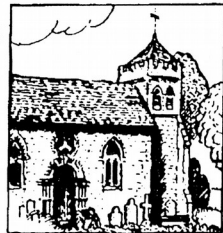


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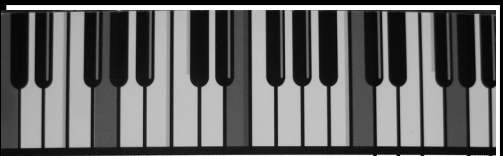


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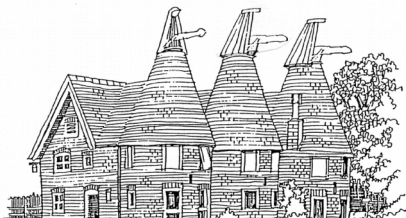
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Sunday 7 th July 6 th Sunday after Trinity	8.00 am BCP Communion	11.00 am Family Communion	6.00 pm Evensong	9.30 am Sung Eucharist	9.30 am Family Service	OT : Isaiah 66: 10-14 G : Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20
Sunday 14 th July 7 th Sunday after Trinity	9.30 am Sung Eucharist	6.00 pm Evensong	9.30 am Family Communion		8.00 am BCP Communion	OT : Deuteronomy 30: 9-14 G : Luke 10: 25- 37
Sunday 21 st July 8 th Sunday after Trinity		9.30 am Family Service	9.30 am Sung Eucharist	8.00 am BCP Communion	9.30 am Sung Eucharist	OT : Genesis 18: 1-10a G : Luke 10: 38- end
Sunday 28 th July 9 th Sunday after Trinity	9.30 am Holy Communion Benefice Service					NT : Colossians 2: 6-15 G : Luke 11: 1-13
Sunday 4 th August 10 th Sunday after Trinity		9.30 am Holy Communion Benefice Service				NT : Colossians 3: 1-11 G : Luke 12: 13-21



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So many people in the world today are seeking ... searching for something or someone to bring meaning to their lives and they look in all sorts of places to greater or lesser success. One need only turn on the TV to be bombarded by adverts for products that we are persuaded our life is meaningless without. But deep in our hearts we know that more stuff, a bigger house or a holiday in the sun or beauty product X or Y – though satisfying for a while - will not actually quench that deep soul thirst within us that craves for meaning and for true peace. A peace that I would argue comes only from God as gift.

The challenge today for us as a church is to be wellsprings of life to those who are seeking and spiritually searching...a challenge to let God be God and speak to those who are thirsty and give them to drink. Our calling as a church community is to come and receive from God, to be watered and then to give you, to give everyone to drink in the name of God.

David Adam in his gem of a book: *The Cry of the Deer*, also reminds us of how many seekers have found what they are looking for through service, through caring, through loving their brothers and sisters. This is one profound way in which all of us can meet with God, with meaning as we encounter Christ in the person alongside us, whom we seek to serve. This is expressed beautifully in this verse, whose author is unknown:

I sought my God
My God I could not see.
I sought my soul
My soul eluded me.
I sought my brother
And I found all three.

If you are seeking – may this be a source of inspiration and a wellspring for you too as it has for me,
Julia

Your Parish Matters

Weddings

20.05.13	Bekesbourne	Nicholas Fulljames and Alex McCabe
25.05.13	Bridge	Scott Shirley an
25.05.13	Patricxbourne	Megan Sanford Martin Page and Claire Francis

Funerals

30.04.13	Joyce May Grigg
16.05.13	Anthony Charles Nesfield Purchase

Mid-Week Communion takes place on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am at Bridge Church. This is a short service (30 minutes) and I hope this will provide an opportunity for those who drop children off at school to have time for themselves with God in a quiet atmosphere.

Morning and Evening Prayer. Morning and evening prayer take place at Bridge Church, from Monday to Thursday at 8.30am and 5pm respectively. All are very welcome to attend.

Prayers There is a book for prayer requests on the altar of the Lady Chapel in Bridge Church.

Church Mice. The group meets on the first Tuesday of the month in St Peter's, Bridge from 2pm-3pm for preschool children (0-5) and their parents and carers - play, songs, bible story, craft and tea and coffee. The next meeting is on **Tuesday 2nd July.**

All welcome. Contact Rev. Julia on 830265.

MOBY. Members of Bridge Youth or MOBY is the Bridge Benefice Youth Group for Year 7 plus. It aims to support young people in their Christian faith...and have fun. The MOBY July meeting is on Tuesday 2nd July, 7pm-8.30/9pm. The MOBY camp will take place on Saturday July 6th – Sunday July 7th at the Quiet View, Kingston. For further information please contact Ruth & Tony on 831156.

Church Weddings. *If you, or anyone you know would like to explore the possibility of getting married in church in Bridge, Bekesbourne, Patricxbourne, Nackington or Lower Hardres please phone the Vicarage to make an enquiry: 01227 830250. Further information is also available at www.yourchurchwedding.org*

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July

02/07	14.00	Church Mice at Bridge Church
	15.00	Holy Communion at Bridge Haven
	19.00	MOBY. Meet at Pavilion for Games on the Field
	20.00	After 8's at 7 Windmill Close
04/07	19.30	Health & Healing at 7 Windmill Close
06/07-07/07	Quiet View,	MOBY Camp. The final event of the year at the Kingston.
08/07	19.30	Caring & Sharing
09/07	14.30	Holy Communion at Mansfield Court
10/07	10.00	Fish Scheme-Coffee pop in at Bridge Village Hall
	14.00	Social Afternoon at John Baker White Memorial Hall, Lower Hardres
16/07	15.00	Holy Communion at Saxon Lodge
	20.00	After 8's at 7 Windmill Close
17/07	15.00	Hymns at Bridge Haven
22/07	19.30	Caring & Sharing
23/07	14.30	Holy Communion at Highfield

Forthcoming Events

7th September	Bekesbourbe Boot Fair
5th/6th October	Art in Bridge
7th December	Bekesbourne Christmas Bazaar

The Curate, Rev Julia Pickles has her day off on Friday each week. In case of an emergency on a Friday please contact the Rev Stephen Hardy on 01227 831340.

Editors Important Announcement. The next edition of On The Nail will be the combined August/September edition. Please may I have all contributions for both months on 15th July. Thanks in anticipation to all our contributors. Laurence Dunderdale. Laurence.dunderdale@btinternet.com

Fish (Neighbourly Help) News. Telephone:07935 966 080

Many thanks to everyone who came and supported our Bring and Buy so generously. We made over £400 which will pay for the telephone and subsidise the lunch and outings.

The next Coffee Pop-In will be on July 10th in Bridge Village Hall from 10 to 11.15.

Bridge History Society

Following the summer break our next meeting will be held in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Thursday 19 September. Our speakers will be Pat Gibb and Amanda Harris-Deans and they will be talking about their experiences during the restoration of Higham Park, Bridge Hill. The meeting will be preceded by a short Annual General Meeting and at that time we would welcome ideas from the membership about any talks or visits you might find interesting, or any other suggestions. We do hope you will come. Visitors welcome.

Meriel Connor

Littlebourne & District Royal British Legion

We had an enjoyable meeting this month, despite some absences due to illness.

One of our members is having a foot operation and we wish him well - should be running around again soon! We are still looking to find a new Branch Poppy Appeal Organiser and hope that there might be somebody to take on this worthwhile job. You don't need to be a Branch Member, just somebody interested in the cause.

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We can be contacted via the secretary on 01227 472023 for more details.

Our next two meetings will be on Tuesdays, 9th July and 13th August, both at the Recreation Club, Littlebourne starting at 8pm. New members always welcome.

Lower Hardres and Nackington Garden Society

The Society is holding a summer show on **Saturday 27th of July** at the John Baker White Hall, Lower Hardres. The Society would like to invite children in the area to join in and enter the various classes in the show, for example Photographs, Handy Craft, etc.

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Bill Gates reminded us that it was only the strength of 'people power' that has brought about democracy, women's rights and the end of slavery, so ordinary people must demand that world leaders make these changes. The fact that 900 million people—that's 1 in 8 of the world population—go to bed hungry every night is just not acceptable in the 21st century. Poverty disempowers people and nations and provides a breeding ground for unrest and fundamentalism; eradication of poverty could lead to a more stable world.

By the time you read this the G8 will have met and we will know what commitment they have made to ending world hunger. Whatever the world leaders pledge to do it is important to keep up the pressure to ensure that they follow through on their promises. If you want to know more, go to www.enoughfoodif.org or www.christianaid.org.uk/if

Christian Aid Week here in May began with an imaginative service in Bridge Church involving many young people, then a chocolate cake was baked to illustrate the story of Bolivian cocoa farmers supported by Christian Aid's partner, CIPCA. Collectors in the Bridge Benefice raised £2095.50 this year (£2366 with Gift Aid) - a good result in spite of us not being able to cover all the usual roads. Many thanks to all those who gave up their time to collect and to those who donated. One more important step in the fight against hunger!

Jean Barber

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The next WORKING PARTY will be on Saturday 20th. July, from about 9.30 a.m. for a couple of hours or so – with a break for coffee. If you can spare a little time to help us bring a pair of gloves and join the team.

Jonathan Cowans

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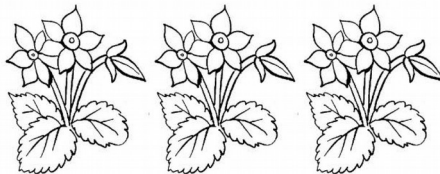
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Bridge Farmers' Market July 2013

At the last market someone asked me a few questions about Bridge Farmers' Market, and the whole concept of Farmers' Markets in general, and I thought it worth sharing a few of the things that were discussed - they may be questions that you have wanted to ask yourself.

How did the Farmers' Market come about? In June 2010 the **Bridge Going Green** group carried out a survey to see which, of a number of projects, the people of Bridge, and the surrounding area, would most like to see developed. A Farmers' Market came out resoundingly at the top of the list, and Saturday came out as the day that most people preferred for a market. So in November 2010 Bridge Farmers' Market was born at the Red Lion, with the very kind permission of Rene and Harry, without whom the market would not take place.

We got a lot of help from the Kent Farmers' Market Association while we were setting the market up, and continue to be affiliated to them today. KFMA formed in 2007 specifically to help markets such as ours that have a very positive effect on the local economy. KFMA estimates that in Kent, Farmers' Markets contribute nearly 3 million pounds a year to the economy.

So why buy with us? There are many reasons of course. The food and drink is **local**, it is grown in and around Bridge so is truly a **local** product. The food is **very good value for money**, you can buy directly from the grower or producer and enjoy competitively priced quality products. The food is **fresher, tastier and seasonal**. And, very importantly, buying at a Farmers' Market is a great chance to meet your neighbours and friends and have a chat, it provides a **focal point to meet** and linger for a coffee too.

Where do the stalls come from? At Bridge Farmers' Market our preference is that producers come from within 30 miles of Bridge, so for example our preserves stall is from the Alkham Valley near Dover, our vegetable stall from Upstreet just outside Canterbury and our new baker from Aldington. Our main stalls are food and drink stalls but we also like to have guest stalls to create diversification and choice especially at our four seasonal markets, sometimes we have a silk screen printer from Canterbury, a furniture restorer from Bearsted and alpaca wool stall from Boughton Monchelsea.

Who runs it? Bridge Farmers' Market is run by a small group of volunteers who help to set up and run the market on the second and fourth Saturday of the month, and behind the scenes liaise with stallholders, design leaflets and posters and generally promote the market. Mark Esdale has been our Market Manager since the beginning and has done a fantastic job, but now we are looking for a new Market Manager to run the market from the Autumn of 2013. Could this be you? Are you interested in local foods and keen to continue this community project? Perhaps you are already a shopper at the market? If you think you might be interested please contact Philip Wicker, the chairman of our group at philip.wicker1@gmail.com or look out for the posters at the end of the summer. We are also looking for new volunteers to help out at the market from time to time, putting up gazebos and bunting, also delivering leaflets and helping us with publicity. Please ask at the market if you are interested. We look forward to hearing from you.

Our dates for July are July 13th and 27th.

Hope to see you there....and if you have any questions, or have any ideas about the market, please ask one of us at the market or contact us via the website

www.bridgefarmersmarket.co.uk

Pam Dobson

Nailbourne Horticultural Society

The Society's **Annual Summer Show** is being held on the morning of **Saturday 13 July in Bridge Village Hall**. For those of you with entries, the hall will be open from 8.00 am to 10.00 am to allow you to stage your exhibits. Judging will then take place and the hall will open to the public at 11.00 am with the presentation of cups and prizes at 12 noon. There will be something for everyone to enjoy - vegetable and flower classes, cookery, floral arrangements and handicraft to admire as well as a plant/bring and buy stall, a raffle and coffee/tea and homemade cakes.

For those of you who are nurturing your Chairman's Challenge potatoes in a pot, remember to bring them to the Show, pot and all. We will empty them out and weigh them to find out who is the winner. If you need help in getting them to the hall, please contact Kathy Walder on 830057.

There are also three classes in the Show open to non-members. One of these is for a photo (not to exceed A4 size) entitled "An Aspect of Bridge", details of which have already appeared in the magazine.

There are another two classes open to non-members. One is for "Any Other Vegetable" not included in any other class, which means any vegetable other than spring onions, onions (seed or set), potatoes, shallots (exhibition or pickling), French beans, broad beans, peas, courgettes, lettuce, tomatoes or cucumber. So, anything you have other than one of those and just use common sense as to numbers.

The other class open to non-members is for a container of mixed flowers (which means anything in flower). We supply the vases, just bring along the flowers.

We would love to see entries from residents so do think seriously about entering. We will always be happy to give advice.

We look forward to seeing you at our Show on Saturday 13 July. Please contact Kathy Walder (830057) if you would like a schedule.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO EXHIBITORS - Nailbourne Horticultural Society - Summer Show

For those entering the Filled Victoria Sponge class, would you please note that, on the advice of our judge, the sponge has to be jam filled (it really should be raspberry or strawberry, but she won't downpoint the sponge if it has any other type of jam) and it should have either caster or icing sugar, or nothing at all, on the top - but definitely NOT lemon curd!!!

Bridge with Patrixbourne Women's Institute

Our July meeting on Tuesday 16th at our usual time of 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall will be a practical evening on "Tile Painting" with Jan Fagg. Sounds a bit different as well as interesting and fun? As always, we are pleased to welcome visitors at our meetings.

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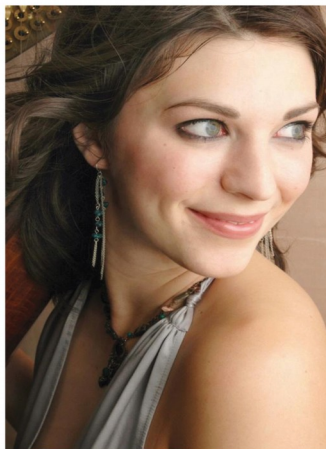
Champagne Reception at 7.00pm and Recital at 8.00pm.



Camilla Pay will give a Gala Harp Recital in the main house at Mount Ephraim, which is not normally open to the public, by kind permission of Lucy Dawes. The evening will be black tie and include a Champagne Reception with canapés. The programme will include pieces by Faure, Piazzolla and Nino Rota.

Camilla was a music scholar at King's School Canterbury and the Royal Academy of Music. She has performed throughout the Europe and the UK.

Camilla has recently heard from the Royal Academy of Music that she is to receive an honorary award as an Associate of the R.A.M. for her "significant contribution to the music profession".

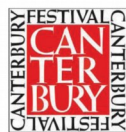


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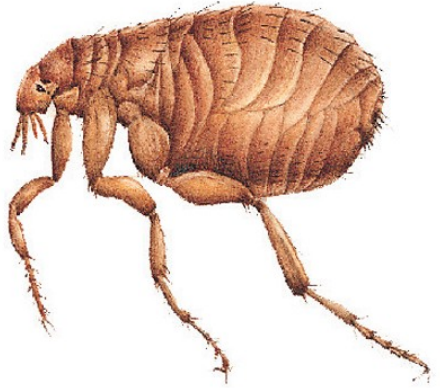
Bourne Vets News

We are seeing lots of itchy cats and dogs at the of year when there are lots of irritating parasites fleas. These days due to central heating we ten year around but they tend to be worse in the su On some pets, flea bites will be completely unn cause extensive itching, red lesions, hair loss a animals have an extreme sensitivity to flea saliv an extremely itchy flea allergy dermatitis.

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The best way to control flea problems is to prevent them happening in the first place. Fortunately, there have been significant developments in veterinary parasite control in recent years and there are now several new insecticides and insect growth regulators in easy to use forms that effectively eliminate fleas. There are collars, sprays and topical applications and it is well worth talking to your vet about the best product for your pet. Fleas evolve rapidly and are often resistant to many of the products you can buy over the counter, so it is well worth seeking veterinary advice if you have seen fleas on your pet.

If you need further information on fleas or are worried that your pet may be suffering from a flea infestation then please call us at Bourne Veterinary Practice on 01227 832322 for further information.



Littlebourne Music

This informal, friendly music appreciation group was originally formed in Bridge but now meets in Littlebourne at the home of Jill and Jerry Neff. Meetings are held on Thursday mornings between 10.00 and 12.00 over periods of 7 to 10 weeks. No previous musical knowledge or practical experience is required, just a general interest in music. Course subjects are chosen by the group members. The next course will start on Thursday 26th September, lasting 10 weeks, entitled "Firebird and Beyond – Great Ballet Scores of the 20th Century". For further information on the course, location and approximate costs please contact the tutor Michael Chandler (01795 590420; e-mail mchandler@ymail.com)

T.O.P.S Take Five Show

Due to unforeseen circumstances T.O.P.S Drama group had to postpone their latest show, Take Five. This show will now take place in mid Sept '13. T.O.P.S would like to apologise for any disappointment this may have caused, but hope to see you all in September for a great show.

Tara - T.O.P.S Secretary

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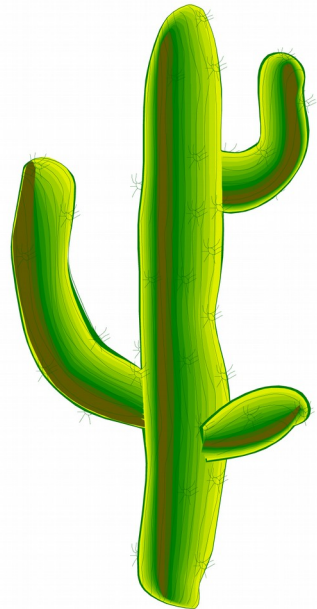
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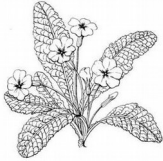
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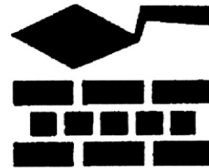
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