

Stickford Newsletter Monthly Update September 2022

Appeal for Help

In May I had a lovely Ukrainian lady come and stay with me under the homes for Ukraine scheme. This has been a fantastic and very positive experience and I am happy to talk to anyone who is thinking of doing the same about my experience. In fact, there are several families locally who are hosting or who are preparing to host.

My guest has been from day one committed to making her own way, finding a job, and getting back on her feet whilst supporting her son who remains in Ukraine. She does not drive and does not speak English well. Although she is spending several hours a day working on improving her English and I admire her dedication. I cannot begin to imagine how difficult it is for both of them in this terrible situation. Speaking to her, she never expected to have to leave her home country to survive and at fifty finding yourself in a foreign country unable to communicate and completely in the hands of people you don't know and losing your independence is as you can imagine challenging.

We were able to find her work in East Kirkby and she is working very long hours to rebuild her life and support herself and her son. He cannot leave Ukraine and cannot work as there are no jobs. He is on the army reserve and could be called up at any point.

I just wanted to ask if there was anyone locally in the village who would be prepared to assist in getting Oksana to and from East Kirkby so that she can get to work. Maybe someone who goes that way anyway regularly or occasionally or who would be happy to help out when I am unable to take her to and from work. Ideally maybe several people may be best so that it provides cover in most situations. Obviously, my guest would not want to put anyone out of pocket especially given the cost of fuel. I would be extremely grateful as you can imagine it is hard not having transport, the public transport isn't the best and I also have other commitments which mean I cannot always be here to take her to and from work. Any help would be really appreciated.

I am happy to speak to anyone who may want to discuss this further or if anyone wishes to know more about the homes for Ukraine scheme. My e mail is horseychick2006@yahoo.co.uk.

Thanks again, *Sarah Constantine*



CRAFT FAIR St Helen's Church, Stickford



Saturday 3rd September 11am until 3pm

**Variety of Stalls – jewellery, bags, beaded items, fused glass,
laser cut & engraved items, knitted items,
advent calendars, cross stitch, Mama's chilli delights and more**

Raffle, Tombola, Refreshments

Free entry. Everyone welcome

**If you can help on the tombola or raffle, serving refreshments, or making cakes for the
Craft Fair, please ring 01205 480477 or email cherylsteale@tiscali.co.uk**

Lincolnshire Wolds and Coast Churches Festival

Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th September

Church open 10am to 4pm

Refreshments and Tombola

*If you can help by making a cake for this weekend,
please take it to the church on Saturday morning.*



Lincolnshire Churches Trust Ride and Stride (Cycle Ride or Walk)

Saturday 10th September

Enjoy a bike ride or walk, visiting churches on route and raise money for the Churches Trust and a church of your choice. For more details and sponsor forms contact Cheryl Steele Tel: 01205 480477

- Sunday 11th September **Morning Worship** 11.15am St Helen's Church, Stickford
- Monday 12th September **Stickford Ladies Social Circle** - The Highlands of Scotland, a talk by Fiona Vickers, followed by refreshments and chat. 1.30pm Stickford Community Centre
Visitors welcome (£2)
- Tuesday 13th September **Keals Club** - AGM and bingo. Stickford Community Centre 2pm
Everyone welcome
- Tuesday 13th September **Parish Council Meeting** - Public open forum for 15 minutes at start of meeting. 7.30pm Stickford Community Centre
- Thursday 15th September **Stickford Local History Group** - Firsby Fudge, a talk and demonstration by Samantha Sorrell. Visitors welcome. 7.30pm Stickford Community Centre



Lincolnshire Heritage Weekend

Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th September

Stickford Church open for Lincolnshire Heritage Weekend

10am to 4pm

Refreshments (cream teas, home-made cakes, tea, coffee) served both days
If you can help by baking a cake, please let Cheryl know on 01205 480477

Did you know there is medieval graffiti in the church?
Over the weekend graffiti and 'poppyhead' (pew ends) tours will take place.
Everyone welcome to come and find out about the history of your church.

- Monday 19th September **Bingo** 7.30pm Stickford Community Centre. This is the first Bingo of the new season so please come and enjoy an evening of fun. Refreshments available.

Stickford Ladies Social Circle

are holding a **TEA & COFFEE AFTERNOON** with a 'Quiz with a DIFFERENCE'

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SATURDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER at 2pm
Stickford Community Centre, Church Road

Sunday 25th September

Holy Communion

11.15am St Helen's Church, Stickford

Harvest Supper and Auction of Produce

Monday 26th September at 7pm in Stickford Community Centre

Enjoy a Harvest Supper of sausages, mash and peas, followed by apple pie, trifle or flan, tea or coffee

Adults £7 Children £5

Family ticket (2 adults + 2 primary school age children) £20

Tickets available at the door - no need to book in advance

Please bring your own cutlery (and wine or a soft drink if you want some)

The supper will be followed by an auction of donated produce

Auctioneer: Richard Richmond

If you can donate any produce to be auctioned (vegetables, fruit, canned or packaged food, flowers, cakes etc) please leave them in the church over the weekend or take them to the Community Centre for 7pm.

This is a real community event, with great fun to be had during the auction, so why not come along and join in?



You are invited to take part in the
WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING
for Macmillan Cancer Support



Friday 30th September

10.30am-12 noon

Stickford Community Centre
Tea, Coffee, Cakes, Raffle



Please bake a cake to bring with you and a raffle prize.

Red Lion – Live Music events:

(Keep checking our Facebook page for updates)

- Sunday, 4th September - **Sneaky Blighters** – Rock/Indie/Punk – 2pm tbc
- Saturday, 17th September – **HARVEST FESTIVAL (Red Lion style)** – **The Atomics** – New Wave, Post Punk and Power Pop - 2pm
- Saturday, 1st October – **Toxic Blondes** – Dynamic Duo – 8pm
- Saturday, 8th October – **Molly's Chambers** – Classic Rock – 8pm
- Saturday, 22nd October – **Toadi** – Classic Rock from all ages
- Saturday 5th November – **Celena Deans** – Soul/Motown/Disco Classics
- Saturday, 19th November – **Under the Covers** – Rock with a Twist!
- Saturday 10th December – **Christmas Party** – Disco with Keith Bishop!

Katie

Church Bookshop

Thank you again to everyone who has donated and bought books from the church bookshop recently.

This month we've had a huge donation of war and general fiction books – if you're a fan of Jack Higgins, Chris Ryan, Andy McNab, Tom Clancy or Wilbur Smith – you need to come and have a browse!

Julie

Tombolas and Raffles (and Cakes)

Thank you to everyone who has donated prizes for our tombolas and raffles. With the success of the Farmers' Market (future events planned) and the upcoming craft fairs, please continue to support our fundraising efforts. We urgently need more prizes for tombolas which can be handed to Julie Bedford (480165) or Cheryl Steele (480477) or drop them off at any of the Thursday coffee mornings. Maybe you have been given a gift that you don't really have a use for? Perhaps you have won something that you won't use, or you are able to add a small item to your next shopping trip? Whatever you can find will help us to raise money.

Thanks also to everyone who has baked cakes for our events. It really is appreciated!

Julie

POST OFFICE VAN – at the Red Lion car park every Monday morning between 11.30am and 12.30pm.

FRESH FISH VAN – at the Red Lion car park every other Thursday between 2.30 and 3pm. Contact Suzanne on 07812 648417. September dates - 8th and 22nd.

Dates for your diary

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| Farmers Market | 1 st October | Stickford Church |
| Craft Fair | 19 th November | Stickford Community Centre |
| Farmers Market | 26 th November | Stickford Church (warm clothing required!) |