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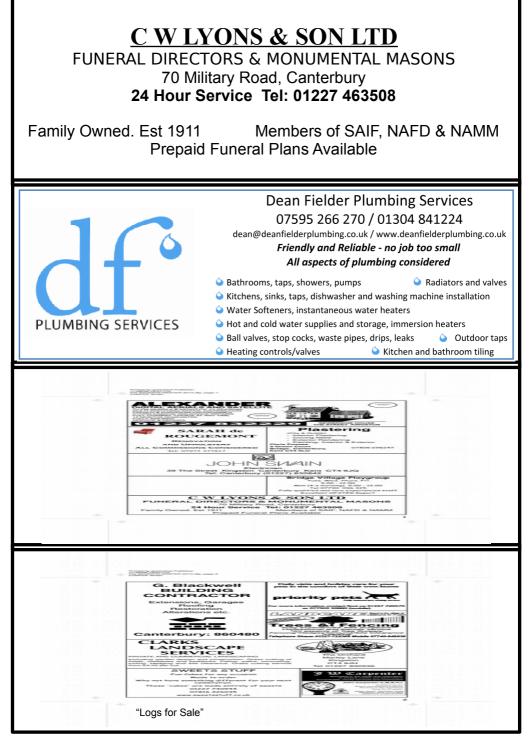
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| August 2019 | St Mary NACKINGTON | St Mary LOWER HARDRES | St Peter BRIDGE | St Mary PATRIXBOURNE | St Peter BEKESBOURNE |
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| 4th August Trinity 7 Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12- 14; 2:18-23 Colossians 3:1-11 Luke 12: 13-21 | All welco | ome at the Benej | fice Service | 10am Benefice Service Family Communion | All welcome at the Benefice Service |
| 11th August Trinity 8 Genesis 15:1-6; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8- 16; Luke 12: 32-40 | 10am Benefice Service Family Communion | | | | |
| 18th August Trinity 9 Jeremiah 23: 23-29; Hebrews 11: 29-12:2; Luke 12: 49-56 | All welcome at the Benefice Service Family | | Benefice Service | | |
| 25th August Trinity 10 Isaiah 58:9b-14; Hebrews 12: 18-29; Luke 13: 10-17 | All welcome at the Benefice Service Family Communion | | e Benefice Service | | |
| 1st September Trinity 11 Proverbs 25:6-7; Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15- 16; Luke 14:1, 7-14 | All welcome at the Benefice Service | 10am Benefice Service Family Communion | All web | come at the Benefice | Service |

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

| Sept 2019 | St Mary NACKINGTON | St Mary LOWER HARDRES | St Peter BRIDGE | St Mary PATRIXBOURNE | St Peter BEKESBOURNE |
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| 8th Sept (1 st Sunday of the month) Trinity 12 Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33 | 8.00am BCP Holy Communion | 11.00am Family Communion | 6.00pm Evensong | 9.30am Sung Eucharist | 10.00am Songs of Praise with Baptism |
| 15th Sept Trinity 13 Exodus 32: 7-14; 1 Timothy 1:12- 17; Luke 15:1-10 | 9.30am Sung Eucharist | 6.00pm Evensong | 11am Family Communion | All welcome at the other services in the Benefice | 8am BCP Holy Communion |
| 22nd Sept Trinity 14 Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16: 1-13 | All welcome at the other services in the Benefice | 9.30am Family Service | 11.00am Choral Eucharist | 8.00am BCP Holy Communion | 9.30am Sung Eucharist |
| 29 th Sept Michael and All Angels / Trinity 15 Readings to be confirmed | 10am Benefice Communion Service at St Peter's Church Bridge with Blessing and Dedication of new stained glass window | | | | |
| New Benefice Se | ervice Pattern begi | ns here with regular | Holy Communion (| Eucharist) Services a | at 9am and 11am |
| 6 th October Harvest & Eco Church Celebrations | All welcome at the other services in the Benefice | 11.00am Harvest Family Communion | 6.00pm Choral Evensong | 9am Harvest Sung Eucharist | 10.00am Harvest Songs of Praise |

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The Vicarage 23 High Street Bridge Tel: 01227 206272 E-mail: estellalast@gmail.com August 2019

Dear Friends

In the last few weeks of the school term in our Collective Worship sessions ('Assemblies') we have been exploring the concept of 'Community' and more specifically the concept of 'Koinonia' as the Christian fellowship or community of the early church. We shared a wonderful community event with the school at the end of June with the return of the Bridge Village Fete and look forward to sharing in more of these in the years to come!

All of this got me thinking about all the wonderful community activities we have going on in our own villages throughout the week. Just last week there was the monthly FISH scheme pop in coffee morning at Bridge, the monthly Wednesday coffee morning in Bekesbourne Village Hall, the regular weekly BREW session on Bekesbourne Rec (every Thursday afternoon) and the new 'Tea and Talk' session at Lower Hardres Village Hall (every Wednesday)! Coupled with which we have a number of delightful tea rooms in our villages where we can meet together with friends and enjoy food and friendship (congratulations to Tulip Tearooms* in Bridge which just celebrated its first anniversary!) If tea and cake isn't your thing we have some great pubs too and we are very much looking forward to Patrixbourne and Bridge's summer event at the Red Lion* which is taking place on the afternoon of 31st August – do join us if you can!

In our Churches we regularly host events (in addition to services to which everyone is always welcome) which we hope appeal to the wider community. July saw the ever popular Saturday morning Coffee Cake and Concert at Bridge presenting some wonderful performances from the talented students of the Langton Boys school and Lower Hardres hosting a splendid evening of music from the Canterbury Singers followed by wine and delicious canapes which were enjoyed by all.

I'm often asked by people who are lonely or perhaps new to the village, how they can get out and meet people, and my answer very often is 'maybe try coming to church' (well I am the Vicar!) Our churches are wonderful communities of local people who care about one another and about the community in which they live. They are people who know all about the groups, clubs and social interest groups and are only too willing to welcome newcomers and take them along to other events and activities that they are involved in. Our August service pattern is easy to follow, just one 10am service each week at one of our 5 churches each week and the services all include communion (which is of course optional) and coffee and biscuits afterwards (also optional!) but are designed to be welcoming to everyone even if you haven't been to church much, recently or ever! Singing familiar hymns together is a great way to build community and there are few places nowadays where we can get together to sing together as we do in church. Worship and prayer form the foundation of all that we do as they have done throughout the centuries our church buildings have stood and we hope will do for many centuries to come. We are however, always looking for new ways to help our church buildings be assets to our local community so please do get in touch if you have any ideas. Yours in Christ

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Rev. Estella Last, Vicar

*please note in the interests of impartiality other Tea Rooms and Pubs are available!

| Dates for the diar | y – August 2019 |
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| Tuesday 6th | | |
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| 9:30am | - | Holy Communion, St Peter |
| Bridge | | |
| 3:00pm | - | Holy Communion, Bridge |
| Haven | | |
| Wednesday 7th | | |
| 2-3.30pm | - | Lower Hardres Community Café at |
| the John E | Baker White Hall | |
| Tuesday 13th | | |
| 9:30am | - | Holy Communion, St Peter |
| Bridge | | |
| 2:30pm | - | Holy Communion, Mansfield |
| Court | | |
| Wednesday 14th | | |
| 10:00am | - | FISH pop-in coffee, Bridge Village |
| Hall | | |
| 2-3.30pm | - | Lower Hardres Community Café at |
| the John E | Baker White Hall | |
| Tuesday 20 th | | |
| 9:30am | - | Holy Communion, St Peter |
| Bridge | | |
| 3:00pm | - | Holy Communion, Saxon |
| Lodge | | |
| Wednesday 21 st | | |
| 3:00pm | | Hymns at Bridge Haven $~~$ $^{\#}$ |

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| Tuesday 3 rd | | |
| 9:30am | - | Holy Communion, St Peter |
| Bridge | | |
| 3:00pm | - | Holy Communion, Bridge |
| Haven | | |
| 7.30pm | - | After 8s at Mansfield Court |
| Wednesday 4 th | | |
| 2-3.30pm | - | Lower Hardres Community Café at |
| • | aker White Hall | , |
| Thursday 5 th | | |
| - | n Little Lambs Toddler (| Group Returns |
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| Tuesday 10th | | |
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| Wednesday 11th | | |
| 10:00am | - | FISH pop-in coffee, Bridge Village |
| Hall | | |
| 2-3.30pm | - | Lower Hardres Community Café at |
| | aker White Hall | |
| Thursday 12 th | | |
| 9.00am-11.00ar | n Little Lambs Toddler (| Group, Bridge Pavilion |
| Tuesday 17 th | | |
| 9:30am | - | Holy Communion, St Peter |
| Bridge | | |
| 3:00pm | - | Holy Communion, Saxon |
| Lodge | | |
| 7.30pm | - | After 8s, Mansfield Court |
| Wednesday 18 th | | |
| 3:00pm | - | Hymns at Bridge Haven |
| 2-3.30pm | - | Lower Hardres Community Café at |
| the John Ba | aker White Hall | · · · · · |
| Thursday 19 th | | |
| - | n Little Lambs Toddler (| Group, Bridge Pavilion |
| Monday 23 rd | | # |
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News from Lower Hardres

There will be not services at Lower Hardres during August, but please attend the Benefice Services during this month. Our Benefice Service is on the 1st September, at 10.00am.

An early mention of the Harvest Supper, which will be on Friday October 4th, and Harvest Lunch on Sunday 6th.

Bridge & District History Society

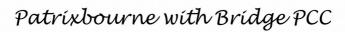
The first meeting of the new season will be on Thursday September 19th at 7.30pm in Bridge Village Hall. Mary Smith, former Head Teacher of Maidstone Grammar School for Girls, will give an illustrated talk entitled "A Schoolgirl's War", describing the impact of the Second World War on those at the school. The talk will be preceded by a short Annual General Meeting. Members £4.00 non-members £5.00 to include refreshments.

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Bekesbourne Village Bootfair

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Summer Fete

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Friend of Kent Churches

RIDE & STRIDE SATURDAY 14th SEPTEMBER

Eash of the churches in our Benfice will be participating in this event.

It is important because Friends of Kent Churches have in the recent past (and hopefuly in the future) made donations to our churches for the repair and up-keep of the buildings.

All monies raised on the day are split equally between Friend of Kent Church and your local (or your choice) church.

Riders/Striders plan their own route around the churches locally/Canterbury/ County wide. A list of participating churches/chapels will be available.

Each of our churches are looking for-

Rders/Striders to take part

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If you feel you could participate/sponsor/greet please contact our church coordinators:

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| Patrixbourne | Pauline Pritchard | 830685 |
| Bekesboure | Nicky Fry | 830319 |
| Lower Hardres | Ann Nicholls/Margartet Clarke | 700533/765598 |
| Nackington | Scilla Wright | 463265 |

Nailbourne Horticultural Society

Following on from our Summer Show, we take a short break in August before our next scheduled evening meeting on **Tuesday 10 September** when former Chairman of the Society, **Raj Dasan**, is to give an illustrated talk on "**Spices**". I am sure that our senses will be called into play in, what I am sure, will be a most fascinating and entertaining talk. As usual it will be in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 pm. All are welcome and there will be a small charge to include refreshments.

National Vegetable Society - Kent Association

The Society has a busy calendar of events for August and September, On Wednesday **14 August**, **Barry Newman**, Fellow of the National Vegetable Society and expert grower, will be giving a talk entitled "A Year in the Allotment", one not to be missed if you are a keen vegetable grower. This is followed by the Society's **Annual Show** which will be held on **Saturday 7th** (2.00 – 4.00 pm) and **Sunday 8th September** (10.00 am to 4.00 pm) in **Wingham Village Hall**, School Lane, Wingham CT3 1BD. As well as the exhibits to admire there will be a tombola and produce stall, with refreshments available all day. Entry is free but donations to Kent Air Ambulance welcome. Close on the heels of the Show, there is the regular monthly meeting on **Wednesday 10 September** when the speaker is **Dr Nikki Gammon** who will be giving a talk on "**The Amazing Bumblebee**". Dr Gammon from the Bumblebee Trust was involved in a project to re-introduce the short-haired bumblebee to Dungeness. The evening talks are at 7.30 for an 8.00 pm start in Bridge Village Hall and everyone is welcome. There is no entry charge.

Bridge with Patrixbourne Women's Institute

Although there is no organised evening meeting in August, the WI will be hosting a Coffee Morning for residents, guests and visitors at Bridge Haven on Wednesday 21 August from 10.30 until 12.00 noon. There may also be a gentle stroll for coffee at "Tadpoles" in Bishopsbourne one morning in August. Watch out for further details. Moving on into September, the regular evening meeting will be on **Tuesday 17 September** when the guest speaker is **Suzanne Kynaston** who will be giving a talk on the "**Conservation Work of the Wildwood Trust**". As usual, the meeting will be held in Bridge Village Hall at 7.30 pm and visitors are, of course, always welcome. The monthly competition is an interesting item beginning with the letter "T".

Nailbourne Horticultural Society



Spices

a talk by

Raj Dasan

Tuesday 10 September 7.30 pm Bridge Village Hall

All welcome Small Charge to include Refreshments

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor for the Patrixbourne Ward

Your Parish Council Needs YOU! Following the elections in May, the Parish Council has a vacancy for a Councillor for the Patrixbourne Ward. If you would be interested in joining the Parish Council as a Councillor and preferably live in the Patrixbourne Ward, please contact the Clerk at <u>clerk.bwp@outlook.com</u> The Parish Council meets on alternate months on the 2nd Monday at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The next meeting is on Monday 9th September. To find out more about the Parish Council please visit the website:

www.bekesbournewithpatrixbournepc.kentparishes.gov.uk

WOMENSWOLD GARDEN SAFARI, 3 JULY

Thank you to everybody who came to the gardens which were open in Womenswold. The weather was wonderful and everyone enjoyed wandering around the gardens, having cake & drinks and visiting the Church.

A perfect summers day!

We raised a total of £282 toward the heating of St Margaret's Church.

Future Submissions to On the Nail

If you would like to submit something to On the Nail for publication, please ensure to meet the following submissions criteria:

All submissions for On the Nail should be received by the 15th of the preceding Month at the **latest** to <u>bridgeoffice23@gmail.com</u>

Two A5 versions of any poster must be provided portrait and landscape. Any written content should be in Arial size 10.

Attachments should be clearly labelled as to content.

Files should be summitted in .doc, .pdf, .pub or .jpg format Content is included at the discretion of the editorial team.

Please remember that August/September is a joint issue and so all submissions covering this time period should be submitted by 15th July.

Littlebourne & District Royal British Legion

Our July monthly meeting was smaller than usual due to health problems amongst some of our members, in particular our former Branch Chairman and his wife - Ray and Beryl Tupper - and we wish them well. As mentioned last month, we are looking to recruit some new Poppy Appeal house to house collectors for the coming Poppy Appeal in November. We will need help in most of our villages which we cover including Stodmarsh, Wickhambreaux, Adisham, Bekesbourne and Littlebourne. Anyone who may be able to help can ring the Vice Chairman on 01227 472023. Our next 2 monthly branch meetings will be held on Tuesdays 13th August and 10th September both at the Recreation Club, Littlebourne at 8pm. We always welcome prospective new members to our meetings.

New Stained Glass Window for Bridge Church

Exciting news for St Peter's Bridge. After a long period of planning, drafting and seeking appropriate permissions by the PCC and Churchwardens we are pleased to be able to share the following announcement with you.

"Between August 13 and 15 the Cathedral Studios will be replacing the Victorian clear glass west window (cinquefoil above two lancets) in the north aisle with a spectacular stained glass window. This has been designed and made by skilled artist Grace Ayson in the Studios over the last year, the idea for the replacement having been conceived 2 years ago. The window has been presented by me and my wife Elizabeth (who sadly died last November) in memory of our baby son Tom who died on 29 March 1974 (unexplained cot death) when exactly 100 days old. The window will have some 60 features in it relating to village scenes and local bridges, trains, railway tickets, cars, lorries and magnificent flora and fauna, as well as members of my family. It will include portrayals of Robert Runcie, Archbishop of Canterbury who confirmed me; my 8-greats grandfather who was an Archbishop of York and his wife, four of whose five children died as infants; and Archdeacon Jo. It features a marvellous rainbow with its reflections on the Nailbourne and has in its design an eternal heavenly element portrayed by a dove and a cross from which shine out rays of light over the many features below. I hope when you see it that you may agree it surpasses David Hockney's Queen's Window in Westminster Abbey! Michael Stewart July 2019"

At the end of August there will be an event at which the detail of the window will be presented and a booklet will thereafter be available explaining the provenance of each of the images it depicts. There will be a service to formally dedicate the window at

10am on Sunday 29th September all are welcome to join us for the special service and mark this wonderful historic addition to our ancient church building.

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Little Lambs Toddler Group

Back 5th September!

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Autumn Term Dates



Messy Church will return on....

Saturday 14th September
Saturday 19th October
Saturday 16th November

4-6pm Bridge School Hall

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All Saints Food Bank Distribution Café

We are now enjoying the company of some new recruits who have volunteered and been cleared to work alongside the existing lovely people at the All Saints Distribution Café in the Military Road on a Tuesday morning. They will find this a rewarding experience with perhaps some challenges which may occur from time to time.

There is a yellow food bank collection point inside St Peter's Church, Bridge and the amount deposited there has increased week on week in the past 18 months. This is much appreciated.

At the beginning of my journey with the Food Bank Distribution Café I wrote about the items that are included in the Adult 1, Adult 2 and Children (2-16) parcels which are given out on production of a Food Bank Voucher for the appropriate number in a family, or a couple, or a singleton.

There is also a Bonus Table which includes, toilet rolls, toiletries, cleaning materials, pet food, baby food and nappies, larder clear outs (interesting mix), excess baked beans, soup, pasta and rice, sweet treats.

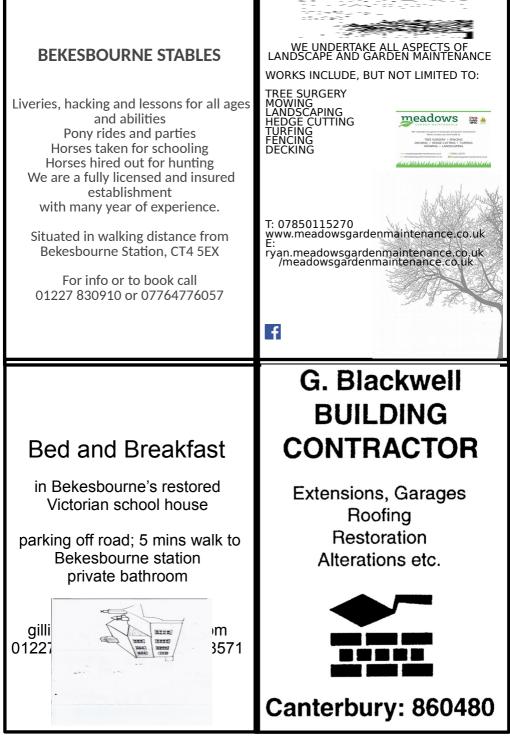
Having received their basic pack(s) they are invited to take whatever they can carry from the Bonus Table. A basic pack is based on feeding one person for 3 days in an emergency. The items from the Bonus table are there to boost this as well as to provide toiletries and cleaning materials, which are usually at the bottom of their budgets when faced with a financial dilemma.

To this end when considering what to purchase or to provide from your home please think about toiletries and cleaning materials as these help towards people in crisis improving their self-esteem. We have no shortage of baked beans, canned meat pies and soup in the Warehouse as these are the most popular items donated and I ask you to think outside of the box instead, for example: deodorants, shower gel, shampoo, STs, canned meat which can be sliced, canned fruit, custard, UHT full fat milk and fruit juice, packets of chocolate biscuits and bars of chocolate as a treat.

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