

# THE LINK

*The Magazine of The Knightley parishes*



**March 2020**

**Badby ☒ Newnham ☒ Charwelton ☒ Fawsley ☒ Preston Capes**

## THE KNIGHTLEY PARISHES

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### Services for March 2020

	1 March I Lent 1	8 March II Lent 2	15 March III Lent 3	22 March IV Mothering Sunday	29 March V Lent 5	5 April VI PALM
Badby	11:00 Holy Communion CW [AS]	11:00 Family Service [SR]	United Benefice Service	11:00 Moth. Sunday Family Service [SR]	United Benefice Service	United Benefice Service
Newnham	09:30 Holy Communion CW [AS]	08:30 Holy Communion CW [JS]		??? Moth. Sunday Service [??]		
Charwelton	18:00 Evensong BCP (Chapel) [GW]		Holy Communion at	10:00 Moth. Sunday Service (Chapel) [??]	Holy Communion at	Holy Communion at
Fawsley		11:00 Holy Communion BCP [VB]		11:00 Holy Communion BCP [JS]		
Preston Capes	09:30 Said Morning Prayer BCP [BR]	09:30 Holy Communion CW [VB]	Charwelton (Church) [AoN]	10:00 Mothering Sunday Family Service [HW]	Preston Capes [VB]	Badby [VB]

### OTHER SERVICES

Tuesday 17 March

6.30 pm

Badby

ESOW

## SUNDAY READINGS

### Principal Service CW

- for other services see Lectionary

Date	Feast	Page*	Year	OT †	NT	Gospel
1 Mar	Lent 1	117	A	Gen 2, 15-17 & 3, 1-7	Rom 5, 12-19	Matt 4, 1-11
8 Mar	Lent 2	121	A	Gen 12, 1-4a	Rom 4, 1-5 & 13-17	John 3, 1-17
15 Mar	Lent 3	125	A	Exod 17, 1-7	Rom 5, 1-11	John 4, 5-42
22 Mar	Mothering Sunday		A	Exod 2, 1-10	2 Cor 1, 3-7	Luke 2, 33-35
29 Mar	Lent 5	142	A	Ezek 37, 1-14	Rom 8, 6-11	John 11, 1-45
5 Apr	PALM SUNDAY	149	A	Isa 50, 4-9a	-	Matt 26, 14 - 27end or Matt 27, 11-54

NOTES: 1. \*These page numbers refer to "The Word of the Lord", a copy of which will be available in your church. All the readings in that book are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.  
2. †The Old Testament readings during Trinity will be from Track 2 of Common Worship  
3. At non-communion services the second reading should normally be the Gospel.

### SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

Mon. 6 April Compline at Newnham 7.00pm  
Tue. 7 April Compline at Fawsley 7.00pm  
Wed. 8 April Compline at Badby 7.00pm  
Maundy Thur. 9 April HC at Charwelton Chapel 7.00pm  
Good Friday Liturgy at Fawsley 12.00md  
Liturgy at Newnham 1.00pm  
Liturgy at Preston Capes 2.00pm

### ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS

The Annual Meetings of the parishes take place over the next couple of months on the following dates:

**Badby** 30 April  
**Newnham** 23 March  
**Charwelton** 12 March  
**Fawsley**  
**Preston Capes** 1 April

The APCMs are occasions when the Churchwardens are elected, when the PCCs are elected, and the annual reports on the finances and other aspects of the church presented. They are open to everyone, and everyone may vote (with the proviso that only those on the Church Electoral Roll may vote in the PCC elections). The Meeting is your opportunity to have your say in church affairs so please do your best to attend and make your voice heard.

Details of the arrangements in the various parishes are in the appropriate sections of the Link.



## THE BISHOP'S LETTER

### Bangladesh and The Leprosy Mission

I'm recently back from just over a week in Bangladesh on behalf of The Leprosy Mission. Bangladesh is not an easy place to visit, to live in, or in which to suffer serious illness. It is a place of desperate and extreme poverty.

The people, at least those I met - ranging from the poorest city slum-dwellers and isolated rural people, to senior government officials - were unfailingly polite and courteous, warm and welcoming. The religious tolerance was remarkable for anywhere, not least that region of the world: Bangladesh is 90+% Muslim, but Hindus and Christians were fully accepted and respected.

The climate is quite extreme, with a long hot rainy season bringing flooding, increasing year on year, and a very dry cooler winter, but not quite cold enough to kill off the ubiquitous mosquitos. (I was fortunate to share my very basic guest house room - and even my bed - with a small family of geckos: they don't hurt people, but they do eat mozzies.) The river delta in the south, where millions live, is at serious risk of being submerged if sea levels rise.

Leprosy has been fully curable, if caught in the early stages, since the early 1980s. A simple drug treatment, provided free to patients by the manufacturers Novartis,

and distributed by the World Health Organisation, does the trick. The problems lie in catching it early (really difficult when there is not much fear of it and ignorance of the cure), in treating the horrible complications of the more advanced cases, and in overcoming the stigma attached to those affected by leprosy. There are still 4,000 new cases diagnosed in Bangladesh every year, and one every two seconds across the poorest areas of the world.

That is where The Leprosy Mission comes in. It was so impressive to see their doctors, researchers, nurses (all Bangladeshi but funded mainly from this country) and a growing number of volunteer workers doing such a wonderful and sacrificial job. I had the privilege of preaching three times to very different groups, as well as of meeting all sorts of people. I know that our interest and support are succeeding in getting the Bangladeshi government, and the churches there, more involved in the great and achievable aim of eradicating leprosy in their country.

Please pray for Bangladesh, and for The Leprosy Mission.

With best wishes

+ Donald  
Bishop of Peterborough

## BENEFICE PAGE

### EVENING SERVICE OF THE WORD

This service is held once a month on Tuesday evening (following the third Sunday of the month) at 6.30pm at St. Mary's Badby. Led in turn by some of those who attend, there is always a brief talk about somebody inspirational. All welcome! Forward ESOW dates are March 17th. and April 21st.

### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our Wine and Quiche Evening will be held in Badby Village Hall on Friday, March 13 at 7.30pm. We have a talk from Napton Cidery, a family-run business which started with their first batch of cider from an apple tree in their garden. There will be an opportunity to taste the cider and purchase it on the night. Our famous home-made quiches and buffet will follow with wine and soft drinks, first drink free and more on sale. Non-members and friends welcome. The limited number of tickets at £10.50 each (£8.50 for members) are available from committee members. There will also be a raffle. More information from Angela Waldock on 07745 850053 or angelawaldock@me.com. Our Plant Sale will be held in the Badby Village Hall on Sunday, May 10.

### BYFIELD TENNIS CLUB

LTA coaches are running 5 sessions of coaching for Infant School age children (free for those who have not previously attended any of our coaching) and 5 sessions Rusty Racquets adult sessions (£35) for those who are beginners or wanting to take up tennis again. Dates are Fridays 24th April until 22nd May, 4.00pm for the young children and 8.30-9.30 pm for rusty racquets respectively. Contact Peter Cowley 07539 244155 for details about all this coaching.

The Tennis Club also has a novice practice group running on Saturdays 9-10.30 am – Email Steve McCoy if you are interested: stevemccoy@gmail.com

### BADBY AND DISTRICT FILM SOCIETY

The films to be screened this month are:

#### Thu 26th March BILLY LIAR (1963)

'Kitchen-sink' comedy drama set in Bradford. Directed by John Schlesinger, starring Tom Courtenay, Julie Christie, Mona Washbourne, Leonard Rossiter & Wilfred Pickles. One of BFI's Top 100 British films (95 mins, B&W, PG cert).

#### Fri 27th March BLINDED BY THE LIGHT (2019)

'Coming-of-age' story of a British-Pakistani Muslim teenager in Luton in 1987: comedy-drama inspired by the life of a journalist and his love of the works of Bruce Springsteen. 'Like a life-affirming rock anthem, [it] hits familiar chords with confidence & flair... [leaving] audiences cheering for an encore' (117 mins, 12 cert).

If you are interested in finding out more about the Society and its forthcoming programme, please get in touch with Karen Brown on 312158.

### JAZZ SOIRÉE FRANÇAISE BADBY VILLAGE HALL

Saturday June 6th sees another great concert at Badby Village Hall, with pianist Tom Kincaid (who came last March) plus a wonderful singing discovery Alison Bennett. Alison sings in both English and French, having had her own band in Tahiti! Completing the accompanying band will be Bob Caldwell and trumpeter Dave Leithead. The meal will consist of Waitrose's substantial canapes. Tickets at £17 for this bring-your-own-drinks event are available from Bob Caldwell 07703 821042 or cladders@icloud.com



## PARISH NOTICES

### BADBY

Correspondent - Geoff Pullin (gcsspullin@yahoo.com)

	Reader	Sidesman	Server
1 Mar	R. McBeth F. Williams	C. Nelson G. Nelson	C. Nelson
8 Mar	TBA	S. Rose F. Williams	NR
22 Mar	TBA	S. Rose F. Williams	NR
5 Apr	M. Nicholls G. White	C. Nelson G. Nelson	P. Wakeford

### 11am SUNDAY SERVICES IN MARCH

1<sup>st</sup>: Once again, we warmly welcome our friend Revd Canon Ann Slater for this first Holy Communion of Lent. We will be having refreshments after the service so there will be plenty of time to talk to Ann over a cup of coffee or tea.

8<sup>th</sup>: We will be looking at the meaning of Grace and what it means to be kind. So join us for this lay-led service to find out more about this topical theme and please stay for refreshments after the service.

22<sup>nd</sup>: Calling all Godparents! Join us for our traditional Mothering Sunday Service. This year we will be discussing the importance and influence of all parents and especially Godparents within the Church. After the service we will be sharing posies and cake!

### CHURCH CLEANING IN MARCH

w/b 2: Gill Nelson, Lib Chapman, Jo Hind  
w/b 9: Ann Cotton, Monique Shortt, Ann Syred  
w/b 16: Helen Morris, Gillie Morley, Ann Skinner  
w/b 23: Jan Cooper, Moira Cooper, Judy Jordan

### BADBY FLORAL BEE

We are all set with an exciting new programme of flower displays aimed at developing skills and confidence in flower arranging. We meet on the first Thursday of each month in the village hall at 7.15pm. On Thursday, March 5, we will tackle a seasonal arrangement from a wooden base, with help and guidance from our florist Tracy. Each session is

made suitable for both novice and experienced arrangers.

Contact Liz Hudson on 01327 877797 for more information or pop in on the night to see us in action.

### TEA AND MEET

Tea and Meet is open to everyone on Friday, March 6 from 2pm - 3.30pm in the village hall. Come along to enjoy the company of village friends and neighbours whilst eating delicious cake with an afternoon cuppa. Always a great afternoon!

### UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

The congregation will welcome you in March on Sundays at 10am for family worship on the 1<sup>st</sup> with Bible study; then on 8<sup>th</sup> led by Mary Barrett; 15<sup>th</sup> Gareth Middleton; 22<sup>nd</sup> Revd Michael Bond and 29<sup>th</sup> Pat Paine.

### LENT SOUP LUNCHEAS

Our series of soup lunches continues on Wednesday, March 4. If you would like to come, because it's Lent or just to be sociable, please contact the host to see if there is still a place. Suggested donation is £5 in aid of St. Mary's Church funds. Each lunch starts at 12.15pm and ends at 2pm on these dates:-

Date	Host	Where	Contact
Wed Mar 4	Gill & Chris Nelson	The Cottage	01327 300034
Wed Mar 11	Christine & Mike Warburton	Pennywick	07798 656614 01327 878940
Wed Mar 25	Judy Jordan	Thyme Cottage	07752 384969

### BADBY & FAWNSLEY WI

At 7.30pm in the village hall on Thursday, March 12, Will Adams from THE SAMARITANS when we will learn much more about the fine work that this charity provides for those in need of help and support. For further information, contact Kathy Day on 01327 438582.

## COFFEE MORNING

The monthly coffee morning in St Mary's Church will be on Tuesday, March 17 from 10.30am to 12 noon. Everyone will be most welcome to come along for coffee, tea, home-made cake and chat.

## BADBY SINGS

The next Badby Sings event will be on Sunday, March 15 from 2.30 to 4pm in the village hall. Open to all people in Badby, Daventry and surrounding areas - singing for fun and health with a professional choir leader. All abilities welcome: £5 adult, £2 under 16s on every third Sunday of the month in 2020.

## CRICKET CLUB

At the AGM all existing committee members were re-elected unopposed and Paul Justice was appointed as the new social secretary. Domestic fixtures start on Sunday, May 3 with an away fixture at Eydon then at Everdon the following Sunday. There will be a full summer schedule through to the annual tour in September with a weekend trip to Brno in the Czech Republic. Adult annual membership remains at £50 with juniors fixed at £10. More details next month about the club's first social of the year.

## NGS OPEN GARDENS & TEAS

A date for your diary - Badby NGS Open Gardens will be taking place this year on Sunday, May 17 from 2 - 6 pm. Four gardens will be opening to raise funds for charities. Admission to all gardens will be £5, free for children. Cakes and refreshments will be available in close-by St Mary's Church all afternoon with profits going to church funds.



## NEWNHAM

Correspondent - Ellen Henning  
(ellen.henning@hotmail.co.uk)

	Reader	Sidesman
1 Mar	Brian Price	Nick Beer
8 Mar	Janet Rees	Jeff Lawrence
22 Mar	TBA	TBA

## REPLACEMENT HEATING

Having finally repaired the Chancel roof we can now proceed with our replacement heating scheme for which we had been fund-raising prior to the theft. The new electric heaters have been ordered and a contract drawn up with an electrical contractor. Hopefully the installation should begin W/C 2nd March.

## SNOWDROP SUNDAY

This year our planned Snowdrop Sunday was a disaster, - having postponed it for a week because of storm "Ciara" we were then subjected to the ravages of storm "Dennis". Nevertheless thank you to all those who braved the elements on both days, especially Andrew and Penny Banks and of course our "tea ladies"

## APCM

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting takes place on Monday 23rd March at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Everybody is welcome to attend, and any village resident can vote in the election of the Churchwardens, however only those on the electoral roll may vote in the other elections.

## GLADYS SHOESMITH

Congratulations to Gladys on recently celebrating her 90th birthday. Gladys has for many years been a very good friend of Newnham church and very kindly donated our Book of Remembrance in memory of her late husband Ron. We all send her our Best Wishes.

## RINGERS

On Saturday 8th February we hosted the service and ringing for the Daventry Branch of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild of Church Bell ringers. Rev. Dawn Stokes (Priest in charge at Daventry, Holy Cross) officiated and James Millsop played the organ.

## ART EVENING

A fun art evening is being held in Newnham Village Hall NN11 3ET on Thursday 5th March at 7.30 pm. No previous experience is necessary but we

guarantee you will leave with your own masterpiece! Painting Perfect, a husband and wife team, will work us through how to create a wonderful picture. £20 including drink. Limited tickets available from Claire Court on 01327 702238 or cecourt@aol.com. enquiries: Penny on 01327 310945

## NEWNHAM VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

Congratulations to the winners in the February Draw.  
£50 Prize No 81 Mr & Mrs Townsend  
£25 Prize No 7 Mr & Mrs Millsop  
£25 Prize No 145 Mr & Mrs Harding

A few numbers have recently become available, so if you are interested in joining the 200 Club, which is open to all residents, please contact Anne (01327) 702039 or Ivy (01327) 703650.

## JUMBLE SALE

Jumble Sale in Newnham Village Hall NN11 3ET on Saturday 7th March 2.00-3.30pm. Entrance 20p. come and enjoy tea and cake whilst browsing amongst high quality bric-a-brac bargains. Nearly New clothes (including children's), books, toys, produce - and so much more... The Hall will be open from 10-12pm for delivery of contributions)

## VILLAGE HISTORY

Interested in Newnham's history? Then visit the Village Hall on Saturday 28 March (2 - 5 pm) to see a varied display of pictures, documents and artefacts relating to the village's past. Bring along any items (or your stories) to share in an informal atmosphere. Teas available. Admission free. Small donation for Village Hall maintenance appreciated.

## HISTORY SOCIETY

An enthusiastic and nostalgic inaugural gathering of a newly formed history society met at the Romer Arms on 4th of February, with others unable to attend having expressed a wish to be involved. Those attending learnt something new about the village as well as meeting new faces. The next meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 17 March at 8pm, again in the Romer Arms. All are welcome, and for those unable to attend and/or who wish to know more, then please either email

newnhamhistorysociety@btinternet.com or drop a note into Wren Cottage on The Green

## VE DAY ANNIVERSARY

Newnham's VE Day Street Party will take place on Bank Holiday Friday 8 May from 1.30pm until late. There will be marquees on The Green with seating and entertainment. Raffle with great prizes. Bring your own food or enjoy the barbeque by Maria's Kitchen who will also provide the bar. Music and dancing with "Newnham Squadron", vintage military vehicles and equipment, fete games and vintage stalls on The Green.

Linking to national events The Last Post and Toast to Heroes will be at 3pm and the Bells will ring for Peace at 7pm. Join Dad's Army, "Churchill" and The Land Girls for a fun afternoon by dressing up 40s style. Tickets for seats in the entertainment marquee (including a raffle ticket) available £5, children and over 75s £2 from J Dorkins 07767494867 judithdorkins@btinternet.com. Tickets limited so book early to avoid disappointment. All profits will go to the military charities SSAFA and Help for Heroes.

## DANCE CLASSES

In preparation for the village VE day Joan and Harry will be giving free 1940's style dance lessons in Newnham village hall on Friday 17th and Friday 24th April from 8 pm to 10 pm. If you would like to learn swing jive, Lambeth walk, Charleston or social foxtrox come and join us. No dance experience or partner necessary.

## VILLAGE HALL

Party Night - Saturday 25th April, 7.30pm - Dance the night away with Smooth Connection belting out music from the 70s and 80s. Tickets £7.50 - finger food provided, beer and wine for sale and we provide glasses. Fun night with, hopefully, plenty of dancing at Newnham Village Hall. Tickets available from Jo on 876764 and Sue on 703708. Ticket entry only.

Advance notice of a Summer Fashion Show - Friday 5th June, 7.10 for 7.30 start at Newnham Village Hall (in aid of Harry's Trust & Village Hall)

Fashion from Daisy B Boutique in Sheaf Street, Daventry. Aspiring models needed! Enquiries & tickets: Daisy B Boutique 877111.

#### NEWNHAM WI

We will be meeting in the Village Hall on the 19th March at 7.30pm. Our topic for this evening is the History of Newnham's WI. This will be presented by two of our Members with photos and memories and all our members will be able to join in. We welcome all visitors to our meetings so please come and join us. For further details please contact Carol on 01327 872861 or Sue on 01327 439612



#### CHARWELTON

Correspondent - David Pound  
(davidpound1939@talktalk.net)

	Reader/Sidesman	Flowers
1 Mar	Graham White	None
15 Mar	Meryl Nicholls	
22 Mar	Kate & Ed Gibbs	

Chapel cleaning	
March	Meryl Nicholls
April	June Pound

#### ANNUAL MEETINGS

These take pace on Thursday 12th. March at 7.30pm in the Chapel. They are a good opportunity for people to come along to input ideas and suggestions which will support the PCC in their continuing efforts to keep our Church and Chapel alive and to help it to flourish further. Everyone is welcome to come and ask questions and see if there is anything they feel they could contribute to our Parish. See page 3.

#### MOTHERING SUNDAY

The service on Sunday 22nd. March will be one for Mothering Sunday and will be held in the Chapel at 10.00am. All mothers are most warmly invited.

At the service posies will be presented to the mothers, and we will be making those in the Chapel on the previous day, Saturday 21st March, between

10 and 11am. If any children (or adults, come to that) would like to join us they would be more than welcome.

#### JAN 100 CLUB

The winning ticket of the January 100 Club was No. 2 - Mary Checkley. Congratulations.

#### VILLAGE HALL

The next whist drive is on Monday 16th March at 7.30pm.

#### BELL RINGING

I feel that with the Spring approaching I would like to ask if there is anyone interested in learning Bell Ringing in Charwelton. Please contact me grahamwhite1982@gmail.com phone 013227264393 or 07943156431.

#### CONCERT

A further reminder that the 7th. Annual Concert by the John Cleveland Band will be on Saturday 4th. July at 7.30pm. Tickets will be on sale shortly, so please put the date in your diaries.



#### FAWSLEY

Correspondent - Vacant

	Reader	Flowers
8 Mar	TBC	None
22 Mar	Robin Baker	

#### STORM DAMAGE

The recent strong winds we have had have blown in several of the small panes of glass in the clerestory windows in the church.

We have covered the windows to stop the rain from entering the church and swept the floor of debris. We hope that they can be repaired soon.

Please take extra care when visiting the church.

#### FIORI MUSICALI AT FAWSLEY 10th APRIL

At 7pm in the Church Fiori Musicali will be presenting their popular traditional concert of choral sacred music for Good Friday including Allegri's famous Miserere. Tickets are available online at fiori-musicali.com and depending on demand a few may be available at the door.

#### LITTER PICK

Our annual litter pick will be on Saturday 14th March. Please meet at the entrance to Fawsley Hall Hotel at 11.00am. Refreshments afterwards at Knightley Lodge.



#### PRESTON CAPES

Correspondent - Gerard Hoare

	Reader	Sidesman	Cleaning
1 Mar	Luke Bridgeman	Claire Hoare	Mike Scragg
8 Mar	Anabel Lewis-Bowen	Mireya Weaver	& Chris Lumbis
22 Mar	TBA	V Brassey Elizabeth Dearn	
29 Mar	Gerard Hoare	Claire Hoare Peter Smith	

#### CHURCH FLOWERS

No flowers this month until Easter Saturday.

April. All the team are involved please for Easter decorations, as from Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April. Please can arrangements be done before or after the Baptism 1130 to 1330.

#### MEXICAN EVENING FRIDAY MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>, REMINDER !!

It is not yet too late to join us for a Mexican Fiesta evening, but be quick!!

Tickets are £13.50, with the first Mexican drink included free, from organizer Mireya Weaver (361201) and Anabel Lewis-Bowen (361298).

#### MOTHERING SUNDAY 22ND MARCH Family Service 10:00 am

This will be a special Family Service for children. Mothering Sunday posies will be assembled by the children during the service, (when refreshments are served). The posies are then given to their special family guests. All the necessary flowers will be provided.

Do come and join us, bring all the family, especially Mothers and Grandmothers who will be most welcome. The service will last under 60 minutes, including the break for refreshments.

#### EASTER SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

In the continuing absence of priest of our own, we shall have one United Benefice Service at 1000 this Easter Sunday. It will be held at Newnham and the celebrant will be the Rt Rev John Holbrook, the Bishop of Brixworth.

#### FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Please make use of the collection box just inside the church door for the dried and tinned food and toiletries required. What is suitable is listed on the box.

Scilla Smith is our organiser, will move contents to Towcester twice a month, and is happy to answer queries; tel 361347. Can we try to support this strongly?

#### CHURCHYARD MOWING VOLUNTEERS

The new rota for 2020 will be out in April. We have had as many as 22 people involved in turns, and their efforts give us a welcoming and mown churchyard to be very proud of. Thank you to them all.

If there are any new volunteers for one or two duties, taking perhaps 2 hours each, they will be gratefully accepted. There is a church mower available. Please contact Gerard Hoare, 361570.

With our plans for a 'Living Churchyard', we will continue the mowing regime that complements the scheme and which aims to enhance parts of the north churchyard as a meadow type habitat for wild life and plants.

## COFFEE MORNING AND PERFECT PLANT SALE

This will be held at Old West Farm, Little Preston on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 10.0 am to 1.00pm.  
Like previous years this is a big occasion and the coffee, plants, raffle prizes and snacks are superb. Ample parking. Please put the date in your diaries now.

## OPEN GARDENS IN NATIONAL GARDENS SCHEME. SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY

Five gardens will be open in our villages from 1.00pm to 5.00pm. They are City Cottage, The Manor and The Old Rectory in Preston Capes and North Farm and Old West Farm at Little Preston. There will be plants for sale and homemade teas at The Old Rectory, all in aid of church funds.

## ANNUAL VESTRY AND PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This will take place on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 7.00 in the CHURCH. Members of the Church Electoral Roll will receive the Agenda and papers beforehand, and all are very welcome to attend.

The PCC is very grateful to all those people whose listing on the Roll demonstrates both their support for the work of the church here and their willingness to be voting members of it. Forms to V Brassey please by 1<sup>st</sup> March.

## BELL RINGERS

The work of our ringers is much appreciated, and the band is always looking for more members. If you would like to learn or resume bell-ringing, you will be made very welcome. Please contact Graham White (tel. 264393) or Sheila Bull (tel. 361395) direct.

## EDUCATIONAL CHARITY

The parish is fortunate to have a fund to apply to annual grants. Invitations to apply will be distributed to households with children under 25 years of age in May. Applications will be invited for the next academic year, 2020-2021 and funds to assist with education, training, sports, pastimes and travel etc. can be applied for. All applications are treated in strict confidence by the Trustees - the Rector, the

Churchwardens V Brassey and Gerard Hoare, Bill Dearn and Graham Stanton. Beverley Bayne is the Hon Secretary. For more details, do talk to a Trustee in the first instance, and look out for the letter in May.

## VILLAGE HALL

An important new date for your diary is Friday May 8<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating VE Day with a street party in the afternoon continuing into the evening with more entertainment. Further details will follow but put it in your diary now.

March events start with the bar on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>, then Coffee and Chat on the 6<sup>th</sup> with the Friday bar on 13<sup>th</sup>. Finally in March there will be another quiz on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>, door opens at 7.30 and quiz starts 8.00. £5 per head with supper.

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

This month's meeting will be held at Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March, at 7.30pm in the village hall, when we shall be welcoming a speaker from *The Good Loaf* (a Northamptonshire-based artisan bakery and cafe which provides employment opportunities for vulnerable women).

Non-WI members are very welcome to attend up to three meetings per year. There is an entrance of fee of £4.00, which includes tea/coffee and cake. For bookings (which should be made at least a week in advance of the meeting), please contact our Secretary, Penny Eves, at PennyEves@aol.com or telephone 01327-361656.

Also this month, Preston Capes WI will also be holding their traditional **Mother's Day Coffee Morning & Cake Sale** on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> March (10.30am to noon in the village hall). Come along and buy from our delicious selection of home-made cakes!



## THE MEANING OF LIFE

Life is rather like a horse race. It's over before it's hardly started - and you have no money at the end of it.

[Rev'd: Jack Marsh, courtesy of Miles Kingston]

# DIARY

This diary records the proposed dates of any benefice, parish or village events. We hope that this will help those planning such events to know what else is going on and therefore be able to avoid any unhelpful clashes of dates.  
If you know, or become aware, of events which ought to be recorded please let David Pound, or your village Link correspondent, know.

Events known about so far are:

## March

- 1 PC Sunday bar
- 4 Badby Lent lunch
- 5 Badby PCC
- 6 PC coffee & chat
- 6 PC Mexican evening
- 7 Newnham Jumble Sale
- 11 Badby Lent lunch
- 12 Charwelton APCM & PCC
- 13 PC Friday bar
- 13 Hort Soc Wine & Quiche
- 15 Badby Sing's for Fun
- 16 Newnham PCC
- 16 Charwelton Whist Drive
- 17 Badby church coffee morning
- 17 Newnham History Society
- 19 Newnham WI
- 23 Newnham APCM
- 25 Badby Lent lunch
- 28 PC Quiz night
- 28 Newnham History Day

## April

- 1 Preston Capes APCM
- 2 Badby Lent lunch
- 3 PC Coffee and Chat
- 3 Newnham Bingo
- 5 PC Sunday bar
- 9 Badby Lent lunch
- 10 PC Friday bar
- 10 Fiori Musicali Fawsley
- 19 Badby Sing's for Fun
- 20 PC Village Hall AGM
- 21 Badby church coffee morning
- 23 BC meeting
- 24 Badby Quiz
- 25 Newnham VH Party Night
- 28 PC WI

## 30 Badby APCM

## May

- 1 PC Coffee and Chat
- 3 PC Sunday Bar
- 7 Charwelton PCC
- 8 Badby VE Day celebrations
- 8 Newnham VE 75 event
- 8 PC VE Day Celebrations
- 10 Hort Soc Plant Sale
- 10 Badby VE Day Big Breakfast
- 11 Newnham PCC
- 17 Badby Sing's for Fun
- 17 Badby NGS Open Gardens & teas
- 18 PC Gardeners' Coffee Morning and Plant Sale
- 19 Badby church coffee morning
- 24 Newnham NGS open gardens
- 24 PC WI
- 27 Preston Capes PCC
- 28 Badby PCC
- 31 NGS Open Gardens Preston Capes

## June

- 5 PC Coffee and Chat
- 7 PC Sunday bar
- 12 PC Friday bar
- 16 Badby church coffee morning
- 21 Badby Sing's for Fun
- 21 Newnham Village open gardens
- 23 PC WI
- 28 Inter-village Croquet Tournament

## July

- 2 Charwelton PCC
- 3 PC Coffee and Chat
- 4 John Cleveland Band Charwelton
- 5 PC Sunday bar
- 10 PC Friday bar
- 11 District bellringers: P C, Fawsley, Charwelton
- 19 Badby Sing's for Fun
- 21 Badby church coffee morning
- 23 BC Meeting
- 25 PC Annual Cook Out
- 28 PC WI
- 29 Preston Capes PCC
- 30 Badby PCC

## August

- 16 Badby Sing's for Fun
- 18 Badby church coffee morning



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What an appalling few weeks of rain & wind. We hope everyone survived without too much damage - our thoughts go out to those who suffered the severe flooding.

Onto brighter things ...

**Friday 8 May** is the rescheduled bank holiday. It is the 75th anniversary of the ending of World War II in Europe - VE day.

### SAVE THE DATE !!

A small army of volunteers have been working hard behind the scenes to put together a village street party on The Green, with live musical entertainment & games, with appearances from Dad's Army and Land Girl's as part of the celebrations.

Beginning just after lunchtime and running through until the evening, it promises to be a super event.

See elsewhere in the Link for other information, but leaflets and flyers will soon be dropping through your doors!

Work on the new community website is now almost complete. We have a "go live" date of Monday 2 March 2020.

It is intended for you, the community. Have a look & let us know what you think. Any village organisations/businesses that would like to be included on the website then please let us know.

It includes a diary of events, so if you have something planned that you want others to know about, then post it.

The "baby" swing that was removed when the nest swing was installed is to be put back up. We are waiting for a slightly drier day to do so, but it will be soon.

The next Meeting of the Parish Council is on Monday 2 March at 7.30pm in the village hall. Local election are due to take place on Thursday 7 May 2020. This is not just elections to appoint Councillors for the new unitary authority, but also to appoint Parish Councillors.

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