpath by Englands Lane. This footpath runs from the Thatched Tavern entrance to Englands Lane off the Eaton Road and extends across the field at the far end of Englands Lane, to join the current right of way footpath from Long Close to Besselsleigh Woods at its southern end.

As soon as the current legal process is completed by OCC, we will be able to inform you of the date this path will be opened as a 'Right Of Way'.

It will then be included on the Ordnance Survey map of the area.

*Allison Leigh, Parish Clerk*  
*01865 865 876 / parishclerk.appletonwitheaton@gmail.com*

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NOTE: This newsletter is also available on the Parish website. If you do not wish your item to be displayed online, please inform the Editor. All items are included in good faith, and the Appleton with Eaton Advertiser cannot take responsibility for any content.

**Thank you for donations towards the running of the Advertiser from: the Revell family.**

## Advertiser

Deadline for Oct issue: 12.30, **19th Sept** (19th of the month is the usual deadline)

### Notices for village organisations

All printed copy to the shop or by email to editor.advertiser@gmail.com before the deadline. Please email if you can!

No formal payment is required but we ask for a donation towards the running costs of the Advertiser: between £5-50 depending on the length and frequency of entries. Please try to restrict your item to half a page maximum. Liaise with David Staunton to agree an appropriate donation.

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# **REOPENING OF ST LAURENCE APPLETON WITH BESSELSLEIGH**

St Laurence Church is open for individual\* prayer Sunday and Wednesday 9am – 6pm each week.

In line with current government and Church of England directives and in order to help us keep our church building open and safe for all visitors, we are all required to observe the following and draw your attention to the most recent directive:

- PLEASE WEAR A FACE MASK
- ENTER BY THE NORTH DOOR AND LEAVE BY THE SOUTH DOOR
- USE HAND SANITISER PROVIDED BEFORE OPENING THE DOOR AND AGAIN AS YOU LEAVE
- KEEP TO THE DESIGNATED AREA TO PRAY
- BRING YOUR OWN BIBLE OR RELIGIOUS TEXT – PAPER OF ANY KIND IS NOT ALLOWED IN CHURCH BUILDINGS FOR USE.
- BRING TISSUES WITH YOU IF YOU HAVE A COUGH OR COLD AND TAKE THEM AWAY WITH YOU FOR DISPOSAL
- OBSERVE THE GOVERNMENT GUIDELINE SOCIAL - DISTANCING 2 METRE RULE
- NO MORE THAN 8 PEOPLE IN CHURCH AT ANY ONE TIME

If you do discover you have Coronavirus having visited St Laurence please notify Roger Mitty 01865 863794

Thank you very much for your cooperation and understanding.  
Take care and keep safe.  
St Laurence PCC

\* Individual prayer within a place of worship is defined as a person or household entering the venue to pray on their own and not as part of a group, led prayer or communal act. They should be socially distanced from other individuals or households.