

*Kingston Parish & Church
Magazine*



April 2024

Village Diary

Saturday 6th April from 6.30pm

Thursday 11th April 1 – 1.30pm

Pub Night in the Village Hall

Library Van at the crossroads

Tuesdays at 10-11am

Wednesdays at 10.30am

Fridays at 10.00am

Boogie Tuesday at the Village Hall

Village Hall Coffee Morning

Pilates at the Village Hall

Wheelie bin collection dates

Thursday 4th April

Thursday 11th April

Thursday 18th April

Thursday 25th April

Black bin

Blue and Green bins

Black bin

Blue and Green bins

Editorial

It's official. England has more Redwood trees than the state of California. Those are the trees that they ill-advisedly cut huge holes in the trunk to drive cars through. Not a good idea and not done anymore. Many years ago on a trip to California I saw the famous General Sherman tree. That one is a Sequoia, not a Redwood, and purported to be the world's oldest living thing. (Please don't fact-check me). You may remember that that tree is so special they wrapped it in silver foil during the recent forest fires. Thankfully it survived.

As I write this at the end of March, our own lovely specimen trees are back in bloom. Pink and white clouds of blossom in every location lightening our car journeys. I'm sure we all have special ones we look out for every year, glad to see them safely returned for our pleasure. To any young readers who haven't yet been that interested in trees, just you wait. It's one of the definite pleasures to discover as you age.

We await news of the oak seeds planted by some of the village children for the Queen's Jubilee and hope they are all thriving in their pots. Planting plans will be announced in due course.

So with Easter gone, spring really does finally seem on the way and our gardens will soon be revealing just what thrived in the recent unusually wet weather and what did not. Good luck to all keen gardeners amongst you.

Miki Ellar miki.ellar7@gmail.com 07568 706106

Cover photo courtesy of Heather Ginn

Vicar's Letter: In case you are thinking ...

In my world weddings, baptisms and funerals come under the generic title of 'Life Events'. One of the privileges of the English parish system in your local church is to be on hand to meet and guide people through such significant decisions and times. The privilege is two sided – people who live in the parish have a right to ask for these special services and, as a Christian minister, I have the responsibility to respond and support these requests. Inevitably and sadly, these sort of 'Life Events' were put on hold when we were hit by COVID, largely because of the need to keep people safe as well as the logistics being unusually challenging for families, individuals and the church. In the last few weeks, I have (happily) received an unexpected number of requests for christening or baptism. (The terms christening or baptism are, really, interchangeable.) These have come from parents on behalf of their children and, in a couple of instances, from adults.

The patterns of what people expect and do have changed dramatically in the last half century. Whereas in the middle of the last century perhaps 4 out of 5 children would be presented for christening within a year or so of being born, these days the numbers are only about 1 in 10. Therefore, when requests come, they become extra special occasions for the local church; because people have made a conscious decision to buck the trend. I usually ask people why they have chosen christening for their children. The answers are fascinating, because what you are saying and thinking interests me! For some, it's what their family does; for others, it is a good way to gather close family and friends to celebrate the gift of a new life; and for some it is the heartfelt desire to set the upbringing of their children within a clearly Christian framework. For many there is no one answer - it can be some combination of all 3 put together!

When an adult asks to be baptised, I find it could be because they feel they missed out if they weren't christened as a child; or because something has happened to initiate a more conscious interest in spiritual matters. For some, there is also a feeling they want something they are actively aware of and choose rather than relying on what was done for them by their loving parents. Whilst the Christian tradition is, by-and-large, that christening or baptism is something done once, there are things we can do (including with water involved) that are profound and help overcome that feeling some have – for example, "I am told I was there but I would like something to remember about why being a Christian matters to me." When an adult asks me for baptism, I usually ask them whether they want a simple sprinkling at the font or would prefer an occasion where there is a pool in which they can be fully immersed. Both are equally valid and part of our repertoire! Our contribution as the local church is to help people find a pathway that is right for them within our overall Christian understanding. Maybe this is the time for some to do 'catch-up' in 2024. If so, we would love to hear from you!

Nigel di Castiglione, Team Rector (01954 267241 and 07770 697240)

Church Services for April

Sunday 21st April Family Service 10.30am

The church is open every day.

Papworth Team Services

Sunday 7th April 10.30am Team HC at Bourn

The website papworthteamchurches.org 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 except 1 April (Bank Holiday)

Church cleaning

1 st Sunday	vacant
2 nd Sunday	Donal and Monica O'Donnell
3 rd Sunday	Peter Reynolds
4 th Sunday	Janet Clear
5 th Sunday	Linda Rimmer

Church flowers and brasses

7 th April	Linda Smith
14 th April	Miki Ellar
21 st April	Christine Allison
28 th April	Annabel Diggle

Holy Baptism 17th March

Arthur Andrew Carter-Russell, son of Callum and Chloe Carter, grandson of Paul and Elaine Russell, formerly of Crane's Lane.

Barbara Clear R. I. P.

We record with great regret the death of Barbara Clear on March 10th. An appreciation of Barbara will follow next month.

Changes to No.18 bus timetables

From 1 April the 07.20 service from St Neots to Cambridge, via Comberton, departs St Neots earlier at 07.05 (07.25 in school holidays). The 16.32 from St Neots will be extended to Cambridge. Route 18 buses on will leave from bay 3 in Drummer Street bus station. See <https://www.whippetbus.co.uk/media/wthj0shq/18-a4-tt-apr24.pdf>

The Ermine Street Band

presents -

**Joachim Raff:
Sinfonietta op 188
(1873) for ten wind
instruments**

**Mozart:
Gran Partita (abridged)
K362 (1781) for twelve
wind instruments**

Sunday 28th April at 2.30pm

All Saints and St Andrew's Church, Kingston CB23 2NG

Tickets £10 from torriesmith@icloud.com or 07711 147277

Refreshments will be served after the concert; donations will be welcomed

All proceeds to the church restoration fund

Harcamlow Music – concerts in All Saints and St Andrews

Dear friends and neighbours,

We're very happy that "Harcamlow Music" – our little concert series – is coming back to the church in May. A big thank you to the church team that makes this possible!

On Friday May 10th, 7.30pm, Theresa Caudle and Andrew Arthur return to Kingston, this time with Theresa's group "Canzona" – Theresa Caudle and Alice Poppleton, violins; Mark Caudle, viola da gamba, and Andrew Arthur, harpsichord. Their programme with 17th century music from France, Italy, Germany and England is inspired by François Couperin's "Les Nations" – a group of concerts dedicated to various European nations. Combining German, Italian, English and French style of Baroque in one concert requires expertise and masterly playing, and this is what Canzona offers. Don't miss this beautiful event!

Tickets are £14 and £18.

And please pencil in Friday June 21st, 7.30pm for another bespoke – and very special – concert with virtuoso flute quartets. We're extremely happy that Rosie Bowker (flute) and Joanna Patrick (viola) accepted our invitation to play a concert with us in Kingston. The programme includes some miracles for flute, violin, viola and cello, written by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, alongside rarities by François Devienne and others.

Hope to see you at All Saints and St Andrews!

Gwen Owen and Hartmut
harcamlow@outlook.com


FRANÇOIS COUPERIN
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 HENRY PURCELL

Canzona
 Theresa Caudle *violin*
 Alice Poppleton *violin*
 Mark Caudle *viola da gamba*
 Andrew Arthur *harpsichord*

LES NATIONS

17TH CENTURY MUSIC FROM FRANCE, ITALY, GERMANY & ENGLAND

Friday 10 May 2024, 7.30pm
 All Saints and St Andrew Church,
 Kingston, Cambridge CB23 2NG

HARCAMLOW MUSIC  CONCERTS IN KINGSTON, CAMBS

Voter ID

From May 2023, voters are required to show photo ID in polling stations before being allowed to vote. The next scheduled elections in South Cambridgeshire are on 2 May 2024. If you think you might not have the required ID to be able to vote at a polling station you can apply before 5pm on Wednesday 24 April for a free Voter Authority Certificate at <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate>

Accepted forms of photo ID include: UK passport or driving licence, Blue badge, Older Person's or Disabled Person's Bus Pass, Identity card bearing the Proof of Age Standards Scheme hologram (a PASS card). It needs to be the original version and not a photocopy. You can still use your photo ID if it's out of date, as long as it looks like you. The name on your ID should be the same name you used to register to vote.



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The Wintringham Excavations St Neots

Four years of excavations at Wintringham, St Neots, have revealed glimpses of a Middle Bronze Age landscape and Middle Iron Age settlements, followed by a busy Roman rural settlement. Hints of a post-Roman presence, and Early Anglo-Saxon activity will also be explored in this talk.

Illustrated talk by

Stuart Ladd
of Oxford Archaeology

Tuesday 30th April 2024

7.30 for 8pm

LONGSTOWE VILLAGE HALL

Admission: £3 (Members free) - Refreshments included
Everyone welcome

CPR and Defibrillator Training

If you came across someone who had collapsed, what would you do? Should you start CPR (cardio-pulmonary resuscitation) or run and find a defibrillator? Or something else? How long have you got?



I am running some free courses in the Village Hall covering CPR, Recovery Position and basic defibrillator familiarisation on the following dates:

- Wednesday 8 May 12.00 noon (after Coffee Morning)
- Thursday 9 May 7.30pm
- Saturday 11 May 10.30am

Each course will take about 1½ hours. Please text or email me if you would like to attend one of these. Each course can have up to ten participants. If you would like to attend but none of these dates suits you, please contact me and we can look at alternatives.

The courses will involve practical sessions, working in pairs. You will need to be able to kneel on the floor. Wear loose, comfortable clothing such as joggers and trainers.

Please note that most of the training will be delivered through excellent videos produced by the British Heart Foundation.

Peter Stokes,
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Enquiries: Sarah Wright (secretary)

kingstonvillagehall@gmail.com

0787 999 1068



Live Folk Music

saturday 4 May from 6.30 pm

Pub Night - Pizzas

Kingston Village Hall CB23 2NN

Klezmer English Irish Scottish Folk



Thank you for supporting your village church!

Everyone is invited to come along to one of our upcoming services, led by lay people, as an opportunity to think about what God might be calling us to for the future.

The two services in April will help us take a moment to reflect on how we can best be involved in worship, church life and community outreach.

- 10.30am, 14th April at Longstowe, Informal Morning Prayer
- 10.30am, 21st April at Papworth, All Age Service

Come and find out how amazing you are!

Time for a rethink?

Over time, our personal, family and work circumstances change. Sometimes it is good to take a moment to reflect again on how we can best contribute our time and skills to the life and worship of our local church – perhaps by taking on a new challenge. This might mean stepping down from an existing responsibility and praying that someone will take our place. Our upcoming services are a chance to consider this

The two services in April will help us take a moment to reflect on how we can best be involved in worship, church life in all its aspects (including cleaning, hospitality and flower arranging) and community outreach, as well as sharing the love of Christ as we go about our work, family, social and village activities.

Modern Slavery in the Care Sector

Officers are asking the public to be aware of an increase in modern slavery cases in the care sector and to report any concerns.

The care sector is deemed to be at high risk of modern slavery and other labour abuses with unscrupulous individuals exploiting a high level of demand for staff. Victims are primarily trafficked from overseas, deceived into jobs and sold a lie that they will have a better life in the UK when in fact they were recruited for the purpose of exploitation.

It's vital people who come into contact with care workers, or those receiving care, are aware of the signs of slavery and report any concerns.

Signs can include workers:

- Completing excessively long hours or given inadequate breaks
- Appearing fatigued, fearful or under coercion
- Receiving low wages or being charged large fees for recruitment, accommodation or transport
- Living in overcrowded or substandard accommodation provided by their employer
- Having documentation withheld

Please highlight any concerns on <https://www.cambs.police.uk/> via webchat (green icon) or by calling 101.

Wild photography

The Wildlife BCN Trust's 2024 photography competition is now open for submissions – up to the closing date of 2 May, with the theme of Nature All Around. There are lots of great prizes to be won: an amazing overall prize of OM System photography equipment worth £1,799, plus brilliant category prizes from competition supporters Opticron.

There are three categories: Youth, for under 18s; People and Nature; and Flora and Fauna. One overall winner will be chosen from the category winners, and these, plus 21 additional winning images, will feature in the Trust's 2025 wildlife calendar. Images need to be taken anywhere across Beds, Cambs and Northants, it is open to all ages, and free to enter. Get snapping!

www.wildlifebcn.org/photocomp



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RENDEZVOUS 2024



**COFFEE MORNING: Monday 8th April 2024, 10am – 12noon
in Papworth Village Hall**

We hope you can join us for our Easter **Coffee Morning – Everyone Welcome!**

If you need **help with transport please contact Judy: 01954 719351**

Voluntary Contribution: £5 includes coffee/tea/cakes

Homemade Cakes

Quiz

Raffle

Bring and Buy

THE RENDEZVOUS AUGUST EVENT is planned for 12th and 14th August

Please put the date in your diary and mention it to your friends as we'd love to see them

Judy, Anne, Tessa, Charlotte and Rebecca - The Rendezvous Team

For more information or **to book your place for the August event:** Judy (01954 719351) or
Anne (01480 880672) |

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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...

> The Revd Nigel di Castiglione, Team Rector – 07770 697240 - 01954 267241

News from Bourn School

St Etheldreda

Last year, Bourn school took part in the Ely Diocese competition to design a wall panel of the life of St Etheldreda which would hang in Ely Cathedral. Our design was one of 12 that were made by the broiderers of Ely Cathedral and is now hanging in pride of place. If you have a chance to visit Ely Cathedral - look out for it!



Bourn School's Giraffe!

A giraffe decorated by Bourn School has taken its place in Lion Yard, alongside a herd of 31 giraffes decorated by local artists! It is part of a sculpture trail, Cambridge Standing Tall, on the city's streets, that also includes 62 Mini Giraffes, each created by local schools and community groups. The giraffes are a representation of Break, a charity standing tall for young people with care experience and telling them that the sky is never the limit. You can find the giraffes by downloading the Cambridge Standing Tall app or picking up a map (voluntary donation of £1 suggested) at Hilton Cambridge City Centre, Cambridge BID Ambassadors at Peas Hill or CB1 near train station, Gonville Hotel, Heffers Bookstore, or Novotel Cambridge North.

Many of the sculptures will be sold at a charity auction in Cambridge in June 2024, after the trail has ended. Money raised will allow Break to support local care leavers as they make their next steps into independence as young adults.

All the Mini Giraffes decorated by local schools and community groups will be returned to them.

<https://break-charity.org/cambridge-standing-tall/>

Bourn Players

A big THANK YOU to everyone who came along to see Bourn Players 'City of Angels'. The production was our most ambitious yet, challenging the backstage crew and the performers more than ever before. Nevertheless, all rose to the challenge and the production was a great success garnering some terrific reviews.

'Congratulations to the whole Bourn Players team. 'City of Angels' was amazing! The singing, acting and music were outstanding. Hard to believe that this was a performance by amateurs, it was so good!'

'I came to see the show tonight and just wanted to say that what an amazing work Bourn Players have done with City of Angels. The team has done a great job! There was not a single moment of dullness, we absolutely loved it to the end - very well done.'

Profits from the show will go to OHMI - a wonderful charity that provides specially modified musical instruments for disabled children and adults.

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