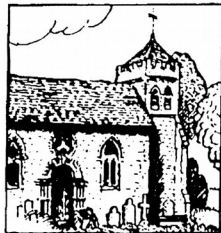


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<b>Rogation Sunday 1 May</b>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion	11.00am Family Communion	6.00pm Evensong	9.30am Sung Eucharist	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>
<b>Seventh Sunday of Easter 8 May</b>	The Bishop's Visit 8.45am Holy Communion 9.30am Consecration of Churchyard Extension	6.00pm Evensong	11.00am Parish Eucharist start of Christian Aid Week 2016	<i>All welcome at the services of the Benefice</i>	<b>No 8.00am service today.</b> You are invited to Nackington 8.45am Holy Communion
<b>Pentecost 15 May</b>	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	9.30am Family Service	11.00am Choral Eucharist	8.00am BCP Holy Communion	9.30am Sung Eucharist
<b>Trinity Sunday 22 May</b>	9.30am Sung Eucharist	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 11.00am Parish Eucharist	9.30am Matins	<i>All welcome at the other services in the Benefice</i>
<b>First Sunday after Trinity 29 May</b>	11.00am Benefice Service at Bridge Haven	11.00am Benefice Service at Bridge Haven	11.00am Benefice Service at Bridge Haven	11.00am Benefice Service at Bridge Haven	11.00am Benefice Service at Bridge Haven

There is Holy Communion **every Tuesday at 9.30am** to 10.00am at Bridge Church, followed by coffee.



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Dear friends,

May is a special month in the life of your local church.

On **1 May** we mark Rogation Sunday. Originally the Christian observance of Rogation was taken over from Graeco-Roman religion, where an annual procession invoked divine favour to protect crops against mildew. The tradition grew of processional litanies around the parish boundaries for the blessing of the land. The Rogation procession was suppressed at the Reformation, but it was restored in 1559. The poet George Herbert interpreted the procession as a means of asking God's blessing on the land, of preserving boundaries, of encouraging fellowship between neighbours with the reconciling of differences, and of charitable giving to the poor. (Evensong at Bridge at 6.00pm)

On **5 May** it is Ascension Day, when we remember Jesus returning to his Father. (Service at Bridge Church at 7.00pm).

On **8 May** we hear about the work of *Christian Aid*, the international development agency, at a special service at 11am at Bridge Church. Christian Aid does amazing work amongst the poorest people in the world, and our fundraising in these villages is always well supported. Thank you!

On **15 May** we celebrate the birthday of the Christian Church - in 2016 we have 2 billion members across the world, and growing. Pentecost is the moment when God sent the gift of the Holy Spirit to the original disciples, and we pray today for the Holy Spirit's work in our lives, community and world.

On **22 May** we mark Trinity Sunday, when we focus on our trinitarian God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The mystery of three in one and one in three.

On **29 May**, our 11.00am Benefice Service will take place not in a church building. Instead we are being invited to worship with residents at Bridge Haven in Bridge, a wonderful care home run by Avante. This will be an important expression that the church community is not confined to buildings, but is out there in the community. Many of the residents have been active in their churches throughout their lives, and they are still an important part of our church community. So May is a full month. And the sunshine is on its way!

Grace and peace, Jonathan your Vicar.

ps See page 10 for the full list of church services across our villages.

## Dates For Your Diary

### May 2016

03/05	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
	15.00	Holy Communion at Bridge Haven
	19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
05/05	19.00	Ascension Day Benefice Service at Bridge Church
08/05 Trevor,	09.30	Special service at Nackington Church with Bishop consecrating the churchyard (with Holy Communion service at 8.45am)
extension. All welcome.		
09/05	19.30	Caring and Sharing
10/05	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
	11.00	Benefice Finance Team at Vicarage
	14.30	Holy Communion at Mansfield Court
11/05	10.00	FISH pop in at Bridge Village Hall
Lower Hardres	14.00	Social afternoon at John Baker White Hall,
	19.30	Patricbourne with Bridge PCC
15/05 followed by	09.30	Pentecost Family Service at Lower Hardres Church Porch Sale
17/05	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
	15.00	Holy Communion at Saxon Lodge
	19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
18/05	15.00	Hymns at Bridge Haven
20/05 Bridge School	19.30	Rev Simon Rowlands talks about Afghanistan at
23/05	19.30	Caring and Sharing
25/05	16.00	School Governors meeting
29/05 All welcome.	11.00	Benefice Sunday Service at Bridge Haven, Bridge.

Jonathan the Vicar is available every day apart from Fridays.

## **News from Bekesbourne Church**

Great news! We have a wonderful new and efficient heating system in church. No more freezing fingers and toes. People were even shedding their coats at our Easter service. Please come along and experience it for yourselves.

Our next event in the church is on 11th June when the Choristers from the Cathedral are putting on a concert. Those of you who missed out on tickets when they came to Bridge should book the date and tell your friends. Tickets are £10.00 and include wine and nibble afterwards. It promises to be a very enjoyable evening. For further information please contact Amanda on 01227 830666. Tickets are now available to buy from Essentially Hops.

Nicky Fry

## **Bekesbourne 100 Club**

The winners in March were: Mike Baldwin £50; Esme Pearson £25; Stuart Field £15; and in April they were: Ronald Thomas £50; Jane Langridge £25; and Vicky McPherson £15.

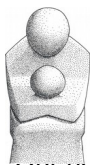
## **New from Lower Hardres**

**Churchyard** – If you have visited the churchyard over the last few weeks you would not have failed to notice the newly seeded area in the bottom corner. What an improvement from the unsightly piles of garden rubbish and weeds. Many thanks to the “Grass Fairies” of Lower Hardres.

**Evensong** – A reminder that Evensong has now moved back to Lower Hardres and is held on the second Sunday of each month at 6pm.

**Rev Donald Bretherton** – it was with much sadness that we learnt of Donald’s death. He was indeed one of our favourite visiting clergy and we know that he loved to come and preach at Lower Hardres, accompanied by his wife Mary. Our thoughts are with his family.

**Porch Sale** – There will be a Porch Sale following the Family Service on Sunday 15th May 2016.



## The Quiet View

Our next **Silent Retreat** is on Thursday **5th May** from **10am – 3pm** and will be led by Dr Julia Ronder, Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist and Community Paediatrician and Mindful Self Compassion Teacher. All those working in healthcare as well as those in all kinds of caring roles are welcome, as are those from all spiritual backgrounds and traditions. These retreats are best suited to those already experienced and comfortable with silence but all are welcome. Please book with [www.newron.co.uk](http://www.newron.co.uk)

**In Search of the Cosmic Christ** on **Saturday 18th June** from **10.30 am – 3.30pm** is a quiet day led by Lizzie who is a retired hospice chaplain and warden of the Quiet View. The day will explore the idea that the Cosmic Christ is not only the historical Jesus but also the Ground of our Being – the Divine energy that enlivens all people and the whole of creation. The day will include time for silence, led meditation and opportunities to be one with nature in the garden and in the yurt. Suggested donation is £15 and please book.

For both of the above days, please bring a packed lunch and refreshments will be served throughout the day. Please wear 'sensible' shoes, as the ground in the garden is uneven!

For the dates of our monthly Womens Drumming Circles please check with Caroline Barnes at [www.the-rhythm-of-life.co.uk](http://www.the-rhythm-of-life.co.uk) 01303 840859

Our monthly Taizé prayers continue on the first Friday of the month at 7pm. These are beautiful times of chants and silence surrounded by candles and icons. No need to book.

We hope to welcome you to the Quiet View soon.

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## Fish News May 2016

The annual fund-raising Bring and Buy will take place this year during the Coffee Pop-In at Bridge Village Hall on Wednesday May 11th. As well as plants and cakes we welcome anything you think might sell well. Thank you for your unfailing support.

The Cornelia Slavin Outing will be to Walmer Castle on Friday 10th June. There will be forms at the May Coffee Pop-In and at Frank Whitten's office in the High Street.

Fish (Neighbourly Help) Scheme Bring and Buy Plants Cakes  
Raffle 10am to 11.15 Bridge Village Hall Wednesday May 11th

Flag Very many thanks to those who supported our "flag" coffee morning on St Patrick's Day (hope the appropriate flag was noticed fluttering in his memory...) Hilary and I are pleased to have received another £80.00 in contributions, of which £10.00 went to the hire of crockery. Thank you all so much. With the agreement of the Church Wardens, we are using the remaining £70.00 as a basis for a continuing "Flag Fund", because replacements will eventually be a continuing need. H. and B.W. Bridge & District History The next meeting will be held on Thursday May 19th in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30. Louise Wilkinson's talk is entitled "Medieval Queens". Canterbury Cathedral has enjoyed strong connections with England's queens and she will introduce some of the royal women who have visited Canterbury. Members £4.00, non-members £5.00. Further details from David Gilmour Tel: 832450.



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he will remember vividly the flooding in the early part of 2015 and some will know only too well the awful effect of having flood water in their homes.

We can understand then a little of what Morsheda, the lady featured in last month's *On the Nail*, suffers each year when her house on one of the low-lying islands in the Brahmaputra River in Bangladesh floods. One year, it filled up to her knees with floodwater. To stay dry, and keep away from the dangerous snakes that now swam through her home, she raised her bed up on bricks. But during the night she was woken by a loud splash. In the pitch black, her baby son had fallen into the inky water. He could have drowned in moments.

House-to-house collecting is how Christian Aid Week began over 70 years ago, and it still raises an incredible £6.5m across Britain and Ireland every year. This year the money raised will help Morsheda and others in her situation to have a better, safer life.

You can find out more about Morsheda and Christian Aid's work in Bangladesh at the annual Christian Aid service on Sunday 15 May at 3.00pm. This year it is at St Peter's Methodist Church, St Peter's St, Canterbury and it will be followed by a picnic in the Master's Lodge garden. Everyone is welcome.

A few of the loyal team of collectors in our villages are not available this year, so if you could help in any way – delivering envelopes, collecting them or both – please get in touch.

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BRIDGE BENEFICE CARING & SHARING GROUP Villages along the Nailbourne Talk with Slides by Bob Richards Founder of the 'Canterbury remembering it as it was' Facebook page 7.30pm Friday 6th May 2016 Bridge & Patricbourne School Hall Ticket £6 adult £3 children To include alcoholic & non-alcoholic drink with nibbles Proceeds to St. Peter's Church Building Fund Tickets available from 01227 830960 or Mervyn Gulvin Architects in Bridge High Street

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4th June 2016

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### Bridge with Patrixbourne Women's Institute

We have two events organised for May. The first is our Annual Fund Raising "**Afternoon Tea**" to be held in the **Pavilion** on Bridge Recreation Ground on **Friday 6th May** from 2.30 until 4.30 pm. There will be a charge of £2.50 (to include tea and cake) and, needless to say, in true WI tradition, there will be a raffle as well as a craft sales table to browse over. Hopefully the weather will be warm and we shall be able to open the doors on to the Recreation Ground and enjoy some Spring sunshine. Do pop in with friends to relax and enjoy this alternative village venue and to support us in this venture. You will be most welcome.

Then, a little later in the month, on **Tuesday 17 May** at 7.30 pm in our usual meeting place of Bridge Village Hall, we have our "**Birthdays and Resolutions**" Evening when, after discussing the Resolutions to be put forward to the WI's National Conference, we will have a Buffet Supper served by the Committee to celebrate our birthday month.

### Nailbourne Horticultural Society

Following on from the Spring Show, the next event on the calendar is on **Tuesday 3 May** at 7.30 pm in **Bridge Village Hall** when **Dennis Vickers**, a well known local figure in the farming and horticultural world, will be entertaining us with a talk entitled "**100 Years of Farming**". To encourage new members, we would ask you to "Bring Along a Friend for Free!"

### National Vegetable Society - Kent Association

The Society are fortunate to have secured **Dr Peter Dawson**, vegetable plant breeder and managing director of British-based company **Tozer Seeds**, as guest speaker for the meeting on **Wednesday 11 May** in Bridge Village Hall (7.30 for 8.00 pm start). Dr Dawson will be giving a talk on seed production. Non-members are most welcome.



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Sometimes these anal glands do not empty as they naturally should and so become full. This can cause your pet a lot of pain and discomfort. Dogs will often attempt to ease this irritation by scooting their bottoms along the floor. Other signs of discomfort include licking or biting at their bottom, sitting uncomfortably, chasing their tail or a strong fishy smell!

The glands can also become impacted if the duct leading from the gland becomes blocked which results in very swollen glands and if left untreated they can become infected resulting in abscessation of the area and fever.

If you notice any signs of irritation in your pet we would advise a trip to the vets to get them checked out and have the glands emptied if necessary. This is a straightforward procedure that vets can do in the consulting room with you present. If there is any sign of infection in the glands your pet may need to be prescribed a course of antibiotics. Occasionally it may be necessary to perform surgery to remove the glands if they keep getting infections or if your pet has anal gland tumours, but this is rare.

If you have any further questions or want to book a check up for your pet please call **Bourne Veterinary Practice** on **01227 832322**.

We are holding our annual **Open Day** on **Bank Holiday Monday 30th May** and would love to see lots of you there. This is a great chance to meet all our staff and have a look behind the scenes. We can provide you with lots of helpful advice if you are thinking about getting a pet and we'll have lots of animals that you can meet on the day. It's all completely **FREE** so please pop down between 12-4pm and see what we do.



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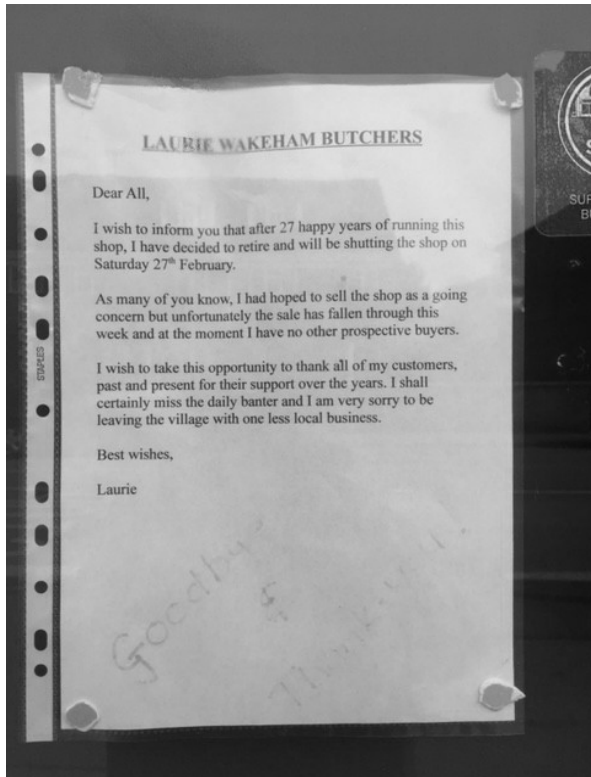
# RETIREMENT OF BRIDGE BUTCHER

Mr Laurie Wakeham

February 2016

Many of the village and beyond will be regretting the closure of his shop and departure the its owner. No more hop picker's pies, minted lamb chops, home-made pork pies, nor the Pluckley loose tea, coffee, jars of chutney and the splendid cheese board.

Below is the farewell notice which Laurie left for his customers in the window



**Abbreviated Minutes of a meeting of Bridge Parish Council**  
**Thursday 14 April 2016 in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

*Full version on website [www.bridgevillage.co.uk](http://www.bridgevillage.co.uk) and BPC noticeboards. (BPC = Bridge Parish Council; CCC= Canterbury City Council)*

**Report from Canterbury City Councillor (Simon Cook)**

Cleaning of the A2 is the responsibility of CCC (and not the Highways Agency as reported in March). There will be an A2 litter pick in May. He explained many of the impediments CCC faces to finding an effective cheap and practical solution to the cleaning of the A2 highway and verges.

**Report from Kent County Councillor (KCC) Michael Northey.**

He focused on the need to ensure the road layout of the new junction on the A2 meets the needs of villagers and on the planned resurfacing of the road from Littlebourne to the A2.

**Information exchange:**

5 Speedwatch sessions have happened using the newly purchased equipment.  
28 volunteers were thanked for taking part in the litter pick on the Clean for the Queen event (5/6 March 2016). 24 bags of rubbish were collected. A similar event is to be organised at about the same time as the Queen's birthday party on 12 June 2016.  
CCC has no plans to increase the number or size of litter bins in the village due to financial pressures.  
Council agreed to replace the timber cradle swings with a steel framed set of cradle swings  
Funding has become available for the development of Temporary Relief plans for Bridge. This means that the emergency/instant response plans put together after the 2014 floods will be embedded with equipment purchased and stored for emergency deployment in Bridge.

**Decisions taken in the course of the meeting:**

Joe Connor, Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Group spoke of the next steps to be taken by the Neighbourhood Plan group in light of the preferences expressed in the recent housing consultation. (166 villagers had expressed their preferences; 14% of the electorate). The raw data from this consultation is on the website. It will also be available from the Clerk for those without internet access. Joe Connor will transcribe the comments received as part of the recent consultation for members of the Neighbourhood Plan group.  
Council agreed to write to all residents of Green Court and relevant areas of Western Avenue to seek their involvement in the a working party which will be set to look into plans for improving aspects of the area.

**Dates & Events to note:**

Village event on 12 June to mark the Queen's 90th birthday: Volunteers are needed.  
First aid course for villagers: Tuesday 10 May.  
Next meeting of BPC: Thursday, 12 May 2016 at 7.30pm in Bridge Village Hall

## LITTLEBOURNE AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Not too much report this month but wear planning our cream tea noon for Sat 4th June - more details to come. As always, we are seeking new branch members and also people willing to do some poppy appeal collecting in the autumn. Please ring the secretary on 01227 472023.

Our next two meetings will be on Tuesday 10th May and 14th June both at the Recreation Club Littlebourne at 8pm.

# **Ex Libris - an exhibitions of Artists' Books and Paintings – May 28 - 30th at St Marys Church, Lower Hardres**

Artists' books are a wonderful way to express some of the ideas that cannot be contained in a single piece of work, and during the Spring Bank Holiday weekend, two artists from Lower Hardres join forces to show some of their books and paintings at St Marys Church in Lower Hardres.

Clare Danstead is a painter with a passion for the environment. Clare has written a series of books over the last few years, which she calls her 'Heart Language Books'. They attempt to express concepts to do with our interconnectedness with each other, birds, animals and nature, and the role our hearts play in this process. Currently she is working on the illustrations for a new story, and you'll be able to see these, and her books if you visit the church during the holiday weekend. Children and adults alike will be enchanted by her stories.

Patricia Wilson Smith has worked with a range of book genres, from garden notebook/calendars, to a candid semi-autobiography. She's made 'The Garden Coat', for very small children and their Grandmas, and is currently writing an adventure book for older children. Her artist books and illustrations will also be on show during the Spring Bank Holiday weekend. Open 11am -4pm, Saturday, Sunday and Monday May 28 – 30th.

Summer Concert 'Nature, Springtime and Love' A concert in Womenswold Church on 13th May at 7.30p.m.  
Friends of Womenswold Church are very pleased to welcome back the Shepway Singers under the direction of Berkeley Hill. This small group the St Marys or approximately 20 during the exhibition and some artwork will be for sale. Folk songs, 1920's melodies and possibly some choral pieces by Dave Brubeck.

Tickets are £10 (£8 Friends) from Marilyn (01227831208) or on the door and include wine and nibbles.





's Cooking?

Always wanting to use seasonal ingredients, I tried a variation of a fabulous crunch pie (no, not a cheesecake!), using blood oranges and Yorkshire rhubarb. This would work equally well with standard oranges and garden rhubarb, but perhaps not huge thick green stems of it when it is past its best.

### **Rhubarb and Orange Crunch Pie**

8oz/230g Digestive or Hobnob biscuits, crushed (if you are using digestives, add a tablespoon of demerara sugar)

4oz/110 g butter, melted

Juice and zest of 3 small blood oranges or 1 ½ medium oranges

1 can condensed milk (full fat)

½ pint/300ml double cream

1lb/400g rhubarb

Grease a 9" springclip tin and put baking parchment in the base. Mix the crushed biscuits with the melted butter and spread into the tin, levelling out. Put in the fridge to allow the butter to harden.

Cut the rhubarb into 1" sections, and put into a pan with a small amount of water (about ¼ pint/150ml) and some jam sugar to taste. Simmer very gently so that the rhubarb doesn't lose its shape – or simmer a few pieces separately for the top. Save eight or so pieces, and drain the rest, harvesting the sweet juice. Allow to cool.

Whisk the condensed milk, cream, juice and zest together for about 2-3 minutes or so until it has thickened. This is best done with a Kenwood/Kitchen Aid mixer, or at least a deep bowl so you don't redecorate the kitchen!

Pour the rhubarb mixture onto the biscuit base, followed by the thick topping. Level the top and chill for at least half an hour so that it sets. Decorate with the remaining rhubarb. Boil the juice with more sugar until it is just setting (a few minutes at most), cool it slightly, then spoon or pipe it over the top of the pudding. Chill again.

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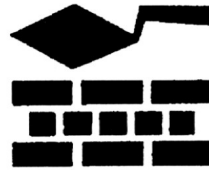


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