Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid week will be different this year - but our help is needed more than ever!



There will be no red envelopes appearing through your door.

But you can still give:

- Online at: <u>www.christianaid.org.uk</u>
- By phone: 020 7523 2269
- Direct to the Christian Aid bank account: 020
- 7523 2226 for details
- By direct debit: 020 7523 2046

For more information call Deborah Hodge

Village Curry Night - May 14th

Brancepeth Community Association want to help you in this difficult time and in partnership with The Capital Restaurant in Durham they



want to bring an authentic Indian Meal to the village. So forget cooking for one night and treat yourself to a Takeaway. Thursday 14th May from 6.00 pm you can collect your Takeaway Bag from the Village Hall.

Social distancing will be supervised, and you will be given an individual time to collect your meal when you book with entry through the main door and exit through the Snooker Room Door. Your meal bag will be labelled and you will pick it up and put your money in the container on the table. The fresh food will arrive warm and can be reheated if necessary.

The Capital Special Meal £10 per person

Starter Chicken Tikka, Onion Bhaji and Poppadoms with Chutneys (Vegetarian Option - a Vegetable Pakora replaces the Chicken Tikka)

Main House Special Chicken Curry OR Lamb Curry (Medium Strength) OR Bhuna Vegetable Curry (Medium Strength) **Rice** - Vegetable Pilau.

Orders can be placed with Barry Dickinson anytime before 7.00 pm on Wednesday 13th May.

Contact: jbdickinson46@btinternet.com 0191 3782398

A huge thank you to Barry and Jill Dickinson for arranging this for us.

Message from St Brandon's

As national news is indicating, the Church of England is developing plans for a welcome phased re-opening of churches. We will be preparing to re-open St Brandon's in accordance with this, although it will still be some time before we can hold services with congregations in the usual way. We will keep you posted.

Christian Aid is 75 years old this year, having been established in the aftermath of WWII to meet pressing needs in the UK and overseas. So it is fitting that we will remember both VE Day and the start of Christian Aid week in our Sunday service this week. I do hope you can join us.

Fill the village with sunflowers

The Garden club would like to encourage our young gardeners out there and

are offering a free pot with a sunflower seed for them to nurture and enter into the Autumn Garden club show.



Edward Staines says 'These are the easiest things to grow - they just need water". He will have seed in pots in a box on his drive for those who wish to participate - please email him to register for the show giving your name and address and we look forward to seeing the village shining with sunflowers.

edward.staines@icloud.com.

Tomato plants

And for our vegetable gardeners Hester Higton has six pots of Gardener's Delight tomato plants (three to a pot) looking for a home. If anyone can take them off her hands, she can leave them outside her front door.

Please contact Hester if you would like one. <u>hesterhigton@phonecoop.coop</u>

Brancepeth Birthdays

The Higton family are on a birthday roll! This week Mike Higton will celebrate his birthday on Saturday 16th May.

Please open your windows and sing out. Perhaps take a leaf out of Rosemary and Mark Monument's book and give him a socially distanced serenade at his front door at 6pm. If the Italians can do it. Brancepeth certainly can!

