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5 Feb 2017 4 th Sunday before Lent Green 1 Corinthians 2: 1-end Matthew 5: 13-20	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Canon R. Humphriss	11.00am Family Communion and Holy Baptism Canon R. Humphriss and Mrs. M. Clarke	6.00pm Choral Evensong Canon G. Manley	9.30am Sung Eucharist The Rev D. Lugg	10.00am Songs of Praise Lay member of Bekesbourne
12 Feb 2017 3 rd Sunday Before Lent Green Ecclesiasticus 15: 15-end Matthew 5: 21-37	9.30am Sung Eucharist The Rev J. Tomlinson 3.30pm Evensong Mrs M. Clarke	3.30pm Evensong Mrs M. Clarke To be held at Nackington	9.30am Family Communion Rev R. Owen	<i>All welcome at the services of the Benefice</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Ven John Barton
19 Feb 2017 2 nd Sunday Before Lent Green Genesis 1: 1-2.3 Matthew 6: 25-end	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	9.30am Family Service Mrs M. Clarke	11.00am Choral Eucharist Canon R. Humphriss	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Canon G. Manley	9.30am Sung Eucharist Rev R. Owen
26 Feb 2017 The Sunday Next Before Lent Green Exodus 24: 12-end Matthew 17: 1-9	9.30am Sung Eucharist Rev. R. Owen	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Canon R. Humphriss 11.00am Community Worship Mrs B. Latham	9.30am Matins Mrs M. Clarke	<i>All welcome at the other services in the Benefice</i>

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



ple of Israel were warned that the Messiah would come' "Unto us a boy is born, a son is given", but they thought he was solely for their nation. They also thought he would fight for them as their King. This was true, he was their King, but he was the King of Kings of the World, and his Kingdom was one of love, mercy and truth. As he said at his trial, "My Kingdom is not of this World". Jesus Christ, Son of God came for the whole world, but so many did not recognise him. He was, and is the True Light which enlightens everyone. The darkness in the world did not overcome it, and never will. As Isaiah said, "Arise, shine, for your Light has come, and the Glory of the Lord is risen upon you".

As Christmas, there were so many lights in homes, in the gardens and in the streets, with candles in the churches. It was very beautiful. I loved the glow, but many are now extinguished. Has routine and normality returned? No! Far from it. I think this poem helps us to realise and understand why.

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky has gone,
When the Kings and Princes have returned,
When the Shepherds are back home with their flocks,
The work of Christmas begins:
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild nations,
To bring peace among people,
To make music in the heart.
Howard Thurman

All too often, we say things will come right and work out, but as Christ's lights, we must do our part, however small.

Soon we will be celebrating Candlemas, on February 2nd, when we remember the Presentation of Christ in the temple. Then, the season of Lent begins, which starts on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, when there will be a service at St Peter's, Bridge at 7pm, with the imposition of Ashes. Lent is a solemn season, when we try to give up something, or do more to help others. You alone can decide – discipline is involved, and that's not easy!! Nether the less, have a Lent of Light, ending on Easter Day, with Light and Life, because Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Margaret.

Dates For Your Diary

February 2017

07/02	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
		15.00	Holy Communion at Bridge Haven
		19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
08/02	10.00		FISH pop in at Bridge Village Hall
		14.00	Social afternoon at John Baker White Hall, Lower Hardres
13/02	19.30		Caring and Sharing
14/02	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
		14.30	Holy Communion at Mansfield Court
15/02	15.00		Hymns at Bridge Haven
21/02	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
		15.00	Holy Communion at Saxon Lodge
		19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
27/02	19.30		Caring and Sharing
28/02	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge

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If you have an administrative church matter (including wedding and baptism requests) please email Mrs Lindsay McNally, The Bridge Benefice Administrator, who works on Thursdays, at bridgeoffice23@gmail.com

Thank you,

The Churchwardens.

St Peter's Church, Bridge

Firstly we wish to thank the team of Flower Arrangers, under the guidance of Viv Brazier, on the wonderful flower arrangements and decorations in St Peter's Church over Christmas. A lot of people came into Church over the Christmas period and commented on the lovely tree in the entrance and the floral displays. This is not only a thank you for making the Church look welcoming over Christmas, all through the year this silent band of women come in and arrange their floral displays, St Peter's would look very bare and unloved without their efforts. Thank you all.

Christmas was a busy time for us, with 330 attending the two Christingle services, we know these services are popular and thank all who support them each year. We collected £410.00 for the Children's Society, an amazing amount.

Midnight Mass is always a lovely service and 45 came this year.

Our Carol Service, organised by one of our organists Martin Miles, was a combination of readings and both new and traditional carols, after the service refreshments of wine and mince pies were enjoyed by all.

Fundraising – To date we have raised £60,000 towards the urgent work needed at St Peter's (in total we need £90,000). We have received some generous donations from parishioners and we have been fortunate to secure £32,000 in our grant applications, these do take time and effort to do and we are still pursuing other Trusts. In tandem with this we now have a very active Friends Group (FOSP) who raised £4,000 with various events including concerts, talks and plays over the past 18 months. The next event is on Saturday 19th February when local girl Bettina Walker will be singing with her group 'Prophecy' in Bridge Church at 3pm, more details elsewhere in this magazine. Please keep an eye out for our fundraising events, they are quite diverse and bring in a lot of parishioners who do not attend Church but love the music/atmosphere of events in the lovely building we have. We are conscious that not everyone reads On the Nail, we are therefore advertising our events on Face Book, in the village news column in the Kentish Gazette and of course with Posters around the village.

Our thanks go to Margaret and Reg Humphriss who are both working closely with us during our Interregnum, along with a number of retired Clergy. As yet we have no news on the likelihood of a new Vicar in the foreseeable future but we will keep you posted.

Thanks to everyone for their support during the Interregnum, we really do appreciate it.

Evelyn and Laurence
Churchwardens



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This is an amazing amount of money, which will go far in getting the work underway. There is still quite a way to go, (we need to raise £90,000 to carry out all the works needed), which leads me to our programme of events.

COFFEE, CAKE AND CONCERT was launched at St Peter's Bridge with a Carol Concert presented by the Friends group for the church and attracted an audience of 45 people. Feedback about this venture included – "it was a nice social occasion, we enjoyed singing and the idea is worth repeating". So a second helping was served on Saturday 21 January when our own Bettina Walker sang a selection of her favourite songs (some with audience participation) and raised £193.00. Her mini concert is a taster for the concert being given by "Prophecy" (in which she's a lead singer) on **Sunday 19 February at 3pm**. Definitely a date for your diary!

Tickets are on sale in the village from Mervyn Gulvin Architects, 90 High Street, Bridge, Mervyn@mjgulvin.com or 01227 830881, Evelyn Andrews evepurlins@btinternet.com or 01227 830960 and Charlie Bainbridge Estate Agents, Broad Street, Canterbury - charlie@charlesbainbridge.com or 01227 780227

Tickets are priced at £5 in advance or £8 on the door.

We have many exciting events in store and look forward to telling you about these in future editions of On the Nail and look out for flyers through your door.

You are the most important people! Thank you for coming and supporting our events. We love to see you in St Peter's church, it is your space and we are loving the new ideas for events - keep them coming!

If we can host an event for you please feel welcome to get in touch with me georgiebainbridge@gmail.com or 07875 409036.

Georgie Bainbridge

Chair, Friends of St Peter's Church

St Peter's Bridge Services Survey

We recently distributed a questionnaire to our Parishioners and the general feedback was pleasing. We have taken on board a number of ideas, one of which was the timings of services. We have, therefore, decided to do a 6 month trial of changing the 11am Eucharist on the second Sunday of each month to a 9.30am start, this will start in February and the content of the service will remain the same.

Our fourth Sunday is the time we get together for Community Worship, this is led by Bev Latham (Authorised Lay Minister) helped by Margaret and Reg when needed. It would be lovely to see some children come along and if willing help in the service, do you have a group of friends who would like to sing or act, let us know on 01227 830668 or 830960.

Also if anyone requires help to attend any Church service or event please call us on one of the above numbers; we will arrange transport for you.

Fish Scheme News

The Fish Scheme is hosting a showing of a film in the village hall on THURSDAY 9TH MARCH AT 2.30PM

The film showing is 'My Old Lady' starring Maggie Smith.

Refreshments will be served for which a small donation will be asked.

If transport to the village hall is required please phone the Fish Scheme on 07935 966080

All welcome.

Fairtrade News

Fairtrade Fortnight this year runs from 27th February to 12th March. There will be a Fair Trade Fair in St Peter's Methodist Church Hall on Saturday 11th March between 10am and 3pm, which the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress will attend at 10.30am. Coffee, cakes and home-made lunches, as well as lots of lovely fairtrade foods and gifts on sale.

Bridge & District History Society

The next meeting will be on Thursday 16th February in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30pm. Catherine Richardson will give a talk entitled "Medieval Domestic Life" based on sources such as wills and inventories.

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00, including refreshments.

Further details from David Gilmour Tel:832450.

Essentially Hops

We are running an Easter workshop on Saturday 8th April 10-12midday.

Poppy Appeal 2016

This year an impressive £2814.98 was raised. Thank you all!

We do need new door to door volunteers for next year's poppy appeal if we want to keep up our success rate. Many of our volunteers have recently had to retire after decades of loyal service. Now is the time for new people to step forward to take over. It only takes a few hours and it is a worthy, popular cause. Special thanks to Laurence Dunderdale for helping with the counting this autumn.

We need people to volunteer for the following areas;

Two people for Bridge High Street

Two people for Union Road

One person for The Old Close

One or two people for Mill Lane, Bourne View and the new development

One person for Conyngham Lane

and finally, one person for Bishopsbourne.

In addition, it would be helpful to have a new recruit to collect money outside Spar.

Please volunteer by emailing the local poppy appeal organiser, John Shirley on john.shirley@johnshirleyltd.co.uk or ring 07808734842.

Littlebourne & District Royal British Legion

Happy New Year to all our members! Unfortunately, we have had a lot of ill health amongst members just lately so our recent meeting was a small one. We wish them all a speedy recovery.

Not a lot of activity yet but we have several events in the pipeline for 2017. More details later.

Anyone interested in possibly joining the branch can find details on our notice board outside the village hall or can ring 01227 472023 (secretary).

Our next two monthly meetings will be on Tuesdays 14th February and 14th March both at 8pm at the Recreation Club, Littlebourne.

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Nailbourne Horticultural Society

Following on from the Annual General Meeting of the Society, the first event in this year's programme is not until Tuesday 7 March when we are fortunate to have John Newell from Bekesbourne giving us a talk entitled "Improve Your Photography. This is just in time to inspire us to enter a new Open Class for a photograph (title "Spring is in the Air") in our Spring Show on 8 April. More details will follow. Please note that Schedules for both the Spring and Summer Shows are now available. Please contact the Show Secretary, Kathy Walder (tel: 830057, email: kath@askwalder.com) if you have not already received yours.

Bridge with Patrixbourne Women's Institute

On **Tuesday 21 February** at the usual time of 7.30 pm in **Bridge Village Hall** the guest speaker is **Caroline Bunting** from the Associated Country Women of the World (**ACWW**), an organisation which connects and supports women and communities worldwide. Caroline will be giving a talk on "**WI Water Aid**". In keeping with the WI's campaign to raise awareness of climate change, the **competition** for February is for members to bring an interesting **GREEN** coloured item. And remember, we are always delighted to welcome visitors at our meetings.

Thank You

May I thank all those kind friends who sent their good wishes for my hip replacement which has been a success. Thank you also kind friends who visited me in Saxon Lodge, you were all most welcome.

May I wish everybody all good wishes for the New Year.

Diana Whiting

Dates for your Diary

18th March St Peter's Church, Bridge next Coffee, Cake and Concert.

24th June Mid summer Fete in aid of Patrixbourne and Bridge Churches, more information soon.



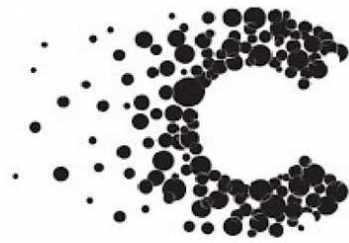
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YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

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Steve Thomas - December 2016



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7 ½ oz/220g muscovado sugar
1 tablespoon cinnamon
4oz/110g softened butter

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In a small bowl, mix the sugar, cinnamon and butter so you have a gritty paste.

Turn the dough out again, and alternately roll and pull it into a rectangle at least 12" x 9" (30 x 23cm). Cover it with the sugar/butter mixture, using a round bladed knife to get the paste evenly all over the surface (this is surprisingly time-consuming!).

From the long side, roll the dough away from you, tucking the first curl in very tightly. Pinch the edge to seal it (or use a bit of water to moisten the dough) and sit the roll on the edge. Now cut into a minimum of 12 pieces – I went for more so I had flatter rolls, approx. 16 or so. Turn the oven on to 190 deg C

To save on the washing up, I put the rolls on baking parchment, not so far apart that they were isolated, nor so close together they fused (about 6 to a baking tray, depending on your trays). Cover with greased cling film and leave to rise in a warm place (over the cooker) until they have doubled in size. In a small pan, mix the milk/water and sugar. Heat gently together and leave this to cool.

Bake for about 15-20 minutes until light golden brown and firm to the touch. When you take them out, glaze the buns with the milk and water mix. For best results, do this twice, then leave them to cool... if you can resist them for that long! Best eaten warm.

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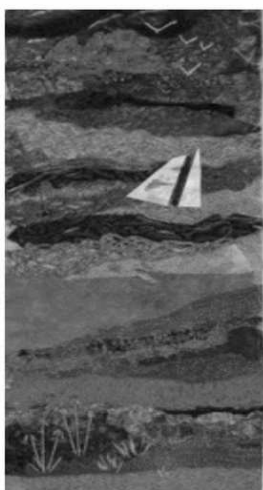
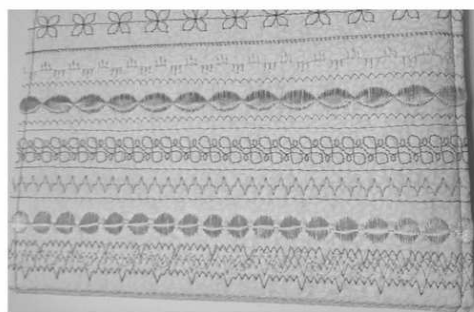
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Kath Pierce was always an enthusiastic member of the flower arranging team and her memory lives on with a generous donation from her family towards the flowers at Christmas and two significant dates to her, during the year. Thank you to Francis and family.

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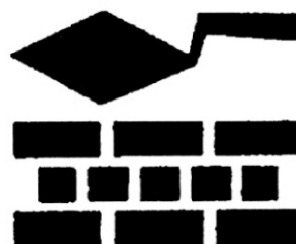
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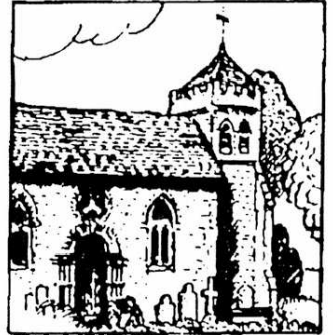
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CHURCH SERVICES FOR March 2017	St Mary NACKINGTON	St Mary LOWER HARDRES	St Peter BRIDGE	St Mary PATRIBOURNE	St Peter BEKESBOURNE
5 March 2017 First Sunday of Lent Genesis 2: 15-17. 3: 1-7 Matthew 4: 1-11	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Bishop Trevor	11.00am Family Communion Mrs M. Clarke	6.00pm Evensong	9.30am Sung Eucharist The Rev. D. Lugg	10.00am Songs of Praise Lay member of Bekesbourne
12 March 2017 Second Sunday of Lent Genesis 12: 1-4a John 3: 1-17	9.30am Sung Eucharist The Rev G. Barber 3.30pm Evensong Mrs M. Clarke	3.30pm Evensong at Nackington Mrs M. Clarke	9.30am Family Communion	<i>All welcome at the services of the Benefice</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Rev C. Pinchbeck
19 March 2017 Third Sunday of Lent Romans 5: 1-11 John 4: 5-42	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	9.30am Family Service Mrs M. Clarke	11.00am Choral Eucharist Canon G. Manley	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Rev R. Owen	9.30am Sung Eucharist
26 March 2017 Mothering Sunday Colossians 3: 12-17 John 19: 25b-27	9.30am Sung Eucharist Rev R. Owen	9.30am Mothering Sunday Service Mrs M. Clarke	8.00am BCP Holy Communion Rev C. Pinchbeck 11.00am Community Worship Mrs B. Latham	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	9.30am Mothering Sunday Service

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



Lent March starts the Christian season of Lent from Ash Wednesday on the 1st until Easter Day this year on April 16th. Originally following the picture of the forty days Jesus spent in the wilderness, it became the last period of preparation for Christian Baptism, Confirmation and first Holy Communion for adults that was only held at Easter. As time went on, early Christians found this a useful discipline, a time for spiritual spring cleaning of lives and deepening of faith.

Your local churches are here to welcome you and for you to use. Thank you to all who work hard to keep them open and so attractive.

Among our special activities this Lent look out for the Christian Aid lunches and maybe you would like to read a Christian book. In the last two or three years the outstanding series of Holy Week Cathedral Lectures by Rowan Williams have been published and are on sale in the Cathedral shop. Look out for the most recent one, an absolute gem, (a small book of a hundred pages, £8.99) GOD WITH US - The message of the cross and resurrection. Then and now. SPCK.

Look forward to the Bishop of Dover leading worship during Holy Week and Easter in our different churches.

Retiring again.

Since 2001 when my wife and I retired to Lower Hardres, I have enjoyed a continuing ministry and been pleased to help out in our local churches, the Cathedral and other churches including assisting with the Anglican Chaplaincy in the Pas de Calais where we had a holiday home until last October. This is in addition to being involved with an active spiritual accompaniment programme and other works.

Now that I am just over eighty my children have been prompting me to take life steadier and I have known the time was coming, so with regret, I informed the Churchwardens that I was again 'retiring' at the end of February.

I had been hoping to see in a lively and loving new Vicar settle in and then gracefully retire but that seems to be taking time.

Thank you for letting me help over the years. I have become very fond of you and admired the way you support the five churches in our Benefice and get the local community involved in that work. I also appreciate that it is not always easy to keep the day to day running expenses going. I believe that as many people as possible need to support our local churches, even if you go elsewhere or maybe at the moment nowhere. Do look after Margaret, our Reader, share out jobs and continue to welcome the retired clergy who come in and are pleased to help. It is good that we have such a full rota.

May God bless you all.

With every good wish and prayer,

Reg Humphriss

Women's World day of prayer

We have been invited to All Saint's Church on March 3rd at 2 pm, for their service for Women's World Day of Prayer. Sadly, I have a funeral that morning so won't be there. I will say prayers for the Women of the Philippines at St Peter's Bridge at 10:30 so if anyone wishes to join me, please come.

many thanks

Margaret

Dates For Your Diary

March 2017

07/03	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
		15.00	Holy Communion at Bridge Haven
		19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
08/03	10.00		FISH pop in at Bridge Village Hall
		14.00	Social afternoon at John Baker White Hall, Lower Hardres
13/03	19.30		Caring and Sharing
14/03	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
		14.30	Holy Communion at Mansfield Court
15/03	15.00		Hymns at Bridge Haven
21/03	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
		15.00	Holy Communion at Saxon Lodge
		19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
27/03	19.30		Caring and Sharing
28/03	09.30		Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge

The parishes of the benefice currently have a clergy vacancy.

If you have a pastoral church matter (including funeral requests) please call Mrs Margaret Clarke, Benefice Reader, on 07541 229239 or 01227 765598 or email mrsmaclarke@yahoo.co.uk

If you have an administrative church matter (including wedding and baptism requests) please email Mrs Lindsay McNally, The Bridge Benefice Administrator, who works on Thursdays, at bridgeoffice23@gmail.com

Thank you,

The Churchwardens.

Easter at Lower Hardres

Mothering Sunday falls on March 26th. At 9-30 we will have a Family service when posies and cards will be given to everyone. Obviously, we will have our traditional Simnel cake. Lots of children participation. On the 19th we will have our usual Family service.

Good Friday

This falls on April 14th and we are thrilled to welcome Bishop Trevor. He will lead a short service at the end of our CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP. This lasts from 9-30 till 12. Please ring Julie 788316 or Margaret 765598. If your child is under school age please stay with them. Donations for materials are welcome. We will have fun.

Easter Day

This year this falls on April 16th and it will be a Benefice Service at Bridge Church at 9.30am when the Bishop will preside and preach. Refreshments will be serviced and there will be an EGG HUNT. Children we will decorate our lovely white cross to God's glory. I will let you know details.

Fish News Tel no: 07935 966 080

Do come and enjoy the showing of My Old Lady starring Maggie Smith in the village hall on Thursday 9th March at 2.30. Everybody is most welcome.

The Coffee Pop-in will be the day before, Wednesday 8th, also in the village hall from 10 to 11.15.

Royal British Legion

At our monthly branch meeting we remembered in our silence Bill Bagwell a member who had passed away recently.

We are looking forward to our Beef Pudding Supper booked for Tuesday 18th April at the Hay Wain.

We are also getting plans underway for our Tea Afternoon to be held at Littlebourne Village Hall on Saturday 3rd June. Due to popular request, we are hoping for contributions for a plant/produce stall at that event, or alternatively for someone who wishes to pay for a stand to sell plants/produce themselves. Please ring 01227 472023.

Our next two monthly meetings will be on Tuesdays 14th March and 11th April both at 8pm at the Recreation Club, Littlebourne.

Electoral Roll

It is now time for the annual revision of the Electoral Roll. If you are already on the Roll you need do nothing.

If you would like your name to be added please complete one of the forms which will be available in the churches at Bridge and Patrixbourne from Sunday 19th March. The completed forms should be handed to one of the churchwardens or left at 54 Bridge Down by Tuesday April 4th.

St. Peter's Bridge Easter Lilies

Easter is fast approaching, anyone who would like to donate money in memory of a loved one, to buy a lily please contact a Churchwarden or Viv Brazier. The price is about £3 per lily.

Thank you
Viv B

THANK YOU !

Despite a rather soggy morning, there was a huge turn-out at the coffee and cake sale in the Bridge Village Hall on 4th Feb to mark World Cancer Day.

The sale and raffle raised a staggering £1200 for Cancer Research UK.

Caroline and Fiona Hollands would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who provided support on the day, baked the delicious cakes and provided donations.

Special thanks go to Greenhills Fresh Foods, Duskin Apple Juice and Woodlands Hair & Beauty for their generous raffle prizes.



CHRISTIAN AID LENT LUNCHESES

Joining in Lent with Ladies who Lunch and Gentlemen who Munch!

Our annual home-made soup and bread lunches will take place in Bridge this year on Thursdays.

When: the 6 Thursdays of Lent – March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and April 6th, between 12.0 and 1.30pm.

Where: at 1 Riverside Mews, Bridge (off Riverside Close). Everyone is welcome, not just church members. If you haven't been before, it's very informal and we'd love to see you. All donations will go to Christian Aid. Please ring 831956 the day before to book. Alan & Jean Barber.

The Quiet View

We're really delighted that Nicky Thompson has begun her Creative Writing for Wellbeing Workshops in the yurt and has secured funding for a series of workshops based on the Labyrinth that Lizzie will help to facilitate. Here are the details;

Landscapes - Saturday 8 April 2017 10.30am to 12.30pm

Journeys - Saturday 22 April 2017 10.30am to 12.30pm

Explorations - Saturday 13 May 2017 10.30am to 12.30pm

£12 per session or £30 for all three. If you are unable to walk the labyrinth, someone could walk on your behalf and there are also finger labyrinths available. Please contact Nicky to book www.pebblepoetry.co.uk nicky@pebblepoetry.co.uk
If you know anyone who suffers with dementia, Nicky will be doing a special workshop based on the Labyrinth on Monday 22nd May for them – please ask Nicky for details.

Our TAIJI QIGONG, classes are very popular and continue on the 2nd Monday evening of each month and the 4th Thursday afternoon. The practice naturally harmonizes the mind, body & spirit. Please contact Melanie French at m.s.french00@btinternet.com if you are interested.

We hope to welcome you to the Quiet View!

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WHERE WERE YOU LIVING IN 2012? Many of us living in Bekesbourne, Bridge, Patrixbourne, Lower Hardres and Nackington or nearby, and connected with their churches will recall that in 2012 we had both a vicar and a curate. As a reminder to us, and to inform those living elsewhere, our vicar was Rev Simon Rowlands and our curate was Rev Julia Baldwin. 2013 was a year of change. In January Simon moved to Faversham and in November Julia became Chaplain to the Bishop of Dover. Then, as now, we were in Interregnum. This January it was announced that Julia has been appointed Chaplain to Brasenose College, Oxford, starting in September. Alan Barber, one of our PCC secretaries, sent our congratulations and asked whether she might come and talk about her experiences in Canterbury and hopes for the future. Julia replied "I would be delighted to come to the Benefice and give a talk – it would be a lovely opportunity to see you all again." So Julia's free talk will take place in Bridge Church on Sunday 19 March at 3pm followed by tea and cakes. There will be a retiring collection for the Mission Aviation Fellowship.

Bridge with Patricxbourne Women's Institute

On Tuesday 21 March at 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall, Mike Bundock makes a return to Bridge (he previously gave an interesting talk to the Horticultural Society on Floral Clocks) but this time his subject will be "The Rise of Kent Seaside Resorts". Please remember that we are always delighted to welcome non-members and visitors to our meetings.

Nailbourne Horticultural Society

For our meeting on Tuesday 7 March at 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall, we have invited local photographer and member of Canterbury Photographic Society, John Newell, to give a talk on improving our photography. This is in nice time to inspire us to enter the newly photography class in the Spring Show.

That leads on nicely to give advance notice of our Show which will be held on Saturday 8 April in Bridge Village Hall and open to the public from 11.00 am until 1.30 pm. There are three classes which are open to all, not just members. Details of these are as follows:

5 sticks of rhubarb (pulled and leaves trimmed)

6 chitted seed potatoes in an egg box

"Spring is in the Air" - a photo, unframed, not to exceed 8" x 6"

(NB photos not to be digitally enhanced and all entries to be produced within the last 12 months)

If anyone requires a Show Schedule or would like more information, please contact the Show Secretary, Kathy Walder (tel: 830057, email kath@askwalder.com)

National Vegetable Society - Kent Association

The Society returns to Bridge Village Hall for its 2017 programme of evening talks, starting on Wednesday 8 March (7.30 for 8.00 pm) with the Annual General Meeting and a talk on "Select Seeds" by David Thornton, Secretary of the National Vegetable Society and a most knowledgeable speaker. Please note that there will be seeds available to buy at the meeting. Non-members are most welcome to come along to the meetings.

Bridge Allotments

The waiting list for an allotment in Bridge is now open. If you are considering taking on a plot either now or in the future please contact Heather Howe on 01227 832380 or email heather.howe1@hotmail.co.uk

Many thanks,

Heather Howe

Secretary

Bridge Allotment Association

SINGLES LUNCHESES

The 'Singles Lunches' at the Red Lion from the numbers attending are proving to be very popular. Anyone who is a 'Single' is invited to come along on the first Wednesday in the month from 12.30- 2pm. The cost is £10 for two course from the lunchtime 2 for £10 menu with tea/ coffee included, just give the Red Lion a ring (01227 832213) for logistical purposes to say you are coming.

COMPUTER CLUB

Another group that is increasing in numbers is the 'Computer Club' held on the first Friday in the month at the same venue. Anyone needing help or advice with their equipment be it mobile phone, laptop or tablet/iPad is invited to come along. Wifi is available at the Red Lion. There is a small charge of £5 on the morning to include tea/Coffee, the remainder is given to the Church fund.

COMMUNITY LUNCHESES

Community Lunches will be held at the Red Lion on the 4th Sunday in the month at 12.15pm. The lunches will follow the new 'Community Worship' services being held in St Peter's Church, Bridge at 11 am. All welcome to either or both. For further details of the service and/ or to book for the lunch to Peggy Pryer 01227 832058/ mobile 07860 591887 e mail: peggypryer@yahoo.co.uk

BRIDGE VILLAGE MIDSUMMER FETE

The Fete will be held on Saturday 24th June 2017 in the garden and car park of The Red Lion, Bridge from 2 pm until 4.30pm. The Fete will be followed by a BBQ and live music from 6 pm. Non food stall holders welcome, please ring Bev Latham 01227 830365 or mail: bevlatham@hotmail.com

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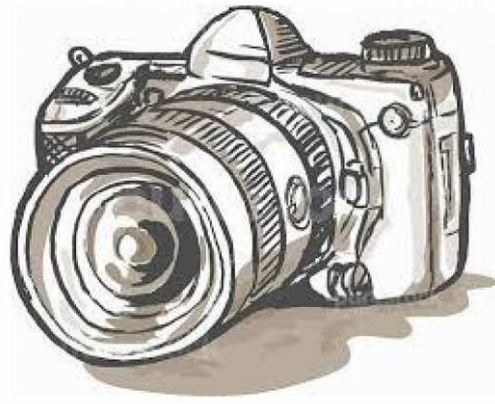
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The Kentish Gazette has a local Community News section which our village correspondent, currently Kiran Dhaliwal, writes weekly.

Bridge village web site - www.bridgevillage.org.uk - has up-to-date news on up-coming events, Parish Council meetings and information, links to other local web sites e.g. Village Hall and lots more ...

'Bridge Bulletin', is an occasional email service informing you on up coming events, news etc., so you don't have to monitor the village web site so often. Sign up via the village web site.

'Bridge Village' Facebook Group, shares pictures, views, events, information etc which relate directly to Bridge. It can be viewed directly or via the village web site, with or without signing into Facebook,

If you are new, or know someone who is new, to the village, please contact the Parish Clerk who will arrange for the provision of a village Welcome Pack.

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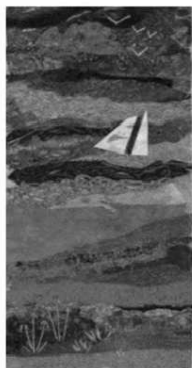
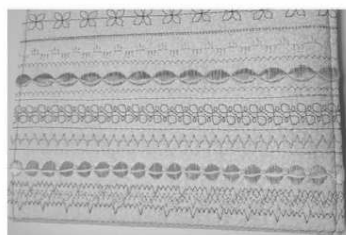
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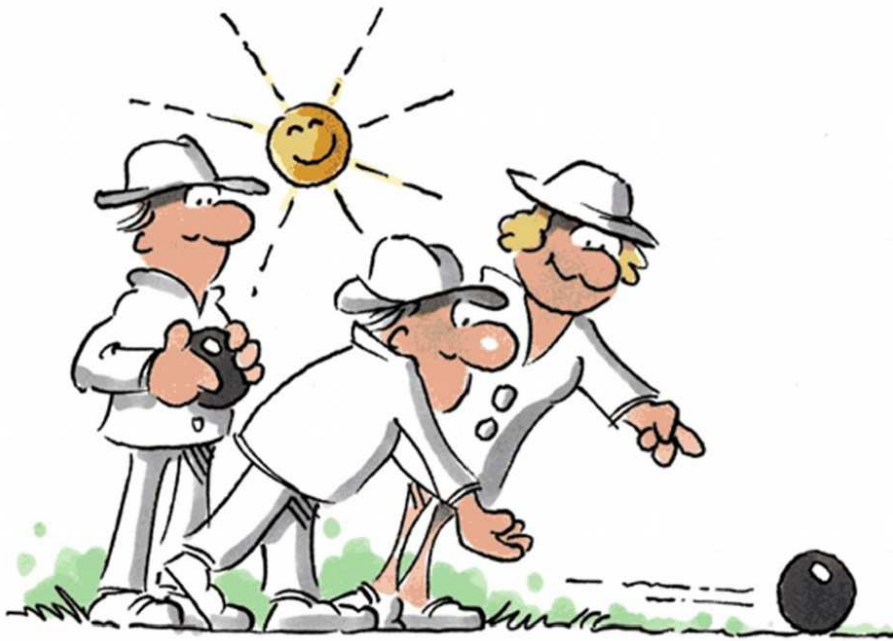
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1tsp runny honey (if wished)

squeeze of lemon juice

Put the oats into a cup and pour boiling water over. Leave them to soften while you grate the apple. Strain the oats and put the oats, apple, nuts and fruit into a bowl. Mix together, adding lemon juice (to keep the apple pale and add a bit of a tang) plus the yoghurt. Taste and add the honey if desired. Top with some more chopped nuts and fresh fruit.

It keeps for a day, and has a more solid texture, but doesn't look quite so appealing.

Fun Quiz & Entertainment Evening - 24 March

Local thespians Keith and Jan Roberts have organised an evening of fun quizzes and entertainment in aid of the Friends of Womenswold church on Friday March 24th at 7.30 for 8.00p.m. at the Learning Opportunities Centre in Womenswold. The ticket price of £6.00, (£5 for Friends) includes nibbles and one drink. Further drinks will be available to purchase. There is no need to organise a table, just come along and enjoy yourselves!

This is a small venue, so advanced booking is advisable, although spare tickets will be available at the door.

Tickets can be booked with Maggie Mckenzie Tel.01227 831414

Bridge Mobile Library

Revised times 23rd February, 9th March the mobile library will be visiting Green Court between the hours of 14.30 and 15.15hrs.

WORKAID

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WORKAID is a charity, headquartered in Chesham, Buckinghamshire, which collects unwanted tools and equipment from across the country, refurbishes them and distributes them to people in need to help them to earn a living. **WORKAID** is committed to tackling poverty in a practical way by helping disadvantaged people in East Africa, and in the UK, to help themselves through practical skills training.

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In 2015 **WORKAID** was proud to be the recipient of the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service and last year celebrated its 30th Anniversary.

If you would like to read a more detailed account of what **WORKAID** does, please go to www.workaid.org

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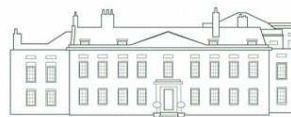
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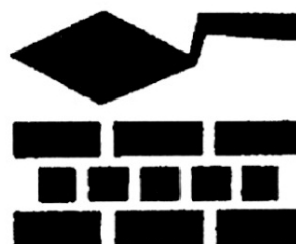
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It is true Good Friday had to happen. There can be no Easter Day without it, no Good Friday without Christmas, and no life without Jesus. By raising Jesus to life, God confirmed Good Friday. Good Friday was right. Jesus was right. The way of Love is right. The way of the Cross is vindicated. By the Resurrection, God says 'Yes' to Jesus to all he said and did, and to the promises he made.

Reverend Ken Taylor said this; 'Easter means He offers you a new beginning, a new world for you, and a new you for the world, new peace, new light and new perspectives. A new lease of life TODAY! The last word is not with death but with Jesus'. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia! A Happy, Joyous and Blessed Easter.

Margaret.

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13/04	19.00		Maundy Thursday
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14/04	14.00-15.00		Good Friday Meditation with
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18/04	09.30		Holy Communion at St
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Patrixbourne with Bridge is holding its APCM in Bridge Church on Wednesday April 19th at 7:30pm

Both meetings begin with the Annual Meeting of Parishioners (aka Vestry Meeting) when the Churchwardens are elected. Everyone from the appropriate parish is welcome to attend and may vote at this meeting.

The Parishioners Meeting is immediately followed by the Annual Church Meeting at which the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and the Sides-persons are elected for the following year. 2017 is the year for electing the Deanery Synod Representatives they serve for 3 years. This meeting provides an opportunity to hear what has happened in the parish during 2016/17 and to thank all those who work so hard to care for our churches and their churchyards. Also to note the Financial Statements which are key factors in keeping Bekesbourne flourishing, and it is a vital objective for Patrixbourne with Bridge. The past year has been a time of significant change; as we have been in Interregnum since 1st September brought about by the resignation of Canon Jonathan LLOYD.

If you are not on the church electoral roll (which entitles you to vote at the Annual Meeting) and would like to be included, please ensure that you complete a form and return it to-

- (1) For Bekesbourne to Jill Gillanders, Nicky Fry or Lindsay Sharp-Kinsey
- (2) For Patrixbourne with Bridge to a Churchwarden, Alan Barber or Rosemary Whatley.

Nicky Fry - Bekesbourne PCC Secretary
Alan Barber - Patrixbourne with Bridge PCC Secretary

Bridge and Patrixbourne Primary School St George's Day Celebrations

The staff and pupils invite all Senior Citizens to an afternoon of entertainment on Friday 21st April from 1.30pm-3.00pm, refreshments will be served by the children, please call the school office on 830276 to confirm a place.

Also on 21st April the younger pupils will parade through the village at 9.30am through the recreation ground, through Riverside Close, along Patrixbourne Road to the Red Lion and up the High Street and along the alley by Greenfields to school, Come along and line the route, they would love to see you.

Fish News (neighbourly help) Tel no: 07935 966 080

The April Coffee Pop-In at Bridge village hall will be on Wednesday 12th.

Coming up: the annual Bring and Buy will be during the Coffee Pop-In on May 10th and the summer outing will be on Thursday June 8th.

The League of Friends of the Kent and Canterbury Hospital

The AGM and Coffee Morning of the Nailbourne Group was held on Saturday 4 March 2017 at Bridge Village Hall, £130 was raised. Thanks to all who attended, our Nailbourne Group Friends and those who have given donations or supported the group in other ways. A total of £2,700 was raised last year.

We welcome donations of used stamps, over £100 was raised last year. Anyone interested in joining the group, or who would like to see how funds raised are allocated would be welcome to join one of our committee members at a League of Friends Central Meeting held at the hospital. Please contact Elizabeth Stewart 01227 830344.

Bridge & District History Society

The next meeting will be on Thursday April 20th at 7.30pm in Bridge Village Hall. David Hodges will give a talk about Concorde, detailing the aircraft from its inception and subsequent career through to its demise.

Members £4.00, non-members £5.00, including refreshments.

Further details from David Gilmour Tel: 832450.

Littlebourne & District Royal British Legion

We held a successful meeting this month. Our Beef Pudding Night is fully booked and we are looking forward to that.

Not a lot of news to relate but that gives us chance to mention that we are always seeking new members to the branch. You don't have to be an ex-service person, just somebody who is interested in supporting a worthy cause and would possibly like to help the Poppy Appeal. We are an informal and friendly group.

We meet at the Recreation Club, Littlebourne on the second Tuesday of each month at 8pm. Our next two meetings will be on 11th April and 9th May. You can contact the secretary on 01227 472023 for more information.

St. Peter's Bridge Easter Lilies

Easter is fast approaching, anyone who would like to donate money in memory of a loved one, to buy a lily please contact a Churchwarden or Viv Brazier. The price is about £3 per lily.

Thank you

Viv B



Christian Aid Week: 14-20 May **Standing with refugees like Nejebar**

Nejebar and her family have fled horrors in Afghanistan, where her husband was threatened with torture and death for being a government worker. But now they've arrived in Greece, all they have is a tent. They have no other protection against wind and rain. There's no school for their five children. And they have no clear idea of what will happen to them now. They thought they would stay here for 10 days, but it's already been six months and there's no end in sight.

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From Christian Aid Week's very beginnings people have been collecting house-to-house to support people like Nejebar. All the money collected goes to Christian Aid partner organisations working directly with the people in need - where they are.

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It's hard to take in that in 2017, 65 million people are fleeing their homes due to conflicts, persecution and disasters. Christian Aid will never turn its back on them.

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Jean Barber 01227 831956

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presented by the Friends of St Peter's Church, Bridge (FOSP).

By popular request we are delighted to write that our next concert is to be given by the choir of Bridge and Patixbourne Church of England Primary School.

They will be performing on Saturday 22 April 10:30-11:30am by kind permission of Miss Renuka Chinnadurai, Headteacher.

We welcome this opportunity to hear the children and to meet their parents at this useful social and fund raising event. A minimum donation of £3 is suggested (children free) and all proceeds are for repairs to the church building.

Thank you to all the members of the Prophecy group who gave their time to raise over £300 for FOSP funds.

Look forward to seeing you on the 22nd April.

Georgie Bainbridge

Chair, FOSP

Lent Course Bekesbourne

This year's course will be based on the daily meditations from the Diocese called '40days/40voices'. We will use and discuss materials from the previous week. You are welcome to join me at Rosary House, Aerodrome Road, Bekesbourne CT4 5EX on Monday afternoons through Lent. There will be no meeting on Mar.20th so we will finish on Mon.10th Apr. You don't have to make all the sessions. I would be grateful if you could let me know if you intend to come.

Pat Kusel 830272

April at the Quiet View

Nicky Thompson's CREATIVE WRITING FOR WELLBEING WORKSHOPS begin this month. They are based around the Labyrinth and Lizzie will help to facilitate.

Landscapes - Saturday 8 April 2017 10.30am to 12.30pm

Journeys - Saturday 22 April 2017 10.30am to 12.30pm - £12. Please contact

Nicky to book www.pebblepoetry.co.uk nicky@pebblepoetry.co.uk

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Melanie French at m.s.french00@btinternet.com if you are interested

EASTER DAY SUNRISE SERVICE 6am – a short pilgrimage walk around the garden when we light a fire, sing and hear the Easter story followed by breakfast in the yurt. It would be helpful to know if you'd like to come!

SILENT RETREAT with the Janki Foundation is on Saturday 29th April 11am – 4pm.

Please book with Dr Julia Ronder at www.newron.co.uk

We would love to welcome you to the Quiet View, to an event or simply to find some rest in a beautiful setting.

Lizzie Hopthrow

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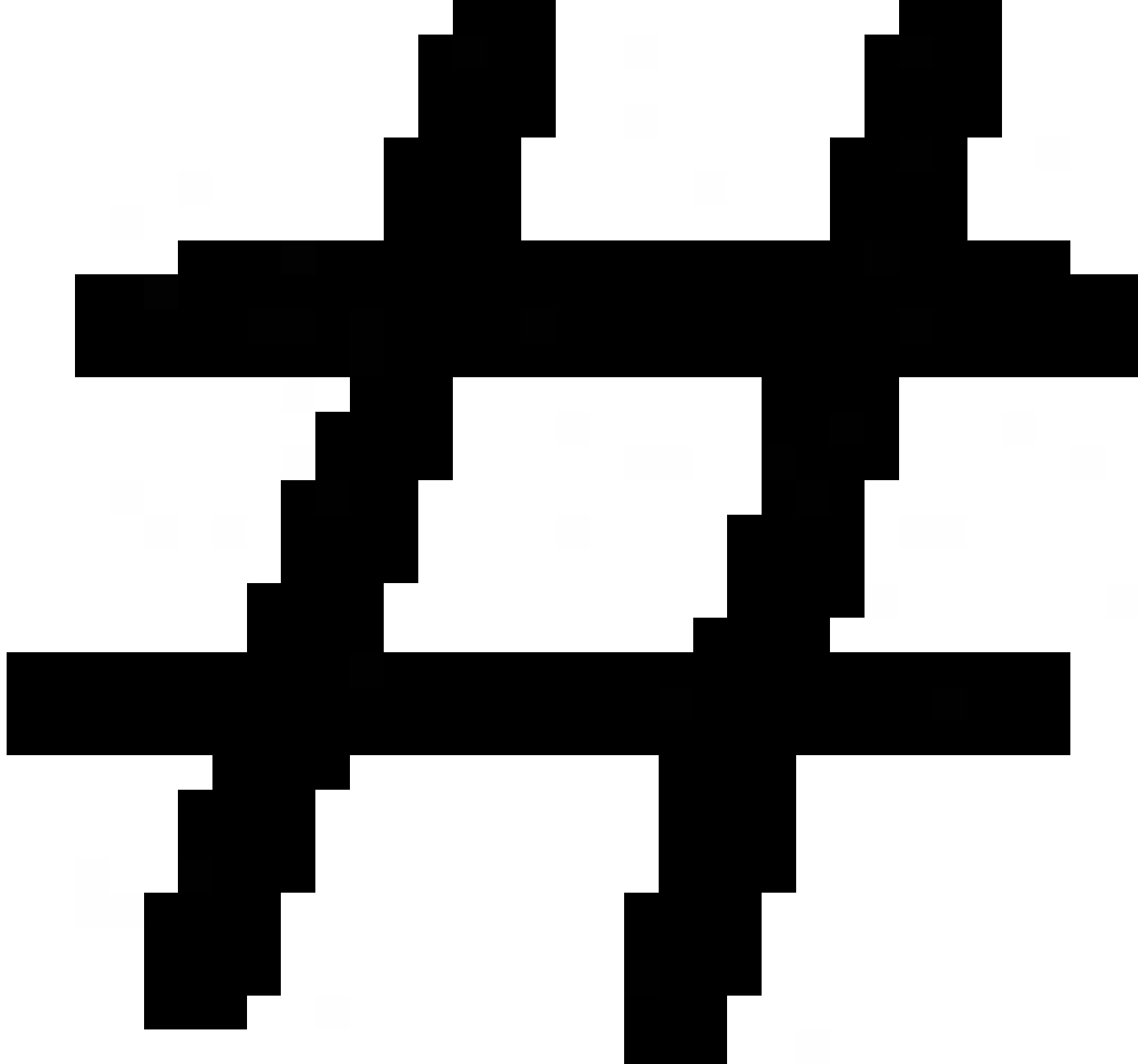
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Spring Show



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Presentation of Prizes 1.00 pm

Includes 3 Open Classes (for all to enter):

- 5 sticks of rhubarb (pulled & leaves trimmed)
- 6 chitted seed potatoes in an egg box
- a photo, unframed, not to exceed 8" x 6" entitled "Spring is in the Air"

Refreshments

Raffle

Plant/Bring and Buy Stall

For Show Schedule and more details, telephone Kathy on 830057

Nailbourne Horticultural Society

Our **Annual Spring Show** is on **Saturday 8 April** in Bridge Village Hall and open to the public from 11.00 am until 1.30 pm, with Prize Giving at 1.00 pm. Here is a reminder of our three Open Classes with, to tempt you, voucher prizes awarded to the winners. They are:

*5 sticks of **rhubarb** (pulled and leaves trimmed)*

*6 chitted **seed potatoes** in an egg box*

*"Spring is in the Air" - a **photo**, unframed, not to exceed 8" x 6"*

(NB photos not to be digitally enhanced and all entries to be produced within the last 12 months).

Do make a note of the date and pop in to appreciate the efforts of our members and to enjoy what is always a wonderful display of sweet scented spring flowers.

For more information or a show schedule, please contact the Show Secretary, Kathy Walder (tel: 830057, email kath@askwalder.com)

Bridge with Patricbourne Women's Institute

Our guest speaker at our meeting on **Tuesday 18 April** at 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall is **Linda Warren** who will be reminding us of "**Fashion Design in the Sixties**". This is a subject which should bring back many happy memories for our members. As always, visitors will be made most welcome.

And a date to put in your diaries. On **Friday 5 May** we will be holding our fund-raising **Afternoon Tea** in the Pavilion on the Recreation Ground from 2.30 until 4.00 pm. Tea and cake will be modestly priced at £3 and there will also be the opportunity to browse our craft and bring and buy stalls while you enjoy the pleasant surroundings of the pavilion and its surroundings, hopefully on a sunny late Spring afternoon.

National Vegetable Society - Kent Association

On **Wednesday 12 April** (7.30 for 8.00 pm) in Bridge Village Hall, there will be a talk "**All about Orchids**" by **Laurence Hobbs**, orchid grower and Managing Director of Laurence Hobbs Orchids Ltd which has been established as a nursery in Sussex since 1987. Non-members are always most welcome at any of the talks of the Society.

Essentially Hops EASTER CLASS Saturday 8th April Dried flower arranging class 10am-midday please email: florist@essentiallyhops.co.uk

Catching Lives—letter received from their Secretary

Dear Canon Humphriss,

I would like to thank you very much, on behalf of Catching Lives, for the recent donations of £165 from the Sunday collection at St Peter's Church, Bridge on the 29th January and also for the £60 from the Caring and Sharing Group. We appreciate all the donations we receive and they go a long way in supporting the clients who access our Centre. Please pass on our thanks to all who helped raise these amounts.

Catching Lives are currently seeing between 45-55 people at the Canterbury Open Centre daily. The dedicated team at the centre, some of whom themselves have experience of rough sleeping, are expert in dealing with the many serious issues which the visitors have or are still facing, whether alcohol, drug, domestic abuse, mental health issues or just a quick downward spiral in their home lives.

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Tricia Bridgeford

Secretary to the Board of Trustees, Catching Lives

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Iva Fleischhansová studied with the Czech violinist Nora Grumliková, Lydia Mordkovich and Andrew Manze. She was co-leader of the Suk Chamber Orchestra, Prague, and has worked with many leading period and modern orchestras including the Academy of Ancient Music, The Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, and The Royal Liverpool Philharmonic orchestra. Iva was leader of The Oxted Sinfonietta and currently leads Sinfonia da Chiesa. She plays chamber-music with the Czech pianist Tomáš Víšek, violinist Mark Butler and with The Lux Ensemble, and has made recordings for film and Czech Radio. Iva also teaches violin and introduces music to very young children in her Colourstrings Kindergarten classes.

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We sadly see about 2-4 cases of confirmed poisoning every month in pets, and lots more cases of non-specific gastroenteritis which could be caused by mild poisoning. It is mainly dogs that are affected as they are less fussy in what they scavenge and eat but we do see cases of cats that are poisoned too.

The most common poisons that affect pets are:

- 1) Rodent Poisons ('Rodenticides'), these contain anticoagulants, such as warfarin, which prevent blood clotting. Not all rodenticides are anticoagulants so it is really important to try and find out which one has been ingested. Ingesting these poisons can cause life-threatening bleeding. This bleeding may not appear for several days and may be internal and not visible so it is vital that you seek veterinary attention as soon as possible if you think that your pet may have eaten rat poison.
- 2) Chocolate, contains the stimulant theobromine which is toxic to dogs. Symptoms of poisoning include vomiting, dehydration, hyperactivity, high temperature and blood pressure, abnormal heart rhythm and tremors.
- 3) Grapes, raisins, sultanas and currants, are very toxic for our pets and cooking or baking doesn't reduce the risks. Poisoning causes vomiting and diarrhoea but can lead to kidney failure a few days after the initial effects.
- 4) Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAID's), eg. Ibuprofen. It is not uncommon for us to see dogs that have eaten their owners medication. Symptoms include vomiting, diarrhoea, bleeding internally, stomach ulceration and kidney failure.
- 5) Slug Pellets, these contain metaldehyde which is extremely poisonous and is usually fatal without urgent treatment. Dogs that have eaten slug pellets may initially appear unsteady on their feet and twitchy but may rapidly deteriorate and suffer convulsions and possibly respiratory failure.
- 6) Antifreeze, this contains ethylene glycol which has a sweet taste that is particularly appealing to cats. Ingesting even the smallest amount can cause kidney failure and death.

If you suspect that you pet may have been poisoned it is essential to seek urgent veterinary advice as the sooner these cases are treated the better chances they have of making a full recovery.

If you are at all concerned please call **Bourne Veterinary Practice** on **01227 832322** for further information.

We are holding our **Annual Open Day** on **Bank Holiday Monday 29th May** from 12pm-4pm and hope lots of you will be able to come and join us to have a look behind the scenes, learn about our new Cat-Only Clinic and meet lots of interesting and unusual animals.

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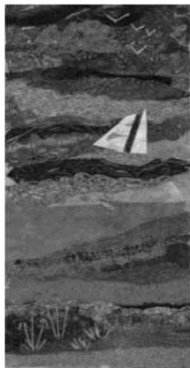
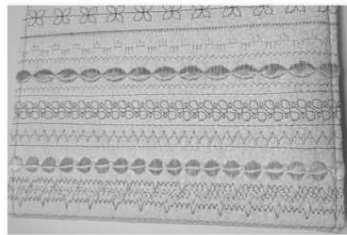
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Salted Caramel and Chocolate Tart

Pastry:

8oz/220g plain flour
4oz/110g butter
2 tbsp cocoa powder
2 tbsp caster sugar
1 egg yolk
1 tbsp water

Caramel:

9oz/250g granulated sugar
3.5floz/100ml water
3.5floz/100ml single cream
4oz/110g melted butter
½ tsp sea salt flakes

Chocolate:

4oz/110g dark chocolate
3oz/75g butter
1 egg, 2 yolks
3 tbsp caster sugar

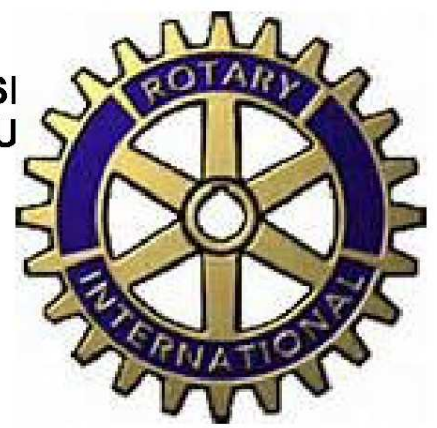
Make the pastry – blend dry ingredients, add water/egg. Chill for 20 minutes. Line a 9" loose bottom flan case. Chill again. Bake blind (see page xxxx)

Make the caramel by bringing the water and sugar to the boil and keeping going until it smells of caramel and turns brown. Remove from the heat and add the cream, butter and salt, stirring. Leave to cool.

Pour the caramel into the baked, cooled case. Put the oven to 180 deg C. Melt the chocolate and butter together, stir. Whisk the eggs and sugar until light, well risen and fluffy. Stir in the chocolate mix, spoon it over the caramel. Sprinkle with salt flakes and bake for 12 minutes. Serve hot or cool.

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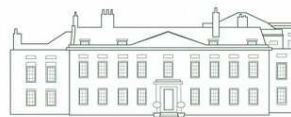
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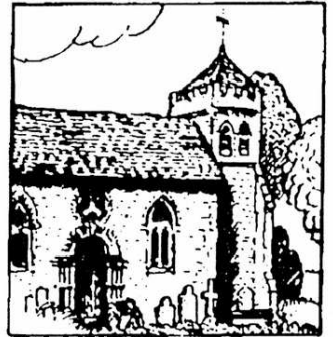
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It has been a glorious spring. After the short dark days of winter the warmth of the sunshine has been most welcome. Spring flowers, lambs in the fields and bright green new growth on the trees all speak of new life and the promise of better days to come.

The donkey ride into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, followed by the last supper and the darkness of Good Friday, were followed by the glory of Easter morning. We were honoured to have the Bishop of Dover take many of our Easter services. Large congregations at these services led Bishop Trevor to proclaim that “there is life in this Benefice!”.

Other new shoots are appearing in our churches. The Songs of Praise services at Bekesbourne on the first Sunday of a month, led by members of the church community, are popular. The Good Friday workshop at Lower Hardres had over 50 children and adults participating in the activities, and the Coffee Cake and Concert mornings at Bridge Church are enjoyed by many from both the church and the community.

As you know we are at present without a Parish Priest, but as well as being well supported by many retired priests, and Margaret, we are starting to learn to do more ourselves as lay members of the church. This is something we will need to continue to do to support any future Priest in their work amongst us. The Churchwardens and members of the PCCs have met with the new Archdeacon the Venerable Jo Kelly-Moore, and she is reassuringly confident that we will soon be able to appoint a new Priest. So, for our churches the darkness of the last few months is really starting to brighten this spring!

The Churchwardens

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 14.30 Holy Communion at Mansfield Court
- 10/05 10.00 FISH pop in at Bridge Village Hall
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- 16/05 09.30 Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
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 19.30 After 8's at Mansfield Court
- 17/05 15.00 Hymns at Bridge Haven
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Benefice Workshop

I just want to say a BIG BIG THANK YOU to all of you who helped at the Easter Workshop. We were really busy with lots and lots of children. It was great. Thank you to the children for coming. Bishop and Mrs Willmott and Reverend Julia visited us. They chatted with the children and the helpers and we all had a lovely short Easter service to finish with.

Altogether a great morning.

Thank you all again,

Margaret

Fish Scheme (Neighbourly help) News

The annual summer outing – funded in part by Cornelia Slavin`s legacy – will be on Thursday June 8th. The plan is to go to the Herne Bay Seaside Museum and then on to lunch at the Prince of Wales pub at Hoath. Forms to fill in will be at the May Coffee Pop-In.

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These bells are rung by a willing band of ringers before every major service in the church, most of whom also contributed in some way during the service. Not only did we hear change ringing prior to our service but afterwards children and adults enjoyed tolling the bells themselves and while the children also indulged in Easter Eggs the adults enjoyed tea, coffee and biscuits.

The Songs of Praise services were the brain child of the Bekesbourne Parochial Church Council and the format, devised by the Standing Committee, is aimed at both adults and children. An important part of the service is the informal gathering afterwards. The next will be on 7th May – when Jonathan and Romany Cowans will be leading and talking about Rogation - why not come along and join us?

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Our regular monthly evening meeting is on **Tuesday 16th** at the usual time of 7.30 pm in **Bridge Village Hall**. The May meeting is the Resolutions meeting when we will be discussing the resolution to be put to the National WI Council Meeting in June. As May is also our birthday meeting there will be a celebratory light buffet supper to enjoy. The competition will be an interesting blue coloured item.

Nailbourne Horticultural Society

The Society has organised an interesting evening outing to **Samphire Hoe** on **Tuesday 9 May**. Samphire Hoe is owned by Eurotunnel and managed together with the White Cliffs Countryside Partnership (WCCP), as a place for people and a place for wildlife. It covers a 30-hectare site at the foot of Shakespeare Cliff, between Dover and Folkestone. Chief Ranger, Paul Holt, will meet us there at **6.30 pm** and will give us a talk and guided walk which should last about 90 minutes. There will be a small charge of £4 per person. It could be breezy and cool when the sun goes behind the cliffs so it is advisable to wear warm clothing. After our visit refreshments will be available to purchase in the cafe there. Please meet at Green Court/Western Avenue at **5.45 pm** to arrange transport sharing. And let's hope that the weather is kind to us for this outing. See you then!

National Vegetable Society - Kent Association

The guest speaker at the meeting on **Wednesday 10 May** (7.30 for 8.00 pm start) in Bridge Village Hall, is **John Trim**, a successful exhibitor, highly respected speaker and judge of the NVS, who will be giving a talk entitled "**Alliums are enough to make you cry**". Non-members will be most welcome.

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Goodbye Rogers Garage

Rogers Garage closed on 31st March 2017; a facility and landmark will disappear and a sad day for Bridge.

The garage was founded by 'old Mr Rogers' in 1924. He is still remembered by older members of the village. On 1st January 1935, a young 'Sonny' Milne-Spaul joined him, only to join the army in October 1939, returning in 1946.

The next milestone in the life of the garage was when Clive, his son joined the firm on leaving school in July 1967. In those days petrol and paraffin (oil heaters and lamps being very much part of village life) were sold from pumps on the forecourt. The old A2 London to Dover of course ran through the village, so it was a very busy place. Mr Rogers died in 1973 but by then had handed over to Sonny. He then ran the business until his death in 1993 when Clive took over. Which village car owner has not been helped out by Clive at some time or another, flat battery or poor starting or the odd bit of welding? Now Clive has decided it his time for him to go and spend more time with his wife.

We will miss his garage, miss his chat with the latest village news, and above all, miss Clive.

So Goodbye Clive and have a long and happy retirement.

John Hill

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Ticks, like fleas are among the most common parasites that can infest your pets and they can spread infectious diseases to pets and people. The most common tick in the UK is *Ixodes Ricinus* or the sheep tick which is found lurking in shady, grassy areas. They are most active in the warm, wet weather of Spring and Autumn, when they seek out mammals to attach to, and we are seeing quite a few at the moment!

The sheep tick is generally oval, flat and small, the size of a sesame seed when unfed, but when completely engorged with blood, they can grow to the size of a coffee bean. They look for hosts to feed on by climbing to the top of long blades of grass and waiting (a behaviour known as 'questing') for passing traffic such as your pet. Long-haired dogs and inquisitive dogs are most frequently infected and the ticks most commonly attach to the head and chest area. If you find a tick on your pet, it's important to remove it carefully with a special tick remover otherwise embedded mouth parts can be left behind and can cause local reaction and infection. Ticks can also spread nasty diseases such as Lyme Disease which can cause fever, lethargy and arthritis and has been reported in both dogs and humans in the UK. Ticks can be prevented from attaching to your pet by using a low dose release collar such as Seresto, spot-on liquids or tablets, all of which are prescription medicines available from your vets. Please call us at Bourne Vets on 01227 832322 for further information.

We are holding our Annual Open Day on Bank Holiday Monday 29th May from 12pm-4pm and hope lots of you can make it. Please come and have a look behind the scenes, learn more about what we can do to help you look after your pets and meet lots of interesting and unusual animals. You'll also be able to look around our new Cat-Only Clinic which opened in February. This is a great day out for all the family, that's completely free and we hope we'll see lots of you there.

NAILBOURNE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Evening Visit to

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Samphire Hoe

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Tuesday 9 May

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Afternoon Tea

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at the Pavilion

on Bridge Recreation Ground

Friday 5 May, 2.30 until 4.30 pm [OBJ]

£3.00 (to include tea and cake)

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Kate's Puddings – What's Cooking? Sometimes life is too short to make a proper pudding! This is one of those puds which,



cream, look far more complicated than it is. It takes more time than you would think it does to make. It takes to boil the caramel, the rest of it is simple. For Multitaskers, this is the Brulée. Choose 3 from: 1 pineapple 1 banana 2 oranges peeled and cut into segments 1/2 cup raspberries 2 nectarines 1oz/25g double cream (scale up as necessary) 1/2 cup caster sugar 2tbsps water Chop the

fruit into attractive sized pieces, heap in a serving dish so the fruits are nicely mixed. Whip the cream and milk until it is nearly stiff, but not quite. Arrange in large spoonfuls on top of the fruit, adding the toasted almonds. Boil the sugar and water together until it forms a caramel, watching it until you just catch a whiff of that lovely caramel smell before it burns. Pour over the top of the cream and nuts, and make sure it goes down into the fruit as well. It will bubble and form a solid layer. Leave until the caramel has cooled. It is now ready to eat, and is best not put into a fridge. This is not a pudding that can be made long in advance as the caramel will melt again. It serves 6 or so. For more easy and scrumptious recipes, go to <https://katespuddings.blogspot.co.uk>



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Quiz Evening

A very successful evening of quizzes and games was held at Womenswold Learning Opportunities centre, with hosts Jan and Keith Roberts. Over £200 was raised for the Friends of Womenswold church. Thanks to all who came and to Jan and Keith. Hopefully the heating system for the church is a bit nearer to realisation!

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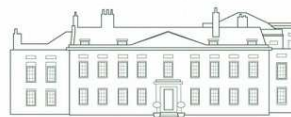
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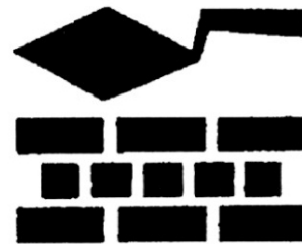
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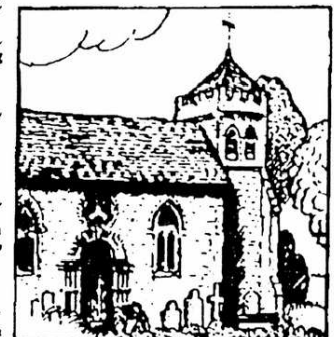
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4 June 2017	8.00am BCP Holy Communion RH	11.00am Family Communion Rev Garth Barber	6.00pm Evensong	9.30am Sung Eucharist GM	10.00am Songs of Praise
11 June 2017	9.30am Sung Eucharist Rev Garth Barber	6.00pm Evensong MC	9.30am Family Communion Rev John Tomlinson	<i>All welcome at the services of the Benefice</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion CP
18 June 2017	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	9.30am Family Service MC	11.00am Choral Eucharist GM	8.00am BCP Holy Communion	9.30am Sung Eucharist
25 June 2017	9.30am Sung Eucharist RO	<i>All welcome at the other services of the Benefice</i>	8.00am BCP Holy Communion 11.00am Community Worship BL	9.30am Matins MC	<i>All welcome at the other services in the Benefice</i>

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



As I went to deliver Christian Aid envelopes this week, I remembered the time when I lived in Bushey. I lived in the parish of St James, where the person in charge of Christian Aid asked me to deliver some envelopes, to a council estate. Some of the people weren't very well off, but they were kind to me. My children were small, and helped with my delivery. One day, I knocked on somebody's door, to collect the envelope. The man that answered was just like a bouncer, with a white vest, and shirt. He refused to give, in rather colourful and loud terms! Suddenly, my three little ones came up the path. He looked at them and shouted, 'Are These Yours?'. I Answered in the affirmative, and he smiled, got out his money and gave it to each of them to put in the envelopes.

From that moment, I have tried to remember Jesus' words, "Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye?". From then on, the man smiled at me each time he saw me, and he and the estate gave more money than any other part of Bushey.

In 2014, I went to a wonderful service at St. Pauls Cathedral, which celebrated 700 women in ministry. At that service, Archbishop Justin said, 'we have come a long way, but we still have a long way to go'. In our own interregnum, we are working together to extend and unite Gods Kingdom. I know we still have a long way to go, but we are looking forward to having a new Vicar, who will help us to worship our risen Lord. In Glory!

Margaret

Dates For Your Diary

June 2017

06/06	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
	15.00	Holy Communion at Bridge Haven
	19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
12/06	19.30	Caring and Sharing
13/06	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
	14.30	Holy Communion at Mansfield Court
14/06	10.00	FISH pop in at Bridge Village Hall
	14.00	Social afternoon at John Baker White Hall, Lower Hardres
20/06	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge
	15.00	Holy Communion at Saxon Lodge
	19.30	After 8's at Mansfield Court
21/06	15.00	Hymns at Bridge Haven
26/06	19.30	Caring and Sharing
27/06	09.30	Holy Communion at St Peter's, Bridge

The parishes of the benefice currently have a clergy vacancy.

If you have a pastoral church matter (including funeral requests) please call Mrs Margaret Clarke, Benefice Reader, on 07541 229239 or 01227 765598 or email mrsmaclarke@yahoo.co.uk

If you have an administrative church matter (including wedding and baptism requests) bridgeoffice23@gmail.com

A Flower Festival is to be held at St Peter's Bridge on 8th, 9th and 10th September 2017—please save the date in your diary—more details soon.

Friends of Bekesbourne Church

Forthcoming Events for your Diary ~ 2017/2018

Saturday, 1st July, 2017 ~ Boot Fair, B'kesbourne Recreation Ground, **CT4 5BU**

Saturday, 15th July, 2017 ~ Snowdown Male Choir, St. Peter's Church, B'kesbourne

Friday, 6th October, 2017 ~ Organ Recital by Adrian Bawtree, St. Peter's Church, B'kesbourne

Saturday, 2nd December, 2017 ~ Christmas Bazaar in Bekesbourne Village Hall

Saturday, 27th January, 2018 ~ Jumble Sale in Bekesbourne Village Hall

Saturday, 10th March, 2018 ~ Wine & Wisdom in Bekesbourne Village Hall.

There will be more events to follow in 2018.

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Benefice Administrator Vacancy

We are currently looking for a Benefice Administrator to work approx. 8hrs per week. Post to start at the beginning of June. Please contact bridgeoffice23@gmail.com or the Churchwardens for further information.

Thank you,
The Churchwardens.

News from the Friends of St Peter's Church

The grand total raised for repairs to the church building so far is £60,000.

An enormous thank you to the Clerks Trio, Liz Hamilton-Box (violin), Janet Hughes (viola) and Philip Whicker (cello) for their delightful concert playing music by Beethoven. The coffee, cake and concerts are proving hugely popular drawing people from near and far. Thank you to you all for attending it is so lovely having a packed church. All monies raised (approx. £180) will go towards the renovation work of the church.

Bridge and Patricxbourne CEP school came to entertain us with music by kind permission of Renuka Chinnadurai. The singing was sensational and much appreciated. Thank you to Dan Luck, Kent Teacher of the Year and all of the children who came to sing.

A delightful Spring Violin Concert by Mark and Iva Butler finished off this trio of musical delights. Mark and Iva captivated their listeners. In the incredible acoustic of Bridge Church the concert was a real treat. Many thanks to Mark and Iva who gave freely of their time - over £600 was raised.

There are a group of wonderful people who sell tickets, prepare tea and coffee, bake and serve cakes, donate prosecco for refreshment at these events, without whom these events would not run. Thank you Evelyn Andrews, Jean Barber, Anne Edmonds, Hilary Whiting, Elizabeth Kirkwood, John Robins, Joan Hill, Elizabeth Stewart, Sue Briant, Stephen Woodley, Alan Barber, Laurence Dunderdale and John Hill. These individuals work tirelessly behind the scenes and I thank them for their support.

We look forward to seeing you next on 10th June, Coffee, Cake and Concert when Gerard Ahern will be playing organ concert of popular pieces.

Georgie Bainbridge

Chair

Friends of St Peter's Church

Fish News June 2017

Many thanks to all who supported the Bring and Buy on May 10th. Over £280 was made to help with the scheme's expenses.

The June Pop-In will be on Wednesday 14th and the outing to Herne Bay and Hoath will be on the previous Thursday, June 8th.

Bridge & District History Society

For those who have reserved a place for the visit to the Grand, Folkestone on Friday June 2nd there is a change to the published time. Please meet at the hotel at 1.45pm. The tour will begin at 2.00pm, followed by tea which will be concluded by 5.00pm.

Please note also that due to unforeseen circumstances the visit to Lenham planned for Thursday June 15th, will not now take place.

Art in Bridge Photographic Exhibition May 2017

Grateful thanks are due to everyone who made this first photographic exhibition such a success. There were One hundred and thirty five exhibits produced by fifty photographers. The number of children exhibiting was eleven. Fourteen pictures were sold. Two hundred and fifty three visitors attended the exhibition and they voted "High Tide" by Isaac Whitfield their favourite exhibit.

Sue Hodges

Littlebourne and District Royal British Legion

our June monthly meeting will be on Tues 13th and the July meeting on Tues 11th both at the recreation Club, Littlebourne at 8pm.

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(if anyone wishes to give us their wartime memories of Littlebourne please ring Nancy on 721823 or

Barbara on 472023

and we can add them to the display)

Kent Churches Ride and Stride 2017

This major fund raising event for the Historic Churches of Kent takes place this year on **Saturday, 9th September**. This is an event that has been run for many years, originating in Suffolk but subsequently spreading out to many counties, not only in the South East but elsewhere throughout the country. Last year the 17 parishes within the Eastbridge Deanery area raised over £3,100 of which half is returned to each participant's nominated Church. All who "Ride or Stride" on the second Saturday in September do provide substantial funds which are distributed throughout the County by means of grants to our local Churches towards major repairs to maintain the fabric of Kent Churches. This is a very worthwhile cause and it is hoped that many parishioners will take part, either by "riding and striding" around our Kent Churches or by sitting in the Church to welcome visitors or by sponsoring those taking part.

Over the last 10 years the Eastbridge Deanery has collected £33,115, a splendid average of £3,311.50 with our highest offering being £3,969 in 2009. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could exceed £4,000 this year. There have been 4 years in which a local Church has raised over £1,000, topped by Wingham who in 2007 raised £1,466 and then followed this up with £1,151 in 2008. Bishopsbourne collected £1,055 in 2009 and Barham raised £1,303 in 2015. Several of the Churches in the Eastbridge Deanery have benefitted from grants by the Friends of Kent Churches in the last few years.

As previously mentioned this takes place on Saturday, 9th September and it is hoped that there will be great support by members of all villages. Please note this date and sponsor forms will be available from mid June from David or Ann Edmonds 01227 830795. Besides those who are willing to Ride or Stride on the day, volunteers to act as welcomers/recorders in all the Churches are also required. If you can participate in any way, please do contact your local organiser David Edmonds.

It would be wonderful if we can throughout the Eastbridge Deanery area break the £4,000 mark! It can be a wonderful fun day out and obviously good exercise as well!

James Linington. Eastbridge Deanery Area Organise

Benefice Contacts:-

Patricbourne	-	Pauline Pritchard
Bekesbourne	-	Jonathan Cowans
Lower Hardres	-	Margaret Clarke.
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Bekesbourne Annual Church Meeting

Eighteen parishioners attended the annual meeting of St Peter's Church on 27 April in Bekesbourne Church followed by refreshments at The Old Palace.

The PCC reported another successful year. Our 8.00 and 9.30 Holy Communion services continued to attract good regular attendances. In October we launched our Songs of Praise service for Harvest. It is a short, informal, lay led service followed by coffee biscuits and a chat. It is proving to be very popular with an average congregation of 50!

Zan presented a healthy set of accounts for the year to December 2016. We actually had a deficit of £1,207 due to paying for the installation of the new heating system and repair to the pews. We had some very successful fund raising events and thanks were given to the band of helpers who give their time and energy to support Bekesbourne church with enthusiasm and generosity throughout the year.

Jill Gillanders was re-elected as churchwarden for the coming year. Amanda Barker and Pat Kusel were re-elected as Deanery Synod Representatives. Pat also continues as PCC vice chairman, Nicky Fry as PCC secretary and Zan Clifford was re-elected as treasurer. Graham Duplock represents The Friends of Bekesbourne Church. Lindsay Sharp-Kinsey was re-elected as Electoral Roll Officer. Martin Gall was elected on to the committee. The remaining members of the PCC are Amanda Barker, Jonathan Cowans and Sue Holmquist. A building sub-committee was set up in 2015 to look after the fabric of the church. This will continue for 2017-18.

Nicky Fry (PCC Secretary)

Pet Service at Bekesbourne in July

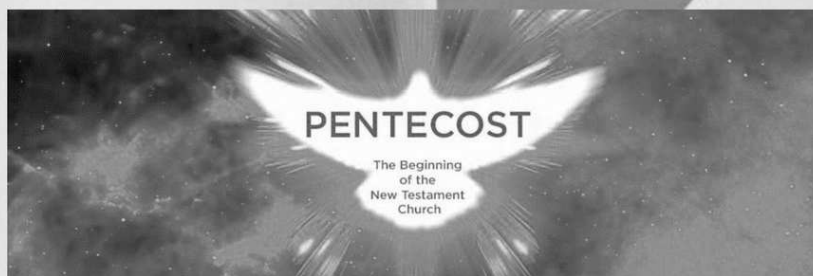
The Songs of Praise at Bekesbourne on 2nd July will be a Pet Service. So put the date in your diaries and come along and bring your pet to be blessed. Coffee biscuits and refreshments for your pets afterwards !!!!



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Dear Bridge Resident,

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<http://conservebridge.org.uk/>

David Humphreys, Steph Choules, Kevin Jenner

Nailbourne Horticultural Society

Local resident and Chelsea Flower Show Gold Medal Winner **Carol Murray** has kindly agreed to give a **flower arranging demonstration** at our June meeting on **Tuesday 6 June** at 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall. Carol will be demonstrating four different arrangements which will then be included in the raffle. This promises to be a most entertaining and interesting evening with tips and ideas to help us with our entries in our Summer Show. Everyone is most welcome, members and non-members. There will be a small charge to include refreshments.

Moving on to our **Summer Show**, this will be held on **Saturday 22 July** with more details to follow. However **garden entries** - for the most picturesque garden, prettiest small garden and best vegetable garden - which will be judged at the end of June/early July should be with the Show Secretary Kathy Walder (830057/kath@askwalder.com) by Wednesday 14 June. Under the Conditions of Show, last year's winners of these classes are not eligible to enter this year.

We have included several open classes for everyone to enter in our schedule for the Summer Show. These 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, cucumber. I assure you it does leave a few! Use common sense as to the number exhibited.

My Worst Disaster - with either a vegetable, fruit or flower

A Vase of Mixed Flowers - anything in flower (Vase supplied)

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If anyone requires further information or a show schedule please contact the Show Secretary - details above.

National Vegetable Society - Kent Association

In an alteration to the published programme, Ian Clemens, Southern Branch Vice-Chairman and NVS judge, will be giving a talk with the intriguing title of "Land of the Giants" on **Wednesday 14 June** (7.30 for 8.00 pm start) in Bridge Village Hall. There will, as always, be a raffle and sales table. Non-members will be most welcome.

Bridge with Patricxbourne Women's Institute

First of all may we thank everyone who came to support our Afternoon Tea in the Pavilion on Friday 5th May. Despite the grey skies it was a most successful and enjoyable afternoon.

On **Tuesday 20 June**, 7.30 pm in **Bridge Village Hall**, we have a talk on **homeopathy** by **Frederick Cole**, who has been practicing homeopathy for some 15 years and has a local clinic in Margate. If this subject interests you or, indeed, you would like to find out more about the WI, do come along. We are always delighted to welcome visitors to our meetings.

NAILBOURNE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY



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with Chelsea Flower Show Gold Medal Winner

Carol Murray

Tuesday 6 June

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A car can become an oven very quickly even when it doesn't feel that warm. When it's 22°C outside, within an hour, the temperature in a car can reach an unbearable 47°C.

Many people still believe that it's ok to leave a dog in a car on a warm day if the windows are left open or they are parked in the shade. However, this can still be very dangerous and cause a lot of distress, discomfort and anxiety for your pet. It's important to remember that dog's only sweat minimally through their paws. Their main means of heat loss is panting and as the air in the car heats up this becomes a completely ineffectual way for the dog to control it's temperature.

If the dog is unable to reduce it's body temperature, it will rapidly develop heatstroke which can be fatal. Some types of dogs are more prone to heatstroke than others. For instance, very old or young dogs, dogs with thick heavy coats, dogs with short flat faces, such as pugs and bulldogs or overweight dogs are much more prone to heatstroke. Signs to watch out for with heatstroke are heavy, continuous panting, excessive drooling, lethargy and incoordination and eventually vomiting and collapse.

If you see a dog in a hot car displaying any signs of heatstroke dial 999 immediately as the dog could rapidly lose consciousness and experience internal organ failure. If the situation becomes critical for the dog and the police are too far away, many people's instinct will be to break into the car to free the dog but please be aware that this could be classed as criminal damage and you may need to be prepared to defend your actions in court. The law states that you have a lawful excuse to commit damage if you believe that the owner of the car would consent to the damage if they knew the circumstances. It is important to take footage of the dog and obtain the names and numbers of any witnesses. Any dog showing signs of heatstroke should be treated by a veterinary surgeon as soon as possible. They need to have their body temperature lowered gradually by moving them to a cool area and covering them with wet towels at room temperature. They should be offered small amounts of cool water and be kept damp until their breathing starts to settle. Many will need further veterinary treatment and so it is important that they are taken to a veterinary practice as soon as possible.

Computer Club

Please note that the Computer Club which meets on the first Friday of each month in the Red Lion will not be held during the summer months, it will resume in the autumn.

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This decorative technique can be used to make a bag or let your imagination go wild and create something special.



Catch up week - £5.00 bring your own resources

19th July 9.30 to 15.00

Use this week to finish your projects, practice your sewing skills or learn more about your sewing machine.

Reverse Applique

6th September

9.30 to 15.00

Try this exciting technique, which can be used as decoration for bags or cushions etc.



Venue - The Pavilion, Bridge Recreation Ground, Bridge.

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FREE
Community
& family charity
event: 12-4pm

H.A.C.K. PROUDLY PRESENTS

SATURDAY JUNE 10TH

SUMMER FETE

AT BEKESBOURNE RECREATION PARK



CHARITY FUNDRAISER

**breast
cancer
core**

ovarian
cancer
action

cervical
cancer

Food & Family Fun
Strawberry cream tea, BBQ, bar, tombola
bouncy castle, face painting, raffle draw
traditional games and cake competition
(entries to be in by 1pm)

...AND MUCH MORE!