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| **GATEWAY PROJECT UPDAT Harvest gifts are coming in well but we do need toilet rolls and sugar.**  Carrier Bags for Life are always needed Don't forget the collection point in the Co-op. Thank you. | |
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| Please leave items for the **Women's Refuge** in St. Andrew's choir vestry during the last week of the month. In October items requested are: bedding including pillows, towels, nappies, wipes and non-perishable food items. Looking forward to November supplies requested are: items for Christmas for Mums e.g. perfume, manicure kits, nail polish, cosmetics, etc. and Christmas cards. For children new small toys, DVDs, games and colouring books. Also requested is non-perishable foods, nappies and wipes.  **Samaritans Purse** - Christmas Shoeboxes: leaflets are now available in all three churches with instructions for filling your shoeboxes. Please bring filled boxes back to our churches, preferably by 1 November. Thank you. | |
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| **Dates for the Diary in October:** | |
| **Tue 24th** | **Education Committee**, 8.15pm, St Mary’s Vicarage. |
| **Wed 25th** | **Coffee Morning**, St Mary’s Hall, 10am-12. |
| **St Mary’s DCC**, 7.30pm Eucharist, 8pm Vicarage. |
| **Sat 28th** | **Men's Fellowship Breakfast**, 8.30am, St Catherine’s Hall. |
| **Dominoes Drive Afternoon** with refreshments, 3.30-530 pm, St Catherine’s Hall. Tickets £5 to include tea, available in each church or from Jeanette Cardnell on 01268 452309 |
| **Sun 29th** | **A Service to Remember (All Souls),** 6.30pm St Andrew's. If you would likje names to be included among those read out at the service, please add them to the lists at the back of each church. |
|  | *PLEASE NOTE: Songs of Praise at St Catherine’s will* ***NOT*** *take place this month.* |
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| *For* ***Weekly Notices*** *and* ***Website:*** *Linda Boar, 07917 556783, linda.boar@yahoo.co uk* | |
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| *New material is welcome by Jo for the* ***Parish Magazine,*** *delfgou@live.co.uk* | |
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| *We are on* ***Facebook*** *at https://www.facebook.com/groups/Wickford.Runwell and on the* ***internet*** *at* [*http://wickfordandrunwellparish.org.uk/index.php*](http://wickfordandrunwellparish.org.uk/index.php) | |

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| ***Wickford and Runwell Team Ministry*** | |
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| ***15th October 2017*** | |
| ***18th Sunday after Trinity*** | |
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| **Today** | **St Catherine’s Meal on Sunday.** |
| **Healing Eucharist,** 6.30pm, St Andrew’s. |
| **Mon 16th** | **Pilgrim course** – see below. |
| **Wed 18th** | **Mothers’ Union ‘Trip to Australia with Jane’**, 7.30pm  St Catherine’s Hall. |
| **Thu 19th** | **House Group**, 10am, 2 Adam Way (instead of next week)  **Prayer & Meditation**, 2pm St Catherine’s. |
| **Sat 21st** | **Sid Bolan Big Band Concert** – see below. |
| **Next Sun** | **Choral Evensong**, 6.30pm, St Catherine’s. |
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| **Pilgrim Course "Turning to Christ”**  A six-week course which started on Monday 2nd October is continuing at 7.30pm at St Andrew’s Church exploring the heart of our Christian belief through the six questions candidates are asked at baptism. Sign up sheets are in each church. For further information please contact Steve Lissenden (01268 763670 or [slissenden@virginmedia.com](mailto:slissenden@virginmedia.com)) or a member of the clergy or turn up on the night. | |
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| C:\Users\linda\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.Word\Sid Bolan Big Band small pic.jpg  **Sid Bolan Big Band Concert**  at St Andrew's, 7.30pm, Saturday 21st October 2017: tickets £10 from the church, or ring 01268 561446. | |
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| ***A question from today’s gospel:***  *Jesus says that the kingdom of heaven “may be compared” to a wedding banquet to which everyone is invited, and where the guests include “both good and bad”. Is that fair? Why?* | |
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| ***Gateway -*** *see back page for the latest requirements for our local foodbank.* | |
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| ***An induction loop is*** *provided in all three churches for the benefit of hearing aid users. To use please switch your hearing aid to ‘T’.* | |