Kingston Parish & Church Magazine



November 2023

Village Diary

Saturday 4^{th} November from 6.30pm Pub Night in the Village Hall Thursday 9^{th} November 1-1.30pm Library Van at the crossroads

Thursday 9th November from 7.15pm Kingston Music Club

Tuesdays at 10-11am Boogie Tuesday at the Village Hall

Wednesdays at 10.30am

Village Hall Coffee Morning
Fridays at 9.30am

Pilates at the Village Hall

Wheelie bin collection dates

Thursday 2nd November Black bin

Thursday 9th November Blue and Green bins

Thursday 16th November Black bin

Thursday 23rd November Blue and Green bins

Thursday 30th November Black bin

Editorial

Brrrrr. Hunt out those electric blankets and space heaters, winter's on its way. But not before Bonfire night and Remembrance Sunday. At the time of going to print, the opening date for All Saints and St Andrew Church after the roof repairs, was not known. So please look elsewhere in the magazine for information about church services in other parishes. There will be an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at the church on Sunday 12 November at 12.15pm

Also elsewhere in the magazine we have news of more newcomers to our small community. Many houses have recently changed hands and it's great to welcome so many new faces.

The first notice about our annual Christmas Sale in aid of Village Hall Funds appears this month. This event contributes greatly to Hall funds so please save the date and support it if you can.

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Vicar's Letter:

As time goes by ...

It is a wake-up call when your grandchildren are taking and passing their driving tests! It all seems more challenging and expensive than it used to be as well as the roads being so much busier.

It's amazing what you can get for your money these days. You probably know this, but it was news to me - I was introduced to someone who had just taken delivery of a new car; whilst out on her first drive, making a simple error the driver uttered an expletive only for the car to speak back saying 'Please don't use bad language!'

This is the time of year when remembrance is rightly prominent. In the church's calendar we mark not only Remembrance Sunday (this year November 12th) but also All Saints Day (November 1st) followed immediately by All Souls Day where the focus is particularly on those who have died in the last year or so. We are reminded not only of their achievements, sacrifices, their virtues and perhaps a few shortcomings. We also take time to resolve not to repeat the mistakes of times past and to build these lessons into our plans for the future. This is important as much to honour those who have served and gone before us and for the legacy we will deposit for future generations. One thing will never change: at some point we will all die and (we hope) others will remember us.

One of the sadness's we all meet is the growth in horror stories brought to our attention through the media; of lives cut short by violence, accidents, or tragedies erupting due to climate change and the like. We have so many clever gismos, we understand far more than many in previous generations, but these changes do not in themselves guarantee the happiness and safety so many long for.

As a Christian I am comforted as well as challenged by the worldview that declares God is neither fickle, found wanting nor subject to change; yet has given an independence to humankind that can be delightful or dangerous. One of the debates bubbling under the surface of many Christian communities is the degree we should be changing our message to fit more neatly with the changing values of society and its culture. One commentator (happy to be known as an atheist) observed recently churches which are growing (by which he means as denominations, as well as local churches where people gather Sunday by Sunday) are those that offer 'full-fat Christianity'. He means believing in an interventionist God, a Jesus who works miracles today and a Spirit who delivers revelation. Which all sounds very much like what it was nearly 2000 years ago!

I am thankful to see how well my grandchildren are doing. (I realise I am blessed in not carrying the sorrow some have of not having children or grandchildren, or in

some cases not being able to see them regularly and at close quarters.) I don't have the wherewithal to order the sort of car that speaks back to me and while I marvel at such innovations, I don't feel cheated or that I am missing out. But I am concerned if too many people only get to hear about or see an emasculated version of Christianity rather than the 'full-fat' variety.

Nigel di Castiglione, Team Rector

Church Services in November

Kingston church remains closed for repairs. For services elsewhere in the Papworth Team, see www.papworthteamchurches.org.

Remembrance Sunday November 12th There will be an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial on Sunday 12th November at 12.15pm

Please note that the Remembrance Service will be conducted **outside the church** by the war memorial on the west end of the tower.

Donations may be made to the British Legion <u>www.britishlegion.org.uk</u> or Help for Heroes www.helpforheroes.org.uk

Papworth Team Services

Sunday 5th November 10.30am **Family Worship** at Bourn

Sunday 12th November 10.50am **Remembrance** at Bourn (start at War Memorial)

10.30am **Remembrance** at Caxton 10.30am **Remembrance** at Longstowe

Sunday 19th November 9.00am **Holy Communion** at Caxton Sunday 26th November 10.30am **Holy Communion** at Bourn

10.30am **Morning Prayer** at Caxton 10.30am **Morning Prayer** at Longstowe

The website <u>papworthteamchurches.org</u> has up to date service information for all churches in the team. It also has the Zoom link for the Morning Prayer.

ZOOM Chapel Morning Prayer (Mon – Sat) at 8.15am (Zoom)

Telephone service on Mondays at 5.00pm

For further information, see papworthteamchurches.org

Nave ceiling, south clerestory and south aisle roof repairs

We are now at the beginning of week 14 (23rd October) on the programme of repairs to the church. All the high level external works have been carried out, including the replacement of clunch stonework, shelter-coating and lime render patching around the clerestory windows. Gutters have been removed, cleaned and repainted. A glass conservator, Laura from AuraVisions of Ashdon, came to replace some of the broken quarries, and pointed out that all the clerestory glass would benefit from a proper cleaning, inside and out, something not undertaken in a century. This the PCC agreed. Interestingly, some of the glass at this level is medieval.

The decorators should be on site this week to paint the nave arcade and tower walls: all the internal work will then be finished, leaving the south aisle roof to be stripped and re-tiled with hand-made Burwell gault clay peg tiles.

P.R.



Medieval glass in the clerestory: the 'cristogram' adopted by Christians as early as the C3, the letters IHS being the first three letters of 'Jesus' in Greek



Finished nave ceiling

Church re-opening celebration

Kingston PCC intends to mark the re-opening of the church with a special celebration early in December, to which everyone in the parish will be warmly invited, along with representatives of our many charitable sponsors and of the various contractors who have been involved with the project. The date and time has yet to be agreed but will be announced by the end of November.



Bourn School Bag Drop Thursday 2nd November

Please bring unwanted clothes, shoes, handbags, belts, hats, scarves, jewellery or perfumes in a tied dustbin bag to the front yard of 2 Short Street, Bourn, or the morning of Thursday 2nd November by 9am, or at drop of at the school gate by 9am if you have a child at Bourn School. Everything will be sent to Happy School Bag for re-use or recycling, avoiding landfill and raising much needed money for Bourn Primary School. Please note, we cannot accept dirty, damaged or wet items, or items not listed above. Thank you for your support! **Bourn School Association**

New clunch window jambs to clerestory window

New chalice, paten, alms dish and safe

Ecclesiastical Insurance, the PCC's insurers, have now settled our claim for the stolen church plate and for a replacement safe. The design for a new chalice and paten has been approved by the PCC and these are now being made by Jonny Stokes and Alewijn Tertius, young silversmiths doing post-graduate training at Bishopsland Trust in Reading.

Bon Appetit

Plenty of Kingston residents will remember Jim and Kay Burnell and their many valued contributions to village life. Monica O'Donnell found and forwarded the following recipe which was once sent to the magazine by Kay Burnell.

KAY BURNELL'S NO-COOK PICKLE

- 1 lb stoneless raisins
- 1 lb sultanas
- 1 lb apples (any sort)
- 1 lb onions
- 1 lb sugar (any sort)
- 1 pt vinegar (malt, wine, cider whatever you have, but standard good quality) Salt, pepper,
- Spices to taste, eg ground coriander, ground cumin, ground allspice, mixed spice, grated nutmeg etc (optional)

Quarter and core apples and peel onions. Chop these along with the raisins and sultanas very finely in a food processor. Transfer to a large bowl and add 1 teasp salt and plenty of pepper, also any other spices you would like to include. Stir in the sugar and then the vinegar.

Cover and leave for 24 hours, stirring from time to time. Sterilise clean jars by heating them in the oven and then pot the pickle in the usual way. Makes approx. 7x1 lb jars.

Longstowe History Society

A Dirty History of Cambridge: Illustrated talk by Alan Denney

Polluted wells, a filthy River Cam, pumped clean water and the waste: it's all here.

Tuesday 28 November 2023 7.30 for 8pm

at Longstowe Village Hall

Admission £3 (Members free) • Refreshments included • Everyone welcome



Sunday December 3

Christmas goods for sale by telephone from a catalogue published in advance.

More items will be on sale at the Village Hall. Refreshments available: tea, coffee, mulled wine and mince pies.

Typical items for sale:

Cakes, biscuits, flapjacks, scones, pastries, mince pies, Christmas puddings and cakes, fudge and chocolates

Jams, chutneys, pates, quiches, sausage rolls, Christmas wreaths, plants, tree and table decorations

Wines and spirits plus home-made sloe gin

Donations needed!

Please give us a 'pledge' for donations. Email or phone details to:

Suzy Stokes Miki Ellar

The catalogue and full details of dates and times will be distributed on the village emailing list a few days in advance. Contact Peter Stokes (pandsstokes@qmail.com) if you are not on the village emailing list.

Kingston Music Club Thursday 9 November

Torrie Smith will take us north to Scotland with a wide-ranging selection of music including folk, traditional fiddle music, Gaelic songs, and classical music from Nicola Benedetti and other well-known performers. The Village Hall will open at 7.15 with drinks available from the bar. The programme will start at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome. If you come along there is absolutely no pressure to volunteer for a future presentation! Simply join us to listen, and to appreciate, some good music!

Simon Draper

REMINDER

The weekly coffee mornings are returning to their normal day and time on 1 Nov. We hope to see you all on Wednesdays at 10:30am once again. All welcome for a warming cuppa and a chat.

Cambridge's annual fireworks

display is on Saturday, November 4, from 7pm at Midsummer Common. Free, donations encouraged. There is no bonfire this year as there is an extended fireworks display. Please arrive early and use public transport if possible. Additional Park & Ride services will be available.

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Arrivals and departures

Sam Wilson, Suzannah Rihn, their daughter Una Wilson-Rihn who is 4 years old, and their dog Rufus have recently moved into Brook Cottage (Eversden Road). They previously lived near Loch Lomond in Scotland. It was good to see them at the October pub night and we look forward to welcoming them at future village events.

Colette Basford, who previously lived at Brook Cottage, has moved to Barton.



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For enquiries about weddings, baptisms, funerals and general parish matters, please contact Chris (as above), visit the website or speak to one of our clergy...

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Village Well Update

A huge thank you to Peter, James, Janet, Karl and Nigel who recently gave their time to clear a lot of ivy and brambles from the area around the village well. They also carried out some general pruning of the plum tree to ensure that it does not cause damage in the future. The area is looking so much better and all the hard work by the group of volunteers is very much appreciated.

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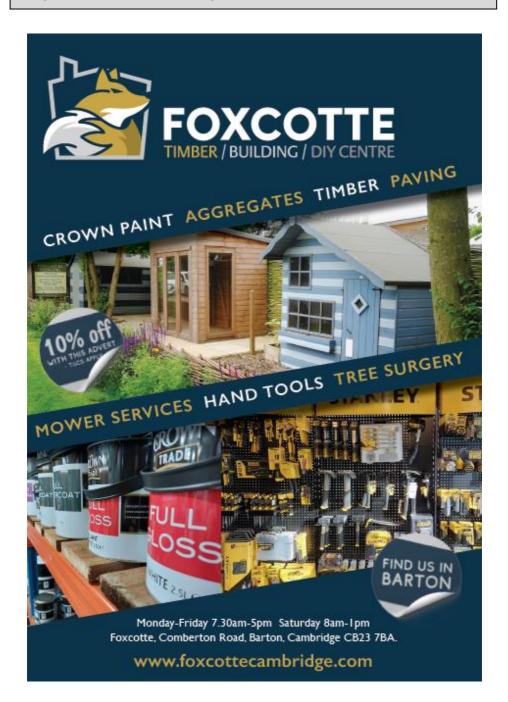
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