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NEWSLETTER OF SANDFORD, NEW BUILDINGS AND UPTON HELLIONS CHURCHES

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Welcome to our newsletter

Sunday 10th at 10am - Remembrance service at St Swithun's Church, Sandford followed at 10.45am by the civic Act of Remembrance in the Square. We are pleased to be joined by members of Sandford Scouts.

Sunday 17th November at 9.30am - All Age service with Antonia.

Should you want different styles or times of services, the full rota for the Crediton Hub is always pinned up in the church porch or can be found at the end of the monthly digital or paper Hub Post.

--- Diary Dates ---

Monday 11th at 3pm - Sandford Storytellers dramatising a bible story at Sandford School assembly.

Monday 25th at 7.30pm at Holy Cross - Licensing of Revd Jeremy Putnam as Team Vicar to the Crediton Rural Ministry Hub. Do come along and officially welcome Jeremy and his wife Ruth to the area.

Home Groups - The afternoon group resumes on Tuesday 12th at 2.30pm with Linda at The Old Bakery and the evening one on Wednesday 13th at 7.30pm with Jean at 13, Linhay Park. If you had wanted to try them but hadn't got around to signing up, please contact Janet - it's not too late!

Wednesdays from 10.30am to midday - Coffee and Company (and yummy homemade cake).

Fridays at 10.30am - Contemplative Time, an oasis of peace in a busy week.

--- Community News ---

Harvest Festival service in October - Belatedly - a big thanks to everyone who helped decorate the church in wonderful autumn colours for the Harvest celebrations. And a big thank you to younger children from Sandford School who set up a colourful apple themed display. All the food donations were

welcomed by Crediton Food Bank so thank you for them too.

Friday 15th from 11am - Autumn clean and tidy up. Thank you to those who have offered to come along and join the regular cleaners to do a few extra jobs both in the church and the churchyard. There's always room for a few more hands if you are able to come along! If you have any spring bulbs you would like to donate for around the edges of the churchyard please bring them or leave them in the porch.

Intercessions - These are the prayers that a member of the congregation leads on behalf of us all during a Sunday service. We have always been blessed at St Swithun's by a great team so thank you to them. But a special thank you to Pamela TE, our resident retired lay minister, who is stepping down as an intercessor. Pamela, you have poured your heart into so many aspects of church life and we are all the richer for it.

Janet's Administrator - Since Monday, the North Creedy East group of churches under Janet's leadership has had an administrator. Welcome to Tiffany who hit the ground running in a most professional manner. If you have any email queries for Janet please use northcreedy1@gmail.com.

Happy Birthday Janet for Saturday 9th! We hope you have a special day and thank you for all you do for us.

--- And Finally --- a message from Jim our gift aid treasurer ---

Just Giving is now Give as you Live - Give as you Live is a way of easily donating to your favourite charities when you shop online. So it is an effortless way of supporting the 3 churches of St Swithun's, St Mary's and Beacon. The link to the PCC page is :

<https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/pcc-sandford-and-upton-hellions>

Alternatively, use your smartphone's camera or a QR Code reader app to simply scan the QR Code (to be found on our website or in the church porch) and be taken straight to our page on Give as You Live Online. From there you can sign up to support the PCC or log in if you are already signed up.

It is important that **every** time you make an online purchase you go via the Give As You Live website and click the link to your online store, where you then make your purchase as normal. If you don't do this, no referral commission is made.

At a time when the PCC needs to raise money, this is a simple and effective way you can make a difference at no cost to yourself.



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