



Hop Parishes News

**May
2025**

**The Newsletter for the communities of:
Ashperton | Bosbury | Canon Frome
Munsley | Stretton Grandison
Stoke Edith | Tarrington | Yarkhill**



“CONCLAVE” Cert 12 2024

on Friday 16th May 2025

Bosbury Parish Hall at 7.30pm

A thriller / mystery: Conclave follows one of the world’s most secretive events - selecting a new pope.

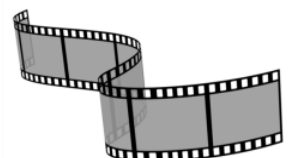
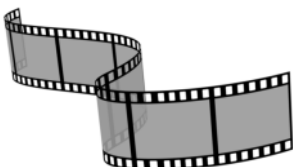


The Catholic Church’s leaders gather from around the world, locked together in the Vatican halls. They are led by Cardinal Lawrence (Ralph Fiennes) who finds himself at the centre of a conspiracy holding a vital secret that could shake the very foundation of the Church.

The Guardian.....the actor (Ralph Fiennes) leads a top-tier ensemble, including Stanley Tucci and Isabella Rossellini, in an entertainingly juicy adaptation of Robert Harris’s novel

Wine & Nibbles available on the night

Entrance £6



Thank You to One of Life's True Gentlemen

"I wonder how many people in Tarrington know how much they owe him?" said one of our friends when they heard of Andrew Mence's (our former church warden and treasurer's) death.

It was true in so many ways, from the sheer number of hours that he spent volunteering his time researching grants for the church, liaising with the Diocese and showing round various tradesmen to repair the fabric of the church, the hours attending local and Deanery meetings and setting up and watching over services.

Time that he and his beloved Alison would have loved to be spending in France... or with their precious family.

But Andrew was one of life's true statesman, incredibly kind, loyal, servant-hearted and honourable, such fun and a phenomenal source of fascinating history but one to brush off thanks and difficulties with a pickle grin and wry humour, not seeking the limelight.

But for all that apparent nonchalance, his wit hid his deeply caring heart. He had a capacity to see what others didn't:

He saw me when I moved up to Herefordshire knowing no-one and moved into Tarrington, on the edge, alone. His smile said Welcome, quietly taking the time to see that I was okay, checking in on me on Sundays and at meetings. I have always been grateful for that.

You might argue that that's what Christians do.....yes...

But how many people would also go into a cold church at 2am to 4am to pray for someone for several nights in a row?

Andrew did this for me in 2018. He heard that a 24hr prayer chain had been set up before my 16hr lifesaving operation and simply asked the prayer coordinator where were the gaps in the chain. "2am to 4am" he was told "everyone is in bed". "I will pray then" he said....and he did. The night before and the 2 nights following the surgery.

Yet I only found out by chance from one of the prayer coordinators.....and, when I tried to thank him Andrew simply said "it's what you do"no, it's not what many people do; but Andrew wasn't many people.

He saw our Tim when he became a new church warden and began his ministry training course attached to Tarrington church, boosting his confidence by encouraging him and sharing his skills and knowledge with him.

He saw so many of us. Quietly. Kindly.

As I look up at the glorious happy photo of him on the back of his order of funeral service, raising his glass with his impish grin, I pray that we can see him and continue Andrew's legacy by seeing, welcoming and caring for one another in Tarrington and beyond.

Thank you Andrew.

Joy



ST MICHAEL'S HOSPICE PLANT FAIR 2025

WITH INDOOR ARTISAN MARKET

St Michael's would like to invite you to attend their annual Plant Fair on Friday 16th-Sunday 18th May 2025. This will be their eighth Plant Fair and includes an indoor Artisan Market.

The Plant Fair provides inspiration, advice and the perfect excuse for a good mooch. Explore and purchase a wide array of plants from professional and amateur community gardeners. Enjoy a range of delicious food before strolling through the charming Hospice gardens. The perfect day out for any gardening enthusiast.

This free-entry event is open from 10.30am to 3.30pm each day. Book tickets for any or all of the days; Friday bookings include early entry to the event.

Visit their Cafe for drinks; quiche and salad lunches; and homemade cakes. Alternatively, purchase burgers, hot and cold drinks plus ice creams at their barbeque situated in the lower garden. Whilst visiting the Cafe or barbecue, why not leave your plants at the Creche, where they will be looked after by one of their volunteers?

The indoor Artisan Market will be full of locally handmade items, including cheeses, brownies, candles, resin gifts, honey, earrings and seasonings. Why not buy a gift for a loved one or just treat yourself?

It's not too late to get involved with the Plant Fair. If you would like to donate plants or volunteer your time to help on Saturday or Sunday, please visit our website.

www.st-michaels-hospice.org.uk/how-you-can-help-us/fundraise-for-us/events/plant-fair/



**** COFFEE MORNING ****

*Saturday 17th May
Bosbury Parish Hall
10:00am to 12:00 noon*

*Everyone welcome, catch up with friends,
family, and neighbours whilst enjoying a
delicious drink and sweet treat.*

Purchase from one of our regular tables:

*Greeting Cards; Ceramics; Cakes;
Eggs; Cup Cakes; Indian Takeaway*

*** This Month Only – Plant and
Garden Items ***



TABLES AVAILABLE - £5.00

Enquiries to Liz Clutterbuck 01531 640415

Proceeds to Holy Trinity Church, Bosbury



SILVER ANNIVERSARY IN ASHPERTON

Year 2000

Come to A Coffee Morning In St Bartholmew's Church

Saturday 7th June

10:30am to 12 noon

See our Kneelers and Figures

Depicting 2000 years in Ashperton

Enjoy the occasion over coffee

BOSBURY ORGAN RESTORATION APPEAL NEWS

THE NEW BLOWER

The blower has now been fitted by Nicholsons organ builders. It has a new purpose built case and some beautifully hand crafted wooden trunking to connect it up. This new blower supplies enough air to enable the organist literally to "pull out all the stops" without danger of the instrument wheezing and sounding out of tune. It means that the pedal notes now sound as you have never heard them before! We are very grateful to all those who have donated and given concerts and recitals to make this possible.

The next stage of our plans is the re-leathering of the huge bellows. These are the original 150 year old bellows and the leather is unsurprisingly beginning to show signs of wear. As part of this stage we intend to restore the original hand pump which was in use until 1948 and still functions. It is a fascinating historical artefact and could probably even be used in case of a power cut!

Any donations or pledges of whatever size which can help us support the organ restoration will be gratefully received by our Treasurer Rob Prestidge 07960 655886.

If you want to know more about Bosbury's historic church organ please visit the church where there are leaflets on display, and do come and hear it at one of our services or concerts.

EDWARD LEAR

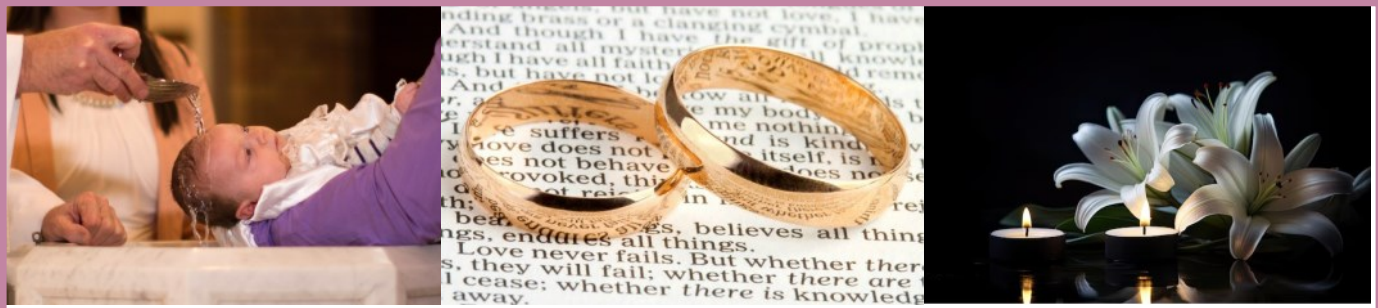
Edward Lear, author, illustrator, musician and poet endured lifelong health problems. From the age of six, he had frequent epileptic seizures, bronchitis, asthma and, during later life, partial blindness. Despite these disadvantages however he was able to travel widely and make his mark on the world through various mediums – notably the now lost art of nonsense verse.

Had he lived he would have been celebrating his 213th birthday on the 12th of this month – as it was he was taken from us after just 75 years, but not before he had gifted the world his most famous opus.

The Owl and The Pussy Cat – which now, being safely out of copyright and firmly in the public domain I set out below. Originally written for his friend's three year old daughter, Janet Symonds, and the cat therein is his own pet feline called Foss. Probably.

The Owl and the Pussy-cat went to sea
 In a beautiful pea-green boat,
 They took some honey, and plenty of money,
 Wrapped up in a five-pound note.
 The Owl looked up to the stars above,
 And sang to a small guitar,
 "O lovely Pussy! O Pussy, my love,
 What a beautiful Pussy you are, You are, You are!
 What a beautiful Pussy you are!"
 Pussy said to the Owl, "You elegant fowl!
 How charmingly sweet you sing!
 O let us be married! too long we have tarried:
 But what shall we do for a ring?"
 They sailed away, for a year and a day,
 To the land where the Bong-Tree grows
 And there in a wood a Piggy-wig stood
 With a ring at the end of his nose, His nose, His nose,
 With a ring at the end of his nose.
 "Dear Pig, are you willing to sell for one shilling
 Your ring?" Said the Piggy, "I will."
 So they took it away, and were married next day
 By the Turkey who lives on the hill.
 They dined on mince, and slices of quince,
 Which they ate with a runcible spoon;
 And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand,
 They danced by the light of the moon, The moon, The moon,
 They danced by the light of the moon.





WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME ALL OF THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITIES WHO WISH TO MARK LIFE EVENTS IN ANY OF OUR EIGHT HOP CHURCHES

To enquire about baptisms, weddings or funerals

please contact Revd Mandy Williams

07780 586846 or mandy.williams@hopchurches.org.uk

GRAVESTONE TOPPLE TEST

The PCCs are required to conduct an annual test of gravestones called the Topple Test.

The Topple Test applies a controlled force to the memorial at a specific height to ensure the gravestone is firm enough and that it does not cause a danger to members of the public.

Please remember it is the family's responsibility to care for the grave.

Any memorial in danger of toppling over will be laid down and the family informed.

Ashperton PCC

Ashperton PCC will carry out the test between 1st April and 31st May 2025.

Mrs Freda Helme & Mrs Colleen Gardiner

Churchwardens of St Bartholomew's Church, Ashperton

Bosbury PCC

Bosbury PCC will carry out the test between 1st June and 30th June 2025.

Mrs Francine Gifford & Mrs Alison Young

Churchwardens of Holy Trinity Church, Bosbury



Music at Bosbury 2025

Dates for your diary

All concerts feature the legendary Bosbury refreshments!

Saturday May 10th at 3pm

Conspiro Clarinets and Refugium Chamber Choir in lighter mood

FREE concert with retiring collection in aid of the Herefordshire Music Fund and Bosbury Church

The Herefordshire Music Fund supports tuition for local young people whose families struggle to afford music lessons.

Saturday June 14th at 3pm

Music for All

is our concert of music for the Village and Friends given by the Village and Friends.

Come and share your favourite poem; singers and musicians welcome.

We need your talent! Contact Esther Kay 01531 670634

FREE concert; retiring collection.

Sunday July 20th at 3pm

The Garrick Singers

Hereford's choir for the over 55s present a varied programme of songs

Tea and Cake concert

FREE concert; retiring collection

Saturday November 8th at 7.30pm

Folk at the Fold

present A Celebration of Winter

Open mic first half - local performers welcome to share music, song, poetry.....

In Bosbury Parish Hall

Sunday December 7th at 3pm

Vital Spark

We welcome back the renowned West Gallery music choir with instruments to present a Christmas programme in jolly Thomas Hardy style.

BOSBURY ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 2025

Wednesday May 14th at 6pm in church

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is your opportunity to hear what Bosbury church has been doing in the past year.

It includes a Rector's report, churchwardens' report, a financial report and news of the bells, Bosbury Brew, the choir and organ, concerts and other events, links with Bosbury school, the building and the churchyard, the newsletter and website - all of the life of the church.

Members of the Church Electoral Roll can also vote for the PCC members and officers.

We welcome you.

The Month of May by Wendy Cope

shows command of the style and form of a 16th century poem (in this case, from lines by Thomas Dekker, an Elizabethan dramatist) - but with her own sense of fun

'O! the month of May, the merry month of May' – Thomas Dekker

*The month of May, the merry month of May,
So long awaited, and so quickly past.
The winter's over, and it's time to play.
I saw a hundred shades of green today
And everything that Man made was outclassed.
The month of May, the merry month of May.
Now hello pink and white and farewell grey.
My spirits are no longer overcast.
The winter's over, and it's time to play.*

*'Sing 'Fa la la la la,' I dare to say,
(Tried being modern but it didn't last)
'The month of May, the merry month of May.'
I don't know how much longer I can stay.
The summers come, the summers go so fast,
And soon there will be no more time to play.
So carpe diem, gather buds, make hay.
The world is glorious. Compare, contrast
December with the merry month of May.
Now is the time, now is the time to play.*



ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, ASHPERTON
VE Anniversary Eucharist Service on Sunday 11th May at 9:30am.



Our Service will include hymns, prayers and readings concluding with the National Anthem, in the context of our Eucharist.

Please come and join us in prayer, reflection and thankfulness
 for long lasting peace.

You are invited.....

This month's
CAFÉ CHURCH, BOSBURY
 is on

Sunday MAY 18th at 9:45 for 10:30am



Café Church has become a special service, where we sit around the café tables rather than in the pews. If a formal church service isn't for you this might be the answer. There is time and space to relax and ponder, to share our news and our concerns, to pray for the world and our own community.

All of the family are welcome, there are toys and plenty of space for the kids.

There will be coffee, tea, croissants etc. from 9:45.

We'll be sharing a reading, talking about faith in today's world, singing some songs, saying some prayers.

Hope to see you there!



The Garden in May



Well what a difference from last year! Instead of weeks of rain, as I write in mid-April, we have had weeks of sunshine; already I have got my watering can out for the pots. Interestingly, the parts of my vegetable garden where I am trialling a no-dig method with a layer of cardboard and a good layer of compost mulch, are much less dry, with more worm activity and were much less effort to prepare than traditional digging.

In the Flower garden, early flowering shrubs, like forsythia, have been glorious this Spring but need pruning quite hard to encourage new young growth for flowering next year. Daffodils and primroses have also flourished, but May is a good time to divide overcrowded clumps to thrive better next year. Giving a liquid feed to Spring bulbs generally will help future flowering.

The Peonies and other perennial flowers have been shooting up since April and need supporting before they get too tall and flop. You can buy stylish metal hoops but sturdy twigs or sticks with a bit of homemade willow weaving will do equally well. As new growth speeds up, keep an eye open for aphids, especially on roses, and wipe off or spray with soft soap before they take hold.

May is the month for planting up hanging baskets and containers with bedding plants, using a good compost and some slow release fertiliser. Acclimatise them gradually by putting them out in good weather and taking in at night. Similarly harden off summer bedding before planting out into the garden towards the end of the month – if you haven't got any, there is still time to sow Hardy Annuals direct outside, such as Sunflowers, Calendula, Nasturtiums, Cornflower, for a blast of colour in the Summer. Plant out dahlia and cannas after all risk of frost has passed, which can be well into May.

In the Vegetable garden, the Strawberry plants are full of flower; cutting off the runners will help the plants to put all their energy into fruit. I will be giving them a boost with a high Potash feed and then working straw around each plant to protect from soil splashes when it rains and to deter slugs.

Runner and French Beans, Sweet corn and Courgettes can now be sown; starting them off in small pots in the greenhouse or window sill and transplanting later as strong plants, seems to work better than direct into the ground, where they get eaten off as soon as they come through. Keep sowing lettuce, beetroot, carrots and peas for picking through the summer, and earth up potatoes as soon as they come through.

Focus on Herbs – Thyme: There are many varieties, green, golden or variegated, plain or lemon flavoured with white through to purple flowers much favoured by bees. They vary from tiny prostrate varieties, to 30cm high, but are not long lived and need replacing every 3-4 years. New plants can be bought ready to go, or grown from cuttings, layers or seeds taken or sown in spring, though plants from seed may not be ready to harvest for up to a year. Thyme grows best in a sunny spot in light, free draining soil; if yours is heavy and cold, try growing in a pot with a light gritty compost. Water to establish, but then plants are quite drought tolerant. Trim back once a year to maintain shape, but avoid cutting into old wood.

Thyme tastes good in stews, with roast meat, fish or chicken and in pasta sauce and herby breads. Enjoy!



BOSBURY WI

Thursday, May 8th at 7.30pm in Bosbury Parish Hall



TALK: What is Artificial Intelligence? with Prof Mark Whitehorn

*This is an Open Meeting: all members of the public are most welcome
(entry is £4 for non-members)*

If you would like further information about Bosbury WI, who meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm in Bosbury Parish Hall, please contact the Secretary on 01531 641982.



The Coffee Morning on Saturday, May 17th (10am to 12 noon) in

Bosbury Parish Hall will include a 'Plant and Garden Items' table

operated by Bosbury WI. Please come and visit us.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

You are warmly invited to...

Bosbury Brew Cafe

**Every Tuesday
@12:00 – 2:30pm
In Bosbury Church**

Homemade Soup with Bread Rolls
Toasted Sandwiches
Cakes and Scones
Tea and Coffee

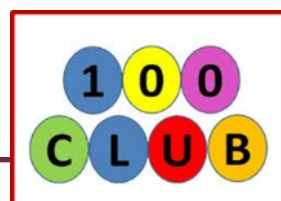
**Everyone Welcome
Donations only!**

BOSBURY 100 CLUB

April Prize Winners

1 st	59	M Wadley
2 nd	86	E Clutterbuck
3 rd	40	C Claffey
	99	P Burrow
	80	B Brookes

Jeremy Croshaw
Club Organiser



A LETTER FROM LINDE

Dear Friends,

“May is the month of expectation, the month of wishes, the month of hope.” So wrote the poet and novelist Emily Brontë.

But May also holds the tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary, which started in the 13th century, possibly to replace various pagan cults. Spring is, of course, celebrated with nature renewing itself - as Mary gave new life & hope to the world with giving birth to Jesus. However, the real reason is that May is the time when spring is traditionally at the height of its beauty. As we drive past our beautiful old Herefordshire orchards, the sight and smell of apple blossom is a feast for the senses and a balm for the soul.

The poet Gerard Manley Hopkins, in observing burgeoning new life in the spring, writes in ‘The May Magnificat:’

‘All things rising, all things sizing
Mary sees, sympathising
With that world of good,
Nature’s motherhood...’

Enjoy May’s beauties & give thanks
it’s still a beautiful world!

Linde



ASHPERTON NEWS

ASHPERTON CHURCH 100 CLUB

A reminder please that the annual subscriptions of £10 are now due

The first draw is in June

Drawn quarterly, the prizes are £50, £20, £10 and £5

Newcomers are always welcome

If you would like to join please contact Audrey Alford on tel. no. 01531 670903



Parish Council Details

Please check these dates with your Parish Council if you are planning to attend.

Parish Council	Date	Time	Location	Meeting Schedule
Ashperton	29/05/25	7:30pm	Ashperton Village Hall	Bi-monthly on the last Thursday of the month
Bosbury & Coddington	01/05/25 inc. Annual Parish Meeting	7:30pm	Coddington Church	1 st Thursday of each month excluding January and August
Pixley & District incl. Munsley	12/05/25	7:30pm	Munsley Community Hall	Bi-monthly on the second Monday of the month
Stretton Grandison Group incl. Canon Frome	19/05/25	7:30pm	St James Church Canon Frome	Bi-monthly on the third Monday of the month
Humber, Ford & Stoke Prior incl. Stoke Edith	21/05/25	7:30pm	Risbury Village Hall	Bi-monthly on the third Wednesday of the month
Tarrington	12/05/25	TBC	Lady Emily Community Hall	Bi-monthly on the second Monday of the month
Yarkhill	May TBC	TBC	TBC	Bi-monthly on a Tuesday

Parish Council	Parish Clerk Contact	Website
Ashperton	Mrs Janet Chester ashperton.pc@btinternet.com	ashperton.org.uk
Bosbury & Coddington	Mrs Emma Thomas bcparishclerk@gmail.com	bosburyandcoddington.co.uk
Pixley & District incl. Munsley	Diane Baldwin clerk@pixleyanddistrictpc.org.uk	pixleyanddistrictpc.org.uk
Stretton Grandison Group incl. Canon Frome	Mrs Emma Thomas pcgroupclerk@gmail.com	strettongrandisongpc.org.uk
Stoke Edith	Allan M Drew clerk@hfpsgroup.org.uk	hfspgroupparishcouncil.gov.uk
Tarrington	Mr Paul Hayden tarringtonparishclerk@gmail.com	tarringtonpc.org.uk
Yarkhill	Ms Sallyanne Batchelor yarkhill@live.co.uk	yarkhillparish.co.uk

Munsley PCC

The AGM will be held on

Wednesday 7th May at 6.00pm at Munsley Church

Everyone is very welcome



MAY 2025 SERVICES

	4th May	11th May
	3rd Sunday of Easter	4th Sunday of Easter
Readings	Acts 9.1-20 Revelation 5.11-14 John 21.1-19 Psalm 30	Acts 9.36-43 Revelation 7.9-17 John 10.22-30 Psalm 23
Ashperton	Joint service with Stretton Grandison	9:30 CW Parish Communion
Bosbury	6:00pm Evensong	11:00 CW Parish Communion
Canon Frome		
Munsley		9:30 Morning Worship
Stoke Edith	Joint Service with Yarkhill	
Stretton Grandison	9:30 BCP Parish Communion (joined by Ashperton)	
Tarrington	Joint Service with Yarkhill	11:00 CW Parish Communion
Yarkhill	11:00 CW Parish Communion (joined by Stoke Edith and Tarrington)	

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

Do come & join us for our monthly service of quiet reflection, prayer and blessing.



**This month we are at Bosbury Church
on Thursday, 8th May at 6:00pm**

Linde



So much darkness. Offer whatever light you can.

Thursday Weekday CW Morning Prayer

8:30am in Bosbury



MAY 2025 SERVICES

	18th May	25th May
	5th Sunday of Easter	6th Sunday of Easter
Readings	Acts 11.1-18 Revelation 21.1-6 John 13.31-35 Psalm 148.1-6	Acts 16.9-15 Revelation 21.10,22 - 22.5 John 14.23-29 Psalm 67
Ashperton	9:30 CW Parish Communion	9:30 BCP Parish Communion
Bosbury	9:45 for 10:30 Café Church	9:30 CW Parish Communion
Canon Frome		11:00 CW Parish Communion
Munsley		9:30 CW Parish Communion
Stoke Edith	Joint Service with Yarkhill	
Stretton Grandison		
Tarrington	9:30 Morning Worship	11:00 CW Parish Communion
Yarkhill	11:00 Morning Worship (joined by Stoke Edith)	

Bosbury Sunday Services

Our regular pattern of church services:

1st Sunday Evening Prayer (often sung Evensong) at 6pm

2nd Sunday Parish Communion at 11am

3rd Sunday Café Church at 9.45 for 10.30am

4th Sunday Sung Parish Communion at 9.30am

Weekday Communion

The Hop Churches hold a weekday service of Holy Communion in

Tarrington Church every Wednesday Morning at 10am

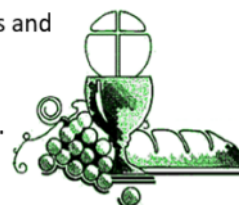
The service is followed by refreshments and an opportunity to spend time together with friends and neighbours from across the benefice.

A warm welcome is extended to everyone

Please get in touch with Revd Mandy Williams if you require further information or assistance.

07780 586846

mandy.milliams@hopchurches.org.uk



LOCAL SERVICES

For a future free from Domestic Abuse

West Mercia Women's Aid are here to support you if you are living with domestic abuse

Support for Women:

WMWA 24 hour Helpline: 0800 783 1359

Email: helpline@wmwa.org.uk

LiveChat: Available Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm

Support for Men:

Men's Domestic Abuse 24 hour Helpline: 0800 014 9082

Email: mdas@wmwa.org.uk

LiveChat: Available Monday – Friday 9:00am – 9:00pm

www.westmerciawomensaid.org



Ledbury Food Bank

Unit 1, Homend Trading Estate, Ledbury HR8 1AR (next to Ledbury Train Station)

We are open 10am to 12 noon every Wednesday and Friday and 6pm to 8pm every Thursday evening.

Contacts:

You can telephone us during opening hours on 07851 283092

Email—FOOD@LEDBURYFOODBANK.ORG

www.LEDBURYFOODBANK.ORG

Donate Food and Toiletries:

Donation trolleys are in Tesco, the Co-Op and One Stop. Also Ledbury Food Bank during opening hours, most churches, Halo Leisure Ledbury and Leadon Bank.

Volunteer:

The foodbank is run entirely by unpaid volunteers who passionately believe that no one should go hungry, please email for further information.

Bosbury Post Office

Bosbury Parish Hall, Ledbury HR8 1PX

The mobile Post Office sets up in the foyer of Bosbury Parish Hall every Tuesday afternoon between 15:00 and 16:45 providing the following key services:

Everyday Personal & Business Banking:

Cash Withdrawals; Cash Deposits; Cheque Deposits

Driving:

Vehicle Tax

Travel:

Foreign Currency – Euros Available

Travel Insurance

National Express – Tickets



WE ARE FARMING MINDS



We are Farming Minds registered charity has been set up by farmers for farmers to tackle mental health in the farming community within Herefordshire.

How can we help?

24 Hour Support Line:

We run a **FREE 24 hour Support Line 7 days a week** for farmers and their families within Herefordshire who are feeling distressed and need someone to talk to anonymously.

Counselling:

We provide **fully funded counselling to anyone in the Herefordshire farming community** who may be in emotional distress.

Training:

We offer **FREE mental health awareness training** to anyone living or working in or with the farming community in Herefordshire.

Social Events:

We run a series of **FREE social events throughout the year** to break the isolation often felt by the farming community in Herefordshire.

Befriending:

Befriending volunteers offer companionship and support to people who are isolated and lonely – they may visit you at home and/or phone for a regular chat. A befriender can offer conversation and a listening ear to those that need it.



'Taking the bull by the horns' to tackle Mental Health in the farming community

Call our Support Line:

0808 802 0070

Or text:

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General enquiries: wearefarmingminds@gmail.com

www.wearefarmingminds.co.uk

Registered charity number: 1191461

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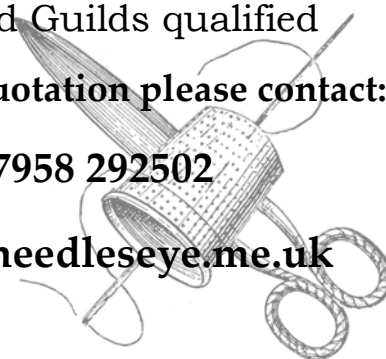
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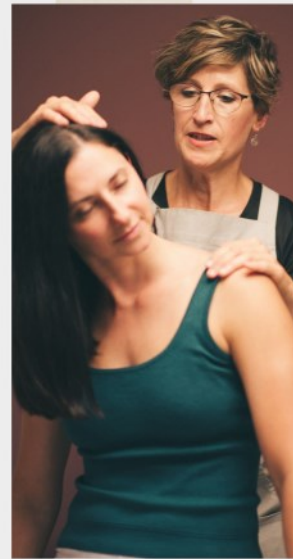
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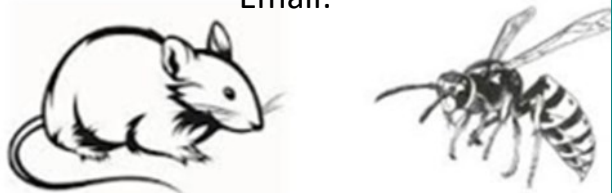
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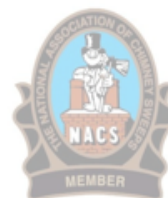
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Concerts Across the Countryside: Music in Country Churches in 2025

Coming to Ross-on-Wye

For 36 years, Music in Country Churches has been organising concerts of exceptional music in rural churches in England and Wales. This year, the Charity will hold a total of eleven concerts, with visits to nine churches in Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Northamptonshire, Suffolk, Oxfordshire, Devon, Somerset, and Norfolk.

Music in Country Churches was set up in 1989 with the active support of the Prince of Wales, who is now His Majesty The King and remains the Charity's Patron.

The Charity aims to support the arts, culture, and historical heritage of countryside communities. Following each concert, a donation is made to the church to help with maintaining the building and carrying out essential repairs. Since it began, Music in Country Churches has made donations to more than 60 country churches, distributing £615,000 to support the maintenance work needed on church buildings.

Full detail of our concerts and are available at musicincountrychurches.org.uk

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The two concerts in Ross-on-Wye will feature music for winds and strings. The English Chamber Orchestra and Music in Country Churches have a long history of collaboration, and an ECO concert is always one of the most popular of our concert series. The Orchestra's wind ensemble will perform at Ross-on-Wye, and they have selected a programme of music by Beethoven and Mozart, including the latter's much-loved 'Gran Partita' Serenade.

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