

St. George's United Reformed Church Little Sutton



19th June 2020

Welcome to Virtual St George's News Sheet

Agricultural Update

At harvest time, St George's contributes to the *Cheshire Agricultural Chaplaincy*. Farming has continued to provide food for us all during the pandemic, but the same health concerns and constraints apply – social distancing at livestock markets, reduced demand for milk with cafes closed, no income from camping or visitors, shielding in rural communities, and limited government support for the sector. Pastoral support for stressed workers has to be online, and the weather has been odd. Give thanks for all farm workers and their families, and pray for them.



Virtual Coffee Morning?

Saturday 27th June will be our next virtual Coffee Morning. Please let David or Chris Shimmin know if you would like to take part in a *WhatsApp* chat that morning.



Printed Service

Our friend Revd Chris Davies is providing a written service for each Sunday – please ask if you would like a copy included with your news sheet.

We Will Meet When the Danger Is Over

This song has been written by Revd John Bell

We will meet when the danger is over,
we will meet when the sad days are done;
we will meet sitting closely together
and be glad our tomorrow has come.

We will join to give thanks and sing gladly,
we will join to break bread and share wine;
and the peace that we pass to each other
will be more than a casual sign.

So let's make with each other a promise
that when we've all come through is behind,
we will share what we missed and find meaning
in the things that once troubled our mind.

Until then may we always discover
faith and love to determine our way.
That's our hope and God's will and our calling
for our lives and for every new day.

John L Bell

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Prayer Topics

This month, you could pray:-

- For India, where a cyclone at the end of May caused widespread destruction in the area around Kolkota, adding to the problems of the coronavirus
- For staff trying to administer the special UK COVID-19 support payments and extra universal credit claims.

Suggestions for our Prayer Topics?

Please pass your ideas on to David or Christine.

Strawberries

About this time of year, the United Circle used to hold a Strawberry Supper.



So here is some information about strawberries:

- The wild strawberry grows naturally and belongs to the rose family.
- The strawberry is not strictly a berry!
- In 2017, world production was over 9 million tonnes
- Nobody is sure where the name came from. It could be because the wild plants grow runners so the fruits are *strewn* across the ground; or because they are traditionally stored in *straw*.
- Combining strawberries with cream is attributed to Cardinal Thomas Wolsey in Tudor times.
- Modern strawberries are an international hybrid of French, North American and Chilean varieties.
- There are over 200 varieties available
- Strawberries require cool winter weather - over 200 hours of chill – to produce good fruit in the summer.

If you can, do enjoy some strawberries and cream at home this year.

Pastoral Emergencies

For pastoral emergencies, please contact David who can put you in touch with a Minister.

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Secretary: David Shimmin

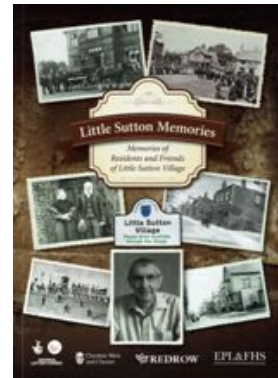
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Little Sutton Memories Quiz

We have finally come to the end of the Little Sutton Memories Quiz compiled by Pat and Dave Green. Here are the final set of answers.

Answers for WEEK 12

1. Halfords and Tesco Express – page 17
2. Alexander Bryce Muir – page 21
3. Collin, Builder – page 34
4. Kendall's – page 52
5. Arthur Clibery – page 62
6. "Love, Life and Laughter", starring Gracie Fields – page 75
7. 3/6 (17½p) for members or 4/6 (22½p) for non-members – page 76
8. Capenhurst Station – page 97
9. They helped clear the snow for the them – page 118
10. Charles Boydell – page 120
11. The Last in England and First in Wales – page 137
12. Ellesmere Port Boat Museum every 3rd Tuesday at 7.30pm – page 142



Many thanks to Dave and Pat for compiling the quiz.

Scarecrows

The **Little Sutton Scarecrow Festival** runs from 21st - 28th June. Scarecrows are popping up all over the area – see the PALS Facebook page for details and a map

facebook.com/groups/1802566369976861

(look up *Little Sutton PALS*)

