

Welcome to the Benefice of Burton & Sopley

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Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity - 10th October

9.30am: Harvest Festival at St Luke's, Burton with Rev. Helen Griffiss

11am: Eucharist at St. Michael's Sopley, with Rev. Dr. Ben Sargent

Messy Church

Thank you to all you picked up a Messy Church Bag, hopefully you had fun doing the activity. Do remember to bring your entries for the competition back on Sunday 10th October, when there will be a new Messy Bag for you to collect and enjoy together, from 12 noon onwards, in the Church porch.

Harvest at St Luke's, Burton

St Luke's Harvest Festival is Sunday 10th October at usual service time of 9.30am. Please bring along tins of food that will then be donated to the Food bank.

Save your stamps

Used postage stamps, from any letters you receive, can be cut out of the envelope and donated to the UK Charity 'Knitted Knockers', which can use them to raise much needed funds. The box to collect used postage stamps will be available at the back of St Luke's church, for your donations.

Sunday Coffee at St Luke's

It would be good to resume meeting together for coffee after the Sunday service at St Luke's each week - and for this we need people to help make the refreshments. Please contact Ruth Siemaszko if you are able to help, either if you were on the rota already and are happy to continue - or if you would be new to team - all are most welcome.

Burton Women's Fellowship

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 13th October 7.30pm - 9pm and is £2 per session.**

Unfortunately we will not be able to welcome Debbie for our annual Craft Evening, due to her being incapacitated by a recent nasty fall. Never the less we have been able to arrange a surprise Guest Speaker to come long and entertain us! Do come for an evening of enjoyment and good company. Don't forget the Bows! We look forward to seeing you all.

Harvest Supper at St. Michael's

The raffle at the Harvest Supper raised £84 - well done all. We would like to extend a big thank you to all who attended and brought so much food.

'Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.' James 1: 17 - 18

Lord God,

we pray for all who work closely with nature: for farmers and gardeners who grow our food,
for scientists and technicians who probe the secrets of the earth,
for foresters who plant and harvest the trees, for those who forecast the weather,
for photographers and artists who capture the beauty for others to see,
for conservationists and all who guard the precious heritage of the earth.

We thank you for all your perfect gifts, Lord God of Creation.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity - 17th October

9.30am: Service of the Word at St Luke's, Burton

11am: Eucharist at St. Michael's Sopley, with Rev. Peter Vargesson