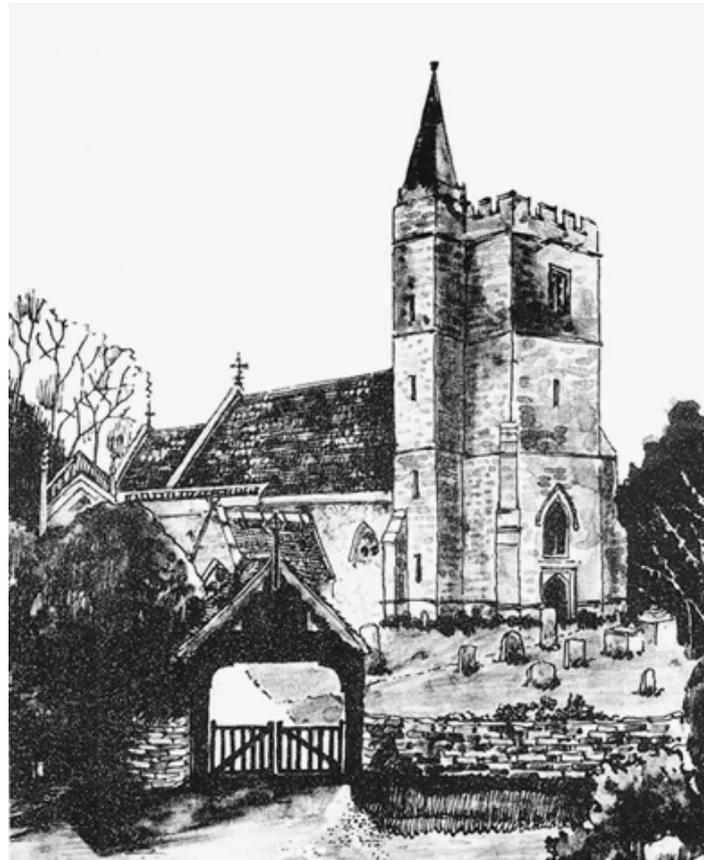


The Forerunner

*The Magazine for the Parish of
Newington Bagpath with
Kingscote*

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Service Calendar for July 2017

Sunday <i>Pentecost</i>	2nd	Kingscote Nailsworth Nailsworth Horsley Nailsworth	9.30 am 8.00 am 11.00 am 11.00 am 2.00 pm	Morning Prayer BCP Holy Communion BCP Family Service Holy Communion Baptism
Wednesday	5th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	9th	Kingscote Nailsworth Horsley	9.30 am 11.00 am 11.30 am	Holy Communion BCP Holy Communion Baptism
Wednesday	12th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	16th	Kingscote Nailsworth	9.30 am 11.00 am	Family Service Family Communion
Wednesday	19th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Thursday	20th	Horsley	3.15 pm	Messy Church
Sunday	23rd	Kingscote Nailsworth Horsley	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	Holy Communion CW Holy Communion Evensong
Wednesday	26th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	30th	Horsley	11.00 am	Joint Benefice service and Baptism

The **Next PCC Meeting** will take place on Tuesday **11 July** at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall.

Diocesan News	www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/publications www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/blog
Nailsworth Benefice	www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk
Kingscote Community	www.kingscoteonline.co.uk

Cleaning Team

The next silver and brass cleaning team meeting will be on Monday 3 July at 2.30 pm.

Teresa Day

The Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends,

There's an advert for a well-known global brand of soft drink that is usually heard around Christmas where the tag-line is 'Holidays are Coming' !

We are about to enter what is known as 'the holiday season'.

But how will we all feel ?

There will be mixed emotions for many as they await the envelope that will bring details of exam results and therefore college or university or sixth form places. Others will be mourning the end of their time at school as they move on to senior school or to work or college. Some will be beginning to anticipate leaving the security of home as they start their educational journey.

For some families, the very idea of going on holiday is simply not possible because of time constraints or lack of funds and so the long days of summer may seem like a very difficult period of life.

At the other end of the timeline we may look back on holidays past and regret that we are no longer able to travel as we did and feel trapped in our homes, not able to enjoy the sunshine (assuming we have some this year !).

The word holiday has become synonymous with 'getting away from it all' - whatever 'it' might be. But the dictionary simply talks about stopping doing something and relaxing.

In God's world, every day is a 'holy-day' - an opportunity to enjoy a gift from God. Each day is unique and will never come again. If we don't use it well, we can never go back and change it.

No matter how you spend the days of summer, try and cherish each day as a special one.

Confirmation

We have managed to secure a date for a Confirmation Service on **Sunday 10 September** at 11.00 am at St George's Church Nailsworth, when Bishop Robert of Tewkesbury is booked to come. Confirmation is a significant step as people take up for themselves the promises made for them at Baptism.

We shall be holding some group sessions for those interested to explore the Christian faith together before taking this step (all ages welcome). Those interested in being involved please get in touch on Tel. 01453 836 536 or on e-mail at:

mike.davica@sky.com

Rev.Mike Smith

Flower Rota

2 July	Annabella Lucy
9 and 16 July	Carol Burness
23 and 30 July	Tracey Pool
6 and 13 August	Irene Ingleby-Oddy

Lorna Reynolds

Coffee Morning in Aid of the Cure Parkinsons Trust

Saturday 8 July 10.30 am to 12.30 pm

At number 19 Kingscote - near the telephone kiosk

All very welcome to come and support this important activity, Sheena.

Village Hall Programme

- **Coffee Morning** - Wednesday 19 July, 10.30 to 11.30 am, coffee and cake £2, all welcome.
- **Summer Party** - Friday 7 July 7.00 to 11.00 pm. Hot meat, salads, strawberries and cream, vegetarian option but please mention when booking. Under cover if wet. Adults £8, children £4, family of four £20. Pay Bar. Our steel band are kindly offering their services.

Please order tickets in advance to confirm numbers - we must ensure that there is enough interest before we order the Hog Roast.

E-mail brianmctear@btinternet.com or Tel. 861 311

Pauline McTear

Grumbolds Ash

We were all very sad to learn of the sudden death of Joan Wagner, who was an active member for many years and was always great fun to have with us.

On Wednesday 26 July we visit the Clevedon district in North Somerset. In the morning we can visit Cadbury Camp BS20 7SE which is an old Iron Age fort above Tickenham village, with fine views. There is a pub in Tickenham but if we prefer we can drive on towards Clevedon where in the afternoon we visit Clevedon Court (NT) BS21 6QU open from 2.00 to 5.00 pm, adult non-member £8.35.

Meet at the VH at 10.00 am to share cars.

Jutta Tubbs

The Kingscote Singers

We are meeting at Angela's on Monday 3 July from 7.00 to 9.00 pm. This is an informal singing get-together. We look forward to any newcomers.

Angela Wooldridge

Book Club at 8.00 pm

- Monday 10 July - either Margaret Atwood's *Hag Seed*, or Rose Tremain's *Gustav Sonata*. at Louise's.
- Tuesday 1 August - Tracy Chevalier's *At the Edge of the Orchard* at Jane's.

Angela Wooldridge

Kingscote Parish Council

The next PC meeting will be on **Tuesday 4 July** at 8.00 pm at the Hunters Hall.

Planning Applications

- Bagpath Court Cottage - compliance with remaining conditions
- Lasborough Park - erection of ha-ha, change of use to residential, removal of estate railings and walling.
- Ashcroft Farm - construction of agricultural tracks.
- 4 The Walled Garden, Kingscote - pruning of T1 Acer, T2 Silver Birch, T3 Acer.

Planning Approvals

- Spring Cottage, Binley Farm - erection of two storey and single storey rear extension.
- Lasborough Park, Tetbury - minor changes to approved scheme for glass-house.

Potholes

The clerk to the PC can report potholes for remedial action, but the problem is so widespread and the time involved in locating and communicating a specific pothole makes this impractical. Parishioners are requested to contact the GCC contractor Amey on Tel. 08000 514 514 or e-mail on: gcchighways@amey.co.uk

Anna Davison

Free range-eggs for sale

Mrs Pat Cooksley of 2 The Windmill normally has some free-range eggs for sale at £1 for six. Best call mornings.

Mobile Post Office

The mobile Post Office parks at the Village Hall between 12.45 and 1.45 pm on Mondays and Thursdays (except on Bank Holidays). It stocks a wide range of mailing materials, and can dispatch all mail and moderate sized parcels.

It also stocks most generally used pro-forma/application forms for government services, and provides financial services for all major banks and currencies, including cheque payments as well as PO savings accounts and insurance.

Mobile Library

The next visit will be on **Friday 7 July** when the van will park in front of The Walled Garden between 10.30 am and 12 noon.

Weekly Recycling - Green food boxes and wheelie bins

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays.

Fortnightly Recycling - Black boxes, White Bags and Blue bags

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays 6 and 20 July.

Fortnightly Waste - Grey wheelie bins to landfill

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays 6 and 20 July.

Magazine

Any material which may be of interest for the next issue of the Forerunner should be sent by 20 July to H. Tubbs, 3 The Walled Garden, Tel. 860 194.

Ever Kingscote

The local historian John Smyth of North Nibley, writes of squire Kingscote of Kingscote in the early seventeenth century:

'Hee and his lineall ancestors have continued in this little manor now about 500 years, never attained or dwelling out of it elsewhere, nor the tide of his Estate higher or lower flowed or ebbd in better or worse condition; but like a fixed starre in his firmament, to have remained without motion in this his little orbe without any remarkable change.'

The Editor

Kingscote Churchyard

We have recently acquired a churchyard manual prepared and published by the national charity *Caring for God's Acre**, which is a beautiful illustrated encyclopaedia of all aspects of a rural churchyard such as ours.

It covers the management activities necessary to run a churchyard; the wildlife which can thrive there both animal and vegetable; the structures and archaeology associated with an ancient churchyard; and aspects of modern human involvement on the site.

The document is available at the back of the church and parishioners are invited to make good use of it for their own pleasure. We hope that you will find the book very interesting.

*President H R H The Prince of Wales, Patrons Sir Roy Strong, Lawrence Banks, Prof David Bellamy

The PCC

The Diocesan *Life* Project

Since her appointment, our Bishop Rachel of Gloucester has been creating, in consultation with all of the churches in the diocese, a public campaign to widen the outreach and appeal of the C of E in the parishes. Reactions amongst non-churchgoers will no doubt range between ‘about time’ and ‘just leave us alone’ !

Our vicar Mike Smith, as both the leader of the Nailsworth Benefice and head of the Stroud Deanery, is very involved and is making a big contribution.

Even if we may not use the term ourselves, we are all familiar with the expression ***Go and Get a Life***. The purpose of this initiative is to help people to find a ***Good Life***, a ***Better Life*** and hopefully the ***Best Life***.

Bishop Rachel has employed the word LIFE to build a structure for the process as follows:

- LEADERSHIP - the church getting its act together.
- IMAGINATION - the church moving beyond traditional approaches.
- FAITH - enabling those outside the church to see Christianity as a message of hope, love, freedom and security.
- ENGAGEMENT - making mission and outreach a priority, and connecting with the wider community in each parish.

Clearly this is quite a challenge for the PCC and we hope that parishioners will give it some thought in the coming weeks and months.

The PCC

Dumfries House and Estate

In the course of a holiday in the Glasgow area we visited this historic house which was saved from sale and disposal in 2007 by the last minute intervention of HRH Prince Charles. This was one of several historic houses owned by the Marquess of Bute, who had become very rich from coal and property holdings in Wales. The house and estate park have been beautifully restored and augmented, and a hospitality and catering training school has been established in conjunction with The Prince’s Trust.

We were pleased to note on the display boards recording significant donors, the names of local residents Mr and Mrs H and E Rausing.

Harry and Jutta Tubbs

Parish Directory

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- Nailsworth MU:** Trissa Jones, *Tel: 832 551*
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- Organist:** Rosemary Sims, *15 Badger's Way, Forest Green, Nailsworth, GL6 0HE Tel: 832 446*
- Sidespersons:** Harry Tubbs, Rod Tibbert, Elin Tattersall, Jane Nichols.
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- Mowing Team:** Harry Tubbs, Sebastian Cooper, Rick Bond, Roger Lucy, Ken Davies, Brian McTear, John Moore, Tony Wooldridge.
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