

Doynton Parish Pump

Seed swap: You may still catch the Doynton Seed Swap in Holy Trinity church porch. Please bring seeds to swap or make a donation which we will then contribute to the foodbank. We are hoping this will become a regular event. Please give us feedback in the comments book in the church porch.

Doynton local history – New documents related to the history of Doynton have recently been added to the village website www.doyntonvillage.org (History tab). These include re-edited versions of the late Richard Kent's booklets, first published in the late 1980s/early 1990s: Doynton and its Post Office; Doynton and its Sinners; Doynton and its Saints; Doynton and the People In-between; Doynton at Work and Play. The previous versions have received over 8800 views to date. There is also a History of Tracy Park (again by Richard Kent), first published in 1969. David Vaudrey authored two more recent documents, which have now been re-edited and digitized: one on the Davy Hatchment in Holy Trinity Church (originally produced in 2006); and another on the Millennium Stone (from 2000). Finally, a series of pen and ink drawings of the village in the 1990s by Peter Rubery have been digitized and added. If you have any suggestions for further documents that could be digitized for the website, please email [doyntonvillage\[at\]live.co.uk](mailto:doyntonvillage[at]live.co.uk). Many thanks to Ron Ritchie and Frances Lindsey-Clark for their hard work.

Doynton and Wick WI have been in hibernation for what seems like an awful long time! Having realized that our regular meetings will be unable to go ahead in the near future, the Committee has managed to ensure that the monthly meetings can take place digitally in the comfort of members' own homes via the wonders of Zoom. On Wednesday March 10th (7.30 p.m.) Julian Bird (Society of London and UK Theatre and Executive Producer of the Olivier Awards) will be speaking on

"Theatres in the UK". Julian is very generously donating his fee to the Theatre Artists Fund. Members will be sent the link to join the meeting (please contact Tina Holbrook if you have not received yours). The speakers for April and May will also present their talks via Zoom. We will send the access codes during the previous week. Our Committee is optimistic in their hopes that a special garden tea party, celebrating the NHS and frontline workers, will be able to go ahead on Saturday July 3rd. Can you imagine the joy and the chatter that will, no doubt, be the order of the day! Fingers crossed that restrictions will be lifted and that this will be able to go ahead. All plans are completely flexible, taking into account all restrictions that might apply at the time.

Many thanks to all the villagers who have offered their services to help their neighbours – details below. Contact the **Doynton Mutual Aid Group** at doyntonvillage@live.co.uk to join the WhatsApp group, stay informed and get access to help within the village.

Doynton foodbank: villagers have donated a number of food items which can be found in a box in the church porch; please feel free to help yourself if you are in need. Also a big thank you for your continued support for **North Bristol Foodbank**, which is needed now more than ever. Please leave any tins or packets you can spare in the box in the church porch (please make sure they are at least three months within their use-by date).

Dates for your diary

March 6th and 20th, 10.00–11:00 a.m., in the village hall:
Doynton Village Market: for locally produced vegetables, eggs, meat, fish, baked produce and more. Please adhere to social distancing and wear a mask, unless exempted. Contact Elizabeth Crew on 0117 937 3168 by Wednesday to reserve your goods.