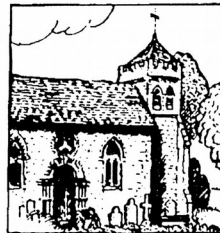


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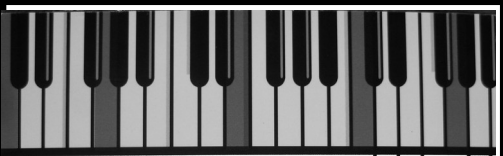


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**Mid-Week Communion** takes place on Tuesday mornings at 9.30am at Bridge Church. This is a short service (30 minutes) and will provide an opportunity for those who drop children off at school to have time for themselves with God in a quiet atmosphere.

### **8 O'Clock Holy Communion Services in Bridge and Bekesbourne.**

8 o'clock Holy Communion services in Bridge and Bekesbourne will start again in April.

### **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, **1.45pm-2.45pm**, for pre-school children (0-5) and their parents and carers. Play, songs, bible story, craft, tea and coffee.

The next meeting is on **Tuesday 1st April 2014**.

All welcome. Please contact Andrea Nicholson on 830947 for further information.

### **Church Weddings.**

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### **Lent Course.**

The Lent Course continues on the following dates, starting at 7.30pm and finishing promptly at 9pm, at Bridge School.

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Tuesday 1st April.

Tuesday 8th April.

All welcome. For further information please contact Mrs Margaret Clarke on 01227 765598.

### **Lower Hardres Easter Workshop**

The traditional Lower Hardres Easter Workshop will take place on Good Friday, Friday 18th April, 9.30am-12.30pm, at the John Baker White Memorial Hall, Lower Hardres.

To book a place at this popular event please contact Julie Cox on 788316 or Margaret Clarke on 765598.

The cost is £1 per person and we would ask that parents of pre-school children stay with their children.

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**In case of an emergency please contact Canon Jonathan LLOYD on 01227 830250.**

### Dates For Your Diary

#### April

01/04	13.45-14.45 15.00	Church Mice at Bridge Church Holy Communion at Bridge Haven
	19.30 20.00	Lent Course, Bridge School After 8's at 7 Windmill Close
03/04	19.30	Health & Healing at 7 Windmill Close
08/04	14.30 19.30	Holy Communion at Mansfield Court Lent Course, Bridge School
09/04	10.00 14.00	Fish Scheme-Coffee pop in at Bridge Social Afternoon at John Baker White Memorial Hall, Lower Hardres.
14/04	19.30	Caring & Sharing
15/04	15.00 19.30-21.00 20.00	Holy Communion at Saxon Lodge Lent Course, Bridge School After 8's at 7 Windmill Close
16/04	15.00	Hymns at Bridge Haven
18/04	09.30-12.30	Children's Easter Workshop, John Baker White Memorial Hall, Lower Hardres
22/04	14.30	Holy Communion at Highfield
28/04	19.30	Caring & Sharing

### Forthcoming Events

14th June	Bridge Village Fete.
12-14th Sept church	Flower arranging at Bekesbourne
11th & 12 Oct	Art in Bridge

### **St. Peter's Bridge Easter Lilies**

Easter lilies this year will be purchased from a new supplier, as sadly our old one has closed, therefore the price may vary, but I am hoping £3 will be the approximate cost. If you wish to make a donation, in memory of a loved one, please contact Viv Brasier (830981) or a Churchwarden.

Decorating the church will take place from 9.30am on Saturday 19th April, all help greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### **Book Shelves**

Book shelves have been installed at the back of St.Peter's Church in the hope that folk might find something of interest to read. Of course, there are only very few examples there at the moment but we hope that friends could add to them in the course of time.

So that we can monitor the usage it would be helpful if borrowers would complete the record-book hanging alongside.

It is assumed that donated books will be largely related to the Christian religion, at the moment at least. Thank you. Barry Whiting.

### **Fish Scheme (Neighbourly Help) News Tel no: 07935 966 080**

The April Coffee Pop-In will be on Wednesday April 9th in Bridge Village Hall. Please return the forms for the outing to Quex Park on Thursday May 22nd. Should you miss the Pop-In, the forms can be returned to Frank Whiffen's office, 29 High Street, by Friday May 9th.

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### **Bridge History Society**

Our next two events are both visits. The first is a private visit to Bourne House. This is now fully booked. The second visit is to Dode Church, and takes place on Thursday 24 April, meeting at the church at 2.30 pm. This visit is a follow-up to the interesting talk we had at our last meeting, given by Douglas Chapman. Doug has lovingly restored this medieval church to something resembling its original appearance and condition. The cost of the visit is £5 for members and £7 for non-members. Any enquiries should be addressed to David Gilmour (Tel. 832450).



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**Saturday 3rd May is WORLD LABYRINTH DAY** - we 'Walk as One at One' Meet in the Yurt at 12pm for a brief introduction to the labyrinth and prepare to walk on behalf of the worldwide human family. Walk the Labyrinth at 1pm. Bring and Share Lunch - If very wet we'll walk the fabric rainbow labyrinth in the yurt. Donations invited – Please book

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## **Election of Churchwardens and Annual Church Meeting at Bokesbourne**

A meeting to elect two Churchwardens of St Peter's Church Bokesbourne for 2014/15 will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 30th April in Bokesbourne Village Hall. All residents of the civil parish of Bokesbourne and all people listed on the Bokesbourne Church electoral roll are very welcome to attend and may vote at the meeting.

This will be followed by the Annual Church Meeting, at which the Parochial Church Council and Sidesmen/women for the coming year will be elected. The meeting will also include Annual and Financial reports on the affairs of the church and other matters of general church interest.

If you would like to be included on the church electoral roll (which entitles you to vote at the Annual Meeting), please ensure that you complete a form and return it to Mrs Maggie Field.

Nicky Fry Secretary

## **BEKESBOURNE CHURCH WORKING PARTIES**

There will be churchyard working parties at Bokesbourne on the following dates in 2014:-

12th. April

17th. May

14th. June

19th. July

6th. September

15th. November

Please come along for a couple of hours from 9.30a.m., bringing tools if possible, to help tidy and enjoy community spirit (and a mid morning drink and snack).

Make a note in your diary and on your calendar now.

## **Note for your Diary**

By popular demand, The Friends of Bokesbourne Church will be holding a Concert in St. Peter's Church Music by the Galliard Trio

Saturday evening, 7th June, 2014

Details of tickets, etc will be published in the future magazine

## **Littlebourne & District Royal British Legion**

We hope that all our members are feeling better now that the spring weather appears to have arrived!

We have several things in the pipeline, one of which is our Cream Tea Afternoon to be held in the Lounge on Saturday, 7th June 2.30pm. This is in aid of the Poppy Appeal – more details on this event later.

We would like to see more people joining the Branch, but you don't have to be ex-service – just interested. Contact the secretary on 01227 472023.

Our next two monthly meetings will be on Tuesdays, 8th April and 13th May both at 8pm.

We are again inviting all senior citizens to our  
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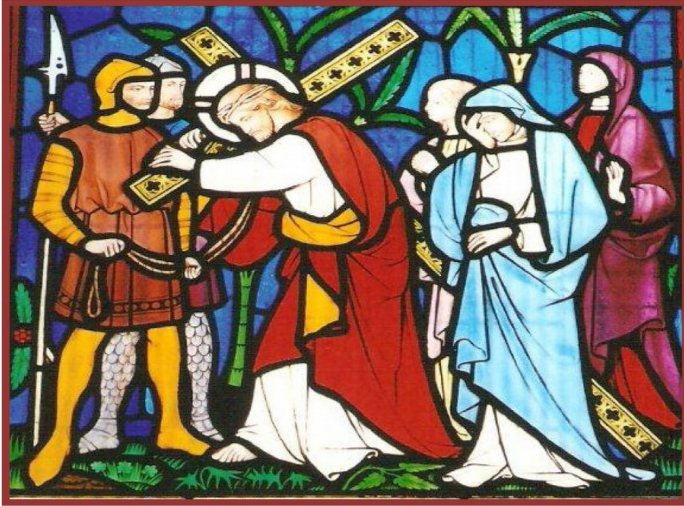
Refreshments will be served during the afternoon

(Please leave a message at the school office on 830276 to reserve a place)

Bridge Benefice Caring & Sharing Group At the January meeting Terry Gore, Manager of 'Catching Lives', gave a very interesting talk on the charity and its work with the homeless in Canterbury. Terry told members that there is a continuing need for towels and toiletries as showers are available for use by the clients of the centre. Following his visit, members of the Caring & Sharing Group have donated towels along with the large amount of food items given to Terry on the evening of his talk. If anyone else wishes to donate food or towels and toiletries for 'Catching Lives', collection can be arranged by phoning the number below. Since Terry's visit to us, he has heard that funding for the work of 'Catching Lives' will continue for the next financial year. This means that the employment of the two qualified mental health nurses at the centre will continue. For those unfamiliar with the Caring & Sharing Group and its activities, the interdenominational group was started for ladies in the Benefice by Judy Filmer when her husband Paul was vicar here. We meet fortnightly on the second and fourth Mondays in the month. On the second Monday we have 'Coffee and Chat' and on the fourth Monday we have a speaker. The venue for the meetings when speakers are arranged is the recreation room at Mansfield Court by kind invitation of the Manager and Residents, several of whom we are very pleased to see join us at the talks. At the same time as the Caring and Sharing Group was set up Paul organised 'Ears and Beers' evenings at the Plough and Harrow for the men in the Benefice. Unfortunately, the men's group ceased to exist on Paul's departure. The ladies are very conscious of the lack of a similar group for men so whenever there is an event of interest to men, such as the annual summer BBQ, they are invited along! Several men came along to hear Terry Gore speak and in February to hear a talk on the 'Battlefields' given by the Rev Canon Bruce Hawkins. Peggy Pryer Coordinator Bridge Benefice Caring & Sharing Group 01227 832058

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Jubilee WI is a very friendly new WI Group for women of all ages. We meet every third Wednesday of the month in the John Baker White Memorial Hall, Lower Hardres.

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### **Nailbourne Horticultural Society**

A reminder that our **Annual Spring Show** is on **Saturday 12 April** in Bridge Village Hall. Exhibitors will have access to the hall from 8.00 am on the morning of the show but must vacate the hall by 10.00 am when judging will take place. The show will open to the general public from **11.00 am until 3.00 pm**, with prize giving at 12.30 pm. As well as a fine display of spring flowers, cookery and flower arrangements to admire, there will be a plant/bring and buy stall, a raffle and refreshments available throughout the day. Do, please, include a visit to the Show on Saturday 12th.

Details of the **OPEN COMPETITION** for everyone of all ages to enter, not just members, were given in last month's magazine. This year we have chosen something which I am sure many of you have growing in your gardens. We are looking for **5 sticks of rhubarb** (pulled and leaves trimmed). All you have to do is bring them along before 10 am to the hall on the morning of the show.

And finally, if any member still requires a show schedule, please contact Kathy Walder on 830057.

### **National Vegetable Society - Kent District Association**

The Society has a talk on **Wednesday 9 April**, 7.30 for 8.00 pm start in **Bridge Village Hall**. Unfortunately the scheduled speaker is unable to come due to illness and arrangements are underway to find a replacement. Watch out for further details nearer the time on posters and in the Kentish Gazette Village News.

### **Bridge with Patricbourne Women's Institute**

**On Tuesday 15 April**, starting at 7.30 pm in **Bridge Village Hall**, Ian Hulf will be giving a talk and demonstration on **displays with plant supports** which should provide us with lots of ideas and inspiration for planning and adding a new dimension to our summer planting.

We are always delighted to welcome non-members to our meetings.

## **Bourne Vets News**

Good luck to Millie Knight from Canterbury who is competing in the Winter Paralympic Games in Sochi this week.

Millie is partially sighted and this was tragically caused by her being infected by Toxocara (roundworm) eggs from a dog or cat when she was younger.

The Health Protection Agency (HPA) only recorded 30 cases of Toxocariasis in England and Wales between 2000 and 2010 so it is a very rare occurrence but is devastating when it happens and really brings home how important it is to regularly worm your pets.

The disease usually affects children between 1-4 years old because children are more likely to come into contact with contaminated soil when they play and put their hands in their mouths. However, cases have been reported in people of all ages.

For most people, an infection with these roundworm larvae causes no symptoms and the parasites die within a few months. Some people will experience some mild symptoms and in rare cases the roundworm larvae infect organs such as the liver, lungs, eyes or brain and can cause severe symptoms such as blurred vision and breathing problems. To reduce the risks it is important to worm your pets at least every 3 months and practice good hygiene with your children and ensure they always wash their hands after playing outside.

**WARNING** - Please note that there have been some sightings of Palm Oil washed up on Kent beaches in the last few days.

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This can be fatal to dogs if they eat it and is a common sight on beaches. It is also a cleaning fluid or diesel oil. It is very toxic to dogs and can make them

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treatment immediately. Please call us at Bourne Vets on 01622 832322 if you have any concerns.



**Mill Centre-** It was confirmed that the Mill Centre had been added to Bridge's list of Assets of Community Value. Staff from the City Council's Estates Department had visited the Centre during the week with a view to re valuing the site. The outcome was awaited. Parish Council and Mill Centre representatives would meet Suzy Wakeham at the City Council on 17<sup>th</sup>. March for further discussions on the future of the Centre.

**Flood update-** Cllr Moon reported that the pump had been moved from 100 High Street to the gate at Church Meadow and was now pumping from 'the lake' out via the fields and into the Nailbourne. This seemed to be working well without any significant rise in river level. Cllr Moon said that householders should retain their sandbags for the present.

**Nailbourne Pollution** – Cllr Atkinson reported that the Nailbourne continued to run high, fed by exceptionally high ground water levels and there was still significant contamination in the water. The sewage system remained fragile in the village. A new group had been formed to look at the 'pinch points' of the river and there had potentially been some funding for this identified. More information about potential Government funding could be found on the village website. Cllr Atkinson and other representatives from Littlebourne & Wickhambreaux attended Kent County Council's Flood Management Committee on 11<sup>th</sup>. March. A meeting of the LSNRM was scheduled for later in the month.

**Brewery Lane drains-** Cllr Atkinson reported that in August 2013 Kent Highway Services had investigated the drains in Brewery Lane and found a blockage. No further action had been taken to remedy the problem and this had contributed significantly to the flooding experienced by residents at the High Street end of the Lane. There was need for a survey of the drain to be undertaken and it was agreed that the Clerk would contact KHS, requesting this and also reporting the difficulty there was in discovering what action was being taken on problems reported via the KHS website.

**Annual Parish Meeting-** Guy Gardener and Ted Edwards of Canterbury City Council, both of whom had been central to the planning during the flood emergency, had agreed to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting.

**Neighbourhood Plan** – Prof Connor reported that the parking survey had been delayed because of the traffic disruption during the flooding .He said that the Neighbourhood Plan needed to consider the future environmental consequences of the flooding and the Parish Council agreed that the Committee should talk to the Environment Agency and the City Council on this subject.

**Bus shelters**.- Kent County Council would make good the damage to the bus shelter in the High Street. Cllr Hodges thanked Cllr Moon for arranging for this to be agreed. An estimate for work to renovate the Higham Lane bus shelter had been requested.

**Higham Lane Bus shelter-** It was decided to defer any decision as to whether the Parish Council supported the proposal to re-site the shelter until after an engineer had considered the site and reported back. Cllr Hodges asked to be present at any site visit. KCC Cllr Northey would arrange the visit.

**Relocation of sand bag store-** It was planned to move the sand bag store to the Mill Centre, where it would be more accessible. Five large grey boxes, donated by the Environment Agency, would be used to store sandbags and one box would be used for rock salt storage. The old sand bag store on the recreation ground would be used for wild flower project tools.

**Village Litter pick** Cllr Ward reminded the meeting that there would be a Spring village litter pick on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am to clean up the village. Volunteers should meet at the Post Office. If the weather was bad the event would be postponed until 5<sup>th</sup> April. All volunteers would be very welcome.

The next meeting of Bridge Parish Council will be on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in Bridge Village Hall. The Planning Committee will meet prior to the Council Meeting at 7.15pm. All Bridge residents are welcome to attend these meetings.

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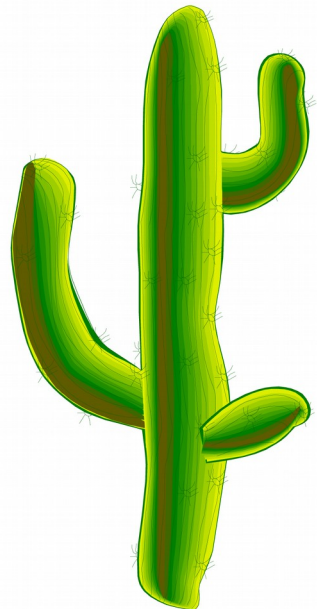
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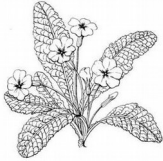
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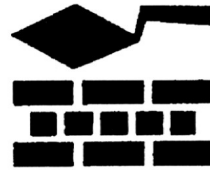
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