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MINISTER'S LETTER



While on holiday in West Sussex, I went to the local church on the Sunday, St Mary's, Storrington. I attended the 8.00am service, rather than later one, as we had arranged to meet some friends at 11.00am. It was a service of Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer [BCP], the order of service followed by the Church of England throughout my childhood, much of it therefore committed to memory.

The church was well looked after, clean and tidy, the books and notice sheets laid out ready for the first congregation of the day. It was cool and peaceful inside. As people entered, they sat quietly, waiting for the celebrant to start the service. Once it began, the words of the liturgy, so comfortingly familiar, slipped through my mind and it was easy not to think much about what they were saying. So when the time came for the two extracts from the New Testament to be read – one from a letter written by St Paul, and the other from one of the Gospels – I was jolted into paying more attention. The BCP sets out what readings are to be used for every Sunday of the year and for this particular Sunday, the Ninth after Trinity, the Gospel reading is Mark, Chapter 16, verses 1 to 9. As I listened, I realised that I had no idea what it was about. I couldn't even recall having heard this reading before. There was no sermon, so no possible explanation was forthcoming. I can do something about this when I get home; there are books and online resources that I can consult. But it set me thinking – do people attending church take the readings on board? Do they wonder what they mean? Do they get some explanation? Or do they leave none the wiser, and anyway don't particularly care?

How many people ever learn more about their faith, and what the Bible teaches, than the lessons they received in Sunday School (if attended), or when they were prepared for Confirmation? Yes, there are sermons on a Sunday, but these will largely be limited in scope. In the book 'Proverbs' the author writes "The beginning of wisdom is this: get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding." [Chapter 4, verse 7]. Perhaps it doesn't bother you not to know much more now than you did when you were young, but if it does at all, then September is a good month to start seeking. September always feels like the start of a new 'learning time'. Ask any of the Ministry Team and they would be happy to suggest things you could do to nourish your faith and build understanding.

Penny Wood

In the meantime – a challenge - here is the passage that foxed me: what do you think it's saying to us?

16Then Jesus said to the disciples, ‘There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’ ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

BIBLE READINGS



Sunday 4 th September	12 th Sunday after Trinity	Deuteronomy 30 v15-end Philemon 1-21 Luke 14 v25-33
Sunday 11 th September	13 th Sunday after Trinity	Exodus 32 v7-14 1 Timothy 1 v12-17 Luke 15 v1-10
Sunday 18 th September	14 th Sunday after Trinity	Amos 8 v4-7 1 Timothy 2 v1-7 Luke 16 v1-13
Sunday 25 th September	15 th Sunday after Trinity	Amos 6 v1a and 4-7 1 Timothy 6 v6-19 Luke 16 v19-end
Sunday 2 nd October	16 th Sunday after Trinity	Habakkuk 1 v1-4 and 2 v1-4 2 Timothy 1 v1-14 Luke 17 v5-10

I would go to church but...how am I supposed to know what sort of service it is?



The table on the back of the magazine shows which services are happening when, but unless you know, it can be hard to know what each service is like.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion or the Eucharist is at the heart of Christian worship. It is celebrated by Christians around the world as a memorial of the death and resurrection of Jesus, in response to his words at the final meal he shared with his disciples, 'Do this in remembrance of me.' In the Eucharist, God invites us to his table as a foretaste of the heavenly banquet which he has prepared for people of all nations and cultures.

Outwardly, the Eucharist takes the form of a shared meal of bread and wine, recalling the fact that, at the Last Supper, Jesus associated the breaking of bread and sharing of wine with his own imminent death, giving them special significance.

At a celebration of the Eucharist, the community gathers, asks God's forgiveness for its sins, and listens to readings from the Bible, including a reading from one of the Gospels. A sermon may be preached and the community prays together. Bread and wine are brought to the holy table (also called 'the altar'), the priest prays the Eucharistic Prayer, and everyone says the Lord's Prayer together. The community then receives the consecrated bread and wine. At the end of the service, the community is sent out into the world as a 'living sacrifice' to live and work to God's praise and glory.



In the Shelswell Benefice we have a number of different services which are Communion services:

- **Holy Communion with hymns (CW)** – CW stands for Common Worship, which refers to a complete library of services and prayers in a variety of styles first launched by the Church of England in 2000. Most of the material is in contemporary language.
- **Holy communion with hymns (BCP)** – this is the form of service originally developed by Thomas Cranmer back in 1662, and its language reflects that, with lots of ‘thee’s and ‘thou’s. It can seem quite difficult to understand to start with, but the language is very beautiful, and, over time, it is a service that many people come to love dearly.
- **Evening Communion** – Fringford or Stoke Lyne – is a Common Worship communion with no hymns. It tends to be a slightly less formal service – we will often sit in a circle rather than in pews. There may be a sermon or a discussion around the readings or some sort of reflection.

Services without Holy Communion

Morning Service (Finmere, Stratton Audley) – This is usually a more formal service with hymns, a reading or two from the Bible, a psalm, a sermon, and prayers. The language is contemporary.

Morning Service (lay-led) in Finmere – This is just like the one above, but led by a member of the congregation rather than the ministry team. Instead of a sermon, a short reflection is read.

Morning Service (lay-led) in Hethe – This is an informal service of prayers, a reading from the Bible and a short reflection. There is sometimes some music or a hymn. It is led by someone from the congregation, rather than a member of the ministry team. Hethe Church has a strong focus on creation and the environment and this service draws on material which reflects that (“The Earth cries Glory” by Steven Shakespeare). If you have attended lots of church services, you may find some of the language a little unusual to start with, but the different words spark off new thoughts and understandings. There is always tea / coffee and cake afterwards, with time to talk further about the theme of the service. Sometimes this discussion has led the group to decide to do something, for example, to get hold of some bags to recycle clothes.



Food for Thought (Stoke Lyne) is an informal service around breakfast! When people arrive, they help themselves to some tea / coffee and usually croissants or pain au chocolate. People sit around tables and chat. Sometimes there are some questions to consider on the table, or some other sort of activity to do. After about 20 minutes, there is a short act of worship with a reading from the Bible, some discussion of this, prayers and sometimes a song or hymn. Very appropriate for all ages.

Family Service (Fringford) – designed to be very family friendly, this is a short, informal service with hymns / songs, a reading from the Bible, a short – often interactive – talk, and some prayers. There are always refreshments afterwards and a time to chat.





Mixbury Half Hour – is what it says on the tin, a half hour service at Mixbury church. It has a bible reading, two or three hymns / songs, a short talk and some prayers – and refreshments and chat afterwards, which can often take longer than the service! Another good service for families.

Fun@4 – happens once a month at 4 pm, usually at Stoke Lyne church. This is a very informal time of crafts and games, followed by a very short act of worship, and then a sandwiches and cake tea. All ages are very welcome, and it is a good service for families to come along to. Any children that have enjoyed the Lighthouse holiday club will enjoy this – we

often have some of the same songs!

Evensong with the Shelswell Choir – Another service drawn from the Book of Common Prayer (see above), this service is enhanced by the Shelswell Choir. It consists of a psalm and canticles, readings from the Bible, a sermon, and some prayers. There will be hymns and the choir will often sing an anthem.

Evening Prayer – is as above but without the choir. There will still be hymns but the psalm and the canticles are said rather than sung.

Compline – The ancient office of Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning ‘completion’ (*completorium*). It is above all a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day. The Church of England says that it is most effective when the ending is indeed an ending, without additions, conversation or noise and advisees that at the end of the service, those present depart in silence. However, this is Shelswell, so there is generally a bit of chatter at the end! It is a short service of prayers, responses, a bible reading and sometimes a short reflection on this. Often there will be a piece of music or a song to listen to. A lovely end to the day.



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Pat Cherry

HOMELESS

I came across old information about Oxford Homeless Pathways (OxHoP) formerly Oxford Night Shelter and how Shelswell and other parishes collected blankets, clothes etc. and raised money to help the homeless. It brought back memories.

Times have moved on, but there are still problems of homelessness often through drug and alcohol addiction, mental health problems, financial difficulties, decreased confidence in coping with today's world, many of these problems being highlighted in on the recent T.V. programme about Bradford health workers.

Visit <https://homelessoxfordshire.uk/> for information.

Some other charities to access are:

Salvation Army - <https://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/>

Church Army <https://churcharmy.org/>

Pat Cherry

Time for Yvonne to move on

Yvonne Mullins joined us here in Shelswell as our curate in June 2019, and has lived, with husband Rich and son Mark, at 10c St Michaels Close, Fringford. She came to us with a raft of experience of working in churches and with children and young people, wanting to learn about rural ministry.

The pandemic, with its various lockdowns and all the strange restrictions on services, has given her an unusual experience of life in the rural church, but she rose to the challenge and has been a real blessing to us during her time here.



Yvonne was a key part to helping us adapt to online services, meetings and coffee mornings – quite a few people benefited from her ‘zoom’ coaching. She made for us some excellent pre-recorded services – you may remember Plough Sunday 2021 or her making a simnel cake in extra quick time as part of Mothering Sunday 2021. It was her suggestion that, when we couldn’t hold ‘Shelswell by the Sea’ during the lockdowns, we distributed bags of goodies instead. It was Yvonne who initiated Fun@Four and restarted the Youth Group and suggested the wonderful Fringford’s pudding evenings. And if you haven’t tasted one of Yvonne’s pavlovas – well, there is still a little bit of time!

But now she has reached the end of her curacy and has been signed off by the Bishop. And after a fairly arduous process of visits and interviews and having to give a sermon and a presentation, Yvonne has been offered the post of **Rector at the Five Parishes Benefice (Mursley, Swanbourne, Little Horwood, Newton Longville and Drayton Parslow)**. She, Rich and Mark will be moving to Mursley at the end of September, and we expect her licensing to be towards the end of October.

To mark Yvonne’s departure we will be holding a special service **at 7 pm on Thursday 29th September** in Fringford Church, followed by refreshments and a chance to say ‘goodbye’ to her – all welcome. We are planning to give her a leaving gift – please pass any contributions on to a member of the ministry team or drop it in at Finmere Rectory.

We will really miss Yvonne, Rich and Mark, but we wish them all the very best in their new home.
Alice

Bishop Zakaria and Mama Monica



Some of the South Sudanese Bishops getting ready for a photo outside Salisbury Cathedral

What an extraordinary week! Exhausting, moving, inspiring, challenging – and wonderful to be able to share time with two very lovely people from an entirely different culture. After two weeks at the Lambeth Conference in Canterbury, the Bishops from the Sudans were driven to Salisbury on Monday 8th August where we met them. It was a long hot day as folk from the Salisbury Diocese tried to sort out luggage from 37 bishops, match them up with their hosts, feed us all, sort out issuing PCR tests for their return flights and so on, so it was a bit of a relief when Bishop Zakaria, knowing we had a two hour journey back to Shelswell, suggested we might skip evensong in the Cathedral. (When my daughter heard this, she said that she thought we might be kindred spirits!)



A selfie with Justin Welby!

Hosting the Bishop and his wife in our home was a humbling experience. I had tried to think through the things I would need to explain, so I showed them how the blinds in the bedroom worked, how to use the shower, and how the loos flushed, but when they were on their way to bed I heard 'Pastor Alice, can you show us how the lights work?' Wulu is a very remote part of South Sudan – the health clinic has a generator and internet, which they allow Bishop Zakaria to use for an hour a day. Water has to be fetched from the pump, firewood for cooking from the bush. The primary school is rightly proud of its toilet block, but as a rule people just have to use the bush. We take so very much for granted – I felt slightly embarrassed as I showed them our three (largely) non-productive hens and my failed vegetable crop, explaining that these were more of a hobby rather than activities which we relied on. After all, there is always Tesco's...

In most ways they were easy guests – relaxed, willing to fit in and willing to give most things a go – and both had a good sense of humour! Bishop Zakaria found it very amusing that in UK households, our first words to visitors are invariably 'Now what would you like to drink?'. He is clearly a gentle man, someone of great humility – he related that when he was initially asked to be Bishop, he refused, saying that he had not had an adequate education and couldn't speak English, fairly essential as an African bishop when a significant part of the role is making connections with organisations that may be able to offer help. But being one of



Outside the Meadow Building at Christ Church

the Jur Beli tribe, a small tribal group in South Sudan, he was able to speak Beli which most South Sudanese couldn't. It is also clear that he really cares about his people – he described being 'pained' as he described the difficulties of girls' education and the challenges facing widows and orphans, for example. And he is someone who works very hard - in the eight years since I previously met him he has studied theology and English. (English is his fourth language, the others being Beli, Dinka and Juba Arabic).

Mama Monica has not had the advantage of any primary education and has not yet learnt English but she has an extraordinarily good ear and was already picking up words and phrases. She is clearly very able, managing a household of 20 people (including her four children, her sister's six children, and Zakaria's mother). Whilst staying with us, she quickly learnt how to use our induction hob to make omelettes and porridge, mastered the washing machine and made a lemon drizzle cake. I am not sure how well I would do in learning to cook on an open fire. She plays a leadership role in the church in Wulu, being a lay reader and a key figure in the Mother's Union, and during the day, in addition to caring for her own house and family, she looks after and feeds a group of orphans who sleep in the Bishop's compound.



Mama Monica's first trip on a train



Mama Monica's first lemon drizzle cake

We had a fairly busy programme whilst they were here:

Tuesday – we walked around Finmere in the morning, and later they visited Chris and Janey in Stoke Lyne, saw their business and had an evening meal with them

Wednesday – they visited Peter and Buzzy Lepper's farm, and in the evening, Bishop Zakaria spoke to folk from across the Benefice about life in Wulu



Refreshments at the
Herb Farm

Thursday – they visited Jane and Damian at the Herb Farm in Fringford, then had lunch with Bishop Gavin, the Bishop of Dorchester, at the Butchers Arms. Barbecue in the evening with two families at the Rectory.

Friday – a very exhausting day in Oxford – a visit to Christ Church Cathedral, and lots of first experiences including travelling by train and using escalators and lifts. Mama Monica had been looking forward to going shopping, but she was not impressed by UK clothes!

Saturday – lunch with the David-Austins in Fringford

Sunday – Bishop Zakaria preached at services at Hethe and Stratton Audley, before driving to Heathrow for their flight home.

There is so much to reflect on, of which more in the coming editions of the Shelswell News. It was a real blessing having them here, and I hope the friendship between Shelswell and Wulu can continue in the years to come. Please do pray for Bishop Zakaria and Mama Monica as they return to Wulu.

Alice



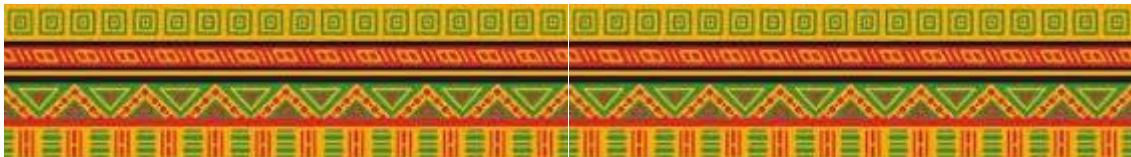
At the Poole's house in Stoke Lyne



Mama Monica with
Sophie and Michael



Another first – meeting horses!



Art and History Festival

It was a hot day, and to be fair, got too hot as the afternoon went on, but this year's Art and History Festival was generally regarded to have been a great success! These photos, taken by Graham Perryman of Dragonfly Framing, give a good flavour of it. Thanks to the generous support of all our patrons and sponsors, together with takings on the day, we more than covered our costs and were able to donate £820 to each of our three charities: Oxfordshire Mind, the Woodland Trust and the Shelswell Group of Churches. Huge thanks to everyone involved – I am not going to attempt to name them as it would fill the rest of this page!





We would love to run another festival but to do so, we need to find quite a few more fit, healthy and reasonably strong individuals who could commit to help with the set up on the Friday. Tents to put up, stakes to hammer in, signs to display and bales to move – it really is a case of ‘many hands make light work’. To help us in our planning, if you – or someone you know – would be prepared to help out with this, please do let me know on alicegoodall313@gmail.com or on the festival website: <https://shelswellhistoryfestival.org.uk/contact-shelswell-history-festival-2022/>





I recently visited our local Foodbank at The Beacon, Wesley Lane in Bicester and was shown round by Emma. The new premises are well set out and very welcoming, with a small café area and easily accessible shelves. And I was surprised to discover just how much goes on there.

One set of shelves is stocked with the non perishable goods that we associate with Foodbanks. These get packaged into bags for different sized families. [The Trussell Trust](#) has worked with nutritionists to ensure food parcels contain sufficient nutrition for at least three days' worth of healthy, balanced meals for individuals and families. However Emma acknowledges that there are limitations to how healthy tins and packets can be, and has negotiated with various shops and organisations to be able to provide other foods.

So another bank of shelves contained a good selection of fruit and vegetables. And visitors to the Foodbank can be given a meat voucher to take along to a local butcher and a supplier of Halal meat who have partnered with the Foodbank. There was also a small range of toiletry items, and a shelf of 'other food stuffs' from which visitors can help themselves. And at the moment, the Foodbank can also offer Sim cards for Vodafone

Emma's key concern is that people use the Foodbank if they need to. Any of us can find ourselves in a crisis for all sorts of reasons, and the Foodbank's philosophy is that no one in our community should have to face going hungry. To access the Foodbank people need to be referred through an agency – this is now much easier and can be done online – each person is given a unique voucher code which they take with them when they go into the Foodbank or phone them up. There is no longer any limit on the number of times that someone can be referred to the Foodbank, but they do need to be referred each time. And it is possible to have food bags delivered to the villages on a Monday and a Friday.

It's not just food though -

Café 103 meets on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1 – 4 pm and is open to anyone to go along. It is a drop-in café-style community space for adults who are struggling with mental and emotional ill-health. Anyone who is lonely, anxious or depressed, anyone who is bereaved and anyone in need of additional emotional support is welcome. There are opportunities to participate in activities, learn a new skill, or just have a chat. And delicious home-baked cakes

And every Tuesday from 10 to 12, there is an advisor from Citizens Advice – although the advisor specialises in debt advice, they know about a huge range of issues and are happy to advise across a range of problems.

Compared to this time five years ago, demand for Foodbanks nationally has increased by 81%. Emma told me that they have had significantly more single people being referred in recent months. Also, there would normally be fewer referrals over the summer months, but that has not been the case this year.

We will be discussing our links with the Foodbank in our PCCs – would it be helpful if our churches acted as collection points for food donations? Would it be a good idea if someone from each church became a recognised referrer to the Foodbank? Would it be useful to hold an emergency food bag in each church that could be called on if needed.

Bicester Foodbank relies on partnerships with local businesses, on regular and one off donations of money, and on donations of food at the supermarkets, notably Tesco and Sainsbury's. If you are in a position to do so, do get an extra couple of items for the Foodbank collection point when you are doing your shopping.

Alice



REGISTRY

This section will announce any baptisms, marriages and funerals that have recently taken place within the Shelswell benefice

Baptisms

Arabella Joyce Grace TALMAGE

Sunday 17th July 2022

St Michael and All Angels, Fringford



After a lunch at Lime Tree Cottage to celebrate her first birthday and her christening, Arabella's friends and family gathered in St Michael and All Angels, Fringford. Arabella, with big brother Arthur and mum and dad Charlotte and Charlie, were the last to arrive, but it takes time for a girl to get herself all togged up for a christening.

Charlotte and Charlie had chosen two hymns for the christening: 'Amazing grace' and 'How great thou art'. There were three readings: a poem – 'Arabella's call to adventure' written by Charlotte especially for Arabella and read by Liz Newby, Matthew 18: 1 – 5 read by Stephen Rooke, Isaiah 43: 1 – 13 read by William Talmage. Charlotte had made baptingles for all the families at the christening, which helped us to think about the meaning of baptism – and provided a small sugary treat or two for those still feeling hungry after lunch. When the baptingles were all completed, we lit the candles and sang 'He's got the whole world in his hands'. As well as all the prayers in the service, there was also an opportunity for all Arabella's guests to write their own prayers which were placed in a little suitcase for her to look at when she is older.

Arabella has four godparents: Bethany Daniels, Alexander Rooke, Clare McGreevy and Lucinda Orr. Big brother Arthur presented her with her baptism candle at the end of the service.

After the service, everyone returned to Lime Tree Cottage for birthday cake and bubbles.

We pray that her baptism may be the start of a wonderful lifelong journey for Arabella as she discovers just how much God loves her.

Marriages

Benjamin Edward JAMES and Vanessa Mairi Alice WHITELEY

Saturday 6th August 2022

All Saints Church, Mixbury

The sun was shining, the church was filled with flowers, and all the guests had arrived, many of them having travelled all the way from Germany – all was set for Ben and Vanessa's wedding at All Saints Church, Mixbury.

Ben and Vanessa have known each other for about 4 years – they met at work – Vanessa spotted Ben walking through the office! Ben proposed on Vanessa's birthday, 19th December 2020 under the stars – it was so dark Vanessa had difficulties seeing the ring, but she said 'yes' anyway. At the time they were living in Warren Farm but have since moved to Evenley to live with Vanessa's grandmother at Hall Farm.



Vanessa came into the church to the sound of 'Here comes the Sun' by the Beatles, played on the organ by Flora Skinner. There were two readings: Vanessa's dad, Puff Whiteley, read some excerpts from 'The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse' by Charlie Mackesy, a book that both he and Vanessa were very fond of, and then Sarah Batchelor read 'On Love' by Thomas Kempis. The couple had chosen three hymns for their wedding: 'Guide me, O thou great Redeemer', 'Love divine, all loves excelling', and 'I danced in the morning'. Whilst they signed the marriage document, Luce Sewell sang 'The Lord bless you and keep you'. There was a retiring collection to be divided between Mixbury Church and Thames Valley Air Ambulance. Ben and Vanessa left the church to John Stanley's Trumpet Voluntary and the sound of bells, and once they had followed the couple out, all the guests lined up along the path to form a confetti tunnel.

We wish them every happiness in their new life together.

James Stephen BURNAGE and Sarah Frances WILKINS

Saturday 6th August 2022

St Michael and All Angels, Finmere

The guests were all in the church, beautifully decorated by Pip Wilkins, the bride's mother. The candles were lit, the groom was in his place. All we needed was the bride – who arrived in an electric tuc tuc. She hadn't known what mode of transport awaited her, but was delighted with Pip's choice of vehicle.

Sarah and James have known each other for about 7 years. They met at work – both work in the jewellery business, James as a watch manager and Sarah as a jewellery valuer – and over time developed a firm friendship which blossomed into love. They have lots of shared interests – walking and supporting Leicester Tigers to name but two.

Sarah entered the church to 'The Bridal Chorus' played on the organ by Pam Morgan. There were three hymns: 'Morning has broken', 'Give me joy in my heart' and 'All things bright and beautiful', and during the signing of the Marriage Document, there was another surprise – a soloist stood up and sang 'Jerusalem'. There were three readings: part of that well known hymn of love, 1 Corinthians 13 read by Michael Burnage, 'Friendship' by Judy Bielicki, read by Olivia Emerton, and Song of Solomon 2: 10 – 13 read by Nick Wilkins. At the end of the service, the newly weds left the church to the sound of 'The Arrival of the Queen of Sheba' and the bells. After confetti throwing and photos, they took to the tuc tuc again, this time with tins tied to the back of it, and returned to Rosethorpe for further celebrations.

We pray that God will pour out his blessings on James and Sarah and that their marriage will be life long and life enhancing.



Obituaries

Iris Alder

10th August 1948 – 8th May 2022

Born on 10th August 1948, at her Granny Pollard's house in Hethe, Iris Rosalyn May Mitchell was the third of six children born to Rosa and Leslie Mitchell. Iris had two older brothers, two younger brothers and one younger sister.

In 1952 Iris, along with her parents and siblings, moved into 26 Hardwick Road, Hethe. Growing up as the eldest daughter wasn't always easy and Iris was often called upon to be the responsible one, helping her mother around the house and taking care of her siblings when her mother wasn't well.

As an adult Iris moved away from Hethe, but returned home at the age of 27 to live with her parents shortly before her daughter Mary was born on 4th March 1977. She and Mary moved to Banbury around 1978, and there Iris eventually married in 1982. She remained in Banbury until 1987 when she took the big decision to follow one of her dreams and move to Cornwall to enjoy life by the sea. Unfortunately, the dream was short-lived, employment issues forced the family to move back to Northamptonshire, to Brackley. Here Iris started working for the first time since Mary was born. She worked in a nursing home, running the laundry, a job she enjoyed; she made new friends, joined a darts team and proved to be a whiz with the arrows, a skill she shared with her younger brother Ray.

In 1995 she separated from her husband, and they were divorced in 1999. Iris continued living and working in Brackley until she took early retirement in 2003 and moved back to Hethe to care for her mother Rosa following the death of her father. Iris spent the next ten years of her life caring for Rosa until she died in 2013. Iris also lost three of her siblings during her life time: Colin aged 21; Raymond aged 47, and Joan aged 47. She is survived by her two older brothers Gerald and Leslie.

Iris loved animals and over the years the family did have a number of dogs. In 2018 she adopted her cat Blue who was her faithful companion for the last four years of her life. After Rosa died Iris decided to stay in the house in Hethe. She became a valued member of the local community and the local church, and got involved in many village events. She enjoyed her garden and was a keen walker; she was fit and active; she built strong friendships, some with people she already knew from the village, and some with new people she met through the church, coffee mornings and social events she had attended.

Iris was a kind and caring person who would do anything to help a friend or family member in need, often putting others before herself. If she could help, she would.

Iris was in good health up until December 2021, when she started getting signs that something wasn't quite right. In March 2022 she was diagnosed with cancer and due to its spread was not able to undergo any treatment. However, she remained positive and determined to make the most of the time she had left. Sadly, this was a lot less than anticipated, but due to the kindness of local friends, in particular Jenny, Annette and Geraldine, visits from her daughter Mary, nephew Stephen, brothers Gerald and Leslie, and son-in-law Phil, Iris was able to make the most of her last few weeks despite being so poorly. But, on 6th May Iris had to be admitted to Katherine House Hospice where she died peacefully on Sunday 8th May, aged 73 years. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

A Funeral Service for Iris was held in Hethe Church on 9th June and she was buried in the churchyard there.



Francis George Edwards (known as 'Frank')

27th October 1924 – 6th June 2022

Frank was born in Bladon, near Woodstock, Oxfordshire, to Frederick and Sarah Edwards. He had three brothers, Frederick, Roger and Leonard.

Frank left school at the age of 14 and went to work for McCarthies Farm in Bladon. During the second world war Frank, being in farming, was in a reserved occupation, but he did serve as an ARP (Air Raid Patrol).

Frank met his wife Phyllis when he was 23. At the time Phyllis was serving in the Land Army on Ducklington Farm. Frank shared an Austin 7 with his eldest brother Fred and used to drive to Witney to date Phyllis. On one occasion he broke down at Cokethorpe Park, and that evening had to walk back to Bladon. The following morning, as the car was still parked outside the place where Phyllis was living, people thought he had stayed the night, and this caused quite a stir in those days! When he went back the next day to recover the car, it turned out to have a flat battery.

Frank and Phyllis married on 22 November 1948 in Bladon church and in 1949 moved to Stratton Audley where Frank worked for Stratton Audley Park. Frank and Phyllis had three children Philip, Jane, and Paul.

Frank was the very best at Hedge laying and won many rosettes and other prizes taking part in competitions.

After thirty years working in Stratton, Frank moved to Bicester and worked for the Ministry of Defence until he retired in 1989. After this he spent much time gardening, growing flowers and vegetables. He won many 'Bicester in Bloom' competitions for his beautiful garden displays. He also enjoyed a game of Bingo on Saturday and Sunday evenings in Bicester, Banbury and Aylesbury. He loved music, Abba being one of his favourite groups.

Frank was a very warm, charismatic and gentle man who put people at ease. He would stop and chat to everyone. He had the warmest of smiles and loved to have a laugh. He loved comedy. Most of all he loved his family and was very proud of each and every one of them especially his grandson Bradley. He will be greatly missed.

A Funeral Service was held in St Mary and St Edburga's Church, Stratton Audley, on 21st June, and Frank was buried in the churchyard there.

Janet Madeline Reeve

9th June 1936 – 19 July 2022

Janet had lived in Hethe for a number of years, though not recently, and a Funeral Service was held for her in Hethe Church on 8th August 2022.

Janet married at 17; a marriage which lasted for 50 years. She had two children, daughter Stella and son Rob. She worked as a Teaching Assistant at Hethe School, at Caversfield school (now Kings Meadow), and at Bardwell Special School. She loved children, and her family say what a really good mother and grandmother she was. She deeply loved her grandchildren Haley and Brandon, and Simon, and would tell anyone about them given half a chance. She had many very good friends.

Her key interests were reading, walking, wild life, and clay pigeon shooting [better than her husband!] At home she had her cats, and her tortoise 'Speedy'. She liked to have fun: she visited Lapland and Disneyland Paris; and she went lama walking, and when she was 65 she went whale watching.

Sadly Janet developed dementia, always distressing both for the sufferer, and for their family, and friends. She eventually had to be looked after in a care home. Her death is sad but also a blessed relief. Two poems were read at the funeral: "Don't Grieve for me" [Anonymous], and "When I come to the end of the road" by Robyn Rancman. Janet was laid to rest in Hethe churchyard, in the same grave as her husband.

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SHELSWELL BY THE SEA

The next Benefice 'Holiday at Home' will take place on **3, 4, and 5 October**, and will be held in Stoke Lyne Church room.

Application Forms will be available in the churches or from Penny Wood. Do get in touch to book a place.
penelope.wood@btopenworld.com or 01869-277310)

SHELSWELL LIGHTHOUSE

We didn't need planning permission, but Shelswell Lighthouse shone brightly in Finmere School for the week of 25th to 29th July. Our second Lighthouse holiday Club attracted 46 children from across the benefice and beyond, who spent the week from 10.30 to 3.30 each day with us.

Of course, planning for this event started many months ago, and our committed team of leaders and helpers, had a wonderful time delivering the whole story of Jesus in one week complete with Christmas, Easter and Pentecost.



Each day started with joint activities for the three groups, which involved drama, singing and games with much silliness provided by our teenage helpers, the Lamplighters. This introduced the topic for each day.

The groups then moved on to their base for the day where they had craft activities, teaching about the story, more drama and sports activities each day. Our leaders were helped again by the Lamplighters who always managed to raise the excitement level.

The oldest group this year had the pleasure of being based in the Finmere Marquee in the school grounds which they soon made their own.

A huge thank you to everyone who took part, both adults and children, and thanks for the hard work put in by so many people to make this happen.

A special thank you goes to our teenage Lamplighters provided much silliness and hilarity as well as the serious job of helping the children discover more about the story of Jesus and what it means to us today.



Next year's Lighthouse shines from 24th to 29th July 2023. New helpers, both adult and teenage, are always needed to join the madness and fun. Please contact Alice if you can help.

Joe Goodall

Club News

Coronavirus protective restrictions may apply and arrangements may be changed.

COME & JOIN US AT SEWCIAL



We enjoy any type of craft and a natter getting together to relax and enjoy each other's company.

Some of us knit, crochet, embroider, quilt, sew or create craft albums.

**We get together once a month, either on a Wednesday evening
or Sunday afternoon.**

We meet in the Chinnery Room at Fringford Village Hall.

Our next sessions are

Sunday 18th September at 3– 5pm

Wednesday 12th October at 7 – 9pm

Sunday 13th November at 3- 5pm

Sessions are £2.00

No need to book – just come and join us!

If you would like information, please email Melissa at mamcs100@gmail.com



SHELSWELL WI
**If you're going to join, then join in - a warm welcome
awaits.**



With the glorious weather we are having this summer, we were pleased that our August meeting, on the 4th, was outdoors, but also pleased it was not one of the really hot days we have had. Being a popular holiday month, August often sees fewer attendees, but this year we had a good turnout, with the majority opting for a walk around Graven Hill and a few choosing to explore Langford Park, in Bicester. After our walk we met back at the local pub and enjoyed a drink, with the opportunity to continue catching up with other members.

Our September meeting is on the 1st September, and will be back in Fringford Village Hall. For most of us it will be another opportunity to find out about something new, and maybe have a go, although the topic is 'Burlesque – History and Dance'. Who knows maybe we will get the chance to try it out? It could well be an ideal opportunity for first time visitors to try the WI out, since we will all be experiencing something new, and mysterious to us, which is one of the benefits of being a member of the WI

One of the advantages of new coffee shops springing up all the time is that the WI's coffee mornings are often an opportunity to try somewhere new. So the occasional coffee morning is always another event many of us enjoy through the WI. We continue to organise walks during the day, once a month, with a walk around Gavray Wildlife Meadows (an area of land near Langford Village, which will be protected from development) in August, and the September walk which will take place on Wednesday 21st September around Aldershot Farm, Bicester, (meeting at the carpark outside the Co-op on the Bucknell Road, adjacent to Kingsley Road at 10 a.m.

As our recent programme demonstrates the WI gives members the opportunity to discover and be involved in a wide range of activities – and that is just the Shelswell branch. The Oxfordshire, and national bodies of the WI offer even more: The monthly ‘Oxfordshire Inspires’, and bi-monthly ‘WI Life’ magazines provide a wide range of stimulating articles and ideas, for all members. There are many courses available online through the ‘MY WI’ website, which are very popular, and frequent trips and holidays organised for members. Shelswell WI also continues to organise its own varied programme of meetings, held on the first Thursday of each month in Fringford Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Coming Up:

September 1st – Burlesque history and dance with Lauren from Attitude Dance school

October 6th – Tudor Customs at Harvest Time with Martin Sirot-Smith

We continue to collect empty foil pill cases and plastic bottle tops for recycling and Pathfinders.

For more information on Shelswell WI, please contact the president Elaine Whittaker on 07917 453224



SHELSWELL GARDEN CLUB



Our trip on July 10 was to Avon Dassett. Armed with sun hats and water bottles on a very warm afternoon the Shelswell garden club enjoyed a delightful visit of two halves in Avon Dassett. An interesting selection of very different gardens. Starting at the top with its beautiful view across the English countryside. We walked around shady areas of gardens with a mix of planting including very high statement plants, a pond, immaculate vegetable patch with not a weed in sight all growing in straight rows. The envy of many. Our walk took us down a hill through a wooded area into the village where we came across a very tiny garden with every inch utilised with high plants and few pots inviting the eye to look around disguising its size.

Water features and works of art were also used in other gardens. Best of all was tea and cake in the shade feasting our eyes around the garden of a traditional thatched cottage.

We take a break in August and will return to Hethe Village Hall on Tuesday 13th September at 7.30, to listen to Paul Green on Dark and Dangerous plants!

SHELSWELL POETRY APPRECIATION GROUP

At our meeting on August 9th we read and discussed poems on the theme of the colour green, and a fine crop we came up with!

The Wearing of the Green by Dion Boucicault is a reminder of the Irish Croppies’ Rebellion of 1798 and is a fiercely patriotic, anti-government song. Richard of Gloucester’s soliloquy from Act 1 Scene1 of ***Shakespeare’s Richard the Third*** is full of hatred, resentment and jealousy – ‘the green-eyed monster’ as Iago, another of Shakespeare’s villains, calls it in Othello. In ***Aftermath, Siegfried Sassoon contrasts*** ‘the green of the spring’, which, for him, represents peace at the end of The First World War, with the horror of the four previous years.

Other poems we looked at were ***Under the Surface by Frances R Havergal, The Echoing Green (sic) by William Blake; a song, Where'er You Walk, from Handel's opera Semele; Binsey Poplars, by Gerard Manley Hopkins; Green by D H Lawrence; Green Grow the Rushes- a traditional rhyme; A Green Willow, a haiku by the Japanese poet Basho; four poems by Philip Larkin- The Trees, At Grass, Spring and Cut Grass; Dylan Thomas's The Force That Through the Green Fuse Drives the Flower; The Ice Cart by Wilfrid Wilson Gibson; The Green Bowl by Amy Lowell; Being Young and Green by Edna St Vincent Millay; Autumn River Song by Chinese poet Li Tai-po; Moonlit Apples by John Drinkwater,*** and, finally, an extract from the magnificently green but anonymous 14th century poem ***Sir Gawain and the Green Knight.***

Our September meeting will be on Tuesday 6th at 10.30 and the theme will be Heat. If you would like to join us please contact me on 01869 811994 or at judith.harvey@live.co.uk Judith Harvey

SHELSWELL READING GROUP

The book chosen for the August Meeting was *The Great Circle by Maggie Shepherd*. It is the story of Marian Graves, a fictional female pilot, who disappeared in 1950 over the Pacific Ocean. She was attempting to fly north to south around the world, and her story has similarities with that of Amelia Earhart. Marian's story is twinned with that of Hadley Baxter, a young starlet playing her in a Hollywood film.

Other Recommended Reads:

Mosquito by Roma Tearne

How Beautiful We Were by Imbolo Mbue

The Mercies by Kiran Millwood Hargrave

A Month in the Country by J L Carr

But You Did Not Come Back by Marceline Loridan-Ives and Sandra Smith

The Rose of Sebastopol by Katharine McMahon

If you would like to come to our September meeting, please contact Jane Birnage for date, venue and novel, on 01280 847455 or at janebirnage@icloud.com

SHELSWELL WALKERS



Please contact the walking group direct for details of the next walk. The walk will be for around 2 hours.. Dogs must be on leads. Tea or coffee after.

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COTTISFORD AND JUNIPER HILL SOCIAL COMMITTEE

In July we held our inaugural Pop-Up Pub Night at the home of Mike, Rachel, Robby and Jessica Prior. It was a huge success, and enjoyed by all, and our thanks go to the whole family who entertained us so well. As this magazine went to print there were no August or September dates decided, but if you are interested in hosting or attending one, let me or Jane Birnage know.

Drinks are brought with them by the people attending and nibbles are provided by the hosts. Judith Harvey 01869 811994 or at judith.harvey@live.co.uk Jane Birnage 01280 847455 janebirnage@icloud.com

Don't forget the Picnic in the Field in the playing field at Juniper Hill on Sunday 4th September from 2.30-4.30. Bring your own picnic and alcohol but the Committee will provide free soft drinks.

We have a crack team organising informal games for all ages (with medals for all young participants), plus a Tombola and a prize quiz on Coronation Year (1953). Come along and enjoy chatting to friends old and new. The marquee will be going up to provide shelter from rain or sun, and if you can help with that, please come to the field on Thursday 1st from 6pm onwards. Tombola prizes can be left with Jane Birnage (01280 847455)

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We are trying a new thing!

People have said that they would come to church but they can never remember when the services are, so we are going to have a service most weeks at 9.15 am in Finmere Church!

On the first two Sundays in the month it will be led by a member of the congregation (lay led), and on the second two Sundays by one of the ministry team.

9.15 am - Sunday 4th September – Lay led morning service – led by Peter Lepper

9.15 am – Sunday 11th September – Lay led morning service – led by Sylvia Nash

9.15 am – Sunday 18th September – Holy Communion – led by Rev Alice Goodall

9.15 am – Sunday 25th September – Morning service – led by Penny Wood LLM

After the service, there will be refreshments and a time to chat.

Please do come along and support us! We'd love to see you there.

Peter, Sylvia, Barbara and Steve

Village Hall

The village hall is now back open for use and bookings and many of the regular users have now resumed their scheduled events.

We will shortly be posting a new set of pictures detailing the many improvements that been implemented during the renovation process

For enquiries, please visit www.myfinmere.com/villagehall



Allotments



The allotments are now a hive of activity with courgette, bean, onion and many other vegetable plants maturing. Allotment fees will shortly become due and at the current rate of £20 / year, represent very good value.

The Poor's Plot continues to have a small waiting list for allotment plots and there is always a possibility that a few plots may become available shortly, so any aspiring allotment users should visit

www.myfinmere.com/poorsplot

Need some local help

<http://www.shelwellparishes.info/documents/corona/communitynetworks.pdf>

Village facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/finmereandlittletingewick/>

Shelwell Parishes website at – www.shelwellparishes.info/finmere

Finmere Parish Council website at – www.finmerepc.org

Village hall news at – www.myfinmere.com

Finmere Primary School - www.finmere.oxon.sch.uk

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St Michael & All Angels, Services & Events



- Sunday 4th September – 10.45am Family Service
- Sunday 11th September – 6.00pm Evening Communion
- Sunday 18th September – 10.45 Holy Communion

Please check the back cover of this magazine, or the noticeboard at the church, Facebook page [*Shelwell News*], or ring the Benefice office (01280-848192) to find out when and where services are on Sundays when there is not one in Fringford.

Future Events

- Saturday 1st October – A Church clean up – inside – **all help welcomed**
- Sunday 2nd October – Harvest Festival at 10.45am
- Saturday 26th November – A Thanksgiving Meal in the Village Hall *[to be confirmed]*

Fringford Church 100 Club

The winners of the July draw were: 1st Robert Gue £55, 2nd Lyn White £34, 3rd Rosemary Saunders £22.

You can still sign up to the 100 Club. Contact Christina McCullagh to register your interest **ASAP, on 07867 515207**. Draw takes place monthly at the Village Coffee Morning. Penny Wood

SUPPORT DURING THE TIME OF CORONAVIRUS, AND AFTERWARDS

Support is always available from the **Fringford Friends, Neighbourhood Support Group**:

- Telephone: 07704 756840
- Email neighbourhoodsupport@fringford.info

To join Fringford's **What's App Group** ring or email Christine Underwood: 07961 972388 or christine@avalon23.plus.com

FRINGFORD VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING

The Coffee Morning will be on Monday 19th September 10.30am to 12 noon. Now meeting in the Chinnery Room at the Village Hall. Do drop in. [The Fringford Church 100 Club draw will take place that morning].

Penny Wood

Regular Activities held in Fringford Village Hall

<p>Details of regular activities taking place in Fringford Village Hall. To find out more or book a place, please contact the hirer direct.</p>	
Weekly Activities	Monthly Activities
<p>FS Dance Monday & Wednesday (term time) After school classes BALLET • TAP • MODERN • STREET</p> <p>leah.fsd@gmail.com or 07885827592</p>	<p>Village Coffee Morning All ages welcome Third Monday in the month - Chinnery Room Drop in anytime between 10.30 am and noon</p> <p>Penny Wood 01869 277310</p>
<p>Puppy Stars Dog Training Tuesday evening – various classes</p> <p>Contact Nick 07542 131400 www.puppystars.co.uk</p>	<p>Parish Council Meeting All villagers welcome Third Monday in the month 7.45pm</p> <p>Contact 01844 237766 or fringford.parishclerk@gmail.com</p>
<p>Fringford Yoga Wednesday (term time) 9.30am – 11am</p> <p>Carolyn White 01869 277161</p>	<p>Darby & Joan Club Third Tuesday of the month March to June, Oct 2.30pm – 4.30pm</p> <p>Marian Golding 01869 278355</p>
<p>Just Puppies Puppy Training Wednesday evening – various classes</p> <p>Contact Kerri 07720 891489 www.justpuppies.training</p>	<p>Shelswell WI First Thursday of the month 7.30pm</p> <p>Contact Elaine Whittaker 07917 453224</p>
<p>Sound Bath Meditation Friday evening from 7.30pm</p> <p>contact@holisticaxis.com</p>	<p>Mindfulness Meditation Monthly Sunday 11am to 12.30pm</p> <p>janerainey17@gmail.com or 07971 008337</p>
<p>Village Hall Meeting Every 6 weeks – 7.30pm</p> <p>Open meetings – all welcome</p> <p>Contact Helen 01869 278260</p>	<p>Fringford Sewcial Sew and Chat! Alternate monthly Wednesday from 7pm & Sunday from 3pm</p> <p>Contact Melissa at mamcs100@gmail.com</p>
<p>To book the hall for your own event, please go to fringford.info, village hall, how to book Here you will find all the information you will need to book on-line.</p> <p>For any other queries please phone or text 07936 879175 or email: fringford.hall@gmail.com</p>	

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Hardwick Church new guidebook

The new 2022 guidebook for Hardwick church and the parish of Hardwick with Tusmore is now available. This 44-page booklet has over 20 colour photos and provides a fascinating insights into the features and history of Hardwick church, the village and the Tusmore Estate. You can collect a copy from the church or contact David Barnes (01869 277690), who can send one to you. We ask that you make a minimum donation of £5 to church funds.

HARVEST FESTIVAL, ST MARY'S CHURCH, HARDWICK
This year's service will take place on Sunday 25th September at 4 pm
with the Shelswell Benefice Choir



Refreshments will be served after the service

All Welcome

Please leave your offerings of food and produce in the church beforehand or bring them along to the service. These will be donated to Bicester Food Bank

Pilgrim Pathways

Why not walk the Hethe to Hardwick to Cottisford to Hethe “Pilgrim Pathway”. This is the first of what will be a network of walks between local religious sites being organised by the Bicester and Islip Deanery. This 4 mile circular route takes in the C of E churches of each of these villages as well as Holy Trinity, Hethe’s RC church. You can start and end your walk at any point on the route, which takes in some glorious North Oxfordshire countryside. Pick up a free brochure outlining the route from any of the three C of E churches or contact David Barnes (01869 277690), who can send one to you.

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If you have any news or a village event to publicise, please send the details to me, where possible with a photo, and if suitable I will add them to next month's news and include them on the village web site. The deadline for this publication is on Page 2.

Many thanks, Mike.

ST EDMUND & ST GEORGE CHURCH



Church Services and Events

The church is now open every day for visits and private prayer. Thank you to everyone who attended the service on 14th August at which we were pleased to welcome Bishop Zechariah from South Sudan. The collection of £161 was given to the project to support women's farming and the girls primary school in Wulu, South Sudan.

The Harvest Festival is being held on 11th September, starting at 9.15am and followed by breakfast.



See the back page for details of all services.

We will be gathering to cut and rake the designated wild areas in the churchyard this month. Details from Flora or Mike.

There is now a box of free food in the church for anyone in need.

If you wish to contribute to the running costs of the church, please see the village web site, use one of the QR Codes below or contact hethepccsecretary@outlook.com.



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Ride & Stride 2022



We will be welcoming Ride & Striders to St Edmund & St George Church again this year on Saturday 10 September. If you are not walking, running or cycling, you could welcome participants to our church sometime between 10.00am and 6.00pm. Please let me know if you would like to be involved – hethpccsecretary@outlook.com.

See the OHCT web site for up-to-date details, sponsorship forms, etc – <https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>.



**Hethe Community Coffee Morning's
Macmillan Fund Raiser**

**Monday September 12th 10-12 noon
in the Village Hall**

Cake & Produce Stall, Games and Raffle



Church cleaning and flower rota. Many thanks to Helen Pritchard for volunteering for September, Mike Green for October and Jenny Cullen for December.

Next PCC meeting Wednesday 28th September.

The Shelswell Art & History Festival

The photo shows the display for Hethe in the local village history tent at the festival. The theme was “Trade and Transport across the ages”. Thank you to everyone who provided photos and to Pauline for welcoming everyone to the display. Lots of past and present Hethens took an interest and some of the content will be available in the church.

There are more photos (courtesy of Graham Perryman of Dragonfly Framing) on the festival web site.

<https://shelswellhistoryfestival.org.uk/the-2022-festival/>



Gary's WW2 memorabilia

HETHE COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

The minutes from the Parish Council's meetings on 17th and 24th May are on the web site. The next meeting will be held at 8.00pm on Tuesday 25th October and we would encourage anyone with an interest in what is happening in the village to attend.



Village Hall Bookings: Please contact the village hall booking secretary
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Please note that the Stay & Play Group contact is Jess, email:
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CHURCH SERVICES

Services will be on the third Sunday in the month at 9.15am.

MIXBURY CHURCH FLOWER ROTA 2022

September	Philippa Brown
October	Harvest festival – everyone
November	Morag Westworth

MIXBURY CHURCH CLEANING ROTA (Revised 2022 – 2023)



Thank you to everyone who has agreed to go on this rota and to everyone who has cleaned and helped maintain the church throughout the past year – it is very much appreciated.

September	Giovanna Holdcroft and Tanya Howroyd
October	Emma Bray and Viv Williams
November	Alison Bailey, Pam Burrill and Jules Channon

If anyone else would like to help with cleaning, we would be very grateful for extra volunteers. This would help to lighten the load on otherwise busy people. The job only requires a couple of hours simple cleaning in your allotted month, and if you can find a partner or join a group of two to make groups of three, it can be a pleasant way to involve yourself in the village and familiarise yourself with our beautiful church. For more information please contact - Julie Mitchell on 01280 – 847769

MIXBURY POP UP PUB NIGHTS

The Mixbury Pop Up Pub has been a tradition in the village for many years now and is a lovely way to socialise and make friends. The hosts provide the venue, glasses and a few nibbles and the guests arrive with their own drinks.

If you are interested in hosting a pub night please contact Tanya – email: markandtanya@yahoo.co.uk.

A very warm belated “**Welcome to Mixbury**” to Kevin and Leigh-Ann Hare along with the family pets Harvey and Sadie. We hope you will be very happy living here.

MIXBURY FETE

The Fete will be held at Mixbury Hall this year on Saturday 3rd September 2022.

Mixbury Now has a Facebook page: Search for “Mixbury Community Group”

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Services -

Sunday 4th September - 9.15 a.m.



We very much look forward to welcoming all our readers and friends to join us for this month's communion service.

Bonus Ball Lotto -

Recent lucky winners have been David Francis, Nancy Crofton and Michala Pederson.

Please don't forget it's time to renew your subscriptions and for those who haven't taken part before to consider joining in. Please contact Ann von Maltzahn for details.

Art & History Festival -

After much planning and hard work on the part of the organisers, the combining of the annual Art exhibition and History Festival on the weekend of the 16th - 17th July proved to be a great success.

The sun shone and a lot of people came to enjoy all the exhibitions, displays, stands, delicious food and all that was on offer.

Too many people to name individually but a BIG thank you to everyone involved in making it such a great event. Let's hope we can do it again next year!

The Church Clock & Bells -

We are pleased to report that our church clock and bells are now in perfect order after much needed routine maintenance.

Our grateful thanks go to Ray Goodger, Stuart Hinton and Andrew Wyatt who have carried out the work.

The clock is considered to be extremely rare as it has two faces, one about five feet in diameter facing west and the other about two feet in diameter facing south and at a higher level.

It was made in the nearby village of Tingewick by a Mr Packer and the setting dial is engraved 'Packer Tingewick' 1812. The Bells date from the middle of the 14th century and are thought to be of local manufacture.

Ride & Stride -

Please think seriously about taking part in this years Ride & Stride on Saturday 10th September and help to raise money for the upkeep of our church.

See the link on the flier below for details and sponsorship forms.

Our church will be open to welcome visitors

Harvest Festival & Lunch -

This year's service of thanksgiving will be on **Sunday 2nd October** at 11.30 a.m. and will be followed by the very popular lunch.

Please contact Ann von Maltzahn (ann_maltzahn@yahoo.com) or Will Le Fevre (wiliamlefevre@btinternet.com) in advance to reserve your tickets for the lunch



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Flower Duty for September

Caroline Cooke

Stoke Lyne 100 Club – August Results

1st Prize	Membership No 30	Nikki Popoola
2nd Prize	Membership No 41	Harriet Wye
3rd Prize	Membership No 60	Craig Mitchell

Congratulations to the lucky winners. Please keep spreading the word. The more members means bigger prize money.

Kind regards

Janey Poole Treasurer St Peter's Church PCC

Food for Thought – Sunday, 7th August

We enjoyed breakfast in a beautifully cool Church where, other than the wordsearches, we were paper free. The screen has been great for displaying services and presentations and has really highlighted the range of purposes it could have.

We discussed how preparations are an important part of life and how, as we prepare for holidays, parties and special events, we can also be thinking about how Jesus asked his disciples to prepare and ‘keep their lamps burning’.

Our next service, with breakfast, will be at 10am on Sunday 4th September.

Kelly Holden-White

Midweek communion and soup lunch – Thursday, 4th August

Alice presided over the communion assisted by Liz. It was a lovely service but unfortunately Yvonne and Pat Cherry had gone down with Covid so they missed the service. It was hoped that they would make a speedy recovery. We then moved over for a very nice choice of soups followed by pudding.

Rena Andrews



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Stoke Lyne W.I. – Thursday, 14th July

Rena introduced the speaker Mr David Clack. The meeting was opened with the singing of Jerusalem and it was nice to have a male voice singing with us. David started his talk by introducing himself and gave a brief history of his life and the various careers he has had over the years which this has led to him giving talks on different subjects. His subject on this occasion was how to complain and where to go to get answers. Most of us have experienced being in a position where we've needed an answer to something but have been pushed from pillar to post. If you have a query about overhanging branches to your property and don't know if it is the council's responsibility: he told us how to go about finding out. If someone parks over your driveway and goes out for the day, is it the police you contact or the highways? He also told us how you can get a white strip to put on the road outside your drive at no cost to stop people parking there. There were lots of other tips he gave us, it is all about knowing where to go. Dave then asked if there were any question and quite a few put their hands up and he answered their questions. Celia gave Dave the vote of thanks on behalf of our WI and said how we had all learned something.

We then went on to the business. Feedback on the June garden party and the group walk: all agreed they went well and enjoy them. The annual meeting in Liverpool. Celia was our delegate and gave a lengthy report. On the first night they stayed over in Chester for dinner/bed and breakfast and next morning it was up early to travel to Liverpool. The speakers were very interesting and spoke on different topics and Celia was pleased that she volunteered to be the delegate. Liverpool is a beautiful city to visit. Sally, who volunteers at the Bicester Food bank, said that they were running low on certain food and asked if members could perhaps bring something to the September meeting to help replenish stocks. Items requested are:

Long life milk	Jams	Tea, all sorts	Coffee
Fray Bentos pies	Tinned fish	Juice	Soups
Tinned veg	Toiletries	Cleaning stuff	

This is only a fraction of what they are short of but the one thing they seem to get a lot of is pasta, so please don't bring pasta!

We had a bit of a break for tea and biscuits, tea hostesses were Sally and Judith. The competition was guess what an item was and we had four winners as no one could identify what the items were. The competition was guess what an item and we had four winners as no one could identify what the items were: a device to make square eggs, a washing dolly, a hook for threading a loom and a small butter cooler.

Stoke Lyne W.I. provided teas at the Shelswell History Festival on 16th July. Some of us got there just after 8.00 am to get everything set up for tea/coffee to be served beginning at 10.00 am. There were a selection of filled rolls, sausage rolls, quiche, cream teas, cheese scones and an abundance of cakes of all descriptions. It was a busy day and very hot. Our WI would like to say thank you to those who gave donations of cakes etc and also those who helped in any way and a special thank you to Yvonne for all her help in setting up and manning the tea and coffee urns and helping also to clear up afterwards. Our own members worked really hard all day.



Photos from Sheila Haydon, Stoke Lyne, W.I.

We don't have a meeting in August so it was decided to get together and have a pub meal on 10th August so that we could have a bit of social time together.

The September meeting on the 8th is going to be a craft day from 10.00 am till 3.00 with a bring-your-own lunch. We will do a little business concerning future events. The idea behind the day is to make craft items for the Christmas Sale. If you have any spare fine cotton material, please bring it along with scissors and anything else you can make to sell. The competition for the Margaret Ackerman Plate for an unusual container planted up in the last six months will be judged at the September meeting.

Rena Andrews

OXFORDSHIRE RIDE AND STRIDE – 10th SEPTEMBER 2022

Just a reminder that this year's "Ride and Stride" will be taking place on 10th September. If anyone from the village wishes to take part either by cycling or walking (or, as some previous participants have done, on horseback) please contact Kelly for more information or visit the Ride and Stride website at <https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>.

This year Chris and Janey Poole have already announced by village email their intention to take part and are looking for people to sponsor them.

Looking back through the Stoke Lyne pages I've saved from Shelswell News (*which only go back to 2000 – so if anyone has any issues previous to this date I would love to borrow and scan them*) reveals some interesting statistics. The number of visitors to our church was not published every year (or I didn't keep the relevant page) but between 2000-2010 they seem to have ranged from 33 to 62. The number of participants from this parish (including Bainton) has also varied as participating families have come and gone from the village but the star participant in terms of number of churches visited and miles travelled in one go appears to be Keith in 2012 who visited an astonishing 45 churches cycling 88 miles.

Most participants clock up a far more modest mileage and some years in conditions far from ideal: so hats off to Kelly and Daniel who visited 6 churches covering 12 miles on a “horrible wet morning” in 2016.

The overall totals raised by participants from the parish have not always been reported but between 2000-2010 these ranged from £104 to £306.50. The money raised each year is split between the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust and the participant’s chosen church or chapel. Over the years the Trust has helped the Church fund various repairs and building works and of course the 2019 re-ordering.

Brenda Hazel

Ironman

Congratulations to Richard Taylor for completing the “Ironman” challenge in Swansea on 7th August. You may have seen him set off on his training runs here beforehand. Participants first had to do a 1.2 mile (1.9 km) swim at the Prince of Wales Dock before a 56 mile (90 km) bike course encompassing the clifftops and local countryside. Finally there was a 13.1 mile (21.1 km) run in and around city centre ending at the Marina. Well done, Richard!



Photos from Lindsey Taylor

Brenda Hazel



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St Mary and St Edburga; Holy Trinity

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Services: - Please see back page

Children are welcome; the church has a small table and benches with a good supply of paper/crayons for young children during services.

'Little Lambs' baby and toddler group continues in Stratton Audley Church every Wednesday in term time (9.30am - 11am) Plus a couple of meeting in the summer, including Wednesday 31st August. Come if you're free.

Saturday 10th September 2022 – sign up!

<https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>



Hard copy Sponsorship forms are in the SA Church porch

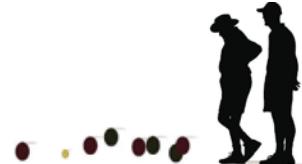
Everyone is welcome participate, individually, as a family or a group of friends. Please register using the Sign-up registration:

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and **remember** to add the St Mary & St Edburga Stratton Audley church for whom you are raising money. You can also just donate rather than stride but still need to fill out a form for Stratton Audley : St Mary & St Edburga or Godington : Holy Trinity.



2022 Stratton Audley Boules Competition



Thanks to the hosts! And the event report is.....

The 2022 resurrected Boules (knock-out) Competition raising funds for the Church building was a great success and raised a huge £625+ Gift Aid from all those participating so THANK YOU to all those who ate, drank and played! It was a very enjoyable evening for all who attended so thank you to all of you. **Huge thanks** must go to Emma and Mark ter Haar for hosting the evening event at Stratton Audley Park and also to Mark's niece for making the smiley face stickers given to those who had paid, what a brilliant idea it was.

Emma and Mark not only sourced/paid for a new cup but they also donated a lovely supper of cold meats, coleslaw, leaves, cheeses and rolls followed by puddings in the form of fresh summer fruits, chocolate brownies and vanilla ice cream, all of which was washed down with wines, other beverages and also, what seems to have been, a large volume of Pastis, courtesy we think from the visiting ter Haars from the Netherlands! A thank you also to Richard and Sara Howson, Stratton Audley Barn, for their donation of the yummy ice cream.

After a competitive few hours, the tense final, played using Emma's headlights as the sun had long gone, was only just won by Wendy and David Spence whose daughter Leah lives in Glen Close. The runners-up were Hazel Somerville of Launton Road and her friend Kirsty Jones of Harrogate who won the fabulous plate! Well done to all finalists as well as all the pairings who played.

Winners

&

Runners-up



On the left, 2022 Boules Cup Winners Wendy and David Spence being presented with the cup by host and sponsor Emma ter Haar with Hazel Somerville and Kirsty Jones, on the right, being presented the Plate by Emma ter Haar.

Arrangements are already being made for the 2023 competition on a Saturday so you will need to book early once the advert is out so the initial order of play may be prepared in advance!

Churchyard tidy up & mowing rotas



Thanks once again go to those who volunteer to mow and tidy the churchyard, but we also need further volunteers to help several times in the year to clear ivy, prune trees and remove unwanted saplings popping up. Thank you to Jeremy Adams for arranging the mowing rotas of reliable people and to Anthony for gathering a group for the removal of unwanted ivy etc.

There are many brambles needing to be cut down and clearing on the west side so the graves underneath may be seen as well as uncovering the boundary wall. Ideally, you can bring any of the following: secateurs, pruning saws, rakes, forks, spades, a chainsaw, a manual saw, or a strimmer (electric types can plug in so do bring a heavy-duty extension lead) or just yourself with a pair of gardening gloves. If you have any builders' sandbags to bring along, that would be great into which to clear all the cuttings... before the brown bins request below (!)



Who are Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds' of late 1800's?

In July, a pair of graves were uncovered when it was thought there was only one next to thick ancient ivy. The graves from the late 1800's have carved lattice work with sprigs of wheat arching from the lattice. Thanks Glyn, for getting through all that truncated ivy as it was worth it in the end!

Go and look at "Mr. & Mrs." stones near the Hall paddock field gate as their carvings are quite detailed so were they farming folk?

Volunteers are needed to sit and remove all the ivy around both graves and then the self-seeded elder which is making one grave lean. Does anyone know who Edward Reynolds d. 1890 and his wife were?

If you are up to join other volunteers several times a year, please contact Anthony at
flack.wine_train@btinternet.com



Brown bins needed



There has been quite a clearance to date in the churchyard and there is a pile or two (!) for disposal. You are more than welcome to come along and take, for free, any pieces of wood or (kindling) that you want.

We also ask for the weekend and the Monday before the brown bins are collected, if you could bring any brown bins not quite full and then fill it full of churchyard cuttings (sticks/weeds; there won't be any mown grass cuttings). This request is only until we can clear out the brambles/pile of cuttings and it is our eco-friendly way of avoiding the use of cars driving back and forth to Ardley tip.

If you are up to join other volunteers several times a year, please contact Anthony at
flack.wine_train@btinternet.com.

Flowers & Cleaning Rota



A **big** thank you to all the lovely ladies who regularly present fresh flowers in the Church and who also keep the building clean and tidy. Thank you also to Becky who also compiles the Rota. They really are unsung heroines as we probably all take what they do for granted as no doubt people would say something if it was unkempt! If you want to help out, contact Becky Adams at the Rectory office.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Harvest Festival of Thanksgiving to celebrate the harvest and food grown on the land in the local area, as well as the rest of the country, is to be a Communion service held at St Mary & St Edburga on Sunday **25th September 2022 at 9.15am.** There will be the usual refreshments and animated chat after the service.

It is hoped many villagers will attend the Church service, perhaps for the first time, whatever their faith or lack of faith, to give thanks for the crop yield over the past year and

to be thankful for what we all have. Donations to the Bicester Food bank may be donated throughout September and placed on the table at the back of the Church. All donations are gratefully received by those in need, so we pass on their thanks to you in advance.



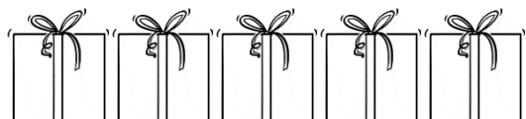
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- Advent candles will be available in late September for £15 each.
- They are marked each day from 1 December to Christmas Eve
- They are 30cm (11.8") in height with a diameter of 5 cm (2").



There should be more Christmas goodies to buy in October, November and December, so check the Shelswell News Stratton Audley & Godington pages, then you can contact Sarah or Penny directly via email to order.



Vacancies

An Assistant Church Warden volunteer would be appreciated to help Sarah out with a few tasks...

A Secretary to the Parochial Church Council for Stratton Audley & Godington is needed to take the minutes (notes to you and me) of four meetings per annum.

Further villagers to sign up to the PCC and give their views and support on how their Village Church moves forward.

Villagers who would be willing to help submit grant funding applications to keep the Churches building in good order (repairs that crop up due to age...) with the roof now and then deciding to demand attention. If 10 are applied for, one or two at least should be secured.....

Villagers willing to assist with some filming fund-raising projects where just time at a computer/telephone is needed in the first instance and to be available on the day if the project is successful.

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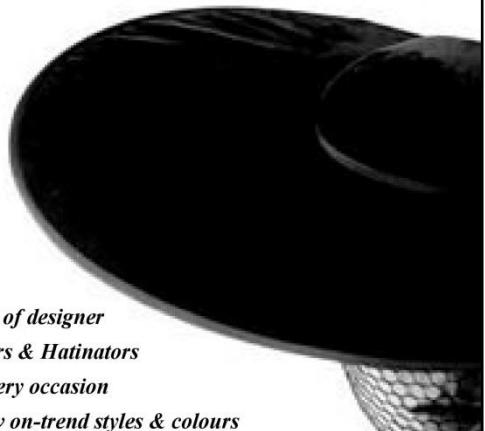
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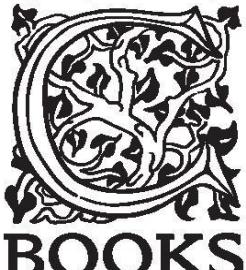
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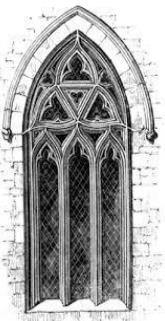
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8.00 am					Holy Communion (BCP) HETHE YM	
9.15 am	Thursday 1 st September (12 noon) STOKE LYNE	9.15am Holy Communion with hymns (CW) HARDWICK VM 9.15am Holy Communion with hymns (BCP) NEWTON PURCELL LW 9.15am Morning Prayer FINMERE Lay-led 10am 'Food for Thought' STOKE LYNE Lay-led 10.45am Family Service FRINGFORD PW	Holy Communion with hymns (CW) HETHE AG/John Alderdice Morning Prayer FINMERE Lay-led	Holy Communion with hymns (CW) FINMERE AG Mixbury Half Hour PW	Morning Prayer FINMERE PW Harvest Festival with Holy Communion (CW) STRATTON AUDLEY YM	9.15am Holy Communion with hymns (CW) COTTISFORD AG 9.15am Morning Prayer FINMERE Lay-led 10am 'Food for Thought' STOKE LYNE Lay-led
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