

# Footprints

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Autumn ?

We're not quite there yet ! The optimism of a month ago seems to have turned into a second spike. My NHS Covid 19 app. indicates that WR6 is a medium risk area, so we are playing it safe and not distributing a paper copy again this month. Added to which, there still isn't much to put in it!

It is certainly our intention to get out a paper edition for November and December, if only to canvass how we proceed into the future.

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## Lost property

Whilst not walking on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September I found a pair of keys on a leather key-fob, near Cobblers Corner. The fob had on it : Motor Cycle Mart, Stourport Road Kidderminster DY11 7QP 0156259 . This strongly suggests that the keys fit a motorcycle. I have now sent them to the lost property office at the Castle Street Police-station in Worcester.

David Molyneux

# Church Words      by Rev. Canon David Sherwin

Though the world is a very strange place at the moment we are reassured by the seasons of life carrying on regardless. As the Hymn, 'Great is thy faithfulness', reflects;

*Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.*

Not only that but the chorus also gives thanks to the fact that;

*Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—Great is thy faithfulness Lord  
unto me.*

As we celebrate Harvest this year it is going to be difficult to gather in large numbers in our churches and schools and village halls. However, we will be holding services of Harvest Thanksgiving across the team of churches which are open to all though we have to limit the numbers. We will also be offering a Harvest you tune service so if you cannot attend a service for whatever reason you can celebrate with us online.

As I ponder this dilemma it reminds me of the importance of saying 'thank you'. My mother always used to give me a look if I was given a treat to make sure I didn't forget to say those magic words.

Even though we may not be able to gather in our usual ways for Harvest services and suppers we can still say 'thank you', to those who have grown and farmed the food, those who distribute and sell it to us, and to a faithful God who oversees the creation which provided us with such goodness. As the famous harvest hymn says;

*All good gifts around us  
are sent from heav'n above;  
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord  
for all his love.*

I do hope and pray you are all keeping safe and well. I, like you, look forward to a day when we can gather more easily in numbers to celebrate the seasons of life and much more.

In the meantime, may I share this famous Celtic blessing with you

*May the road rise up to meet you.*

*May the wind be always at your back.*

*May the sun shine warm upon your face;*

*the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,*

*may God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

God bless you all

### Church Services planned for October in the W.W.R.T.

**October 4<sup>th</sup>** 10.30 am Broadwas – Contemplative Service  
10.30 am Clifton – Morning Prayer/Matins  
3.30 pm Crown East - All age Harvest  
4.00 pm Martley – Harvest Service  
6.00 pm Alfrick – Harvest Evensong

**October 11<sup>th</sup>** Harvest You-tube Service  
10.30 am Wichenford – Harvest Service  
4.00 pm Broadwas - Harvest Service  
6.00 pm Leigh – Harvest Evensong

**October 18<sup>th</sup>** 9.00 pm Bransford – BCP Holy Communion  
10.30 am Broadwas - Holy Communion  
4.00 pm Clifton – Family Harvest Service  
5.00 pm Shelsley B – Harvest Service  
(Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October – 10.00 am Suckley Midweek Holy Communion)

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** 9.00 am – Alfrick CW Holy Communion  
10.30 am Crown East BCP Holy Communion  
10.30 am Martley – Holy Communion  
4.00 pm Harvest Zoom Service with ‘social’ breakout rooms

### Dog Poo in Churchyard

This is a gentle reminder for those Dog owners who walk their Dog through the Churchyard to please keep them on a lead and clear up any dog poo. A member of our churchyard team recently had an unpleasant experience when mowing which we do not wish to repeat.

Thank you for your consideration.

Lower Teme Valley P.C.C.

# ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

## The Inquisitive Mind of a Child

Why are they selling poppies mummy?  
Selling poppies in town today  
The poppies, child are flowers of love  
For the men who marched away  
But why have they chosen a poppy mummy?  
Why not a beautiful rose?  
Because my child, men fought and died  
In the fields where the poppies grow  
But why are the poppies so red mummy?  
Red is the colour of blood my child  
The blood our soldiers shed  
The heart of the poppy is black mummy  
Why does it have to be black?  
Black my child is the symbol of grief  
For the men who never came back  
But why mummy are you crying so?  
Your tears are giving you pain  
My tears are my fears for you my child  
For the world is FORGETTING AGAIN.

Due to Covid 19 there will be **no** poppy collections this year. Should you wish to make a donation please send a payment to Sue Ganderton at : Springwood, Claphill Lane, Rushwick WR2 5TP

**Or** : Bacs/Online banking to :

Lloyds : **30-11-75** A/c N<sup>o</sup>.: **01937121**. Quote ref.: **MDD16**

**Next year** will be the Legions centenary year so lets make 2021 better than ever.

Stay safe ! - Ed & Sue [R.B.L Knightwick & District]

P.S. Things are being reviewed all the time and we now understand that with the owners permission there will be some static collections. I'm sure further updates will follow.

# Village Information

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Knightwick & Doddenham

Clerk – Geoffrey Brewin 01886 821386

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**[www.timesaversconcierge.co.uk](http://www.timesaversconcierge.co.uk)**

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