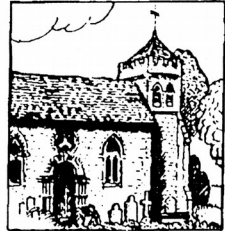


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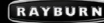
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It is true Good Friday had to happen. There can be no Easter Day without it, no Good Friday without Christmas, and no life without Jesus. By raising Jesus to life, God confirmed Good Friday. Good Friday was right. Jesus was right. The way of Love is 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.

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 6p.m.

Golden Wedding.

Many Congratulations to Vicki and John on this their very special day. God bless your next 50!

Dates For Your Diary

April 2017

04/04 Peter's, Bridge	09.30	Holy Communion at St
	15.00	Holy Communion
at Bridge Haven	19.30	After 8's at
Mansfield Court		
10/04	19.30	Caring and Sharing
11/04 Peter's, Bridge	09.30	Holy Communion at St
	14.30	Holy Communion
at Mansfield Court		
12/04 Village Hall	10.00	FISH pop in at Bridge
	14.00	Social afternoon at
John Baker White Hall, Hardres		Lower
13/04 Eucharist with Bishop Trevor	19.00	Maundy Thursday
14/04 Hardres Village	09.30-12 noon	Benefice Easter Workshop at Lower
Hall. Bishop Trevor will be visiting and leading prayer.		
14/04 Bishop Trevor.	14.00-15.00	Good Friday Meditation with
18/04 Peter's, Bridge	09.30	Holy Communion at St
	15.00	Holy Communion
at Saxon Lodge	19.30	After 8's at
Mansfield Court		
19/04	15.00	Hymns at Bridge Haven
24/04	19.30	Caring and Sharing
25/04 Peter's, Bridge	09.30	Holy Communion at St

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ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)

The APCM must be held by the end of April and jointly set out below are the details for (1) Bekesbourne (St Peter) and (2) Patrixbourne (St Mary) with Bridge (St Peter).

Bekesbourne is holding its APCM in Bekesbourne church on Thursday April 27th at 7:30 pm. Parishioners are asked to **note this change of venue** from the Village Hall.

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.

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Viv B



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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

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Plant/Bring and Buy Stall

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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 Patrixbourne 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.

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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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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.

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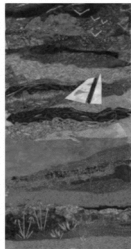
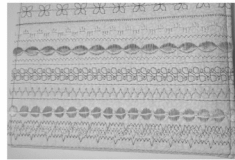
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Kate's Puddings – What's Cooking?

For those of us who give up chocolate for Lent I adore salted caramel and chocolate, and The salt offsets the sweetness of both flavours years ago in a magazine. It is VERY rich and First you have a decadent chocolate pastry, Dive in!



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

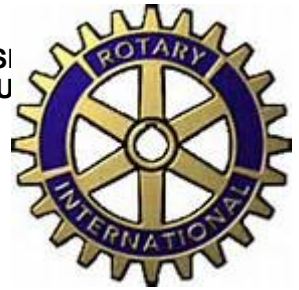
Chocolate:

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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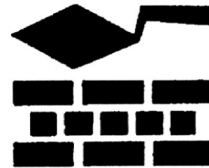
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