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| 4 Nov 2018 <br> All Saints from <br> 01/11/18. Isaiah 25:6-9; Rev. 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44 <br> All Souls from 02/11/18. Lam. <br> 3:17-27;31-33; John 5:19-25 | All welcome at th of the Be | other services nefice | 6.00pm Evensong Commemoration of the faithful departed (All Souls) MC | All welcome at the other services of the Benefice | 10.00am <br> Benefice <br> Service for All Saints <br> Songs of Praise + Communion <br> EL |
| 11 Nov 2018 <br> Remembrance <br> Readings tba | 9.30am <br> Morning Prayer with Hymns <br> DR \& MC <br> Followed by wreath laying at Nackington War Memorial at 10.15 | 10.45am <br> Act of Remembrance at War Memorial <br> MC | 10.50 <br> Act of Remembrance at War Memorial followed by Service of Remembrance in church | All welcome at the other services of the Benefice | 8.00am BCP Holy Communion followed by short Act of Remembrance EL |
| Bells to be rung for WWI Centenary 12.30pm where possible |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 Nov 2018 $2^{\text {nd }}$ Sunday before Advent <br> Dan 12: 1-3; Heb 10: 11-25; Mark 13: 1-8 | All welcome at the other services of the Benefice | 9.30am Family Service <br> MC | 11.00am Choral Eucharist <br> EL | 8.00am BCP Holy Communion EL | 9.30am Sung Eucharist <br> EL |
| 25 Nov 2018 <br> Christ the King <br> Dan 7:9-10, 13-14: <br> Rev 1:4b-8; John <br> 18:33-37 | 9.30am Sung Eucharist EL | All welcome at the other services of the Benefice | 8am BCP Holy Communion <br> 11.00am Community Worship with Baptism EL \& BL | 9.30am Matins <br> MC | All welcome at the other services in the Benefice |
| 2 Dec 2018 <br> Advent <br> Sunday <br> Jer 33:14-16; 1 <br> Thess. 3:9-end, Luke 21: 25-36 | 8am BCP Holy Communion EL | ```11.00am Family Communion EL``` | 6.00pm Evensong <br> MC | 9.30am Sung Eucharist EL | 10.00am Songs of Praise <br> Lay led |

There is Holy Communion every Tuesday at 9:30am at St Peter Bridge. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Dear Friends

Remember, remember..... but not just the 5th of November. For me, the whole month of November epitomises remembrance. As October ends we remember All Hallows Eve, more commonly known as Halloween, a time when traditionally bonfires were lit, and lanterns processed into Church to dispel the darkness in readiness to celebrate, as November begins, one of the most special of the Christian festivals, All Saints. This is a day when we remember all the famous Saints that have gone before us and celebrate the light they shone in the world. This is swiftly followed by the commemoration of All Souls when we remember specifically those people who have been 'saints' in our lives and who we want to remember before God and give thanks for. We will fittingly be celebrating All Saints and All Souls on the same day (Sunday $4^{\text {th }}$ November) with a joy filled Songs of Praise for All Saints at 10am in Bekesbourne and an Evensong commemorating all those we love but see no longer at 6 pm at Bridge. Everyone is welcome to attend these services.
Memories of 5th November for me always conjure up happy times spent as a child bundling up in warm clothes and heading down to the meadow in the village where we lived to see the Bonfire and watch the fireworks. The perfect exciting combination of walking out in the darkness and seeking out the light as the fire crackled into life and the fireworks whizzed above our heads. I am very much looking forward to being at the Bridge and Patrixbourne CEP School PTA's firework event on the Rec on $3^{\text {rd }}$ November.
Then of course, we come to Remembrance Sunday, a time when we remember all those who fought for our freedom, and who continue to do so. This year the Commemoration on Remembrance Sunday is more significant as it marks 100 years since the signing of the armistice agreement at the end of the $1^{\text {st }}$ World War. It is tempting perhaps to think that maybe after 100 years its time we stopped remembering - in a recent interview Film Director Danny Boyle said as much but having worked on a project for a National Commemoration called 'Pages of the Sea' he went on to say "But I have changed.....I think we should go on [remembering]. When you make that personal connection ... and you see their faces and hear their backgrounds, when you see them in colour, if feels new. It feels timeless. I felt that connection to them. It felt like it would be wrong to forget them."1 We will be joining in the national commemoration with an installation of silhouettes in Patrixbourne Church as part of the 'There but not there' nationwide exhibition. This is just one of many Remembrance events and activities taking place in all the villages of the Benefice over the $10^{\text {th }}$ and 11 th - details of which can be found throughout this magazine so please do take the time to join in and remember if you can.
Yours in Christ
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Rev. Estella Last, Vicar
${ }^{1}$ The Guardian $5{ }^{\text {th }}$

| Sunday 4 $^{\text {th }}$ |  | 6:00pm All Souls Evensong, St Peter Bridge |
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| Tuesday 6 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ |  |  |
| 9:30am | - | Holy Communion, St Peter Bridge |
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Sunday $11^{\text {th }} \quad-\quad$ Please see service grid for remembrance services in the
Monday 12 ${ }^{\text {th }} \quad-\quad$ 7:30pm - Caring \& Sharing

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## Wednesday $14^{\text {th }}$

| 10:00am | - | FISH pop-in coffee, Bridge Village Hall |
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| 2:00pm | - | Social Afternoon, Lower Hardres |

Tuesday $\mathbf{2 0}^{\text {th }}$

| 9:30am | - | Holy Communion, St Peter Bridge |
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Wednesday 21 ${ }^{\text {st }}-3: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ - Hymns at Bridge Haven
Monday 26 ${ }^{\text {th }} \quad-\quad$ 7:30pm - Caring \& Sharing
Tuesdlay 27 ${ }^{\text {th }}-9: 30$ am - Holy Communion, St Peter Bridge

Editor's Note Will all contributors please note that the next edition will be the combined December2018/January2019 one. Please may I have all items for this by teatime on Thursday 15th November. Preferably by email :laurence.dunderdale@gmail.com Thanks in anticipation, Laurence Dunderdale.

FISH SCHEME NEWS The Annual General Meeting of the Fish Scheme will take place at the monthly
Coffee -Pop - In on Wednesday November 14th in Bridge village hall at 10 am. Everybody is most welcome.

## PATRIXBOURNE NEWS

## CHRISTMAS IS COMING...

...which means we need recruits for the Patrixbourne Carol Choir.
Our Carol Service is at 7pm on Friday 21st December but, if you would like to sing in the Carol Choir, there are a few rehearsal dates before that and it would help if you could come to some of them at least. Rehearsals are at
7pm in Patrixbourne church on Wednesday 12th, Monday 17th and Wednesday
19thand at 5 pm on 21 st. I normally offer a soup and loo break to those who cannot get home easily rehearsal and service.
If you would like to join us for what is always a lovely occasion, please let me or John Harris know. Our contact details are on the back of the magazine.
Looking forward to hearing from you.
Pauline Pritchard

## LOWER HARDRES AND NACKINGTON NEWS

## HARVEST PRODUCE

Just to say that the folks at Age Concern were delighted to receive our Harvest Produce. A big thank-you to all who generously gave.

## NOVEMBER 11th ARMISTICE DAY SERVICE

Please take note of what is happening on this special day. There will be a service at Nackington, at 9.30am, followed at 10.15 when where will be a laying of the wreath at Nackington War Memorial. At 10.50am there will be a short service at Lower Hardres War Memorial, with a laying of the wreath. At 11.30 there will be a finger buffet and glass of wine at J.B.W. Hall. Everyone is welcome, please support this 100th Anniversary of the Armistice.

## CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP

This will take place at J.B.W. Hall on Saturday, 1st December at 9.30am till noon. there will be lots of activities for Children and refreshments for all. For a place, please ring Julie on 788316 or Margaret on 765598 . Please book early.

## CAROL SERVICE

This will be at 16.00 on Sunday 9th December. We will enjoy mince pies and mulled wine afterwards.

## CRIB SERVICE

To take place on Sunday 23rd December at 15.00, at Lower Hardres.

## ST. PETER'S BRIDGE FLOWER ARRANGERS

A meeting will be held at The Archways, Conyngham Lane on Friday 16th November to discuss Christmas decorations and next year's rota. All welcome for a cuppa. If you are thinking about helping us continue to make St.Peter's church welcoming and attractive, please do come along for chat. It only means a commitment of a couple of
hours per YEAR. Viv 830981.

## WE WILL REMEMBER THEM- the lost soldiers of Patrixbourne

Please come and join us for this event at 4 pm on $11^{\text {th }}$ November at St Mary's Patrixbourne. We especially welcome any veterans, members of the armed services, or family members of the six named soldiers on the War Memorial. The six men will be represented by bench top silhouettes which we will be on display in the church over the weekend.
At 12.30 pm on the $11^{\text {th }}$ the church bells will be rung, as part of the national ringing of bells. This new time (previously advertised as 7.05 pm ) is timed to coincide with the March Past at the Cenotaph of 10,000 members of the public. This is part of the ' $A$ Nations Thank you- The People's Procession'. Bells will be rung around the world to replicate the spontaneous outpouring of relief that took place in 1918. When news of the Armistice spread, church bells, which had fallen silent across the UK during the First World War, rang out in celebration. Listen out for the bells across our villages. As part of the bigger national events to mark the Armistice, about 3pm on Thursday $8^{\text {th }}$ November, 100 veterans will be stopping at St Mary's Patrixbourne, for refreshments, as they walk the North Downs Way from Dover. Haig Housing are conducting a fundraising pilgrimage from Ypres to Whitehall (to arrive at 11am on the $11^{\text {th }}$ ). It is called The Long Walk Home, www.tlwh.org.uk. 100 Veterans will be walking 100 miles to mark the 100 years since the Armistice. Please come and cheer them on their way. Our weekend events at St Mary's are to commemorate the six local men who died during the First World War and to honour their sacrifice. A collection will be taken for 'There but not there' a charity supporting present day veterans of more recent wars. Andrea Nicholson

## Bridge \& District History Society

The next meeting will be on Thursday November 15th in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30. Steve Norris, the owner and skipper of the Thames sailing barge "Greta" will tell us about his iconic vessel.
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## DOG WALKER SOUGHT

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Sunday 11th November 4.00 pm

## 'WE WILL REMEMBER THEM-the lost

 soldiers of Patríxbourne'Come and hear the stories of the six soldiers named on the War Memorial.


## SALVATION ARMY AND BRIDGE and PATRIXBOURNE SCHOOL CHOIR CAROL CONCERT

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Tulip Tearooms Hi everyone!! Leigh-Anne here, owner of Tulip Tearooms, 6, western Avenue, Bridge, CT4 5LS 01227832555 or mobile 07727057065 I wanted to just take this moment to let you know that we will open on CHRISTMAS MORNING 10-12 for CAKE, SOUP, CAROLS \& COMPANY. More details to follow in your December edition. We don't want anyone alone this Christmas . xx

## Bekesbourne Harvest Songs of Praise

What a lovely service! One of our young mums, Emily, led the worship. She was very ably supported by the whole family. It was delightful. Well done to all of them! The church looked beautiful. The altar, font and window ledges were all decorated with the flowers and fruits of autumn. It was a wonderful way to thank God for the harvest. The gifts of food and bedding were donated to The Women's Refuge. This was an example of how we can share what we have with others less fortunate, which was the message we received from the bible reading.
The next Songs of Praise is on $4^{\text {th }}$ November when we will be celebrating All Saints. It is a benefice service, so it will include a short family communion. We hope to see you there. Nicky

Ringing For Peace at Bekesbourne Church
The bells will ring out at Bekesbourne Church Sunday 11th November at 12.30 pm in unison with churches and cathedrals in villages and towns across the country to mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War.

When the bells rang out on the 11th November 1918 they announced the end of the war. At that time bells were at the heart of the community, marking events and communicating to people long before modern technology connected us. Bell ringing has always had a much wider function than its role in the church, but most of us today are not aware of its broad and inclusive service.

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The Quiet View So many people were unable to come on the night we showed the film Mary Magdalene so we're offering it again on Tuesday 20th November at 7pm. Essential to book as it was very popular. Suggested donation $£ 5$ Here are the dates of some regular events: November 2nd Taizé prayer at 7pm 4th Silent Retreat with Caroline Armstrong 10.30-3.30 $£ 20-£ 40$ (depending on what you can afford) book at mindzone14@gmail.com 12th Taiji Qigong at 7.30 pm and 22nd at 2.30 with Melanie French $£ 6$ book at m.s.french00@btinternet.com 16th Red Tent Kent at 7.30 with Karalyne Howes . Donations invited Please check for dates of our deeply relaxing Gong Baths with Euphony Sound Therapy euphonysoundtherapy@gmal.com We hope to welcome you some time soon. Lizzie Hopthrow The Quiet View 146 The Street, Kingston, 01227830070 lizziehopthrow@gmail.com www.quietview.co.uk

## St Peter's Church, Bekesbourne

## SONGS OF PRAISE

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You are warmly invited to Come and Sing Carols at St Peter's, Bridge on Sunday, December
16th and, more particularly, to join us in the Bridge Choir, which will be specially augmented as usual for the occasion of the Carol Service. As in previous years, the choir will be supporting the congregational singing, and also adding another dimension to the familiar Christmas Readings with a varied, but not unfamiliar selection of short carols of their own. Having performed over 100 different choir carols since 2001, I have decided that it is time to repeat the set from that first year, most of which are definitely 'old favourites' but I hope not now hackneyed: The Truth from Above (English trad., arr. Vaughan Williams), The Holly and the Ivy (English trad., arr. Walford Davies), In the Bleak Mid-Winter (Darke), Break Forth (J S Bach), The Infant King (Basque trad., arr. Willcocks), In Dulci Jubilo (Pearsall). We are looking for all voices (SATB) from all age groups, and hope to welcome back many old friends as well as gain a few new enthusiasts. Some experience and/or ability to read music is necessary for the harmony parts, but not vital for the top line. We will again keep rehearsals to a minimum, but for that reason it is crucial that most people can make both the main rehearsals as well as the Sunday! The rehearsals will almost certainly be held in Bridge Church as follows:

Thursday,

## Nailbourne Horticultural Society

There is no meeting arranged for November, but to round off this year's programme and to help us prepare for the festive season, on Tuesday 4 December at 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall, Leigh-Anne, our local florist at Majestic Flowers (and the very popular Tulip Tearooms), has kindly agreed to entertain and inspire us with a demonstration (accompanied by step-by-step written instructions) on how to make a Christmas wreath. Leigh-Anne will also have available a number of packs to purchase with all the basics you need to get started and the wreath she demonstrates will be the star raffle prize.
The demonstration will be followed by light festive refreshments and there will be a charge for the evening of $£ 5$ ( $£ 7$ for non-members) to include refreshments. Do make a note of the date and come along to start the festive season off in fine style. Everyone is most welcome.

## Bridge with Patrixbourne Women's Institute

Our Annual Meeting when reports, including a resume of the year's activities, are given and when officers and the committee are elected for the coming year will be held on Tuesday 20 November at 7.30 pm in Bridge Village Hall. After the business part of the evening, we shall have a social time when members will have the chance to catch up and chat with friends. The competition for November is for an interesting item beginning with the letter " $K$ ".

## Recreation Ground Working Party Saturday $17^{\text {th }}$ November 2018

There will be a working party on the recreation ground on the above date from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. Everyone is welcome including children so long as accompanied by a responsible adult. Please bring warm clothes and gardening gloves.
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In spite of the dastardly deed in the play, the evening promises to be light-hearted and most enjoyable. You are invited to bring a picnic (with suitable liquid refreshment) with friends or form a team with other like-minded sleuths for a happy and relaxing evening. For more details please read the poster which appears in this magazine. We look forward to seeing you on the night!

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## Sunday 11 November 12noon-4pm <br> - Music and poetry



## Tea, coffee and cakes Free entry



Photo: courtesy of Steve Fawke. Painting: "Gassed" by John Singer Sargent, Imperial War Museum.

## Condensed Draft Minutes of a meeting of Bridge Parish Council Thursday 13 September

Before the meeting began 3 villagers spoke about (a) the results of a village wide survey (based on 57 replies) following the closure of the Post Office which show a clear and pressing need for a post office in the village (b) the proposed purchase of brackets for Christmas Trees on High St houses (c) latest news on the proposed Highland Court development. The new Headteacher of the village primary school, Mr Tibbles, introduced himself and reaffirmed his commitment to good community links.

Mountfield development in south Canterbury: Council agreed to make a further donation of $£ 500$ towards the legal costs of the campaign to question the legality of the Mountfield development on air quality grounds. 3 councillors voted in favour; one voted against and 3 abstained.
Green Court. Cllr Fawke reported that Cllr Davies is to do some hedge cutting, Pam Dobson continues to advise on planting shrubs and weeding; the Holm Oak needs to have a spot identified on the Recreation ground for planting. 2 more trees are to be bought and planted in Green Ct. by Cllrs Fawke and Davies.

## Report from Nailbourne Ward City Councillor Simon Cook:

1. The Highland Court planning application is likely to be available for consultation for 6-12 weeks-longer than the minimum of 3 weeks.
2. Canterbury City Council advises villagers to respond to the Kent County Council consultat ion on waste management, since it believes that the problem of fly -tipping will be aggra vated by the new proposals in the consultation
3. The parking enforcement team will visit Riverside Close at times when parking is espe cially inconsiderate. Cllr Cook is investigating whether illegal parking on the pavement can be reported and sanctioned by a simple photograph sent to the enforcement team.
4. Canterbury officers will contact the Parish Council shortly about the number and location of litter bins in the village.

Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Atkinson noted that regulation 16 consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan ended on 7 September. Canterbury City Council are in the process of appointing a government examiner/inspector to review the plan. Corrections may need to be made after this process with the referendum (if allowed) to be held shortly afterwards.

1. Cllr Fawke provided an update on the armistice weekend (Nov 10-11) and requested help from more volunteers. He will contact the Womens' Institute shortly regarding refreshments and publish a programme of activities soon.
2. Council agreed to a grant request for $£ 120$ towards children's activities in Bridge.
3. The Chair provided an update on the future of the Post Office, with the current sticking point being the nomination of a postmaster to take responsibility for a village outreach service.
4. Council agreed to two proposed changes to road markings in the vicinity of Dering Rd.
5. Consideration of access to the Higham Lane bus stop was deferred until after a meeting with Highways officials on 17 September.

## Condensed Minutes of a meeting of Bridge Parish Council Thursday 11 October 2018 in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

The latest update from the Regional organiser of the Post Office was read out: "Things came to a halt with the proposed outreach service due to having a positive lead for a full local replacement. This meant the potential core branch for the outreach service that we were working with was told we were no longer looking for that type of solution. Unfortunately the full local replacement dropped out at the application stage and no longer wishes to continue. The Post Office will try again to arrange a core branch to run an outreach at Bridge."

A Parish Capital grant application for $£ 1,800$ has been submitted to Canterbury City Council for a replacement bus shelter opposite Higham Lane.

Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Alan Atkinson said a government inspector has been appointed and her correspondence with the Parish Council is available on the village website. Responses to her requests will also be published there.

Council agreed to the setting up of High St Christmas trees on December 1 and their removal on January 52019 and to the immediate purchase of 50 Christmas trees brackets for $£ 492$ (inclusive of VAT). Grant funding for another 50 will be sought in the course of 2019.

Council voted to purchase a new bench for use in Western Ave which is to be reimbursed by an anonymous village donor. Thanks were expressed for this donation. Contact will be made with Kent Highways about the siting of another proposed new bench for Union Rd.

Council resolved to invite adjoining parish councils and their clerks to a meeting to be hosted in Bridge to coordinate responses to the planned development at Highland Court.

In the course of discussing traffic movement in the area of Aunt Betsy's Hill Council resolved to purchase a Speed Indicator Device for the village at a cost of approx. $£ 6,880$. Concerns about traffic movement in the Aunt Betsy’s Hill/ Union Rd area of the village require a consultation with villagers before proposals are put to the Joint Transportation Board in March 2019.

Councillors received an update on latest developments in Green Court and on proposed fencing works in Western Avenue which could cost up to approx.. £3,000.

## Points of information:

Working Party on the Recreation Ground on Saturday 17th November from 9 am to 12 noon. Refreshments in the pavilion as usual
KCC Waste disposal consultation live until 1 November 2018
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The next meeting of Bridge Parish Council is on Thursday, 8 November at
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