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Kettering All Saints
Monthly Update

Alive!

**“The Church in the Park – Growing
in Faith, Hope and Love”**



JANUARY 2024

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CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

Sun 31st	10.30am	Parish Eucharist – Christmas 1
1 st Jan	No Service	Happy 2024 – everyone!
4 th	11am	Home Communion at Avery Park
Sun 7th	10.30am	Parish Eucharist – Baptism of Christ (Epiphany)
8th	7.30-8pm 8pm	Holy Eucharist PCC meeting
11 th	11am	Home Communion at Ashley Court
Sun 14th	10.30am	Parish Eucharist – Epiphany 2
15th	7.30-8pm	Holy Eucharist with Healing & Wholeness
19 th	7.30pm	Fun Quiz
Sun 21st	10.30am	Parish Eucharist – Epiphany 3
22nd	7.30-8pm	Holy Eucharist
27 th	10.30-12.30	Listening to God at All Saints
Sun 28th	10.30am	Parish Eucharist – Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)
29th	7.30-8pm	Holy Eucharist
3 rd Feb	8.30-11.30	Preloved and new Table-Top Sale
Sun 4th	10.30am	Parish Eucharist – Second Sunday before Lent

Listening to God



Christian meditation group meeting
at All Saints Church 27th Jan 10.30 – 12.30

Ring Jennie Loasby on 07990 588135



Bishop Debbie Sellin is Confirmed as the 39th Bishop of Peterborough



The service, which is steeped in history and tradition, takes place in the presence of the Archbishop of Canterbury in the Court of the Vicar General. It confirms that the correct procedures have been carried out to allow Bishop Debbie to legally become the Bishop of Peterborough, following her Appointment by the Crown Nominations Commission and her Election by the Canons of Peterborough Cathedral.

The current wording in the process of confirmation, which would have been in Latin prior to the eighteenth century, reflects its origins in medieval canon law. There are several stages in the proceedings which include: the reading of the Letters Patent, which is a decree from the King to the Archbishop to arrange the confirmation; the legal representative of the new Bishop, and the legal representative of the Diocese proving that all the necessary procedures have been adhered to and there are no objections; Bishop Debbie taking her oaths of allegiance; and the decree of the Court which confers upon her 'the care, government and administration of the spirituals' of the bishopric.

Whilst this means that Bishop Debbie is now legally the Bishop of Peterborough, her duties will be delegated to Bishop John until her

installation at Peterborough Cathedral in March when her public ministry will begin.

During the service Archbishop Justin gave a charge to Bishop Debbie, calling on her to remember 'above all the one who has commissioned you' saying 'the most important thing is not who you are but whose you are', and asking her to challenge as well as being challenged, to uphold the unity of the Church, to explore opportunities for effective ministry and mission and to encourage clergy and laity alike in their discernment and strengths.

The Archbishop also asked her to prepare herself with deep prayer and contemplation and be present in the community both at times of joy and sorrow.

The service was attended by Bishop Debbie's friends, family and colleagues from the Diocese of Peterborough.

<https://www.peterborough-diocese.org.uk/bishopdebbieisconfirmed.php>.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Happy New Year to you my dear
I hope your dreams come true,
And every prayer that floats in the air
Is magically granted to you.

Happy New Year to you dear friends
Wherever you may be,
Near or far, wherever you are
It's a Happy New Year from me.

Happy New Year to all of you
May each new day be blessed,
I hope and pray that New Year's Day
Brings you the very best.

So much heartache in the world
So much pain and grief,

But I've no time to sit and pine
In this lifetime so brief.

So Happy New Year to you my dear
I hope your dreams come true,
And every prayer that floats in the air
Is magically granted to you.

Yes, every prayer that floats in the air
Is magically granted to you.

All rights reserved – **Steve Howkins (silver award winner at Kettering Festival of Literature 2023)**

Recycling stamps for Charities



Jane Boutchier collects used English or foreign stamps for charities. Please leave half inch of paper all around the stamp. There is a shoe box near the north door by our statue of Mary or give to Jane.

Re-Gifting Presents

We are always happy to receive any unwanted gifts for raffle prizes throughout the year for fundraising for church events.

DAVID GARRETT

Quite a few of you know David – he has entertained us several times to help fundraise for church funds. He loves to write poetry about nature and his memories of Kettering. A keen birdsong listener and staring in a few videos too!

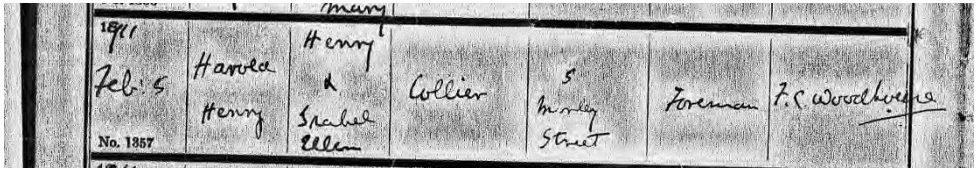
Just before Christmas, David Garrett contacted me to tell me the story of Harold Henry Collier born 10.12.1910. His parents were Henry Collier and Isabel Ellen Freeman that married on 25th December 1900 at the Parish Church of Kettering. By 1911 they were living at 5 Morely Street, Kettering. Harold was baptised at All Saints church on 5.2.1911 by Rev F.C. Woodhouse.

Harold Henry Collier later married Alice Moisey in 1937.

Baptism
record for
Harold



From All Saints Baptism Records:



By the 1939 census, the Collier family (Henry, Isabel, Harold, Alice, were living at 12 St Andrew Street, Kettering. They lived next door to Bertie and Joan Garrett (David's parents.)

David's father, Bertie Garrett was in the army, and he never saw his dad until he was 6 years old.



Harold Collier took David under his wing, and they went everywhere together; camping, fishing, and walking and educating him on the wonders of the countryside. When Harold became ill in his later years, David looked after him until he died. After his death his wife found a photo of David in his wallet that Harold had carried around all his life.

Harold Collier and his wife Alice never had any children of their own.

David Garrett said "I owe a lot to this man. I'm sure Harold would be honoured to be in this church magazine!"

MAYOR OF KETTERING

I know some of you are on Facebook. Do you follow Emily <https://www.facebook.com/TheMayorOfKettering> ? She supports All Saints church often in her messages – today, I was surprised to see her post about our toilet door! It holds important messages for all.

Need to Talk?

useful numbers (all are free and confidential):

- Hourglass – Formally Action on Elder Abuse Helpline: **0808 808 8141** (24/7 helpline)
- Age UK Advice Line: **0800 678 1602**
- Child-line: **0800 1111** (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are a child or young person and are worried about anything.
- Galop - LGBT+ Domestic Abuse Helpline: **0800 999 5428** help@galop.org.uk
- Respect Men's Advice Line: - Men are victims of Domestic abuse too!
0808 801 0327 info@mensadvice.org.uk
- MIND mental health charity: **0300 123 3393**
- Refuge - National Domestic Abuse Helpline: **0808 2000 247** (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are experiencing domestic abuse.
- Rape and Sexual Abuse Helpline: (formerly Rape Crisis) **0808 500 2222** (now 24/7)
- NSPCC Child Protection Helpline: **0808 800 5000** (lines free and open 24 hours). Phone if you are worried about a child.
- Safer Spaces for survivors of church-related abuse: **0300 303 1056** –
Opening Times: Monday - Friday: 9am-9pm Saturday: 9am-1pm Sunday: 1pm-5pm
- Samaritans Helpline: **116 123** (open 24 hours). Phone if you feel you are struggling to cope and need someone to talk to.
- The Survivors Trust: Supports survivors and victims of sexual violence - **0808 801 0818**
Monday- Thursday: 10am-12.30pm, 1.30pm-4pm & 6pm-8pm, Friday: 10am-12.30pm & 1.30pm-4pm, Saturday: 10am-12.30pm, Sunday: 6pm-8pm. (24 hour Answer machine)
- UK Modern Slavery & Exploitation Helpline: **08000 121 700**

IT WAS JUST A CARD ...

When I visited my nephew, then a vicar in Suffolk, a year ago I was prevailed upon to stay an extra day as the clergy from the deanery were going by coach to visit Mother Julian's chapel in Norwich and there was a spare place for me.

In the bookshop there, I bought an attractive postcard with the well-known words of Mother Julian 'All shall be well, and all shall be well; all manner of things shall be well'. I put the card in my prayer book and there it stayed until several months later I received a phone call from one of my Northumbria Community friends asking me to pray for her. Her life, she said, was falling apart, she had lost her job and temporarily at least, her faith. She felt, she said, completely at sea. I remembered the card and sent it to her with a message of support on the back, and she put it in her Bible.

Several weeks later she phoned me again. This time to say she was about to start a new job, her life had got back together again and prayers had been answered. Then she told me about the card. She had woken up one morning and suddenly felt prompted to take it out and put it in her window of her front room which faces on to the street - the card could be clearly read from outside. A week later there came a knock on her door and a strange young man was standing there, said he'd read the words on the card and could he come in and talk to her. Rather hesitantly, she invited him in and offered him a cup of tea. He told her he'd won a scholarship to Oxford University but found the pressure too much and had suffered a severe nervous break-down. My friend, having had a similar experience, was able to help him and he went away more hopefully than he had set out.

At a 'Churches Together' meeting a week or two later she met the boy's mother, who told her that her son had not spoken one word to her or anyone since coming home from Oxford until that day he'd read the card and come into my friend's house for help. He was now fully recovered and had recommenced his studies, this time successfully. A series of coincidences - or was it the intervention of the Holy Spirit?

Joy Gadsby

From: <http://www.parishwindow.co.uk>

Community Highlights for January & February for Your Diaries!

19th Jan – Fun Quiz evening
£2.50 each includes tea/coffee.
Max 4 in a team. Bring your
own drink and nibbles. Raffle.
7.30pm.

3rd February - Preloved and new
Table-Top Sale. Contact
Richard on 07887617978 you
must book a £6 stall in advance!
Open to the public from 8.30-
11.30.

16th Feb - Fun Quiz

17th Feb - Tea Dance

We have 523 people checking our events page on:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Ketteringallsaintsevents>

Email: kettallsaintschurch@gmail.com

Website Address: <https://kettallsaintschurch.chessck.co.uk/>
<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsparishchurchkettering/>



NewsLetter

DEADline

COPY - Please send in your snippets, news, prayers etc to Angela. The deadline for the February edition of Saints Alive! is 30th **January.**

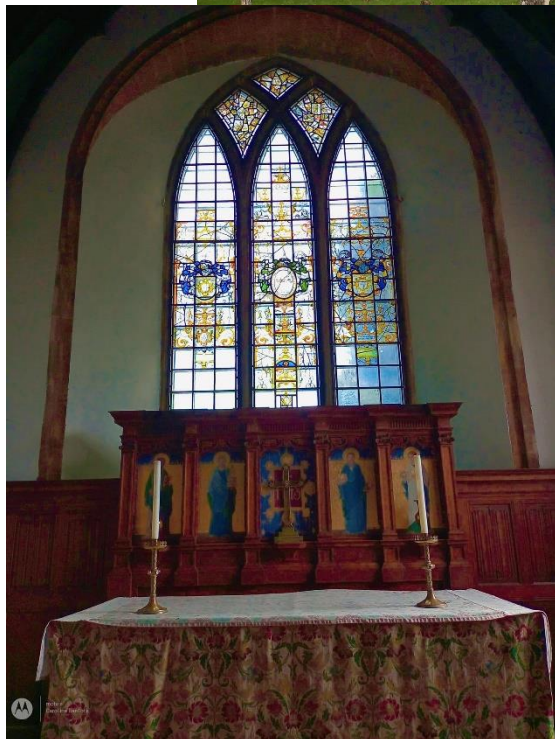
The February edition will be available on Sunday 4th February.

CHURCHES AROUND OUR AREA THIS MONTH

(Photographs by permission of Caroline Bantock-Brown of churches, porches, spires, grotesques, stained-glass windows etc.)

St Peter & St Paul Church, Sywell.

Grade II listed building, 12th century origins, short tower from 14th century restored mid-19th century.



The altar set below a beautiful stained-glass window made of Heraldic glass from 1580.

If you would like to sponsor Saints Alive magazine for any month just let Angela know.

**Jill and John Stapleton wish
everyone
at All Saints,
season's greetings and a better new
year.**

