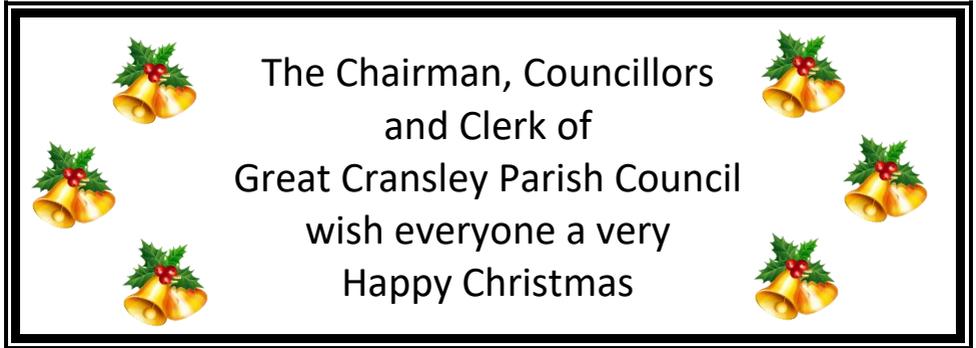


# CRANSLEY CHRONICLE

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## LOTTERY NOVEMBER 2021

PRIZE	NAME
1 <sup>ST</sup> PRIZE	GRAHAM LOVE
2 <sup>ND</sup> PRIZE	PETER ROSIER
3 <sup>RD</sup> PRIZE	RICHARD BARNWELL

## STREET LIGHTING

Due to the unitary changes in North Northamptonshire Council, street lighting needs to be reported in a different format via the following email address:

[streetlighting.kbc@northnorthants.gov.uk](mailto:streetlighting.kbc@northnorthants.gov.uk)

There will be more information in the January Chronicle.

## CRANSLEY CHURCH CRAFT AND GIFT FAIR

Thank you to everyone who supported the above event by providing home-made cakes and tombola prizes, and by visiting the event on the day.

£365 was raised towards the upkeep of the church of St Andrew in Great Cransley.

## SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

Summer is now well and truly over. Last year the conclusion of our sunflower competition was perhaps a little too early, this year all manner of planting was late getting going.

Again, it would appear that everyone has enjoyed growing their sunflowers, and it was lovely seeing them dotted about the village.

Without further ado, here are this year's winners:

Tallest: Pat Appleby 11'  
Best Display: Pat Appleby  
Smallest: Loki  
Photo A: Chris Smith  
Photo C 3+: Zac  
Photo C 8+ Connor  
Art C 8+ - Freya  
Largest Sunflower Head: Sue Cattell 31cm

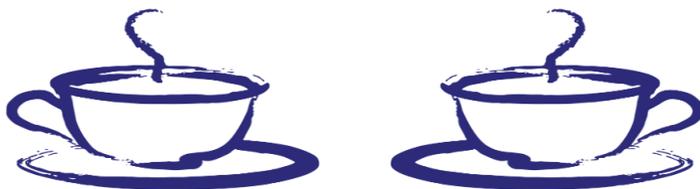
Winners will be contacted and prizes will be delivered in the next few weeks. Thank you to those who entered, look out for your postcards with seeds attached next year!

Joanna

## ANDY'S CHRISTMAS CAFÉ

**18<sup>th</sup> December**      **10:00 am – 11:30 am**      **Andy's Café in Village Hall**

We would love you to come for a chat, hot drink, mince-pies and a bacon roll. No charge, of course. Simply drop in during opening times and drop out before closing time. Meet neighbours and become friends and listen to Christmas Carols. Hope to see you there.



## BELL RINGING FOR COP26 SUMMIT

Just before the event, we were requested to ring on the eve of COP26 summit. Unfortunately, we couldn't muster a band at such short notice. Should you wish to learn the ropes, lessons by appointment can be arranged. For more information, please ring 790135.

There is practice church bell ringing most Tuesdays at 7 pm at St Andrew's Church.

## **ST ANDREW'S CRANSLEY SERVICES AND EVENTS**

### **Wednesdays 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

Night Prayer and Advent Reflection, 8.30-9pm on Zoom. Contact Nicki for login details.

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

Advent Communion Service at Cransley Church, 9.30am.

### **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

Blue Christmas service at Cransley Church, 7.30pm.

A quiet reflective Christmas service, including candles lit in memory of loved ones. If you cannot join us but would like a candle lighting, please contact Nicki.

### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> December**

9 Lessons and Carols at Cransley Church, 6pm.

Join us for a slightly shorter service this year, where there will still be the traditional Christmas readings and some carols.

### **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Communion at Cransley Church, 9am.

In line with current guidance, we are asking people to wear face masks to our Christmas services (unless exempt). There will be a small prize for the best Christmas face mask at the services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day!

At the end of another challenging year, we would like to wish you a safe, peaceful and joyful Christmas.

From Nicki and all at St Andrew's [revnicki@familyhobbs.org.uk](mailto:revnicki@familyhobbs.org.uk) or 01536 799522

Website: [churchesbmc.org](http://churchesbmc.org), YouTube: St Andrews BMC, Facebook: cransleymawsleychurch

## **WHAT IS 'WHAT 3 WORDS' AND WHAT IS IT FOR???**

It is for emergencies, and the Emergency Services are encouraging people to download the 'What 3 Words' app onto their smart phones, as it makes it quicker and easier for them to respond to emergencies if the 'What 3 Words' location is provided.

'What 3 Words' is a free smart phone app, that divides the world into 3-meter squares.

Every 3-meter square has a unique three-word reference.

The app is particularly beneficial when incidents occur in rural locations.

The quickest way to access the app, to download it, is to just ask your search engine for the 'What 3 Words' app.

What 3 words.com provides lots of useful information.

Please consider downloading the app. It may help you, or another person, and the time saved in responding to your call could save a life.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - DECEMBER 2021**

Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Advent on zoom - see text.

Dec 18<sup>th</sup> Saturday Christmas Andy's Café - Village Hall 10-11.30 am

Dec 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> Services in St Andrew's Church- see text

November 2021 Stone Bus Shelter Cleaning, Cllr. Mandy Bussey. All helpers please note that this also involves brushing the War Memorial, dealing with the leaves and checking the Village Hall bus shelter.

NB: No Parish Council Meeting in December.

For more information on Church matters call 01536 799522 or [www.churchesbmc.org](http://www.churchesbmc.org)

## **REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN GREAT CRANSLEY**

Bell ringing Practice in St Andrew's Church 7 pm to 8:30 pm each Tuesday.

Andy's Café 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month, 10 - 11:30 am in the Village Hall. Everyone welcome.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENT**

Burton Latimer Ukulele band in the Village Hall Thursday January 20th



### **CRANSLEY CHRONICLE DEADLINE – DECEMBER SPECIAL**



Due to the Christmas break, the absolute final deadline for inclusion in January's Cransley Chronicle is at:

**4 pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Please email your article, if you can, to Thelma Lacy on the following email: [greatcransleypc@gmail.com](mailto:greatcransleypc@gmail.com) or if you can't, please ring her on 790997.

**All articles must have a Title.**

### **CRANSLEY VILLAGE MEMORIAL HALL**

For information and booking the Village Hall, call Pat Appleby on 01536 790607.

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