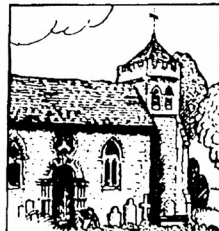


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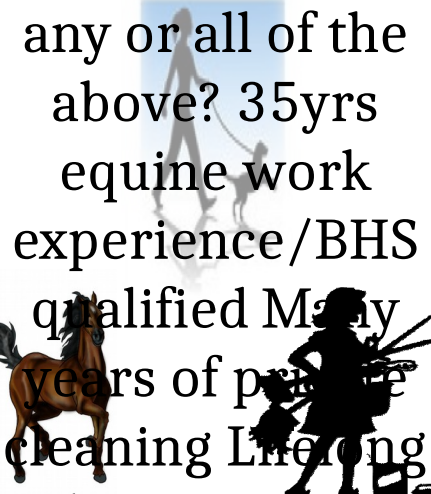
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St Thomas 5 July <i>Ephesians 2:19-end</i> <i>John 20:24-29</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion	11.00am Family Communion	6.00pm Evensong	9.30am Sung Eucharist 2.00pm Holy Baptism of Niall Bachmann	9.30am Family Service with Holy Baptism of Imogen Boarman and Anna Latchford
Sixth Sunday after Trinity 12 July <i>Amos 7:7-15</i> <i>Mark 6:14-29</i>	9.30am Sung Eucharist	6.00pm Evensong	11.00am Family Communion	<i>All welcome at the other services across the Benefice.</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Seventh Sunday after Trinity 19 July <i>Jeremiah 23:1-6</i> <i>Mark 6:30-34, 53-56</i>	<i>All welcome at the other services across the Benefice.</i>	9.30am Family Service	11.00am Choral Eucharist	8.00am BCP Holy Communion	9.30am Sung Eucharist
St James 26 July <i>Acts 11:27-12:2</i> <i>Matthew 20:20-28</i>	9.30am Sung Eucharist	<i>All welcome at the other services across the Benefice</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 11.00am Parish Eucharist	9.30am Mattins	<i>All welcome at the other services across the Benefice</i>
Ninth Sunday after Trinity 2 August <i>Ephesians 4:1-16</i> <i>John 6:24-35</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion	11.00am Family Communion	6.00pm Evening Prayer	9.30am Sung Eucharist 12.30pm Holy Baptism of Wilfrid Coldhart	9.30am Family Service

9.30-10.00am Every Tuesday at Bridge Church: Holy Communion, followed by coffee at Florries:

7 July (Thomas More & John Fisher 1535), **14 July** (John Keble 1866), **21 July** (Mary Magdalene), **28 July** (Mary, Martha & Lazarus). **4 August** (Jean-Baptiste Vianney 1859).



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Dear friends,

In May I spent ten days in The Holy Land, with a group from the Diocese led by Bishop Richaerd Llewelin. . It was a challenging experience (in 48 degrees of heat), and one that left me with mixed feelings. On the one hand it was very special to paddle in the Sea of Galilee, visit St Peter's house, pray in the Garden of Gethsemane, and worship Jesus at the place in Bethlehem where he was born. On the other hand, walking through the market in Hebron and seeing and feeling the sharp political tensions, and seeing the huge concrete Israeli walls that divided Palestinian communities, left me feeling overwhelmed. There is such deep division that seemed even more entrenched than when I was last there twenty years ago. Our group had meetings with various different grassroots community organisations working for peace between Israelis and Palestinians. This is where the hope laid. On the 'security' wall there was a lot of artwork, including a few Banksies. One slogan caught my eye '*We cannot afford the luxury of despair*'. And another '*We refuse to be made enemies*.'

Local people coming together, committed to non-violent engagement, taking risks to find common ground. This is where the hope is. At Easter we pray in our Vigil 'We pray for the peace of Jerusalem', and this prayer came alive for me as I visited the Holy City, yearning for peace and hope. My favourite stop was the Chapel of Dominus Flavit (Jesus Wept) which overlooks the city, and has a powerful mosaic on the front of the altar depicting Jesus as a mother hen with her chicks,

This month in Patricbourne and Bridge churches is a special time. We are building our Vision for the future, and strengthening our financial base through a focus on Stewardship. A Christian approach to money is that all money is God's. We give back to God what is already God's, as a thanksgiving for God's overflowing love for us. Please pray with us for a positive response.

This month we start the main wedding season, which I greatly enjoy. I meet each couple three or four times for preparation meetings, and it is a great honour for me to prepare couples for married life and help them plan their service. Please pray for Sophie and Adam (4 July), Samuel and Polly (18 July), Luke and Gemma (18 July), Malcom and Debbie (25 July).

Have a lovely relaxing summer,
Grace and peace, Jonathan

Dates For Your Diary

July 2015

01/07	14-16.00	Vicar's pop in at the Shepherd's Hut, Chalkpit Farm, Bekesbourne
01/07	19.30	Lower Hardres with Nackington PCC John Baker White Hall,
Lower Hardres		
03/07	11.00	Burial of ashes – Joyce and Bob Hopkins St Peter's, Bridge
04/07	13.30	Wedding of Sophie Noel and Adam Stoneham, St Mary's,
Lower Hardres		
04/07	16-17.30	Bridge Youth Group for children ages 10- 15. Meet at the Pavilion, Bridge Recreation
Ground		
05/07	14.00	Baptism of Niall Bachmann, St Mary's, Patricxbourne
05/07	09.30	Baptisms of Anna Latchford and Imogen St Peter's, Bekesbourne
06/07	19.30	Caring and Sharing
07/07	09,30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
	15.00	Holy Communion at Bridge Haven
	20.00	After 8's at Mansfield Court
08/07	14-16.00	Vicar's pop in at the Shepherd's Hut, Chalkpit Farm, Bekesbourne
08/07	10.00	FISH pop in at Bridge Village Hall
	14.00	Social afternoon at John Baker White Hall,
Lower Hardres		
11/07	09.30	Bekesbourne churchyard gardening team
11/07	16-17.30	Bridge Youth Group for children ages 10- 15. Meet at the Pavilion, Bridge Recreation
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16/07 and 6.	09.30	Church Service for Bridge School for years 4, 5 St Peter's, Bridge
17/07 Years 1, 2 Bridge	09.30	Church Service for Bridge School for Reception and and 3 St Peter's,
18/07 Mary's,	13.30	Wedding of Polly Ward and Samuel Petersen, St Lower Hardres
18/07 St Peter's,	13.30	Wedding of Gemma Martin and Luke Samarasinge, Bekesbourne
18/07 at the Ground.	16-17.30	Bridge Youth Group for children ages 10-15. Meet Pavilion, Bridge Recreation
21/07	09.30 15.00 20.00	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge Holy Communion at Saxon Lodge After 8's at Mansfield Court
22/07 Farm, Bekesbourne	14-16.00	Vicar's pop in at the Shepherd's Hut, Chalkpit
24/07	09.15	Bridge School Year 6 Leavers Assembly
25/07 Cumming,	12.30	Wedding of Deborah Ribchester and Malcolm St Mary's, Nackington
25/07 at the Ground.	16-17.30	Bridge Youth Group for children ages 10-15. Meet Pavilion, Bridge Recreation
27/07 Wardens at the	12.30	Lunch for Church Wardens and Deputy Church Vicarage
27/07	19.30	Caring and Sharing
28/07	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge

Jonathan the Vicar is available every day apart from Fridays.

Fish Scheme (Neighbourly Help) News: tel no: 07935 966 080

The Coffee Pop-In will be on Wednesday July 8th from 10 to 11.15 in Bridge Village Hall.

If you have any spare knitting wool please remember to bring it along.
Thank you.

RNLI House-to-House Collection

Many thanks go to the loyal band of collectors in Bridge, who raised the splendid sum of £675.86—slightly up on last year. The overall amount collected for the Canterbury area was £9,264.22. RNLI relies entirely on voluntary donations and thanks go to all those who collected and all who contributed, to such a worthwhile cause.

John Hill, Village Co-ordinator

Littlebourne & District Royal British Legion

We would like to report that our recent Cream Tea Afternoon proved to be a great success. We raised over £520 in aid of the Poppy Appeal. Thanks to all those who helped especially the "tea ladies" who worked so hard in the kitchen and the waitresses. We hope to keep this as an annual event as it seems to be so popular. We would like to see more of our members coming along to our monthly meetings if they possibly can. We do have quite a few members, but do not see many of them at meetings. Please come along and join in - your input would be valuable. Our next 2 monthly meetings will be at the Recreation Club, Littlebourne on Tuesdays 14th July and 11th August (always 2nd Tues of the month) both at 8pm.

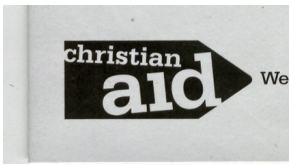
EDITORS MESSAGE. Will all

contributors please note that the next edition of On the Nail Will be the combined AUGUST / SEPTEMBER one. Could I please have all items for this edition By WEDNESDAY 15th JULY Preferably by email,

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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2015

In this 70th anniversary year of the founding of Christian Aid it is encouraging to report that the Christian Aid Week collection in the Bridge Benefice was a record £2293.24 (increased to £2654.26 with added Gift Aid). This excellent result is due to the hard work and commitment of our team of collectors and the generosity of everyone who donated. Many thanks to you all.

The money collected will enable people like Loko Tarso, the young Ethiopian woman who featured on this year's Christian Aid Week poster, to buy a cow and start to improve her prospects, not be forced to rise at dawn and walk miles to collect thorny firewood, so that her children can have a daily meal.

For more information about how Christian Aid works in helping communities grow out of poverty, go to www.christianaid.co.uk

Jean Barber

Bridge Fete—To date we do not have a final total but it is expected to be in the region of £6000+

Thank you to the committee who pulled out all the stops and produced yet another successful community event. Also to the many loyal helpers who turn up year after year.

Refugee Tales at Patrixbourne 14th June 2015

To mark Refugee Week 2015 the pilgrims' route of the North Downs way was walked by a large contingent of people. This was to highlight the current plight of refugees and detainees across the world. The walk started at Dover and will end at Crawley and the first night's stopover was at Shepherdswell. On the second day, at lunchtime, the group came through Patrixbourne. At St Mary's church the 80 walkers rested, and were served tea and cake. Neil, Will and Tom, musicians walking with them, entertained the group with music before they all set off for their afternoon walk to Canterbury. At each evening stop along the route well known authors and actors presented modern day versions of the Canterbury Tales. Thank you to everyone who came to look after the group at the church, who made cake and served the many cups of tea. The musicians hope to come back to the church sometime and will give us a concert in which woodwind instruments, the organ and the church bells may feature!

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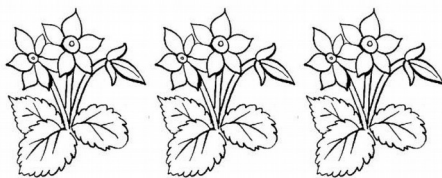
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Nailbourne Horticultural Society

The **Annual Summer Show** is on **Saturday 18 July** in **Bridge Village Hall** and is open to the public from 11.30 am until 2.30 pm with the presentation of prizes at 2.00 pm. There will be classes to interest everyone - vegetables, flowers, flower arranging, crafts and cookery - as well as a plant/bring and buy stall and raffle and refreshments available throughout the day.

A reminder too that we have included **four open classes** (not three as previously mentioned) for everyone to enter, not just members. They are:

"Any Other Vegetable" not included in any other class (ie NOT spring onions, onions, beetroot, potatoes, carrots, French beans, broad beans, peas, courgettes, shallots, lettuce, tomatoes or cucumber). I assure you it still leaves a few! You should also use common sense on numbers.

"A Vegetable Oddity"

"Mixed Flowers" - a container (supplied by us) with anything in flower

"Patterns in Nature" - a **photo**, framed or unframed, not to exceed A4 size overall (get your cameras clicking now!)

Entries for these Open Classes should be brought to the hall by 10.00 am on the morning of the show. The hall will be open from 8.00 am. Members should submit their completed entry forms by Thursday 16th to Kathy Walder, Show Secretary (830057). Please do have a go. Without your entries there would be no show and we will always help you if you are unsure. And for those of you who are carefully nurturing your "Chairman's Challenge" geranium, remember to bring it along too! We look forward to having an even better show than last year. So do come along on Saturday the 18th and enjoy it.

Bridge with Patrixbourne Women's Institute

For our meeting on **Tuesday 21st July**, 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall, we have invited Christine Fisher to give us a talk about the **"National Trust at South Foreland Lighthouse"**, a Victorian lighthouse and, most interestingly, the first lighthouse to display an electric light anywhere in the world. If you are interested in hearing about this or are interested in the WI generally do join us at our meeting. You will be most welcome.

National Vegetable Society - Kent District Association

There is no meeting this month. Instead, the Society has a stand at the Kent County Show on the weekend of 10/11/12 July.

Bekesbourne 100 Club

The winners in May were: Rod Denne £50; Andrea Nicholson £25; and Martin Fry £15. The numbers were drawn by Terry Palmer. The winners in June are: Carmen Pearson £50; Micky Chalk £25; and Mary Butlin £15. The numbers were drawn by Derek Dawson.

Mary also won the special June prize of £100. Members may wonder if this is fair, however, Mary holds ten numbers and therefore has a high chance of winning more than once in any draw. She lives in Cardiff and her interest in St Peter's is because she is a descendant of the Reverend William Bedford who was the Vicar from 1726 to 1783. William built Bekesbourne vicarage.

Mary has kindly donated Bedford's diary from 1760 to the Bekesbourne village archives and it is available to view by appointment. Contact Jill Thomas on s.thomas@which.net or 01227 832573

Parish social afternoon at
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Management Committee to

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wants the Recreation Ground to be
managed and learn about how it is

Minutes of a meeting of Bridge Parish Council held on Thursday 11 June in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30p.m.

2 parishioners asked to speak. Mrs Barbara Beinder spoke of her concerns about safety on the High St—to be an agenda item at the next meeting.

Mrs Emily Shirley outlined her concerns about the process adopted by Canterbury City Council for the consideration of the Local Development Plan. Her financial request and indeed the whole issue of the village's response to the Plan would be discussed at the next meeting.

Gully cleaning by Kent Highways will happen by July 7 2015

The Pavilion booking form is now online (village website)

All **bins are now to be used for dog mess** and other items of rubbish.

Cllr Sole will join the recreation ground committee, act as Snow Warden, check the monthly bank reconciliations and join the Neighbourhood Plan group.

Skateboard park request- Rural Areas members Panel funding has been applied for.

Report from Canterbury City Councillor (Simon Cook)

There have been some problems with rubbish collection in the last month, both in Bridge and around the district. Serco's performance has not been what it should have been and officers are reminding them of their obligations. He also mentioned the Lord Mayor's awards.

Disposal of business from the last meeting

A Recreation Ground

Cllr Hodges thanked children of the village for planting wild flowers. A request was made for larger bins by the school gate entrance and for the repair to lids of existing bins. Councillors were informed of the felling of two trees on the recreation ground one a sycamore tree and the other a dead elm tree.

Neighbourhood Plan. Redrafting of the plan has been continuing (22 and 29 May) and should conclude on 19 June 2015 at 17.30 p.m. in the Hunter Room

Matters for discussion and action.

A Communication and decision making. Cllr Brooks

B BVST-Cllr Brooks

These items were conflated in the course of wide ranging discussion about the status and role of the BVST as part of a wider consideration of the relationship to the Parish Council of various sub or affiliated groups. It was agreed by all Councillors that a set of options with regard to the BVST should be worked up by a group of councillors.

Cllr Brooks fed back on the BVST AGM held on 18 May 2015. Plans for the internal refurbishment of the pavilion have now been drawn up and now need to be costed.

A £200 grant from the main budget for the EPC to spend in the Financial Year was approved.

Canterbury City Council Local Plan. The council is to seek clarification from Professor Church and the Association of Canterbury Residents Associations that the points made to the Local Plan by Bridge Parish Council are to be aired during the Inspector's hearings.

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F **Green Court/Western Avenue** After discussion of the current neglected state of this area, it was agreed that a meeting on 23 June 2015 between the Clerk and the local KCC Highways steward should be used to point out its poor state.

Any other business

Cllr Fawke is conducting an online questionnaire about heritage trees in Bridge and asked for councillors' support in this process. A hedgerow survey of the village has just been completed.

Cllr Hodges asked for the Mill Centre to be restored as a standing agenda item for future agendas.

The next meeting of Bridge Parish Council will be on Thursday 9 July 2015 at 7.30pm in Bridge Village Hall.



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is warmer. It is caused when flies
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an emergency as they can cause a lot of damage very quickly and it is important that you take your rabbit to your vet practice immediately as without rapid treatment affected rabbits can die.

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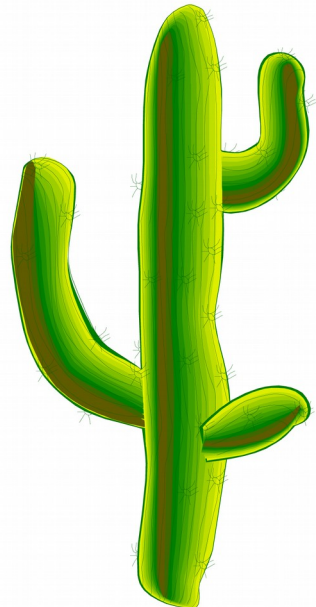
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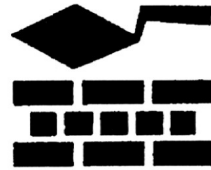
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