

## Church Services

*Margaret Foster writes*

We still find ourselves in very difficult times but are finding it reassuring to be able to worship together, despite having to wear masks and no hymn singing.

Following the Service on 11th October, the Church AGM (very brief) will take place, delayed from April. The Churchwardens for the coming year and Parochial Church Council members are appointed and the annual report and accounts presented for approval.

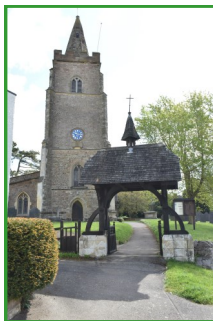
St Mary's Church is here for everyone, so do come along and join us. Please be assured that everything possible has been implemented for your safety.

### Sunday October 4th 10.30am

Benefice Holy Communion at St.Mary's Church, Lutterworth

### Sunday 11th & 25th October 11am

Holy Communion



## Bitteswell and Bittesby Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **19th November** by zoom. If you wish to bring any important issues or concerns to the attention of the council. Please contact the clerk before the meeting by email: [parishclerk@bitteswell.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@bitteswell.org.uk) For agenda details past and present go to [www.bitteswell.org](http://www.bitteswell.org)

### Current Planning Applications

- 20/01387/PCD | Discharge of condition 6 (materials) of 19/01962/FUL | Grange House Valley Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SA
- 20/01457/NMA | Changes to internal layout to ground floor plan; changes to positions of windows on both side elevations at ground level (proposed non-material amendment to 19/01962/FUL) | Grange House Valley Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SA
- 20/01419/OUT | Outline application for the erection of dwelling (all matters reserved) | Fir Tree Lodge Ashby Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4LS
- 20/01357/TCA | Works to tree (fell) | Twinnings The Nook Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4RY
- 20/01231/FUL | Erection of a 2 story rear and front extension (revised scheme of 20/00708/FUL) | Laurels Ashby Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SQ
- 20/01112/FUL | Demolition of existing garage and the erection of a new dwelling with creation of a new access | Sussex House Ashby Lane Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17 4SQ
- 20/01055/REM | Erection of 4 dwellings with associated garages and access road (reserved matters of 18/01280/OUT, including details of appearance, layout and scale) | West End Farm West End Bitteswell Leicestershire LE17

## November Newsletter

The deadline for November newsletter is Wednesday **21st October** Contact Editor Sharee Jones email [Bitteswellnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:Bitteswellnewsletter@gmail.com) or phone 07834 689828

## Lutterworth and Villages Foodbank

The Foodbank urgently needs the following items: tinned Potatoes, Instant mashed potato, hot chocolate, rice pudding, shampoo, handwash, soap, hand sanitiser, cleaning products, fruit juice, angel delight, cheese crackers, meat/fish paste in small jars, long life puddings, toothpaste, and laundry detergent. There are green donation containers at Morrisons, Waitrose, Linden Drive Co-op, Age Concern and Lutterworth Churches. Prefer to donate money? Check our web-site [www.lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money](http://www.lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money)

If you need a food parcel either telephone 07821 802793, or send an [info@lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@lutterworthvillages.foodbank.org.uk) to find out about the procedure during Coronavirus.

## Jim & Amy Charity Taxi Service

Funded by United Charities it has been an invaluable service especially during lockdown for village residents to help travel to medical appointments and other emergencies. Contact Mrs S Carlton (552077) and Mrs M Osborne (07858154233)

## BITTESWELL NEWSLETTER



*Photos  
by Malcolm King*



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## Village Poppy Appeal

Ian Reid writes:



Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, The Royal British Legion National Body have decided that in order to enable social distancing, *Hand Held* and *House to House collections* will Not be permitted for the Poppy Appeal this year.

They are in the process of making alternative arrangements to bring the appeal into Communities across the country to ensure that everyone who wants to take part in Remembrance can do so, either by making a donation for the traditional poppy, or by taking part in other activity that is being put in place as part of their contingency plan to ensure that this vital fundraising continues.

**In view of this I will not be making the usual annual Poppy Appeal collection in the village and after 17 years I am taking the opportunity to “Retire” and leave the field to younger volunteers. I would like to sincerely thank all the villagers for the warm welcome and generous support given to me over the years**

If you or anyone you know wish to volunteer for future collections or provide their support in other associated activities then **please contact Martin Lomasney at Porganna House, The Nook, Bitteswell (tel 01455 550986) to register your interest and which will be well received.**

## Good Luck and Well Done

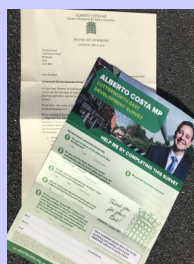
Faye Winterton writes:

Well done to all the young people in the village who received their exam results last month and have moved onto further educations, colleges and universities. They should not only be congratulated on their academic results but also their resilience they have showed in the uncertain weeks prior the results being received. We wish them lots of luck on the next stage of their educational journeys. *Keep in touch with your friends and the village community through the Bitteswell Newsletter, we would love to hear from you in the future—The Editor*

## Applications for Secondary school places are now open

Parents and carers with children due to start secondary school in Leicestershire in September 2021 can now apply for school places.

The application process is now open, with parents required to apply for their preferred schools by **31 October 2020.**



## Lutterworth East

Lutterworth and villages in the immediate vicinity of the Lutterworth East development are invited by MP Alberto Costa to return a survey with your comments as part of a 'call process' to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

Return Survey by **Monday 5th October 2020**

## Family Announcement

Ian and Sharee Jones of Valley Lane are pleased to announce the engagement of their son Simon to Hayley Beck. Best wishes from both families.

*Please send your announcements by email to The Editor at : [Bitteswellnewsletter.co.uk](mailto:Bitteswellnewsletter.co.uk) births, deaths, in memory, special birthdays, wedding/engagement announcements, exam/degree congratulations, anniversaries, work promotion or anything else you would like to share.*



## A look into school life

Alex Winterton writes:

*My name is Alex, I am 10 years old and I am in Year 6 at St.Mary's Primary School. I thought it would be good to tell you a bit about what it is like being back at school.*

I have spent the last 5 years looking forward to being in year 6, so that I can sit on the bench in the hall for assembly and have the responsibility of being a buddy to a reception year child helping them to settle into school life. Unfortunately this year we have not been able to do these things as some areas of our school day have had to change. However the teachers are working really hard to make sure school is as normal and fun as possible for us. We still have assemblies, but without the singing, in our classroom via a video link (I'm not sure how Mrs Cupit is coping given her love of music!) Also, I really hope that as soon as it is safe to do so we can spend some time getting to know our buddies as well.



So as you can see some of our school routines have changed but there is still a lot about school life that remains the same. We are still getting to learn fantastic new subjects with our teachers and play with our friends. Being with my friends and learning together as a class are definitely the best bits of being back at school. However, I do miss my hot chocolate I used to have at home in lockdown when I was doing my work!

We have experienced a time in our lives that probably no other children will ever experience again. I would like to say thank you to all the teachers and staff for making our return to school both enjoyable and as normal as possible whilst keeping us safe. We think they are doing a great job! A hot chocolate during maths lessons would be nice though!

*The Editor wishes to thank Alex Winterton for writing this excellent piece and would like to encourage our younger readers to also write their news items for the newsletter. PS. I think hot chocolate should be compulsory for maths lessons!*

*Picture above shows Ziggy, Bobby, Alex and Cosmo enjoying playtime at St. Mary's School*