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What's the Word?

Local churches support for local communities ...and vice versa.

Only a couple of years ago two reports on the value of church social initiatives amongst local communities were published. The reports highlighted the role many churches play within their local communities in supporting people with social, domestic or financial need.

The findings concluded that if the value of this input in terms of resources were to be fully costed including volunteers' time (some of which is quite specialist) and if paid at only the level of an average wage of around £500 per week or £12.50 per hour, then the value to the UK would be around £1.9bn. And, if the use of facilities and direct financial contribution were to be added in, the total value is estimated to be £2.5bn per annum.

The reports suggested that the increase in provision of these services by churches is founded on their desire to serve their local communities and their compassion and awareness of local needs. Fundamentally they concluded that churches deliver social action because the Bible calls them to do so and it is a practical way of demonstrating God's love and blessing towards others.

But within a community a church itself also benefits from the skills, talents, financial resources and professional input of church members and its local people.

Church Tower Renovation Completed



As many people from around the parish will have noticed, the scaffolding went up, the work to repair the church tower was completed and the scaffolding came down... all in time for the Easter church services and the weddings.

The work included new timber louvres to the bell tower, damaged stonework was cut out and replaced, sandstone repointed and lead work repaired. All of this could not have been achieved without the support and generosity of church members together with a financial input from 'The Friends of St Nicholas' Church' towards the total cost of some £24,000.

*For many people in Burton and Puddington as well as outlying areas, the church plays an important part within society and the local community. As a consequence the preservation of the church building is essential in ensuring that village life can continue. **Thank You!***

THE VICAR WRITES



On the wall of my office is the verse from Proverbs 3 that friends gave to me many years ago. It's a Bible verse that has

stood the test of time as one of my favourites for two reasons.

Firstly, it reminds me that life isn't all about me and secondly that when we follow God's ways and live as He calls us to live, life is so much more purposeful and free.

'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight.'

It challenges me about where or in whom do I put my trust? In myself, someone else? Or in the Creator of heaven and earth who loved me enough to die on a cross for me? Do I just do whatever I feel like and listen to my own understanding? Or do I seek to live by God's ways?

If I choose the former I know full well my natural desire to have an easy life will kick in and I'll choose not to do the harder thing of serving, caring, forgiving or loving when it's hard.

Rev. Cathy Helm



To follow Jesus doesn't mean it will always be easy, but it does mean your companion through the journey of life is one who will always love you, be there for you and guide you gently and help you through those difficult times. I came across this amazing quote from Joel Mason who wrote:

'God is not a piece of furniture in our personal metaphysical world, a sofa that we can move around at will to suit our sensibilities. We cannot control Him; the art of following is the opposite of control. He is all in all, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit; He is the journey and the journey's end.'

Do I want to follow a God who can be controlled? Or the God I know I can rely on not to be swayed by the latest trends or by my latest whim, but is consistent in love, mercy, grace and forgiveness.

There may be times I wish I could control Him but what a disaster that would be for everyone else! It is counter intuitive to submit yourself to the will of another, but that's what following Jesus involves.

If I was abseiling down the side of a mountain I would happily submit the control of my descent to the more knowledgeable and experienced instructor, trusting they had my safety and future in their hands.



Proverbs 3:5,6 helps to remind me that it is God Almighty who has my best interests and future in his hands and that gives me confidence and assurance. In a rapidly changing world, that makes sense to me.

Cathy

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Our first Confirmation service for three years was held

on Sunday 29 April led by Bishop Keith Sinclair, the Bishop of Birkenhead.

It was lovely to see our candidates as they confirmed their baptism promises and made a stand for their faith in God, receiving God's assurance of being with them as they continue through life and all that it brings.

'Thank You' to those who came along to celebrate with them, and for the donations of cakes for refreshments after the service.



Many A Ship

*Many a ship has sailed from port to port
With no interference from Me,
because Strong Will has been at the wheel.
Multitudes of pleasure cruises*

*Go merrily on their ways,
Untouched by the power of My hand.*

*But you have put your life into My keeping,
And because you are
Depending on Me for guidance and direction,
I shall give it.*

*Move on steadily,
And know the waters that carry you
Are the waters of My love and My kindness,
And I will keep you on the right course.*

Frances J. Roberts

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

At the recent Annual Parochial Church Meeting of St Nicholas' Church which was held in April it was wonderful to welcome **Gian Abbott** as the new Churchwarden to work alongside **Nigel Griffiths** who is now beginning his third year in post.



Gian Abbott

A huge '**Thank You**' must also go to **Ruth Chesworth** who has finally retired from Churchwarden duties after doing an amazing job over the last year - and during all her many previous years as warden! We are so grateful to her for her commitment, care and dedication.

Thanks too go to **John Church** who is standing down as PCC secretary. Again he has done an incredible job which has been very much appreciated by everyone.

BISHOP WILSON SCHOOL



Bishop Wilson Church of England Primary
"The Joy of The Lord is your strength" Nehemiah 8:10



We have had a very busy time at Bishop Wilson Primary School in Burton recently.

All of our classes visited church before the Easter holiday to take part in activities related to the Easter story.



We had craft activities and Cathy the Vicar talked about The Last Supper and what it would really have been like.



We also made hand prints on a cross which are now on display in school.

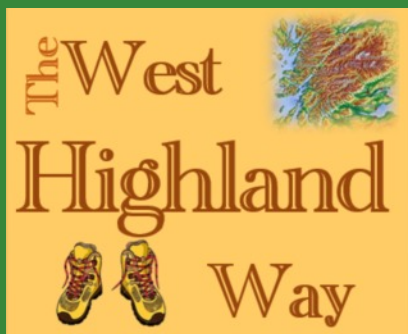


After the Easter holiday all of our classes visited the RSPB to look at the birds in preparation for an art project. We were able to make really good use of 15 pairs of binoculars that were very kindly



donated by one of our families. We are very grateful to them and are planning to use them again in future visits soon. Some of us were lucky enough to see lizards sitting on a fence. Others were lucky enough to see a Great Egret and an Avocet. Many of the visitors who were there were delighted to see children being encouraged to make the most of the Burton Mere site; some even let us look through their powerful telescopes and binoculars.

The weather was not particularly kind to us, but we still managed to have a good time especially Robins class who splashed in the puddles and squelched in the mud.



Sponsorship in aid of Vestry Improvements & Meeting Room

In July Linda Jones will be embarking on a sponsored walk along the West Highland Way in Scotland. The walk is 96 miles long starting from Milngavie just north of Glasgow and finishing about a week later in the Scottish Highlands at Fort William.

Later this year St Nicholas' Church hopes to be able to complete the refurbishment of the existing vestry area to create a much needed Vestry Meeting Room with its own small kitchen and independent heating system. This will help facilitate the Youth Church activities, enable meetings to be held, offer space for refreshments to be prepared, and allow the Vicar, Churchwardens and others to meet without the necessity to heat the whole of the church. It will be a great benefit to the efficiency and usefulness of the church. The overall cost is likely to be around £30,000.

As part of the refurbishment appeal, all funds raised by Linda Jones through this sponsorship will be donated to the project. So, from 20p a mile to £1 a mile or simply a straightforward donation, every pound raised will help...*every step of the way!*

A sponsorship sign-up form is available at the back of church.



VESTRY IMPROVEMENTS & MEETING ROOM APPEAL

Plans are afoot to provide much needed additional space to hold small meetings and to improve the area of the Vestry to make it more efficient and usable.

In conjunction with church architect Steve Quicke proposals have been drawn up to make the area of the Vestry more economically usable and more efficient. Approval of the scheme is expected from Chester Diocese and it is hoped that the work can be completed by late Autumn.

In essence, the scheme for a revamped Vestry and Meeting Room will provide a revised layout of the room, better insulation, a small kitchen area, independent heating, efficient storage and space to hold small meetings. It will provide facilities for 'Sunday School' to meet as well as space to hold small meetings without the necessity to heat the whole of the church.

Along with donations, sponsorship and offers of support the PCC has already received pledges of around £5,000 towards the likely overall cost of circa £30,000.

In the coming months there will be opportunities for church members, Friends of St Nicholas' Church and others to become involved in the Appeal. If you would like to help raise the necessary funds you may do so either by cheque or direct donation to:

Barclays Bank Ellesmere Port
Account St Nicholas' Church Burton
Sort Code 20 - 29 - 50
A/c Number 207736 38

'Families Worldwide' is a Mothers' Union publication which comes out twice each year. It provides a short prayer for each day. Every week there is a different theme, with relevant texts and quotations. Running parallel with this, we focus on our members in various countries around the world and are given brief background information and pictures on the particular country for the week. At the beginning of June, the theme is 'Peace and Reconciliation' and one day's prayer reads:

***'We pray for areas of your world
where warring factions hold sway.
May those caught up in these
situations be upheld by your constant
and faithful presence'.***

LOOKING BACK

At our April meeting we held a 'Members' Afternoon' and we each shared a memory of a wedding we had attended. We heard about a Corfu wedding, a Catholic wedding, members' own weddings and some members brought pictures for us to see. Ann Rudd brought along her mother's beautiful wedding dress, accompanied by pictures of her mother wearing the dress.

LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday, 21 June at 2.00pm.

A Strawberry Tea at 'Leawood', Mudhouse Lane, by kind invitation of Valerie Lyon. If wet, the afternoon will be held in the Sports and Social Club.

Saturday, 30 June at 9.30pm.

Mothers' Union Diocesan Council at Hartford.

Wednesday, 4 July at 2.00pm.

A Deanery Rainbow Fair at St. Thomas, Ellesmere Port. Our branch is asked to provide yellow items for sale on the stall.

Wednesday, 11 July at 2.00pm.

We are invited to visit our Prayer Partners at St. Michael's, Pensby.

There will be no meeting in August.

THE FRIENDS



'Thank You'...

...to all those who contributed some £7,239 in 2017, the first year of *The Friends of St Nicholas' Church*, funds which helped considerably towards the £24,000 cost of the recent restoration of the Church Tower which was completed in April.

"The Friends" are extremely grateful to all those who kindly gave of their time, money and talents to enable the various events to take place. From everyone's standpoint it is good to see tangible and concrete results (or perhaps sandstone) of all our endeavours.

It is immensely pleasing as we look skyward towards the tower and focus on our uniquely one handed clock, to appreciate what can be achieved through the efforts of our church members and the local community.



Robin Cowan

Chairman



Friends of St Nicholas' Church

Invitation

Black Tie Bring & Share Ball

Gladstone Village Hall

Saturday 30 June - 7.30pm Carriages at 11.00pm



Music by

'THE 40 THIEVES'

*Please bring a starter, main course or a pudding
for four people - bar available*

TICKETS £20

Contact:

Robin Cowan ☎0151 306 4587

Cathy Helm ☎07471 890 827

PARISH FINANCE

Extract from the 2017 Annual Report and Accounts presented to the St Nicholas' Church Annual Parochial Church Meeting in April.

The PCC wishes to place on record its grateful thanks to all those who support the church financially and in particular those who give regularly to the church through planned giving, those who support the church building and churchyard through the Friends of St Nicholas' Church, those who have made single sum donations and those who attend fund-raising events.

The surplus of income over expenditure for the year was £36,153. However, during the year the PCC received special donations totalling £21,021. Without this additional income, together with the reduction in Parish Share by £6,363 and a reduction in Outward Giving of £7,337 (compared with 2016), the accounts of the PCC would show only a small surplus of £1,432. Also, an additional source of income in the year has been donations from The Friends of St Nicholas Church.

The most significant item of expenditure for the church is the contribution of £50,114 made to Chester Diocese i.e. the 'Parish Share' for ministry (the Vicar) and related costs. The amount paid to the Diocese in 2017 was reduced in 2017 compared with 2016 (£56,477) due to a reapportionment of shared costs between Burton and Shotwick and the PCC's decision to contribute to the Diocese at a reduced rate.



Your Parish Magazine...

The readership and support of local people for the St Nicholas' Church Parish Magazine is much appreciated.

We believe the magazine serves an important purpose within the local community. Six full-colour issues per year are distributed to households in Burton, Puddington and beyond. Including direct costs and other resources it costs approximately £8 per annum per household to provide the Parish Magazine. We very much value your support and ask if you would be willing to contribute towards our overall expenses.



If you would like to make a small contribution towards out costs, kindly place your donation in the envelope that accompanies this magazine and return it to St Nicholas' Church,

Thank you.

St Nicholas' Church PCC



Hardy Perennials is a lunchtime meeting for ladies who live largely independently.

Along with friends they meet most months at Pollard's Inn in Willaston for lunch (two courses plus coffee for £13) and to share each other's company

Next lunch dates are:

Monday - 11 June
 Monday - 30 July
 Monday - 10 September
 Monday - 29 October
 Monday - 10 December



If you normally attend Hardy Perennial lunches and would like to bring a friend, please feel free to do so.

Booking essential 12.30pm for 1.00pm

☎ Vivienne 336 7435

☎ Linda 336 5017



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH SHOTWICK



Saturday 15 July

Strawberry Tea in the Vicarage Garden - 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

Thursday 13 September 7.30pm

A 'Talk' by Roger Ellison "My journey into photography". At this talk we will also be launching the sale of the 2019 St Michael's Church Calendar.

PAWS FOR THOUGHT



A 'Pet Service' was held at St Michael's Church, Shotwick on Sunday 13 May attended by church members from both Burton and Shotwick, as well as people from the local community.

It was a gloriously warm Spring morning which enabled the service to be held in the open air outside St Michael's



ancient church porch. Amongst the congregation were dogs and a cat and two horses. It was quite a gathering for the Vicar, Cathy Helm, to contend with. Nevertheless, with the bit between her teeth, the congregation was rounded up and brought under control for the singing of the

first hymn - All Things Bright and Beautiful, All Creatures Great and Small.



All the animals and their owners behaved impeccably throughout the service, including during the sermon which was just as well.

Amongst the congregation was PCSO Linda Conway from Neston Police Station. She was on hand to 'follow up a few leads' and to 'rein in' the crowd!



The reading was from Genesis 1 : 24-31 and prayers of thanks were offered for the beauty and joy provided by all creatures, great and small.

What's happening

Church Services

June

- 3 First Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Family Worship
6:30 pm Evensong
- 6 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 10 Second Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Morning Worship
- 13 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 17 Third Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Family Communion
- 20 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 24 Fourth Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Morning Worship
- 27 10:15 am Holy Communion



June

Diary Dates



11th

Hardy Perennials Lunch

16th

Messy Church Gladstone Hall

20th

Bible Book Club

21st

Mothers' Union Strawberry Tea

24th

Supper on the Green Puddington

30th

'Friends' Black Tie Ball



July

Diary Dates



4th

Mothers' Union Rainbow Fair

11th

Mothers' Union Outing Prestbury

14th

St Michael's visit to RSPB

18th

Bible Book Club

21st

Messy Church Film Night

30th

Hardy Perennials Lunch

Church Services

July

- 1 Fifth Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Family Worship
6:30 pm Evensong
- 4 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 8 Sixth Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Morning Worship
- 11 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 15 Seventh Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Family Communion
- 18 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 22 Eighth Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Morning Worship
- 25 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 29 Ninth Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Morning Worship

August

- 1 10:15 am Holy Communion
- 5 Tenth Sunday after Trinity
8:45 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Family Worship
6:30 pm Evensong

FATHERS' DAY

Sunday 13 June

A Poem for Fathers' Day

As We Look Back

(Anon)

*As we look back over time,
we find ourselves wondering
Did we remember to thank you enough
for all you have done for us?*

*For all the times you were by our sides
to help and support
us*

*To celebrate our
successes,
to understand our
problems and accept
our defeats?*

*Or for teaching us by
your example,
the value of hard work, good judgment,
Courage and integrity?*

*We wonder if we ever thanked you
for the sacrifices you made,
to let us have the very best.*

*And for the simple things like laughter,
smiles and times we shared?*

*If we have forgotten to show our gratitude
enough for all the things you did,
we're thanking you now.*



A PRAYER FOR FATHERS

God our Father,
We give you
thanks and
praise for fathers
young and old

We pray for
young fathers,
newly embracing
their vocation;
may they find the courage and
perseverance to balance work, family
and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own fathers, who
have supported and challenged us;
may they continue to lead in strong
and gentle ways

We remember the fathers around the
world whose children are lost or
suffering; may they know that the
God of compassion walks with them
in their sorrow.

We pray for the men who are not
fathers but still mentor and guide us
with fatherly love and advice.

We remember fathers, grandfathers
and great grandfathers who are no
longer with us, but who live forever
in our memory and nourish us with
their love.

Amen



HYMN STORIES

Take My Life and Let it Be

*Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.*

*Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.*

*Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.*

*Take my will, and make it Thine;
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart; it is Thine own;
It shall be Thy royal throne.*

*Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee*

Frances Ridley Havergal



Frances Ridley Havergal was a Christian devotional writer, poetess, hymn writer and musician who was born December 14, 1836, into a cultured, religious family at Astley, Worcestershire, England. She was the youngest child of William Henry Havergal, a Church of England minister and noted poet and church musician who authored about 100 hymns.

At the age of 3 Frances Havergal could read; at the age of 4, she began reading and memorizing the Bible; at 7 she began writing verse. When she was eleven, her mother died after a long period of suffering.

Educated at home and in private schools in Worcester in England, and in Dusseldorf, Germany (1852-53), her scholastic achievements included proficiency in several modern languages, in addition to Latin, Greek, and Hebrew.

Frances Havergal had a thorough training in linguistics and music and was also a pianist and singer. She was also a devoted Bible student, memorising the New Testament as well as the Psalms, Isaiah, and the Minor Prophets.

Her hymn of consecration, '*Take My Life and Let It Be*' was written by Frances Havergal in 1874.

SUMMER SPECTACLES AT BURTON MERE WETLANDS

After a brief glimpse of promise in mid-April, the weather still hadn't quite reached its anticipated spring feel but sunny days with plenty of opportunities to venture outdoors have now arrived..

The unsettled weather has undoubtedly held back nature's timetable; the bluebells were a good week later to bloom than the past couple of years, resident birds were later to nest and the arrival of spring migrants such as warblers, swallows and martins was notably slow.

Despite that, the bluebells were as spectacular as ever and we've seen a record number of avocets settle on the wetlands, with a whopping 155 the current highest count, well up on last year's 121. At the time of writing, it is too early to say how many pairs have nested, but we will soon have a good feel for the number of nests, and many of the chicks will have hatched and be probing around the shallow waters for food, with parents close by keeping a keen eye to fend off any lurking predators overhead.

A short walk along the main nature trail will bring you to the bustling colony of herons and little egrets in the treetops of Marsh Covert woodland. We're currently trying to determine whether we have the rarer cattle egret nesting again. There is at least one bird around but it is often difficult to see exactly what is happening amongst the branches and leaves.

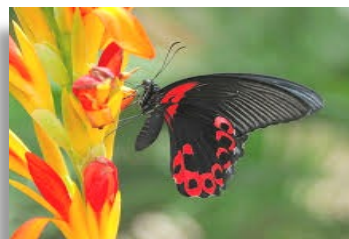
Warmer weather will drive the emergence of much of the non-bird wildlife that calls Burton Mere Wetlands home; butterflies, dragonflies and damselflies will soon decorate the paths and pools with colour, along with the magnificent orchids which thrive across the wet ground.



Bluebells



Cattle Egret



Butterfly



Orchids & wildflowers



Kingfisher



Burton Mere Visitors Centre



For those who like flowers, we have an Orchids and Wildflowers guided walk on Wednesday 20 June, to gain expert knowledge during a gentle stroll around the reserve's trails. Or, if you prefer more general insight into the reserve and its inhabitants, our Wildlife Wanders focus on everything from the history to the future plans, plus pointing out anything that shows its face that day. Four of these walks are planned for June and July; see our website for dates and details.

One recent exciting development is the opening of the mature garden at the rear of Burton Mere House, making a short but picturesque extension to the visitor paths and a peaceful spot to sit and relax or enjoy a picnic. We will be gradually improving the garden to demonstrate how we can all give nature a home where we live through the way we manage our own garden or outdoor space.

Speaking of the house, in mid-April we welcomed our first residential volunteers, Alice and Gwen, who will be with us for six months gaining all-round experience of the reserve operation with a view to setting them up well for a career in nature conservation. Be sure to give them a warm welcome if you see them next time you're down here.

For further details on any of the reserve activity and events please get in touch:

📍 rspb.org.uk/burtonmerewetlands
☎ 0151 353 2720

YOUTH CHURCH AT BURTON

LITTLE STARS

Praise and playtime for babies, toddlers and pre-school children with their mums, dads, grandparents or carers.



Mondays 1.00pm - 3.00pm during term time.

*June dates:
4th, 11th, 18th, 25th*

*July dates:
2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd*

August: no Little Stars

*Contact Amanda Ankers
☎ 336 3998*

TBY GROUP

TBY is The Burton Youth Group for children aged 11 onwards.



Held on Sundays at the Vicarage between 7.00pm and 8.30pm.

*June dates:
10th, 17th, 24th*

*July dates:
1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd*

August: no TBY

*Contact Cathy Helm
☎ 07471 890 827*

HOLY COMMUNION *with* Soup & Sandwich Lunch

Burton Sports & Social Club

Monday 4 June at 11.30am

Monday 2 July at 11.30am

Monday 6 August 11.30am

Contact

Basil Keys ☎ 936 1403

Jen Williams ☎ 328 1006



Theme for 2018

'People Who Met Jesus'



Saturday 16 June
at Gladstone Village Hall
4.00pm to 6.00pm

'The Wedding Guests'

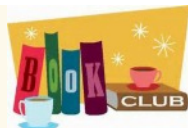
Saturday 21 July
in Church
3.00pm to 5.00pm

'Big Film Night'



BIBLE BOOK CLUB

**Wednesdays
20 June & 18 July
8.00pm at The Vicarage**



Anyone can come along and join in and learn more about the Bible and its relevance today.

Cathy Helm ☎ 07471 890 827

FLORI BUNDA

PLANTING TIME LEADS TO SUMMER

With the recent mini heat-wave the garden exploded with colour. Daffodils followed by muscari, tulips, violets and the beautiful forget-me-not flowers.

New lavender bushes have been planted in the small border and a new rosemary bush has been planted to replace the established one which was caught by frost.



Of course, the greenhouse has been a hive of activity and space was at a premium as the sweet peas were slow to germinate and hardened off. Broad beans, Larkspur and one variety of sweet peas failed to germinate.



The rhododendrons are about to burst into bloom as well as lilacs. The ceanothus (Californian Lilac) is not growing on too well. Unfortunately ground elder in the small shrubbery is again causing problems and has to be pulled out by the long roots.

The many tubs and pots have been cleared of their bulbs, washed and filled with compost to await the planting up of annuals.

Many birds have visited the garden and great and blue tits have inspected the two bird boxes. Will they decide to take out a tenancy? A pair of robins are very aggressive and have taken a great dislike to the sparrows!



Tasks to be getting on with...

- *Dead head daffodils*
- *Dead head roses*
- *Continue weeding*

Remember to water...

Watering is essential as the weather warms up. Give your garden a big drink once or twice a week to draw plant roots deeper into the nutritious soil. Containers and hanging baskets will need watering once a day – perhaps twice a day if it is hot and windy. For larger shrubs and trees, leave a hose dribbling around the base for an hour.

So, relax and admire the garden - weather permitting!

Good Gardening

Flori Bunda

From the Registers

Baptism & Confirmation

- 29 April - Jill Dermott
- Rachael Woodward



Confirmation

- 29 April - Molly Ankers
- Emma Beddard
- Christopher Curnow
- Lisa Curnow
- Christopher Chapman
- Paige Prescott-Gee

Funerals

- 18 April - Peter Thompson
20 April - Mark Wright
(Interment of Ashes)
20 April - Norman Sherratt
27 April - Derek Pritchard
30 April - Evelyn Griffiths
4 May - Clara Fyfe
10 May - John Emmett
15 May - Sylvia Edwardson



GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS

The Good Friday 'Walk of Witness' brought together church members from St Michael's Church in Shotwick and St Nicholas' Church in Burton to make the walk between the two parishes signifying the walk that Jesus made on the journey to Calvary .

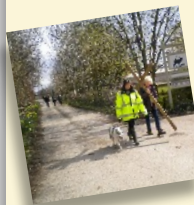


After a short service in Shotwick the party set off across the fields to



Puddington and then along the lane to Burton.

On arrival refreshments were served at St Nicholas' Church followed by a short service.



13 August
Coffee Morning in Church

29 September
Organ Recital in Church

6 October
Quiz Night & Fish 'n' Chip Supper
Burton Sports Club

13 October
Wine Tasting & Dinner
Gladstone Village Hall



COMMUNITY



BURTON CRICKET CLUB

The new Burton and Puddington cricket season started in the first week of May and goes through to the end of September.



We have three teams – a midweek league side and two teams that play friendly matches on Sunday afternoons and on Thursday

evenings. In total we have about 50 games this season and we would welcome more players (of any age or standard).



If you are interested contact:
Kevin Jackson

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Fixtures

Sun 3rd Jun	Burton vs Spasmodics	Home
Sun 10th Jun	Cheshire County Officers vs Burton	Away
Sun 17th Jun	Burton vs South Liverpool	Home
Sun 1st Jul	Burton vs Tranmere Vics	Home
Sun 8th Jul	Burton vs Windsor Wesleyans	Home
Sun 15th Jul	Burton vs Borders Agency	Home
Sun 22nd Jul	Nant Clwyd vs Burton	Away
Sun 29th Jul	Burton vs Chemical Pathology	Home
Sun 5th Aug	Frodsham vs Burton	Away

Gladstone Village Hall



New Booking Secretary

There is a new contact for bookings at Gladstone Village Hall - *Nicky Dorman*.

Connie Draper will continue as a Committee Member and will organise wedding events at the Hall. Contact her:

☎ 336 3679

For all other regular and ad hoc events including parties and general enquiries please contact Nicky Dorman:

☎ 07731 324 630

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LIBRARY

Cheshire West Mobile Library will be at Car Park at Gladstone Village Hall from 11.30am to 12.25pm and on the Village Green in Puddington from 11.00am until 11.20am on the following dates:

1 June

26 June

13 July

3 August

24 August

14 September



PUDDINGTON VILLAGE



*Our Summer Soirée
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is on Sunday 24 June
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All Welcome

Thank You...

*To all those who helped tidy up the Village
Green as well as other areas around the
Village.*



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Home Watch alerts and related information
from around the parish, please email us at
puddingtonvillage@hotmail.com to confirm
you permission.*



Thank you

Tickets

Adult £10

Children (Under 10) £3

*For tickets please contact me on 336 2288
or any Puddington Society Committee
Member. Tickets must be booked in
advance and no later than Monday 18 June.*

Hazel

Hazel Huxley, Chair
The Puddington Society



CHARITY SUPPORT

GIFT Café - Puddington

GIFT Café is part of Retain Wellbeing CIC and is a 'not for profit' organisation. GIFT operates a number of social enterprise cafés across Chester, Liverpool and Wirral, including its café in Chapel House Lane, Puddington - open seven days a week.



What is GIFT

GIFT stands for *Getting Involved and Finding Talents*. By eating or drinking in our cafés, you'll be supporting your local café, local jobs and our local GIFT Network tackling social isolation.

Each of the GIFT Cafés play a role within its local community to provide a safe and welcoming environment for all of our customers. Staff are expected to become Dementia Friends and to use this information to help those who may be feeling uncomfortable or anxious by being patient and understanding. GIFT operates an open recruitment process and has the pleasure of employing people who have previously found it difficult to obtain paid employment. GIFT also offers work placements for those who are contemplating a career in catering or customer services, including those with special needs.

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7.00pm to 8.30pm. - Hatha Yoga

Also on Mondays & Thursdays
at the Burton Sports and Social
Club - Chair Yoga

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COMMUNITY & SOCIETY INFORMATION

THE BURTON SOCIETY

Is having a break!

THE PUDDINGTON SOCIETY

Sunday 24 June - *'Summer Soiree & Supper on the Green'*

6.30pm to 9.00pm - Hot Filled Jacket Potatoes, Summer Salads, Strawberries & Cream

For more information about events call Hazel Huxley on 0151 336 2288

BURTON AND NESTON HISTORY SOCIETY

Every second Thursday of each month at 8:00pm in the Gladstone Village Hall. For more information please contact Clive Edwards on 336 1190

BURTON WALKING GROUP

New members always welcome

For more information please contact John Nuttall on 336 7178

BURTON BRIDGE CLUB

Burton Bridge Club meets every Monday evening at 7.15pm
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Experienced players most welcome for duplicate bridge.

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A club for the retired or partially retired that welcomes new members
and meets monthly with an invited speaker.

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BURTON MANOR GARDENS

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