

# *Kingston Parish & Church Magazine*



**October 2012**

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# Village Diary

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Sat Oct 6	Pub Night	18:00
Fri Oct 5	Black Bins	
Fri Oct 12	Blue and Green Bins	
Fri Oct 19	Black Bins	
Fri Oct 26	Blue and Green Bins	

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**WE NEED YOU**



**YOU NEED EACH OTHER**

## Kingston Neighbourhood Watch

The place where Neighbourhood Watch really works is in the neighbourhood—right here in Kingston!

Keep Kingston a low-crime zone:

- Watch out for suspicious people or vehicles, note numberplates or descriptions.
- Keep an eye out for your neighbours when they are away from home
- Report anything suspicious, or unwelcome callers, to the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator. He will quickly send an email to alert everyone on the mailing list (but if you see or believe a crime is in progress, call the police directly).
- Contact the Coordinator to be added to the mailing list, or if you need any NW window stickers
- Ask your insurer about discounts for living in a Neighbourhood Watch area

**Peter Stokes, Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator 262207 [kingstonpc@fiscali.co.uk](mailto:kingstonpc@fiscali.co.uk)**

## Vicar's Letter

Dear All,

What a mixture of weather we've had this year: a wet sunless June and early July, and since then an amazing mixture of bright sun and quite awesome storms.

The harvest started two weeks later than usual, giving us a late July break, which we haven't had in 20 years – what a pleasure!

And so the harvest started – with everyone wondering what might be the outcome. No shortage of grain, wonderful looking crops, but alas lots of shrivelled seeds and low bushel weights– which is what you have to expect when it's wet and the sun doesn't come out in June and early July. No chance of much corn meeting the milling specifications, but I hear the mills may be reducing their specifications.

We provide wheat for the Weetabix factory in Kettering and if a packet of Weetabix comes from one kilo of wheat, and the average trailer weighs 12 tonnes, each trailer produces 12,000 packets of Weetabix; what an amazingly productive world we live in.

And the most enjoyable part of the picture is the community that comes together to bring the harvest in – agricultural engineers, tractor drivers, combine drivers, corn merchants, "piece" makers (for lunch and tea), storemen, bin levellers, lorry drivers, fuel deliverers, headland mowers, visitors (adults and children riding in the combines), and then those preparing for the new season: ploughman, seed merchants, those sowing the new ground, rollers and soil packers. What a privilege it is to be involved.

Perhaps this year the most memorable sight after ten minutes of torrential rain was the late sun catching the purest gold colour of the uncut wheat against the backdrop of the blackest possible sky, and a few remaining huge raindrops each reflecting the sun and looking like silver ball bearings dropping down from the heavens. What a sight!

But it is a time to remember those farmers facing disaster in so many parts of the world, all those who will be short of food as a result, and everyone having to pay more for what they eat; so we try not to waste any of the produce by not overfilling the trailers, avoiding wheat sliding off the trailers at the roundabouts and wheat getting ruined in the pits during the storms.

And with all that productivity, all that beauty of billowing clouds, silver linings, and dramatic colours of the sunsets through the dust of the combines, we can just sit back and receive it all as an extraordinary piece of luck for each one of us in a vast cosmos, **or** we can take just a little time out, thank our lucky stars, consider the heavens and thank the intelligent being behind it all.

Best wishes,  
Nigel

**Rev Nigel Pearson**



Papworth Team Ministry

## Team Evening Worship

at 6 pm - Caxton Parish  
Church

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2012

Dates for the rest of the year are:  
4<sup>th</sup> November, 18 November

**ALL WELCOME**

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### Wave Café Church

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
at the 'Abantu' coffee shop in Dourn,  
7.45 for 8pm until 9pm



For those who are interested in exploring Christianity in a relaxed and informal way with DVDs, quizzes and discussions over coffee, tea and cake.

For more information please contact Fiona Windsor on 01954 267535 or Ruth Terrell on 01954 718575.

Next few dates are: 7<sup>th</sup> November, 5<sup>th</sup> December

A short, prayerful service of  
**Holy Communion**

will be celebrated every  
**Wednesday**  
at midday  
in **Bourn Church**



Anyone from around the Team or beyond is welcome to attend.

If you have particular prayer requests, please contact  
Revd Dr Alexandra Clarke (01954 710426)  
[alexandra.clarke@elv.anglican.org](mailto:alexandra.clarke@elv.anglican.org)  
Wheelchair access provided

*Confirmation Courses – starting September*

If you are interested, or know someone who is, in attending confirmation classes please contact a member of clergy. We hope to hold courses for both adults and young people.  
Thanks.

**Home Communion**

If you are a regular worshipper and become housebound we still want to share in the life of your Christian community. If you are having difficulty getting to church, but a lift would make that possible please contact the team office on 01954 719718 and we will be able to help. If you cannot get out and would like to receive Holy Communion at home please let the office know and we will arrange for the sacrament to be brought to you on a regular basis. This also applies to those who are seriously ill and bed bound.

### Church Services for October

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October Holy Communion 8.30am**  
**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October Family Service 10.30am**  
**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October Evening Prayer 6.00pm**

### Church cleaning

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Peter and Suzy Stokes  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Donal and Monica O'Donnell  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Linda Rimmer  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Janet Clear  
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Month	Sunday	Title	T.E.W	Bourn	Kingston	Caxton	Longstowe
October	1	Trinity 18	6.00 pm Caxton	11.30 am HARVEST	8.30 am HC (2)	8.30 am HC (2)	
	2			10.30 am WFA with Baptism		10.30 am	8.30 am
	14/10/2012	Trinity 20		6.00 pm EF		HC(1)	HC(2)
November	3	Trinity 20		8.30 am HC (1)	10.30 am FS	10.30 am HARVEST	4.00 pm FS
	21/10/2012				6.30 pm Deanery Confirmation at Papworth or Caxton		
	4	Last Sunday		10.30 am MW	6.00 pm CF		10.30 am 11C(2)
	1	Fourth Sunday before Advent	6.00 pm Caxton	10.30 am HC(1)	8.30 am HC (2)	8.30 am HC (2)	
	2	Remembrance Sunday		10.15 am Cenotaph	10.30 am Remembrance	10.30 am Remembrance	10.30 am Remembrance
	3	Second Sunday before Advent	6.00 pm Caxton	8.30 am HC(1)	10.30 am FS	10.30 am FS	
	18/11/2012				6.00 pm		10.30 am
	4	Christ the King			Bread of Life at Eltisleys (HC)		Deanery Service at CVC
	25/11/2012						



### **Stories for Smiles**

**Read a story this half-term and change the world for children in our city.**

**1 & 2 November 9:30am – 6:30pm  
Waterstones, Sidney Street, Cambridge**

Join readers, writers, illustrators, and celebs for 1,080 action-packed minutes of fantasy, fun, surprise and delight in a non-stop, sponsored read-aloud marathon on behalf of local children's charity Blue Smile.

**Book your slot on the read-aloud rota and find out more today on [www.bluesmileproject.org](http://www.bluesmileproject.org)**

Blue Smile is tackling the growing mental health problem amongst disadvantaged children, providing therapeutic support and mentoring in Cambridge's schools. Research increasingly shows that this early specialist intervention makes a real difference to children beginning to display problems and helps them turn their lives around.

**A big thank you to all at booksellers Waterstones and the staff of the Cambridge Building Society for their enthusiasm and support for Blue Smile and for the Stories for Smiles read-aloud marathon.**

### **Blue Smile Nearly New Sale**

Blue Smile would like to hold a **"Nearly New" Sale in February 2013**. We would like to include in this sale good quality women's clothing, jewellery, ski wear, scarves, hats, handbags, belts, baby and children's clothing, children's ski wear, men's overcoats, anoraks, dinner suits and dress shirts.

All clothing etc should be clean and in near-perfect condition. No shoes or bric-a-brac please.

The sale will take place in Horningsea in February 2013 (address to be notified later). Tea, coffee and cakes will be available.

Drop-off points for items will be available in Thriplow, Royston, Barrington, Haslingfield, Newmarket and Swaffam Bulbeck.

**Please telephone Janet Lloyd, 01223 872223 for further information.**



### **Bingley Family Event**

Kate and Lawrence with family members after the blessing of their marriage

Dedication of Marriage 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012 Kate Bingley and Lawrence Teh

(Peter Reynolds photo)



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For non-residents:

£8 per hour before 7:00pm, £10 per hour after 7:00pm

A marquee that can be hired at a cost of £75 per occasion (up to 6 days)

To book please contact: **Sarah Wright**  
**kingstonvillagehall@gmail.com**

#### **Bourne Surgery Opening Times**

01954 719469

##### **Reception**

Mon-Fri 8:30-1:00 & 1:30-6:00  
(Out of hours for duty doctor's  
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##### **Dispensary**

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##### **Reception**

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number ring: 01223 262500 or  
262579)

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##### **Dispensary**

Mon-Fri 8:30-12:30 & 1:30-6:30  
01223 262399

Sat (collections only) 8:30-10:30

## Parish Council News

**Village mailing list:** just a reminder for new residents that we operate an e-mailing list which is occasionally used to send out information of interest to residents, usually when there is not enough time to wait for the next Parish Magazine. Typically less than 10 messages are sent out per year in this way, so not a deluge of spam! (In future, Neighbourhood Watch messages will be sent out using the same mailing list – see below.) If you want to be on this list (or are not sure whether or not you are already on it) just send me an email at [kingstonpc@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:kingstonpc@tiscali.co.uk). You can ask to 'unsubscribe' at any time.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** I am taking over from Bill Lovell as Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator with effect from 1 October, so please email me (address above) in future if you see any suspicious activity in the village or have unwelcome callers. I will take over Bill's e-mailing list and for administrative ease I will combine it with the Parish Council one (see above) – they are likely to be very similar. Again please let me know if you would like to be on this list, or are not sure whether or not you already are, or indeed if you are on it and want to be taken off it.

In a small village like ours, it should be easy for us to keep an eye out for each other, particularly important when our neighbours are away. Being members of an active Neighbourhood Watch scheme can also result in reduced insurance premiums. Let's continue to be good neighbours for each other, and keep Kingston a low crime zone!

### Planning

**Kingston Pastures Cottage** S/1775/12/FL: an application has been submitted to build a single storey extension and convert a garage.

**Kingston Wood House** S/1714/12/LB: an application has been submitted to carry out internal and external alterations.

**Summerhill** S/1814/12/FL: a revised application has been submitted to demolish the existing house and replace with two new houses.

**Tranquil** C/11/40/56: an application has been submitted to carry out tree work.

**Gamekeepers Cottage** S/1397/12/FL: permission has been granted to carry out extensive demolition, alteration and extension work.

Full details of these and all planning applications can be found on the South Cambridgeshire District Council website:

<http://plan.scambs.gov.uk/swiftlg/apas/run/wphappcriteria.display>

(NB: This cannot be used for applications for tree work, prefixed 'C'.)

Enter the reference number in the 'Planning Reference' search box, omitting the final slash with following letter(s), if present, and adding a \* after the last two digits, e.g for the first one above enter S/1775/12\*.

***Peter Stokes, Parish Clerk***

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Peter Tingley, Legacy Ambassador

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There are many ways in which to support the Hospice and our web site sets out the various options for your support. We have also found that leaving a gift in your will to help the work of the Charity can be immensely important and valuable. Your gift, of any size, can truly help us 'make every moment count'. Visit [arhc.org.uk](http://arhc.org.uk) to find out more about our work and how you might be able to help support the charity. Look for advice on how to leave a legacy.

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## Repair grant application

The PCC's recent application to English Heritage/The Lottery Fund for a £126,000 grant for major repairs to the church tower and roofs proved unsuccessful. As in previous years demand for grants was considerable and our case was deemed less urgent than others in the Anglia region. We will try again next year.

Meanwhile the PCC has decided to go ahead with the replacement of the church organ's bellows and other plywood parts, which have become infested with woodworm – the cost will be £850. We also await a report on the conservation of the old C17 parish chest and other woodwork within the building.

## Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride 2012

Our redoubtable cyclist Peter Tibbits excelled himself and did 97 miles, visiting 40 villages en route. Maggie Twyman strode around Cambridge and visited 19 churches.

Thanks to both of them for their valiant efforts.

Please sponsor them either by an amount per church visited or by a donation. Cheques should be made out to C.H.C.T. or cash in an envelope and given to Peter at May House, Church Lane (262705) or to Maggie (264217) or to Joan Reynolds at Pincote, Crane's Lane (262094). All money should be handed in by the 21<sup>st</sup> October. Many thanks to the

helpers – Janet Clear, Annabel Diggle, Marion Leslie, Joyce Lovell and Joan Reynolds – who manned the church, welcoming 19 visitors and serving refreshments.

## *Joan Reynolds, Organiser 2012*

## From the Church Registers

Holy Matrimony 30<sup>th</sup> June 2012 Jessica Ann Clear and Karl David Christian Hornby

## Harvest Festival

Very many thanks to all who decorated the church so beautifully for this year's Harvest Festival on 16<sup>th</sup> September. Attendance was strong this year with a congregation of over 40 and at least 15 children.



## All the bells

"All the bells", which also became known as "the big bong" was the one of the key national events in this year's cultural Olympiad, organised by LOCOG to mark the opening of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games. It consisted of the mass ringing of bells between 8.12 and 8.15 am on Friday July 27<sup>th</sup>. Anyone could participate and any bells were acceptable (even Big Ben was involved). Although not publicised beforehand Kingston duly took part with Joan Reynolds chiming our three bells in the church tower. Monica O'Donnell was a member of the team ringing the 8 bells at Bourn for the same occasion.

Coinciding with the Olympic torch relay the Christian group "More than Gold" organised a parallel 70-day prayer relay with batons containing prayers, again culminating with the ringing of church bells at 8.12 on the 27<sup>th</sup> July.

In fact it has been an exceptional year for bell ringing. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> June, leading the Thames pageant in celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee was a specially cast 8-bell peal mounted in a barge. Many churches throughout the country rang special peals on that day. Then on July 28<sup>th</sup> Bradley Wiggins opened the Olympics by ringing the largest harmonically tuned bell ever made in the world, weighing 23 tons.

Of Kingston's three bells the treble and tenor are C17 but the middle one is one of the oldest in the country dating from about 1360: it is inscribed with a cross and the words AVE MARIA and was made by John Rufford of Bedfordshire. In those days bells were often cast in pits made in the churchyard. It has summoned parishioners to services, rang for weddings and tolled for funerals for six and a half centuries! An ancient custom still observed here in Kingston is the ringing of a single bell nine times, just before worship, which represents the Angelus, a call to prayer and an expression of goodwill to all.

Will there be a legacy for campanology? Well, we would certainly welcome anyone who would like to have a go in Kingston, particularly youngsters, so that the bells may continue to be rung and to speak to future generations.

***Peter Reynolds***

Harvest festival 2012

[www.kingstonvillage.org.uk](http://www.kingstonvillage.org.uk)

[www.facebook.com/kingstonvillage](https://www.facebook.com/kingstonvillage)



**Harvest before the war**

Levi Jacklin (left) and Frank Curtis on Town Farm land, probably in the late 1920s, with a reaper-binder and a three-horse team. The reaper-binder was introduced in the late C19 and was still in use up to the 1950s when combine harvesters came in. (Contributed by Peter Reynolds)



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