



# The Parish Magazine

*& Community News*

St Nicholas' Church, Burton-in-Wirral

October November 2021

AUTUMN EDITION



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in Our Community*

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# CHURCH SERVICES

## October

- 3 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity  
Harvest Sunday  
10:00 am Morning Worship  
  
6:30 pm Harvest Evensong  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 6 Wednesday  
10.15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 10 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity  
10:00 am Holy Communion
- 13 Wednesday  
10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 17 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity  
10:00 am Morning Worship
- 20 Wednesday  
10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 24 Last Sunday after Trinity  
10:00 am Morning Worship
- 27 Wednesday  
10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 31 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Advent  
10:00 am Morning Worship  
  
3:00 pm 'A Time to Remember' Service

**NB** *Traditional Services use the Book of Common Prayer*



## November

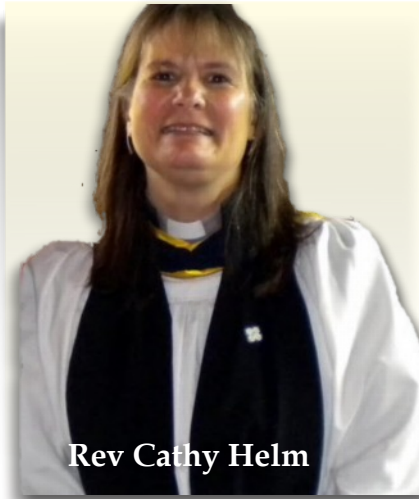
- 3 Wednesday  
10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 7 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent  
10:00 am Morning Worship  
  
4:00 pm Evensong  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 10 10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 14 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Advent  
& Remembrance Sunday  
10:15 am Remembrance Service and Parade
- 17 Wednesday  
10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 21 Sunday next before Advent  
10:00 am Holy Communion
- 24 Wednesday  
10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 28 Advent Sunday  
10:00 am Morning Worship

## December

- 1 Wednesday  
10:15 am Holy Communion  
*(Traditional Service)*
- 5 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent  
10:00 am Holy Communion  
  
4:00 pm Evensong  
*(Traditional Service)*

# ***Cathy Helm Provides . . .***

## ***A personal farewell to everyone in the parish***



**Rev Cathy Helm**

### ***A Huge 'Thank You'***

On behalf of Steve, Jonny, Amy and myself we'd like to say a huge 'Thank you' for all your messages, cards, emails and kindness as we have moved on to pastures new! We are definitely going to miss you all.

Thank you too for the beautiful watercolour of St Nicholas' Church, painted by our very own Willie Fulton and for an incredibly generous cheque which will help us settle into our new home.

It was lovely to see some of you brave the rain on Sunday 19 September for our farewell picnic. As was noted, the rain was good preparation for our life in the Lake District! Thankfully the sun did come out and we were able to enjoy seeing so many of you there.

Thank you too, to the bell ringers who rang on Saturday 18 September for us, it was so good to hear the fully restored bells again.

It has been such a privilege to have been Vicar to the villages of Burton, Puddington, Shotwick and to Bishop Wilson School and to Chapel House and I know there are concerns as to what happens now. In both churches there are really good teams of Lay Readers, Churchwardens, PCC members and retired clergy who will be able to maintain services and support the wider community. And of course the process will begin in appointing someone new. The Church of England doesn't move quickly, so don't expect anything too soon!

I will be closing down my Burton email address in a couple of weeks, so if you need to contact the Churchwardens to arrange a

Baptism, Wedding, Funeral or for any other support or enquiries the parish phone number remains 07471 890827 and the email address is now

[burtonchurch@btinternet.com](mailto:burtonchurch@btinternet.com)



At the farewell picnic, I chose the Irish Blessing, a firm favourite at Bishop Wilson school, to pray as God's blessing on you all across the churches, school, and village communities.

*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  
some day*

*May God hold you in the  
palm of His Hand.*

*You will remain in our prayers, as we  
ask you will hold us in yours as we  
settle into the new parishes here.*

*May God bless you in the name of the  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

*Amen*

*Cathy*



*Cathy & Steve  
saying  
farewell to the  
local  
community  
after 12 1/2  
years*

*A gift of a  
painting of  
St Nicholas'  
Church and a  
cheque for £3,600*



# ***The Big Farewell from the Community to Cathy & Steve Helm on 19 September***

We had all known about Cathy's forthcoming departure for pastures new for some months, but finally the day came, and it needed to be marked with a way of saying a big Thank You from us all to both Cathy and Steve.

Steve had stepped back from his career at the stage of being a deputy headmaster when Cathy, in mid-career as a primary school teacher, felt the call to follow in her father's footsteps as a vicar.

Steve has been a wonderful support to Cathy, whilst working from home firstly as a schools' inspector, and latterly as an advisor and wise counsel to the heads of schools that are trying to improve their standard. A large and very appreciative client was the Roman Catholic diocese of Liverpool, who had no problems with a C of E vicar's spouse guiding their RC church schools, as he did it so well.

Cathy, meanwhile, after apprenticeship as a curate in Heswall, became Burton's and Shotwick's first ever female vicar, and what a great priest and friend she has been to so many of us, both here in the villages, and further afield.

She has been tireless in caring for so many people, whether or not they are regular churchgoers. She is the genuine article who does practise the Christian values and way of life that she preaches, and she does really care for everyone.

If you didn't know Cathy, you might be wary of someone who is described that way, but you would soon find that you were mistaken. Cathy radiates fun and laughter, and the day is brighter for a chat with her.



Throughout her horrible year when both Steve and Jonny were so seriously ill, her faith kept her going, and she remained dedicated to her work as vicar. But last spring the opportunity arose of working half-time, much closer to their cottage across the border in Scotland and to her mother in Durham. This meant that she would have more time to support Steve who tires quickly since his illness, just as he has been supporting her during her full-time ministry.

Whilst being very sad that we are losing such a wonderful vicar, we all wanted to gather together to wish them success and every joy in this next phase of their lives. On their last day, Sunday 19 September, the tents were put up outside the sports pavilion and decked with bunting. People brought their own chairs and picnic lunches. Cathy, Steve, Jonny and Amy were able to bid their farewells to all of us individually, and we and our friends from Shotwick's church had the opportunity of publicly telling them how much we have valued their contribution to the life of our parishes.



**Coming Together at the Picnic**

As tokens of our thanks and respect, we had clubbed together to give them works of art that will remind them of their time here. Willie Fulton painted and donated a lovely watercolour of our St. Nicholas' Church, and Shotwick gave a textile work by Ruth Brickland which depicts a number of Cathy's favourite things. We were also able to give Cathy and Steve a cheque for the £3,600 total of everyone's donations, to be used for helping them to adapt their holiday cottage into being a place to spend half of each week, and ultimately the home to which they will retire.



**Sunday 26 September at  
St Andrew's Church Dacre**

They headed North to their new parish with knowledge of the respect and affection in which we will always hold them.



*From the  
Parish Registers*

*Baptisms*

*15 August*

*- William Alan Milne*

*Funerals*

*6 August*

*- Brian Clarke*

*- Paul James Dod*



# *The Church Clock is Working Again*

*The Church clock is back having undergone its 3R treatment - **Removed, Restored and Rewired.***



*Since the rope snapped over one year ago resulting in the large stone weight crashing to the ground and breaking into pieces the clock remained silent and still. It was Removed by Cumbria Clock Company (incidentally less than a mile from Cathy's new church at Dacre) and Restored (its first major overhaul since 1948).*

*The old sandstone weight has been replaced by brass weights. These have been Rewired to connect with a 3-pulley system that controls the hammer that strikes the hour. The new mechanism will operate for eight days. This means that the clock now only needs to be wound once per week instead of every four days to the relief of those who have to climb the tower steps.*

***Our church clock is back in action and can be heard striking the hour once again.***



**Cumbria Clocks carried out a full restoration - the first since 1948**



## ***A New School Year is Underway***

As I write this, I cannot believe that we are halfway through September already. What a start to the new school year it has been.

We at Bishop Wilson CE Primary are now part of a new federation of schools with Christchurch CE Primary in Ellesmere Port. We have been working closely now for two years and this formalises our working relationship. Whilst we will retain our own special character, we are all looking forward to the new opportunities that this will bring.

Our new reception children have made an excellent start. They have settled into their new school life brilliantly. They are wonderfully enthusiastic and keen to learn. Robins class found floury footprints in the classroom and think that they were left by the gingerbread man. All the classes have been very busy.

It was a lovely feeling to have our very first worship in the hall having done so many over zoom for such a long time. To see and hear the children singing and saying prayers all in the same space, albeit spread out, was fabulous. There was a very special feeling.



We were of course very sad to say our goodbyes to Rev Cathy who will be sadly missed, especially for her creativity during her worship sessions in school. However, we can look forward to welcoming Cathy's replacement when the time arrives.

I hope that you are all able to make the most of the changes that Autumn brings to our community.

*Suzanne Roberts*

**Head of School**



Bishop Wilson School receives visits from the local 'Open the Book' team when the pupils see Bible stories acted out and brought to life



## ***Still Opening the Book!***

For some years several teams of adult volunteers from local churches have come together to perform some favourite Bible stories at six local primary schools, including Bishop Wilson Church of England Primary School in Burton. These stories are usually performed as part of the school assembly. They are always popular with the children, who are often invited to participate.

Since the start of the pandemic these regular events have had to be suspended, so the Open the Book teams have been busy recording a selection of stories over the Summer for use in school assemblies in the Autumn term.

The teams had great fun enacting the scenes at an improvised sound studio created at Willaston Methodist Church and adding sound effects. The recordings were then edited and enhanced with story illustrations.

The finished stories are now being circulated to the six local participating primary schools for use in the new term – and possibly further afield.

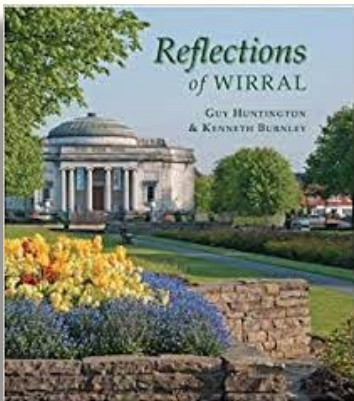
Foremost in our thoughts as we write this are Cathy and Steve as they leave to take up a new chapter in their lives in Dacre near Ullswater in the Lake District. We are all going to miss them, and our thoughts and prayers are for their happiness in whatever lies ahead.

The sun shone for Cathy's last service and the picnic on the sports field was well attended by the people of St. Nicholas' and St. Michael's. This was certainly a day we will all remember.

Back in August Ann Rudd invited us to a Garden Afternoon at her house and garden "Hafod" in Little Neston. We sat and enjoyed the beautiful garden surroundings and, when the rain set in, it seemed the obvious opportunity for tea and cakes indoors.

We had invited Cathy and Steve to join us and we were able to

show our appreciation to them in the form of a garden voucher and also the book "Reflections of Wirral".



*Mothers' Union members meeting for a Garden Afternoon with Cathy & Steve*



Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 20 October at 2pm in the Sports and Social Club. This will be a light-hearted afternoon and will include a game of Bingo. We look forward to seeing you.

# Tales From



It's mid-September at the Wirral Foodbank (and elsewhere too). We're seeing a slight increase in the number of clients at our distribution centres and are wondering what will happen at the end of the month when both the furlough scheme and the £20 per week uplift in Universal Credit end.

Dear Chancellor,

**“Without it, I would have to use the food bank again. Please do not take this money off me.”**



But the foodbank is in good shape to help with whatever happens, as is the Merseyside area in general. While Trussell Trust foodbanks around the country have generally reported a rising call for their services over the last 18 months that's not what we've seen in Wirral and Liverpool. There are a lot of community supermarkets that have started up, and are still running, and it seems likely that this strong community effort is part of the reason.

WIRRAL FOODBANK  
**EMERGENCY FOOD FOR LOCAL PEOPLE IN CRISIS**

The Wirral Foodbank is currently providing about 90% of the volume of food it did in 2019 (and getting donations at about the same rate). The difference is that in 2019 70% was distributed via the distribution centres, now it's 35% with 10% through schools (up from 0%). Then and now the balance (30% then, 55% now) is through other agencies that have close contact with people in need.

This change in how the donated food is distributed has happened because the management and trustees of the foodbank have concentrated on the foodbank's mission and have actively sought where the need is. We'll see what the next month or so brings. But whatever that is, your continued support will make all the difference.

Thank you.

<https://wirral.foodbank.org.uk/>  
<https://westcheshire.foodbank.org.uk/>  
As always, many thanks to those who support the Foodbank which makes all the difference to so many people.

**EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE.**

VOLUNTEER & DONATE

**DONATE MONEY**

Big or small, every gift you give helps transform lives.

[wirral.foodbank.org.uk](https://wirral.foodbank.org.uk)

## BRIARFIELD GARDENS

We all see the signs for open days at Briarfield Gardens and for Burton Village Gardens and, after the events, a poster letting us know how much money was raised. Liz Carter from



Briarfield has been raising money for the National Garden Scheme (ngs) for thirty years and she was recently recognised for her outstanding contribution.

Over the thirty years, Briarfield Garden(s) together with other gardens in the village have raised over £170,000 for ngs. Burton Village Gardens open on the last Sunday in June, Briarfield also opens at other times of the year. Liz also sells plants from her drive each Friday except during the winter. Before Covid she had a plant stall in Neston Market for ten years.

All the profit from the garden openings and plant sales goes to the ngs. The main beneficiaries are Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice UK, The Queen's Nursing Institute, Carers Trust.



Many congratulations to Liz on her well-deserved award!

### How it all came about

Briarfield garden had an unpromising start. In 1963, two scientists in their mid twenties bought a bungalow riddled with dry rot and woodworm surrounded by a wilderness of mixed saplings with a ground cover of brambles. The cash went into the house, the unskilled labour into the clearance. A literature survey gave hints of what to plant, while lack of funds honed propagation skills. The inevitable happened and we ended up with more plants than space! In 1976 two paddocks in the lane came up for sale, so we were off again, with a playground for the children and unlimited opportunities to indulge our increasing passion for plants.

The garden(s) are on a south-facing slope, the soil varies from very sandy with underlying sandstone at the top of the hill to reasonable loam towards the bottom. Burton Wood NT provides shelter from the north. Soil pH is around 5.8. Briarfield provides a sheltered environment for many specialist plants.

The main garden, three distinct areas in 1.5 acres, has maturing trees and shrubs, herbaceous borders plus a fruit and vegetable garden. Novel water features throughout the site encourage wildlife and provide added interest for visitors. The

home garden, a couple of minutes walk along the lane, is more formal with terraces, hidden fernery with pond and a woodland glade.



## SEASONAL HIGHLIGHTS

**February/March** – remarkably colourful with drifts of snowdrops, aconites, cyclamen coum, camellias, magnolias and early rhododendrons.

**April/May** – carpets offspring flowers, including erythroniums, uvularia and trilliums beneath flowering trees and shrubs. Alpine beds are at their peak. Podophyllum and arisaema are starting to emerge in the woodlands.

**June/July** – herbaceous flowers complement lilies and roses. This is a riotous time in the garden with bold colours and evocative perfumes. The vegetables and soft fruit are in full production.

**August/September** – eucryphia, oxydendron, massed sedum, drifts of colchicum and cyclamen hederifolium blend into the colours of autumn. Apples and pears are ripening quickly.

**October** – late flowering shrubs combine with michaelmas daises and other spectacular late herbaceous plants to give a last splash to the season.

**November** – camellia sasanqua give cheer throughout the winter.

Follow Briarfield Gardens on Facebook. [Click Here](#)

# Going peat-free at Ness

Louise Emberson

Peat has been used in compost for many years due to its ability to hold water and provide nutrients.

However, peatlands are important habitats for many plant and animal species, and also play a role in water storage and flood prevention. They are also among the most carbon-rich ecosystems on earth, helping to store carbon and mitigating the effects of climate change.

The use of peat for horticultural and other purposes is not sustainable because of the very slow rate at which peatlands are formed compared to the rate of destruction. It also contributes to habitat loss, species and biodiversity decline, and carbon release.

There is now a range of peat-free compost alternatives including Melcourt SylvaGrow which is endorsed by the RHS, Dalefoot wool and bracken compost, Westland's Organic and Peat-Free New Horizon, Incredipeatfree T&M easily available from garden centres and on-line. Of course, there is always the option of making your own compost, which when mixed with leaf mould makes a good mix for growing seeds and potting on young plants.

Here at Ness gardens, Melcourt SylvaGrow is used to grow all the vegetable plants for the potager that are started off under cover and has been for a number of years. It is also used to grow herbaceous perennials from seed for various areas of the garden, to pot on seedlings, and grow plants that have been propagated by division, and root and stem cuttings. The compost is easy to use, and for all the various applications it has been deployed, the result has been strong and healthy plants. Hopefully this will give you the confidence to try some peat-free compost in your own gardens. For more information [Click Here](#)

Ness  
BOTANIC GARDENS





# In the Garden

with Flori Bunda



## *Summer Turns to Autumn*

Autumn tints, berries and fields of corn bales resembling cotton bobbins are wonderful. The cornus leaves are turning bright scarlet, the hydrangeas donning the winter plumage and the stalks on the eryngium (Sea Holly) are already a lovely shade of blue.

The rowan sapling is growing on well after a slow start and the circular border surrounding same has been filled with varieties of daffodils. The summer pots and containers have been emptied; the compost spread on the front garden borders.

The camellias continue to have drinks of cold leftover tea from the teapot as well as plenty of water during the dry weather.

The roses were really wonderful this summer. Alec's Red has had many lovely perfumed



blooms (usually only two or three blooms). Buff Beauty, Rosa Mundi and Ballerina have also thrown many lovely blooms.

The sweet peas were beautiful, but sadly now have ceased flowering. This time some seed has been gathered to be sown in December. The results will be made known in a later issue.

Sedum (Ice Plants) are in flower and berries are appearing on the large holly bush.



The battle with ground elder is ongoing!!

Robbie Robin visits the garden and there are many blue tits/great tits. Green/gold finches are elsewhere currently. Jenny Wren is heard but not seen!

## *Tasks for the weeks to come*

- Water containers and garden
- Weeding (always a good supply!)



*Happy Gardening*

*Flori Bunda*

# BURTON MERE WETLANDS

## *An Awesome Autumn at Burton Mere Wetlands*

As we draw breath after a busy summer, both in the number of visitors who have enjoyed visiting – many for the first time since before the pandemic – and some significant habitat work including improvements close to the new Border hide, we look ahead to a season of dramatic change.

The mature woodland will soon turn a myriad of colours, making for picturesque rambles in the crisp autumn air. By October, the delicate “wink-wink” calls of our favourite pink-footed geese will fill the air as they make their commutes between the wetlands and local farmland where they feed. Signature Wirral sunsets burn bright at this time of year, and as they get earlier we are treated to the sight of egrets flying to their night-time roost around The Mere, along with the starling murmuration that has developed in recent years.

Speaking of egrets, we’ve just welcomed back the rarest of the three UK species, cattle egret – which have nested here twice in the past five years – after being absent this summer, which means it’s now possible to see little, great and cattle egrets together at Burton Mere Wetlands. There aren’t many places in this country that you can see all three!

The autumn months also play host to a range of wading birds on migration from their Arctic breeding grounds to their tropical winter homes, using places like the Dee Estuary as a service station to rest and refuel on their long journeys. If you’re not sure of your little stint from your pectoral sandpiper, ask the friendly welcome team at the visitor centre and we’ll be happy to give you some tips



*Pink Footed Goose*



*Starlings Murmuration*



*Little Stint*



Binocular & Telescope  
Open Day



RSPB Mail Order Shop



Seated viewing



Spectacular Scenery

We have tentative plans to resume more events in October and November so keep an eye on our website and social media, but following the success of the RSPB's national Big Wild Summer activity packs, we'll definitely be doing something similar with a Halloween theme in October.

We're holding a binocular and telescope open day on Sunday 12 October, with friendly expert advice available for people looking to buy optics to aid their enjoyment of wildlife. Our mail-order shop is open daily, and it's not too early to start thinking about Christmas, with our great range of eco-friendly cards, calendars and other gift ideas to get whilst stocks last! Buying through us at Burton means the funds come directly to support our conservation work at the Dee Estuary reserve.

The reserve facilities are fully open again including the visitor centre for seated viewing of the wetlands, including enjoying hot drinks and snacks on chilly autumn days, plus we hope to reinstate our pre-packaged sandwiches for sale after a couple of months without them being available.

For regular updates, sightings information and news about the reserve, check our website blog at [rspb.org.uk/burtonmerewetlands](https://www.rspb.org.uk/burtonmerewetlands) follow us on *Facebook* and *Twitter* or call us on 0151 353 2720

*The RSPB's events are now listed in one place, here: <https://events.rspb.org.uk/>*



*Pictures courtesy of RSPB*

# Burton & Puddington Gladstone Village Hall



## **PUMPKIN FESTIVAL**

This year we've taken the tough decision not to organise the Pumpkin Festival.

At the outset, we aimed to bring together the community and create a beautiful spectacle whilst raising funds for our Village Hall and The Charles Thompson Mission.

This was achieved and much more and we can't thank the villagers enough for their support, amazing creations, and enthusiasm.



The event has drawn more and more visitors each year, through word of mouth and local media, and we feel it may now have outgrown our villages, and so, sadly we came to our decision.



*Burton & Puddington  
Gladstone Village Hall*



**Bonfire  
Night**

**Burton Village Bonfire Night**

**Saturday 6 November**

**Gladstone Village Hall**

**Start 5.00pm - Bonfire 6.30pm - Fireworks 7.00pm**

**Adults £6 : 4-14 Years £4 : Under 4 Years Free**

**Cashless entry but please bring cash for stalls**

**Please Park Carefully**

**Parking is available at Bishop Wilson School on Puddington Lane. Alternatively please park at a friend's house or walk.**

**Bring a torch and sadly NO SPARKLERS**

**Food Stalls : Bar : Ginger Cat Coffee : Glowsticks : Mulled**

**Volunteer Opportunities**

We'd love to hear from anyone able to spare an hour or two to help at these upcoming events:

Bonfire build on 17 October

Bonfire Night on 6 November

[Info@gladstonevillagehall.org](mailto:Info@gladstonevillagehall.org)

# The Sun Going Down Over Burton Churchyard



**BURTON & PUDDINGTON'S GLADSTONE  
VILLAGE HALL**

# **WHAT'S ON**

**PLAYS, DRAMAS & PANTOMIME  
TALKS, MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT & QUIZZES  
CHRISTMAS EVENTS  
MULLED WINE, MINCE PIES & SUPPER EVENINGS**



# Friends of Hampstons Well

Present

"Music, Merriment and Supper"

An evening of Folk music with a Celtic Twist

and more .....

Supporting the Burton Community

by raising funds for the

Restoration of the Ancient Monument of Hampstons Well in Burton

At

Gladstone Village Hall, Burton

SATURDAY 9th October

DOORS OPEN AT 7 PM

Entry with Ticket £7

includes light supper of Veggie Curry and Rice and a Dessert

(You can Bring your Own Drinks too)



To Book Your Tickets

Contact; Barbara on 07756665949 or 336 2972

Bethan on 336 6220 Or email [friendsofhampstonswell@outlook.com](mailto:friendsofhampstonswell@outlook.com)





**Friday 15 October 7.30pm to 10.00 pm - Gladstone Village Hall**

## **An Autumn Evening**

### **Get-Together & Illustrated Talk**



# **Ploughman's Supper**

Guest Speaker – Brian Anderson

Renowned Professional Photographer & Entertaining Speaker

## **'The River Mersey'**

### **18th to 20th Century**

River Mersey was the UK's 'Gateway to the West'.

It was the point of departure for tens of millions of people venturing into the 'new world'.

The river has brought wealth and recession, stimulated art and culture, attracted migrants and made the region a unique World City.

This beautifully illustrated and entertaining talk combines Brian's personal thoughts and images of Liverpool, its majestic river and its outstanding heritage.

**Selection of Fine Cheeses**

**Fresh Crusty Bread, Fruit & Pickles**

**Delicious Red Wine or Crisp White Wine**

**Raffle & Quiz**

**Only £10 per person**

**including all food and drinks!**

**To reserve a place contact Hazel Huxley 336 2288**


**by Tuesday 12 October**

**An event organised by The Puddington Society**



Theatre4all & RFOS present..

Something for everyone  
at Christmas



Raising funds for Gladstone Village  
Hall & The Parkgate Pony Sanctuary  
with Mulled Wine and Mince Pies  
Gladstone Village Hall, Burton 7pm

27 November 2021

Father Christmas and his shetland  
"Charlie" will be visiting

Contact Nikki - 07969040767

Email - [theatre4All.nw@gmail.com](mailto:theatre4All.nw@gmail.com)



Little Actors Theatre Company

Presents...

# Shakespeare's ★ Dream ★

By Mike Lockley

Gladstone Village Hall      The Village      Burton      CH64 5TH

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November      4.30pm

Tickets via Eventbrite      £10 / £5 concession under 5's go free

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THE MOBILE LIBRARY IS BACK ON  
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Cheshire West Mobile Library will be in  
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Disabled access guide for Neston Library

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There will be a live course via Zoom during half term from Monday 25 October to Thursday 28 October from 10am to 11.30am. All interested people need to do is choose one of the above courses and then email [charles@readnowwritenow.org.uk](mailto:charles@readnowwritenow.org.uk) to book on and register.

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Nearly every day I get to hear about a new scam or incident involving 'Cold Callers' i.e. people who turn up unexpectedly at your home, offering to do work or sell you things.

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Police advice will always be to only trade with reputable people or companies, ideally someone who can be recommended by a friend or family.

I have left a small supply of a booklet containing some really good advice on how to avoid being a victim of scams in the Burton Bus Stop Library and also the Puddington Phone Box Library.

If you would like me to pop one through your letterbox, please contact me via email

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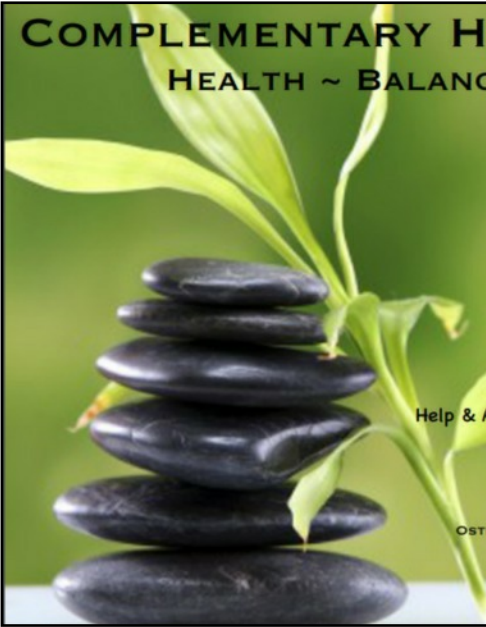
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For information please contact Janey Griffiths 0151 336 3621

### **BURTON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

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### **BURTON AND NESTON HISTORY SOCIETY**

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