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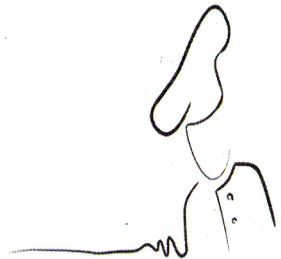
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EDITORIAL

The French have a lovely tradition of giving little bunches of lilies of the valley to friends and lovers on 1st May as a token of love and friendship. Sales of the flowers are worth 100 million euros to the French economy, but, even without a gift of these beautiful little flowers, love and friendship are all around us.

We are reminded in this issue that the Petworth Over 60's Centre has returned to a full schedule of activities this month, and TLC (Tillington Local Care) is there for anyone local who needs help with a problem. Delicious English asparagus will be in season throughout May, so why not invite some friends to enjoy a special treat together. Never mind the dripping melted butter, among good friends. The Manor of Dean has for many years sold some of the wonderful asparagus grown there (see page 27). You might be lucky enough to get some. The flavour is incomparable.

We have a four-legged friend from Tillington as pet of the month and have been asked to let all dog lovers know of two events to take place this summer. The Dog Derby on 2nd June will form part of local celebrations for Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee. Anyone out there with a corgi? If so, your dog should be a sure-fire winner. And if you don't win a prize at the Dog Derby, there will be another chance at the Duncton village dog show later in the summer.

For those born under the Taurus or Gemini star signs, this is your month and you might be planning a barbeque to celebrate your birthdays. Love them or hate them, barbeque season is here. If we are lucky with the weather, it could be the perfect opportunity to invite new Ukrainian friends.

Or for the very best May experience of all, what about a picnic in an English bluebell wood? Reverend David is right when he says May is perhaps the loveliest month of the year. The leaves are so fresh and new and nature's generosity abounds. Is that why we usually have two bank holidays in May? – although this year the second of the bank holidays has been moved to June 3rd to allow us two days' holiday next month for the Queen's Jubilee.

FROM THE REGISTERS

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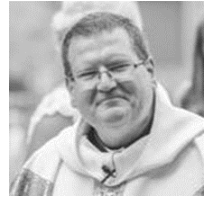
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FROM CHURCH COTTAGE



Praise God for the changing seasons. I think that May is my favourite month. If it is warm enough and I am not otherwise busy, I like being in the Fittleworth Rectory garden on May evenings, sometimes potting on seedlings, or planting out the vegetables I started on the window sills. I have gone a bit mad this year and I have potatoes, cabbages, broad beans and runner beans, butternut squash, pumpkins, courgettes and three varieties of tomatoes growing. I hope we get some rain, of course, as well as sunshine, to replenish the water butts.

Ukrainian refugee families are arriving in our villages and, as by the time you read this I may have relinquished my base at Church Cottage, Tillington. This is to be offered as a family home. As we learn more about Russian atrocities, our strong sense of outrage and injustice must now be matched with kindness and love for our new Ukrainian friends and neighbours. We will be doing God's work, and perhaps these words from Psalm 145 can be an inspiration:

The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.

Our villages are characterised by generosity and at the Tillington service on Sunday 8 May we shall give thanks for generosity of all kinds, while also prayerfully reflecting on our contributions to the church by way of time, talents and money. I always dislike talking about money, but each of our churches is experiencing increased maintenance costs, especially for energy usage. We pull out all the stops for wonderful fundraising events, but as we sadly lose faithful elderly members of our congregations, the revenue streams for what we call 'planned giving' – monthly standing orders and direct debits – are declining. We must try to arrest that.

Usually on a fifth Sunday we hold a single mid-morning service in one of the five churches I serve. With so many plans in our churches and villages for celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee over the following four-day Bank Holiday weekend, however, it seems sensible just to have a quiet 8am BCP Holy Communion on Sunday 29 May. This will be the only service in our group of churches on that day and it will be at Fittleworth, where Ascension Day will also be marked three days earlier, at 7.30pm.

For all the sadness in our world now, God is working his purpose out and his redeeming work shines down like the sunshine we hope to see plenty of in May.

*In friendship,
David*

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TILLINGTON VILLAGE LUNCHES

All who have been missing the monthly village lunches for the last two years will be delighted to hear that they will be starting again at the end of May.

On 27th May there will be a special relaunch lunch with a Jubilee theme in the Village Hall at 12.30 p.m. Some of you may already have heard about this and have said you will come, but it would be helpful if anyone else who would like to come could let me know as soon as possible (01798 344489) so that we have some idea about numbers for this relaunch.

Future lunches will take place on the last Friday of each month but NOT this June. The cost is £7, which should be good value.

Mark Lavington

TILLINGTON MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 7th

The Men's Breakfast speaker for May will be Alan Bennie, committee member of the Petworth Festival, "West Sussex's jewel in the crown" according to *The Times*.

Celebrating 42 years of growth for the Festival, Alan's title is "*Culture, Comedy and Covid*".

Tillington Village Hall. 8.15 for 8.30. £7.
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HEARTSMART WALKS

Friday, 13th May – 10.30am
Petworth Park – Ancient Tree Walk Part 1



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Meet: Petworth Park NORTH Car Park. Bring National Trust card or cash/ credit card (£3) for parking charge. Grid. Ref. SU966 238. Contact Gerald on 07748 597 568 if uncertain. Dogs welcome.



Tuesday May 19th 10.30
Pitshill House, Tillington's mini stately home.

Leader: Gerald. **Duration:** 1.5 half hours. **Distance:** 3 miles.

This lovely walk is via the vineyards & then to see the outside of Pitshill House, Tillington. It won the 2017 Georgian Group's top Architectural Award, and was awarded second prize in the 2017 Historic Houses Association Restoration Awards. Time to pause and admire the house. Firm and pleasant going.

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Jesus On The Beach

TILLINGTON REFUGE FOR UKRAINIAN GUESTS

Church Cottage in the middle of Tillington is to be freed up to afford temporary accommodation for a displaced Ukrainian family. Thanks to the Rev'd David Crook and the Leconfield Estate, the small two-bedroom cottage, currently used as a Church meeting place and office, is being offered through different pathways as a resting place for suitable Ukrainians forced to flee from the horrors and tragedy of their own war-torn homes.

A group of 30 villagers met on the 13th April to offer a wide variety of skills and abilities needed to negotiate the hurdles, and provide for the ongoing needs required, to make the scheme work. Others have offered their support since then, and Shelley Fergusson has taken the lead in organising teams to navigate these various fields:

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Each of these core teams will have a leader, plus a number of helpers to share and spread the load a little.

It is considered essential to treat these guests with the greatest sensitivity and respect, honouring them, their needs and their privacy, as treasured friends. We will give them of our best whether it be bed linen, clothes, crockery or simply fresh flowers. and we need to sustain our compassion and support for them for however long it takes.

If you would like to help in any way, and haven't already given your name, please contact Shelley Fergusson by e-mail: mrsshelleyfergusson@gmail.com or Mob. 07976 127 667. She would be pleased to hear from you.



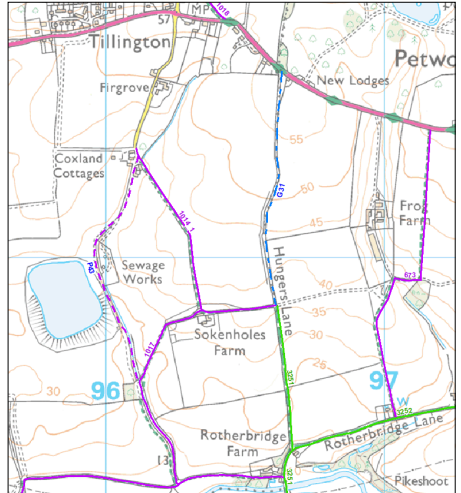
LORD EGREMONT TO OPEN NEW PERMISSIVE FOOTPATH SOUTH TO THE RIVER ROTHER

On Thursday May 5th, an historic occasion will take place, claiming an unrecorded Right of Way for the people of Tillington as a new Permissive Path.

The new Permissive Footpath runs south from Tillington towards the River Rother. From the A272 crossroads, go south down Coxsland Lane, past Abbie's Tillington Stables. Then, instead of having to walk two sides of a triangle, the new Path now goes straight for 1000 metres between the reservoir and the sewage works towards the River Rother. It will legalise an unofficial footpath, which the map now shows as a purple dashed line. Now it will be less than a mile to the river.

Lord Egremont has graciously agreed to cut the tape on Thursday May 5th at 2.30, and everybody will be welcome.

The last time this Path was shown on the map was 1901, but, significantly, it was not registered in 1949 for the Definite Map of Rights of Way and thus lost the right to walk on it. The new Path is now correcting this. Thank goodness for Permissive Paths! (A Permissive Path is a legal agreement between landowners—in this case the Leconfield Estate—and the County Council to allow the public to walk on their land.



The Estate and Lord Egremont have been most co-operative and given us a 10 Year Agreement, at the end of which it can either be renewed or the land reverts to the owners. The only restriction is that one day a year – in our case the first Monday of February - the path is out of bounds.

Please come and walk on it as it is the most pleasant way to walk to the river, now closer to the village. The surface is good, the path is very wide and you may hear skylarks. The large open sky is a bonus.

Please come along and support this great occasion on Thursday 5th May at 2.30. Refreshments and cake to celebrate.

*Gerald
Tillington's Footpath Warden*

TILLINGTON VILLAGE MARQUEES THE END OF THE ROAD?



For nearly fifteen years Tillington Village Hall has hired out its two small marquees (10m x 4m), to raise some much-needed revenue for the Hall.

Sadly, the fantastic team of ageing volunteers who erect and dismantle the marquees for each event are now reaching their physical dotage, and can no longer guarantee to do the job and honour any new bookings

So, to our great disappointment, we have decided to suspend the marquee hiring service ... **UNLESS** ... a new younger, fitter and fun group can volunteer to take it on. This also involves a little time in the off-season mending, repairing and cleaning the two tents as necessary.

Please do let me know if you feel that you might like to take it on, and I can put you in touch with others to make a new team. I can of course also advise you on erection and storage.

Your Village Hall still very much needs the income (over £1000) each year ... so please step forward and do your bit for the village you love so much. It is also huge fun!

Ian Fergusson

BUSH TELEGRAPH?

It's not what you know but who you know. A visiting family from Sheffield came to church one Sunday. The next day they visited Petworth Book Shop and then went on to Rosemary Gardens for a picnic lunch.

One of the children of the family left their pocket money purse behind in the bookshop. All was not lost, but found! A phone call to the grandmother of the family who had been recognised from church on Sunday as being responsible for the visiting family resulted in a bullseye! Yes, that was my daughter and her family! The daughter was duly rung and the purse, which hadn't been missed, was returned to a very grateful child!

MY DESERT ISLAND DISCS

by
Bob Sneller

Summer Holiday. Cliff Richard.

Brings back special memories of family holidays in the 60's with my siblings and parents, usually travelling to Dorset or Cornwall and singing along heartily!

She Loves You, Yeah, Yeah, Yeah. The Beatles.

This was the first Beatles song which I heard sung in the school playground in Southampton in 1963!

Annie's Song. John Denver.

I sang this to my wife at our 40th Wedding Anniversary party in 2014. Annie was rather embarrassed!

Handel's Messiah. Uplifting and triumphant!

He Ain't heavy, He's My Brother. The Hollies.

A great song demonstrating the power and sacrifice of love.

The Servant King. Graham Kendrick.

Reminds me of the true meaning of life and how to live!

Bridge Over Troubled Water. Simon and Garfunkel.

A great song and I am grateful to the many friends who've been "a bridge over my troubled waters" to me over the years.

Meekness and Majesty. Graham Kendrick.

A masterful use of language to describe so well why Jesus visited our planet 2000 years ago!

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WHAT'S THAT “HOLE IN THE GROUND”?

Not just a wonderful classic song by Bernard Cribbens but a question I'm always asking myself when walking around these parts. In the woods, commons and hedgerows, fields and gardens there are holes everywhere. I'm no expert but I spent a few happy hours looking into the most likely inhabitants of the holes you might notice when you're out walking.

Size matters! Starting with Badgers.

Their holes are around 20 to 30 centimetres in diameter and D-shaped, wider than they are tall. Evidence may include fresh bedding thrown out, black and white hairs and broad, well worn paths quite close by. There may be as many as 40 openings associated with a badger “sett”, as it is known. A sett can contain as many as 15 animals and have over 300 metres of tunnels. It is quite a construction! On the edge of their patch, you might find dung pits, not only as a hygienic alternative but as a territory marker. Badgers generally make their homes on the edge of woods but will travel far and wide to feed on many things—the best loved are earthworms.

Fox Earths.

The fox hole is around 20cms in diameter it is usually taller than broad. They use their “earth” mostly during the breeding season as they prefer to be above ground most of the year except in bad weather. The giveaway is the rubbish they leave outside; in the breeding season unconsumed food left by the pups gives a clue.

Rabbit Warrens might need little introduction. They are between 15-20 cms and are found on slopes and banks and have an extensive burrow system connecting the chambers. A sprinkling of pellet droppings around the smooth entrances, and quite closely grazed grass nearby, should alert you to a rabbit home.



Rat Holes.

These are not a popular sight in the garden. They are about 6 to 9 cms in diameter and found quite near water, rubbish tips, under hedgerows and stacked logs. They are distinguished by a fan shaped mass of freshly dug soil, and the runs are often visible.

Mole Holes

Not often a popular sight either, a mole hole is about 3-5 cms. The tunnels beneath are wider and are usually 25 centimetres under the surface, with the tell-tale volcano-shaped earth mounds erupting in the lawn or field above. As worm feeders, most of moles' digging is for food. They make their nests much deeper down and use old abandoned tunnels to extend their pitch. Despite your best efforts, like Schwartznegger in "Terminator", "they will be back"!

Water Voles ("Ratty" to you and me in *Wind in the Willows*) make roughly oval holes of 5-7 cms in riverbanks. Some are even below the waterline. If you look carefully there is often a little lawn within a 15 cm radius of the hole.

Other voles. Bank and Field voles are all to be celebrated as protected species. Their holes are about the size of a golf ball and they often have a range of shallow tunnels under the surface of the lawn, field or garden. This can be diagnostic. Field voles are vegetarians, whereas Pygmy Shrews are a mere 6-cm-sized slug-eating treasure. They make even smaller holes. Definitely welcome in my garden!

Mouse Holes (not in your house)

Yellow-necked mice, woodmice, dormice and harvest mice are all a very small part of the natural world. Woodmice often make the holes in the roots of trees, then camouflage the holes with clods of earth or twigs. Their holes are about 3 cms in diameter. They also dig burrows just under the surface, in order to travel safely and invisibly. Harvest mice and dormice build nests off the ground, woven with grass or cereal stalks.



Bee Holes

By the time we have got as small as 3 centimetres the hole may well be inhabited by a ground-nesting bee! There are 250 species of bee in the UK, 24 of which are bumble bees. The rest are honey bees, mining bees and solitary bees of all kinds. Some female bees dig holes with their bodies and make a nesting chamber in which to lay their eggs, protecting them with pollen and nectar gathered from flowers in woodlands and gardens. Others find old beetle holes to move into. Cracks and crevices are wonderful places for bees of every kind to make their home.

Just an aside: believe it or not we have 3 types of shell-nesting bees in the UK. Nothing is wasted by a busy bee, not even old snail shells.

Happy hole hunting.

Shelley Fergusson

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The Day King George VI died

In 1952, I was still at my Prep School in Scotland.

We had a fine Headmaster, who fought in the First World War as an officer in the Royal Flying Corps.

Every day at ‘Assembly’, he gave us a short talk: could be anything from 30 seconds to, maybe, 3 minutes.

On the day of the Queen’s accession he said:
“Our King has died and I am now living in the reign of my sixth Monarch. (Queen Victoria, Edward VII, George V, Edward VIII, George VI.)
I very much hope that none of you will have a similar experience.”

Queen Elizabeth II remains the second monarch in whose reign I have lived.

Iain Brooks

GARDEN NOTES FOR MAY 2022

A wonderful time of year for the garden but SO much to do! Now that the Chelsea Flower Show is back it is a useful reminder to do the **Chelsea Chop** during the time of the show. Cut back tall-stemmed flowers about two thirds to keep them in manageable clumps, e.g. *campanula lactiflora*, *heleniums*, *catmint*, *sedums*, *phloxes* and *anthesis Mrs. Buxton*. The **phloxes** will flower in early September and blooms will last longer when refreshed by autumn dew. **Paeonies** need stout support and **dahlias and delphiniums** need strong canes. Keep tying in long shoots of **rambler roses**. Don't forget, rule of thumb has it that any **shrubs** that flower before the end of June can be cut back after flowering as they flower on new wood. Don't put tender plants out until the middle of May, otherwise have fleece at the ready if a frost is forecast, which it so often is in May. Pots with a small sturdy shrub, e.g. **lavender**, or **grass**, or a small **hebe**, are a good mix with flowering plants where they can grow among the stems.

Check for aphids on **roses** and spray with fungicide to control mildew, rust and blackspot. Cut away unwanted suckers growing around the base of **trees**. Put a bag of barley straw in **ponds** to discourage algae and keep the water clear. Check blackfly on **broad beans**, and pinch out the growing tips. Stagger sowing **salad crops** over the next few weeks. All these crops are moisture lovers so it is worth using lots of compost with a handful of general fertiliser such as pelleted poultry manure. Don't forget to remove any sideshoots that grow in the leaf joints on **tomato** plants.

I hope we have all planted a tree during this Jubilee year. Do please come and enjoy the tree canopy in **Chichester Cathedral Flower Festival** during the second week of June. Over 70 flower arrangements, a Festival Fair with over 30 stalls, an accessibility evening for those with wheelchairs or sight restrictions, or just needing extra help (carers come free), an exhibition of Philip Jackson's sculptures, and the Café des Fleurs selling coffees, teas and freshly-made sandwiches and cakes. Please come!



Tickets can be purchased online at chichestercathedral.org.uk/flowerfestival

Happy Gardening,

Gillie Ross.

PET PORTRAIT

Miss Penny Gresham Cooke

What a gorgeous girl. Tillingtonians will know this beauty by sight as she makes her way round the village, lissom in her stride. Sweet natured and enthusiastic, sometimes a little overly enthusiastic as she bounds up to greet you, on her way perhaps to make one of her regular inspection tours of Petworth Park.



With clear dark amber eyes and glossy jet black coat, no-one could deny she is one hell of a looker. Her best friend Harris, another Labrador but one as blonde as Penny is dark, no doubt thinks so too. Harris, being a little older and rather more sedate than Penny, sometimes feels the need to say “Calm down, my dear”. They often walk together but Penny has important duties



such as helping to make sure the Three Parishes magazine is delivered around Tillington and accompanying Gerald on runs with the Fittleworh Flyers, when she enjoys meeting up with many of her other friends. This girl loves her social life

Just to be sure Gerald does not slacken his pace, Penny will pick up the largest branch or stick she can find and run up behind him to give him a little whack behind the knees. No-one can be angry with such a sporty girl. Swimming is another great love of hers and the lake in Petworth Park makes for perfect wild swimming. Even on a cold day in winter, she can be relied on to take a plunge into the lake. In summer, she will launch herself into a cattle trough to cool off. Wearing fur can be very warm.

Sue Laker

DUCKS' DITTY

by Kenneth Grahame

All along the backwater,
Through the rushes tall,
Ducks are a-dabbling,
Up tails all!

Ducks' tails, drakes' tails,
Yellow feet a-quiver,
Yellow bills all out of sight
Busy in the river!

Slushy green undergrowth
Where the roach swim –
Here we keep our larder,
Cool and full and dim.

Everyone for what he likes!
We like to be
Heads down, tails up,
Dabbling free!

High in the blue above
Swifts whirl and call –
We are down a-dabbling,
Up tails all!

MOUSSAKA

This is not the classic Greek moussaka. The recipe originated from *The Cranks Recipe Book* in the early 80's, that book being a useful resource in my vegetarian days before I met my staunchly carnivorous husband and decided I no longer wished to cook two versions of every meal. So for the past 35 years I've made the meat version, adapted along the way. Not long ago, and for the first time in many years, I cooked a vegetarian version at a friend's house and there's not a massive difference. Instead of lamb use Quorn and some chopped up mushrooms.

Ingredients

500g British lamb mince
1 medium-sized onion, chopped
1 large garlic clove, finely chopped
2 aubergines, medium sliced
2 medium-sized potatoes, medium sliced
2 tomatoes, chopped
1 tbsp tomato paste and 1 tsp Marmite or similar
Milled black pepper and dried oregano
2 oz Cheddar cheese
1 small pot full-fat Greek yoghurt.
3 large eggs or 4 medium

Signature Recipe

Method

Line a roasting tin with baking parchment and add the aubergines. Drizzle with plenty of oil and roast in the oven. Keep a close watch as aubergines easily burn. Meanwhile carefully boil the potatoes so that they are cooked but retain their shape (not always easy!).

Fry the lamb in its own fat until cooked, drain the fat and set aside.

Sauté the onion until transparent, add the garlic then the tomatoes, tomato paste, Marmite and about 100 mls water and let it simmer for a short while. Then mix in the lamb. Season with pepper and some dried oregano.

Now that everything has cooked and still warm, it can be assembled, lasagne style, in an oven-proof dish. I start with a thin layer of the meat mixture, then a layer of potatoes, then further meat, a layer of aubergines, a layer of meat and then whatever is left of the potatoes and aubergines. Sprinkle with the cheese.

Mix together the yoghurt and the eggs, add pepper and, if you like, some salt, and beat minimally with a fork. Pour this mixture on top of your dish and bake at about 180 degrees (fan oven) for approx 20 minutes or until egg mixture is cooked. Stand for about 15 minutes before serving.

Barbara Neighbour

PODCASTS?

So many new words, so much to absorb. What is smart about a smartphone? Certainly not this owner!

Having a plethora of choice is wonderful, but the expectation that we will intuitively navigate from ignorance to competence is bewildering. WhatsApp for messages, picture swapping and free phone calls with Wi-Fi may be something understood and enjoyed already, but what are Podcasts? A dictionary definition says it is a “digital audio file”! Helpful?

If you press the little icon (symbol) on your screen you will be able to access hundreds of thousands of spoken programmes, stories, chats, conversations, and lectures, backdated, recorded and put out there for you to enjoy for free. As you open a podcast App:



you will be confronted with a choice of topics to start off your experience. Browse and see what kinds of listening choices appeal to you. Many are generated through the BBC or other broadcasting organisations. It is also possible, but it comes with a cost, to use “Spotify” and “Audible” to listen to podcasts.

Why bother? Podcasts are fun, interesting and you can choose **what** you want to hear and when. I can listen to one of my favourites “The Life Scientific” whenever I choose, ironing, brushing my teeth, going for a dog walk, all free of charge.

If you choose to subscribe to a podcast, it is automatically available to you when you press the podcast logo on your phone. If you are likely to be far from the internet, it may help you to download it beforehand.

The variety of things to listen to is enormous. Over 55’s prefer fiction and drama. Comedy accounts for a quarter of all the podcasts accessed. 40% of 26 to 35 year-olds listen to a podcast at least once a week. Google “The Best Podcasts of 2021” published by The Week magazine, and it gives you a good idea of the range.

Like much else on the Internet control of explicit content is very limited. For parents this is a minefield and exerting parental control needs careful attention.

Rather like good books and films to see, recommending a friend a good podcast can be fun.

The Editorial Team would like any of our readers to send in their **Top 5 Podcasts**, to share the good news and enjoyment a little wider.

Shelley Fergusson

TILLINGTON, DUNCTON AND UPWALTHAM CHURCH
SERVICES DURING MAY 2022

	All Hallows Church, Tillington	Holy Trinity Church, Duncton	St Mary's Church, Upwaltham
Third Sunday of Easter, 1 May	Breakfast Church 9.45am/All-Age Ser- vice at 10.15am		
Wednesday 4 May	BCP Holy Communion at 10am		
Fourth Sunday of Easter, 8 May	Parish Communion for 'Generosity Sunday' at 9.30am	Parish Communion at 11am	
Fifth Sunday of Easter, 15 May	BCP Holy Commun- ion at 9.30am		Rogation Service at 11.30am
	Five-Parish Evening Prayer online via Zoom at 6pm. Please contact David to register for his weekly email with Zoom links.		
Wednesday 18 May	BCP Holy Communion at 10am		
Sixth Sunday of Easter, 22 May	Morning Prayer and Praise at 9.30am	BCP Holy Communion at 10.30am We welcome Rev'd Canon John Bundock	
Seventh Sunday of Easter, 29 May			
Wednesday 1 June	BCP Holy Communion at 10am		
Pentecost and Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 5 June	Breakfast Church 10.30 am/All-Age Service at 11.00 am		

(see page 25 for Tillington rota)

Additional services in our group during May:

1 May: 9.30am Parish Communion at Fittleworth; 11am Said BCP Holy Communion at Stopham

8 May: 8am BCP Holy Communion at Fittleworth; 9.45am (breakfast) for 10.15am All-Age Service at Fittleworth; 6pm BCP Evensong at Stopham

15 May: 9.30am Parish Communion at Fittleworth; 11am BCP Holy Communion at Stopham

22 May: 9.30am Parish Communion at Fittleworth; 11am BCP Matins at Stopham

26 May: 7.30pm Ascension Day Holy Communion at Fittleworth

29 May: 8am BCP Holy Communion at Fittleworth [NB This is the only service in our group of churches today]

5 June: 9.30am Parish Communion at Fittleworth; 11am BCP Holy Communion at Stopham

David Crook, Priest-in-Charge
(david.crook15@btinternet.com; 01798 865473)

Kids' Pages

QUEEN ELIZABETH II PLATINUM JUBILEE

The Platinum Jubilee marks 70 years of a monarch's reign.

Queen Elizabeth II will be the first British monarch to reach this milestone.



What is platinum? It is a **chemical element with the symbol Pt and atomic number 78**. It is a dense, malleable, ductile, highly unreactive, precious, silverish-white transition metal. Its name originates from Spanish platina, a diminutive of plata "silver".

It costs around £800 an ounce or 28 grams! So that means that if a packet of butter was made of platinum it would cost £60,000!!!

Platinum is a naturally occurring chemical element that is actually about 30 times rarer than gold, according to Jenny Luker, president of Platinum Guild International USA (PGI), a marketing organization for the platinum jewellery industry. "If all the platinum ever mined were melted and poured into an Olympic-sized pool, the platinum would barely reach your ankles. Gold, however, would fill three pools."



So what does Jubilee mean?

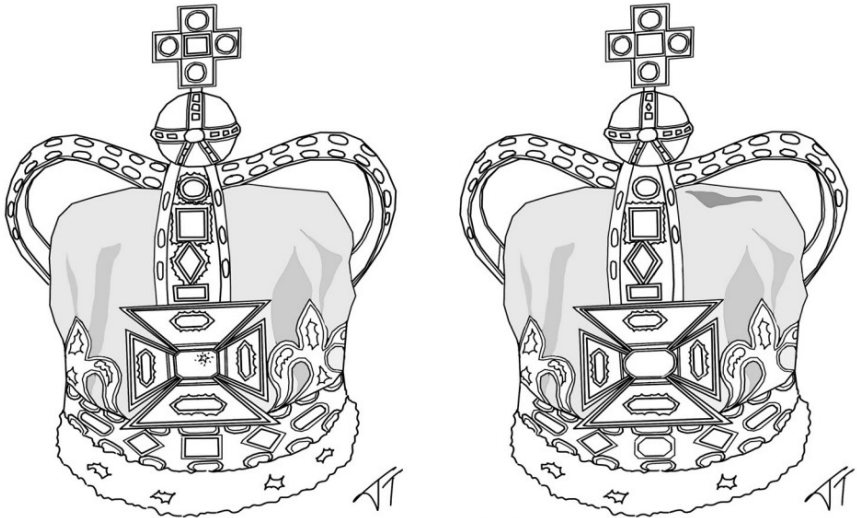
A jubilee is a **special celebration of a King or Queen's reign**. They take place after the monarch has ruled for a certain number of years and each one is associated with a different type of precious material. We had our Queen's diamond Jubilee 10 years ago.

There is a tree planted on the recreation ground to commemorate this. There is also a new tree, recently planted for this Jubilee.

A Jubilee in the Bible is also a special occasion occurring every 50 years in the Old Testament when debts would be cancelled, lands restored to their original owners, and the liberation of slaves. That doesn't happen now although it sounds quite nice to have all your debts cancelled!

Spot the Difference

The two crowns below look identical but there are 15 differences. Try to find them all





The national plan for celebrations will include:-

Thousands of town criers, along with Pearly Kings and Queens, bagpipers and Northumberland pipers, buglers and choirs from communities in the four corners of the nation and the Commonwealth will lift up their voices and play and sing specially commissioned music prior to the lighting of over 1,500 Platinum Jubilee Beacons, at 9.45pm on Thursday 2nd June.

At **9.35pm** local time across the UK and Commonwealth, traditional bagpipers and Northumbrian pipers and pipe bands will play *Diu Regnare*, a unique tune specially written for the occasion by Pipe Major Stuart Liddell, the world's leading piper.

At **9.40pm** buglers linked to local beacon lightings across the UK and the capital cities of the Commonwealth, will officially announce the lighting of the beacons with a specially written bugle call, entitled *Majesty*.

Then at **9.45pm** exactly local time, and to coincide with the lighting of the beacons, community choirs across all nations will sing *Song for the Commonwealth*, which has been written and composed by Lucy Keily, from Australia, and Vincent Atueyi Chinemelu from Nigeria.





THE QUEEN'S
PLATINUM JUBILEE
BEACONS
2ND JUNE 2022

DUNCTON DOWN BEACON

All welcome to attend the lighting of the
Dunton Down Beacon

on Thursday 2nd June 2022 at 9.45pm.

One of the 1,500 Jubilee Beacons being lit throughout
the UK, the Channel Islands, Isle of Man and in
each of the Capital Cities of the Commonwealth to

Celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Arrive early to walk up to the Beacon Site



**SUNDAY AFTERNOON, 5TH
JUNE 2022**



**DUNCTON VILLAGE
QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE PARTY**

at the CRICKETERS

Full details to follow



**TILLINGTON
CELEBRATES THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE**

**THURSDAY, 2nd JUNE 2022
from 6 pm (Free Entry)**

TILLINGTON RECREATION GROUND

PAY BAR

STREET FOOD

PIMMS & CHAMPAGNE

FAMILY GAMES

CHILDREN'S PARTY GAMES

BLOCK ART PAINTING

TUG OF WAR

PETWORTH TOWN BAND

PIPER

DOG RACE EVENT (6.30 pm - see below)

EXCITING COMMUNITY ART PROJECT (see overleaf)

LIGHTING OF THE JUBILEE BEACON (9.45 pm)

FIREWORK FINALE

LET'S ALL MEET TO CELEBRATE OUR GREAT QUEEN

Tillington Celebrations start at 6.30 with a Dog Derby in three parts:

- The dog who most resembles their owner
- The dog with the waggiest tail
- Dog race over 'The Rec'

Sponsorship and prizes by Butternutbox - Britain's fastest growing dog food company and Nyetimber vineyard. Entry £1, payable on the day.

If you would like to enter your dog and so we get an idea of numbers and likely general chaos, please email Paul de Zulueta (Paulgdezlueta@gmail.com) with your name and that of your dog.



JUBILEE **ART PROJECT**



We hope you are ready to take part in
The village Jubilee Art project
Remember the theme is the Queen's 70 year reign.
Ideas can come from the life of the Queen herself or the
events and inventions
that have taken place during this time.

From
Saturday 7th May
There will be
4 collection points around the village.
14 The Harrows – open porch
(*home of Caro and Carl Kirby -Turner*)
Tillington telephone box
Upperton telephone box
Manor of Dean asparagus shed

At each location there will be a plastic box where you will
find 10 cm x 10 cm square pieces of card waiting for your creations.

The art packs are there for you to borrow but please could they be
returned for the next person to use.

Alternatively you can use any pencils, crayons, pens
and paints you have at home.

When you have created your art work please return it to the box
and the marked plastic wallet.

You can add your name to the front or back
or leave it anonymously.

If you miss this opportunity there will be a table at the
Jubilee event on Thursday 2nd June

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MARY BERRY FRUITY FLAG TRAY BAKE



INGREDIENTS

- 100g butter or baking spread (Stork for cakes), softened, plus extra for the tin
- 175g self-raising flour
- 50g ground almonds
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 4 large eggs
- 225g caster sugar
- 125ml full-fat Greek yogurt
- zest 2 lemons
- 175g butter, softened
- 350g icing sugar, sieved
- 300g raspberries
- 175g blueberries

PTO for method!

Method for tray bake

Heat oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Butter and line a 30 x 20cm traybake tin with baking parchment. Measure all the sponge ingredients into a mixing bowl and mix together using an electric hand whisk until smooth. Spoon into the tin and level the surface.

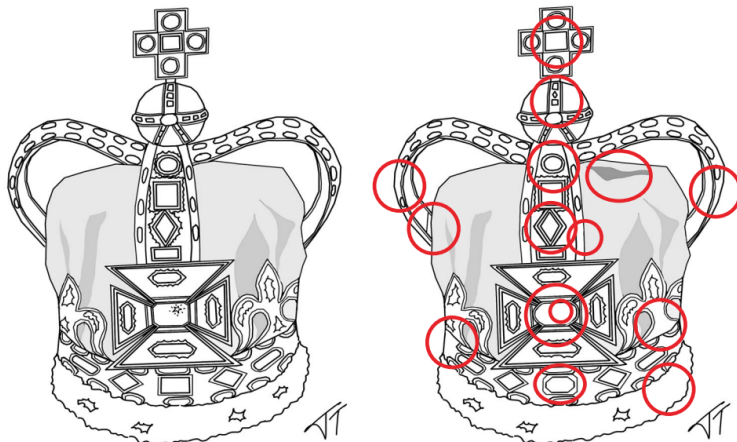
Bake for 25-30 mins until lightly golden and the top of the cake springs back when pressed with your finger, and the sides of the sponge are shrinking away from the sides of the tin. Carefully lift the sponge out of the tin, then transfer to a wire rack to cool. Remove the baking parchment.

To make the icing, tip the butter into a bowl and whisk using an electric hand whisk until light and fluffy. Add half the icing sugar and whisk again until incorporated. Add the remaining sugar and whisk again until smooth. Spread the icing over the top of the cold cake.

To decorate, place a double row of raspberries across the centre and down the length of the cake to make a cross. Next, place a single row diagonally from each corner to the middle. Now fill in the empty spaces with blueberries. Cut into squares to serve.

Spot the Difference - ANSWER SHEET

The two crowns below look identical but there are 15 differences. Try to find them all



TILLINGTON CHURCH SERVICES AND DUTIES
FOR MAY 2022

Date	Time	Service	Sidespeople and/or Readers
1st	9.45 am for 10.15 am	Breakfast Church/All Age Service	TEAM
8th	9.30 am	Generosity Sunday Par- ish Communion	Sidespeople: Mr and Mrs Williams Reader: Mr Williams
15th	9.30 am	BCP Holy Communion	Sidespeople: Mr and Mrs Sneller Reader: Mrs Sneller Acts 11. 1-18
	6.00 pm	Zoom Evening Prayer Service	Contact Revd.David to register for his weekly e-mail with Zoom links
22nd	9.30 am	Morning Prayer and Praise	Sidespeople: Mr and Mrs Garrow Reader: Mr Garrow

Petworth & District Over 60s Centre – The Friendship Centre
May and June 2022

Don't forget to pay your annual subscription – still only £3.00. We have not asked for subs in the past two years as we were not able to offer our usual service during Covid restrictions. Please pay on your next visit to the Centre. We are hoping to be back to our full schedule in May and are looking into having transport available on Thursdays as well as Tuesdays. We plan to make this a fun and games day – Beetle, Rummikubs, Cribbage etc. We will need more volunteers to do these extra shifts – to open up, help serve refreshments and take the money. Please contact Maureen Purser (343102). Our Bingo sessions this month are on Wednesday 4th and Wednesday 18th April at 2 pm.

We are holding a Coffee Morning in the URC Hall on Saturday 21 May (this is a correction from the last magazine, apologies for the error) and would welcome any donations for the raffle, tombola and cakes and produce stalls. We have been invited by Easebourne Ladies for a Beetle Drive on Tuesday 3 May at 7.00pm and transport is available. There will be a Jubilee Tea on Monday 6 June in the Centre.

The Friendship Centre welcomes refugees from the conflict in Ukraine at any of our sessions and if required will open up exclusively for them on Fridays so that they can get together for mutual comfort.

Caroline Stoneman – House Committee Chairman (01798) 342942



FREE IT CAFÉ IN PETWORTH.

For those of who have a smartphone, tablet or laptop, we know how much they can add to our lives, from keeping in touch with friends and family, organising diaries, doing research to shopping on the internet – the list is endless! But they can also bring frustration – if you want to send a photo to a friend, forward an e-mail or download an app, it is often not obvious how to do it! The Petworth Vision IT Café is here to help.

Come and see us every Tuesday morning between 10 and 12 at the URC in Damers Bridge, Petworth. Bring your smartphone, laptop or tablet along and we will do our best to help with any questions you may have, from managing your e-mails and photos to sorting data in a spreadsheet. We also have laptops available for you to use for those tasks where a keyboard and a bigger screen will make it a lot easier.

The Café is free – and that includes tea, coffee and biscuits!

Please contact Lucy Quail lucypetvis@gmail.com for more details.



Whoever said that the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results has obviously never had to reboot a computer.

Q. How does a computer get drunk? A. It takes screenshots.

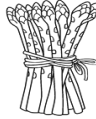
Q: Why did the computer show up at work late? A: It had a hard drive.

"We'll we'll we'll ... if it isn't autocorrect"!

You know you're texting too much when you say LOL in real life, instead of just laughing.



ASPARAGUS



It is spring and therefore, as the soil starts to heat up, it is asparagus time.

Growing asparagus is a long term tradition at the Manor of Dean, with Sophie Mitford having had an enormous field dedicated to it at one stage. Asparagus by hand is time intensive to harvest. She cut, washed, weighed and created bundles for sale across the local area in large (but not very economic) quantities.

As a perennial, asparagus spears return every year but, when Emma and I inherited the Manor in 2005, Sophie's field was already reaching the end of its productive life (typically 15-30 years). Therefore, we planted new crowns (typically one year old) in a new, smaller plot in the walled garden.

As with all newly planted asparagus, it takes three years to get truly productive – the old rule is to not harvest for the first year, only harvest for a week in the second year and then for young plants two to three weeks is possible.

Once plants are established, they produce for around eight weeks and, in good weather, you need to harvest them regularly (every other day). Therefore, for a big plot, this can be backbreaking work. As tradition dictates, we stop picking after mid-summer's day - this is to rest the plants and allow them time to produce the ferns and stores for the next year.

We continue to sell asparagus in the shed opposite the Manor of Dean; although after 17 odd years, we are definitely finding that there are less spears to sell (or perhaps we are just eating more).

Asparagus remains one of my favourite vegetables – deliciously served with copious amounts of butter and crumbled parmesan (but also good with hollandaise or a soft egg and truffle shavings!). Also fabulous roasted and drizzled with olive oil and good balsamic vinegar.

However, this idealisation of asparagus is at least partially because its arrival is typically a sign that the best part of the English year is arriving (late spring/early summer), and that it will soon be possible to bask in the sun with a book and a large glass of something cool.

James Mitford

BURTON PARK PONDS

As a resident at Burton Park, yea, as a resident of Burton House, I recognise that the history of this corner of Duncton may pass many by but may be of interest to locals who walk through the park. The Burton Mill and Chingford ponds are probably known to readers but perhaps not Trout Pond, a small silt-collecting pond that is to your left if you descend into Burton Park on the footpath from Folly Lane as the path passes between two sets of water.

In less than three miles, two springs issue from out of the Downs (one near Seaford College, the other above Duncton Mill), and join to create the water features in Burton Park (Trout Pond and Chingford Pond), then leave to form Burton Mill Pond before flowing into the River Rother just upstream from Shopham Bridge.

The two streams' confluence is just shy of Dye House in Dye House Lane (the lane's entrance is a stone's throw before The Cricketers). This road and its now lost continuation used to be a major route into the park skirting to the north of Trout Pond and on up to the House. This was all before the current entrance to the park from Duncton village was created in the early 19th century. Dye House did what it says and was one of the many working facets of the old Burton Park estate.

The lakes have been a continuing source of eels. I have talked to two people that fished for them (whether legitimately or not), with the Netherlands being a ready market for the catch. The Domesday Book notes the payment of 280 eels for the Bothechitone manor (since corrupted to Burton), so ponds have been a feature here for many a long year.

Trout Pond could have been a major feature in the grounds. Humphry Repton, a renowned landscaper, proposed a waterfall into the pond in his design in 1797 (see illustration below). However, this did not materialise and we are left with something less imposing but still a charming, tranquil idyll.



Chingford sports many features that could show the influence of Capability Brown's 18th century design for the park: the deceptive arms that entice the viewer though they lead off to nowhere in particular; the round island at the far corner by the footpath over the dam to spark one's imagination that the waters continue beyond. Capability Brown designed so his works could be admired from the first

floor of his patron's manor house (in this case it would have been the previous building that sat on a similar footprint to its current successor). Brown dammed small, unassuming streams, like that trickling down Dye House Lane, into impressive major bodies of water, like Chingford.

Chingford also had a working role. The arms probably ended up with hidden 'stew ponds' where live fish were corralled that could be easily caught to feed the House. Also, we have lost the more recent floating, oil drum bridge that the Bright Young Things would have wobbled on in the 20s and 30s, stretching from the rockery over towards a Japanese-style pavilion on the south side of the water.



The current, early 19th century cascade (with its fun grotto underneath), that takes the outflow from Chingford, appeared after Capability's time here. The waters then flow on to Burton Mill Pond which had formerly been part of the estate.

An invisible line now makes its presence felt. In times past, all timber 12 miles from the coast was at the call of the Royal Navy for the construction of the Hearts of Oak. This included Chingford but not Burton Mill Pond. The latter formed the first of a string of hammer ponds that ran north to Kirdford. This whole area was a centre of iron and glass production for the nation until the 18thC when coal, rather than charcoal, became the fuel of choice. Why 'hammer ponds'? Because the water wheels of the mill pond drove the hammers that beat the iron and they pumped the bellows of the furnaces that smelted, hardened and tempered the metal.

The current mill building is an 18th century flour mill that worked through to the end of the following century. The machinery was then replaced by a turbine that provided somewhat unreliable direct current electricity to Burton House from 1900 until the House was connected to the National Grid in the 1930s.

After the mill, the outflow from this lake has a short journey to merge with the River Rother and on to the River Arun before finally it flows into the sea at Littlehampton. But even over this last short stretch to the Rother, its path was crossed by the steam trains of the London, Brighton & South Coast Railway, running between Petworth and Fittleworth stations.

Jack Garwood

NORMAL SERVICE RESUMED

On Thursday 7th April there were two events in Duncton village to herald the restoration of post-pandemic normality. Firstly, at 9.30am Duncton C.E. Junior School held their Easter service in Holy Trinity church. It was the first time that many of the children and parents had been inside our church - the last Duncton school church service was the Christingle service held on 20th December 2019 when the younger children would have still been at Graffham



school. A full church is a wonderful sight to behold and along with the children and teachers there was a good number of parents who came along to support, so in total there were 56 children and 38 adults. The children sang really beautifully, Rev'd David gave a lovely talk, and it was very special to see the church so full once more.

Then later that evening, a wine tasting event was held at Duncton Village Hall for 46 enthusiastic participants. 'Hear it on the Grapevine' was hosted by Nick Poston from Hennings Wine, Petworth, with colleagues Alex and Steph.

Six wines were tasted: one sparkling, two white, one rosé and two red, and the evening followed a 'Call My Bluff' format, whereby three possible options were described for each wine by the Hennings team, and by tasting the wine the audience had to decide which was the correct description. The evening was hugely



Entertaining, with delicious wines, and £760 was raised for Holy Trinity Church. It was the first fundraising event held for the church since the Fun Dog Show in August 2019 (which will be making a welcome return this summer, watch this space!) and once again really lovely to see the village hall packed with locals enjoying themselves all together.

After such a prolonged time without being able to have large village gatherings inside, it means so much to now be able to do so. Long may it last.

Louise Hartley.

A German Shepherd, a Doberman, and a cat died.

In heaven, all three faced God, who wanted to know what they believed in.

The German Shepherd said, "I believe in discipline, training, and loyalty to my master."

"Good!" said God. "Sit at my right side."

"Doberman, what do you believe in?" asked God.

The doberman answered, "I believe in the love, care, and protection of my master."

"Aha," said God. You may sit to my left."

Then God looked at the cat and asked, "And what do you believe in?"

The cat replied, "I believe you are sitting in my seat."



RAVEN

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

May 14th 1264. The aftermath of the battle. Two thousand corpses lie strewn on the slopes and riverbanks around Lewes. Some view this as a victory; for others this is defeat. But for a large, black bird who has calmly watched the bloodshed from the side-lines, this scene of slaughter is an all-you-can-eat buffet. Democracy never tasted so good.

Smart birds, ravens. Way before 1264 they'd realised they needn't waste their energy killing to eat when other less intelligent species can do the dirty work for them. For centuries ravens exploited man's enthusiasm for resolving quarrels with clubs and swords. Ravenous ravens dined out at all the finest battlefields, burial grounds, gibbets and gallows.

Hanging around with corpses would get anyone a bad reputation but the raven's took on mythological proportions. Across the northern hemisphere the bird became respected and revered by many cultures as an omen of death, denizen of the afterlife, messenger of defeat. This sinister CV secured them a plethora of portentous appearances in everything from the Old Testament to Game of Thrones. The sight of a raven struck fear in the heart of man, who would dare not harm it. Today ravens still occur in our folklore as the earthbound spirit of King Arthur, and at the Tower of London the birds are entrusted with the fate of the kingdom.

Yet aside from all the make-believe malevolent accolades bestowed on the raven, it truly is magnificent to watch. As befits Britain's wickedest bird, the raven certainly dresses the part, in a costume of sleek, glossy black feathers, shaggy 'beard' and stout dagger beak. It commands the sky, wheeling on wide wings and uttering its guttural 'cronk cronk' call. Sometimes their behaviour is incongruous with their evil image. To see ravens rolling and tumbling through the air during their joyous display flight is like catching the grim reaper doing the hokey-cokey.

When not busy instilling fear in the population, ravens performed an important clean-up job, ridding Britain's towns of rotting rubbish, and the bird was protected by royal decree. But in the 17th century people's perceptions changed and for centuries the birds were persecuted. Ravens, and the old beliefs they represented, were exorcised from England. By 1895 they had vanished from Sussex.

But informed, tolerant attitudes have recently allowed ravens to return. They mostly breed on our chalk cliffs and quarries but can be seen flying over our towns and cities. In our comfortable world of surround sound and selfies there is something reassuringly sinister about watching a raven circling overhead, a spectral souvenir of our brutal, primitive past. Sussex will never again be the site of a bloody revolutionary battle. But there's no harm in a few ravens hanging around. Just in case.

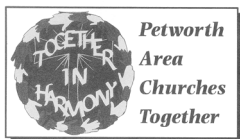
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NEWS FOR MAY

“What on Earth is God Doing?”

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Hilary Tupper and Gillie Ross

RAINFALL FOR MARCH 2022

Year	Month	Year Total
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2021	36mms	226mms
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2019	74mms	176mms
2018	142mms	288mms
2017	61mms	238mms
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Every Wednesday	10.30 am to noon	Coffee Shop open, Village Hall	T
Every Friday	7.30 am	Prayers for Church & Community (Zoom)	T
Every Friday	5.30 pm	Men's & Women's Groups - Old Rectory	T
Sunday 1st	10.15 am	All-Age Service (Breakfast 9.45 am)	T
Saturday 7th	8.30 am	Men's Breakfast in Village Hall	T
Wednesday 4th	10.00 am	Holy Communion (said BCP)	T
Sunday 8th	9.30 am	Parish Communion (Common Worship)	T
	11.00 am	Parish Communion	D
Tuesday 10th	10.30 am	Coffee morning at The Cricketers	D
Sunday 15th	9.30 am	BCP Holy Communion	T
	11.30 am	Rogation Service	U
	6.00 pm	Five-Parish Evening Prayer Online	Z
Wednesday 18th	10.00 am	Holy Communion (said BCP)	T
Sunday 22nd	9.30 am	Morning Prayer and Praise	T
	10.30 am	BCP Holy Communion	D
Thursday 26th	7.30 pm	Ascension Day Holy Communion at Fittleworth	F
Sunday 29th	NB: No church services in 3 Parishes		

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