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#### **NUNEATON FOOD BANK -26th October 2020**

*Distributed: 3614.7kg to 329 people of which 115 were children.*

**Shopping List :** This week we are still in need of:

**URGENTLY NEED:** Tinned Carrots, Crisps, Instant Mash, Sponge Puddings, Treats for Children, Savoury Snacks, Tomato Ketchup, Cuppa Soups, Shower Gel, Shampoo, Shaving Gel/Foam, Male & Female Deodorant, Washing Up Liquid, Tin Openers, Washing Powder Sanitary Products, Nappies (size 5+6)

**In preparation for Christmas:** Christmas Cake Slabs, Tinned Ham, Tinned Custard, Chicken Gravy Granules, Tinned Fruit, Jelly, Variety Packs of Crisps, Angel Delight, Fruit Juice, Small Jars of Coffee

You can also donate money via the website [www.nuneaton.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.nuneaton.foodbank.org.uk)

There is a GIVE HELP section, under the DONATE MONEY section - ONE OFF GIFTS - with a 'button' which allows you to donate directly to Nuneaton Foodbank'.

**NUNEATON FOODBANK** - The supermarkets have been very generous to the Foodbank and so the warehouse is very well stocked with most – **but not all** – the items they need. This year they have asked whether people might be prepared to make financial donations to enable them to buy specific items they run short of. Donations can be made via the website, please see above and cheques can be made payable to **Nuneaton Foodbank**. Our Foodbank box and donations box is in the porch at All Saints Church. Please refer to the pew sheet 'urgently needed' list. Thank you.

#### **DATES for your DIARY**

Wed 18 Nov	7.30pm	Coton Finance Committee via zoom
Wed 25 Nov	11.15am	Funeral service at Coton for Daphne Anita Saunders
Wed 25 Nov	8.00pm	Archdeacons' visitation via zoom
Thur 26 Nov	7.30pm	Preachers' meeting via zoom
Mon 30 Nov	7.30pm	Coton PCC meeting via zoom

## **Sunday 15th November 2020**

*The Parishes of All Saints, Chilvers Coton &*

*St Mary the Virgin, Astley*

### **Coronavirus (COVID-19) update –**

From Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November until Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December new lockdown rules mean that our churches may only open for funerals or individual prayer. The Archbishops of Canterbury and York are asking us to make this time of lockdown a month of prayer. They write: 'Bearing in mind our primary vocation as the Church of Jesus Christ to pray and to serve, we call upon the Church of England to make this month of lockdown a month of prayer. More than anything else, whatever the nation thinks, we know that we are in the faithful hands of the risen Christ who knows our weaknesses, tiredness and struggles and whose steadfast love endures for ever.

Above all we recall people to some of the fundamental spiritual disciplines that shape our Christian life. During this second lockdown we invite you to fast in a way appropriate to you, as well as pray for our nation every Thursday, for its leaders, its health, and essential services, and all those who suffer.

In one of the climactic passages of the New Testament, Paul says to those who follow Christ that their "love must be genuine, that they hate what is evil, and hold fast to what is good." He asks them to "serve the lord", exhorting them to "rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers." (See Romans 12.9-12.) None of this is easy. Especially not at the moment. But it is our calling.' (*The Archbishops of Canterbury and York*)

All Saints Church, Chilvers Coton will be open for individual prayer every Sunday morning from 09.30-10.30.

St. Mary the Virgin Church, Astley will not open for services on Sunday afternoons however, anyone can visit the church for prayer on a Wednesday or Sunday by contacting the churchwardens or any member of the PCC.

It is hoped that we will be able to resume services in both churches in December.

We will continue to publish short reflections of the Bible readings each week. These will be available via e-mail, the church website, church Facebook pages, or by post to those without a computer or smart phone. If you are reading this and you are aware that we don't have up to date details of how you would like to be kept in touch, then please let Joanne in the Parish Office know how you would like to be contacted.

May God bless you.

*Frank*

### **PRAYER**

For all those suffering from the Coronavirus.

For all those working in or for the NHS. Those trying to find a cure, all those people still working to support us all. Pray for all those who have lost their jobs. Pray for teachers and students at schools, colleges and universities.

For those in need of any kind of healing prayer especially those known to us including: Violet McClaughlin, Stuart Fleming, Anthony Jordan, Marie Kent, Robert Commins, Lesley Colclough, Paul Johnson, Ray Baker, Linda Ramsell, Gary & Valerie Hill, Ken Hollis, Betty Miller, David Tong, Kerry & Andy Parker, Jane Steptoe, Lizzy Seldon. Pray for those awaiting hospital tests, results and operations.

**We Remember** the bereaved family and friends of John Alfred Gallemore and Daphne Anita Saunders. May God bring them his strength and comfort at this time.

### **NOTICES**

**FREE DIAL-IN WORSHIP PHONE LINE** - The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has launched a free national phone line which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044. Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop before being able to choose from a range of options, including hymns, prayers, reflections and full worship services from the Church of England.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** - If you have any prayer requests please either e-mail or telephone the Parish Office or Frank, and we will pass your requests on to the Prayer Chain. We will pray for you, or your loved ones, and it will be kept confidential. Please let family, neighbours, friends and colleagues know about this. There are lots of people wanting prayer but not sure how to pray so they are asking Google! Please offer to pray for the people you know and meet. *Frank*

**ASTLEY PCC** - Has a Just Giving page so donations can now be made to Astley Church via this link <https://justgiving.com/stmary-astleypcc> on our Astley Church website or Facebook page. Thank you. *Jeanette and Leonard.*

**JUST GIVING** - Is a website that helps charities take donations over the internet. We've set up a page for Chilvers Coton which is: <https://www.justgiving.com/allsaintschurch-chilverscoton>. *Rupert.*

**MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING SUPPORT** - Times are challenging at the moment, and it's important to look after our mental wellbeing. If you are feeling low, reach out to others and connect, or contact one of the support services who can offer help and advice. Visit [www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirushealth](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/coronavirushealth)

**THANK YOU** - To all those who have sent donations to both Coton and Astley it is very much appreciated. If you wish to send cheques for All Saints Church please make it payable to **Chilvers Coton PCC** and for Astley please make payable to **Astley PCC**.

**NHS TEST AND TRACE** - In order to support the NHS Test and Trace programme, we are taking contact details (name and telephone number) for all visitors entering and leaving All Saints Church, Chilvers Coton or St. Mary the Virgin Church, Astley. In line with guidance issued by the Department for Health and Social Care, we will keep your details safely and in compliance with GDPR legislation for 21 days before securely disposing of or deleting them. We will only share your details with NHS Test and Trace, if asked, in the event that it is needed to help stop the spread of coronavirus. We will not use your details for any other purposes or pass them on to anyone else. Thank you for your understanding. There are now also QR code posters in the entrance porch of both churches.

**THE ROSE GARDEN AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH** - Growing conditions, not helped by the shade from the beech tree have resulted in a poor performance from the roses since they were planted, very disappointing for all of us. The roses were planted as per the advice given to us by the grower. We will prune them in the spring and because we feel somehow responsible for the garden, we will replace the rose that has died. We are hoping for a better show in 2021. Thank you everybody. *Dawn and Peter*

**NUNEATON COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCH GROUP** - Unfortunately this year due to Coronavirus we cannot provide a hot Christmas Day Community lunch for those that are alone. We will however be delivering Christmas in a Box, please see the poster and application form enclosed or attached. There are limited numbers so it will be first come first served basis. Please return by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December. If anyone would like to make a donation to this then please see all our details on the poster. God bless. *Doug Annals.*

### **BIBLE READINGS -**

15 <sup>th</sup> November	- 1 Thess. 5: 1 - 11	and	Matthew 25: 14 - 30
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	- Ephesians 1: 15 - 23	and	Matthew 25: 31 - 46
29 <sup>th</sup> November	- Isaiah 64: 1 - 9	and	Mark 13: 24 - 37